

NEWS OF THE COUNTY

Marks Prairie.

Rain and mud galore. Our farmers are still resting, waiting for spring. At Cole has purchased a part of the Marks place here, and is hauling lumber to put up a house. We are glad to have him for a neighbor. George Oglesby and sons were calling at Jack Kerr's Sunday. Charles Wolfert, of Wolfert Prairie, is on the sick list at present. James McGill, of Paradise City, will go to Portland this week to get an artificial leg. Miss Alice Ritter is drilling her pupils for the entertainment she will give in the near future. Avon Jesse was visiting friends near Smyrna Sunday. It took a young couple three hours to travel one mile and a half last Tuesday evening. John Kopper has been ditching some of the past few days. Our road boss has been dragging our roads the past few days, which is a big help to the road. Oglesby Brothers will give a dance on February 14. Plenty of hot coffee and sandwiches will be served at midnight. Good music and a good time is assured. Several parties are getting their onion sets ready for market here. Mrs. Jack Kerr is selling many duck eggs at \$1 for 13. They are the Indian variety. Several of our farmers' wives will go into the turkey business on a large scale this spring. Eph James is getting to be an expert taxidermist. He has quite a fine selection of mounted animals and birds on exhibition at his residence at Paradise City. Several changes have been made in our phone lines this week. We now have connection with the Molalla Mutual, which is a great convenience. The change in our road boundaries is all right, and there will be some road work done on the Gribble Prairie roads now. Mrs. Ben Wolfert has been quite sick with the grip, but is some better at present.

Mulino.

Mr. Julger had the misfortune to fall down at the skating rink Saturday evening and break his arm. Mr. Jellet and Mr. Darling, of Mountain View, were visitors in Mulino last week. Mr. Woodside has purchased some sheep of Mr. Skeim, of Liberal. Mr. and Mrs. Crook spent Sunday evening at the Daniels home. Mrs. Fred Erickson has been on the sick list, but is better. Miss Gans was visiting in Mulino Saturday. She was summoned to the bedside of her mother Saturday evening, who is quite sick. Mr. and Mrs. Mallatt spent Sunday at the Davis home. Mr. Evans and family have moved on to their place again. Mrs. Udell is able to be around again. A. Erickson spent Sunday visiting friends at Bolton.

Needy.

The sun shone bright today—Monday. Miss Mable Ackerson, who has been seriously ill, is a little better at this writing. Mrs. Frank Fish is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Alvin Thompson. Prof. Mitts and wife of Canby, and Prof. Noe and family of Elliot Prairie, spent Sunday at J. E. Mitt's. Our road boss has been out working the roads the past few days. Job Gahler, Jr., hauled a load of potatoes to the station Monday. Rudy Ritter bought a coon from Harvey Hilton to train his hound pups, but one night the coon slipped his collar and got away. Miss Lucy Armstrong is spending this week at home preparing for her sister, Martha's, wedding, which takes place on Tuesday. Misses Jemison and Hanson, two missionaries, are holding revival meetings here in the school house. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Molson entertained some friends from Portland, Sunday. The base ball boys will give another of their jolly good dances Saturday night in Thompson's Hall. Every one is invited to come and have a good time.

Stafford.

Mrs. Powell is numbered among the sick we hear, although not confined to her bed all the time. Mr. Shauber, who is living on the road to Willamette, was stricken with paralysis on Friday last, the whole left side being affected. Mr. Gace's son, Arden, and wife, came last week for a visit to the old home. The wife took a violent cold and at one time was threatened seriously with pneumonia, but at last accounts was better. Stafford and vicinity is putting on some permanent improvements. Fred Baker has put a substantial pole and post fence clear along his road line to intersect with the Hayes fence, and got a large part cleared and in grain, and is building a new home. Simon Peters has improved the

ber of progressive home builders as there is not an improved road leading into this district, making it extremely difficult for them to have building materials delivered. The Harmony Improvement Society will give a Valentine Basket Social on Valentine night at the Harmony school house. The program begins at 8 p. m. The stork has been very industrious in Harmony during the past week having left two girls and one boy to swell the population. Mr. C. G. Mildred is walking around with a very satisfied expression of contentment over the arrival of a daughter at his home.

Liberal.

Kasper Linger fell at the Skating Rink last Saturday night and broke his arm. Johnny Erickson took him to Molalla to Dr. Powell, who set the bone. He is getting along as well as can be expected at this writing. Mr. Larson is hauling straw for J. O. Morris. Uncle Silas Wright is busy cleaning out his orchard. Mr. Culverson has rented the Baly house from Mr. Dunton. Misses Alice Moore, Floda Burns, Katie Friedrich and Clara Morey visited Molalla school last Friday. The Fredrich boys are expected home from Corvallis Sunday. Pierce Wright is doing some plowing. The skating rink was well attended Saturday night and Sunday afternoon. Wm. Morey is clearing land. Rae Austin and wife visited with Mrs. Case Saturday night and Sunday.

Dodge.

We are having fine weather here now with lots of snow in sight. The trees on the foothills are the whitest they have been this winter. Johnny Pack caught a coyote Sunday in his trap. Will Bradley has gone to work for a while. He has a tunnel 100 feet through a bluff, and intends to put in a fish pond, and in a dam have 100-horse power for light purposes. Bert Pack has gone to Elwood to plow for Mrs. Surfus with his father's team, as Mrs. Surfus sold her team. Mr. Horners, of Dodge, is building a large store house on his farm and fixing up his yard for a flower garden. Mr. Horners has planted about two acres of potatoes for an early crop. Miss Myrtle Park and Miss Bell and Miss Mary Howard were visitors at Horners' Sunday. They report a good time. Mr. Anker is going to give a lecture at the Elwood Church, Sunday at 11 p. m. The subject is "Christianity." Everybody is cordially invited.

Wilsonville.

Charles Wagner has rented the Harms place and will farm it this year. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Turner were Oregon City visitors last Friday. Mr. Charles Thompson was busy the latter part of last week registering voters for the coming election. Jake Peters attended the sale at Nemo's last Saturday. The sale was ably conducted by W. H. H. Sampson, of Oregon City. Charles and Chris Wagner made a business trip to Oregon City last Friday. H. H. Payne was canvassing this part of the county last week for the Royal Silverware Company. Mr. Pagne is a resident of Willamette. J. R. Marsh and family, of Aurora, were visitors, Sunday, at J. W. Lowry's. Mr. Marsh is a rural carrier of Aurora and is the son of the late Professor Marsh of Forest Grove.

Clarks.

The wild cats are getting quite numerous in this part of the county. Mr. Senger killed a cat one day last week measuring three feet in length, and seven tracks of several others. G. W. Force was at Liberal on business Monday. J. Krueder sold his fine team of black horses last week. W. C. Bottommiller bought a sack of nice clover seed at Clark's last Tuesday.

Harmony Notes.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hanken, wife of J. C. Hanken, died at her home in Harmony February 7, aged 32 years. She was a native of La Crosse, Wis., and leaves to mourn her loss a husband and three small children, one an infant two years old. She was a faithful member of the Catholic Church. Funeral services were held by that denomination. Interment took place in Multnomah Cemetery, Sunday afternoon. Mr. John Bechman is hauling building material with the expectation of erecting a new home in the spring. The western part of the Harmony district is making considerable progress. Several large tracts of land have been platted into small acreage tracts and sold. A number of families have made homes during the past year in this district and many more will during the coming year as many tracts have been sold and more are being platted. Wichita Station on the O. W. P. is only a short distance from this territory. The defeat of the Milwaukee road will prove a hardship to a large number of progressive home builders as there is not an improved road leading into this district, making it extremely difficult for them to have building materials delivered.

go here lately. Misses Maude Moran and Mabel Francis made a business trip to Portland Monday. The Dix Bros. are putting in a lumber yard on Molalla Avenue, between Roosevelt and Pearl streets. They are building a house, too. Mrs. Kate Forbes, on Pleasant Ave., is making preparations to go to Iowa to see her father. Mrs. Forbes has quite a lot of canned fruit to dispose of before she leaves. Mrs. Ely entertained her Sunday School last Friday afternoon between 2 and 4 o'clock. Taffy candy and colored popcorn was served to all those present.

Meadowbrook.

Mrs. Holman returned to her home in Portland Saturday. H. C. Bonaker and family was visiting J. W. Standing and family Sunday. Mayor Schaffer has returned home from serving out a sentence on the jury. G. W. Angess was transacting business in town Monday. Messrs. Otto and George Hofstetter attended Sunday School and visited friends in town Sunday. A. L. Larkins and family was visiting friends in the south part of town Sunday. The wedding bells rang out with no uncertain sound on February 14th, at one o'clock. The contracting parties were R. L. Holman, of Meadowbrook, and Miss B. L. Blair, of Woodburn. The wedding took place at the residence of the bride's father, where a number of invited friends and relatives were present. The improvements on the east side of the Holman block will soon be completed.

The Springwater Grange, No. 263, met and had an interesting meeting and program. It was resolved that there should be a committee of condolence to draft resolutions of respect for the deceased member, Mrs. Martha E. Woodruff, and the following resolution was adopted and requested published: "That the deceased Mrs. Martha E. Woodruff was a honorable member of Springwater Grange No. 263, and to show the sympathy this Grange has for the deceased relative that the charter of this Grange shall be draped in mourning for thirty days and also your committee feels how weak and fruitless must be any words which should attempt to beguile you from the grief so overwhelming and may the Heavenly Father assuage your bereavement and you only cherish the memory of the loved Mother and Wife. A. M. SHILBEY, S. E. BATES, ANNA FOLSOM, Committee.

Highland.

Lance and Tom Shockey have rented the Dunlap place. Mrs. Chas. Robinson of Oregon City visited a few days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield. School District No. 111 held a very interesting meeting last Monday. There was no blood shed or hair pulling, but it looked for a while like both would be done. The meeting was called to change the site for the school house. Of course, there was two sides to the question, and a lively time was had for a while, but the site was changed by a majority of two votes. It is too bad we can't all have a school house near our door. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stevens spent Wednesday and Thursday of last week in Oregon City. Mr. Pollock was taken to Portland last Sunday where he will be under the care of Dr. Hickman. We hope the change will be for the better. Mrs. Jessie Mayfield wears a very happy smile now and it's all because of her new sewing machine. Miss Nettie Miller, who finished a course of studies at the Portland Business College last month, has accepted

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Canby. Warren Kendle has been making railroad ties here lately at Barlow. James Wilkerson had considerable trouble making the round trip with his mail wagon in this last wild storm on account of so many trees falling across the road. He had to engage the services of an outsider with a cross-cut saw before he could get through. Bud Hilton and Mr. Fellows are putting up a new line fence. Mr. Mainwood is clearing out a new fence road. Warren Lee is sawing stove wood with his steam wood saw for Mr. Ridenour. William Kendle who lives near Neely was calling on his brother last Saturday. The election contest given at Knight Hall on the night of February 10th by the W. C. T. U. was largely attended and the little boys and girls recited their pieces in fine order. This shows what can be accomplished when they are properly trained. Little Miss Florence Knight received the medal.

Teazel Creek.

Pleasant weather prevails and all the farmers are pressing their spring work looking for hot weather in March. Uncle Frank Kaylor is very sick with a gripe but is reported a little better. Wm. Miller is still improving very slowly. Preaching at the Christian church next Sabbath, February 16. The W. H. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. J. Melton and sewed carpet rags on last Thursday. A good social time is reported. Joe Simons is improving the looks of his farm by cutting away the extra trees, which were out of line with his shade trees along the front of his residence. Anthony Moor is cleaning and hauling off the hop poles from his hop yard, and getting ready for Wm. Melton to put in a crop of grain on this spring. Rev. Wm. pastor of Teazel Creek will preach at Molalla on next Sabbath, February 16, at 11 o'clock, a. m. All are invited. Dogs or coyotes are prowling around this vicinity. Mr. Moor lost two or three goats the other night. Come on, Quinn, with your hounds, and if it is the coyotes take them, and if it is the ordinary good dog, oh! well!

Oswego.

There was a party given in honor of Miss Lillian Hall's sixteenth birthday, Monday evening at her home. Refreshments were served and all spent a very pleasant evening. Those present were: Elmer Kinglake, Paul Dickson, Miss Lily Bekker, Miss Gladys Nelson, Charley Bekker, Allan Nelson, Miss Hattie Bethke, Vernon Marguerette Gray, Miss Lella Heninger, Julian Bloomer, Miss Dena Prosser and Miss Cecelia Bloomer. The Oswego Women's Club met at the home of Mrs. Nelson Wednesday afternoon. An interesting programme was rendered after which lunch was served by the hostess.

Grange Notice.

The annual Grange County Convention will be held at Oregon City, in the County Courtroom, on Tuesday, March 10th, at 1 o'clock p. m. Said convention is called for the purpose of electing five representatives, and fifth Annual Session of the Oregon State Grange, to be held in Eugene, May 12 to 15, 1908. MARY S. HOWARD, Deputy.

Russellville.

This, the Chinese New Year, and a little snow greets the people of this country. Mrs. Scott Carter has gone to Oregon City for medical treatment. It seems as if the grip cannot cross the dead line. There was a broad south wind blew for a few days, beating the grip back, so we are free from that terrible scourge. Some people in this country are receiving a road around what is called the "Jim Russell bill," which will be a great improvement. Charles Hardy and his hired man are falling brush as fast as they can, which is changing the appearance of the country. The grand rush of farming is somewhat retarded by the inclement weather, causing people to sit by the burning wood. O. S. Boyles has his house almost completed; so now comes the wood-house, which will soon be completed. Three carpenters move work along at a rapid rate. Mr. Ramsey and sons are clearing "shang" farm. Some of their crop will soon be ready for market. It will likely be the first ginsling sold from this coast. Mr. Buckner's sick folks are gaining health once more. They have had a hard time of it. Lewis Daugherty is falling brush almost every day, improving his farm. John Nightingale sold some of his bacon a few days ago, and has more to sell later on. Our new bachelor, Mr. McFarland, has left his winter quarters for parts well known.

Stone.

Most of our people are better of colds and the grip, and Mark Sprague, who has an attack of acute pneumonia, is doing well. The physician

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Mountain View.

Quite a number of children are out of school with the mumps this week. Mrs. McGrew is on the sick list this week. Mrs. Mann, who is visiting in Portland, was here looking after the welfare of her home, Sunday. Mrs. Hall went out to the sawmill last week and visited among relatives. Mrs. A. Robertson and her mother, Mrs. Holden, were visiting Mrs. Lon Baker last week. Jesse Cox and son, Willis, of Elwood, were doing business in town last week Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. McGrew and wife moved into Fred Curran's house last week. Charley Albright, of Midway, (Portland) and Malton Moran, were each shaking hands with old friends in the berg last Saturday. Messrs. F. M. Darling and J. M. Gilbert drove out to Molino last week for seed potatoes. Mr. Sinclair has sold his property here and expects to give possession this week. Mr. Ham, of Kansas, bought the place. Mrs. Sinclair and Lottie are looking for a house to move into until school closes, then they expect to move onto a ranch. Mr. Wilkes went to Portland Tuesday and traded for a new horse. J. Slover received the bad news this week of the death of one of his nephews, who used to live here a few years ago. There is a protracted meeting at the United Brethren church this week. Messrs. W. W. Aldredge and B. T. Linn have put a new fence on the west line of their property on 7th and Polk streets. Mrs. Shumway, of Estacada, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Linn, this week. Surprise parties seem to be all the

Elwood.

The school has been closed the past week on account of the sickness of a few pupils. Rev. Reinhardt has returned from Highland where he has been holding meetings for the past few weeks. One of John Hohn's milk cows disappeared very mysteriously about a month ago, and he thought he had looked all over his ranch for her, but found her a few days ago buried in his straw stack, where the straw had covered it up on her. Don't forget the entertainment and social at the school house Wednesday evening February 19th. It promises to be a success. Jesse Cox has purchased a sawmill and has commenced to move it home. Mrs. Surfus sold her team to Charles Hunter of Colton. Rumor says that Mr. Wilson and son have bought the stock of goods that Frank Baker had in his store and the foot of Skyrocket. We hope our people will patronize the new merchant of Jack Wallace. A. S. Henderson has Mr. Chester Gorbett's residence almost completed and on last Saturday moved back to his home in Elwood. Frank Wilson and wife who have been making their home at Casadero are going to live in Elwood. Mr. Anker is to hold services at the Elwood church February 16th, at 11 A. M. Mrs. Della Gottberg made a flying trip to Estacada on Monday. John Arquette was a visitor in Elwood on Sunday. W. T. Henderson is still digging stumps. It is his earnest wish that some one with the "ever needful" would come along and help him out. Mr. Phillips has been on the sick list for the last week. Frank Bittner made a business trip to Oregon City Saturday.

Eagle Creek.

The performance to be given on the 15th by the members of the Eagle Creek Dramatic Club is entitled, "Out in the Streets." The troupe is practicing

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