

Crooked River Happenings.

Mr. Forest went to Prineville Friday.

Feed seems to be rather scarce in Sisters neighborhood.

Mark Forest and Lonnie Weaver were absent from school last week.

Emma McDowell was absent from school on account of sickness.

Aylette and Jessie Tetherow were over from the bridge one day last week.

Mr. Ben Petyjohn is clearing his land for cultivation on the north side of the river.

Only six weeks more of school, so let each pupil improve his time better than in the past.

Master Charlie and John McDowell were out for a little sport on Sunday, at the rabbits expense.

Mr. Guy Claypool came over Thursday, to Forests, for a load of grain and returned Friday.

Mr. Jones came down from the Lone Pine place to the debate Friday evening.

The question debated last Friday evening was decided in the affirmative.

Messrs. Charlie and John Montgomery went to the Deschutes to look after their interests at that place.

The Young People's Library society took in two members at its last meeting, Sylvan Montgomery and J. J. Hash.

Mrs. Dillon and children, of your city made a short visit to her daughter, Mrs. B. F. Wilhoit on Sunday.

The library has now a total of thirty-three books, and over \$20 to purchase more. It is very much in need of a book case.

Miss Lottie Montgomery is librarian, so when you wish a book to read, call upon her and she will attend to your wishes.

Weather in this neighborhood has been very pleasant till the past few days. The dense fog makes the atmosphere very disagreeable.

New lamps have taken the place of the old ones at the school house, so we have plenty of light on the subject now, which makes it seem more interesting.

Prof. B. F. Wilhoit was absent from his school Tuesday to attend business in the city. His wife took charge of school during his absence.

Eighteen copies of vocal instruction books have been ordered. As soon as they arrive singing school will begin with about twenty scholars.

Mr. K. Messinger accompanied by his brother George, went to

Gray Butte last Wednesday, and came home Friday. Mr. Messinger has a homestead at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Dodson gave the Wilhoits a pleasant surprise by visiting them last Sunday. They say "they would be glad of such a surprise quite often."

Mr. Frank Arnold, of Sisters, delivered 5 head of hogs to Mr. Forest last Friday. He took back a load of grain. Mr. Forest purchased the hogs of Mr. Tom Arnold.

Question for debate Friday is Resolved: "That the mind gains more knowledge by reading than observation." Miss Lottie Montgomery and Miss Annettie McDowell are the leaders.

Jan. 18, 1903. Squaw Flat Items.

Frosty nights and sunshiny days.

Christmas passed off quietly in this vicinity, with dances on all sides, but none at the Flat.

Mr. Jerry Cramer made a flying trip to Prineville one day last week.

L. E. Wimer, was visiting with Messrs. Dodge and Harkrow Sunday.

Messrs. Dodge, Cramer and Harkrow made a flying trip to Bend one day this week.

Mr. Gibson's band of sheep are looking fine, having wintered on the desert with very little, if any feed.

Mr. Walter Dodge, late of Minnesota, has located among us, which adds another to the population of our little Flat.

The Sisters Irrigation Company have commenced work on their ditch, employing four men in clearing out the right of way. They have about two miles completed.

Our winter here has been very warm and pleasant, so far. The greatest depth of snow being eight inches, that fell on the 7th of December.

I think there should be a petition circulated, petitioning a stage line from Sisters to Bend, thus giving the people on this route a free mail delivery. There are as many as 15 families that would be benefitted thereby.

ALEXANDER. Big Project is Launched.

Spokane, Jan. 5.—Surveyors are expected to begin work this week laying out a route for an electric railway to run from Washuena, on the O. R. & N., through Ritzville, on the Northern Pacific and Odessa on the Great Northern. The proposed line will be about 45 miles long, passing through a fine wheat country and reaching three railroads.

The enterprise is backed by residents of Ritzville, C. Lunnford being president, P. R. Clark secretary; O. R. Holcomb, lately a Democratic nominee for Congress, being vice-president. They pro-

pose to secure power from Hooper Falls, of the Palouse River, and may also sell light and power.

The cost of the enterprise is estimated at \$1,500,000. Ritzville is now said to be the largest initial shipping point for wheat in the world, and it is thought such a road would increase its shipments.

Some people contend that it does not pay to bother with mining and that mining propositions should be turned down, says an exchange. A few years ago stock in the famous Homestake mine, Deadwood, South Dakota, could be bought at a low price, according to an exchange. Look at it today. The largest stockholder in the Homestake mine is Mrs. Phoebe A. Hearst, of California, mother of the proprietor of the New York Journal, Chicago American and the San Francisco Examiner. To the close of 1900 this great gold mine has produced over \$65,000,000 worth of ore. It is now mining about \$1,500,000 per annum. Average value saved is \$4.11 per ton; net profit, \$1.41. The company works 900 stamps, each crushing three and a half tons every 24 hours. For fine saving it has a 1200 ton cyanide plant. This saving amounts to \$1 per ton. Twenty-two hundred men are employed, the miners receiving \$3.50 per day of ten hours. In 1900 the company expended \$1,250,000 on improvements upon its mines and mills. Yet it is regularly paying dividends at the rate of 50 cents per share per month. Its capitalization is \$22,000,000.—Ex.

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OCEAN AND RIVER SCHEDULE FROM PORTLAND. 8:00 p. m. All sailing dates subject to change. For San Francisco—Sail every 5 days. 4:00 p. m. Dolly Ex. Sunday 8:00 p. m. Saturday 10:00 p. m. Columbia River Steamers. To Astoria and Way Landings. 4:00 p. m. Ex. Sunday. Willamette River. Oregon City, Newberg, Salem, Independence & Way Landings. 7:00 a. m. Tue., Sat. and Sun. Willamette and Yamhill Rivers. Oregon City, Dayton, & Way Landings. 4:00 a. m. Tue., Thur. and Sat. Willamette River. Portland to Corvallis & Way Landings. Lv. Eliparis 1:05 a. m. Daily Snake River. Lv. Lewiston 9 a. m.

W. I. Lawrence, Agent, Biggs, Oregon. Columbia Southern RAILWAY. Effective 12:01 A. M., September 9, 1903.

Table with columns: South Bound, North Bound, STATIONS, Daily Pass, Daily Freight, Arrive, Leave. Includes times for Biggs, Wasco, Elsie, Summit, Hay C, McChelida, InMoose, More, Krakovi, G's V, Bourbon, Guthrie, Wilcox, and Shaniko.

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