

LOCAL NEWS

Leslie Stansell made a trip to Ashland Sunday. G. N. Lewis was a visitor at Medford Sunday. All work must be spot cash at W. R. Sparks in 1915. Merritt Dewis made a business trip to Medford Tuesday. Frank Bybee was a business visitor at Medford Tuesday afternoon. W. H. Johnson of the Bank of Jacksonville and Mayor Britt made a business trip to Medford Thursday forenoon. Mr. and Mrs. Watson Caudill who had been spending a couple of weeks at San Francisco, returned home Saturday evening. Judge TouVelle has been appointed by Gov. Withycombe a delegate to the International Dry Farming Congress, which meets at Denver, Sept. 27. Misses Mary Bagshaw and Louise Ensole, who have been visiting friends and relatives in Washington for the past six weeks, returned home Thursday. Bob Fields and Clarence Jaqua of Medford passed through this city Tuesday enroute for the Applegate valley where they expect to coax some fishes from the streams. John Austin Hooper, who escaped from Sheriff Smith of Josephine county has not been heard from since he left the vicinity of Rogue River, the evening of his escape. Phil Metchan, Jr. and family of Portland, arrived Sunday and will spend a few weeks with relatives in this city and vicinity. Mr. Metchan is manager of the Imperial Hotel at Portland. A Klamath county hunter named Hoover, shot and instantly killed his brother in mistake for a deer, one day last week. This is the second accident in Klamath county this season due to carelessness. Prof. and Mrs. Frank C. Smith, who have been spending the past two months at San Francisco, attending the exposition and visiting points of interest, returned Tuesday well pleased with the trip. C. W. Casebolt, a rancher charged with unlawfully diverting water from an irrigating ditch belonging to the Rogue River Canal Co., was given a jury trial in Justice Dux's court in this city Thursday forenoon and found guilty. It is reported that the work of electrifying the Rogue River Valley Railroad will be prosecuted as fast as possible and will be completed by or before October 1st. Poles for carrying the wires are being delivered along the line and holes are being dug this week. FOR SALE--TIMBER LAND.--I have for sale at a bargain, four tracts of timber, totalling 600 acres, all in the same region, for sale at a bargain if taken at once. Land is located in Douglas county and is worth double the price asked. Apply to D. W. Bushaw, Jacksonville, Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ulrich, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Hanna, Mr. and Mrs. Christian Ulrich and Dr. T. T. Shaw made a trip on the Pacific Highway, to the top of the Siskiyou range, Sunday. They report that the road was in fine condition and the view from the top of the mountains unsurpassed for beauty and grandeur. Sister Helena of the Cross, Superior of St. Mary's Academy at Medford and Sister Mary Hyacintha of Holy Names Normal School at Oswego, Oregon, were visitors in this city Monday. The sisters, whose family name is Caron, were residents of this city a number of years ago, and are both graduates of the Sisters Academy of this place, which was then a flourishing institution. Both ladies retain tender memories of our city and their friends of former days and were sorry that it was necessary to remove the school to another location. Jack Reter and family returned Sunday evening from a three-weeks fishing and camping trip on Rogue River. When interviewed regarding the results of the trip, Mr. Reter said he was very busy but gave us the following data: during the first four days on the river he did not catch any fish, but then the luck changed somewhat and he hooked a large steelhead weighing (estimated) twenty pounds, but owing to the reel on his rod not being properly fastened the big fellow got away. That was hard luck. From the fifth day on Mr. Reter caught from one to four fish each day, all good sized ones, running from two to six pounds in weight which were some fish for this time of year. One fish caught by Mr. Reter with a fly, and not included in the above list, was a fairly pound salmon. Should any of his friends doubt the above story, Mr. Reter has photographs of some of the fish caught and can secure affidavits to corroborate this tale.

You can find a Notary Public at this office. Henry Mankins of Toornian's creek was in town Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Peterson of Willow Springs were recent visitors in this city. County Clerk Gardner is spending a week at San Francisco, attending the exposition. Mr. and Mrs. John Barnum have returned from a visit to the Panama Exposition. R. H. Gowen, an attorney of Eugene transacted professional business in this city Saturday. Mrs. A. Elmer of Los Angeles, and a former resident of this city, is visiting here this week. Mrs. R. B. Dow, who has been visiting Mr. Dow, at San Francisco, has returned to this city. Early Crawford peaches are selling on the street at 25 cents per box, or \$1 per hundred pounds. Get your stationery printed at this office. Our work is guaranteed and our prices are right. Mr. and Mrs. John Offenbacher of Applegate transacted business in this city Friday morning. Joe Martin and wife, who had been attending the exposition at San Francisco, have returned home. Henry Pernoll of Grants Pass and brother, John G., of Applegate, passed through town in an auto Sunday. The editor and wife enjoyed an auto ride with D. H. Cronemiller and Mrs. J. M. Cronemiller Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hanson who have been enjoying a vacation at Gold Beach and other points have returned home. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tungate of the Butte Falls district are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tungate in this city. Miss Louise Jones of the telephone exchange of this city of this city has returned from a visit to the Panama Exposition. The Medford baseball team was defeated at that city, Sunday afternoon, by the Harriman team of Portland, Score 7 to 5. Medford's new bonding scheme is meeting with much opposition, from both the taxpayers and the holders of improvement bonds. Attorneys Newbury and Briggs of Medford argued a demurrer in Justice Dux's court, in the case of Porter vs Short, Friday afternoon. The 99th birthday of Mrs. Susan Whitney was celebrated at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Short, near Rogue River, Aug. 15. Norman Crommie, Clyde Shaw and Mike Broad have gone to Crater Lake, where they have secured operation on the new road under construction in that district. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ellison, who have been visiting relatives in this city and other points in the valley for the past fortnight expect to leave for Portland this evening. Dr. Clancy, who owns a ranch between this city and Medford, reports a yield of 2800 bushels of barley from a 33 acre tract, being an average of about 85 bushels per acre. A tract of beardless barley yielded 94 bushels per acre. Who can beat it? At the special election held in Ashland, Wednesday, the proposition to re-bond the city for the purchase of electric current and equipment from the California-Oregon Power Co. was turned down by a vote of 559 to 205. The total vote polled was less than one-half the city's usual voting strength. Classes at St. Mary's Academy, at Medford, Oregon, will open Sept. 7. Both boarders and day-pupils are received. Full high school course. Individual attention in primary and grammar grades. Exceptional advantages in art, music, China painting and modern languages. Excellent commercial course. For particulars, address Sister Superior. A couple of young deerlayers of this city who were hunting in the Little Applegate district, killed two deer and cached the carcasses on the ground, covering them with the tent canvas. Upon returning to camp later, the boys found that some range hogs had discovered the venison and had completely destroyed it. Afterwards the boys ate bread and beans. FASHION'S LATEST WHISPER--Please call and see the trors that 100 fashions of newest New York models and New York prices. Made to your own individual measure or Ready Made. Coats, suits, dresses, skirts, waists, and children's coats, also furs, corsets, etc. I guarantee satisfaction and invite you to call NOW. Mrs. M. Robinson. Medford papers report an electrical storm of unusual severity, in the eastern part of the county, Monday evening. The paper states that the storm was accompanied with hail of large size. At this city some flashes of lightning followed by rumbling of distant thunder was the only indication that a storm was passing.

Ralph Jennings of Ruch was a visitor in this city Monday. Enos Conger of this city was a visitor at Medford Sunday. John H. Carkin of Medford was a recent visitor in this city. James Ryan of Steamboat was a recent visitor in this city. John B. Renault, Jr. autoed to Crater Lake Tuesday morning. Attorneys Kelly and Roberts of Medford were in town Tuesday. J. Percy Wells was a visitor at Medford Thursday afternoon. H. Wendt of this place made a business trip to Medford Monday. B. M. Collins and family were recent visitors in the Applegate valley. Cliff Dunnington and Mary Bagshaw autoed to Medford Friday evening. Chas. F. Danford of Sterling transacted business in this city Thursday. Lloyd Jacobson of the Applegate valley was a recent visitor in this city. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Grieve of this city were visitors at Medford Monday. Thomas Ryan, of Scappoose, Oregon, transacted business in this city recently. B. R. McCabe, an attorney from Medford, was at the court house Monday. A. S. Alienhammer, a wellknown stockman of Buncom was in town Monday. Miss Helma Finley of Medford visited friends in this city several days this week. The county board of equalization will meet at the court house in this city, Sept. 13. Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Bell of Oatland, Cal. are visiting friends in the valley this week. An orchardist on Kings Highway advertises peaches at 80 cents per hundred pounds. At The Churches CHRISTIAN SCIENCE Services held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in I. O. O. F. Hall. Everybody welcome. METHODIST Sunday School every Sunday at 10 o'clock W. G. Caudill Supt. Public worship at 11 a. m. each second and fourth Sunday of the month and at 7:30 every Sunday evening. Class meeting every first and third Sunday 11 a. m. H. C. Gallup leader. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. The public is invited to attend these services. A. Coslet Pastor. First Great American Painter. The first portrait painter of the United States to win general fame was Thomas Sully, who was born in 1783. One of the first celebrated American historical paintings, "Washington Crossing the Delaware," was the product of his genius. Sully established himself in Richmond as a portrait painter in 1803, but soon removed to New York and in 1810 to Philadelphia, which city was afterward his home. In addition to "Washington Crossing the Delaware," his famous historical paintings include "The Capture of Major Andre" and "Miranda." As a portrait painter his most notable subjects were Thomas Jefferson, Lafayette, James Madison, John Marshall, Fanny Kemble and Queen Victoria. He visited England to paint the girl queen in her coronation robes. Sully lived to an advanced age, dying in Philadelphia in 1872. Lowering the Topmast. Lord Cheimsford once related that a friend of his at the bar was engaged in a nautical case, in which it appeared that a vessel, in a severe gale of wind, had been thrown upon her beam ends. The barrister, who appears to have had a smattering of nautical matters, asked a sailor who was in the witness box how it was they did not lower the topmast, upon which the witness replied, with a sneer, "If you knew as much that that is not an easy matter in a gale of wind." This incident led the counsel to turn his attention to the subject, in consequence of which he invented an apparatus for lowering topmasts, for which he obtained a patent and earned upward of £20,000 by his invention. --London Globe. The Tragedy of Old Age. That tragedy of the old--the being laid aside from life before the spirit is ready to resign; the feeling that no one wants you; that all those you have borne and brought up have long passed out on to roads where you cannot follow; that even the thought life of the world streams by so fast that you lie up in a back water, feebly, blindly groping for the full of the water and always pushed gently, hopelessly back; that sense that you are still young and warm and yet so furbelowed with old thoughts and fashions that none can see how young and warm you are, none see how you long to rub hearts with the active, how you yearn for something real to do that can help life on and how no one will give it you.--John Galsworthy in Scribner's.

A Quick Transition By EUNICE BLAKE

"Howdy, Amanda? Excuse me for not comin' sooner when you sent to say you wanted to see me, but I was workin' at the cider press." "Come in, Mr. Morehouse. It's gittin' chilly nights now. I got some logs blazin' on the hearth, and I'll bring up some birch beer from the cellar." Josh Morehouse, a bachelor of forty, accepted the invitation and was soon sitting on one end of a sofa drawn before the fire, while Amanda Waters, aged twenty, sat at the other. Beside Josh stood a table on which were a dish of nuts and a bottle of birch beer. After a swig of the beer he began crackling the nuts and invited Amanda to tell him what he could do for her. "Law sakes, Mr. Morehouse, I don't believe I can!" "Waal, now, that's surprisin'." "There's some'n I want you to do for me, but it's awful hard to say it. Fact is, I want to borrow you for awhile." "Borrow me?" Mr. Morehouse paused while cracking a nut and looked at Miss Waters inquiringly. "You know Enoch Rogers? Well, Enoch has been talkin' soft to me lately, and I don't want him to do it. He's a nice feller, but he's nothin' but a boy. I don't cotton to an awful lot of worriment. I don't want to hurt his feelin's, and I can't stand to have him follerin' me about, makin' people believe I belong to him." "Why don't you tell him, squar, to keep off?" "I have. It don't appear to do any good." "You don't want me to give him a hikin', do you?" "Oh, no, Mr. Morehouse. I wouldn't have you do that." "What do you want me to do?" "Waal, I've reckoned that if you wouldn't mind make believe for awhile I belong to you mebbe he'd give me up and be ruckensiled to get on without me." "Oh, I see! That's a mighty good way o' lettin' him down." "His mother and my mother are mighty good friends, and Enoch is a nice boy. So I musn't do anything to make bad blood. Jest as soon as Enoch sees that some one has got ahead of him he'll draw off and find another gal." "You don't mean that he'd think you'd look at an old feller like me, do you?" "La sakes, Mr. Morehouse, how you talk! You're just the age for a woman between eighteen and twenty-five. Girls want a husband to look up to. They don't want a boy that they kin wipe the floor with." "You don't mean it! Waal, now, I wouldn't a thought any gal except an old maid would want me." Mr. Morehouse looked very much pleased. The fire crackled merrily, dancing on the fender and gilding articles in the room. The birch beer had a delicious flavor, and the nuts, having been newly gathered, were the same. "When shall we begin, Mr. Morehouse?" asked Amanda, moving from her end of the sofa toward her make believe lover. "Begin? Begin what?" "Why, pertendin' we're engaged." "Isn't there a big difference between pertendin' and the real thing?" "Mebbe there is, but if we don't act engaged before people they won't believe we're engaged. Enoch'll think I'm just sayin' I'm engaged to shet him off." "That wouldn't do, would it? But how are we goin' to act engaged?" "Laws a-massy, Mr. Morehouse, you don't reckon we're goin' to know how to act engaged without any practicin'?" "Mebbe not." Mr. Morehouse took another pull at the birch beer, and when he had set down his mug he found that Amanda had moved to the middle of the sofa and there was barely room for a sheet of paper between them. The fire was crackling and giving out its genial warmth. Mr. Morehouse felt very happy. He looked sidewise at Amanda, while she looked down at her lap, smoothing her dress. He wondered if a borrowed lover practicing to play his part was entitled to take a kiss. He dropped an arm, which was resting on the back of the sofa, to her waist. She did not move. He felt encouraged. He drew her toward him till she was leaning up against him. Her head toppled to the side; he turned her face, and his lips were drawn magnetically to hers. "By Jinx," he exclaimed, "I wonder if beln' a real lover is better'n a borrowed one!" "Nobody kin tell that without tryin'," said Amanda. Another kiss helped him on, and still another helped him on further, till at last, as he afterward said, "the words just came right out by themselves" without his havin' anything to do with it. When Josh Morehouse went home that evening he was astonished at remembering that he had stood within an hour in three different positions--friend, pretended lover and betrothed. "It beats anything," he said to himself, shaking his knee, "how sudden some things come about. Just think that Mandy's wantin' to borrow me to head off Enoch Rogers should 'a' made a match between her and me!"

Weather Report. Following is the report of U. S. Volunteer Cooperative Observer, E. Britt, Jacksonville, for month of July. Latitude 42 deg. 18. min. north; longitude 123 deg. 5 min. west. Table with columns: Date, Maximum, Minimum, Precipitation. Summary: Temperature--mean max. 85:64; mean min. 54:06; mean 69:85. Max. 103 on 23. Minimum, 43, on 17. Greatest daily range, 43. Total precipitation, .30 inches. Greatest in 24 hours, 0.16 in., on 7. Number of days with .01 inch or more precipitation, 2, clear, 19; partly cloudy, 7; cloudy, 5. Precipitation for season, E. BRITT, Cooperative Observer.

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