

OUR COUNTY Correspondents

Communications from our several correspondents must reach this office not later than Wednesday noon to insure publication.

Jacksonville News.

BY S. N. E.

Judge Hanna has been quite ill during the week.

Miss Ethel Flory was a Medford visitor Tuesday.

Hon. Wm. Colvig went to Grants Pass on Tuesday.

Ex-County Commissioner Butler was here on business recently.

Zach Cameron, of Uniontown, was in Jacksonville on Friday last.

Miss May Huffer returned the forepart of the week from a visit to Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Beekman and Miss Beekman have gone to San Francisco.

Mrs. Phil Metcahan, of Heppner, visited Salem friends during the past week.

Jacksonville has levied a ten-mill tax for the maintenance of its public schools.

John Devlin arrived from the south Tuesday, leaving for Portland the next day.

R. H. Donaldson-Selby, who has been in this section for some months, was a passenger on Sunday's north bound train.

Earl T. Shepherd is attending Heald's Business College, San Francisco, besides attending to his musical studies.

Ex Deputy Sheriff Herbert McCarthy is now connected with the commissary department of the Southern Pacific.

Hon. Theo. Cameron left for Portland one day last week. He will spend some time at Salem during the session of the legislature.

District Attorney Reames and wife are at Hillsboro, whither they went to attend the funeral on Sunday of Mrs. Reames' father, the late Hon. Thos. H. Tongue.

Marriage licenses: George W. Moon and Addie Wheeler, Jan. 13, 1903; James M. Amick and Myrtle Rodgers, Jan. 16, 1903; Plarra M. Shaddock and Mrs. Hattie Bartlett, Jan. 20, 1903.

New suits filed: Mary E. Tebbetts vs. Cyrus Tebbetts, divorce; E. W. Willits, G. H. Gardner, Jr., and E. R. Kilburn vs. J. O. Brubaker, action; Chas. Nickell vs. Manuel Miller.

Henry Orth and Wm. Puhl have returned from Salem, whither they went to convey David Comstock, of Griffin creek, who the county court ordered to be committed to the state insane asylum.

Mrs. L. Reames and family are so well pleased with Berkeley, Calif., that they have decided to make that place their home. Mrs. Reames is having a handsome nine room house built, which will be ready for occupancy soon.

Jesse Applegate and Myrl Peter, pupils of the Jacksonville public schools, are among the contestants for the prizes offered by the Sons of American Revolution for the three best essays from the school children of Oregon on four historical subjects, as selected by the society.

Miss Leonora Fisher, who is pleasantly remembered by those who met her during a visit here to her sister, Mrs. G. E. Howland, will be pleased to learn of her appointment as organist of the First Congregational Church, Portland. She is an excellent organist and accompanist.

The many friends of Mrs. Susie R. Neil will be pleased to hear that she contemplates returning to Jacksonville the coming summer. Always a musician of ability, Mrs. Neil during her absence has been attending the London Conservatory of Music at Dallas, Texas, from which institution she expects to secure a teacher's diploma.

Miss Elsie C. Day, youngest daughter of Judge and Mrs. S. J. Day, died at the family residence in Jacksonville on January 15th and was buried on Saturday, the 17th. Miss Day was born in Jacksonville in 1880, and at the time of her death was twenty-two years, four months and two days of age. The immediate cause of her decease was consumption, contracted while attending the State Agricultural College at Corvallis two years ago. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. M. L. Darby, of Medford, and the interment was made under the auspices of Jane McCully Cabin, N. E. O., of which order she was a member.

The Sunday Oregonian of January 18th has the following announcement to make of a marriage,

the groom, E. D. Hanley, being well and favorably known here, being long to one of the well known pioneer families of Jackson County. MARRIED—HANLEY-KEESE. E. D. Hanley, of E. E. Iz both Holiday Rue, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Reese, of Woodstock, were married Monday, January 12th, Rev. Mr. Wilson, of St. Helen's Hall, performing the marriage ceremony.

The bride was given away by her father, and the best man and bridesmaid were, respectively, Judge Webster and Miss Mina Lane. The bride's gown was of cream crepe de chine over satin, trimmed in old lace. She carried a bouquet of bridesmaid roses. The house was beautifully decorated in white roses, maidenhair fern and white ribbon, violets and asparagus. The dining-room decorations were pink carnations and smilax.

Mrs. Hanley has a wide circle of friends in Portland, having been the popular editor of the St. Helen's Hall paper, the "Spinster," and a leader in school athletics.

Mr. and Mrs. Hanley left at 2 o'clock p. m. for Tacoma, where they will take the steamer for San Francisco. After making a tour of the Southern States they will go to Alaska. They will be at home at Howe's Station after March 10, 1903.

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Central Point Items.

Mrs. Oldenburg, of Tolo, spent Friday with relatives here.

Mrs. John Helling, of Merlin, is paying relatives here a visit.

Joseph Howell, of Olwell Bro., spent Sunday with Medford friends.

Mrs. W. H. Huffaker, of Spokane, Wash., is paying relatives here a visit.

Mrs. Wiseman, of Grants Pass, is paying her sister a visit—Mrs. Lee Ingram.

Dr. J. H. Pleasants made a professional visit to Big Butte the first of the week.

John Grieve, of Prospect, is paying a visit to his daughter, Mrs. T. W. Herriott.

W. Walter Hall, of Upper Rogue river, was in after supplies the first of the week.

Miss Alta Rodgers left Wednesday for Albany, where she goes to visit relatives.

Edward Singleton, of Coles, Calif., spent last week with relatives in Southern Oregon.

Elder T. M. Jones left for Portland Monday, where, he goes to organize lodges.

Mrs. Louise Pruett, of Sacramento, is paying her mother, Mrs. S. C. Minnick a visit.

Miss Gertrude Johnson, of Medford, attended the exercises at the G. A. R. hall Saturday.

Miss Betty Olson, who has been at Jacksonville for several weeks, returned home this week.

Granvil Sears, an old pioneer, is suffering with erysipelas. Dr. Cole is the attending physician.

Mrs. Roy Edmonson, of Wheeler county, is paying her mother, Mrs. I. C. Kent, of this place, a visit.

Bunoh Walker, who has been working in his mines on Evans creek, is spending a few days at home.

Mrs. Martha Stevens, of Rock Point, who has been visiting here for several weeks, returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. Jinelair, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Ann Thomas, of Eagle Point, returned home a few days ago.

W. P. Smith, representing Langley & Michael Co., wholesale druggists, of San Francisco, spent Friday in our city.

Mrs. E. A. Head, of Happy Camp, Calif., who has been spending several months with relatives here, left for home Sunday.

Miss Jennie Ferguson, of Medford, who has been spending a few days with Miss Alta Rodgers, of this place, returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Nancy Majors, of Applegate, who has been spending a few days in our town, left for the county seat Friday to visit friends there before returning home.

Frank Mee, of the Hill Sugar Pine Co., Coles, Calif., who has been on a business trip to Jackson and Josephine counties, returned home Sunday.

C. E. Hayes, of Eagle Point, was in Sunday after a casket for the infant child of Prof. and Mrs. A. L. Hazelton. The little one died Jan. 17. It had been suffering with pneumonia for some time. The family has the sympathy of their many friends in this sad affliction.

The G. A. R. Post and the Wo-

man's Relief Corps, of this place, held joint installation service at the G. A. R. hall Saturday. There was about 200 present, all of whom enjoyed themselves and have nothing but kind words to say of the treatment received. The following officers were installed for the ensuing year by W. H. Patrick, past commander of the Post: George H. Perkins, Com; James Evans, S. V. C; Milton Vermliffon, J. V. C; Merritt Elliott, Adj; S. M. Nealon, O. D; John Wright, Q. M; William Sydow, chaplain; G. B. Cole, surgeon; Marion S. Wood, O. G. Miss Mary A. Mee, past president, installed the following officers for the ensuing year in the W. R. C: Mrs. Lizzie Beal, president; Mrs. Kate C. Gibson, S. V. P; Mrs. L. A. Perkins, J. V. P; Mrs. Mary E. Fries, Sec; Mrs. Anna Wright, chaplain; Mrs. Kate Jeffries, guard; Mrs. Marguerite Wall, A. C; Mrs. Maria Johnson, A. G; Mrs. Helen C. Herriott, P. I; Mrs. Mollie Holmes, Mrs. Mary E. Rodgers, Mrs. Mario Purkeypile and Mrs. Caroline Patrick, color bearers. After installation services there was a fine dinner spread, and in the afternoon there was a fine program, consisting of music and recitations, rendered. There were quite a number of visitors in attendance from Medford Post and W. R. C.

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of suffering from indigestion if you eat what you want, or of starting yourself to avoid such distress? Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets taken after eating will digest your food perfectly and free you from all the disagreeable symptoms of indigestion and dyspepsia. Eat what you like at any time and take an Acker Tablet afterward. Positively guaranteed. Your money will always be refunded if you are not satisfied. Write to us for a free sample. W. H. HOOKER & CO., Buffalo, N. Y. Medford Drug Co., Druggists.

Brownboro Items.

BY REBECCA.

J. T. Kinney and son have bought the Clagge place, near Tyler soda springs, from B. V. Lewis.

Miss Edna Charley, who is attending school at Eagle Point, visited home Sunday.

Misses Donna and Mabel Bell left here for Ashland immediately after the holidays, where they are attending normal school.

George Brown is spending the winter in Medford. He is attending business college there.

Mrs. Mary C. Osborne died Jan. 15, 1903. She was born in France, May 18th, 1843 being 59 years, 8 months and 3 days old. Mrs. Osborne, with her husband and son, came to Brownboro about six years ago. They had a cosy little home and lived very happily. Mrs. Osborne's health failed about two years ago, though it improved greatly during the past summer, but the chilling blasts of winter were too much and death claimed her for the heavenly home. She leaves a husband and two sons to mourn her loss. One son resides here, the other in Elwood, Neb. Kind friends and sorrowing rela-

tives followed the remains to the cemetery, where funeral services were conducted by Rev. Kinney.

If you desire a good complexion use Moki Tea, a pure herb drink. It acts on the liver and makes the skin smooth and clear. Cures skin blemishes, 25 cts. and 50 cts. Money refunded if it does not satisfy you. Write to W. H. HOOKER & CO., Buffalo, N. Y., for free sample. Medford Drug Co., Druggists.

Table Rock Items.

Just as the farmers were started with their plowing the rain came and put a stop to it all.

J. I. Chapman was looking over this neighborhood Saturday for ground to rent, on which to plant broom corn and potatoes.

At the school meeting, called for January 15th, Frank Adams was elected director to fill out the unexpired term of Frank Morine, resigned. The proposed school tax failed to carry.

Last Saturday night some unknown party made himself quite familiar with the smoke house of B. R. Porter, and as a mark of respect took a couple of fine hams and departed, but before going he stopped to inquire the road to Central Point; of course this was done for a blind, and it worked very nicely. A certain man's name has been suggested as about the right one to do the dirty work and his actions will be watched very closely in the future. We are glad to state, however, that no suspicious rests on any one living in this neighborhood.

J. C. P.

Gold Hill Items.

BY SPECTATOR.

James Babcock, the timberman, left Friday for Portland on business.

A. M. Coughill left for Yreka to look after his mining interests in that district.

L. F. Jordan, Wm. Cook, Jr. and A. E. Kellogg were doing business at Medford, Monday.

H. D. Kubli was here the first of the week looking after his mining property on Galls creek.

The High Line Ditch Co. again occupy the Davison brick office on 2nd street.

Liveryman R. L. Darling, has been on the sick list the past week but is again at his place of business.

Merrett & Co are arranging to put in a large warehouse just west of the one they now occupy on the south switch of the railroad track.

J. L. Hammersly recently purchased the old school house site and has already let a contract for a new residence.

The nicest and pleasantest medicine I have used for indigestion and constipation is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets," says Melard F. Craig, of Middlegrove, N. Y. "They work like a charm and do not gripe or have any unpleasant effect." For sale by Chas. Strang.

Yorkshire Men's Fingers.

A Yorkshire man and a Lancashire man were conversing together the other day.

"The Lancashire man said to the Yorkshire man, 'Well, Bill, do you know the best way to find a Yorkshire man's lost fingers?'"

"No," says Bill.

"Well, I will tell you what happened at our place the other day. Yorkshire Dan had two of his fingers cut off with a steam saw, and they got lost among the sawdust, and two of my mates were down on their hands and knees looking for them when the foreman came up and asked what they were doing."

"One of them said:

"We are looking for Dan's fingers."

"Oh, come out of the road," said the foreman. "That's not the way to find a Yorkshire man's fingers." At the same time taking a shilling out of his pocket and throwing it among the sawdust, when the two fingers at once popped up after it."

"There," said the foreman, "that's the way to find a Yorkshire man's lost fingers."—Pearson's.

How the Earth Changes.

How does one generation of men succeed another? The fathers are not swept away in a body to make room for the children, but one by one the old drop off and the young come on until a day is reached when none of those remain that once were here. How does some form of human speech become extinct? About 100 years ago an old lady named Dolly Dentreath died in Cornwall. She could speak the Cornish language. After her death there was nobody that could. Thus quietly died the living Cornish language become a dead language. And in a like unobtrusive manner have been wrought most of the new beginnings which have changed and are changing the earth.—John Fluke in Harper's.

Too Much Food.

Much of the sinking, tired and empty feeling from which business men who work their brains alone so often suffer is due to the accumulation of toxins in the system which want "working off."

Two meals a day and active exercise are the preventive, and there is no exercise which can be got at any time and by anybody to the extent that walking can. But to do good it must not be sauntering. Really "smart" walking is what is wanted.—Hospital.

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ABOUT THE ROGUE RIVER VALLEY.

The following letter contains so much of useful information about Rogue river valley that we are certain it will be read with much interest by persons interested in this section of the country:

MR. HENRY A. TOWNSEND, TRAVELING AND IMMIGRATION AGENT, DES MOINES, IOWA—Dear Sir: Your favor of the 6th inst. is at hand, and I take this first opportunity to answer it, and I am glad of the opportunity to give any information possible to intending settlers, and I feel I am fairly qualified regarding land conditions here, for I have resided continuously in this county for 42 years, during which time I have been employed continuously, either as county surveyor, U. S. deputy surveyor, U. S. mineral surveyor and special agent of the general land office as inspector of surveys.

In answer to your question regarding tracts of government land on which desirable homesteads could be had, I will say that the area known as "Rogue River Valley" is that portion of Southern Oregon lying between the Cascade and Coast ranges of mountains, and embraces Josephine and Jackson counties; and for the reason of its being sheltered from the cold winds from the east and the storms of the Pacific on the west, by the mountain ranges on either side, is justly celebrated for the mildness of its climate and the great variety of its productions.

The area of the two counties is 120 townships, less than one-fourth of which is suitable for cultivation and settlement, the rest being foot hills and mountains, covered with forests of pine, fir, cedar, oak and laurel timber, the best portion of which has been taken under the timber act. The foot hills and mountains on the west abound in mines of gold and copper, the gold mines having been worked since 1851.

In the spring of 1852 there was a great rush to the gold mines near Jacksonville. The consequence was that the Rogue River Valley had a large population when a goodly portion of Iowa was a wilderness. The government, as an inducement to settlers in Oregon, had passed a "donation" act, giving a man and wife 640 acres and a single man 320 acres, as homesteads. The consequence was that most of the rich valley lands were quickly located, and since then the settlements have been crowding up into the foot hills and auxiliary valleys until nearly all the locations fit for settlement have been taken up, so at this time, I am sorry to say, that I do not know of a single desirable tract for a homestead in the two counties.

Immigrants should not be induced to come here, thinking that they can find desirable homesteads, for they will be sadly disappointed, either here or any of the valleys between the Cascade and Coast ranges.

Notwithstanding there is no desirable lands for homestead, this is the most desirable place in the United States for a man with moderate means (from \$1,000 up) to make a home in. He can do it quicker and easier and without suffering the discomforts of the rigorous climate localities further east. We have a greater variety of industries than most any other locality. We have fruit, grain, stock, timber and mines. None of these suffer depression at the same time, so we always have plenty of resources to keep our people from suffering. The pioneers who took up the large homesteads 50 years ago are fast passing away and their rich holdings are being divided up and sold in small tracts suitable for cosy homes, and large tracts which were entered upon by stockmen years ago for grazing purposes are grazed out and require cultivation, and are being sold in small tracts upon which good homes are being made. The large herds of stock are being transferred to the wild grazing lands "east of the mountains," and the land heretofore devoted to that purpose is being planted in fruit or used for grain raising.

The fruit industry, which started shortly after the advent of the railroad here bids to be the leading industry, and the results have been highly satisfactory since the orchards have become bearing. Of the fruits, we raise apples, pears, peaches, apricots, nectarines and plums; also all kinds of grapes in as great perfection as in California. Soft shelled almonds are easily raised and quite a quantity have already been shipped. English walnuts and most any other walnuts are easily raised here. Apples are raised more than any other fruit, as their keeping qualities enable them to be shipped long distances; a large portion of our crop is now sold in England, some of our best varieties having been sold in London at 14 shillings for a box of 45 pounds.

The Spitzenburg and Yellow Newton

Medford, Jackson County, Oregon, Jan. 15, 1903.

J. S. HOWARD.

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The orchards commence bearing in

from 5 to 8 years from the time of

planting, according to the soil, whether

it is warm and dry or rich and moist.

One of the first orchards set out here

bore about one ton to the tree at five

years old, the trees being set out about

fifty trees to the acre. Trees at 8 years

old average about 5 boxes, and as they

grow older from 10 to 20 boxes. From

ten acre tracts there have been sold

this season from \$2,000 to \$6,000 worth

of apples; on the \$6,000 ten-acre tract

the trees had been set out from 8 to 10

years.

The trees are generally set out 30

feet apart, and for the first four or five

years corn or other cereals are raised

between the rows. After that time the

trees require the use of all the ground.

Good orchard land can be had from

\$6 to \$100 per acre, according to quality

and location, near or remote from the

railroad.

There are many crops that can be

profitably raised besides apples. One

man realized \$600 per acre from two

acres of onions this year; hops have

been a profitable crop in some localities.

On lands that can be irrigated alfalfa

can be raised from 5 to 8 tons per acre

for the three crops. There is a cream-