

CLACKAMAS COUNTY

The Enterprise Correspondents Sweep the Field.

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

Logan

LOGAN, Nov. 16.—A social dance was given at Mr. Newkirk's last Friday evening.

Mr. August Fischer, of the Oregon City cigar factory is visiting his sons at Fischer's mill.

Another blacksmith shop is being started in the neighborhood.

A black bear was seen at Lou Kirchen's place a few days ago.

Wild strawberries are again in bloom, which is another evidence of Oregon's glorious climate.

Much of the fall sown wheat is up and looking well.

The protracted rains have retarded farmers very much in hauling off their grain and other products of the farm.

Many farmers are now harvesting the potato crop which is very beautiful this year.

A pleasant surprise was given to Mr. Burnham Hawley on the evening of his twenty-second birthday by the young folks of the neighborhood assembling at his father's home in honor of the event.

Carus

CARUS, Or., Nov. 9.—Glad to hear from that "other fellow." Calla's gum boots aren't long enough go allowing wading through mud and water more than ankle deep in search of items.

It is jolly to know that an abler body is in the field, and the lively happenings in and around Carus will not go unrecorded. We heartily endorse Farmer's sentiments with regard to the roads. Not only the steep grades but the deep holes, broken corduroy, rocks, roots and stumps make a trip to Oregon City a dreaded task.

To Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Jones a fine boy born November 1. To Mr. and Mrs. J. Graham a daughter, born November 8. Weight nine pounds.

Four extra seats it is thought will soon be purchased for the school house. Average attendance of pupils for the past month thirty-two. Our teacher, Mr. J. R. Nelson, gives good satisfaction.

Mink

MINK, Nov. 16.—Our young folks are preparing to give a musical and literary entertainment to be held at the Beaver creek school house under the auspices of the Mink Amateur Brass band.

Jack Frost has put in an appearance again. We beheld his cold but sparkling face last Sunday night for the first time this fall.

We have had so much rain that the farmers are behind hand with their fall plowing.

We are sorry to say that Rev. Mr. Jones has left our community for another place. His future home is Oswego. Rev. J. Sylvanus has also left this parish and moved to Mountain Home near Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Moehne spent part of the past week at home on the farm.

Miss Lizzie Wolf had a pleasant visit in Portland last week.

Miss May Shannon is home once more to remain till after the holidays.

Miss Lizzie Jones has just recovered from a severe spell of sickness.

The Mink Amateur brass band, under the leadership of Mr. John Moehne, have once more resumed their daily practice. They have some fine new pieces with which they will favor us at our coming entertainment. The boys deserve much credit for their playing.

Park Place

PARK PLACE, Nov. 18.—Grandma Welsh is lying very low at her home at this place and her relatives and many friends are somewhat alarmed at her low condition. It is hoped that by good nursing and medical treatment she may recover.

A nice little baby girl was born to the wife of Mr. Cliff Sarver, Sunday morning last. Both mother and child are doing well.

Mrs. A. M. Washburn was favored with a pleasant visit last Friday from her sister, Mrs. M. L. Kenworthy, of East Portland.

Mr. L. D. Leonard has built an addition to his house in Edgewood which is not only convenient but greatly improves the looks of the building.

Mr. Frank Busch, of this place intends to move his family to Oregon City this winter so as to be nearer his place of business. Their many friends and acquaintances will regret their leaving this neighborhood very much.

Mr. Sulder, of Forest Grove, holds services each Sunday evening at the Congregational chapel. The services are well attended and greatly appreciated by all church-going people.

Mr. Collins, the florist of Clackamas Heights, is daily shipping beautiful roses, violets and chrysanthemums to Portland where he finds ready sale.

Wilsonville

WILSONVILLE, Nov. 16.—Our town looks forward to a prosperous future. A new United Brethren church will soon be built at a cost of \$1000. There is a prospect of another blacksmith shop, also another store. Mr. C. T. Toozee's mansion is nearly com-

pleted. It is a fine structure of the latest style and beautifully finished. Wilsonville is not lacking in pride nor energy, but some of our people I fear must be given a little more time to manifest it.

Mrs. Kate Stein, of Portland, is visiting her mother Mrs. Wagner.

Miss Rosa Wagner will start next week for La Grande, where she will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Seaman. Miss Wagner is a lively young lady, and her many friends, wish her nice visit and a speedy return.

Misses Effie and Winnie Kaufman of Newberg are here visiting relatives and friends.

Wm. Japp left last week for Hong Kong where his uncle resides. It is not often a young man of twenty gets to see as much of the world as Mr. Japp has seen. He has been in both North and South America and many of the countries of Europe, besides being twice in Australia.

Mr. John Rose and family are about to move to the farm belonging to Judson Seely, which they have rented.

C. Myers's family left last week for Nebraska.

Mrs. Charles Toozee expects her new upright piano to come up on today's boat.

Mrs. Barber's organ will soon be here from the east. Our neighborhood will no longer be without musical instruments. A wedding announcement will perhaps appear among our next items.

Our school house is in need of paint inside and out. For this purpose the scholars are preparing a short literary entertainment and basket social to be given on the evening of November 28. All are invited. Ladies are requested to bring baskets filled with lunch, to be sold to the highest bidder. No admittance fee charged, but a pleasant time is promised.

Clackamas

CLACKAMAS, Or., Nov. 11.—The Clackamas literary and debating society was organized Friday evening, November 6, with sixteen members. They adopted with slight variations the constitution of a similar society at the Willamette University.

The next teachers' association will be held at Clackamas the last Saturday in November.

Charley Nachand had his collar bone broken during a rough game with some boys. W. G. Welch recently sold some fourteen acres of land to Mr. Bagley. Mr. Bagley is welcomed to Clackamas, and there is room for many more.

Jacob Johnson (not junior) and wife will occupy the Huggins house. Cary Matlock has bought the Conway property and John Conway has moved to the Miller house. Mr. Riehoff is moving to his house at Clackamas to which Johnson & Chapman have been making an addition.

An enjoyable party was held at Marion Johnson's Saturday evening in honor of Miss Corn.

Willis Johnson will attend the Portland business college.

Married, on Thursday, the 5th, James Crookshank and Miss Davenport. A party was given in their honor Monday evening and a good time is reported.

A number of farmers' alliance people attended the lecture at Milwaukie Monday evening. The speaker was heartily applauded, and an alliance of twelve members was organized with Alfred Luelling president and Phillip Outfield secretary.

Nov. 18.—Mr. Green has gone to eastern Oregon.

An indignation meeting was held Sunday to protest against a saloon at Clackamas. Later reports are to the effect that there will be a great public hall built on Mr. Gray's lot instead of a saloon.

The big house back of Mt. Hood street will be occupied soon and congratulations will be in order.

Mr. Welch received \$107 per acre for his fourteen acre tract.

At the literary and debating society the question, "Resolved, that life tenure in public office is detrimental to republican institutions" was argued pro and con and the judgment was in favor of the negative by the censor. The question for debate Friday evening, the 26th, is "Local option and high license vs. prohibition." William Robinson and Prof. Gibson being the leaders.

Died, at Clackamas, Tuesday, November 17th, of paralysis, Mrs. Ellen Chapman. The sympathy of numerous friends is extended to the bereaved family.

Mr. Storms expects to bring a number of settlers with him upon his return from Iowa.

Mr. W. A. Holmes's family are expected from Kansas on the 19th instant.

Marks Prairie

MARKS PRAIRIE, Nov. 16.—Once more ye reporter is on deck with sharpened pencil, and as the rains have ceased and the weather cleared up we are all happy. The long continued rains have greatly delayed the sowing of fall grain, and potatoes in a number of patches have not been dug. But with a few weeks of good weather now everything will come out all right in the spring.

We notice quite a number of names of non-residents and non-voters in Canby precinct are attached to the published application for a saloon license at Canby. Can it be possible that persons living outside of Canby precinct are so anxious to have their names appear upon an application to sell liquor that they will allow their names to be attached and used outside of their own precinct?

Miss Bertha Marks, who has been visiting the old folks at home, returned yesterday to her studies at the Willamette University at Salem. She was accompanied by her father, Hon. S. F. Marks.

We are pained to announce the sad death of Mrs. Mollie Bachert, the young wife of David Bachert. She died of typhoid fever at her home Thursday, November 12. She was buried at the Aurora cemetery last Saturday at 2 o'clock P. M. She leaves a husband who is also very low with the same disease, and a baby about six months old.

Mr. Fred Stahl, an old man who has been living in this county for some years,

was struck down with paralysis while on the streets of Aurora last Friday. He lingered in an unconscious state until 2 o'clock Sunday morning, when he died. He was buried at Aurora Monday.

Our roads are in very bad condition just now owing to the heavy rains, and also on account of the hauling of large loads of lumber from the new saw mill to Barlow. We notice steps are being taken toward making better roads leading into Oregon City. Would it not also be a wise idea for the people to wake up and improve all the main roads in the county? They surely need it.

We would also beg leave here to call the attention of our school daddies to the bad condition of our district property. The fences are down, the windows broken, the house not sufficiently heated, no wood shed, no well within half a mile, and everything in bad condition generally. Something ought to be done and that at once.

We notice that Aurora Lodge No. 21 A. O. U. W., intends to give another grand party on Thursday evening (Thanksgiving). Aurora Lodge has the name of giving very pleasant and enjoyable parties, and this one will be no exception. This affair will be public and all are cordially invited.

OCCASIONAL

Frog Pond

FROG POND, Nov. 15.—A couple of days good weather are being improved by the farmers. There is a very small acreage of grain sown here as yet. John Kruse has about ninety acres sown and wants to sow more.

The Tualatin Secular union met today in Tualatin garage hall with a good attendance. There were some good declamations and readings. Mrs. Kate Helm Smith favored us with a good piece written by her for our union which was read by Frank Kruse. The members of the union hope to hear from her again at some future time.

A very enjoyable affair in the shape of a taffy pulling was given by the Misses Mary and Amy Andrews at the residence of John Kruse last evening. Those present were Misses Bida and Linn Sharp, Ella and Susie Turner, Rosa Wagner, Lena Eilers, Mrs. Katie Prince, Messrs. Alfred, Walter and Perry Sharp, James, Albert, and Herbert Turner, Chas. Wagner, John Tyler, Henry Robb and Richard Sandy. The evening was spent in playing different kinds of games and at 10 o'clock they began pulling taffy which lasted about an hour, when they went to the hall and had a few dances, after which lunch became the next order of business which all enjoyed very much.

Simon Peters had his arm broken Friday. While felling a tree it struck against another and a limb flew back and struck Mr. Peters on the right arm above the elbow. Doctors Carl and Yergin of Oregon City reduced the fractured limb.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kruse went to Portland last Thursday to attend the marriage of their niece, Miss Eva Short, to Mr. Frank Shaw, both of Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Kruse will take a trip to Prepost, Washington, to visit their son before they return home.

Miss Edith Duval, from Benicia, California, was visiting the family of John Kruse the past week. Miss Duval was born in Oregon and moved to California nine years ago. She thinks the country has changed a great deal.

School starts in Frog Pond tomorrow with Mr. Henry Robb as teacher.

The school in the German church closed Friday to let the scholars go to the English school.

Misses Mary and Amy Andrus will visit old friends the coming week in Canby and adjoining country. H. M. B.

THE ROAD QUESTION.

One of the Interested Farmers Makes Some Pertinent Suggestions.

TO THE EDITOR: In your last issue I notice a number of communications over assumed names in reference to the wagon road question, which very properly is the burning question of the day. I have just returned from a trip to Butte Creek or Marquam and three things struck me very forcibly: First, the great amount of good level land between Wright's bridge and Marquam. Second, the very small amount in cultivation, apparently not more than one acre in fifty. Third, the awful condition of the roads.

The road from Wright's bridge to Marquam is almost a straight line with only one bill of any importance, the Everhart, which I am told can easily be shunned. Now all this long stretch of road wants to be thrown up on either side and planked, and all the produce north of the Everhart hill would naturally be taken to the Falls City. The amount would be immense and increasing every year until all those broad acres would find their natural outlet at Oregon City. But when it has crossed the Molalla bottom it meets the Howard, Paine, and Eaton hills, to say nothing of the Beaver Creek hills and many other hills on the present road. Now the question arises, What shall be done to escape this fearful and almost impassable piece of road from Wright's bridge to Oregon City? I answer let the committee appointed by the board of trade call to their aid old settlers along the route suggested by one of your last week's correspondents (Native) and make a careful examination commencing at or near the McCord place, and select the same route viewed by the late E. L. Eastham some years since and as suggested by your last week's correspondent. They will find an excellent route for this thoroughfare until they reach the vicinity of the Alpine farm, and from there take the survey made by Mr. Thielsdon, who made a railroad survey for B. S. Pengra, until they reach the Milk creek valley at a point between J. Knott's and Howard's mill when the entire difficulty will be overcome.

The advantages of this route are: first and altogether the most important, it will be located on the most level route that can be found from Oregon City to Wright's bridge. Second, it will be two and a half or three miles nearer than the present route. Now I would not if I could bar the board of trade committee from examining other routes, but would only ask them to examine the above route and choose the best route, and

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