

WHAT OUR NEIGH- BORS ARE DOING

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ASHLAND

Tourists travel is exceptionally heavy thro Ashland this year and many outsiders are spending the summer here. All hotels and apartments are full to capacity and many extra rooms fitted up in private homes are occupied.

Dr Crandall, doctor of osteopathy from Lrs. Angles has moved to Ashland and will be associated with Dr. Bertha Sawyer.

Jama: Spencer went to Astoria as delegate from the Ashland Post of the American Legion to the state convention held there.

Merle Robinson, who recently sold the Ashland garage, has accepted a position as mechanic with the A. W. Walker Auto company at Medford.

Mahogany camp of Modern Woodmen held their regular session last Monday evening. A. H. Harris, of Portland, district deputy, was present.

Mrs. A. H. Peachy and daughter of Portland have been visiting the former's daughter, Mrs Lee Port at the Star Ranger Station.

About five hundred Odd Fellows and Rebekahs from all over the valley attended the reunion held in Ashland park Thursday of last week.

The local school district is asking for bids on the installation of four additional furnaces in the high school. It was decided to substitute coal furnaces for the previous oil burners because of the prevailing shortage.

Because of the absence of snow in the mountains, the water supply is extremely low in Ashland this year as in other towns. The council is planning a new schedule for restricting the water privileges.

Dr. Maude Hawley, who has been enjoying a month's vacation in Portland and other points in Oregon has returned home.

A summer school for instruction in swimming is in progress. The class meets at the Nat plunges on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at three o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Briscoe have been visiting their son, Dr. Lancc Briscoe in Seattle. Since his discharge from the medical corps of the army, Dr. Briscoe has been head physician of a Seattle hospital.

Jessie Winburn of New York, who recently purchased the hotel Austin, intends to remodel the building into a health resort. His personal representative, Miss Anna Kopp, is in Ashland to superintend the work.

EAGLE POINT

Judge Gardner and commissioners, Owens and Simpson, were in Eagle Point Friday. They have been inspecting the roads in this vicinity.

P. L. Loon of Aberdeen, Wash., was in town a few days while hunting for agates, in which business he is interested.

Attorney and Mrs. M. Purdin of Medford were in town recently. Mr. Purdin was on business connected with the estate of W. W. Taylor.

J. W. Mitchell, Christian Science practitioner of Medford, accompanied by a number of Medford friends, spent Thursday in Eagle Point.

Mrs. Nete Slusser is visiting friends at Ashland for a few days.

Chas. F. Jones and C. M. Gilmore, representing Paul's Electric store of Medford, transacted business in Eagle Point Friday.

H. T. Findley of Medford was in town Friday in the interests of the Union Oil Co.

Miss Delia Stelver of Medford is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Nichols at Lake Creek.

Edwin D. Hill, of Napa City, Calif., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Fred Hill of Derby.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Leidman, who have been Eagle Point residents for some time, removed to Medford recently.

The Fruit Dealers Ass'n have been utilizing the P. & E. depot as a work shop for the manufacturing of fruit boxes to be used in this section the coming season.

W. L. Childreth and family, accompanied by Mrs. Alice Daley rusticated in the hills around Butte Falls recently.

Mrs. George Brown of Brownsboro

was a recent visitor in Eagle Point.

Arthur Brown of Medford, representing the Portland Oregonian, was in Eagle Point in the interest of his paper the latter part of last week.

Misses Emma Lovett and Ruth Sharpe of Medford passed through Eagle Point enroute to Trail the beginning of the week.

TRAIL

Clarence Holmes arrived on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Floyd Hutchinson, a short time ago. He expects to remain the balance of the summer.

Tourists travel in this section is unusually heavy this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Cunningham who intended to start return trip home some time ago, have been delayed by the illness of Mrs. Cunningham.

The camp meeting of the Free Methodists which have been held for some time have been well attended.

Mrs Geo. Week was a recent guest at the home of Mrs. Floyd Hutchinson.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Hutchinson and guests Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Cunningham spent Friday of last week at Rogue River visiting among other points of interest, the Natural Bridge.

More Interest in Hot Lunches.

Teachers and parents are commencing to realize the importance of hot school lunches, and the home demonstration agents sent out by the United States Department of Agriculture and the State colleges are helping to establish hot lunches in communities which are alive to their value. Last year these extension workers, who are trained in home economics, established hot lunches in 2,929 schools. The work will be continued this year on even larger scale. In some counties a wall of prejudice against the innovation has to be broken down before it can be started. Where this is true, the success of the hot lunch in one school, where it has been established, is usually followed by a demand for something similar in all the adjacent school.

The Country Newspaper.

In commenting on the attack of a metropolitan daily which attempted to belittle the political influence of the country weekly and daily over the land, Harry Hammond, editor of the Byron, California, Times, one of the best and most progressive papers in the country, says:

"While the country paper is small, it is doing just as much, in its way, for the progress and development of the section it serves as any of the larger papers, and in some cases a great deal more, because as a rule, the bigger the paper the more its opinions are dominated from the counting room, something never thought of by the county weekly, which boosts its locality all the time without thought of receiving pay for such service."

Children Drink More Milk.

Dairy specialists sent out by the United States Departments of Agriculture to stimulate through educational work with women, the consumption of milk and milk products for human food, report large increases in the use of dairy products in those States where milk campaigns have been put on.

In Detroit the President of the Distributors' association reported an increase in that city of 10 per cent in the sale of whole milk, 15 per cent in butter, and 3 per cent in cottage cheese directly attributable to a milk campaign. One Detroit distributing firm has since sold weekly 20,000 more pounds of butter and 50,000 more quarts of milk than it did before the educational work on the value of dairy products was given to the people.

During the campaign 371 lectures were given in schools, factories, and before Women's clubs and Mother's meetings. These meetings were attended by 70,000 persons.

All work done in 1920 spot cash at W. R. Sparks'.

For Sale—LOCATION NOTICES—both quartz and placer, Jacksonville Post.

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN TABLET FORM.

Alfred Fattig, draft evader from Jackson county, Oregon, has surrendered to authorities at Portland, after having lived in the woods 3 years, subsisting on wild animals and berries. He was given a sentence of nine months for draft evasion.

The serious shortage of rice in China has resulted in general disorder and rioting. Five women were arrested for looting in Shanghai. Government action against rice profiteers has been urged.

Elihu Root presented the British people with the Saint Gaudens' statue of Abraham Lincoln in London as a gift from America. The speech of acceptance was delivered by Premier Lloyd George.

Francisco Villa, Mexican bandit, with a force of nearly 500 men engaged in a sharp encounter with government troops at Sabinas. Villa is holding an American for ransom.

Late reports say that Francisco Villa, Mexican bandit, has surrendered and will return to private life. He was restored to full citizenship and given a yearly allowance by the government.

Liquor raids staged in Newark and Jersey City, netted federal agents a haul of whiskey valued at \$115,000. A nation-wide campaign against illicit liquor dealings is believed imminent.

John Bonnell, a sheep-herder and over 1000 sheep were killed in a clash between Colorado cattle men and Utah sheep men.

Forest patrol airplanes in Oregon will be equipped with safety parachutes to be used by the men in case of emergency.

Three all metal aeroplanes carrying the first trans-continental aerial mail left New York last Thursday. The establishment of the regular coast to coast mail service will be made on September 1st.

Alfred Hubbard, boy inventor of Seattle, propelled an eighteen foot boat with four passengers at a good rate of speed. The motor consumes air as fuel, generating 45 horsepower. The demonstration was successful.

All five of the men who escaped from the jail at Pendleton, Oregon, including the murderer of Sheriff Taylor, have been captured and are again in jail.

Raold Amundsen, discoverer of the South pole, is in Nome, Alaska, outfitting for a dash to the north pole. He plans to be gone five years.

The yacht Resolute won the deciding race with the Shamrock IV in defense of America's cup. Sir Thomas Lipton says he will issue another challenge in 1922.

Free radium treatment for sufferers from cancer will be administered by the New York state institution for the study of malignant diseases. Two and one quarter grams of radium were purchased at a cost of \$225,000.

Hulks of five former German war ship assigned to the United States arrived in New York harbor last week. They will be open to inspection by the public in various ports, but must be destroyed within one year.

Indications point to no peace between Poland and soviet Russia. Berlin made an offer to the British to raise an army of 1,500,000 men to fight the bolsheviks in Russia in exchange for the return to Germany of Posen.

Bolshevik cavalry forces advanced to the Prussian borders. The red army now menaces Warsaw from the north and east. Allied troops are being held near the Prussian boundary.

President Wilson's flock of 48 prize sheep which have kept the White House lawns cut for three summers are to be sold. Each year the wool has gone to various charities and in 1918, the Red Cross realized \$52,000 for the 98 pounds of wool.

A route has been mapped out for the first aerial trip around the world. A test flight leaving London and ending in New York, via Japan and Seattle, will be made in an airplane carrying ten passengers.

Poultrymen Active in Improving Stock.

The large number of well-bred flocks of poultry and the skillful methods used in improving them are becoming more and more evident with the development of the "Better sire-better stock" campaign. One Florida poultry farm, recently enrolled, has 200 cocks and 950 hens, all standard bred, single comb White Leghorns. In addition, they are line bred for high egg production and the flock has been trapped for 24 years. The owner states that in addition the fowls are of good exhibition type.

W. R. SPARKS' HOME DAMAGED BY FIRE.

Considerable excitement was caused early Sunday morning when it was discovered that the roof of W. R. Sparks' residence on Oregon street was on fire. An alarm was sounded and a number of citizens responded, but before their arrival with the hose cart the blaze had been extinguished by a garden hose handled by G. W. Godward and Fred Sparks.

The fire was caused by a live spark lodging in the shingles, not by a defective flue as has been reported. About ten square feet of the roof was burned and wall paper and furniture slightly damaged. Mr. Sparks estimates that \$50 will cover all damages.

Mankins & Bell Strike Pay Streak.

The Mankins & Bell mining claim in the Poorman creek district shows indications of becoming one of the really rich mines of the country. Within the past few days a narrow streak of quartz has been uncovered at a depth of about 60 feet, which, while samples have not yet been assayed, experienced miners estimate will run from \$500 to \$1000 per ton in gold. This streak while but two or three inches wide at present shows indications of widening as depth is attained. The vein is on a contact between porphyry and granite, held to be one of the most promising formations to be found in this section of the country.

A sample from this mine recently assayed contained values of over \$100 per ton in gold and samples from the new strike, which lays along side a body of quartz averaging about \$50 to the ton, is incomparably richer. Missourians who require ocular proof before believing that real mineral deposits are to be found in Southern Oregon are invited to call on Messrs. Mankins & Bell and have their doubts dispelled.

"Get" Codling Moths Now.

The main body of the second brood of codling moths will emerge and get busy "stinging" the apples and pears of the Willamette valley district about August 5 to 15, reports A. L. Lovett, entomologist of the O. A. C. Experiment station. The moth will appear about five days earlier than this in the Roseburg district, he announces. Some scattering moths will appear and do some mischief a little earlier. Professor Lovett thinks, but the standard moth spray applied thoroughly at the times indicated will effect the maximum results in protection of the fruit.

A Large Shark Weighing 450 Pounds Was Killed by a Life Guard on the Bathing beach at Edgemere, New York.

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travel, lying about forty miles north of Jacksonville. Mr. Harris was a worth, industrious citizen, building a home for his family who were happy and contented with the fertile spot where their weary feet had found rest. The house, a log building, was beautifully situated and on every side except the south the ground was clean and open. Mr. Harris had felled several trees in the vicinity of the house and on the morning of October 9th was engaged in making boards of them, not having the slightest apprehension of immediate danger.

Under cover of a large copse of willow just out of range, a band of fifteen or twenty warriors, with the warm blood of the murdered Wagoner family, who lived two and a half miles to the southward, yet undried upon their brown hands, stole stealthily toward their doomed home. Some of the fiends were probably half crazed with liquor, obtained at the Wagoner ranch, and pressing too eagerly for a favorable position for the attack, which was made at nine a. m., were evidently discovered by Mr. Harris. Leaving his work he walked rapidly into the house, and setting his ax in the corner of the room he picked up his shot gun with out saying a word, stepped to the door and endeavored to close it. Little Sophia accompanied her father to the door looking in his face in a wondering, half frightened way but asked no questions, and just as they reached the door the Indians poured a volley of at least a dozen shots into and through it. Mr. Harris was struck fair in the breast by a rifle ball but stood firmly until he had discharged both barrels of his heavily loaded gun; then staggering backward he fell, never again to speak to those who sorely needed his protection. The daughter was shot through the left arm by the same volley that wounded her father but the brave little maiden uttered no cry nor showed the slightest sign of pain, but bleeding freely ran up stairs and threw herself on the bed. It was now that the courage of the woman, that splendid quality that turns the fibers of the most delicate hearts to fibers of steel, that mocks the valor of the sterner sex, was sorely tried. Mrs. Harris had observed her husband's movements understood them and at once realized the situation. For a moment only was she appalled. Instantly recovering her self possession the brave frontier woman took the weapon from the grasp of her dying husband, closed the inner door, and rushing up stairs seized an "Allen" revolver lying on the roof plate and discharged it rapidly in the direction of the assailants through a hole in the chimney.


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