

PURELY PERSONAL.

T. G. Spangler was down from Elk creek this week.

W. W. Scott, of Central Point, was a visitor to Medford last Sunday.

N. R. Johnston left Monday for a brief visit with friends at Ft. Jones, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Wortman returned Monday from their outing at Colestin.

Mrs. E. J. Cole and son, Sidney, returned Sunday from their outing at Colestin.

Herb Crouch was down from Ashland Sunday for a visit with his Medford friends.

Jas. Brandenburg left Tuesday morning for Hornbrook, Calif., where he has employment in a big mine.

Robt. Roame came up from Klamath, Calif., Monday for a few days' visit with relatives and friends.

Miss Gertrude Johnston came over from Hornbrook Saturday for a visit with friends, returning Monday morning.

R. T. Rawlings and family, W. Rawlings and daughter, Miss Ella, left Tuesday for a couple of weeks' stay at Crescent City.

Jap O'Harra and family, of Tolo, were Medford visitors Saturday. While here they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Halley.

Mrs. Mattie Downs, of Cottage Grove, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Edwards, in Medford, left Monday for a visit in California.

Z. Maxcy, bookkeeper and accountant at the Jackson County bank, left last week for Oakland, Calif., where he will visit relatives for a couple of weeks.

Miss Bertha Bailey, of Sacramento, Calif., returned to her home today after a visit with her cousin, Mrs. Fred Edsall, and Miss Blanche Smith, residing near Medford.

Misses Ella and Jessie Ashby, of Esna, Calif., who have been visiting for a few weeks with A. M. DeCarlow and family, at Trail, this county, returned to their home Tuesday.

J. D. Grizzle and family and W. L. Halley and family returned Saturday from an outing at McAllister. They all visited Fish lake and the men folks made a brief journey to Mt. Pitt.

Mrs. A. Adams left Tuesday for Sisson, to be at the bedside of her daughter, who is quite ill. Mrs. Adams was last week in attendance upon her daughter, Mrs. Aaron Beck, at Eagle Point, who has also been ill.

Abe Blah and Geo. Woody returned Saturday from Fish lake, where they had been for a week's camping out. They tell us that the weather up there is far from being balmy but that there is excellent fishing in the lake.

Merchant H. E. Boyden was at Colestin for a day this week. He had figured on bottling up some of the mineral water at that place and bringing it home but when the cold spell struck he changed his notion and brought down a few chunks of mineral instead.

Fred Bligh, Art Hubbs, Nate Bates and Mate Bladen left Monday morning for a week's camping out on Evans creek. They were well provided with heavy coats and bedding and it is not generally thought they will experience inconveniences other than frosted fingers and toes.

Mrs. M. A. Davison and daughter, Miss Mary, and son, William, and Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Jackson returned this week from an outing in the Big Butte country. After another week Miss Mary will return to Klamath, Calif., where, on September 1st, she will commence school teaching.

Prof. J. M. Horton was over from Jacksonville Monday shaking hands with his several friends in this city. Mr. Horton is a very fine young man and an able educator, and his efforts in the Jacksonville school room last year were so acceptable that he has been retained for another year.

Mrs. J. C. Hall, of Medford, and Miss Sarah Maury, of Jacksonville, are at Myrtle Creek upon a three weeks' visit to relatives and friends. Miss Pearl Hall is also visiting at the same place and the three will return together. Miss Pearl, after a few weeks' stay in Medford and Central Point, will leave for Lakeview to remain permanently.

Frank Ennis, of San Francisco, is in the valley this week upon a visit to his old-time friends. Mr. Ennis in early days was a partner with Hon. T. Cameron in the ownership of the celebrated Galice creek mine, and other mining properties of Southern Oregon. Mr. Ennis and Mr. Cameron are now doing a turn at hunting and fishing on Rogue river.

Chas. Jilson was over from Hornbrook last week upon a visit to his friend, James Brandenburg and family. These gentlemen date their acquaintance forty years back when gold mining in California was in its infancy. Mr. Jilson is now employing sixty men in the operation of a big mine in California. He returned a few months ago from Alaska.

J. P. Hoagland, of Central Point, was in the city Monday with a big load of watermelons—or a load of big melons—either way goes. Mr. Hoagland has a four acre patch of melons and was the first gentleman to supply our market, the first invoice having been brought in last week. Mr. H. was the first gentleman to get in our premium subscription offer and is accordingly given four chances to win a prize.

Mrs. Biddell, wife of Capt. Biddell, and a sister of Mrs. Gordon Voorhies, left Wednesday for Manila, at which place her husband is captain in the regular army, now in operation in the Philippine islands. She was accompanied by Miss Blanche Pond, who goes as maid to Mrs. Biddell. Both these ladies have been visiting Capt. Voorhies' people at their orchard home, near Medford, for a few weeks.

Geo. E. Webber and Walter Ferguson returned last week from southeastern Oregon, where they have been for several weeks past engaged in organizing Woodmen of the World Camps. They organized camps at Lake City, Esna Creek, Merrill and Lakeview. They report fine crops, lots of stock, good prices, and money plentiful. Mr. Webber expects to leave Medford again about the first of September for Washington, where he will do more work for the Woodmen order.

Mrs. Rance Rouse was at Ashland Tuesday visiting friends.

Mrs. Whitney returned to her home on Foothill Wednesday.

Mrs. C. M. Anderson was at Ashland Wednesday upon a visit to friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fitzgerald went to Gold Hill Wednesday for a brief visit.

Capt. and Mrs. Gordon Voorhies returned Wednesday from a visit to Portland.

A. S. Wells and Joe Stone and their families returned Wednesday from their outing.

Dr. and Mrs. Jones returned Tuesday from their Pelican bay and Jenny creek outing trip.

Perry McGee returned Tuesday from Josephine County, where he has been employed for the past several months.

Mrs. A. Rostel, mother of C. B. Rostel, returned to her home at Montague Wednesday after a visit with her son.

R. B. Dow was at Ashland Tuesday having a visit with members of Company B, with whom he soldiered in the Philippines.

Z. Dabaak, of Butte creek, was in the city Tuesday with the scalps of nine wildcats and one coyote which he recently trapped.

Mrs. J. W. Odgers and daughters, Misses Grace and Hattibel, returned from Colestin Wednesday, as did also Mrs. H. E. Boyden.

Ex-County Commissioner Bradshaw was in the city yesterday upon business. Mr. Bradshaw gets two chances at our \$350 in premiums.

Mrs. D. T. Lea and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, of Foothill creek, were in Medford this week upon a visit to Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Hutchison. Mrs. Hutchison and Mrs. Lea were school chums in Indiana.

Dan' Connor, Col. Company B, Buell Hildreth, musician Company B, and privates Peter Austin and Reddell, also Company B, of Ashland, were in Medford last Saturday upon a visit to their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bodge returned Wednesday from their Pelican bay outing. Frank Wilson and E. D. Elwood and families arrived yesterday. Charlie Palm and Jeff Heard and their families will be in in about two weeks.

J. F. Kelley, our very able section foreman and genial good fellow, left last week for Paso Robles, Calif., where he goes to take treatment for the rheumatism. Mr. Kelley's many friends are hoping he will find speedy relief.

Mrs. K. E. Vale, a teacher in St. Helen's Hall, Portland, was in Medford this week upon a visit to her former pupil, Miss Aileen Webber. These two ladies, accompanied by Miss Edith Webb, paid a visit to Table Rock Tuesday.

Jas. Savage, who with his sons, is successfully mining on Rogue river, by wing damming at a point some thirty-five miles below Grants Pass, was in this city Wednesday, having been ordered before the Medford board of pension examiners.

E. Ray and A. Kyle, mining men from Gold Hill, were in the city Wednesday. Mr. Ray is negotiating the sale of his very promising quartz ledge near Gold Hill, on which he has a shaft sunk 120 feet and from which he has rich promise in gold.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Coker, of Sacramento, who have been visiting Oliver McGee and family, returned to their home on Wednesday of this week. Mr. Coker is in the employ of the Southern Pacific but was formerly a printer on the early day Monitor publication in this city. He is a brother of Mrs. McGee.

Miss Minnie Coleman, after a very pleasant year spent with relatives in eastern Nebraska, has returned to her home at Phoenix. Her trip was somewhat prolonged by visits with sisters and friends at Portland, Eugene and Grants Pass. She does not expect to teach during the coming year, having resigned her position in the schools of Neligh, Nebraska.

E. K. Anderson and his nephew, F. M. Anderson, of Talent, were in the city Wednesday. These gentlemen are very much interested in an artesian well proposition. Mr. E. K. Anderson is eager to put up \$25 in cash toward sinking the Medford brewery well down 1000 feet further if necessary and he wants to know how many more people there are in the valley who feel as he does. More will be said upon this subject in our next issue.

Dr. J. M. Keene returned Saturday from his trip to Buffalo, New York, where he went as a delegate to the National Dental Association which met in the above city in July. He reports the session a very interesting and profitable one to members of his profession. The trip was a most delightful one, he says, notwithstanding the fact that his train was delayed several hours both going and coming by burned bridges, wrecks and washouts.

L. C. Ramey, of Beagle, was in the city Saturday upon business. Mr. Ramey is one of the stalwart ranchers of that locality—and a good friend of THE MAIL. The gentleman brought in last week thirty-one head of hogs which he sold to J. W. Wiley for four cents per pound. Crops in his vicinity he reports as fine this year. Someone, Mr. Ramey states, recently stole a bridle from his place, also a punch from his machine box. He is shadowing the fellow pretty closely and has a strong notion he has him located.

Joe Ritter, who formerly owned a piece of land west of Medford, now owned by R. T. King, was in Medford last week upon a visit to old-time Medford friends. Mr. Ritter left Medford a couple of years ago for Alaska but he did not meet with the success in that region which he had hoped for, but he can console himself that he is with the majority. Mr. Ritter is a good, honest gentleman and THE MAIL regrets to learn that Dame Fortune was not with him. He left Saturday for Hornbrook where he will engage in mining.

Misses May and Blanche Merriman, and Nellie Whitmore left Sunday morning for a couple of weeks' stay at Colestin. They were accompanied by Tom Merriman, who returned Sunday evening. The weather at the time they left was not particularly congenial to camping out life—in fact it was decidedly cold even in the valley—but Miss May averred that she had arranged to go and did not propose to be daunted by the mad pranks of a miniature winter in summer time. A telegram ordering a room at Hotel Colestin with fire proceeded the above party.

ADMIRAL DEWEY REPORTED SICK.

LEGHORN, Aug. 14.—Admiral Dewey today remained on board the cruiser Olympia, which arrived here at noon yesterday from Naples, being ill with fever. The captain of the vessel received visits of officials and others in his place.

THE OLYMPIA TO BE REPAIRED.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: The navy department has practically decided to send the cruiser Olympia, upon her arrival home, to the Boston navy yard for repairs. It is understood to be the intention to give the vessel a thorough overhauling and to modernize her. It is probable the flag quarters will be removed so that Admiral Dewey will be the last flag officer to fly his flag on board her.

DID NOT CRITICIZE GEN. OTIS.

BANFF, N. W. T., Aug. 13.—Lieutenant-Commander P. St. John, of H. M. S. Peacock, who is here, can scarcely contain himself with indignation on account of his reputed criticism of General Otis and the Filipino campaign. American papers to hand containing the reported interviews at Victoria have made the commander furious. He denies the correctness of his interviews, and has, through his attorneys, demanded to be set right.

RUSSIA WANTS TO ARBITRATE.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: Ambassador Tower has notified the state department that the Russian government has agreed to arbitrate the claims of American citizens against it, growing out of the seizure of their vessels off the Siberian coast. These claims amount to \$300,000, and Russia's willingness to arbitrate them is the best evidence, state department officials say, of their validity.

FIGHT WITH WILDCATS.

The Baker City Republican tells the following story about an encounter a Bakerite had with wildcats near that city: "Just at sun-up last Sunday morning, C. W. Keizer, of this city, while out for a bicycle jaunt, encountered four belligerent wildcats in the public road at the mouth of the canyon above Dan Shaw's that were not disposed to yield the right of way without a scrap. With two determined varmints crouching in the road ahead of him, and one on each side, growing viciously while making vigorous efforts to keep pace with the wheel, the gentleman found it expedient to hastily dismount and open up with a volley of stones which happened to be plenty

ful in that vicinity. For a few minutes honors were about even until the felines evidently decided themselves outclassed and commenced to beat a reluctant retreat, whereupon a rifle was quickly unslashed and brought to bear with the result of securing one of the squad, the others being still at large in that neighborhood."

SAN MATEO TAKEN.

MANILA, Aug. 13.—A reconnaissance yesterday by troops of General S. B. M. Young's brigade, with the object of discovering the whereabouts of the enemy near San Mateo, northeast of the San Juan reservoir, about 10 miles from Manila, resulting in the occupation of San Mateo. The American loss was three killed and thirteen wounded, including a lieutenant of the Twenty-first infantry.

Twenty-three of the enemy are known to have been killed. This is the first action in which Col. Burt's colored troops have participated. They behaved well, their leader having to hold them back.

General Young accompanied Captain Parker's column, and was under fire throughout the engagement. It is estimated that the enemy numbered between 300 and 400 men.

A NEW CANADIAN RAILROAD.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—A special to the Tribune from Montreal says: The amounts voted at the session of parliament which has just closed, in aid of railway projects, aggregated over \$6,000,000. Not for fifteen years has there been so great a sum voted for such purposes. The bulk of this money goes to roads that are to form links of a new transcontinental line in opposition to the Canadian Pacific. These roads are under separate managements, and there are still large gaps between them.

Additional Local.

—Read our premium offer on last page of this paper.

—Fair premium programs will be distributed in the various stores of the valley next week.

—The now ads this week are those of Wolters & Howard, J. G. Van Dyke & Co., O. E. Gorsline & Sons and White & Jacobs, also the professional card of Attorney C. P. Snell, whose office is in the Hamlin block.

—Little George Howard was unfortunate in having his arm broken last Friday. He was playing with some other boys and fell backward and struck on a timber breaking his left arm between the wrist and elbow. Dr. Walt was called and reduced the fracture.

There are ups and downs in the Klondike as well as elsewhere, and all is not gold that glitters. Alexander McDonald, reported to be worth millions, has filed a petition in bankruptcy, with liabilities at \$6,000,000. The stories about McDonald have been very visionary. It is not best to believe too much of the Klondike stories afloat.

Dan Stoffer of Redding, was sentenced to 500 days in jail for cruelty to animals. Stoffer and a younger brother drove an old horse from French Gulch to Redding. Dan Stoffer prodded the animal brutally with a stick until the horse is a shocking sight. The sentence is the limit of the law.

George N. Deming of Redding and Thomas White and Henry F. Shirland of Igo, Shasta county, have died within the last few days. All three were pioneers of the county and well-known miners. White was at one time worth \$420,000, but died in a cabin and penniless.

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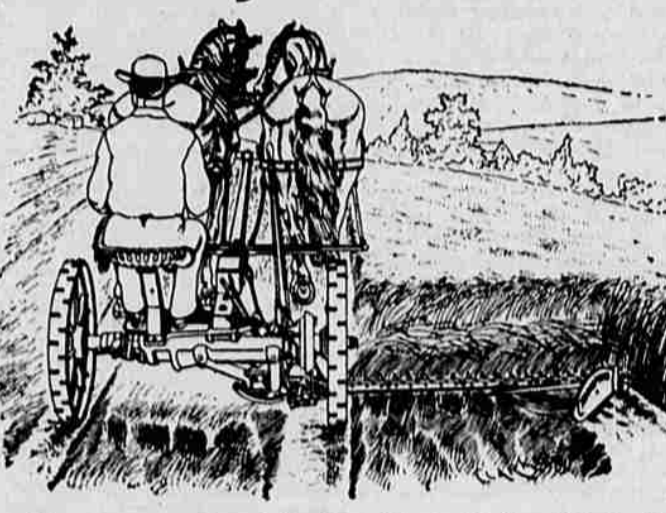
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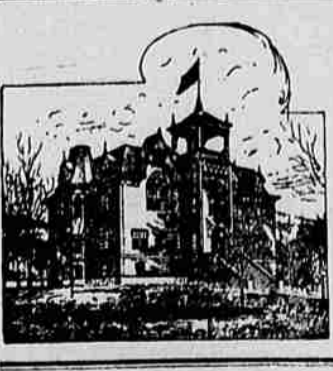
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