

CLACKAMAS COUNTY

THE ENTERPRISE CORRESPONDENTS SWEEP THE FIELD.

School Grounds to be Beautified—Lighted Streets—Teachers to Meet—Interesting Notes.

CANBY, Nov. 14.—It is quite a task to write a batch of news for the paper when nothing happens in town. No marriages, no deaths, no births, no sickness, no runaway, no fights, no drunks—nothing at all. And yet something must be sent to the paper. Everybody looks for the news from their respective places. We will write what little there is to be told.

The Clackamas County Teachers' Association will hold its next regular monthly meeting in Canby on Saturday the 24th. A large meeting is expected.

The council at its last meeting passed the ordinance ordering eight street lights to be put up in town. The lamps were ordered from Portland last week and on last Monday the boys put them up. Hereafter we will walk in the light.

Mr. Deyoe has bought out Mr. Floyd, the butcher, and intends to run the shop at the same place Mr. Floyd did.

A revival meeting is in progress at the M. E. church.

Wesley Riggs and Mr. Carlton went to the mountains last Tuesday on a hunting tour.

D. W. Howard has received a car load of large tiling. They are intended for walls in wells. It is much cheaper to put a wall in a well with this tiling, and just as good if not better than with stone or brick, as there is no cave-in to them. Mr. Howard has them for sale cheap.

Mr. A. Kocher and family, of Marks Prairie, visited George Knight's family last Sunday.

John Alexander, formerly of this place, but lately living at Bartlett Springs, California, after an absence of over nine years has returned to spend a short time here.

Mrs. Dr. Fenton, of Portland, visited her sister, Mrs. Porter, last Saturday.

Mrs. Harris has moved into one of Mr. Hodge's houses.

Mr. Floyd has moved into Judge Wait's house.

McCann and family have left town for parts unknown.

As a former suggestion of ours has been realized in putting up street lamps, we will venture another: We have one of the finest school houses in the county, and it stands on a very slightly place, but out on the common. It would cost but a small amount to have the grounds fenced in and shade trees planted. We suggest that the council take the matter in hand and see what can be done in regard to it. We think the council could do no better in the way of beautifying our town than to make an appropriation in that direction. If it cannot be done with the city funds then the council perhaps can suggest some other way.

OSWEGO NOTES.

House Burglarized—Fish Net Thieves—Hunters and Crack Shots.

Oswego, Nov. 7.—Halloween passed off quietly here. The boys played but few pranks and they are very witty ones. There was a dance at Prosser's hall and quite a number gathered and tripped the light fantastic till the wee sma' hours.

Council No. 2 of the American Protective Association was visited on Saturday night by the editor of the Portlander and another gentleman from Portland. I have been told that this order has the largest membership of any lodge in Oswego.

Mr. Henry Gaus, who lives on a fine fruit farm near Oswego, is the crack shot in this community. At least so says his neighbor, Mr. Mettetal. Mr. Mettetal, who is a native of sunny France, says that Mr. Gaus went in his vineyard to shoot the birds that were destroying the grapes and he fired his gun at a little bird, but by god instead of hitting the bird he hit one window down stairs and one window up stairs and break all ze glass out. "Oh," exclaimed Mr. Mettetal, "it was von fine, von diable of a shot."

The hunting party that went with J. R. Hays to the coast returned Monday. They report having a good time, killed two deer, one panther and a quantity of small game.

A. W. Shipley, W. S. Smith, F. E. Davidson and a number of others had a deer chase Saturday at the head of Sucker lake. The bounds found the deer but none of the boys got a shot.

Saturday night while Robt. Hoyt, who lives alone in a little house near the water tank on the S. P. R. R., was in Portland some one broke into his house and took two pair of blankets, a comforter, a valise containing a set of bag pipes that Mr. Hoyt prized very highly as they were a present from an old friend, a deed to a lot of land and other valuable papers, also some nutmeg, cheese, and two loaves of bread. A rather hard looking customer was arrested on suspicion and brought before Justice Haines, but there seems not to have been sufficient evidence to hold him and he was discharged.

There was an exciting runaway here Monday evening. Albert Tufts, a farmer who lives near Oswego, was returning home from Portland and had stopped at the lumber yard. He left his team standing in the road while he went over in the yard and talked to Mr. Mintie. While he was engaged the five o'clock south bound train came along at which the horses took fright and ran up the road at a breakneck rate of speed. They had gone but a short distance when the wagon upset and came uncoupled. The horses continued in their mad flight until near the alley in the rear of G. W. Prosser's residence when the wagon tongue broke and the horses were thrown violently to the ground. One of the horses received a serious cut on the face from which several pieces of bone were taken. The wagon and harness was badly wrecked. The injured horse will recover.

The fishermen have been losing fish almost every night for a week. The boys watched for the thieves with the result that last night two men were caught going through a net belonging to A. C. Walling and Wm. Bullock. A complaint was lodged against them and warrants issued

for their arrest by Justice Haines. At this writing only one has been caught.

What's the matter with New York? Hip, hip, hurrah!

The pipe shop worked for two more days to make a few more pipes for the Bull Run order.

The singing school under Prof. Jones is progressing nicely. It has about fifty members.

Miss Etta Kesenich visited friends in Portland Sunday.

LATER.

Oswego, Nov. 14.—Ed. Erwing was found guilty of larceny in the justice's court last Thursday, and was sentenced to pay a fine of twenty-five dollars or spend thirty days in the county jail. He chose the latter. His confederate has not been captured.

The members of the Masonic lodge and their families met in Prosser's hall Saturday evening and had a good social time. Refreshments were served. A prominent young merchant was the chief coffee cook.

A merry party met at the house of Wm. Evans on the corner of Front and Durham streets, on Monday evening, the 12th inst., and enjoyed themselves in dancing, cards, etc. The party was given in honor of Miss Bessie the youngest daughter of Mr. Evans.

Hon. F. L. Mintie, L. M. Davidson and John Gunguard visited Industry Lodge No. 8, A. O. T. W. in Portland Monday evening.

Anton Styx, who has been in California for the last two years, returned to Oswego last week.

R. M. Bingham, Esq., of New York, visited Oswego yesterday. He was very favorably impressed with the appearance of our little town and predicts that Oswego will yet be a town of no mean proportions. So note it be.

MULINO MUSINGS.

Successful Grape Culture—Big Potatoes—A Creamery Wanted.

MULINO, Nov. 6.—Last Saturday night a social dance was given at the residence of J. Knotts for Dan and Mable Frazier, of McMinnville. Many friends participated in the enjoyments of the evening.

Frank Dietsch was the lucky hunter who downed old bruin one day last week. The bear had killed a sheep for Lee Jones the night before, so Frank said he wasn't hungry but had to shoot the bear in case he might have to defend himself.

Arthur Scoggin and wife, of Oregon City, visited friends here this week and attended the dance.

Wheeler & Sawyer have purchased Lee Jones' timber for saw logs, but find that Mr. Howard has some objections to their crossing his land and mill dam.

Pembrooks had a fine crop of grapes. They were sweet and good.

Jack Knotts dug eighteen and one-half pounds of potatoes from two hills.

Joe Daniels returned from the Columbia last week and brought a fine keg of salmon home with him.

Now is the time to strike the farmers for a square meal. There is a fine chance here for a creamery as all the power required will be furnished free.

SPRINGWATER SPRAYS.

Our Young Correspondent's Views on the Recent Elections—Other News.

SPRINGWATER, Nov. 12.—Oh, yes, it has come in over the wires that Alexander III, Czar of Russia, is dead, and that the great republican gun that was fired on November 6, shot through and removed the liver from every democrat and populist in the United States. Graves will be dug and other arrangements made for the funeral, but nothing has been said as to erecting a monument. A later report is that they are not all dead. Perhaps some of them will recover and train in the republican ranks. As the old darkey said, opening his dreamy eyes, when his friends were consulting as to how they would get his coffin made, "don't be too fas', boys; I is not dead yet." But as I am too young and of the wrong sex to be a politician I will seek a more congenial theme.

The weather could not be finer if it was ordered from Florida. The days are warm and bright; the nights have begun to frost. Wheat is looking fine, grass is still growing, and stock is doing well on the ranges.

Joe Raney is very low; his recovery is doubtful.

Mrs. Richard Hargreaves has been very sick the past week with a fever. There are slight indications for the better.

George Reed was thrown from a horse Sunday and badly hurt.

Leland District Notes.

LELAND DISTRICT, Nov. 13.—The farmers of this neighborhood are making good use of the fine fall weather. Most of them have their fall wheat sown.

Charles Ray, of Tillamook spent a few days with his sister, Mrs. Enos Cahill, last week.

Veren Norton, of Nestucca, and his father, of Canby, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dundas.

Mr. M. Durst has been visiting friends here.

The revival meetings that were held in Leland school house last week were a success. There was a Congregational church organized last Friday evening.

There will be preaching at the Central Point M. E. church next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock by Rev. Corner.

Rev. Jones, of Oswego, will preach in the Leland school house at 11 o'clock in the morning and also at 7:30 o'clock in the evening. All are invited to attend.

George Penman is plowing on his brother David's place. David is still on the boat at the Cascades.

A number of young people of this place attended the dance at New Era last Friday evening given by Warner Grange.

Miss Izetta Rider, of Oregon City, spent Sunday with her parents of this place.

HAT SEED.

HARMONY, Nov. 10.—Mr. Hamburger has completed his work on the ditch for Mr. Kilton and Mr. Tompson.

James Reed, who recently moved here from Sunnyvale, has his steam threshing machine engine running an electric dynamo

which furnishes power for running a cross cut saw for sawing cord wood. He is cutting on the railroad land and saws eight cords a day. Some of our wood cutters have sawed at the rate of twenty cords a day by hand and six to seven in an average day's work.

Fruit gathering and potato digging are mostly done. Apples average somewhat more than the average yield. Other fall fruits are about the same.

Rev. Bitter filled his appointment here Sunday evening.

Mrs. Kilton and children returned this week from a short visit with relatives in Portland.

Miss Etta Karr since arriving home from Portland has taken a class in the Harmony Sunday school.

F. Jones, of LaCenter, Washington, is visiting with friends and relatives here.

Mrs. Maggie Walber, of Greenville, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. John Davis.

Mr. Gratham, who we reported better in our last letter, is now very low.

Mrs. Tyler was visiting Mrs. McGrew in Portland Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. Millard has continued to improve his house by building on a front porch and painting it anew.

Orn Gratham, who has been staying with his grandpa, has returned to his home at Lentz.

Mrs. Morey has been on the sick list for the past two or three weeks.

A surprise party was tendered Albert Frankhouser on the evening of the 3d inst. All report a pleasant time.

Rice & Smith have resumed land clearing for Mr. Freeatham.

MEADOW BROOK RIPPLES.

A Young Couple Whose Life's Success is Assured—A Hunter's Hard Luck.

MEADOW BROOK, Nov. 12.—On Wednesday of last week Geo. W. Ball and Preston Hall went for a hunt up near Skunk Cabbage Prairie, and Mr. Ball's horse strayed away and he has not yet found it.

E. A. Wright was in Oregon City on a business trip last week, and all his acquaintances who saw his rig complimented his little picturesque buggy animal.

On the 14th instant Burton and Geo. Bonney and Miss Mary Frankland left Colton for Wamic, Wasco county, where they expect to locate. We all have to practice economy these hard times. But George takes the whole bakery for economy. He and his girl had decided to offer themselves a willing sacrifice on Hymen's altar, then proceed to Wamic to begin house-keeping. George's father, who is a minister at Wamic, wrote his son that if he wished to save a "V" to bring his girl up there and he would tie the nuptial knot gratis. So by the time the compositor sets up this item Mr. George Bonney and Miss Mary Frankland will be enjoying their honeymoon with \$5.00 ahead. Hurrah for George!

We don't know what there can be so very exhilarating in a horse-back ride out here from the county metropolis, through slush and mud, but a trio returned from a cattle drive recently as happy as three blue jays in a corn patch. It's possible the trio had indulged a little too freely in distilled corn.

Mr. Carr started for his old home near Newburg to harvest his potato crop and bring over a load of canned fruit, etc.

There will be preaching at the Gorbett school house Saturday evening, the 17th, and Sunday at 11 A. M.

George Williams has bought a horse and buggy, and we expect to see him transfer his trolley to the "Hoodlum Flat" wire on the first day of the week hereafter.

There was an auction sale of all the chattels of Joshua Lyon, deceased, last Saturday. The property all brought a good price and money seemed to be plentiful amongst the bidders.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clinger, of Mackburg, were visiting Mrs. Clinger's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Comer, last Saturday and Sunday.

Prof. W. W. Austin, teacher of the Gorbett school, district No. 72, has kindly handed us the following report for the first month of his school, ending November 9: No. of pupils enrolled, 24; average daily attendance, 20. Those on the roll of honor are Meadie Hubbard, Mabel Hubbard, Bertie Hubbard, Louise Hubbard, Grace Gorbett, Walter Gorbett, Fred Bonney, Alice Bonney, Ellen Bonney, Amy Bonney, Jennie Carlson, Oscar Carlson. Visitors—Mrs. O. Gorbett, U. S. Dix, P. E. Bonney, W. E. Bonney.

Patrons and all friends of education are cordially invited to visit the school and note its progress.

FROG POND CROAKINGS.

Matrimonial Rumors—A Grange that Prospers—Potato Crop Average.

FROG POND, Nov. 12.—Last week was a very busy one at this place.

With a few exceptions the potatoes are all out of the ground. The crop is about an average. S. B. Seely, the potato king, takes the lead as usual, with an average of about 150 bushels per acre. John Mayse, of the Saldern ranch, comes next with about 120 bushels per acre.

The good weather has been taken advantage of by the farmers in sowing their fall grain.

A meeting will be held at the Meridian school house next Saturday evening for the purpose of organizing a literary society. Frog Pond is blessed with an unusual amount of literary, historical and journalistic talent, and there is no reason why we cannot have a society here, which, if conducted properly, will be unsurpassed by any in the county. Frog Pond opens wide its arms and bids everybody a welcome. Don't forget the day and place. The meeting will be called to order at 7:30 P. M.

A grand ball and supper will be given at John Mayse's hall Thanksgiving evening at which the public is cordially invited to be present. John Mayse has always been noted for his successful dances, and to miss a dance at his hall would be missing a treat indeed. The very best of music and the most skillful management will be procured for the occasion.

Tuslatin Grange at their next regular meeting, which will be held a week from next Saturday, will instruct a class of nine in the first and second degrees of the order. How's that for high? If every grange in the state would do that well we would soon

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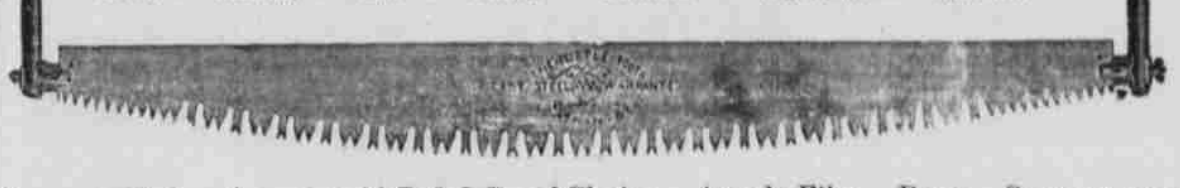
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A new land clearing firm has been organized in our midst, under the name of Barstow, Denen & Co. They have started in on a ten acre tract for Mr. Baker. A Favo.

SANDY SAYINGS.

Flag Raising—Bad Roads—Debating Society Reorganized.

SANDY, Nov. 10.—The Sandy school, district No. 62, located where the new store has just been opened, is progressing nicely under the management of John Collath, of Sandy.

Last Friday when Mr. Collath went to school as usual he was surprised in seeing the stars and stripes floating, and on entering the school room a reception both pleasing and appropriate was tendered him by the scholars. The room had been handsomely decorated with evergreens and flowers and presented a most attractive appearance.

A table was spread with a bountiful supply of pies, cakes, nuts, fruits, etc., and the rest was a leading feature of the day's exercise. Mr. T. Kenicker, chairman of the board of directors was present and in a brief speech complimented Mr. Collath and the scholars on the good will that appeared to exist in the school and on the progress the school had made during the term.

Sandy school, district No. 46, closed last Friday after a five months term.

The road leading from Sandy to the barn is in a horrible condition now and almost impassable. The farmers along this road feel the need of improving it and have raised \$80 in work and they want the county to raise the same in cash, but so far the county has not taken any action.

John Strobridge is hauling lumber for Layman who is going to build a house. Messrs. Cook & Minchla are building a barn for Casper Younger.

Our new mail carriers are Messrs. Haus & Clever.

F. Goetsch was at Portland during the past week.

P. Meinig acted as post master during the post master's absence.

Charlie Pashall has another contract of clearing for Justin Strobridge.

Ed. Strobridge has left for Portland to finish his course in the Portland Business College.

The High Forest Debating society was reorganized last Saturday and John Epperson was elected president and Joel Jari secretary. The question for discussion at the next meeting is "Resolved, That a good wagon road is of more benefit than a railroad."

Everything seems to revive since the election in the east; even the grass seems to grow livelier and the weather has been splendid since the election. 'Tis, no doubt, a sign of good times coming. READER.

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