

NEWS OF THE COUNTY

COLTON.

D. Force brought a cow out to his brother at Clarkes, who has bought the Peter Kruder's store there. He has rented the store for five years and will put in a large stock of goods.

George Wallace and his mother went to the mountains to see how things were going on at the ranch. A party was given at the Swedish settlement last week.

Mr. Anderson has a new horse that he paid \$100 for.

Ladies from the Swedish settlement were visitors at the schools this week.

Mr. Stewart is the name of a new arrival at the Swedish settlement.

Mrs. Stromgreen and Mrs. Burghund were guests at the Lindstrom home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kandle made a trip to their ranch in the mountains the first of the week.

Albert Erickson is the new engineer at the Colton shingle mill.

Charles Stromgreen butchered several hogs Monday and took his product to Portland.

Mr. Schiewe is still looking for a place that will suit him better than what he had.

Mrs. Davidson, of Highland, is visiting with Mrs. Stromgreen this week. Will Dix was home over Sunday.

MULINO.

Despite the long time that rain was in coming some people were not ready for it.

Mrs. Daniels and daughter, Katie, and Miss Spulak were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Coucher Sunday.

Fred Woodsides is driving team for Robbins Bros., of Molalla.

Albert and Johnny Erickson are at home again; the closing mills put them out of work.

Lewis Churchill is hauling lumber for Udell.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Boynton, of Woodburn, are visiting friends here. Rev. Coop, of Woodlawn, is preaching here Sunday evenings now, at 7 o'clock.

Mrs. Aug Erickson, Albert Erickson and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Daniels visited relatives at Dickey's Prairie over Sunday.

MEADOWBROOK.

Elbert Noves, of East Broughton-burg, was calling on friends here and Molalla Saturday, accompanied by his brothers and sisters.

We have not had enough rain to satisfy us yet.

"Why does that old conundrum, 'Why does a hen cross the road?' Here's a new one, 'Why does a young man climb a hill Sunday?'"

Jot Mallat was visiting friends in Mullino Sunday.

Mr. Bonaker had a runaway this week. Report says his pole came down and he had a time in saving himself from accident.

Young Mrs. Gorbett is often in our midst for a time.

R. L. Holman, of your city, was visiting friends here Sunday.

MILWAUKIE.

The neighbors and friends of Jos. Dobbins gave him a fruit shower last week in commemoration of his 75th birthday.

Milwaukie is all torn up over the question of a club or no club. Both sides are lining up and there will be a hard fight on election day.

We now have library No. 2 installed for the use of our people. It is one of the travelling institutions sent out by the State library commission.

Report says Mrs. Irwin has sold five acres to a Mr. Jensen, of North Dakota; consideration \$5000.

Our shingle mill has closed down; presumably account hard times.

Mrs. M. S. Roberts was called to Tacoma to attend the funeral of an aunt, Rev. Charlotte M. Loveloy, who was preacher in the Spiritualist church in that city.

MOLALLA.

Our road supervisor is gathering in his tools for the winter; no more work this season.

Mrs. Mary Brown, of Ilwaco, Wash., is visiting old friends here. From here she will go to Los Angeles, to spend the winter with her daughter Bessie.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Adams are happy over the birth of a daughter. It seems to be the Adams luck to have all girls.

Robbins Bros. have their gas plant in operation and it lights up the premises nicely.

We are hoping for a condensed milk plant. We have \$5000 subscribed but it will take that much more to make it a go.

Dr. Powell has moved to the Meyer building, where he has arranged for a prescription business.

Molalla people are not ready yet to go over to Multnomah for protection as we have all we can do now to keep the county officials from moving us right into the city.

Our star mail carrier was showing of a new horse Monday. He had some little trouble with him out this way.

J. W. Thomas has been appointed deputy state master in the State Grange, and will go to Oregon City to receive instruction as to his duties next Monday. His office will be shut up for that day.

Molalla Sunday school is getting ready for an entertainment for Thanksgiving eve.

Miss Ipha Robbins is home from Hood River and she brought some handsome fruit with her.

RUSSELLVILLE.

We have seen about the last of our fine weather for this season, I think. George Flinn has left Salmon and gone to herding sheep.

There is much conflict between our weather prophets. Some foretell a hard winter, others a mild one. So far it has been mild enough.

O. S. Bayles is planning to build a new house and has secured a number of brick for that purpose.

Wm. Miller, of Teasel Creek, is very sick and there seems little chance of recovery.

Mrs. Francis Birch is also on the sick list at this time.

Clarence and Leslie Ramsey will be home from Washington in a few days. They have been there for several years.

Our sawmill is still running regardless of the panic.

LIBERAL.

There will be a host of turkeys go to market from here in time for the Thanksgiving feast.

Many farmers in this neighborhood are sowing timothy seed this fall. Had to fall back on the old standby.

Our merchant is cutting down a big fir near his store. He don't want too much said about its size till he gets it down; then you can brag on him all you want to.

Peter Hornick and his men are cleaning out the river near Wright's bridge. There are a large number of logs in the river and a sudden rise might float off a lot of them.

Harvey Everhart, our road supervisor, is putting fine gravel on the road from Wright's bridge towards Molalla.

The price of hogs is down and a number of our farmers wish now they had sold earlier.

STONE.

The Oregon mist is on us in earnest. It is still pushing the grass up to green the earth like spring was here in the last half of November.

Our people are in moderate health.

There will be a host of vouchers in the Clear Creek Improvement for the county to pay soon. Hope the money will hold out.

Elder Boles, who is 78 years old, is assisted by Elder G. P. Rich in a series of meetings here. Two additions to church reported. Elder Boles has been preaching for 57 years, and is still a strong expounder of the good Word.

Uncle Mark, who will soon be 80 years old, is as spry as can be. He is looking well this fall.

The County Commissioners have decided to raise the Clear Creek water under the Clear Creek bridge after this. It has been contrary in the past.

NEW ERA.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Syster buried their son Sedrick in the catholic cemetery Sunday. He died Friday, a sufferer from pneumonia.

J. Burzyne was transacting business in Oregon City Tuesday.

Mrs. Dustin has gone to Dallas to assist in caring for her grandson, Lelston Thompson, who has the measles.

Joe Sevelk was a Sunday guest at the Hougham home.

Kate Newberry spent Sunday with Miss Mary Lents, of Woodburn, and Saturday night they attended the ball at the Armory.

Mrs. Penniman is having a picket fence built around her house.

CANBY.

Mr. Fellers is erecting a new home on the lands he recently purchased of Frank Kilton.

Ralph Gribble, of Macksburg, was a Sunday guest at the home of Wm. Kendel.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kilton and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moy visited Grandma

Kilton Sunday.

Arthur Knight is planning to fence the land he slashed the past summer. Mrs. Wheeler has been visiting in Portland for a few days guest of her sister.

The new butcher shop is open for business.

Claude Batty has taken possession of the home he purchased a few months ago.

Mr. Henry Smith is laid up with a sore hand. It is a case of blood poisoning, and promises to make him considerable trouble.

Jacob Smith and Warren Kendle are both setting up the cigars; and in both cases it is a girl.

BEAVER CREEK.

Herbert Knox, of Fossil, was visiting friends here last week.

Rumor says there will be another wedding at Beaver Creek soon. More the merrier.

Mrs. John Wolf is convalescing, but is still far from well.

Mrs. H. W. Parry is numbered among the sick.

Willie and James O'Connor were visiting friends here last week.

Miss Mamie Hollman is helping Mrs. Strong.

Martin Doercher has rented H. Lindley's farm.

Mr. Gamble, from Oregon City, is working here for W. E. Young.

Fred Henriel has purchased a part of the Henry Henriel farm and will make it his home.

ELWOOD.

Mr. Bittner met with an accident at his mill the other day. In some way he got his hand caught in the big saw and before he could extricate it he lost his first and second fingers. He came to Oregon City to have his hand cared for.

Della Gottberg went to town last Friday.

Chester Corbett is erecting a new home at Coulton, with Bert Henders as boss builder.

Some are still digging potatoes. Where would they have been if we had experienced an early winter?

Snow fell in the mountains last week, and this warm weather should soon melt it.

Amiel Bittner has his new house almost completed.

STAFFORD.

After a beautiful spell of weather it rained Monday night.

Mr. Aerni has finished his new cistern at the barn and will be glad to have it filled, and there are others, but it will give potato digging a back set.

A young scapegrace made off last week Monday with Mr. Schaltz's potato fork, which he had loaned to him, and a suit, we hear, of Mr. Gage's clothes. Country people will have to look a little out when they harbor these kind of people.

Curley (Mr. Mays) is in a critical condition; cannot lie down, and his feet are swollen now. He has been, and is, a great sufferer.

A horse belonging to the Sharp Bros. fell into a dry well last week and was killed.

The clerk of our district was anxious last week about how he was to get the money out of the bank at Oregon City, where he had deposited it, so as to pay the teachers their month's salary.

Hasn't "Fair Play" got the horns of the dilemma in both hands when he says provide something to take the place of the saloons for men who have but one cold room to call home and saloons would lose their attraction. Oregon City once had a free reading room, which was better than nothing. I visited it, but it was not an attractive place with its bare floor, hard benches and rusty stove; though it was a beginning, and may have been replaced by better by now, as I have not visited Oregon City for years. I say with Fair Play, provide something better and I am no friend to saloons, and have no use for a saloonkeeper.

The Baker boys caught a large fox a few days ago. It had been seen and chased a number of times before, but to the Baker boys and their dogs fell the glory of catching the varmint.

Mr. Powell received the sad news of his brother's sudden death by falling from a roof he was tinning. We have not heard the particulars, but Mr. and Mrs. Powell left immediately for the house of mourning. Meanwhile the store is closed until after the funeral, making the second time within six months they have been called away by the sudden death of a dear relative.

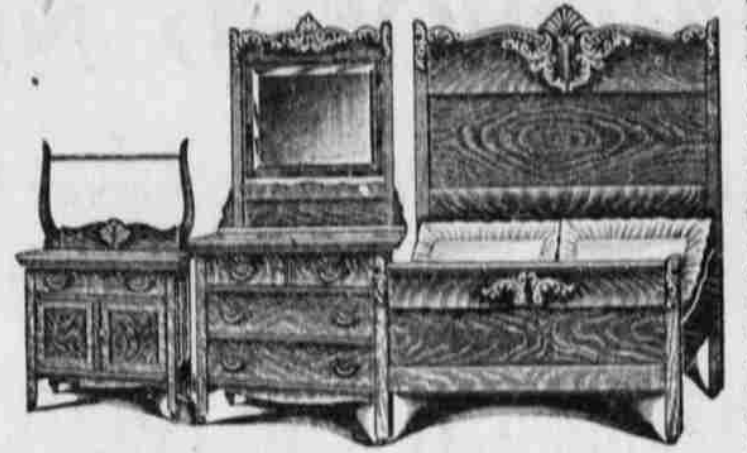
EAGLE CREEK.

After an absence of 29 years, P. Prebels, of Oleswein, Iowa, is again visiting his sister-in-law, Mrs. Glover, of this place.

The Dramatic Club, lately organized by the Grange of Eagle Creek, is

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