

CORRESPONDENCE

Stafford.

A few pleasant days have given us the spring fever. We fairly itch to be digging the soil.

Washington's birthday was clear and warm—one of the days that invite man out with open collar and coatless.

Early flowers are in bloom in the yards and meadows.

Grouse have begun to hoot.

Born, to the wife of John Wilkins, on the 16th inst., a babe. Mother and child doing well. Father up at all hours.

Our merchant has been burning midnight oil while posting books. Business is business.

Frank Weddle has sown his orchard grass.

Mr. Schmitke talks of leaving us.

Jobe Gage fruited potatoes to the river to ship to Frisco.

Rosa Schatz and Jennie Reichle spent part of last week with Mrs. Oscar Larson at Tualatin.

Julius Reichle called on his parents last week.

Frog Pond.

As "Chunk Follow" and "Sin Twisters" are too much engaged otherwise to take time to get down all the notes of interest we will put our shoulder to the wheel and give a lift.

Frog Pond has enough business and life to furnish a whole column of news, why, therefore, stop short at three or four inches?

Our 90-foot flag pole erected at the school house a few years ago amid great pomp and speech-making, has been cut down. At the time of its erection Superintendent Craig, of Washington county, and Rev. Leisman, a resident minister, eulogized our Nation's flag in a praiseworthy manner.

The Tualatin grange at their meeting Saturday conferred the first and second degrees of the order on a class of 14—six ladies and eight gents. They will hold a special meeting March 5th, at 7 p. m., to initiate another class of seven.

Miss Downing, Stafford's up-to-date school ma'am, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kruse Sunday.

Miss Katie Priester is spending a few with her sister, Mrs. J. A. Turner.

Mrs. Katie Turner is with her sister, at Portland, under the doctor's care.

Messrs. Mathew and Hamman, of Butteville, spent Saturday in the Pond. They attended the grange and took notes to assist them in grange work at home. Come again, boys.

Miss Viola Barnes is staying with Mrs. Mayes.

Curly and family are making preparations to vacate the Saldern farm the first of March.

Perry Sharp is much improved in health.

Henry Baker's health remains about the same.

Simon Peters has plowed his garden. John Aden has become discouraged in the prune business to such an extent that he has had several of his prune trees uprooted. Don't dig up your drier, John.

Most of our young people attended the dance at Wilsonville Saturday night. It is needless to say they had a way up time.

Fred Barnes has been abroad of late. The smallpox scare has no more terrors for him. He traveled the entire distance from his farm to Wilsonville and return on foot without running afoul of any contagious germs whatever.

Stop the Blight

It is a sad thing to see fine fruit trees spoiled by the blight. You can always tell them from the rest. They never do well afterwards but stay small and sickly.

It is worse to see a blight strike children. Good health is the natural right of children. But some of them don't get their rights. While the rest grow big and strong one stays small and weak.

Scott's Emulsion can stop that blight. There is no reason why such a child should stay small. Scott's Emulsion is a medicine with lots of strength in it—the kind of strength that makes things grow.

Scott's Emulsion makes children grow, makes them eat, makes them sleep, makes them play. Give the weak child a chance. Scott's Emulsion will make it catch up with the rest.



Send for free sample. SCOTT & BOWNE, 409 Pearl St., New York. 50c and \$1. all druggists.

Little Peter's war dance has come to an end, and his pipe of peace has smoldered out.

No more we see our Peter P. In the solemn hours of night, A shoveling coal, while smoke doth roll To obscure him from our sight.

Alas! The pit has burned away, We judge it must be right; For now our friend, Peter P., Enjoys his rest at night.

Stafford's "Lengthy" was hauling murrhys through our main street last week, then onto the river.

Loren Kruse has purchased a yearling Durham bull, thoroughbred. Mr. K. will dispose of his scrub stock.

Jim Turner has the rocks for the foundation of a barn on the ground, and he is expecting carpenters on soon to commence work on the building.

Murrah! Frog Pond is to have a spring term of school. If our boys and girls are not attending school, why not?

The A. Bros.

Union Hall.

Spring weather prevails at present. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Adkins visited their daughter, Mrs. John Akins, who resides at Liberal, one day last week.

Joseph Peringer went to Oregon City one day last week on business.

Misses Mary Thomas and Eliza Burns called on Mrs. Mackintosh one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Burns went to New Era last Monday to visit the latter's father, Jacob Crader.

Mr. and Mrs. John Molzan visited at the residence of Jesse Adkins on Sunday last.

Mrs. Nettie Riggs went to Portland last Friday.

Jesse Adkins has sold his farm to a man from Barlow. Mr. Adkins intends to move to Liberal in the near future.

Mrs. Caroline Thomas visited Mrs. Sam Wilkerson last Sunday.

Sebastian Bany is working in Adkins Bros' sawmill at present.

Sam Wilkerson has rented L. Riggs' house, where he has moved his family.

Miss Mollie Burns was the guest of Miss Mary Thomas last Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Pembroke visited H. S. C. Phelps and family on Sunday last.

Mrs. N. Riggs and Maud Casady called on Mrs. Jesse Adkins last Saturday.

Irvine Wheeler and family intend to return to their home in Morrow county in the near future.

John Burns went to Oregon City last Tuesday on business. Backwoods.

New Era.

New Era has a new sawmill.

Farmers are shipping lots of spuds.

Mr. Scheffelt lost two cows by cars running over them.

The grist mill is again in running order.

We have our usual supply of mud in the roads.

Wilhoit.

Mr. and Mrs. Crouse and family, of Rock Creek, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wyland Sunday last.

Frank Haun has just completed a large shed for his cattle, which adds much to the looks of his farm.

William Mazingo and wife passed through this burg Monday last.

Mrs. Haun and son, of Rock Creek, made a business trip to Scotts Mills Friday last.

Mr. Wilson, of Rock Creek, was doing business at Marquam last Monday.

Raymond Wyland, of Rock Creek, is working for Albright Bros.

Quite a number of young people of Rock Creek went to Russellville church Sunday last. That's right, boys!

Mrs. Emma Vorhies, of Rock Creek, made Mr. and Mrs. Groshong a pleasant call Sunday last.

Quite a number of young people of Rock Creek went to Molalla to a basket party Friday evening. They all report having had a jolly time.

We are sorry to learn that Norris Thomas is lying very low at the present writing with appendicitis. Dr. Leonard, of Silverton, is attending him.

Born, to the wife of Mr. Gray, a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyland, Elva and Dora Wyland and C. G. Vorhies were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Haun Sunday last.

G. T. Slaughter and C. A. Ryan, a well-known freighter of Wilhoit, were seen passing through this burg with a load of freight for Mr. McLaren Saturday last.

Molalla.

After a few spring-like days the weather has changed and regular West-coast weather prevails.

Uncle Sam Engle remains about the same that he has been for several days. For several days his death was expected at any moment.

Grandma Berger is not expected to live. She is 87 years old.

There was organized at Molalla last Saturday one of the largest granges that have ever been organized in this county. There were 122 charter members, and there will probably be a membership of at least 150 members. Mrs. Mary Howard officiated at the organization. There was only one thing wanting to make it a decided success, and that was plenty of well filled baskets, which will probably be in attendance in the future.

Gilbert Jackson left here recently bound for Charles Bizer's shingle mill at LaBalu, Wash. He expects to work there for awhile before starting to Klondike.

Steve Hungate succeeded in killing a couple of cougars lately, one of them being a big fellow. They had been living on Albert Engle's goats.

Neil Jackson is preparing to go to Ogle Creek. He will start as soon as he can get there, but will not be able to do so at present on account of snow. He will build an arastre for a Mr. Kizer, who owns a promising quartz ledge on Henry Creek. Mr. Kizer is a farmer, who owns a farm near Butteville. He also owns placer ground near his quartz mine. He has done considerable work ditching to get water for mining, but he has to bring water so far that when the small streams are flooded his ditch breaks and washes away. He contem

plates fluming certain sections of his ditch thus avoiding washouts. Mr. Jackson is an experienced miner, having mined a number of years in Baker county, and he says that Ogle Creek has prospects as promising as any prospect he ever saw in Baker county.

The mayor of Molalla says that any man who will in the future engage in the same business that he has been in for a few days past, ought to have either a chromo or a pension.

D. C. Boyles looks quite natural behind L. W. Robbins' counter. He says that Silverton is all right but so is Molalla. X. Y. Z.

Marks Prairie.

The gentle rain is with us once more. Iddo Hein was looking at some farms with the view of buying one.

A. Hagey will set out a small hop yard this spring.

There will be a social dance at James McGill's home March 1st. Get your partners, boys, and come and have the best time you ever had.

Vern Ransdall went to Portland yesterday to visit relatives.

Mrs. E. Bohart will soon return home from the hospital at Portland, where she has been under treatment for some time.

The dance at Barlow was a grand success, and fine time was enjoyed by all attending. Constable F. M. Mathews kept good order and allowed no toughs in the hall.

Needy Camp No. 511, W. O. W., will initiate several candidates at their next meeting.

John Howard will soon go to Eastern Oregon, where he will work during the summer.

Miss Nannie Dozier is working for Mrs. John Mack at present.

Theodore Campan is shipping his onion sets. He receives 51-2 cents per pound for them.

What a smile Freda wore at the Barlow dance.

Say, you East Meadowbrook scribe, that shot from our 44 must have been loaded with county powder. Say, Ed, we are onto you. "People that live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones," as they are liable to get hurt. A word to the wise is sufficient. The readers of the Courier-Herald are not all socialists by a good deal. VERITAS.

Bedland.

Miss Maud Stone will commence teaching the spring term of school in the Stricklin district March 10th.

Miss Gardner, of Salem, district president of the Epworth League, gave an interesting lecture at the Methodist church about her trip to the National Convention at San Francisco. Miss Gardner is a very entertaining talker.

Mr. Pepple, who has been sick for some time, was taken to the hospital at Portland last week.

Mr. Dew sold all of his stock but kept his grain, consequently some one came and helped himself to some oats. See hear, my dear friend, you will do that just once too often.

Mr. Heinbothem is putting up a shed for horses.

Harve Mattoon is to break a colt for Charles Heinbothem this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollinsworth, of Nebraska, are expected to arrive here about March 20th.

Miss Heinbothem will close a successful 5 months' term of school in this place March 14th.

Bills are out for a basket social and entertainment to be given March 21st. Come along, and get you ready.

James Fullam sowed a field of wheat Saturday.

Fall wheat is coming on nicely since the snow left.

J. Harry and sons have completed their job of slabbing for Mr. Bonney, which makes quite an improvement to this burg.

Rev. Hatch, of Bethel Presbyterian church, delivered a powerful sermon to an appreciative congregation last Sunday at 3 o'clock. L. F.

Sunnyside.

It has been a long time since Sunnyside has been heard from, so I will put in a few items to let the people know that we are still alive.

Mr. Chambliss has a number one store here. He keeps drygoods, groceries and feed. He also runs a delivery wagon.

A very pleasant evening was enjoyed at the residence of Mr. Shrake in honor of his wife, who has just returned from Washington, where she spent the last few months for her health, which is much improved.

J. R. Welch, our late store-keeper, has secured the mail contract between Eagle Creek and Highland. They expect to move to Highland in the near future.

Born, Feb. 7, to the wife Mr. Ringstad, a son.

Our school is progressing nicely under the management of Miss Stella Sumner. S. S.

Woodburn.

George Hall returned from California last Saturday evening to visit friends and relatives here for a few weeks.

The dance given in the armory hall last Saturday evening was well attended and all enjoyed a good time.

Everybody is talking politics at present, as it will soon be election time again. Whoop 'em, boys, and play it hard!

Otto Anderson was a Portland visitor last Saturday and Sunday.

What seems to be the matter with the city marshal lately? He is all right in his way, but he doesn't weigh much.

The smallpox has been all the talk here the last couple of weeks, and everybody is getting vaccinated. Six cases are reported in our burg at present. ARIZONA JAKE.

Canby.

Mrs. Mattie Slavin, of Portland, is visiting her parents this week.

F. H. Hilton, from Barlow, has moved into his place in Canby, recently purchased from Joe Knight.

S. T. Fisher has completed the addition to his house, and he has moved in. F. C. Mack, who has been quite sick

for the past three months is some better. A. L. Snell and family will move to Portland the first of March.

Rev. Mathews has been committed to the asylum at Salem, as his mind is growing weaker every day.

Tom Shrockly, of Oregon City, has opened a barber shop in Canby. Mrs. Lucy Siberly, of Washington, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cox, this week.

Abe Radcliff filled up on Canby's best Saturday and went down the street flourishing a big knife and telling what a bad man he was, when the city marshal took him in. He was brought up before Recorder Lee, who bound him over to the grand jury on the charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Last night at school meeting taxpayers and heads of families voted for a 10-mill tax to repair the school house and the balance to go toward a three months' summer school.

Eldorado.

We see the farmers of this burg lost no time while the fine weather lasted as they were all busily engaged in plowing and seeding.

Some of the young folks of this burg attended the dance given at the Beaver Creek hall last Friday night, Feb. 22. All report having had a good time.

Mrs. Minnie Fanton spent a most delightful evening at the home of Mr. Cooper last Tuesday evening. Several young people of Canby were present also, being Misses Katie and Sarah Jones, Frank Spangler, Dewey Thomas and Apa Jones.

Mrs. Shabel and children were visiting relatives at Union Mills a few days last week.

Mrs. Dell Trullinger called on her brother, John Payne, and family one day last week.

Frank Irish went to town last Monday with a load for the Chinaman, who is moving away, as he is discouraged with renting hop yards.

Mr. Lewis was in our burg last Sunday.

Minnie Fanton spent Sunday with her sister Mrs. Payne.

Miss Clara Schoenborn, who has been sewing at Oregon City, has returned home, where she will spend the spring and summer.

Joe Eaton called on Charlie Spangler Sunday last.

Beaver Lake.

Good weather prevails. G. W. Wyland and sons are still making the brush fly.

We are glad to learn that N. J. Thomas, who has been suffering with appendicitis, is slowly on the mend with Dr. A. A. Leonard, of Silverton, attending him.

George Groshong made a trip to Oregon City one day last week.

Our honorable postmaster has turned out to be a freighter.

J. N. Inman, of Salem, was visiting in this section one day last week.

Bert Wade has a new pony.

Orval Thomas, who resides near Silverton, was visiting friends and relatives in our burg last week.

Oscar College, who has been working for Rhode Grimm the past winter, left for his home at La Grande about two weeks ago.

Harrison Wilson is busy building a fence.

Frank Haun has greatly improved the looks of his ranch by adding a new cow barn and adding other necessary improvements.

Mrs. Lizzie Wyland was visiting her daughter near Scotts Mills a few days ago.

Rhice Grim is busy hauling hay.

A party of young folks called on Bert Wade Sunday last and spent the day playing pedro. Those present were as follows: Orval Thomas, Ralph Slaughter, L. J. Nicholson, Ellis Nicholson and Bert Wade. Call again, boys.

Well, Clarence; you must look out how you handle that muzzle loading shot gun, for if you don't you are likely to get "bit."

Miss Sarah Churchill, of Seldom, Seen, was visiting friends on Pleasant Hill Thursday last. I didn't know this was Thursday, Bert.

A party of young folks from this burg attended the dance given by George Hardesty, near Molalla, Friday last. They reported having had a jolly time.

Bert Wade was seen purchasing neckwear at Scotts Mills one day last week. Well, well, Bert, what is going to happen next?

Oscar and Earl Davidson, of Russellville, passed through our burg one day last week on their way to Scotts Mills. SLYM JIM.

Molano.

The fine weather seems to make everybody good natured.

Mrs. Bogue, who has been sick, is improving slowly.

There was a large congregation at church last week.

George Force made a business trip to Portland last week.

Mae Davis was visiting Elva Erickson last Friday.

Mrs. Carlisle and daughters, Bee and Ethel, are visitors in Molano at present.

Mrs. Force and Mrs. Wallace were visiting Mrs. Bogue last week.

Mrs. Gibson and daughter, Ruth, are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Daniels, at present.

Mrs. Heins was visiting Mrs. F. Erickson last week.

Joe Mallatt has gone to Latourelle Falls to work with his brother, George, who has been there for some time.

Belle and Goldie Murphy, who have been attending school at Molalla, returned home last week, school being closed there.

Fred Wallace was visiting H. Seltzer last week.

The Molano hospital corps is at last organized, something so long wished for. All it needs is a name to complete it. It has also perfect structure for many occasions.

The surprise party given at the home of Mr. Davis last week was a pleasant affair. Those present were Albert, Elva and Elmer Erickson, Fred Force, Lee Perry, Ross Eaton, Beatrice and Ethel

Carlisle, Agnes Wallace, Clide Smith and Jot Mallatt.

Rev. Wiles and wife, of Liberal, were visiting at the home of H. Perry last Thursday evening.

Mrs. D. Trullinger was in Molano last week. Mr. Bounds and Nettie were visiting at the home of Mr. Murphy Sunday last.

Robert Shubel and family are visiting at the home of Dell Trullinger at present.

A party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Perry last Saturday evening by Gibson White. Games were indulged in until midnight, when a delicious supper was served. Those present were Misses Mae Davis, Connor, Grace Miller, Morey, Ethel and Walter Wiles, Pierce Wright, John Rhodes, Filbert White, Arthur Abbott, Joe and Charles Daniels, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Mrs. J. E. Carlisle, Ernest and Archie Davis, Lee Perry and the Misses Simmons. All adjourned to their respective homes at the early hour of 2 o'clock. Everybody enjoyed themselves if Johnnie did "get in the neck" after it was all over.

Charles Boynton went to Woodburn last Sunday.

Fred Wallace and Frank Manning attended the Maccabee meeting at Molalla last Saturday evening.

A couple of young women of Liberal were badly frightened in the suburbs of our burg while returning home from a party. We glory in your spunk for the bravery showed. BUSCHY.

Liberal.

The storm stopped the plows and seeding this week.

Grass is starting in fine shape and old cows smile.

Gray squirrels are out, and the grouse looeth, so spring is not far away.

W. L. Johnson and father, of Clackamas Station, were here with a nice drove of sheep and left them on pasture.

John Rhodes has trimmed and sprayed Levi Stelman's young orchard in fine shape. That's right, Johnnie, fight the pests.

John Ridings, of Marquam, was a pleasant caller Monday night.

Silas Wright went to Oregon City, Sunday after his mother, Mrs. L. E. Wright, who will visit here for a couple of weeks.

The young people of this place were invited to a party at Had Perry's home at Molano, and reported having had a fine time. A fine lunch was spread before the guests departed for their homes.

William Watkins sold his place to Silas Adkins last week.

John Akins' little daughter, Esther, who drank concentrated lye is fast improving.

P. Priester is building a house on his land that he purchased recently from G. J. Trullinger.

The Maccabee Tent at Molalla had a rousing time last Saturday night. Seven new members were initiated. The Marquam team was present and showed their hand with good credit initiating the new members.

N. M. Moody, S. J. Vaughan, Mayor Dimick, of Oregon City, and State Organizer Sherwood were present at the Maccabee initiation, also a delegation from Mackburg. Fifty members ate supper at Perry's hotel. The Molalla boys know how to treat their brothers. SYLVIA.

Molalla.

What was perhaps the largest charter membership grange ever organized in Oregon was organized at Molalla, Clackamas county, on February 15th and 21st by State Lecturer Austin T. Burton and State Secretary Mary S. Howard. One hundred and twenty-two names were enrolled on the charter, and membership bids fair to reach 150 in the near future, making this the largest grange in the state.

The able discourses of the organizers were well received, and an interest has been aroused that bids fair to continue. Officers elected are as follows: Master, J. W. Thomas; overseer, John Cole; lecturer, George Ogle; steward, George Adams; assistant steward, Arthur Kayler; chaplain, Mrs. Schamel; treasurer, M. Hungate; secretary, Mattie Leavitt; gate-keeper, Edward Hammond; ceres, Maud Rastall; pomona, Emma Case; flora, Hattie Miller; lady assistant steward, Eleanor Moody.

A grange hall is to be built in the near future; more than \$500 having already been subscribed toward that purpose and a committee on plans and specifications selected as follows: George Adams, J. W. Thomas, J. R. Shaver, Albert Moehrbeger and James Dickey. Next meeting of grange to be held on Friday, March 14th. Regular day of meeting not yet definitely fixed but will most likely be on first Saturday of each month. Meetings to