

Newsy Briefs From All Over the County

SPRING IS NEAR IN MACKSBURG COUNTRY

TREES AND PLANTS SHOW SIGNS OF SPRING ACTIVITY—LEILA SMITH MARRIES.

MACKSBURG, Ore., Jan. 11.—(Special)—The bright sunshine, which appeared with brief intervals of rain on Sunday and still more frequently on Monday has wrought magic in the forests, telling us surely that the time is very near when "all the trees on all the hills shall open their thousand leaves."

The rose bushes are especially forward and are promising a rich profusion of those adorable compensation for the long and dismal rains.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith celebrated New Year's evening by the marriage of their younger daughter, Leila, to Mr. Brown of Portland. The wedding was a very quiet one, only relatives of the families being invited. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have gone to California for their wedding trip. At last account they were in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Kate Seward's youngest daughter, Marie, was married last week to Mr. White, of Portland. Mrs. Seward, whose house has been closed up several months during her absence in attendance upon an invalid, has been released by the death of her patient and is again at her home.

Simon Miller, whose protracted illness has been mentioned in this paper, is thought to be recovering, though slowly.

Ed Gibson is still in eastern Oregon, where he has been so successful that he has decided to remain indefinitely.

Ed Burgess has returned from beyond the Cascades and has settled with his family in Portland.

Joe Gibson is working for his uncle, Ernest Klar. The four younger Gibson brothers are working their home ranch.

Mrs. Spencer, of Tacoma, Wash., is visiting her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Nebo.

Miss Lucille Gibson is in Portland visiting her sisters, Mrs. Ed Burgess and Mrs. Vogel.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Lorenz have returned from Fresno, Cal., and are living in Aurora.

Mr. Lloyd Bowers has bought the store lately owned by Mr. Al Lorenz in Fresno. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bowers are so well pleased with California that they intend to make it their permanent home.

Mrs. J. W. Smith and Mrs. Chester Smith with her little son are guests of Mrs. Chas. Schneck on Wednesday.

Mrs. Long and Mrs. G. M. Baldwin were visitors with Mrs. Chas. Nebo on Wednesday.

The Mothers' club held an especially interesting session on Thursday, January 11th, at the home of Mrs. John Helz. Mrs. Potrats, Mrs. Collins and Mrs. Henry Welch were present as guests. The next meeting was appointed for January 18th at the home of Mrs. Ben Drier.

The Hepler sawmill is busy turning out timber for shipment to the east, also for the many new buildings to be put up in our own town the present year.

Miss May Schultz has taken a position in Molalla. Miss Elvira Miller is employed for the present at Woodburn.

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LIBERAL.

LIBERAL, Ore., Jan. 11.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Franz Krausberger spent New Year's day with their daughter, Mrs. H. N. Witake.

The program at the Liberal school became somewhat changed when the door was accidentally locked and a boy had to be sent through the window to release it, much to the amusement of the pupils.

H. N. Witake had to make a trip to Molalla recently for a drag saw blade which had been sent there by mistake. Bruno Krausberger was plowing on his place at Liberal the latter part of the past week.

Witens brothers have been hauling potatoes to Liberal.

A reception by the adult members of the Methodist church was given last evening, December 14, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stambaugh, who will leave today to make their home in Oregon.—Lampoon Journal, Calif. Mrs. Stambaugh is a cousin of Mrs. D. W. Hodger. They are moving to this country, having recently sold their California farm.

A new house has been built on the E. Doepfle property, for a wood cutter named Wilson.

E. Doepfle sold some pigs the past week.

The bell called together about fifty Friday evening for an old-fashioned "spelling bee" in the Oak Grove schoolhouse. This neighborhood has held a number of contests but one man declared that he had not been in a spelling bee for forty years and as he applied to it "I have the honor of missing the first word of the evening."

Miss Henrietta Adams and Miss Rosie Klan were chosen as captains. Mr. Moore gave out the words.

For two hours teachers, parents and children vied, with each other for the honor of being the best speller. Miss Griddle, the teacher, was finally declared winner. While Miss Adams was the first captain to retire, it must be explained that when one side missed a word, the opposing side chose one of their best spellers. So for some time toward the close of the evening, Miss Adams was competing with a whole line of people on the opposite side. Toward the last, one line was formed and it was agreed to "spell down" Miss Klan, remaining next to the last. It was clearly proven that there are a number of spellers in the neighborhood, who well may be proud of their work. The next spelling match will be January 19.

Jack Rielan and D. W. Badger went to Meadowbrook one day last week to see the milk goats belonging to P. O. Chindgren.

Mrs. Dimick, who has been visiting at the home of her brother, Richard Wright, has been quite ill with the grippe. Mrs. Dimick's daughter, Mrs. Johnson and her family, are also visiting at the Wright home.

A family has moved into the Edwin Foster house near the church. They will make shipkeeps.

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KELSO FARMERS ATTEND CORVALLIS CONVENTION

B. NELSON, JOE VARETI AND JIM DESHAZER MAKE TRIP TO COLLEGE TOWN.

KELSO, Ore., Jan. 11.—(Special)—B. Nelson, Joe Varet, Jim Deshazer, Chas. Johnson and others near here attended farmers' week at Corvallis.

Mr. Mackie found his bunch of cattle, that had been lost since July near Barton and they were a poor set of creatures after being out through two snow storms.

Joe Jari has not found his black milky cow and calf that disappeared. He offers a \$5 reward for her.

John T. Roberts of this place and Miss Grace France of Hubbard, were married at Salem, Ore., December 27.

Frank Causing, Jr., formerly of this place was married in San Francisco during the holidays.

Miss Hulda Rath of George, Ore., was visiting the Jaris and Sindalls this week.

August Johnson will soon have that fine new house ready for his bride. Many new buildings have been put up in Kelso this fall and winter.

Joe Jari butchered a beef Monday and is fattening seven more for the February market.

Sandy grange will meet Saturday, January 13, and will install new officers for the coming year.

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UPPER GARFIELD

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Much interest is being taken in the contemplated cheese factory at Estacada and it is to be hoped that it will become a reality sometime in the near future.

Mr. Julius Markwart has been in Portland the past week on business.

Mrs. R. Tom Carter spent the week-end with friends and relatives in Portland.

Oliver Felling shot and killed a large Gos hawk while it was after a China pheasant near Log LaBarre. It was nicely mounted by Taxidermist Tom Carter and is now on exhibition at that resort.

The Garfield school held their regular semi-monthly debate at the Grange hall last week on the subject of which brings the most misery, liquor or war, it being decided in favor of war.

The snow has all disappeared in this part of the county the past week.

Tom Carter caught a large coyote in one of his traps near Log LaBarre a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Markwart entertained a number of friends and relatives from Portland during the holidays.

The Garfield Country club held their annual meeting at the club rooms January 2nd, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: R. Tom Carter, president; H. A. LaBarre, secretary and treasurer; Andrew Anderson, Floyd Davis and George Hathaway, directors. It is the intention of the new management to make a strong effort to increase their membership as much as possible the coming year and improve the club grounds for next summer.

Mr. A. B. Carter of Walluga, Oregon, spent the holidays with his brother, Tom Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. LaBarre, entertained at their home, Log LaBarre, a number of friends and relatives on New Year's day. After enjoying a big turkey dinner the day was spent in dancing, singing and a general good time. Those present were: Minnie Alexander, Elza E. Ball, Lora D. Warren, Ada W. Gordon, Portland; A. B. Carter, Walluga; Mrs. H. Adix, Miss Jeanne Adix, H. Victor Adix, Jr., H. N. Adix, P. G. Standish, Mr. Erwin D. Wright, Mrs. Irwin D. Wright, Mrs. Hill, Estacada.

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Monitor last week to visit their daughter, Mrs. Long.

Robert Schubei was an Oregon City visitor last Wednesday.

Mrs. Pete Berdine was an Oregon City visitor last Tuesday.

Mrs. Robert Snodgrass and daughter, Mary, went to Beaver Creek last Wednesday to visit Mrs. Snodgrass daughter, Mrs. Gladys Herman.

N. H. Darnell went to Meadowbrook to visit Miss Rose Miltvany and his son, Oln Darnell last Tuesday.

O. L. Daniels made a business trip to Molalla last Tuesday.

Some four or five new pupils were enrolled in school last Monday. After two weeks vacation our school resumed work last Monday.

Tom Fish was a Colton visitor last Tuesday.

Mrs. Eph Dodge and daughter, Althea Macdonald, who have been visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Mary Daniels, returned home last Friday.

Alfred Danielson, one of our merchants, is talking of going out of the store business. But he and his family will still reside in Molalla.

If the pupils keep on increasing in the next few months as they have in the past four or five months, the extra room of the school house will have to be finished and furnished for occupancy. There are about 50 pupils enrolled now. Too many for one teacher to do justice by.

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