

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. K.

County commissioners' court this week.

Mrs. E. J. Kubli was a Medford visitor Monday.

W. A. Gore, of Pooh Bah precinct, was here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stansell were Ashland visitors Saturday.

Mrs. T. J. Kenney was at Ashland one day last week.

A special school meeting will be held February 7th.

H. Leighton, the miner, has been in town several days.

District Attorney Reames was registered at The Portland Sunday.

Attorney Vawter, of Medford, was here professionally one day last week.

Supt. P. H. Dailey and wife, who have been at Salem, are home again.

Hon. Wm. Colvig returned Sunday from a trip to Salem and Portland.

Mrs. K. K. Kubli and daughter, Margaret, arrived from Portland on Friday.

Teachers' examination will be held at Jacksonville, commencing Wednesday, Feb. 11, 1903.

Postmaster Miller was in Medford Friday to meet his sister, Mrs. K. K. Kubli, of Portland.

Emma Baker has filed a suit for divorce against James H. Baker.

W. I. Vawter is her attorney.

C. W. Kahler, the well known attorney, is lying very ill at his residence in this city.

Mrs. E. Wilkeson, of Medford, returned home Saturday from a several days' visit with relatives here.

Born—At Yreka, January 23, 1903, to Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Fairchild (nee Mary Plymale), a daughter.

Dr. J. W. Robinson and family are in San Francisco and expect to return to Jacksonville in a few days.

J. H. Huffer, Sr., contributes a good article on the investment of school funds in Monday's Oregonian.

It is rumored that James O. Watson, of Portland, has been offered the position of assistant attorney general of Oregon.

The De Moss family appear at the U. S. hall Thursday, February 5th, in a musical entertainment, under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. W. K. Reeves and daughter, Grace, who have been visiting in Jackson County for some time past, have returned to their home in Oakland, Calif.

Miss Ethel Barber acceptably fills the position of organist at the Presbyterian Church, during the absence of Miss Beckman.

According to William Bybee, Rogue river is higher this season than it has been for the past twenty-four years. He estimates his loss of stock, etc., at \$3000.

Eugene Armstrong, of Portland, arrived recently to assume charge of the land owned by his brother, A. P. Armstrong, on which many improvements are contemplated.

W. D. Hanley, of Malheur County, was registered at the Hotel Imperial, Portland, one day last week, being there to meet his wife, who has been visiting in San Francisco and also relatives in Jackson County.

The Jacksonville public school will resume its studies on Monday, February 9th. The Presbyterian and Methodist Churches and the lower floor of the N. S. O. building are being fitted up to be used as school rooms for the remaining school year.

Marriage license: L. P. Orr and Birdie Mae Milligan, January 28th; W. P. Tyner and Jeanette Mellus, January 30th; James Eaton and Effie Anderson, January 31st; August Betz and Louise Peters, February 3rd.

Frank Plymale, son of W. J. Plymale of this city, nearly perished from exposure about a week ago while on his way to Yreka from Humboldt. Timely medical assistance saved him, and he is now recovering.

The firemen will give a grand ball in Jacksonville on the evening of February 20th for the purpose of creating a fund to purchase books, etc., for those needy ones who will find it difficult to replace what they lost in the recent burning of the school building.

CENTRAL POINT ITEMS.

Dr. G. B. Cole spent last week with his son at Salem.

W. T. Moore, of Big Butte, is in Central Point visiting relatives.

Miss Mattie Matney, of Applegate, visited relatives here last week.

Little Lila Moore, who has been very ill the past week, is now recovering.

Call at Dr. Hinkle's and see a fine line of stationery and valentines.

James Kincaid sold his saloon to Geo. B. Ross Monday, and he will retire from the business.

Mrs. Mary E. Fries visited her daughter, Mrs. O. C. Purkeypile, of Gold Hill, the first of the week.

The little two-year-old daughter of L. A. Askew has been very ill with pneumonia, but is better at this writing.

John Grieve left for Prospect on Wednesday, where he will spend the summer assisting his son, William, on the latter's stock farm.

Thomas Leever left for the north this week to enter the employ of a mining company, and he may go to Cornwall, England.

Jesse McFall had the misfortune while chopping wood last week to have a chip strike him in one eye, and he has been suffering very much.

Marvin Murphy, of Willamette valley, is visiting friends here. This is Mr. Murphy's first visit to Jackson County for thirty years, and naturally he sees great changes have taken place since he lived here.

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Table Rock Items.

Myron Jennings went to Medford Saturday, crossing the bridge on foot and securing a saddle horse at the Bybee farm.

Until the bridge is repaired we will carry the mail on this end of the route, Miss Montgomery bringing it as far as the bridge.

Gold Hill is reaping the benefit of the flood these days, Messrs. Adams, Nealon, Byrum, Dickson and Pendleton having braved the road with teams and brought back needed supplies.

C. A. Dickson made the trip to Medford with team and buggy Saturday, returning Monday. When questioned as to the condition of the roads he tersely replied: "There are none." He further stated that it would be very unsafe for anyone to attempt to drive after night.

Friday evening the neighbors turned out en masse and marched to the home of E. H. Davis. These good people, having had more than their share of sickness this winter, have been unable to join in any of the festivities, so this festivity was carried to them, and a right merry time was had.

The clerk of the weather has given us snow, showers and sunshine in chaotic confusion, Saturday being the stormiest and Sunday and Monday the pleasantest days since last Tuesday. Two inches would cover the greatest depth of snow at any one time, and that has not laid on the ground for twenty-four hours, only in sheltered spots.

W. J. Nichols came over Saturday to see to the moving of the Merritt sheep from the Curry place to the Punice ranch, they having fed out all the hay at the former place. He returned Monday evening, not having decided whether to buy hay here and feed or drive the sheep around to the Central Point Fair Grounds, where there is feed in abundance. Mr. Nichols had an experience with deep water and quicksand on his former trip that he does not care to repeat. He says his horse, extra good in mud, was all that saved.

Dr. W. P. Chesholm is on the street again after his late attack of grip and neuralgia.

There has been considerable interest taken at this place in the reports of the fatal shooting of Joseph Owens by Wm. Ennis at Hornbrook

last week, as both were former residents of this place and are well known here.

The De Moss family gave one of their grand musical entertainments to a very large and enthusiastic audience Tuesday evening at the I. O. O. F. hall, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society.

George Hershburger was here the first of the week, visiting his father at Willow Springs and looking after his quartz mine in that district, which is developing into a very promising property.

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Medford's Fire Department.

Protection Hose Co. No. 2 was organized on Friday evening last with the full quota of members, eighteen, allowed. The following officers were elected: H. N. Butler, president; Fred Weeks, vice president; Ralph Woodford, secretary; Basil Gregory, treasurer; H. N. Butler, foreman; Guy Moore, 1st assistant; Fred Weeks, 2nd assistant; George King, sergeant-at-arms. The company will take charge of the old hose cart, Protection No. 1 having assumed authority over the new one; but the new fire boys are determined to give the old members a "run for their money," even if handicapped with the heavier cart, when the occasion shall arise. For the present both carts will be housed at the present fire house; but later on a new one may be built. It has been rumored that two fire houses may be established in different parts of the city, but the firemen as a general thing do not look favorably upon this, believing that better results can be obtained by having the city apparatus concentrated. Horace Nicholson, having two companies under his control, is now designated as "chief" and is entitled to the "red buggy," if he had one, to ride in.

Following is a list of the members of the new company: H. N. Butler, Fred Weeks, George F. King, E. Eades, Guy Moore, Fred Patterson, Ralph Woodford, Harry Long, Claud Miles, Charles Higinbotham, Basil Gregory, Frank Redden, Ralph Wilson, K. Osenburg, Wm. Warner, C. Danielson, Charles Bonsum, Brigham Young.

The first meeting of Protection Hose Co. No. 1 was held nearly thirteen years ago, it being on April 11, 1890, at which time H. F. Wood, a contractor and builder, well known to the older citizens of the town, was chosen temporary chairman. G. L. Webb was the first president of the organization and John W. Curry the first secretary. At the second meeting H. G. Nicholson was elected sergeant-at-arms. H. F. Wood was the first foreman with A. C. Nicholson as 1st assistant and G. L. Davis as second assistant. The G. L. was unable to secure a full list of the original members, but in looking through the minutes the names of many prominent citizens of the town, some of them moved away, others still among

us, and a few (very few, we are glad to say) have answered the "last alarm." To be on the exempt list of Protection Hose No. 1 is to have a good record behind you, a record of good work done in defense of the property of the citizens of Medford from ravages by fire, many times under circumstances disadvantageous in the extreme.

In looking over the minutes of the old company one entry especially struck the attention. It was made under the date of April 23, 1890, in the handwriting of John W. Curry, then secretary, and referred to Horace Nicholson, now chief of the department. We reproduce it:

"The sergeant-at-arms, being the first to leave the house and there still being a quorum of seven, it was moved, seconded and carried that a fine of fifty cents be inflicted upon said sergeant-at-arms for neglect of duty."

About that time "Nick" was yet unacquainted with the matrimonial yoke, hence at this distance it is judged that his hasty departure from the fire meeting on the evening in question might have been to fill an appointment of much more importance to him than an ordinary fire meeting.

The roster of Protection No. 1 now consists of: Eugene Amann, W. J. Fredenburg, J. H. Norris, W. W. Bates, H. A. Fredenburg, E. W. Tryer, J. D. Hooker, J. R. Cook, J. J. Parker, J. W. Bates, J. R. Cook, Dan Amann, W. L. Orr, H. W. Jackson, J. H. Butler, W. J. Mahoney, George Eades, T. E. Keiso.

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PERMANENTLY ORGANIZED.

The Jackson County Dairymen's Association Effects a Permanent Organization and Elects Officers.

At about 11:15 a. m. Saturday last the adjourned meeting of the Jackson County Dairymen's Association was called to order by Chairman Taylor and the business taken up where it had been left off the week before. The constitution was adopted with the same provisions as published in THE MAIL last week, with the exception that the hour of meeting was fixed at 1 o'clock p. m. instead of 10 o'clock a. m. and the qualification of membership being that a person must keep cows and market the milk products thereby, there being no specification as to the number of cows.

The constitution was then signed by fourteen of the dairymen present, and each promised to constitute himself a committee of one to solicit membership. The meeting then adjourned until 1 o'clock.

At the afternoon session some other signatures were secured to the constitution. The following officers were then elected: S. L. Bennett, president; T. W. Johnson, vice president; J. J. Brophy, secretary; H. H. Taylor, treasurer.

On motion the secretary was authorized to secure stationery necessary for the use of the association.

There being no further business the association adjourned until Saturday, February 14th.

There was considerable discussion of an informal character during the session, principally upon the creamery question. It seemed to be the sense of the meeting, however, that the association and its members were to act independently in this matter and were not to pledge themselves one way or another. The object of the association was held to be for the mutual benefit of the members and to advance the interests of dairymen in Southern Oregon. And that if anyone wished to establish a creamery in Medford the amount of patronage it would receive should depend upon whether the price paid for the products was equal or greater than could be realized by disposing of them elsewhere. The members of the association are very much in earnest and are anxious to do anything they can to make further progress in dairymen in this vicinity, but they do not feel that it would be politic to pledge the support of the association to any one concern, or, indeed, possible to enforce the pledge on the individual members. The association starts out with a list of membership, comprising good, solid citizens, and their officers are all enthusiastic workers in the cause, so we see no reason why the organization should not in the near future become an important factor in the business world of this section and of great benefit to the dairymen in particular and the community at large in general.

Taken Up Notice.

Came to my place, twomiles south of Beagle postoffice, on or about Dec. 1, 1902, one red roan, two-year-old heifer, half under crop in each ear, no visible brands. Parties acquainted with this mark and description of animal will please call at once and take her away, as she is quite breechy.

J. G. Martin, Beagle, Or., Jan. 13, 1903.

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Teachers' Examination.

Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Jackson county will hold the regular examination of applicants for state and county papers at Jacksonville, as follows:

FOR STATE PAPERS.

Commencing Wednesday, February 11, at nine o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, February 14, at four o'clock.

Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, algebra, reading, school law.

Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, book-keeping, physics, civil government.

Friday—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, composition, physical geography.

Saturday—Botany, plane geometry, general history, English literature, psychology.

FOR COUNTY PAPERS.

Commencing Wednesday, February 11, at nine o'clock a. m., and continuing until Friday, February 13th, at four o'clock.

FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD GRADE CERTIFICATES.

Wednesday—Penmanship, history, orthography, reading.

Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, school law.

Friday—Geography, mental arithmetic, physiology, civil government.

PRIMARY CERTIFICATES.

Wednesday—Penmanship, orthography, reading, arithmetic.

Thursday—Art of questioning, theory of teaching, methods, physiology.

P. H. DAILEY, County School Superintendent.

FATAL WORDS.

The Ship That Doomed Major Andre and Saved West Point.

At Tarrytown there is a monument surmounted by a bronze figure ever on duty that marks the spot where on Sept. 23, 1789, a man sprang, as it were, out of the ground, seized the bridle of the traveler's horse and at the same instant demanded a halt. Two other men joined the first, and to these three the traveler offered the authority for John Anderson to pass on public business and signed by the major general commanding West Point.

For one moment the pass sufficed. Then there was doubt. In that moment of hesitation the traveler's eyes rested upon a coat that one of the men wore which he had obtained while a prisoner not long before, and, recognizing the garb of the Hessian soldiers attached to the British army, the traveler concluded hastily that he had fallen among friends instead of foes. "I see you belong to the army down below, as I do," he remarked, with a slight gesture of the head toward the river.

Fatal words! They sealed the doom of Adjutant Major General John Andre of the British army. He was quickly dismounted and searched without result, and still there was delay. Some latent sense of required vigilance incited these humble militiamen to renewed search of the traveler's person. West Point was saved.

A Horse's Sense of Smell.

A horse will leave musty hay untouched in his bin, however hungry. He will not drink of water objectionable to his questioning snuff or from a bucket which some odor makes offensive, however thirsty. His intelligent nostril will widen, quiver and query over the faintest hint offered by the faintest of hands, with coaxings that would make a mortal shut his eyes and swallow a mouthful at a gulp. A mare is never satisfied by either sight or whinny that her colt is really her own until she has a certified nasal proof of the fact. A blind horse, now living, will not allow the approach of any stranger without showing signs of anger not safely to be disregarded. The distinction is evidently made by his sense of smell and at a considerable distance. Blind horses, as a rule, will gallop wildly about a pasture without striking the surrounding fence. The sense of smell informs them of its proximity. Others will, when loosened from the stable, go direct to the gate or bars opened to their accustomed feeding grounds and when desiring to return, after hours of careless wandering, will distinguish one outlet and patiently await its opening.—St. James Gazette.

English Style Dinners.

In the endeavor to be like the English in some of their ways, curious customs are started in France. For instance, among the middle classes, when a special dinner is given in the "English style" the length of the dining table is loaded with immense dishes, their shape and form each indicating their contents, in the same way as the rounded cover of a cheese dish, in the form of a cheese, tells its own story. One of these dishes will be butter colored, and rounded knobs, representative of plain boiled potatoes, will ornament the cover; another of green and white will have raised cabbage, leaves running over, while yet another is all in ridges, indicative of a bunch of asparagus.

The wells of the dishes themselves are all treated in the same way, and the coloring, roughly speaking, is correct.

The Cause of Vice.

Vice is due chiefly to inattention; not ignorance, but thoughtlessness. "I see the better and approve, yet I pursue the worse." In this case knowledge is not absent, but defective. It is on the margin instead of in the focus of consciousness. In the language of physiological psychology a present appetite presents its claims on great billows of nerve commotion which come rolling in with all the tang and pungency which is the characteristic mark of immediate peripheral excitation. The future consequences of the gratification of that appetite, on the contrary, are represented by the tiny, faint, feeble waves which flow over from some other brain center, excited long ago, when the connection of this particular cause with its natural effect was first experienced. In such an unequal contest between powerful vibrations shot swift and straight along the tingling nerves from the seat of immediate peripheral commotion and the meager, measured flow of faded impressions whose initial velocity and force were long since spent what wonder that the remote effect seems dim, vague and unreal, and that the immediate gratification of the insistent, clamorous appetite or passion wins the day!—William De Witt Hyde in Atlantic.

The Woman and the Rose.

A traveler stopped at a little cabin in the Georgia woods. He wore a white rose on his coat, one that a little girl had plucked and pinned there as he was leaving home.

A woman entered the cabin. She stood and gazed at the rose a moment. Then, darting forward, she tore it from the stranger's coat and stamped it on the rude floor.

"Why did you do that?" asked the stranger, leaping to his feet.

"Hush!" said a man who was sitting near. "That's my wife, an'—an'—she ain't right here," tapping his forehead.

"We had a little girl once with blue eyes an' hair like a sunset. She wandered off among the roses one day, lost, an' when we found her she was where the roses grow, an' they was creepin' over her, an' the wife there went mad, an' now she says the roses stole the child an' hid her away from us forever, an' she goes about an' tramples them, just like she did the rose there on the floor."

Snuff and a Crook.

Robert Pinkerton once told a story of his father, the founder of the detective agency, which illustrates the elder Pinkerton's caution. A noted criminal was detained in Pinkerton's Chicago office. The elder Pinkerton left the room and when he returned took the precaution of holding a revolver in front of him ready for use.

He saw the criminal standing by the door with a snuffbox he had picked up from Pinkerton's desk in his hand. "This is good snuff," affably remarked the crook as he took a sniff.

"For the eyes or the nose?" asked Pinkerton, who knew that the crook had intended to blind him in an effort to escape.

"Well," remarked the criminal, "I'm sorry to say that the nose gets it this time."

Would Not Keep Her Back.

Saddler Sime was a droll character and yet of a type by no means scarce in the rural districts of the north of Scotland, says the Dundee Courier. One morning when a neighbor entered his shop he was greeted with the following:

"Man, Jeemie, I had an awfu' dream last night. I thoct I saw my wife feelin' awa' up to heaven wi' a great big pair of weengs."

"Aye, man, an' did ye no try to put her back?"

"Na, na; I jist clappit my hands an' cried, 'Shoo! Shoo!' I was feart she wad never be another chance of gettin' sae near in."

He Saw How It Fell.

An Irishman who was visiting America for the first time was lost in admiration of the Niagara falls when a friend accosted him:

"Well, Pat, and what do you think of this? Isn't it a grand sight? There's nothing in the old country to come up to it. See how it falls!"

"Faith, I see how it falls," said Pat; "but, shure, there's nothin' to hinder it!"—London Nuggets.

Natural.

Clarence—I wish I had lots of money.

Uncle Henry—If one could get what he wished for, I think I should wish for common sense, not for money.

Clarence—Naturally every one wishes for what he hasn't got.—Boston Transcript.

He Knew Her.

She—Reggie, dear, there is something of the old time love light in your eyes tonight—something about you that reminds me of those sweet days of long ago. I hope you have—

He—Yes, I have a little left. How much do you want this time?

Would Surely Raise Revenue.

In the old days they spoke of a licensed fool. If all the fools were required to have a license now, the government could do away with its other taxes and still maintain the surplus. There's a "single tax" for you.—Montesano Independent.

—THE MAIL has the news while it is news.

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Gold Hill Items.

BY SPECTATOR.

Fred Burke returned Tuesday from an extended trip to California.

J. E. Enyart, of the Medford Bank, was here Tuesday evening upon business.

Dr. W. P. Chesholm is on the street again after his late attack of grip and neuralgia.

There has been considerable interest taken at this place in the reports of the fatal shooting of Joseph Owens by Wm. Ennis at Hornbrook



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