

# CLACKAMAS COUNTY

## The Enterprise Correspondents Sweep the Field.

### Happenings in Localities Outside of Oregon City—Industrial Items—Neighborhood Notes.

#### Canby.

CANBY, Or., Oct. 3.—James Evans has purchased the old school house for \$230, and is moving it on one of his lots in Canby. He intends to build it one story higher and turn it into a mercantile establishment.

J. Hodges is building another fine residence on one of his lots to cost about \$500.

Mr. Turney and family, from Kansas, have arrived in our town. He has purchased ten acres on the prairie and intends to make this his future home.

The railroad depot building, a small 8x12 house, was blown down last night, leaving us without any depot facilities. Small as the house was it was still better than none.

Our school is steadily increasing in numbers and has now eighty pupils on the roll.

The meeting of the Clackamas county teachers' association was a fine thing and will long be remembered by the good people of Canby.

#### Stafford.

STAFFORD, Or., Nov. 2.—The saw mill owned by Schierv, Mayer & Co., is now plowing through the tall timber, slow but sure.

School commenced Monday, the 2d inst., Mr. Hally Ball of Tualatin wielding the birch.

The dance at Priester's schoolhouse was a very enjoyable affair.

This rain makes Launce rejoice, as it raises the water so he can run his saw mill to good advantage.

It is rumored that the mail route between Oswego and Aurora will be discontinued, and a new one started from Oregon City to run to Wilsonville and back, which will be a much better route. Then the mail could start from Oregon City in the morning after the train comes in and get back in the afternoon in time for the mail to go on to Portland the same day.

Mrs. M. A. Gage returned from eastern Oregon Monday last, after a visit of several months with her son and daughter. A grandson and grand-daughter accompanied her.

#### Oswego.

OSWEGO, Or., Nov. 2.—John Bowles returned home last week. He has been on his ranch on the Columbia.

Misses Ruth and Ella Copley were visiting Misses Norma and Bessie Fox last week.

Geo. Pettinger was thrown from his horse last Friday morning. Fortunately he was not hurt very much.

An accident happened last week to the steamer Hercules on the lake. She is now in order for running again.

E. L. Davidson carries a very sore hand. He was bitten by a spider last week.

A church reunion was held at the Congregational church Sunday.

Mr. J. Kiser and family visited his parents here at Oswego Sunday.

The weekly dancing parties will be held on Saturday evenings instead of Friday.

The Odd Fellows had their pictures taken Sunday by Chemist Miller.

The Oswego dress makers are very busy. A new flag pole was put on the Odd Fellows building last week.

#### Currinsville.

CURRINSVILLE, Or., Nov. 2.—Eg. Yoster has his new house about completed.

Henry Epperson has been appointed deputy road supervisor for district No. 14.

R. G. Palmateer has moved into his new house and the band boys gave him a serenade.

Dr. Roberts has opened an office in East Portland.

We hear that a large hotel will soon be built at Hornersville, Eagle creek falls.

Mr. Woods is improving the farm he purchased of Geo. E. Oglesby.

Mr. Herring will set out a large peach orchard this winter.

D. Fagilde has about five hundred bushels of potatoes which he will keep for higher prices.

G. J. Burris is doing a good business now with his store.

Mr. Kreighbaum had five acres of beans this season on which he raised 150 bushels of beans.

The political pot will soon commence to boil. Who will be the man to represent the north part of the county in the next legislature? is the question that is being asked by leading republicans here.

#### Pleasant Hill.

PLEASANT HILL, Or., Nov. 2.—Mrs. Ed Baker and her two youngest children are quite sick with typhoid fever.

Mrs. J. N. Wood is in Portland attending her eldest daughter, Alice, who is very low.

The dedication of the Hood View church took place on the 18th of last month and was well attended.

Mrs. M. P. Young has been quite sick of late, but is slowly improving.

Quite a number of hops from our neighborhood were shipped to England last week.

There has been \$700 raised toward building a church at the cemetery and \$50 for a church at Wilsonville, thus making three churches within four miles.

Mr. Allison Baker is lying very low at present with typhoid fever.

Miss Annie Holly, of Walla Walla, is visiting friends and relatives of Pleasant Hill.

Mr. Jupp starts for Hong Kong on the 10th of this month. We are very sorry to see him go, as he leaves a large circle of friends who will miss him.

Mrs. Henry Voss has typhoid fever.

Mr. Arthur Riggs is at home for a few days.

Geon Vaughan is slowly recovering from the fever.

Willard Herron and wife now occupy their farm, the old Croftford place.

#### Marquam.

MARQUAM, Or., Nov. 3.—Several Marquamites are courting at Oregon City this week.

A very small acreage of fall wheat has been sown up to this date.

The rain has been quite sufficient to insure good plowing, and should the rain stop the downpour farmers would be jubilant.

Mrs. Adelia Driver, of The Dalles, is visiting relatives at Marquam this week.

Mrs. Jessie Young met with a very painful accident one day this week. While carrying a bucket of water she slipped and fell, fracturing one bone in her wrist. Dr. C. R. Knight reduced the fracture and she is resting quite easy.

Mr. J. M. Drake, an old resident of this county, who has been dangerously ill for some time, has moved to Silverton, Marion county.

Ed Jack, the polite clerk in the Grange store, says they are selling goods too cheap, and calls for higher prices in order that the lady customers will call him "a little dear."

As it now is, the other fellow gets all the compliments and he the bargains.

The Saborn school district is building a new school house, which, when completed, will be a credit to the district.

Some miserable miscreant threw a rock through one of the bay windows of Mr. Henry Long's new residence a few nights ago.

Quite a number of young people attended the ball at Hartman's hall Friday night and "tripped the light fantastic toe" until the wee sma' hours of morning.

#### Dox Quixote.

MARKS PRAIRIE, Nov. 2.—"Occasional" has been on the sick list the past two weeks, but is now convalescent.

Owing to the wet weather the farmers of Marks Prairie have been unable to finish their fall plowing and wheat sowing.

Mr. Frank Moore left on last Monday for his home in Grand Pass, Sabine county, Mo. Frank was in the employ of James I. Dozier and proved himself to be a good man in every respect.

Mr. Arthur Winches' school is progressing nicely, and we take pleasure in commending Mr. Winches as one of the best teachers in Clackamas county.

Arch and James Harvard will soon take their departure for Arkansas and Kentucky to visit relatives and friends and—

We called on Mr. J. L. Dozier one day last week and were treated to some good sweet cider. Mr. Dozier has 300 gallons of cider and vinegar and 300 bushels of choice winter apples.

We are still in hopes a literary society will be organized at the Marks Prairie school house. It was announced that a society would soon be organized, but thus far we have failed to hear from it.

We understand a subscription paper is in circulation among the people of this vicinity for the purpose of raising money to build a church. Surely we can raise the amount required and build a church that will be a credit to the community.

William Seals, the Butte creek sawmill man, has moved his mill and logging outfit on the premises of Mrs. Savage, on Bear creek, and as soon as the mill is covered will be ready to do all kinds of sawing, planing, etc. Mr. Seals has several thousand feet of lumber engaged already.

#### Needy.

NEEDY, Or., Nov. 2.—Once more we hear the rain pattering on the shingles and see the white coat on the Cascade range, which reminds us that our wood houses need to be filled with our winter's fuel with which to keep up the blaze on the hearth.

Our neighborhood is steadily improving. Acre by acre is being grabbed and put into cultivation and new buildings continue to spring up in all directions.

Our graded school is progressing nicely and is a credit to the neighborhood.

The following is a list of new buildings erected in this immediate vicinity this summer: Mr. Wyrle, new residence; William Thompson, new barn; John Schneider, new residence; Jacob Miller, new residence; S. W. Hardesty, new barn; Samuel Hess, new barn; Jacob Spagle, new residence; David Zimmerman, new residence; Sam Wolfer, new hop house; John Gates, new residence; Mr. Crocker, new hop house; George Root, new residence; Joseph Myers, new barn. These are all good and substantial structures, put up with a view to comfort, durability and style. The old log cabins and board shanty are fast becoming relics of the past. In riding through the country around about Needy one can see a wonderful change, and a change that shows prosperity has attended the people.

The new Presbyterian church is also flourishing. A series of meetings were held last week by Rev. Mr. Parker from Woodburn, and ten new members were added to the church.

Mr. Charley Noblitt, of Oregon City, formerly of this place, paid a flying visit to his old home yesterday.

Mr. Samuel Kaufman, the contractor and builder, had the misfortune last week to fall from a building which he is constructing for Mr. Schneider, and fracture his ankle. He is now able to move around again.

Mr. J. S. Miller is doing a slashing business with his cider mill this season. From three to six loads of apples are ground daily. If this is kept up much longer it may knock the bottom out of the hop market.

#### Park Place.

PARK PLACE, Or., Nov. 3.—The Empire Manufacturing company is now under the management of a new corps of men, having

recently changed hands. Mr. Mosler, formerly connected with the Standard box factory in East Portland, has the controlling interest, and as he is a man of push and energy and one of wide business experience there is every indication that he will meet with success. Since the new company has taken hold of the work a large dryhouse has been built for seasoning the lumber, and other improvements from time to time will be made as the company deems necessary. N. J. White, former superintendent and recently from Cleveland, O., has already given over his part of the work to Mr. Mosler and will undoubtedly seek a new field for business. Those having made the acquaintance of Mr. and Mrs. White will regret exceedingly their leaving Park Place, but will wish them success and prosperity in any new enterprise they may undertake.

Miss Nora Elliott will spend the fall and winter with her aunt, Mrs. Apperson, and will attend school at this place.

Death seems to have dealt unkindly in our little town during the past month, and has snatched loved ones from the homes of three of our citizens. The youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Maple died suddenly at their residence last Saturday, after only a few hours' illness. The little one was naturally delicate and was unable to withstand the disease that caused its death. The remains were laid to rest in the cemetery near Oregon City, the funeral service being at the Oregon City M. E. Church Sunday.

Mr. Snelder, of Forest Grove, has been preaching each Sunday evening in the Congregational chapel, with good audiences.

Mrs. M. Franzen, of Park Place, is now the mother of a bouncing boy. She is staying with her mother at Sellwood, where she intends to remain until able to resume her home duties. Mr. Franzen is the proudest father around these parts.

William Coed died Sunday at his home, about two miles east of this place, where he has been living alone for some time. A chronic bowel disorder was the cause of his death.

Mr. Waer, of our town, is prepared to make to order and repair any boots and shoes that may be left with him. Mr. Waer can always be found at his bench in his home near Paper Mill station.

Park Place is to have another new house right away. Mr. Jones, of Jones' mill, commences operations this week on his house, to be built on his lot.

#### Molalla.

MOLALLA, Or., Oct. 31.—Three months early or nine months late the water starts running in the brooklets just before November 1st this fall, while last fall the branches started about February 1. Scarcely had the copious rains ceased when many farmers "hooked on" to their plows and now the soil is being turned over.

The Molalla saw mill has started up in earnest and is turning out a fine grade of lumber. We understand that a company from Mt. Angel is running the mill a present.

Mr. Charles Stewart has rented his farm to some eastern man for \$500 a year, cash rent. Mr. Al Gray who has run the farm for several years has moved to Marquam, and will take possession of the Thompson farm.

Mrs. Wells has charge of the Molalla school which is to be a four months term.

On reading the account of Oregon City's rubbish and generally uncleanly river front we were reminded of many dumping grounds for all manner of debris about many country homes, known about the premises as "the backyard," and almost invariably the well catches the filthy solution, very poorly filtered too, and by and by the family take down with the typhoid or some other fever. Quite recently we heard of an instance where in attempting to clean out a well, the farmer sunk three feet in the muck at the bottom of that hole in the ground he called his "well," about which he had been thinking all summer for several years that "something must be in the well."

If you must be cranky about any anything, let it be about the water you drink and the air you breathe. What a pity that many front yards, in cities and in the country, for the best interests of mankind, are not the back yards. Should this short sanitary lecture fit any town or country with a dirty background let it clean up and live a life of cleanliness.

Let us wake up and rebuke our last legislature in dollars and cents in the Columbian exposition matter.

The old song of bad roads is being sung over again. While the gigantic questions of the day are absorbing the people's minds who will be the first to solve our road question?

The 29 bushels to the acre wheat case will be thrown out of court for want of sufficient testimony unless there is a showing up soon.

#### Frog Pond.

FROG POND, Or., Nov. 1.—It has been some time since our part of the county has been represented in your paper owing to some cause unavoidable, but Frog Pond is still thriving and flourishing.

We have plenty of rain and the farmers are improving their time in plowing and sowing wheat.

The most of the potatoes are dug with a fair yield and lots of small ones. Some are complaining of their rotting already.

Felix and George Evans were up from Portland visiting their father last week who is seriously afflicted with a cancer in his face.

James Kent was visiting his uncle and family the past week. Mrs. Kent and daughter, of Portland, also gave them a call.

Frank Kruse returned last Thursday from his trip to Dayton, Washington. He went there for his health after being sick all summer, and came back fully restored and fat and saucy. Mary and Annie Andrus, who lived near Canby in years gone by, came down with him and will stay till spring provided homesickness does not set in. Our school district gave a dance Friday night for their benefit.

A party will be given at Tualatin Grange hall on Thanksgiving evening with a basket supper. Frank Kruse, John Tyler and other

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young folks are getting it up. A good time is expected.

A certain young couple on the borders of Frog Pond wanted to be married, so they sent for some one to tie the knot. When that person arrived he asked for the license before the ceremony could be performed, when the young Deutscher pulled from his pocket his citizen's papers.

Tualatin Grange met Saturday with a fair turnout and had a pleasant time as usual. Dr. J. Casto, from Warner Grange, gave us a good talk.

Mr. Rork, the farmers' alliance man, with an iron jaw, who packs his black board and works his jaw in the interest of the dear people, gave Frog Pond a call a short time ago. He had two listeners, R. V. Short and J. L. Kruse. He held the meeting on the steps of the school house. He will give us another call in the near future.

Professor Henry Robb has returned from the Sunnyside hospital sound and well and able to go to plowing. Abe Kessler has also returned from the same place fully recovered.

Fred Shauer and John Tyler have taken a job of clearing ten acres of land for John Kruse at \$20 per acre. They are baching, and the boys gave them a charivari the first night in their new home.

John Seeding is expected daily from the logging camp on the Columbia.

There are rumors of a few weddings around here in the near future. Won't the squire have a good time picking chicken and turkey bones?

A. Phillips and Clyde Evans are buying produce and taking it to Portland by wagon. I hope they will do well in their new enterprise.

#### CARUS.

Fruit Growers' Association—Better Country Roads Needed

CARUS, Or., Nov. 2.—Carus seems to be in the lead as it should be, as people around here think.

Now for one I second the motion of Mr. Andrews that a meeting of the fruit growers of Clackamas county be called at an early day, so that proper means of protection can be secured to the fruit and fruit growers. There is no doubt but Clackamas county is one of the best fruit counties in the state, it is not the best, but the fruit pest must be fought and conquered or the business given up.

Just keep on agitating the road question until the people become awakened to the necessity of better roads. It is a fact that flour, grain, and all kinds of produce still remain on the farms on account of the almost impassable roads. While the farmers feel justly proud of Oregon City, our county seat, its substantial growth, its natural facilities for a fine city and market for our produce, it is almost impossible to get there with anything like a decent load. I would suggest that the many would-be candidates for legislative honors pledge themselves to do all in their power to have a law passed allowing counties to issue bonds to aid in making some through roads of the first class to the county seats. Believing the state should be fairly well represented in the coming world's fair we still think it of more interest to the people of Oregon to have some good roads.

When an immigrant comes into this county he seems well pleased with almost everything but the roads. Let the roads be surveyed (main ones I mean), and though the distance be somewhat increased, and a few who now have the very poor roads passing by their doors be somewhat injured by the change, let the main thoroughfares be so located and worked that the greatest number shall be accommodated. If this can be accomplished Oregon City will become the trading center it is justly entitled to be.

Reuben Fanton, Henry Waldron and J. Casto are each building first class root houses.

Much of the fall sown wheat in this neighborhood is up and the fields quite green. The lower lands are not yet sown.

Mr. Robert Matheson has purchased the Al. Dundass place and will soon leave the Campbell place. We shall miss him much.

Mr. Stone and family have left the Doty farm and moved to Mulino.

The apple crop though abundant is not worth hauling over the fearful roads, and hence goes to the hogs.

Mr. Davis's new barn is nearing completion.

Mr. George Cassidy has rented his farm and gone to Tennessee. He got tired of teaching and will probably bring back a helpmate.

It is currently reported that a wedding will soon take place in this neighborhood. Yours for good roads, FARMER.

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