

COUNTRY NEWS and PERSONALS

Moose Play Joke On Molallas Chief

MOLALLA, Feb. 24.—(Special)—Miss Shanks was a Molalla visitor Saturday.

Last week the Moose held a dance to the band auditorium. About two o'clock in the morning some went to the home of J. V. Harless, Molalla's chief of police, and stated that there were some drunks in town acting suspiciously. The chief went at once to investigate, but as he approached the hoodlums made for the depot. He deputized Harry Kverhart and sent him to go south on Molalla avenue and to come back on Hart avenue to the depot, while he followed down Main street. As Chief Harless approached the depot he heard two shots but his assistant had not shown up. He went over to see if Mr. Staley, the alert engineer at the S. P. was safe. The shots had been fired further out in the field and that spot was investigated, he learned that it was a hoax. It is in fact, the search was not given up until five o'clock in the morning, when it was hoped that Chief Harless enjoyed the joke for the citizens of Molalla did not. The office is one of duty, a sort of "thank you" job and everyone seems to appreciate the thoroughness with which Mr. Harless tried to perform what he believed to be his duty. Molalla is extremely quiet, but if the call should come that we seriously need the services of the chief of police we would not like to have him think that we were joking.

Molalla Getting Fine Library.

Little by little the Molalla school library is arriving. It seems that the city book stores have been swamped with orders because of the requiring of standardized High schools to have at least 50 volumes, so they are sending them out as fast as they can. Orville Mulvihill, a senior, is librarian, and takes great pride in doing his work well.

The library contains about 350 volumes at present. It is to be hoped that this can be greatly increased in the near future. At present the school is borrowing books from the Eugene University and the State library. Miss Ulen is obtaining them from Portland, her home library, while Miss Lay is obtaining them from Reed College library, which is said to be extra fine. It is surely to be appreciated that books may be had in this manner, and also that the teachers take so much interest in obtaining them at their own expense, also that the board is willing to meet the expense of borrowing them for the school but it does not obviate the fact that we need a much larger library.

Both the State library at Salem and the University library at Eugene will send books to any one for a special study period of four, six or eight weeks the only conditions being that the books have good care and that the borrower pay postage both ways, even that is paid when the book is returned so a postal card request is all that is necessary to obtain the desired book. One can study the best authors in the English language upon any subject, from gasolene engines to nursing, and when this is more generally realized it will mean the turning point in many a home.

Charlie Sheppard and little son were in town from Meadowbrook Saturday.

Ed Dart was in town last week on business.

George Marts was a Molalla visitor last Saturday.

H. N. Summerville brought D. W. Badger's drag saw to Rex Lewis' shop Saturday to have a Bosch magnet installed upon it. Monday it was taken out to Mr. Dart's place again.

F. Adams and wife were in town on business Friday.

Miss Ramsby was taken suddenly ill Wednesday. Miss Selma Fredericks from the teachers' training class, took her place, teaching the third and fourth grades. Thursday Mr. Mulvihill felt the thrills of teaching his first school. Miss Ramsby returned Friday.

Good Parent-Teachers' Meeting.

Friday afternoon the Parent-Teachers met at the school house in the laboratory until one of the rooms was dismissed. There were about 35 present, one being a visitor from Beaver Creek, who was in quest of ideas for organizing a Parent-Teachers' meeting in her home district.

The program was rendered by Miss Ramsby's pupils. The pupils were thoroughly prepared and the program was a pleasure to all. Recitation, by Gwen Trimble; recitation, Arlo Kellogg, "Why Teacher Knows"; music, (piano) Geraldine Webb; reading, Roy Al Howard; recitation, Roscoe Hibbard; music (piano) Alberta Shoemaker; recitation, Frank Coleman; recitation, Harriet Park. Mr. Tose read a paper bringing out the dancer of training a few athletes in a school at the expense of the physical training of the many. As Mrs. Napp could not be present, Mrs. Tuley took her place and reviewed the last four chapters of the "Montessori Mother", by Mrs. Fisher. A question box brought a number of ideas of interest to parents.

A committee was appointed to meet with the directors to see what can be done about bringing up the matter at election to see whether Molallans want a Union High school. It was thought that by that means 10 or 12 districts might unite with this one.

Mr. Parks has offered the use of the Lyric theatre to the Parent-Teachers' organization for one evening at actual expense. The organization is now to learn at what date Mr. William L. Fielear, state biologist, can be here to give his stereopticon views and lec-

ture about bird life. It is thought that it will be some time in April. A small admission fee will be asked for the benefit of the Parent-Teachers' treasury.

February 25 will be Parents' day. Mr. Calavan issued a request recently, to all schools in the county, that that date be set aside in hopes of interesting every parent in visiting the school. Molalla is preparing to respond loyally with a program.

George Gibson requested his report card as he said that his parents are going back on the farm in Linn county. They will start Tuesday. They have been staying at the Powell hotel the past winter.

The young People's bible class of Liberal entertained the visiting class from Molalla, at the Liberal hall, Saturday evening. The Molalla young people have been looking forward to the visit for a month and report a most enjoyable time. Fore than two wagon loads of young people from Molalla church went under the chaperonage of Mesdames Joy, Taylor and Reynolds.

Frank Coleman, a pupil in the third year, is trying to organize the boys of his class into a baseball club. It is said by a youthful member that the organization is to "bring great joy."

Dr. Wylie Jones, a stomach specialist, from Portland, was sent for Monday to come to Mr. Runalds' home to hold a consultation with the Molalla doctors. Mr. Runalds was taken three weeks ago with what was thought to be acute indigestion.

Rev. J. W. MacCallum began his evangelistic services at the morning meeting at the Methodist church. He first spoke to the Sunday school class. He has made friends with them all before he had spoken many words. Rev. MacCallum puts in special work in training singers, which seems to be enjoyed by all.

There was one rousing clapping of hands when at the men's meeting in the Lyric theatre, he asked for an expression of thanks to Mr. Parks for the free use of the building for that service. The house was well filled.

Mr. Shafer shipped a car of lumber Tuesday from the S. P.

The roads around the depots have been treated to a little grading during the good weather.

Stacks and stacks of catalogues came from eastern firms for distribution in Molalla and out on the routes. This would have been enough to give the local merchants never ending blues if they did not realize fully that in many homes these are looked upon as encyclopedias. Many times the local merchants make sales of articles, the desire of which was created by their eastern brother's advertisements.

Program at Molalla For Children's Day

MOLALLA, Feb. 24.—(Special)—February 25 will be Parents' day. Mr. Calavan issued a request a short time ago to all the schools in the county that that date be set aside to interest the parents in visiting the schools. Molalla is responding loyally with a program. Children look upon it as a bright day when their own parents come to visit the schools.

Rev. Curtiss, assisted by Rev. J. W. MacCallum, began a two weeks' revival last Sunday, Feb. 20, at the morning service in the Methodist church. Sunday afternoon a men's mass meeting was held in the Lyric theatre. The topic was "Measure of Men." Rev. MacCallum was formerly pastor of the Congregational church in Philadelphia, and has filled several pastorates in Oregon before he took up evangelistic work. He is making his home with Rev. and Mrs. Curtiss at the parsonage. The band boys have promised to assist in the services, a chorus also taking part. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend the services. The evangelist will, after leaving Molalla, hold services with Rev. Thomas at the Woodstock M. E. church in Portland.

HAZELIA.

HAZELIA, Feb. 24.—(Special)—Mrs. Frank Childs visited her mother, Mrs. Stella Shipley in Oswego, Thursday.

Miss Ira Whitten spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. T. R. Savage, of Portland, last week.

Mrs. Alfred Thomas was the dinner guest of Mrs. Fred Lehman, Sunday.

Miss Marion Eastman was pleasantly entertained by Miss Jean Wilson, Sunday afternoon.

David Long and Willis Miller were callers at the J. P. Cook home Sunday evening.

Miss Blanche Duncan spent the week-end at her home in Hazelia.

Miss Hattie Wanker spent a very pleasant evening with Miss Marion Eastman, Sunday.

Herbert Duncan was a Portland visitor Sunday.

John Dennis, from Portland, called on J. P. Cook, Monday morning.

Mrs. A. E. Helms spent the afternoon with Mrs. H. Baker, Tuesday.

Miss Lulu Wanker made a business trip to Portland Wednesday.

W. B. Cook was in Oswego Saturday evening.

Alfred Thomas went to Tigardville, Sunday.

Mrs. Al Woodhouse, from Gaster, Oregon, has been visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Wanker, for several days.

Donald campaigning for a cheese factory.

Spring Work Starts Around Garfield

GARFIELD, Feb. 24.—(Special)—Beautiful weather and farmers very busy seeding. Spring has come, as you have seen several autos on the road. You can't tell anything about the time of year by seeing a Ford on the road as they come and go at any time of the year, blizzard or no blizzard.

Oliver Palling, our Garfield nursery man, is very busy with his nursery work.

Mrs. Hunt, who has been on the sick list, is quite well again.

Mrs. Rawlings has had a nervous breakdown. As she is well on in years it is hard for her to rally, but it is hoped the fine weather will soon get her up again.

The dance at the Garfield Country club last Friday night was well attended and all report a good time.

W. H. Nunn Braker of Portland and wife were guests of Dock Palmateer's Sunday.

Mr. Johnson of North Garfield, is quite ill. He has been in poor health for some time.

L. J. Palmateer has bought a horse of O. Twambly.

Mrs. Sarah Palmateer spent the

Telephone Officers Chosen at Gresham

KELOSO, Feb. 24.—(Special)—The Parent-Teacher association has repaired the wainscoting and doors of the school rooms a serviceable brown color, also built a closet for brooms and other supplies.

Each grade at school has been assigned a plot of ground for growing flowers and all are busy with spade and rake getting the ground in shape. Bird-houses have been made by several of the pupils, both boys and girls.

At the annual stockholders' meeting of the Multnomah and Clackamas county Mutual Telephone company, at Gresham, Monday, Robert Jonard of Kelso and E. S. Jenne of Gresham were elected directors to serve for 5 years.

A good sized audience gathered at the school house Monday evening, to hear Mr. Simmons, elocutionist formerly of Minneapolis, Minn., who gave an entertainment consisting of humorous and dramatic readings, which were well received by the audience.

Mrs. Chas. Erickson of Westminster, B. C., is spending a few weeks visiting C. J. Sindals and other relatives and friends.

Miss Clara Harrison gave a party to about 25 of her friends last Saturday evening. Games and refreshments were greatly enjoyed.

Max Kligel has bought a new horse to take the place of the one that recently died.

T. G. Milan is starting in the cordwood business. He will handle C. J. Sindals' timber.

Robert Jonard is having his orchard on the bluff pruned this week by a Mr. Wallace, who is an expert in this line of work.

A volley ball court and an early fly swatting campaign are projects on the program of the Boy Scouts of Gresham.

Play Proves Great Success—Election

DAMASCUS, Feb. 24.—(Special)—Mrs. W. J. Bowerman of Sunnyside, spent a week with her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Cooke, before she left for her new home near Falls City, Thursday morning.

Mrs. Fritz Wellman is quite ill.

Wm. Oehler was elected school director to fill the vacancy left by L. W. Warner, and Harry Sylvester clerk in the place of J. H. Bowerman.

The play entitled "Family Affairs", was given before a full house Saturday night. It proved so successful that a local troupe was formed. They will give another play in the near future.

John Moore moved L. W. Warner's household goods to Clackamas last Tuesday and Wednesday.

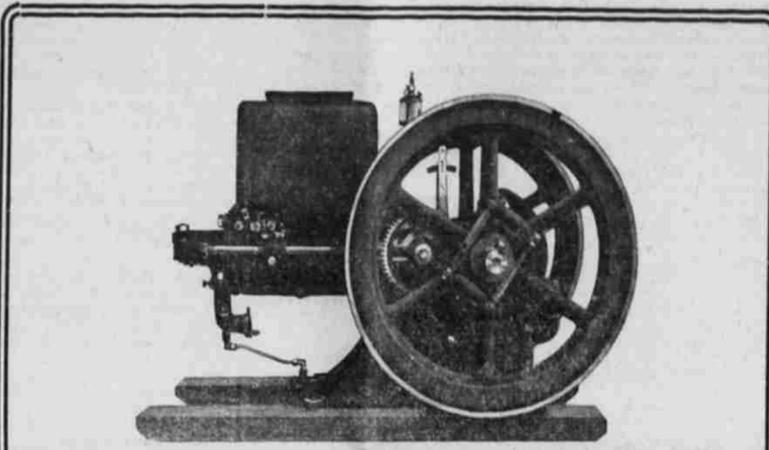
L. W. Warner and family left early Thursday morning to take the boat at Portland for The Dalles.

Mrs. Byron W. Bowerman spent a week with her mother, Mrs. Matilda Huddle.

On account of the slides on the river road last week our mail carrier, Bert Plannery, was unable to reach some of his patrons, but by unhitching his horse the men working on the road are able to get the rig over the slides and so he makes his regular trip.

After a long illness with consumption, Mrs. Stella Chilcote died at her home near Damascus, Feb. 15. Estella Stevenson was born near Clinton, Missouri, December 28, 1838. She was united in marriage to Earl Chilcote June 3, 1914, who with her father survives her. Funeral services were held at the Dunkard church Thursday afternoon, with interment in the Damascus cemetery.

Mrs. W. J. Hudson and son, Paul, of Harmony, visited at the home of her niece, Mrs. W. W. Cooke Tuesday.



A Big Price Reduction In Stover Engines

Now made in 1-1/2-2-4-6 Horse Power and up at prices that put this good engine within the reach of all.

SEE THE NEW LINES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

W. J. Wilson & Co.
Oregon City, Oregon
12TH and MAIN STS.



FULL LINE
Pumps, Wagons Implements, Etc.

For Your Baby. The Signature of



Genuine CASTORIA

prepared by him for over 30 years.
YOU'LL give YOUR baby the BEST
Your Physician Knows Fletcher's Castoria.
Sold only in one size bottle, never in bulk or otherwise; to protect the babies.
The Centaur Company, *Charles H. Fletcher*

ing met all the requirements of state

standardization.

A very delightful Valentine party was given by Miss Edith Alnow last Tuesday. Among the guests were, Misses Nina Itunkel, Henrietta Haines, Grace Morter, Mrs. Counsell, Mrs. Church and Mrs. Harvey Alnow. A dainty luncheon was served.

Lived During Reign of Several Monarchs

SUNNYSIDE, Feb. 24.—(Special)—After a short illness Miss Caroline Green died at the home of her niece, Mrs. Wm. J. Paige, of Sunnyside, Feb. 14, 1916.

The deceased was born in London, England, April 8, 1828, and was nearly 88 years old when she died. Hers was a long and eventful life. Born during the reign of George IV, she lived through the reigns of William IV, Victoria, Edward VII, into the reign of George V.

She was the eldest of 14 brothers and sisters, most of whom are still living in England.

She came to America with her niece, Mrs. Paige, in 1897, with whom she has since made her home.

Her brother, Jos. Green, took up a homestead where the Casadaro power plant is now located. Another brother John Green bought railroad land which is now the townsite of Casadaro.

Rev. N. C. Welter conducted funeral services at the home of Wm. Paige, with interment in the Sunnyside cemetery.

BARLOW

BARLOW, Or., Feb. 24.—(Special)—Washington's birthday was observed by Governor Withycombe being present by an invitation of the Grange.

The Governor gave a short but interesting talk on farming. Professor Barce and Mr. Allen were present from Oregon Agricultural college, Mr. Barce giving a very interesting talk on the care of the fruit trees. Mr. Vedder, county supervisor, and O. W. Eastham of Oregon City, also gave interesting talks. Brother Everhart, master of Pomona Grange, was also present.

The Grange served dinner to the invited guests. A large crowd gathered in the hall from different parts of the county. The Johnson brothers orchestra of Canby furnished the music and the boys are a credit to themselves in rendering the difficult music they do. A program was given and all enjoyed the day.

The following program was rendered—Selection by Johnson Bros. orchestra; Ode to the Flag, Mrs. Anna M. White; solo, "Star Spangled Banner", Hattie Irwin; reading by Mrs. L. L. Irwin; instrumental solo, Hattie Irwin; selection by Johnson Bros. orchestra, Johnson Bros. orchestra is composed of four young men, all brothers.

Dave Ausse was home from Portland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom B. Tull drove up from Portland Sunday in their auto. Mrs. C. G. Tull went home with them. Mr. and Mrs. Spaegel and daughters of Oregon City, were visiting Mrs. Spaegel's mother, Mrs. Scroggin, Tuesday.

Mr. Johnson has moved his mother into the Mrs. Chase house.

Geo. Atterbury has sold out his stock of goods and territory of the Watkins Co.

Mr. Wurfel and family drove to Portland Sunday for the day.

MACKSBURG

MACKSBURG, Feb. 24.—(Special)—We are wishing the flight of time might be less rapid than it is, so many and varied are the pleasures that have come to us with a week of continuous sunshine.

To begin with: The roads are in that perfect condition that must be of brief duration; i. e. without either dust or mud. Pain would the auto and other pleasure vehicle owners take advantage of the hard, smooth surface, could they do so without a twinge of conscience speaking of the swiftly-advancing vegetation that calls for immediate toll.

then, all work in them is worse than lost. Rose bushes are putting forth their green leaves. The daffodils are full of buds and the fruit trees are showing that their long winter sleep is near its end.

The feathered creation is not behind the rest of the world in its activity. Aquatic fowls have chosen their nests and the song birds are growing more numerous in their return from southern climes.

The nights, however, are frosty, still, thus keeping back the swelling buds that would otherwise be opening too soon for safety in the cold that must yet descend upon us, from the icy Cascades.

We are glad that so much of the Springtime is with us today, as yet, Spring is not here, and that, so far, "untouched its golden store doth lie."

While all about us, in the past week, has been rejoicing in the sunshine, the nights have not been less brilliant. The moon, which reached the full Feb. 18th, has relieved evening travel of all inconvenience from dark while the presence of those wonderful luminaries, Jupiter, Venus and Saturn as evening stars, has made celestial observation a veritable delight.

Venus, the most beautiful of all the world-family, shines with a lustre too bright to be dimmed by the light of the moon, even in the latter's early rising which is over now.

High above the horizon in the southwestern sky, this shining star appears—alone—at first—then Jupiter comes into view, lower down in the firmament. Though himself in wonderful brilliancy, he never attains the dazzling splendor of his sister Venus, and though coming later into view, he retires from sight much earlier than does Venus, who is again left in unrivaled brightness, for a long time before her setting.

In the southeast shines Saturn, peerless among the myriad heavenly bodies of lesser magnitude. With the commonest telescope, his wonderful ring system may be seen.

This supernal delight, too, must be brief. On April 1st Jupiter becomes morning star, and in July, Venus and Saturn will shine upon us only before the early dawn.

As their brilliancy begins to wane at the faintest streak of morning light, the full enjoyment of this display is only for the out-of-door sleepers, and we are happy to say that these seekers for the true source of health are growing more numerous with each succeeding year.

A small company of friends assembled on Thursday at the home of Mr. John Hepler, to give Mrs. Hepler a birthday surprise. A very pleasant social hour was passed. A charming lunch was served and everyone seemed gratified to the highest degree.

Those present besides Mr. Hepler's own family were Mrs. Frank Helton, Mrs. Will Rothe, Mrs. G. M. Baldwin and the Misses Elma and Pearl Miller.

Sol Sternbarh has rented his ranch to David Kaufman and is about to move to Woodburn. Mr. Kaufman will take possession of the place as soon as it is vacant.

Parents' day is to be observed in the public schools on Friday, February 25th.

The Mothers' club will meet on Thursday, the 24th, at the home of Mrs. L. Miller.

Patsy Gibson entertained a number of his friends on his birthday last Saturday.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of *Charles H. Fletcher*

BARN PARTY AT OETKIN HOME.

CONCORD, Feb. 24.—(Special)—Between 30 and 40 young people enjoyed the hospitality of Henry and William Oetkin, at a barn party Friday evening. The young men cleared the upper floor of the barn and all kinds of games were played and refreshments were served.