

OUR COUNTY . . .
Correspondents

Jacksonville News.

Grant Orme, of Woodville, transacted business here Monday.

Mrs. F. Luy, of Medford, visited relatives here during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Schmitt spent Sunday with Medford friends. Marriage license issued Jan. 23d, to A. E. Kellogg and Katie J. Parker.

Born—In Jacksonville, Jan. 22, 1900, to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lang, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Reames, of Gold Hill, were visitors here from Friday to Sunday.

Henry Applegate, of Ashland, a brother of Recorder Applegate, was a visitor here during the week.

G. S. Butler and Martin Perry are in Jacksonville in attendance at the session of the county commissioners court.

The county commissioners court convened Monday with all officers present. A large amount of business will be transacted at this session.

E. B. Hanley, who has been visiting in Jacksonville for two months, left for Portland Monday, and from there he will go to Alaska and Siberia.

Dr. Burnett, of Medford, was here Tuesday hustling a crowd to attend the concert to be given at Medford this Friday evening, by the Choral Union.

D. C. Herrin, who is the present grand master of the A. O. U. W. Lodge of Oregon, paid Madrona Lodge No. 12, D. of H., a visit last Friday evening. Quite an interesting session was held.

Postmaster Miller has a nice collection of Filipino stamps, which were seized during a fight by Max H. Miller, who will be remembered as the maker of crochet shawls during his residence in Jacksonville. He writes that he is still "killing niggers."

Talent News Items.

Miss Luna Mass, of California, is visiting relatives here.

James Helms left on the 22d for San Francisco, where he expects to remain for a couple of weeks.

Some of the young people of Talent gave Miss Ethel Badger a surprise on last Friday evening, as

she was to leave in a few days for Roseburg to reside. Those present were Misses Ola Dunlap, Clara Crosby, Catta Beeson, Rena Carlile, Messrs. Jay Terrill, Ed Dunham, Clint Dunlap, Guy Bury and Clarence Wilhalt. They report a very pleasant time. Miss Badger is a charming young lady and knows how to entertain her guests.

Miss Fannie Abbott, who has been on the sick list for some time, we are glad to say is improving.

Died—Jan. 23, 1900, Mrs. Jesse Garvin, wife of James Garvin, aged 24 years, 10 months and 2 days. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband, an infant daughter, aged 25 days, four brothers and three sisters. She was of a very cheerful disposition and was greatly beloved by all. The family has the sympathy of the entire community.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces, such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is tenfold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by druggists, price 75 cents per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Central Point Items.

Born—Jan. 23d, to Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Carson, a son.

Mrs. Wm. Cary has been quite ill the past week with lumbago.

Dr. Kirchgessner made Jacksonville a professional visit the first of the week.

S. Schmeer, representing Matschek, Haridon & Co., of Portland, spent Tuesday in our city.

Both J. W. Merritt and I. C. Robnett received large consignments of new goods this week.

Frank Mee, one of Josephine County's prominent lumber manufacturers, was here on business this week.

Edward Herriott, who is driving for the Hines livery stables at Jacksonville, spent Wednesday in town.

One of Holmes Bros. freight teams took a run of their own accord Tuesday and tore things up generally.

Dr. Hinkle has just received a large assortment of watches and jewelry, which sells at very reasonable prices.

Mrs. L. C. Rodenberger is spending the week with her brother, Robert Dean, of Grants Pass, who is lying dangerously ill.

There were fifteen of the members of Table Rock A. O. U. W. lodge went to Phoenix Saturday to help their lodge in the initiating services.

Last Monday being the anniversary of Miss Sophronia Shields' birth, there were quite a number of her friends gathered and gave her a surprise. A very enjoyable time was had by all present. Songs and games of different kinds made the hours pass all too quickly.

At the G. A. R. hall last Saturday the officers of W. H. Harrison Post and the Women's Relief Corps were publicly installed by Past Commander W. H. Patrick. The installation services were held in the forenoon, after which the annual dinner was spread, and the afternoon was spent in music and songs, and extending a general welcome to all. The officers of the Post were printed in a former issue of the MAIL. The following are the officers of the Corps: President, Mary A. Mee; S. V. P., Mrs. Elliott; J. V. P., Mrs. Rodgers; S. Mrs. Edna Robnett; T. Mrs. Wright; C. Mrs. Purkeypille; C. Mrs. Lee; G. Mrs. Wells; A. C. Laura Cox; A. G. Mrs. Gibson; color bearers, Misses Cora and Alta Rodgers, Mrs. Beal, Mrs. Gregory.

Beagle Items.

Sam Richardson, of Medford, is visiting his parents of this place.

Israel Harris was transacting business in Medford and Jacksonville a couple of days last week.

James Amick, who has been employed in the mines near Gold Hill for the past month, returned home last Sunday.

A surprise party was given the family of Mr. and Mrs. Howard, of

this place, last Friday evening. The crowd consisted mostly of Moonville people and a very pleasant time is reported.

J. M. Rodgers, last week purchased from I. Harris, what is known as the Bowman residence, near the Baptist Church at this place. Consideration \$600.

Miss Mattie Briscoe, of Trail creek, who has been employed as cook in a boarding house near Sisson, Calif., for the past year, arrived in the valley last week. She is at present visiting with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Rodgers, of this place.

Phoenix Items.

BY K. Y.

Mrs. Dollarhide, of Ashland, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. A. Rose.

Rev. Badger is conducting a series of meetings in the Lavenburg hall.

George Towne spent Saturday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Towne.

The Ladies Circle of the Woodman organized a lodge Tuesday evening, Jan. 23d.

C. C. Taylor and family spent Saturday and Sunday visiting with friends in Phoenix.

Mr. and Mrs. Grafis, of Klamath County, are here visiting Mrs. G.'s mother, Mrs. S. Furry.

Mrs. A. Miller, who has been visiting friends in Phoenix, returned to Portland on Saturday's train.

M. O'Toole and his niece, Miss Mae O'Toole, took Saturday morning's train for Ashland. Mr. O'Toole returned home Sunday morning, but Miss Mae remained to visit friends for a few days.

The young people of Phoenix gave Imogene Parker a surprise party last Thursday evening. The time was very pleasantly spent in playing games until 10:30, when refreshments were served, after which the young people returned to their homes. All report a very pleasant time.

The A. O. U. W. organized a lodge here Saturday evening, Jan. 20, 1900. The following officers were elected and installed: S. G. Van Dyke, P. M. W.; E. P. Hughes, M. W.; J. L. Garvin, F. J. E. Robbins, O.; E. E. Wilder, R.; Dr. Hargrave, F.; J. Jacobs, G.; E. Jacobs, I. W.; D. O'Toole, O. W. There were several members present from the Central Point, Jacksonville and Ashland lodges and participated in initiating the new members.

PHOENIX SCHOOL REPORT.

Report of principal of Phoenix public school ending Jan. 19, 1900.

Principal's room—Number of days taught, 19; days attended, 718; days absent, boys, 3; girls, 5; total, 8; number enrolled on register, boys, 24; girls, 17; total, 41; new pupils, boys, 5; girls, 0; total, 5; average daily attendance, 38; per cent of attendance, 87; number of visitors, 10; number of cases of corporal punishment, 0; number of pupils neither tardy nor absent, 28.

Primary room—Number of days taught, 19; days attended, 894; days absent, 56; cases of tardiness, boys, 18; girls, 5; total, 23; number enrolled on register, boys, 82; girls, 19; total, 51; new pupils, boys, 3; girls, 1; total, 4; average daily attendance, 47; per cent of attendance, 94; number of visitors, 20; number of cases of corporal punishment, 0; number of pupils neither tardy nor absent, 20.

A. J. HANBY, Principal.

Married—McEldowney-Shattuck.

Wedding bells rang out quite merrily at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Shattuck, on Griffin creek, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 17, 1900, at 8:45 p. m. The occasion was the marriage of their daughter, Elsie M., to Mr. T. A. McEldowney, of Hillsboro, Ore, Rev. W. B. Moore, of the M. E. Church, of Medford, officiating. Those present besides the members of the family, were Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith, F. F. Conover, Earl, Clarence and George Gray, Harold Smith and Misses Myra and Ruth Gray. Mr. and Mrs. McEldowney were the recipients of many beautiful gifts.

Saltin' Wheat Lands.

Under the direction of B. Campbell, traffic manager of the O. R. & N., some interesting experiments are being made by Col. R. C. Judson, industrial agent for the company. One of them is the use of salt on grain land to retain moisture.

Col. Judson, who has just returned from Blalock, Wash., in reference to his work, said to a reporter:

"Back of Blalock, extending to Rock creek and beyond, is a large area of grain land. Owing to the very heavy rainfall beginning in October and continuing up to the present time, the grain has thrived finely. The outlook for an extra good crop is favorable.

"While at the farm I arranged with a couple of farmers to test the preservation of moisture in land by the use of salt. This is no new idea. It has been tried in the east. I shall salt the fields during the different stages of the growth of the grain and keep an accurate account for publication, so that farmers desiring to use it may know how to go about it. These tests will show whether or not we can retain moisture in the ground during the ripening season. I find that in eastern Oregon the prevalent warm winds during ripening season, damage the crops.

"Mr. Campbell, under whose direction I am working, has already purchased the salt, and it is now in storage ready for use. Tests will be made not only at the point mentioned, but also in the Walls Walls and Umattilla valleys. I shall use 300 pounds of salt to the acre."

Among the Churches.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Next Sunday morning the pastor will preach on "The Masfield Ministry of the Holy Spirit." Mrs. R. C. Brooks will sing at this service if she remains over Sunday in the city. In the evening the sermon will be "Christ and the Syro-Phoenician Woman." All are cordially invited.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
Next Sunday morning sermon—The Conquering Christ. Scripture text, "Be of Good Cheer; I Have Overcome the World." Evening Sermon—Message to an Audience of One. Scripture text, "The Master is Come, and Calloeth for Thee." Hours of service: 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Advertised Letter List.

Following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed for in the Medford postoffice on Jan. 24, 1900.

Patterson, A. C. Williams, Miss Clara
A charge of one cent will be made upon delivery of each of the above letters.
Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "Advertised."

M. FURDIN, Postmaster.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

HAPPENINGS OF THE PAST FEW DAYS FROM ALL QUARTERS.

Heavy Earthquakes in New Mexico—A Kentucky Fused Caused the Death of From. near Men—John Ruskin Dead.

A message from Orizta, Mex., a station on the Sonora railroad, reports that carriers from Macoyate confirm the account of the last stand of the Yaqui Indians against the Mexican General Lorenzo Torres. Official telegrams received in Nogales place the Mexican loss in killed and wounded at 80, and a message sent over the government wires confirms the report of the killing of the Yaqui chief, Tebitabate, along with 200 of his best fighters. The 500 Indians taken prisoners will be brought into Orizta and also Father Beltran and the Josephine sister, who were rescued. Governor Torral at Hermosillo, has wired all points in Sonora to be on guard and to look out for small bands of Indians.

An earthquake shook began at Colima, Mex., at a quarter before midnight Friday and assumed serious proportions at Tenimase, many houses being badly injured and some of light construction were wrecked. There was great consternation and people rushed into the streets some barely escaping with their lives. Seven people were killed outright and 60 were wounded and being cared for by local surgeons. It was reported that the volcano had burst into eruption, but it now appears that the phenomenon was confined to subterranean manifestations.

John Preston Osborn, aged 85, one of the earliest pioneers of Arizona, and well known in the west, died at Phoenix Friday night. He was one of the explorers of the Del Rio and Verde valleys in northern Arizona when the Apaches made those fertile valleys untenable, and partly by his efforts a military post in that section was established.

A family row among residents of an Italian tenement house in New York brought about a small riot. When peace was restored three Italians were found to have been shot to death.

Richard D. Blackmore, the English novelist, is dead in London.

The remains of General Lawton, killed last December in the Philippines will reach San Francisco soon. Suitable services are to be held there when the body arrives. The burial will be at Arlington cemetery, Washington, and will be attended with full military honors.

John Ruskin, the last of the great English authors, is dead at London. He was in his 81st year.

A shocking tragedy caused by a political feud in which the lives of three prominent men were sacrificed and that of a fourth hangs by a slender thread, while two others miraculously escaped with painful injuries, occurred at Frankfort, Ky., recently. The principals in the tragedy were ex-Congressman David G. Colson of Middleboro and Lieutenant Ethelbert Scott of Somerset. Scott was shot six times by Colson, and was almost instantly killed. Luther W. Demarzo, assistant postmaster at Shelbyville, an innocent bystander, was shot three times and died instantly. Charles Julian, another bystander, was shot and died an hour later. Captain B. B. Golden of Harboursville, commonwealth's attorney of the Twenty-sixth judicial district was shot in the back and is not expected to survive. Colonel Colson was himself shot twice in the arm. Harry McEwing of Louisville was shot in the foot, and W. Ridpatch of Chicago sustained a broken leg by the lifeless form of Scott falling against him as he rolled down the stairway.

Western newspapers are asked to unite in an effort to have congress smash the paper trust by putting wood pulp and printing paper on the free list.

The building, machinery and manufactured lumber of the Taylor Lumber company at Lafayette, Ind., were totally destroyed by fire. The loss is \$47,000; insurance, \$37,000, which covers the entire plant. The lumber yard was saved.

Brigadier-General Thomas M. Anderson, U. S. A., commander of the department of the lakes, has been relieved from active duty under the regulation which requires army officers to be retired at the age of 64. Brigadier-General James F. Wade, commander of the department of the Dakotas, has been assigned to temporary command.

A gigantic deal has just closed among eastern railroads. The trunk lines have combined and will wipe out competition, cut down expenses and do away with thousands of employees.

Hannah Ingham Stetson, a well-known California actress, died suddenly in New York city a few days ago.

Captain J. W. Murphey, cashier of the Third National bank, of Columbus, Ga., shot and instantly killed Teller P. T. Bohulse and then committed suicide. The murder and suicide occurred while the bank was full of customers and the full corps of clerks. Captain Murphey who did the shooting was one of the most prominent business men of the city for a number of years, but recently he had been in ill-health and had suffered two strokes of paralysis. It is believed he was temporary insane.

Paris is wild with excitement over the financial collapse of Count Boni de Castellane, who has been making such reckless plunges into society and political life with the Gould millions brought him by his wife from America. The announcement was made a few days ago that Castellane is enormously involved on the Bourse by stock speculation and has lost everything. This was followed by the discovery that Castellane and his wife sailed secretly for New York. He hopes to secure another large sack of the Gould wealth.

A PATIENT CONVICT.

HOW HE EFFECTED HIS ESCAPE FROM PORTLAND JAIL.

The Only Prisoner Who Ever Managed to Get Out of the Great English Prison Tells How He Accomplished the Difficult Feat.

William Bartlett, a well known English burglar, is the only man who ever effected his escape from Portland prison, an escape which is the original of that described in Hawley Smart's novel, "Broken Bounds." Bartlett told the story of his escape to a reporter as follows:

"The correct details of my escape have never been told," he said. "I'll tell you what actually happened. In 1868 I received a sentence of ten years' penal servitude. From Pentonville I was taken to Portland. It was awful. I made up my mind to escape—a feat never before accomplished. One day I managed to pick up a small piece of hoop iron. That seemed like a godsend. Every time I had the chance I took that iron hoop with me, and worked like a nigger to make it into a saw. I did it in fear and trembling, for the slightest sound would have betrayed me. A stroke of luck awaited me. I found a convict who had got a little bit of a file. He had no ambition and said the file was no good to him. I gave him my dinner for it, and with the file I was able to complete the saw. Then I managed, by working stealthily every evening after I had been locked up for the night, to saw through the wood flooring of my cell. Every night I had to replace the boards, so that the warders should not see what I had done. Then an awful disappointment awaited me. The space beneath my cell was lined with sheet iron; but, nothing daunted, I eventually got through that. Then I got into an airshaft, and after three months' hard work saw my way clear to liberty.

"At last the opportunity came. It was a dark night, and all was still. With my sheets I had made a rope, and, as luck would have it, I had picked up a piece of wood, called a 'dog,' with iron hooks at each end. I put my stool underneath the quilt, to look as much like my body as possible in case the warders should look in, and then went down the passage it had taken me three months' hard labor to make. After lifting an iron grating I found myself in the open air and managed to throw the hooks on my linen ladder over a wall. By this means I got on to the roof of the officers' quarters. There was no one about, and the only sound I could hear was that made by my beating heart. From the roof I had to jump on to the boundary wall, about 10 or 12 feet distant. I dare say it was a bold leap, but you don't stick at trifles when you are escaping from Portland. I made the leap and was successful in reaching the boundary wall. Then I got to the ground by means of my linen ladder.

"Unfortunately the hooks were so secure that I had to leave the ladder where it was, and if it had not been for that I might have been in London in three or four days. As it was, I had an awful experience. While making a desperate tug at the ladder I heard footsteps approaching, and I rushed into the garden of the grove public house. I turned round and saw a guard looking at the ladder. A few minutes afterward shots were fired, and a bell was rung. My escape had been discovered. Guards were running by in all directions; but, unperceived, I got through the window of the Roman Catholic chapel and concealed myself beneath the communion table, which proved to be something very much like a box. I could hear the sound of hurrying footsteps all night, but no one came into the chapel until the next morning, when service was held there.

"It was not a pleasant position to be in, I can assure you. A sneeze or a cough would have betrayed me, but fortunately all went well. But I got very hungry. So at the end of about 33 hours I stole out and broke into the Clifton hotel. I there found some bread and meat, cheese and tobacco. What was of more consequence, I was able to steal a hat and some clothes. With the clothing and the food—the sweetest food I ever tasted—I returned to my hiding place in the chapel. Out of a black coat I made a pair of trousers, and put on another of the stolen coats, which happened to be made of velvet. The food I divided into six portions, and for six days I was concealed beneath that communion table. There were frequent services, and, what was still worse, the priest used to come in at night for private devotions.

"At last I had more than enough of it and broke into the priest's house with the object of obtaining some money. I could find none, however. There was some silver plate, but that was of no use to me. I obtained a white stole, however, and with that made something resembling a shirt. Feeling now fairly confident as to my appearance, I walked down the road and saw a milkman, who I afterward found gave information about me. At a little place 19 miles from Portland I concealed myself in a field. Two men came in blackberrying, and I had to get out. They asked me where I was going. I said to Blandford.

"They volunteered to show me the way, but we had not gone very far before we met two police inspectors. They asked me to go into a public house and give an account of myself. They were particularly anxious to know if I had a mark on my right arm. Seeing the game was almost up, I tried to dash through the public house, but it was no good, and I was collared. I was afterward sentenced to eight years' penal servitude for the burglary at the Clifton hotel."—London Telegraph.

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