

CLACKAMAS COUNTY.

Brief News Items From an Enterprising Corps of Correspondents.

Stafford.

STAFFORD, Oct. 7.—The rains last week stopped the threshing of clover, but the sunshine of the present week has dried things up so that they can begin again.

Rev. F. Reichle, of Portland, has moved his family to his country home near Stafford.

Rev. H. Dallman who is suffering with consumption, has been taken to the hospital at Portland.

The rains have been too light to help plowing, so fall work is still waiting.

Peter Rouch, one of the men suffocated at Oswego last week, was intending to move to his little ranch near Stafford this fall.

W. L. S.

Maple Lane.

MAPLE LAKE, OR., Oct. 6.—School commenced Monday with Miss Alice Eaton as teacher. She taught a four months term last spring, and probably gave as general satisfaction as any teacher could expect to give.

J. F. Watkin, our sometime deputy sheriff, is laid up at present with a lame back.

We are glad to welcome among us Mr. Elliott and family who purchased some land of Mr. Brown.

The Maple Lane alliance holds an open meeting Saturday next at 7:30 p. m. Everybody is invited.

Mrs. Andrus, an old time resident of Maple Lane, is in the neighborhood, a guest of Mrs. John Dixon.

O. L. S.

Central Point.

CENTRAL POINT, OR., Oct. 6.—H. J. Ewing, of Portland, is visiting friends here.

J. E. Waldron, of Meadow Brook, made a short visit home last Saturday and Sunday.

Between 700 and 1000 bushels of potatoes are being stored in New Era every day.

Mr. Charles Hinton, of East Portland, and Miss Martha Penman, of this place, were united in wedlock at Oregon City today. Justice Fouts performing the ceremony. We wish the happy couple much joy and prosperity. They will reside in East Portland.

Mrs. H. P. Eastman is preparing to build a new root house.

Potatoes will take the place of wheat and oats very well in feeding horses, hogs or cattle through the winter.

U.S.

Highland.

HIGHLAND, OR., Oct. 5.—The exposition is the talk this week. A number have returned delighted with the magnificent display made in Portland.

School began today with D. A. Miller as instructor. Mr. Miller is a successful teacher, and we congratulate the district on procuring his services.

Miss Ella Davis was out driving when her horse became frightened and threw her from the cart. The result was a sprained wrist.

Mr. B. Tucker and wife are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Jones.

Several families have taken up their abode in Highland, and still there is room for more.

Mrs. Wm. Farlow, who has been visiting friends and relatives in this community, was suddenly called home to the bedside of her son Marion who was seriously hurt by the falling of a derrick fork.

G. S. S.

Mink.

MINK, OR., Oct. 5.—Farmers are busy digging potatoes. The yield will be about an average.

Charles Moehne threshed about 29,000 bushels of grain in thirty days this season. Fred Moehne has about two days threshing to do yet.

Mr. Chas. Horn, of Ashland, Pennsylvania, is here visiting his relatives. He is well pleased with Oregon after visiting all the western states. Possibly he will stay till spring.

Perpetual motion is found this time by Richard Schoenborn, with power enough to run the largest machinery, so he says. The contrivance is so simple that he would not risk it in the hands of a lawyer to get it patented, but went to Washington himself. He says he can make a model in a few minutes to prove that it will do as he says. He has run a sewing machine and churn with it. Water and air are the forces, so we have been informed. When he returns from Washington we can tell you more about it.

While taking in the sights in Portland last Saturday night Charlie Martin was knocked down by three foot pads and relieved of a \$5 watch.

Some one helped himself to C. Hornshul's dried fruit last Sunday night. He saw the thief, but being crippled with rheumatism he could not overtake him. There are several other complaints that some one is helping himself to stuff which does not belong to him. Perhaps he will get his foot in it one of these nights.

C. Moehne just returned from Seattle where he was visiting his daughter.

School opened today with Miss Williams and Miss Ely as teachers.

Miss Rosie Guenther was home on a visit for a few days last week.

C. Moehne is going to take his engine to Oregon City where he will use it in the manufacture of pumps.

Mox.

New Era.

NEW ERA, OR., Oct. 5.—Every body is busy harvesting the potato crop which is yielding rather lighter than was expected, though the crops of good quality.

Quite a number of New Era folks went to the Portland exposition last week, and they say the exhibit is much better than ever before.

Gen. Carl Knott intends to purchase a new steam engine to run his new separator that he got last week. He then failed to get any power at all by which he could run it.

Our worthy postmaster, J. C. Newberry, is the possessor of a new and very neat

light rig which he purchased from Staver & Walker one day last week.

August Bremer is treating his new house to a coat of white paint which makes it look second to no farm house in the county.

Wm. Gutperlet has gone back to Iowa on business and perhaps will remain all winter.

Geo. Kidder and family, of Mount Pleasant, spent last Saturday night and Sunday with the family of E. C. Maddeck.

Mrs. Dement is quite low with intermittent fever. Dr. Payne, of Oregon City, is in attendance, and we hope for a speedy recovery.

Mr. E. D. Hutchinson is hauling out of the timber a lot of 10,000 hop poles, preparatory to piling his fifteen-acre hop yard.

Herman Anthony has been ordered by the Southern Pacific Railroad Company to go to the car shops in East Portland where he will be employed as watchman in and around the shops.

The Brown Bros. shipped a car load of potatoes to Portland last week.

Charles Bachelor and family moved to Portland last Saturday where they will remain at least all winter.

The New Era school district purchased last week a complete set of hand-drawn maps and a physiological chart at a cost of \$22.00. This school district intends to keep up with the times. Perhaps there are some other districts that should follow suit.

Last but not least was a birthday party given by Mr. and Mrs. George Randall, of Central Point, the occasion being the 36th anniversary of Grandma Freestone. Quite a number of relatives and friends had been invited, and the morning was spent in sociability. When the hour of noon arrived all present were invited into the dining room where a well filled table was awaiting them. After partaking of a good share of the bounties there the party repaired to the parlor and spent the remainder of the day in singing and instrumental music.

SHORTS.

Milwaukie.

MILWAUKIE, OR., Oct. 7.—Mrs. L. H. Whitcomb, of Pomeroy, Washington, accompanied by her daughter, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bonnet.

Richard Scott, Esq., the prominent sheep grower of this county, captured several prizes at the fat stock show.

Died, Oct. 5d, at the Good Samaritan hospital, Portland, after a lingering illness, Professor W. E. Gasch.

We have been informed that the Farmers' alliance will hold a meeting here next Saturday evening, October 10. Professor Rork and other prominent speakers will speak. Come one, come all, and hear what they have to say.

About 5 o'clock last Saturday a very serious runaway occurred about a mile and a half from here. As Mr. H. Bottemiller and family were driving through an open gate on the Beckley place, the team took fright and ran away, upsetting the wagon and throwing the occupants out. Of the seven persons in the wagon four were hurt. Mrs. Bottemiller had her right leg fractured in three places, her left leg was badly out, and her shoulder dislocated. Mr. H. Bottemiller had his left hip dislocated and spine hurt. Mrs. A. Bottemiller, a daughter-in-law of Mr. Bottemiller, recently arrived from Wisconsin, had her hip dislocated and back hurt. Lydia Bottemiller had her wrist sprained and suffered bruises about the head. From what was learned it seems that some cattle got into the field and the sons of Mr. Bottemiller were driving them out of the gate. They crowded the horses which took fright and ran. The horses escaped unhurt. The injured men under the care of Doctors Ray of Sellwood and Sullivan of Oswego. At last accounts all were doing well.

The State Normal School.

MONMOUTH, OR., October 5.—Work at the normal school has begun in earnest. About forty-five classes recite daily to the different professors in their respective rooms. The large gymnasium is used daily by the gentlemen students. The apparatus consists of horizontal bars, flying rings, trapeze, double bar, etc. The young ladies have calisthenic exercises in the chapel under the supervision of Professor Tuttle. The exercises consist of dumb bell drills, Indian club swinging, broom brigade, wand exercises, etc.

Last Wednesday evening the library association met and appointed a committee to renew the subscriptions for the coming term. All the leading papers and magazines of the day are thus placed at the disposal of the students, besides many new books being added to the library.

Last Friday evening the literary societies resumed work. There are four societies, two for young ladies and two for gentlemen. The Vespertine society for ladies has been running for the past three years.

Two companies of cadets have been organized this year. The staff officers are, C. E. Henkle, colonel; B. C. Miller, lieutenant colonel; E. B. Moores, major; R. Butler, adjutant; E. Smith, quartermaster. Officers of Company A: H. C. Bushnell, captain; T. E. Zieher, first lieutenant; A. B. Bailey, second lieutenant. Officers of Company B: F. Hall, captain; W. I. Lacey, first lieutenant; F. S. Harris, second lieutenant.

The old part of the college has been handsomely decorated during the past vacation. A lot of new chemical and physical apparatus has been received during the past week, and will soon be in place ready for work. The dining hall in connection with the school has been enlarged until it will now accommodate two hundred students. Eight students represent Clackamas county; Misses Ana Baird and Gertrude Finley from Oregon City, Frances and Ella Curran from Curranville, Lennie and Louise Mayfield from Viola, Kate Casto from New Era, and Horace G. Lake from Danansus.

STUDENT.

Mr. R. Wade has traded his farm of 90 acres near Union Mill to N. H. Darling for his addition to Oregon City. They both got fine property in the trade. Mr. Wade will push the sale of lots in his addition and having very saleable property will doubtless meet with success.

Local Personal Notes.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Law, of Havana, Cuba, and Miss Grace Bartlett, of Erie County, New York have been visiting the family of A. S. Lawton, at Mount Pleasant this week. Mr. Law is the Havana agent of the Standard Oil company. The party come west over the Northern Pacific and left for a short visit in California when they will return East. They were much pleased with the Northwest and Mr. Law is considering the matter of locating in business in this country. Mrs. Law is a cousin of Mr. Lawton.

Prof. T. G. Brownson, president of the McMinville college will conduct the services next Sunday morning and evening at the Baptist church, Rev. Parker being under engagement to conduct the dedicatory exercises at the new Baptist church at Logan.

Cassius Barlow, the live real estate man, was in Oregon City Tuesday. Mr. Barlow reports the new town of Barlow growing steadily and that his firm is disposing of considerable property both town and acre tracts.

A. L. Cornwall, the Molalla druggist, was in Oregon City Monday. Mr. Cornwall has a good word for his town, business he reports being very good with better prospects for the future.

Major and Mrs. Charman, Miss Charman and J. T. Logus and the Misses Logus arrived home from their California trip last Monday.

W. W. Irvin, who runs the Barlow meat market, was in the city Monday for a short time.

Rev. F. L. Verhaag, of East Portland, was in the city on business last Tuesday.

A Visitor from the South.

Mr. E. W. Harvey from Jackson, Miss., is spending a few weeks in Oregon and is at present the guest of Mr. A. F. Stokes, of Canemah. Mr. Harvey is a northern man and has been south for several years, and has been superintendent of one of the great cotton plantations in Mississippi. Speaking of the industrial growth of the south he states that great progress has been made in all lines of manufacturing, especially in iron, cotton and woolen. At Wesson, in Mississippi is located the largest woolen mills in the United States, the motive power being steam, coal being in such abundance and so cheap that water power is no object.

Of the future of the negroes Mr. Harvey does not entertain very bright hopes. A small percentage of them are industrious and are accumulating property, but the mass are indolent and shiftless and labor only when compelled too, to provide the necessities of life. The race is rapidly deteriorating owing to their utter disregard of all sanitary rules as well as to their licentiousness. Venereal and other diseases are doing their deadly work and the younger generation has not the vitality that the race formerly had and as a consequence the death rate of the children is increasing to such an extent that the negro population will not increase as fast as heretofore.

The legal firm of Hayes & Brownell has been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Hayes will continue to do business at the office formerly occupied by the firm, and Mr. Brownell has established his office with C. O. T. Williams in the Canfield block on Main street.

The Empire Manufacturing company of Gladstone has sold out to Mr. Mosier formerly superintendent of the Standard box factory in Portland. Mr. Mosier is a practical furniture manufacturer and will push work vigorously at this factory.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Cross gave their little daughter Dollie a pleasant party Tuesday evening to celebrate the eight anniversary of her birth. There were a score of her young friends present. Refreshments were served and a very happy time was enjoyed by the little folks.

PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

Report for September.—Oregon Weekly Weather and Crop Report.

Following is a report of the total rainfall and average temperature at the Pacific slope stations named, for the month of September:

Stations.	Rainfall.			Temp't.	
	Rainfall.	Seasonal.	September.	Monthly.	Normal.
Spokane	0.70	2.96	1.29	69	54
Olympia	3.90	5.07	3.10	57	54
Port Angeles	3.99	7	1.40	53	49
Fort Canby	4.80	6.03	3.37	55	56
Walla Walla	0.40	1.88	0.99	64	58
Portland	2.20	3.62	1.77	61	58
Baker City	0.19	2.43	0.28	57	54
Roseburg	0.90	2.13	0.82	62	57
Wheeler	0.80	0.79	0.31	59	54
Red Bluff	0.18	0.34	0.41	73	69
Sacramento	0.10	0.19	0.11	70	65
San Francisco	0.77	0.89	0.16	62	57
Fresno	0.30	0.26	0.19	75	78
Keeler	0.29	0.25	0.21	81	71
Los Angeles	0.16	0.66	0.11	73	62
San Diego	0.19	0.68	0.03	79	64
Yuma	Trace	8.08	0.15	83	79

WESTERN OREGON.—WEATHER.

The weather for the week ending October 3, has been cool and cloudy, and general rains have fallen. Frosts occurred in various portions on September 27 and 28. Snow fell on Mary's Peak, Benton county, on the 29th, the first of the season. The temperature averaged three degrees a day below the normal. Over one-half of an inch of rain fell during the week.

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EASTERN OREGON.—WEATHER.
Cool temperatures and frosty nights have prevailed. General rains fell on the 28th and 29th of September, with snow in Union, Wallowa, Baker and interior counties.

CROPS.
The frosts nipped a few tomato and other vines, but did no serious damage. Some oats and wheat that were not threshed, were slightly damaged by the rains. Plowing on stubble land was commenced and considerable summer fallowed wheat has been sown. Potatoes are being dug and the yield is very large. Apples and pears are being pickled. The grass is growing nicely, and affords good pasturage. Grape picking and wine making will begin next week in the southern counties.

HARVEST OVER.
Harvest is practically over. The largest and most successful crops of all kinds except hops ever experienced in the state have been gathered. Yields have been large, and all products of good quality. The people are to be congratulated on the success of the season's labors. Prosperity and good times exist in every portion of the state. Stock wintered well, increase of sheep was large and wool clip enormous; climatic conditions favored the growth, development, yield and harvest of hay, cereals and fruit. The water has been quite plentiful for the miner. Everybody appears to have been favored, and happiness reigns.

These weekly bulletins have given, from the commencement of growth in the spring to the finishing of harvest, the weekly conditions and prospects. They will now be discontinued until the next growing season. The monthly bulletins will continue as usual.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY ASSESSMENT.
Valuations of Property Fixed by the Equalization Board.

The county board of equalization, consisting of County Judge Meldrum, Clerk Johnson and Assessor Noble, revised the assessment of Clackamas county last week. The only material changes made in the assessment were the addition of land valued at \$5165, city lots \$3100, and improvements \$1590, and allowing claimed indebtedness amounting to \$31,130, and cancelling \$31,000 of mortgages. Doubly assessed property to the amount of \$1900 was also deducted. The assessment roll, after the equalization, shows the following figures for 1891, and for purposes of comparison the figures for the preceding three years are also appended:

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\$1,877,001	\$2,407,641	\$2,664,206	\$4,061,555
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30,152	30,152	30,152	30,152
100,450	100,450	100,450	100,450
200,512	200,512	200,512	200,512
311,982	311,982	311,982	311,982
171,140	171,140	171,140	171,140
129,545	129,545	129,545	129,545
102,800	102,800	102,800	102,800
11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
107,215	107,215	107,215	107,215
8,757	8,757	8,757	8,757
5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
438,076	438,076	438,076	438,076
\$1,941,555	\$2,554,258	\$2,881,258	\$4,204,470
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