

**LOCAL NEWS**

Sam Coffman of Ruch was in town Friday.

George Neuber was in from the mines this week.

H. D. Mills of Butte Falls was a visitor in this city Friday.

William Olsen of Butte Falls was a business visitor in this city Friday.

Henry Williams of Steamboat was a business visitor in town this week.

H. O. Trobach of Ashland was a business visitor in this city Tuesday.

George Riggs of Portland was a business visitor in this city Wednesday.

Bert McKee and Edward Finley of Buncom were visitors in this city Friday.

E. L. Tuttle of Ashland transacted business in this city Tuesday afternoon.

Herbert Welsh of Lakeview Oregon, was a business visitor in this city this week.

Benton Poole of the Applegate valley was a business visitor in this city Tuesday.

F. J. Shinn, a prominent citizen of Ashland transacted business in this city Tuesday.

Mrs. Ellen Band left to-day for Hornbrook, Cal. where she will visit friends during the winter.

E. A. Armstrong a mining man of the Applegate valley transacted business in this city Thursday.

O. N. Nelson has gone to Salem where he will deliver an address to Scandinavians at the State Fair.

C. W. Linebaugh of Portland, inspector of rural mail routes is looking over the routes in the valley this week.

Mesdames Hattie Neuber and Laura Porter of Gold Hill visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Hanna this week.

David Conemiller, Lewis Baker, Jewell Pailey and Pauline Greaves, attended the circus at Medford Thursday evening.

William M. Colvig, tax agent for the S. P. company was in town Friday for the purpose of paying the company's second half of the 1915 taxes.

Mrs. W. R. Tucker who had been visiting her daughter Mrs. Richard Gaskin of this city for several months, left Thursday for her home at Tehama Cal.

The Eastern Star lodge of this city entertained the Grand Worthly Matron, Mrs. Dora B. Schilke of LaGrande, at a special meeting of the lodge Monday night.

A. T. Lundgren of the Blue Ledge mining district was in town this week. Mr. Lundgren owns several valuable claims and is very optimistic as to the future of the district.

Richard Thomason of this county who was serving a term in the State Penitentiary and who escaped about a month ago has surrendered himself to the governor and received a conditional pardon.

The nominations of L. M. Boucher of Applegate and T. E. W. Smith of Talent, Socialist candidates for the legislature have been rejected by Secretary of State Olcott on account of not having been filed within the time required by law.

A birthday party was given J. W. Wilson at his home in this city Wednesday evening. The affair was a surprise on "Stub" who suspected nothing until the guests began to arrive. About twenty guests were present and a general good time was had.

J. T. Sullivan and A. L. Hill, representing the Commercial club of Medford, were in town Tuesday and discussed with the County Court the matter of securing Federal aid for the construction of roads in the forest reserves, but no action was taken in the matter.

E. E. Kelly and Porter Neff of Medford have issued a challenge to Chairman Anderson of the Republican committee, proposing a joint debate to be held in the principle towns in the county, upon the question as to whether the achievements of Woodrow Wilson's administration entitles him to reelection. The challenge has not yet been accepted.

S. S. Bullis and a couple of parties from Medford were here Monday to solicit subscriptions to the stock of the proposed Lumber company. \$500.00 worth of stock was taken by the following named persons: W. H. Johnson, \$100.; J. M. Williams, \$100.; Lewis Ulrich, \$100.; Emil Britt, \$100.; C. D. Abbott, \$50.; Fred J. Fick \$50. At a meeting held at Medford Monday night the company was organized by the election of the following officers: President S. S. Bullis; V. Pres. E. J. Samon; Sec-Treas. J. H. Carlin; Directors: E. C. Gaddis, C. E. Gates and C. M. Kidd.

Chauncey Ferry was at Medford Monday.

For Fire Insurances that protect call at this office.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ulrich were at Medford Thursday evening.

George M. Roberts of Medford transacted business in this city Monday.

William Shore of Montezuma, Washington is a visitor in the valley this week.

Thursday was circus day at Medford and a number of persons from this city went over to see the elephant, etc.

The S. O. Traction company has a force of men this week putting down new steel on the on the line between this city and Medford.

D. C. Brown of New York, an agent of the Robert Toams estate, passed through here Sunday morning enroute to the Blue Ledge mines where he is making an examination of the property.

The open season for Chinese pheasants begins Oct. 1, and ends Oct. 10; Ducks and geese Oct. 1, to Jan. 15; grouse and quail Oct. 1, to Oct. 31. Bag limit for Chinese pheasants, native pheasants and grouse, five in one day, ten in any seven consecutive days; quail, ten in seven consecutive days.

The Home Telephone & Telegraph company will move their Exchange from the present location to the K bill building on California, St. the 1st of Oct. The same force of operators will be retained, Louise Jones as chief operator, Mrs. H. F. Harrington, local operator and Pauline Greaves as night operator.

Blank notes for sale at this office.

Better register now. Only six days until books close.

John H. Graves of Ashland was a recent visitor in this city.

Frank Kendall of the Applegate valley was in town Wednesday.

County Clerk Gardner was a business visitor at Medford Tuesday.

Walter Ashpole of Medford transacted business in this city Tuesday.

Mayor Britt and sister Miss Amalia were at Medford Thursday forenoon.

Ekron Gail and Mary Barshaw attended the circus at Medford Thursday.

John Bannam, formerly of this city is employed in the S. P. service at Dunsmuir Cal.

The annual re-union of the Society of Southern Oregon Pioneers has been postponed from Sept. 28th to Oct. 5th, on which date the reunion will be held at Jacksonville.

Lu Verne Johnson, a 16-year-old boy of Medford who was injured while playing with dynamite caps Monday, died from his injuries, at the hospital Thursday afternoon.

J. A. Thornlyke a well-known resident of this city died at his home early yesterday morning aged 84 years. As we go to press funeral arrangements have not been announced.

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Garat and family of Vallejo, Calif. stopped over night Friday at the Thompson house while enroute home from Marshfield. They left for home this morning accompanied by Miss Flora Thompson who will spend her vacation in California.

Get your job printing at this office.

All work done in 1916 spot cash at W. R. Sparks.

J. J. Ossenborg of Rich was in town Monday.

Sheriff Singler was a visitor at Medford Thursday morning.

Henry White of Albany was a business visitor here Thursday.

Thomas Nichols of Eagle Point was a recent visitor in this city.

**Girl Killed for Laughing at Him**

Aurora, Ill., Sep. 25.—Paul Verhoye, a 19-year-old boy, pleaded guilty to the murder of his child sweetheart, Gertrude Holten, who was slain May 21 last. Verhoye strangled the girl, who was but 15 years old, because she laughed at him when he upbraided her for "going with other fellows."

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**The Holes in the Moccasins.**

In the social life of the North American Indians many little dramatic acts occur significant of beliefs that are difficult for a stranger to understand correctly. A relative comes to the home of an infant and presents it with a tiny pair of moccasins with a hole cut in each sole. The Indian mother understands the tender wish conveyed by the act. The baby is thus recognized as an Omaha child, for the moccasins anticipate the ceremony in which the "new life" is proclaimed a member of the tribe. The holes are a sign of usage; they express the giver's prayer for a long life to the child. A person might enter the tent, see the tiny moccasins with the holes and exclaim, "What a long way the little one has traveled!" This, too, would be a prayer for long life to the child. If an unseen messenger from the spirit world should approach the infant to bid it come with him the child would be able to say, "No, I can't go with you; look, my moccasins are worn out!" And so the baby would not be taken away from its mother.

**Gait of the Ground Cuckoo.**

There are other birds in North America, such as the grouse or partridge, which can race swiftly along for a short distance, but when pursued by dogs or men on horseback the ground cuckoo gets his second wind after a time and can run for miles and miles at an incredible speed.

He can execute two gaits. Although his toes are disposed in opposite pairs as in other species of his family, yet the outer toe, being reversible and of great flexibility, is in either position to apply aid in climbing or perching. This at times he pitches along the ground in irregular but vigorous hops. And again when the outer toe is thrown forward he runs smoothly and with great velocity.

A poor flier, he catches prey of the air by astounding jumps, at times attaining a height of from eight to ten feet.—Philadelphia North American.

**Harbor Lights.**

From New York harbor and immediate approaches alone 238 beacon lights to navigation are required. In addition forty-six shore lights, two light vessels and thirty-eight lighted buoys; there are 192 buoys of all classes and thirty-seven for signals, including sounding buoys.

**The Unsafe Safe.**

Willis (ready for school)—Mamma they are holding a safe down the street. Mother—Well, be careful not to walk on the safe side.—Boston Transcript.

**Then and Now.**

"Yes, we pay spot cash for everything."

"Ah! I often speak to my husband about the time when we had to."—Puck.

**Juno's Diet.**

"That girl is as regal as Juno."

"Isn't she?"

"She's eating for nectar at the soda fountain too."—Kansas City Journal.

**Her Congenial Job.**

"That pretty girl clerk of yours seems to enjoy her work."

"She does. She opens the proposals."—Kansas City Journal.

**When One is Dying.**

If ever I have time to relax from the hard labor of living, and come down upon my bed to die I ask nothing better of my neighbors than that they will care enough for me to watch the night through with me before the gates. I prefer it to the conventional passing away in vogue where a pussy-footing trained nurse runs everybody out of the house.

I would not be deprived of those last hours of companionship with my own kind. I should have more courage with which to face the uncertainties of my "immortality" escorted by my familiar mortal kind. I might have something to say, and if I did I'd wish to say it to real folk, not to a doctor and a trained nurse, who would be sure to think I did not know what I was saying, because they are accustomed to deal with the flesh, not the spirit.

Death in my opinion is altogether too strictly censored in polite society. Both the passing and the living should be given more freedom of expression.—Corra Harris in Independent.

**Giant Grotto.**

The immense cavern known as the Giant grotto is situated near Trieste, Austria, and is said to be the largest known to exist. It consists of one vast chamber, 787 feet long, 433 feet broad and 452 feet high. There are three entrances, two in the roof and one at the edge of the roof, which has been provided with ladders with steps, so that visitors can safely descend into the grotto. Once on the bottom, progress is easy. The cavern contains remarkable groups of stalactites, some of them of gigantic size and others of bizarre shapes. The tallest stalactite has a length of little more than thirty-nine feet. No side or underlying caverns have yet been discovered. The bottom of the grotto is 525 feet below the surface of the ground forming the top of the roof, which in turn is about 1,580 feet above sea level.—Pearson's Weekly.

**Old Engraved Rings.**

Among the legends of Greece it is told that the father of Pythagoras, the famous Greek philosopher, was a celebrated engraver of gems, and, according to classical history, both Helen of Troy and Ulysses of Greece wore engraved rings.

Engraving on stones that were partly precious was an art at a very remote age. The British museum proudly boasts the possession of a small square of yellow jasper bearing the figure of a horse and the name and titles of Amenophis II., believed to date back to about the year 1450 B. C. The very finest specimen of engraved gem now in existence is a head of Nero carved on a first water diamond by the brothers Castaldi in the year 1790 A. D.—St. James' Gazette.

**Gained Her Object.**

There's method in some people's seeming miserliness, although the reason for so much privation does not strike ordinary folk as sufficient. A Swiss village owes its fine peal of bells to this sort of self sacrifice.

About ten years ago a widow who had lived in great misery for no less than fifty years went to the commune and presented it with over \$4,000 for a peal of bells for the old church. She had saved the amount penny by penny, dressing like a beggar and starving herself. She said she had gained the object of her life.

**Breaking a Looking Glass.**

The breaking of a looking glass superstition is a very old one. Hundreds of years ago it used to be a common belief that those who wished to harm others could do so by getting pictures or making images of their enemies and destroying them. The destruction of the picture would be followed by the death of its original. Even the victim's reflection in a mirror was enough for the purpose, provided the mirror was promptly broken.

**All In.**

Friend—I was just in the art gallery admiring your "Napoleon After Waterloo." The fidelity of expression on Bonaparte's face is positively wonderful. Where did you get it? Mr. Dobber—From life. I got my wife to pose for me the morning after she gave her first reception.—Puck.

**An Old Smallpox Cure.**

The following primitive "cure" for smallpox was discovered by the Leytonshire (England) guardians in one of their registers for the year 1799: "Take thirty to forty live toads and burn them to cinders in a new pot, then crush into a fine black powder. Dose for smallpox, three ounces."

**A Matter of Distance.**

Aesop was asked how far it was to a certain place. "Let me see you walk," replied Aesop. The man protested that he wished a civil answer. "You foolish person!" said Aesop. "How can I tell how far it is to that town until I see at what pace you travel?"

**Three Classes on the Cars.**

An Italian drummer explains in the Milan Domenica del Corriere that "in the first class the passengers abuse the trainmen, in the third class the trainmen are rude to the passengers, in the second class the passengers insult each other."

**Muffled.**

"They tell me Jimson is over his ears in debt."

"Yes; so much so that he can't hear the doorbell when his creditors call."—Exchange.

**Weather Report.**

Following is the report of U. S. Volunteer Cooperative Observer, E. Britt, Jacksonville, for month of Aug. Latitude 42 deg. 18. min. north; longitude 123 deg. 5 min. west.

Date	Maximum	Minimum	Precipitation
1	86	51	
2	87	50	
3	86	43	
4	82	52	
5	85	54	
6	88	48	
7	79	53	
8	83	48	
9	85	50	
10	92	48	
11	92	56	
12	83	57	.2
13	75	56	
14	87	58	
15	87	57	.01
16	79	51	
17	65	48	.10
18	67	44	
19	79	41	
20	83	41	
21	93	47	
22	97	52	
23	101	57	
24	103	59	
25	102	59	
26	100	61	
27	100	64	.05
28	92	62	
29	92	58	
30	91	59	
31	87	54	.42

Temperature—mean max. 87.34; mean min. 53.93; mean 70.23. Max 103, on 24. Minimum, 41, on 19. Greatest daily range, 46. Total precipitation, 0.42 inches. Greatest in 24 hours, .22 on 12. Number of days with 0.1 inch or more precipitation, 4. Clear, 23; partly cloudy, 6; cloudy, 2. Precipitation for season, 1.6. E. BRITT, Cooperative Observer

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**Notice to Creditors**

In the Matter of the Estate of William Fowler, Deceased:

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the order of the County Court of Oregon for Jackson Co. the executrix of the last will of William Fowler, Deceased, and letters testamentary have been duly issued to me;

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same, duly verified, to the undersigned, at her residence in the town of Rogue River, Jackson County, Oregon, within six months from date hereof; The date of first publication hereof is September 30, 1916.

Elizabeth Fowler, Executrix.

B. F. Piatt, Attorney, Medford, Ore.

**At The Churches**

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**

Services held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in I. O. O. F. Hall. Everybody welcome.

**FREBYTERIAN**

10: A. M. Sabbath school, classes for young and old.

11: A. M. Morning Worship. 7:30 P. M. Evening Worship.

Evangelist Rev. J. K. Howard will preach both morning and evening.

The communion service has been postponed until Oct 8th.

Many have been richly blessed during our special meetings. We welcome you into this fellowship.

Albert H. Gammons, Minister.

**No One Seeks Office**

**Of Mayor in Salem**

Salem, Or., Sept. 25.—Although the city primaries are but six weeks away, and candidates have already filed for recorder, treasurer and chief of police none have yet filed for mayor. Mayor White recently announced that he would not seek re-election, and while a number have been urged to become candidates, none has consented.

**308 X YES IS A VOTE FOR YOUR CHILDREN**

**ONE NORMAL NOT ENOUGH**

Oregon has but one Normal School. This school is located at Monmouth. Excellent as is the work of this school it is utterly unable to supply but a small part of the need for trained teachers for the State.

Of more than 6,000 school teachers in the public schools of Oregon, but 13 per cent have been trained for their profession of teaching in Normal Schools.

It is a well established fact that our one Normal School cannot supply the needs of the entire state. That is why we ask for your work and vote for the proposed Eastern Oregon State Normal School at Pendleton, Oregon.

**GIVE EASTERN OREGON SQUARE DEAL**

Eight counties in the Willamette Valley have employed during the past five years, 203 teachers who have graduated from the Monmouth Normal as against 39 Monmouth Normal School graduates for the eight leading counties of Eastern Oregon.

During the past five years the attendance of students from nine Willamette Valley counties was 877 students as against 91 students from nine of the leading counties of Eastern Oregon.

Owing to the crowded condition of our one Normal at Monmouth and also the distance and expense of attending, students from Eastern Oregon are compelled to go to neighboring states to secure their training as teachers.

**ONLY COSTS 4 CENTS PER \$1,000**

The annual maintenance cost of the proposed State Normal School in Eastern Oregon amounts to but one 25th of a mill or 4 cents on a thousand dollars of taxable property. Isn't it worth this to have your children trained to become useful and productive citizens?

**STRONG ENDORSEMENTS**

Among those who strongly endorse the establishment of the proposed Eastern Oregon Normal School are Governor Withycombe, J. H. Ackerman, President of the Monmouth State Normal; W. J. Kerr, President of the Oregon Agricultural College; P. L. Campbell, President of the State University; Robert C. French, former President of the Weston Normal, and practically all of the leading educators of the State. J. A. Churchill, Superintendent of Public Instruction, voices the sentiments of those who are most familiar with the need of more adequate Normal facilities when he says:

"Oregon's greatest need for its rural schools is the teacher who has had full preparation to do her work. Such preparation can best come through Normal School training.

"I trust that the voters of the state will assist in raising the standard of our schools by establishing a State Normal School at Pendleton. The location is central, the interest of the people of Pendleton in education most excellent, and the large number of pupils in the public schools will give ample opportunity to students to get the amount of teaching practice required in a standard normal school."

All the above educators insist that a Standard Normal School must be located in a town of 5000 or more population and having enough grade pupils for teaching practice.

**VOTE RIGHT**

By voting YES for No. 308 you will help to give to the school children of Oregon the same advantages enjoyed by the school children of our neighboring states. Vote YES for No. 308.

**Eastern Oregon State Normal School Committee**

By J. H. Gwinn, Secy., Pendleton, Ore.

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