

NEWS OF THE COUNTY

MOUNTAIN VIEW.

There was a little snow in the air here Tuesday morning. Grandma Molloy is around again and feeling quite herself. F. M. Darting is showing some fine lettuce these days. Willis Cox, of Idaho, is visiting friends in this burg, a guest of his sister, Mrs. Cora Jacobs. Messrs. J. M. and Will Gillett and Will Jackson were hunting in the mountains last week. Will Jackson had the luck to kill a lynx. Curtis Selby broke his wrist in a fall at the skating rink last Tuesday. He is forced to carry it in a sling now. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dickey, of Portland, spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Weidner. Ed Gottberg has purchased the Mickel's property and is erecting a blacksmith shop. Miss Pearl Curran is home from a visit at the Superior mills. Mr. Moran is building an addition to his blacksmith shop. Miss Mabel Francis is able to be out after her severe spell of sickness. Miss Clara Morey, of Liberal, is visiting friends here last week. Mrs. Sinclair and son, Leonard, are home from a long stay in Kansas and Missouri.

SPRINGWATER.

Rev. John Davis, of Pendleton, will move here in the spring and take up pastoral work in our midst. The Sunday school here will give an entertainment Christmas eve. Mr. Strunk, who recently purchased a farm on the Stillwater east of the mountain rancher, has taken possession. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lincoln, of Portland, are visiting relatives and friends here. Mr. and Mrs. Guttridge, a newly wedded pair here, were given a serenade in their new home the other evening. Our school is doing fine this winter. Tommy Evans killed a wildcat last week and can now talk of his prowess. Mrs. Ward is still sick; her son and daughter are here to spend the Christmas holidays with her. Protracted meetings are breaking up the monotony in this neighborhood. Mrs. Mary Jones has a feign that is causing her much trouble.

CLARKES.

Mr. Fred Bower is ill and his son took him to town last Monday. W. H. Wettlauffer butchered 11 hogs last week and sold eight of them. The Harmony school will have a two weeks' vacation over the holidays. W. G. Kleinsmith is hauling his potatoes from Timber Grove to his home. Ben Marshall and family were in town last Saturday on business. Mrs. Larkin was visiting Mrs. Frank Nicholas last week. Rev. Rinehard preached last Sunday night and the church was full. G. Marquet was in town last Saturday on business. J. Lavell has been sick for the past two weeks. Mr. Hofstetter and W. H. Bottemiller are the committee to buy toys for the Christmas tree in the Sunday school. We are having foggy weather and it froze the other night. Next week will be Christmas and we have two Christmas trees this year. The German M. E. Church will have Christmas exercises on Monday night and the English on Tuesday, and then they want to have a masquerade ball in Clarkes on New Year's eve. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stromgreen were in Portland last week on business. J. Puty and W. H. Bottemiller run over the division to fix their lines.

NEEDY.

Everybody get up good cheer, for dear old Christmas is almost here. The Governor's holidays are over. The banks are open now and Needy has awakened and gives a ball December 21. Everybody cordially invited. C. C. Molson's family have all been on the sick list. The Misses Criswell have returned from their trip East, and Miss Estella is very sick. Mrs. John Elliott is visiting relatives in Portland. Mrs. Fred Smith is visiting friends in Salem. Andy Thompson and his bride are expected home to spend Christmas.

Mrs. Kate Sconce made a flying trip to Needy last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Ackerson have gone to Oswego to spend the holidays. There will be a Christmas tree in the Smyrna church. Everybody go and see Santa Claus.

Mr. and Mrs. Doster and family visited their daughter in Paradise City last Sunday.

Frank Fish and family made a business trip to Woodburn last week.

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Reed and great-granddaughter of C. W. Noblitt, died and was buried last Sunday at the Hubbard cemetery.

Died, December 3, Mr. Orle Smucker, formerly of Needy. He leaves a wife, two small children and many friends to mourn his loss.

The directors visited Professor Fisher's school last Friday and they seemed well pleased. They hired him for the ensuing term.

Clarence Carothers has purchased a fine new horse.

Mr. Phillip Mohr is able to be out again after a sick spell.

Everybody get ready for the big shooting match next Saturday.

Mrs. Kate Ritter and Mrs. Yoder were out driving last week.

Charley Noblitt made a business trip to Aurora one day this week.

Mrs. A. W. Thompson was visiting her parents last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Garrett went to Woodburn last week.

Otis Townsend was in Hubbard this week.

Albert Elliott has gone into the stock business.

Miss Grace Thompson was visiting Mr. Garrett's folks last week.

DODGE.

Hard times have no ill effect on the mill here. The Myers mill is running steadily and two new hands have been added to the force.

Miss Marsh, our teacher, is doing a good work this winter and patrons are well pleased.

Stanley Turol is sick and finds it necessary to stay away from school duties.

Miss Georgia Rowe, aged nine years, is a recent addition to the school enrollment.

Chas. Bard is a new addition to the number of lumber handlers, he having a position hauling lumber.

A basket social is being planned for about February 1. Ladies will be asked to bring baskets and the men invited to eat their fill.

ELWOOD.

There's little to write about from here.

Monday night we had our first snow of the season, and but little of that.

Mr. Whiting, who teaches here, went home last week for a short visit.

Mrs. Freeman is a pneumonia victim and other members of the family are ailing. A number of people here have the grip and everyone seems to be suffering with a bad cold.

Messrs. Gillett and Will Jackson were out for a long tramp and survey of the country last week. They say they had a good view.

RUSSELLVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stamp are happy; it's a girl. Father and child doing as well as could be expected.

A long felt want at our school is a new well; also to have the house painted. Either a special tax or contributions are in order.

Mr. Nightingale killed hogs recently—all big porkers—and he will make a mess of bacon that will last for a time.

Chas. Thomas has moved from Coal Creek further up the valley.

Stray cattle at Wingfield's that the owners can have by calling and settling for feed.

News is scarce hereabouts, for two reasons. First, we are good and make no bad news; second, the financial stringency tied our money up in the banks and we cannot jolly.

MILWAUKIE.

Our Grange will hold its election of officers Saturday. A special program has been prepared for the occasion.

Santa Claus trade has broken loose from the financial stringency and from now on to Christmas our merchants look for lively trade.

The Grange bazaar netted \$60. They are now planning for a social December 28, at which time Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller will be present and hold a reception. Also certain other celebrities.

Chas. Ballard has sold the Bee to Mr. Price, who has been in charge of the Sellwood end of the enterprise. Mr. Ballard does not contemplate leaving Milwaukie.

CANBY.

The son-in-law of Mr. Marks was held up by footpads the other night and all he had with him—\$5—was taken. The robbery occurred near his home; no clue to perpetrators.

Warren Kindle is manufacturing railroad ties and shipping them from Barlow.

A repertoire show is holding forth all week.

Mr. Phillipine has descended into Mother Earth 45 feet already in a search for good water and thinks he will need to go a score more feet to get what he wants.

The boom at Molalla broke last week and let 5000 ties into the Willamette River.

Our merchants are all pushing hard for Christmas trade—and getting it, too.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Burns are home from a visit to their daughter, who lives in Portland.

BEAVER CREEK.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Herman just received the pleasant news of another grandson, born to Mr. and Mrs. J. McGiven, of Lebanon.

School will close Friday for the holidays with a Christmas tree in the afternoon. Miss Ellen Moehnke is teacher.

The young people enjoyed themselves last Saturday evening with a dance at the home of Henry Hansen. There was a nice crowd present.

Jacob Hermon, Jr., was a Sunday visitor to friends in Redland.

After a pleasant week visiting the family of her brother, J. Wolf, Mrs. C. H. Cooper has returned to her home in Portland.

The children of V. Bohlender are victims of the measles, nearly all suffering from the malady.

August Blum is numbered among the sick.

Miss Ray Staben is visiting friends in Portland.

Mrs. Bertha Nelly, who was a former resident of Beaver Creek, left last Saturday to join her husband in San Francisco, after a pleasant visit here.

Will Martin and Emmet Hughes are cutting wood for J. Bohlender.

STAFFORD.

The weather has been pretty good with some sun, for the past three or four days, and the usual amount of fog.

Young Jake Schatz has returned home after some months of wandering, having been in New Mexico, where he found no good drink water and the food was beastly to a palate brought up on an Oregon farm and accustomed to an excellent cook. In Colorado the cooks did fairly well, but the water even there was not very excellent. He is now helping his father to right up the tower to the windmill; the moles had dug under the foundations so as to render it unsafe with such a load of water in the tank. Jake finds Oregon a pretty good place, and Stafford the Garden of Eden, and it is pretty handy for a boy to come home once in a while and be willing and able to help out.

An entertainment is planned for the night before Christmas at the school house.

Henry Gage and wife started East of the mountains on Monday of last week in hopes the change may benefit his health, and to visit friends and relatives. The doctors tell him he has either an abscess or cancer of the stomach, which is a sad outlook for a man in the prime of life.

Archie Weddle found Mr. Schatz's potato fork stuck through the fence into Sharp's field, but forgot the mention of it for a number of days, and when the boys went after it, some one else had found it and taken it away. It will be remembered that a tourist, doing the state and the people, and calling himself Leslie Wheel-er, walked off with the fork, which Mr. Schatz kindly loaned him; also some working clothes loaned him at Gage's to save his own, as they were of good material, and he had found a job of digging potatoes. Whoever found the fork and took it away, kindly return it to Wm. Schatz.

Ciara Oldstead has gone to Portland to work.

MOLALLA.

Report says the proposed condensed milk factory is to be switched into a creamery because of the fact that a trust controls the condensed milk industry.

People of Molalla think they know who found a purse, lost here recently, and an effort is being made to force the party to "give up."

People on road district No. 26 have decided to tax themselves for additional road work. The levy will be five mills. The plan is to raise \$2700 for the improvement.

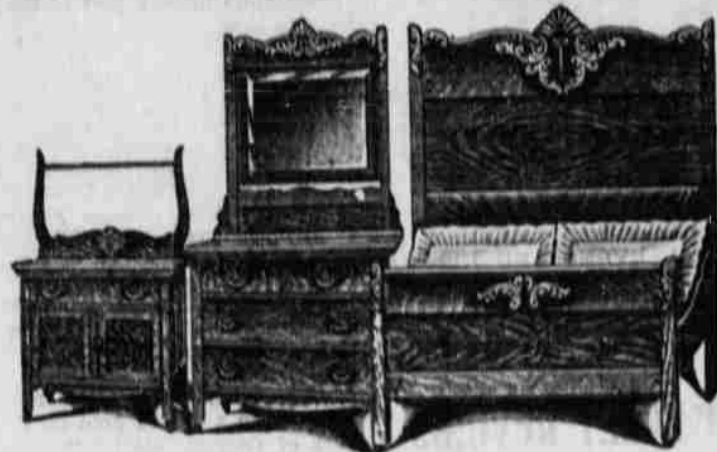
MULINO.

Mr. Woodside is putting gravel on the Molalla road at present.

R. H. Trullinger has resigned as

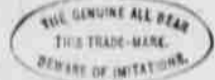
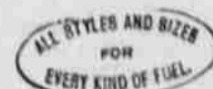
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