# OUR COUNTY ... Correspondents

Ragie Point Englets.

BY A. C. HOWLETT. We had the pleasure of the company of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Friend on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Bradney and daughter, Miss Inez, were pleasant callers on your correspondent and family last Sunday.

Elder J. C. Cole is holding protracted meetings here. The attendance is good, but as yet there have been no conversions.

Miss Bessie Brown returned from Central Point the first of last week, after a visit of about two weeks with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Holmes.

Our daughter, Mrs. C. E. Hoyt, left Monday morning to join her husband at Parker's Station. She was accompanied by Mrs. R. L. Friend.

One room of our school will close this week-that of Prof. Jonas; but as Prof. Haselton lost four days on account of sickness, his room will not close until next week.

Our stock men are jubilant over the extremely mild winter. Some of them claim that cattle in the foothills would make good beef now, although they have not been fed at all during the winter.

Charlie Thomas came in recently from Klamath County, to visit his mother and aunt. He says the roads are in good condition for this time of the year, and that stock is doing well in that section of the -country.

Our school board met some time ago and decided to levy a tax of merry whistle of the plow boys can eleven mills, to pay the balance due be heard early and late. Compareleven mills, to pay the balance due be heard early and late. Compar-on the school house and to make atively speaking we have had no with rheumatism for several years and some additional improvements, winter. Grass is growing fast and have tried remedies without number, but Pain Baim is the best medicine T have other of the state and county tax, makes the evening lay down, chew their lieves the pain. For sale by Chas. for state and county tax, makes the evening, lay down, chew their lieves the pain. Strang, druggist. some of the taxpayers scratch their cuds and throw bouquets at themheads.

Last Saturday night Mr. and Mrs. George Brown gave their annual birthday party in bonor of the birthdays of the following named Providence that cast their lot in persons: J. F., Merritt and Bessie Brown and Mattie and Earl Taylor. For instance there's yourself-and Those present were Mr and Mrs R myself. G Brown, Mr and Mrs J F Brown, Mr and Mrs S B Holmes, Mr and Mrs A L Haselton and family, Mr and Mrs Wm Lewis, Mr and Mrs R L Friend, Mr and Mrs J W Grover, Mr and Mrs A C Howlett, Mrs C E Hoyt, Misses Mattie and Lottie Taylor, Bertha Wyland, Julia Ayres, Bossie Brown, Myrtle Daley. Tavie, Hattie and Agnes Howlett, Messrs Earl Taylor, Wilbert Ashpole, Irvin Pool, Ben, Joseph and John Moomaw, Frank Foster, Lee Bradshaw, Wm and Merritt Brown. At seven o'clock luncheon was served, after which tables were arranged so that those who desired could take part in a

game of progressive pedro, while Pete Stowell, of Rogue river, left the rest of us spent the time in Wednesday for Lake Flats. to social conversation. As the players cattle for T. E. Nichols. progressed in the game, the interest Mrs. W. C. Daley, of Lake Creek, became more intense, and about is in very poor health this winter, eleven o'clock R. L. Friend and being confined to her bed much of

number of our muscular young men. Lee Black had an attack of rheumatism last week, but is now able to be about again.

Al Weaver, the producer of big tubers, is hauling hay in goodly quantities from B. S. Baker's ranch. The Proudfoot lumbering plant is

preparing for a big run and will give employment to twenty-five or more working men. Henry Gordon made a brief busi-

ness trip to the Hub last week. He is making ready to sow more alfalfa on his fine stock ranch.

A. A. Hall has completed a contract for cutting wood for the goveroment fish hatchery-and he is \$250 better off than he was three months ago.

George Lynch, our efficient road master, has done some substantial road work-for all of which we are all truly grateful. George is the

right man in the right place. There seems to be quite a rush for timber in the Elk creek and upper Rogue river country. Everybody seems anxious to get a chunk of our fine timber land-and there isn't any real good reason for them to regret their move. There is a good bit of valuable timber still

The fish hatchery, located now at the mouth of Elk creek, will be moved the coming summer to Joe Hannah's ranch, ten miles below the present site, and will be established on the east bank of Rogue

river near John Black's place. This will give employment to twelve or fifteen men. Let the good work go plished without any sericus damage, Farmers are busy preparing for things in working order.

putting in spring crops, and the selves because that they are resi-

until I feared that consumption had ap-peared in an incipient state. I was constantly coughing and trying to ex-pel something which I could not. I became alarmed and after piving the local doctor a trial bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and the result was immediate improvement, and after I had used three bottles my lungs were restored to their healthy state.-B. S. Edwards, publisher of The Review, Wyant, Ill. For sale by Chas. Strang, druggist.

# Brownsboro Items. BY REBECCA.

Wm. Chambers, of Big Butte, was in town upon business Thursday.

# Talent News Items.

Mrs. Lena Helms expects to go o Redding, Calif., in a few days. James Helms has returned from his two weeks' stay at San Francisco.

Thos. R. Badger and family left Wednesday for Roseburg where wife took the letter from the servant. they will reside.

Miss Josie Carlile, who has been quite ill with inflammatory rheu- said matism, is very much improved at looked at the stamp. this writing.

Mrs. W. J. Dean, of Wagner creek, has gone to Silverton to visit her daughter, who is attending the Secular Union school at that place. in Tonawanda. I wonder if it isn't in

o furnish the Southern Pacific Company with fifteen hundred cords of wood at three dollars per cord, and he is sub-letting it in small lots.

We understand that Earl Oline, who was hurt by falling from the train at Ashland, is able to be up again. Thos. Cline met with quite serious accident a few days ago by his horse falling on him.

One day last week there came near being a serious accident at the it out at all." Richards saw mill, on the head of Wagner creek. In some way the the back. set screw on the bevel geer came loose, causing the machinery to "run away." Then the engineer undertook to close the throttle and lost control by the wheel coming off of the valve stem and there was no way to stop the machinery until they could replace the wheel, which to the postmark once more. "I can see after great risk of life was accombut it took a day and a half to get

"I think I would go crazy with pain were it not for Chamberlain's Pain Baim," writes Mr. W. H. Stapleton, of Herminic, ra. "I have been afflicted with champailm with a second afflicted

# Real Estate Transfers.

selves because that they are resi-dents of Southern Oregon. And say, the cows are not the only "critters" that feel grateful to a Providence that cast their lot in this great and glorious country. For instance there's yourself—and t myself. An Editor's Life Saved by Chamber-lain's Cough Romedy. During the early part of October, settled on my lungs and was noglected settled on my lungs and was noglected settled on my lungs and was noglected settled on my lungs and trying to ex-constantly coughing and trying to ex-constantly coughing and trying to ex-constantly coughing and trying to exto Anhland M Prim to Joseph D Wakeman. 40 acres, sec 3, tp 35, r 4w chool district No 12 to W H Bradshaw,

F M Prim to Joseph D Wakeman. 40 acres. acc. 3, tp 35, r 4w. School district No 12 to W H Bradshaw. property in see 13, tp 36, r 1 w. Benj Beall et al to Frank Amy, 185 acres. tp 35, r 2 w. Issac Constant to S H Glass. 120 acres. see 24, tp 35, r 2 w. Alfred Gordon to Uriah Gordon. 30 acres. see 1, tp 35, r 2 w. Alex Orme, sheriff, to G Naylor, lot 3, blk 4, Orchard Home tract. Same to same, lot 3, blk 3, same tract. Same to same, lot 3, blk 3, same tract. Same to same, lot 3, blk 4, same tract. Same to same, lot 3, blk 4, same tract. Same to same, lot 3, blk 4, same tract. Same to same, lot 3, blk 4, same tract. Same to same, lot 3, blk 4, same tract. Same to same, lot 3, blk 4, same tract. Association Same to same, lot 7, blk 4, same track Same to same, lot 4, blk 4, same track Same to same, lots 5 and 6, blk 4, same

# No Right to Ugliness.

# \* Mrs. Middlerib's Letter

Story of a Wife Who Exasperated Her Husband Unintentionally. \* Mr. Middlerib paused with his coffee cup raised half way to his lips, as his She turned it over once or twice,

gazed earnestly at the address, and "I wonder who it can be from?" She

"I can't make out the postmark," Mrs. Middlerib said, carefully studying that guide to the authorship of letters. "It isn't Perrysville. It looks something like Tonawanda, but I don't know anybody F. P. Roper has taken a contract tended for York? Cousin Ann Jackson used to visit in York. Why don't they make the postmark plainer, I wonder? I believe it's Indianapolis, after all! Then it's from Eleanor McPherson, whose husband you met last summer in Canada. It isn't Indianapolis; it's Lacon. That's where Lillas Marshall That isn't an L, either. No; it's lives. New Philadelphia, Ills. I can make It out now. Don't you remember? Uncle

Abner Bensix went out there in the grindstone business. I wonder if anything has-oh, pshaw, it's-what is it? It's R; R-o-m-oh, now I see-R-o-m-e, Rome. Why, it must be from-oh, dear me, it isn't Rome, either. I can't make

And she turned it over and looked mournfully at the receiving stamp on

"It was received here at 7 o'clock this morning," she said finally. "Now, where would a letter have to come from to get here at 7 o'clock? If you knew that we could tell where it came from.

"Let me look at it." said Mr. Middle rib, who was beginning to fidget with impatience.

No," replied the wife, turning back what it is now. It's Spartansburg, Ky Sarah Blanchard went there after she married. I expect she wants to-I isn't Spartansburg, either; it's Gridley. where Cousin Janie Buskirk lives. Her husband went out there and

bought a grist mill. I wonder if she's coming on this summer? I hope, if she does, she won't bring the children. But It isn't from her, either. I think that if is Mount Pleasant-oh! it's from Aunt Harriet Murdoch, and I know they've all been killed in that dreadful cyclone I can't open the letter, my hand trembles so. Do you know the last thing said to her when she moved out west I said- It isn't Mount Pleasant, el-

There are only five letters in it ther. I can't make anything out of it." "Perhaps," said Mr. Middlerib, with

a slight tinge of sarcasm in his inflec-tion-"perhaps we'd better send after the carrier who brought it. He may 125 know.

Mrs. Middlerib, "to receive a letter and then not be able to tell who or where it is from."

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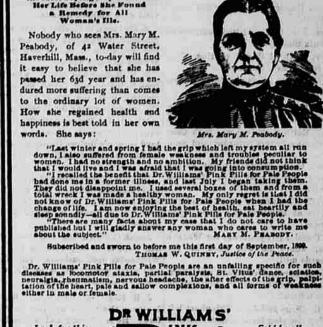
pression of speechless disdain upon her features and half whispered, isn't like a man," as though any wom

relatives and friends and clear through the United States postal guide to decide

This particular postmark, however was too "blind" for the most ingenious expert to decipher, and at last, with a deep sigh and a little gesture of despair Mrs. Middlerib yielded to the inevita ble and resignedly opened the letter pausing once or twice in the act, how ever, to look longingly back at the tan talizing postmark.

"At last," groaned her husband, who by this time was burning up with curi-

alone and that her husband was the angriest man in the state.



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Her Only Regret

mild sarcasm. "Shall I go and pack your trunks while you finish that letter?

"I don't see how they can do it," she said, after an interval of silence. "Why don't you look at the postmark then?" he growled. "Maybe that would tell you."

She read on, silent and unimpressed for two or three lines further, and then with an exclamation of astonishment sald:

"How very low!"

"Ab, well," her husband snarled "I'm glad to learn something about that letter at last. It's about your uncle Marcus' family, isn't it?'

vals: "H'm!"

"But it is so tantalizing," complained

"Did you ever try opening a letter to ascertain these facts?" asked her hus-

The lady looked at him with an ex mark. By George, woman"-"Why, whatever is the matter with you?" she exclaimed, with unfelgned

an ever looked into a letter until she surprise. "Here it is if you want to see had guessed all round her circle of It. It.

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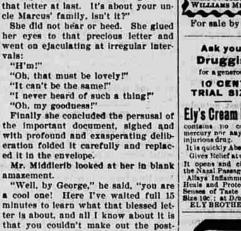
osity. But she laid the envelope down and

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EAST AND SOUTH



Mrs. C. E. Hoyt were declared the the time. winners of the prizes, which were presented by Miss Bessie Brown, Mr. Friend receiving a handker-

chief case and Mrs. Hoyt a dress pattern. Everybody seemed to enjoy themselves, and if they did not in this section last Friday after it was not the fault of Mr. and Mrs. cattle. R. Wright, of Big Butte, Brown, for they know just how to make people enjoy such occasions. We will all look with interest to the time of the next annual birthday party.

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Trail Creek Items. BY VIVACE.

MR. EDITOR:-Seeing nothing in truly a sad funeral and all the your valuable paper from our part friends join in the most heartfelt of the moral vineyard, I beg a small sympathy for the bereaved relatives. space in which to chronicle some of Mr. Bieberstedt wishes me to say the most interesting news in our that himself and family feel very midst.

Rverybody is in high glee over help which they received at the Rverybody is in high glee over help which they received at the -In matters of final proof THE MARL the High Line Water Ditch, which hands of kind friends and neighbors will make out all papers necessary for the commencement of proof free of will give employment to a goodly during their sad bereavement,

T, E. Nichols left a few days since with a load of provisions and implements to do his farming on Lake Flats.

J. H. Tyrell and H. Tonn were

was also gathering cattle off of this range the same day.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bieberstedt, wife of Alvin Bieberstedt, after a short but very severe illness, died at the family residence Wednesday night, Jan. 31, 1900. Mrs. Bieberstedt was a native of Germany and leaves a husband, two daughters and one son to mourn her loss. Friends from Wellen, Eagle Point and Brownsboro followed the remains to the family cemetery near by. Rev. W. P. Moomaw, of Eagle Point, conducted the services. It was

grateful for much kindness and

The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attrac-tive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she weak, sickly and all run down, she weak, sickly and all run down, she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotohes, skin eruptions and a wrotched comploxion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulato stomach, liver and kidneys and to pur-ify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright evey, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good look-ing, charming woman of a run down invalid, Only 50 cents at Chas. Strang's drug store. The woman who is lovely in face,

drug store.

#### **Mining Locations**

H C MoNeil and A J Momit located Jan 3, the Last Obance mine, Sardine district J E Davideon located Jan 1, a claim in Mis-souri Fiat district. E O welch located Jan 1, a claim in Wards orcok district. E N Provoi blocated Jan 24, a claim in Wil-liamburg district. Benj Thurston and J B Scott located Jan 1, a claim in Humbug district.

#### His Life Was Saved.

His Life Was Saved. Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., istely had a wonder-ful deliveranoe from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with typhoid fever, that ran into pneu-monia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't evon sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I contin-ued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This macvellous medicine is world for all throat and lung trouble. Regular size 50 cents and \$1.00. Trial bottles froen at Chas. Strang's drug store; every bottle guaranteed.

charge.

turned to the unfolded letter in her hand.

Her husband by a desperate effort her to read the letter, as it was late, and he should have been down town half an hour ago. She did not answer. She opened the

letter, turned the first page to look for the end of it, went back to the first page, settled berself in an easy posi tion and said:

"Well; I will declare?" Then she read on in silence and Mr. Middlerib ground his teeth. Presently she said:

"H'm!"

She read three or four more lines with eager eyes and noiseless lips, and suddenly exclaimed: "I don't believe it!"

Then she resumed her voiceless pe-rusal of the document and a moment later astonished her husband by look ing up at him and asking:

"I wonder if that is so?"

Mr. Middlerib replied in mocking tones that "it must be so or the post-mark wouldn't have said it;" but her eyes were glued to the page once more and she made no response. dress "Oh!" she fairly shricked. "Did you ever?

The writhing man at the other end of the table said he never had, but he would if this intellectual entertainment lasted much longer.

"It's too bad," murmured Mrs. Middlerib, turning a page of the letter without raising her eyes.

"Well, what's too bad?" he broke out wrathfully. "Who is the letter from, and what is it all about? Either read aloud or make your comments as men tally as you read."

"I've half a mind to go," she said, in firm, decided tones.

"Oh, have you?" he interjected with

'And what had occurred to ver him." she said to her neighbor, who dropped in during the morning, "I can' the life of me imagine. Everything controlled his rising wrath, and in a about the house had gone on smoothly and I can't recall a single irritating in cident or circumstance. Men strange animals," she sighed. there is no accounting for their vaga ries and peculiarities."-London Even ing News,

I didn't suppose you cared to hear

"Didn't want to hear it!" he shouted.

"What do you suppose I waited here and missed my train for if I didn't

said in the tone of a superior being commiserating measureless and inex-

cusable ignorance. "It's a circular from Wachenheimer's about their mil-

the rest of the sentence, and Mrs. Mid-dierib became aware that she was

linery opening next Thursday"-The bang of the street door cut

want to bear that blessed letter? "Why, it isn't a letter at all," she

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