

COTTAGE GROVE NEWS.

Clipped From the Messenger.

September 3. We understand that Mr Jennings will start work on the Star mine in Bohemia in the near future.

A Lincoln & Co Monday sold their grocery business to E J DeLaSes, late of Claraville, Mo.

F M Christman, nephew of W S Christman a merchant of Silver Lake is visiting in town.

Duncan Caldwell formerly of Walker has started for the Alaska gold fields.

Mrs W S Christman and Miss Lena with Wes Christman and family, will leave for Bohemia in a few days to spend a short time.

Henry Day accompanied by his daughter Miss Stella, was down near Creswell Wednesday hunting his festive China pheasant. He reports quite a bag and lots of sport.

Mr Cardwell of this place, has accepted a position as engineer at the Medford ice works, and left for that place Saturday night. His family expect to join him in a few days.

Mrs Geo Small and children arrived from Silver Lake Sunday on a visit to Mrs Small's sister, Mrs Ella Whipple and family and her brother, Edward Underwood.

Hon R M Veach, his daughter Miss Ermine and son Johnny come down from Roseburg Saturday last. He returned Sunday night but Miss Ermine and Johnny will visit some time with friends and relatives.

Some of the sidewalks between the business portion of the town and the depot are in a deplorable condition, while many of the cross walks are in equally as bad a condition. They should be put in repair and the streets and alleys should be cleaned of the piles of unsightly rubbish; on both sides of the river it is equally as bad.

Those Awful Hops.

A correspondent writing to the Florence West says: "We are informed that the lice are making havoc with the hops about Eugene and are likely to destroy the crop. By the way, I wonder if the little hop louse doesn't belong to the WC T U? There! I didn't mean any disrespect, but really, aren't they helping along the temperance cause? At least they are hindering the liquor traffic. Query: Can a consistent temperance man or woman have anything to do with raising and harvesting and marketing hops?"

Harrisburg Review: "The writer of that article should have a guardian appointed or be placed in an asylum. Hops are used for many purposes besides the manufacture of beer and if no hops were raised in the country the production of beer would not be lessened, but a substitute would be used and the quality of the drink would be more injurious than at present. Why does he not attack the farmer who grows wheat, corn and rye? These are the principal grains from which whiskey is manufactured. Then the grower of the peach, plum and apple, should be in for his share of abuse as these fruits are used in the manufacture of brandy. Don't attack the grower, but condemn the laws which sanction the manufacture and the man who spends his money and neglects his family."

Dr Chapman Pays Rent.

One of the regents of the University informs us that Dr Chapman pays \$10 a month rental for the upper story of the Collier residence, instead of getting it free as the GUARD stated yesterday on what was considered a reliable information.

The matter of rent however is immaterial. We do not care if Dr Chapman gets his rent free or has to pay a reasonable sum for the same. The real objection to moving the valuable library to the Collier building is that it is a wooden structure and is situated an eighth of a mile, or thereabouts, from the main buildings; that, located in the Collier building, the library will be more in the nature of a benefaction to Dr Chapman than a benefit to students and professors. The library should be kept in a fire proof building and convenient to the university buildings.

Light Hops in New York.

Cooperstown Republican: The crop in this immediate vicinity is admitted by all to be very much better than elsewhere, but after getting away from here one soon discovers the extreme lightness of the yards. A man living on the Crumhorn, who is well posted, says that whole section will fall off fully three-fourths from last year. Parties who have traveled through Madison, Oneida and Schoharie counties say that the hops are very light.

FAIRM SOLD.—P K Watters has sold his farm southwest of Eugene, consisting of 400 acres of land, to M M Stewart for the sum of \$4,500. Mr Stewart lives at Santa Cruz, Cal. It seems as if Californians were now looking northward for investment.

MOVING THE GRAIN CROPS.

Large Sums of Money Sent From Chicago for the Purpose.

A late dispatch as a million dollars a day is a low estimate of the amount being sent out by the banks of Chicago to help the farmers move the big grain crops which they have begun to harvest. Fifteen million dollars is a close approximation to the sum which has been sent to the West and Southwest during the past two weeks, and yet the movement has only begun. It shows signs of growing in strength every day. The bulk of the money thus far sent out has gone to Kansas City and Omaha, but large sums are reported as going to Minneapolis and Duluth and the Northwest.

Fruit Movements.

Daily Guard, September 3.

With the stoppage of local showers producers are again picking fruit for shipment, and packers are again at work at the local commission houses. It is not likely however that over 20 more cars of green fruit will be shipped from this point.

The Eugene Canning Company is engaged in overhauling its fine evaporating and drying plant and expects to start up the first of the week.

Large quantities of watermelons and muskmelons are now coming into town, but the weather of the past five days has made quiet selling for them. They will be in big demand soon as the weather indications are favorable for more sunshine. Lane and Douglas counties are supplying the market and the melons are of a high quality and good size.

ANOTHER MINE.—Medford Monitor: "E M Corbus, manager of the Oak Flat Placer Mining Co, came to town Sunday in search of men to work in putting in the company's new ditch. Mr Corbus wanted 50 men at \$1 a day and board; but he could not get all he wanted and had to send down to the Willamette valley to fill out the quota. The ditch will be 3 1/2 miles long and be taken out of Soldier creek. When completed the company will have 4000 inches of water. We learn that the company received a remittance last week from the East ample to cover all expenses." Mr Corbus was formerly a resident of Eugene and is an active man.

ANOTHER OREGON GENIUS.—Salem Statesman: "Recent advices from the famous cartoonist, Homer C Davenport, indicate that still another of 'Old Marion's' sons is likely to take a prominent place in the artistic world, namely young Frank Forward, a son of ex-Sheriff Blair Forward, deceased. The lad's work is admitted by this eminent authority to be something remarkable in artistic touch and reality of likeness and so impressed is Mr Davenport with the quality of it that he intends finding a position for the young man at the earliest opportunity."

THE SLOT MACHINE A LOSER.—The nickel-in-the-slot machine at Julius Goldsmith's store yesterday was a losing investment for the proprietor. Cass Matlock found a royal flush in the machine which brought him 100 10-cent treats, and a fellow named Schumann got a straight flush, which paid him 25 10-cent treats. If they continue to be played thus Eugene will not need a Penney to suppress them, as the dealers will gladly attend to that matter themselves.

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LARGE LOAD.—The Eugene sawmill yesterday delivered an unusually large load of lumber at the flouring mills. There were six timbers 12x12 inches square and 22 feet long measuring 2304 feet. At four pounds to the foot the usual allowance for fir timber, the load weighed 9116 pounds. A very heavy load for an ordinary wagon to carry.

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NOT COMMITTED.—Rhoda Angus, who was brought down from Cottage Grove to be given an examination on the charge of insanity, was brought before Judge Potter, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Harris, and Medical Examiners T W Harris and W L Chesher, and was ordered not committed.

ADMINISTRATOR.—Geo W Norris has been appointed by the Lane county probate court administrator of the estate of Nancy J Norris, deceased. Probable value of estate \$1,050. Bond \$2,000; sureties, R M Day, and S B Eakin; appraisers appointed: E Whatnam, L H Potter and W H Luckey.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.—At a meeting of Helmet lodge No 33, K of P, last night, G W Griffin was elected representative to the grand lodge which meets at Portland next month.

DAMAGING GRAIN.—The continued rains are not helping grain in the shock. Reports come that some fields where it is shocked show blackish heads. Probably it was cut rather green.

HOME INDORSEMENT.—From Cottage Grove Leader Sept 3: "The GUARD is after Chapman in great shape and rightly."

FRUIT MARKET GLUTTED

The Last two Cars Shipped by Segar Will not Pay Expenses.

We take the following dispatch from the Daily Fruit Grover, of Sacramento, of August 31st:

New York, August 31.—C F X 8551, fm Eugene, August 17th: Segar, Bartlett 93, Silver 46, Egg 5, Italian 69; Hanneman Bros 25, Bartlett's \$1.00, 675 packages grossed \$443.

New York, August 31.—C F X 8532, fm Eugene, August 17th: Segar, Silver 44, Italian 65, Egg 10, Bartlett's \$1.01. 522 packages grossed \$449.

Fruit from other points have sold at equally poor prices. It looks as if every car thus far heard from, shipped through the Earl Company from Eugene, would not pay freight, and that the growers would have to go down in their pockets to make up the loss.

Secretary of Regents Walton Makes an Explanation.

EDITOR GUARD:—On account of the editorial in the GUARD yesterday headed "Charity or Business," many inquiries have been made of me concerning the statements and matters alluded to by the GUARD with reference to the University. In answer to all, I will state that the salary of President Chapman is \$3000.00 per year, payable quarterly, as all salaries are. The president has received many invitations from various schools and towns of the state, to deliver lectures and addresses, in the interest of the University, and his actual traveling expenses for such visits have been audited and allowed by the regents.

In regard to the president's residence, the rooms in the second story of Collier Hall have been rented to him at \$10 per month, which the regents thought was the best disposition to be made of them for the time being. In regard to the library, the former room is too small, and the removal lives more rooms and a reading room besides, which offers more conveniences. The dangers were not thought increased.

J J WALTON, Sec. of Regents.

Asylum Products.

Geo W Handsaker, steward of the Oregon Insane Asylum, makes a monthly report of farm, garden and dairy products on the asylum farm.

We select a few of the items to give our readers an idea of the work accomplished, principally by inmates: 9425 doz green corn; 200 doz summer squashes; 250 doz cucumbers; 500 doz green onions; 100 doz eggs; 6100 gals milk; 208 gals cucumber pickles; 3300 lbs blackberries; 270 lbs green beans; 1000 lbs green peas; 57650 lbs flax for "fibres;" 7912 lb oats; 2506 heads of cabbage; 1443 watermelons; 785 muskmelons; 100 loads of hay and straw hauled from farm to asylum; 300 bales of hay and straw baled; 50 cords, 4 foot wood cut by hand; 300 cords of wood sawed by steam; 185 acres cultivated; 124 acres grain cut; 79 acres grain cut for hay; 12 hogs killed, 3009 lbs; 3 veal killed, 320 lbs; 7 young calves; 12 young pigs.

Klondike Prices.

A late Klondike letter says that flour is \$62 a sack, bacon \$1 a pound, potatoes \$10 a sack, eggs \$5 a dozen; so you can see what it costs to live. This country is full of gold, but all the claims have been taken on Bonanza and Eldorado creeks. Wages are \$15 a day, but no one cares to work for such small pay. Everyone is looking for a claim. The mosquitoes are so numerous that one cannot prospect during the month of July. The cold weather starts up next month, and then they will die out, and a man can do something.

Sudden Death at Albany.

SPECIAL TO THE GUARD. ALBANY, Ore Sept 3.—N H Allen a prominent citizen of Albany died suddenly today, of neuralgia of the heart, aged 60 years.

Mr Allen was superintendent and principal stock holder of the Electric Light Co. Was a member of Knights of Pythias and United Workmen.

HIT THE WRONG MAN.—Cottage Grove Leader Sept 3: A fellow hailing from Grants Pass and sailing, under the name of Gum, undertook Wednesday to give J B Gossage, the heavy weight clerk at the Sherwood hotel, a thrashing, but it resulted in him getting as complete a thrashing in the first round, as we ever have seen administered, while Gossage did not receive a scratch. When a man goes hunting a row he generally gets it, and as a rule the right fellow gets licked.

CATTLE SHIPMENT.—H W Newcomb has purchased six carloads of cattle from Jasper and A nos Wilkins of Coburg. They will round the bunch up at once and the same will be shipped to Crawford, Neb. The cattle will be loaded at either Harrisburg or Coburg.

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SUBSCRIPTION PAPER.—A paper was in circulation today for subscriptions to pay attorney expenses in the injunction suit to restrain the building of a court house.

SUGAR REFINERY.

Henry Weinhard and Associates Will Put in a Big Mill.

The Portland Tribune says: "Henry Weinhard, the great brewer; E C Hockopf and W W Bong have incorporated a company with \$750,000 capital for the purpose of making and refining sugar, syrups, glucose, etc., from beets, etc. It is intended to erect and operate a factory on a large scale with the capacity to use all the sugar beets which can be raised or secured. There will be no question about the money being put up, as Mr Weinhard is one of the strongest men financially in the city, and his well known enterprise and liberality is a guarantee that the project will be pushed to a consummation."

Junction Fire News.

A special meeting of the city council was held Wednesday evening with all members present except Councilman Kaiser, says the Times. The object of the meeting was to meet Mr Long in regard to the fire engine lately purchased from him. He stated that the city of Portland desired to purchase the same engine and he would furnish Junction with a lighter engine, same make, and 500 feet of hose and a hose cart in addition or exchange engines and deduct \$400 from the purchase price. If exchange was made he would accept two warrants of \$550 each at 8 and 16 months respectively at 8 per cent interest until paid. On motion the latter proposition of Mr Long was accepted.

The committee on streets and alleys was instructed to locate the positions of cisterns to be dug for use of the city and to make written report at next regular meeting.

Junction School Matters.

The school board of Junction City held a meeting Tuesday and accepted the resignation of Miss Anna Grain, says the Times. The board was divided as to choice of selection for her successor and no conclusion was arrived at. The course of study was changed somewhat as lessons in some of the studies were too lengthy to insure thoroughness of work. The tuition for non-resident pupils was reduced per term (four months) as follows: Primary grades, \$2.00; Grammar, \$3.00; High School, \$4.00. The principal will be furnished with the enrollment of the district and all pupils who attend and are not enrolled will be required to pay tuition or have a permit from the board.

O A C ELECTION.—Friday's Albany Democrat: "Hon J K Weatherford and Messrs Hillyard and Apperson, returned this noon from a meeting of the executive committee of the O A C in Corvallis yesterday evening. Prof T H Crawford, of Portland, was elected by the executive committee of the Agricultural college, as clerk and accountant for the ensuing year, at a salary of \$1,000. Farm Foreman Samuel Smith and Assistant Botanist T M Hamilton had their salaries increased from \$40 to \$45 per month. Miss Bertha Ellis, of Albany, was elected director of the musical department. An excellent appointment. Other selections were: Clyde Phillips, assistant blacksmith; H H Veitch, librarian; Geo Cronkite, mail carrier; Ellsworth Erwin, janitor. The president was authorized to make an exhibit at the Oregon state fair."

A SPLENDID ORCHARD.—Corvallis Gazette: "Prof E B McElroy, of the State University, has a splendid orchard near Monroe. It is very favorably located and has been well cared for. The farm contains 40 acres of rich rolling land. Of this amount 100 acres are in cultivation and 330 acres have been slashed and pastured down with a band of 400 goats, and in another year will be ready for the plow. During the time Mr McElroy has owned the place he has turned all the rents and other revenues of the farm back into betterments, and the ranch with its many substantial improvements now represents an outlay of several thousand dollars."

WHERE IS WAGNER?—Railroad Commissioners Eddy and Macrum have finally decided to not recognize Wagner, the new appointee, as a member of the board, and will meet next Friday with Mr Compton, whose office Governor Lord decided was vacant. Certainly, a recognition of Wagner would be a recognition that they are not commissioners, which they are probably not. It is said that Food Commissioner Luce also refuses to be supplanted by W W Baker, who was appointed by Governor Lord.

IT TAKES MONEY.—Lathrop, the Pendleton man, writing from Lake Linderman, says: "We have about 5,500 pounds of freight in all. We figure we are provisioned for one year. Our packing over the Dyea pass cost us \$1,040 for 3,400 pounds from Dyea here. We pay \$125 for our three-fifths interest in the boat, and yet have our duty to pay at Lake Tagish. Probably there never was such a country for big prices. Everything one does costs money, and it is pay here and pay there."

RAILROAD ASSESSMENT.

Board of Equalization Decides Same Will Remain as Last Year.

The Southern Pacific officials who were here Thursday before the county board of equalization did not accomplish anything of financial gain to themselves, as the report now stands.

The assessment stands at \$5000 per mile on the main line, \$4000 per mile on the branch, and \$600 rolling stock, with an average of \$1.27 per acre on lands in the county. The officials asked for a reduction of \$1500 per mile on the main line and \$1000 on the branch, and that an average minimum assessment of 50 cents per acre be made on their land. They made affidavit that the burning plant in the county does not belong to them and the same was stricken from their assessment.

A reduction of \$500 per mile was ordered made on the main line and branch, bringing it down to the same rate as made last year.

The board had very few complaints come before it this year, and their work expires tonight by limitation.

More Disastrous Sales.

The Sacramento Daily Fruit World of Sept 1st has these dispatches, giving the result of three more Eugene cars of fruit sold by the Earl Company:

New York, Sept 1.—C F X 10,244, fm Eugene, August 20th: Segar, Silver 46, Italian 55, Egg 10. 925 packages grossed \$450.

New York, Sept 1.—C F X 8214, fm Eugene, August 19th: Segar, Silver 46, Italian 56, Egg 25, Bartlett's \$1.17, Hanneman Bros, Silver 40, Bartlett's \$1.04. 722 packages grossed \$530.

MONTREAL, Sept. 1.—CFX 9258, fm Eugene, August 19th. Yellow Egg .35 to .50, aver 40; Silver .55 to .70, aver 61; Italian .60 to .75, aver .65. 925 packages grossed \$517.00.

Of course these cars will also fail to pay freight and expenses.

Thus far Mr Segar has shipped nineteen cars, fifteen cars from Eugene and four from Creswell.

Packing has been suspended at the cannery, which has been conducted by T N Segar.

A Personal Statement.

Inasmuch as we have heard that statements are being generally circulated to the effect that the Southern Pacific Railway Company has made Jennie Smitson various offers of settlement for injuries received by her at Springfield on July 29th, 1897. In justice to all concerned we desire the public to know that neither the Southern Pacific Railway Company nor any person in its behalf has made any offer of settlement whatever to either of us, nor has either of us been approached by any person with that end in view, and all statements made by any person to the contrary have no foundation in fact.

Dated September 3rd, 1897.

JENNIE SMITSON, THOMPSON & HARDY, and H D NORTON, Attorneys for Jennie Smitson.

A Nebraska Ballot.

Frank Bennett, hands us a Nebraska official ballot that is a curiosity in the ballot line.

It is 21x36 inches in size and printed on white paper the columns of each party being about the width of a newspaper column. They have lots of politics back in Nebraska, and require a big ticket. Heading the nine columns are the following party designations: Republican; Middle-of-the-road-Populist; National; Democratic; National Democratic; People's; Prohibition; Independent; Populist.

If any voter out in Oregon thinks he cannot get a ticket to suit, he should emigrate to that mixed up political commonwealth.

Railroad Assessments.

Whether or not the mileage system is an equitable system as between the counties, says the Roseburg Plaindealer, is another question. For instance, Douglas county has about 116 miles of road bed, Lane about 40 and Linn about 30. At \$5000 per mile Douglas county taxes the railroad at a valuation of \$580,000 exclusive of rolling stock, while Lane would have but \$300,000 and Linn \$150,000; and yet either county contributes much more to the revenues of the road than Douglas. This is our good fortune and their misfortune; but the question arises, is it equity?

A Mad Chinaman.

Corvallis Gazette: Sorbin, the Chinaman, who has the W A Wells hop yard rented, threatens to sue his lessor for \$3,000 damages. Sorbin claims that according to the contract, Mr. Wells was to furnish pickers and money to pay them. He claims also that he asked Mr Wells some time ago to engage pickers, but he refused to do it, saying help could be secured when the time came. But the time arrived and pickers could not be secured. Many of the hops are over ripe and Sorbin estimates his loss at over \$3,000.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

Some Changes in Teachers Positions—Ninth Grade to be Added, Discussed.

Last evening Prof R L Reiser, the newly-elected city superintendent of schools, met with the board of directors to discuss matters relating to the interests of the city schools during the coming year's work.

At the Geary school Miss Wold, seventh grade, was assigned to sixth grade, and Miss Norris who had been elected to sixth grade, will take charge of the seventh. The fourth and fifth grades, which had been given to Misses Kerns and Whitmore respectively, have been changed also, Miss Kerns going to the fifth and Miss Whitmore to fourth.

The eighth grade will be taught at the Geary school and will be under the supervision of Professor E E Orton principal of that school.

The proposed ninth grade was discussed, and while definite arrangements have not been made for the same, it is understood the same will be taught by Superintendent Reiser at the Central building. The board will complete arrangements and schedule for same at a meeting to be held Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. This grade will be the connecting link between the present public school course and the University of Oregon preparatory as it now stands. As the university drops off its preparatory year and comes out to the courses of the college proper, the public schools will probably expand to a high school or academic course, so that there will be no gap unfilled between the two.

Superintendent Reiser has called a meeting of all the teachers at the Central building at 2 p m Monday, Sept 6, at which time all preliminary steps and announcements will be made and their work under the new regime will be laid out for them.

John Bowers.

The following from the Linn Creek (Mo) Democrat is the most concise rendering of the story about John Bowers yet presented to the millions who have heard of the man who came "all the way from Pike." Joe Bowers was a native of Pike and went from there. In those days letters were few and far between. Joe left a wife and two children. After long years and no letter, Mrs Bowers concluded Joe was dead, and married again. Finally Joe returned home in company with King Collett around the Horn. He arrived at the old homestead when the man of the house was absent. Two children met him at the door, but when he stepped inside he saw a red-headed baby lying in the cradle, and gave utterance to that immortal remark, "Well, Hannah, who has been here since I've been gone?" He left the house and the next week's Pike County Courier contained the following:

My name is Joe Bowers, I'm all the way from Pike, But never in all my travels Have I ever seen the like.

Oregon's Greatest Fair.

Can be attended for one fare for the round trip from any point on the lines of the Southern Pacific in Oregon.

The fair opens on September 30, and closes October 8. Nine days. Every day will be the best. Fraternal order day, October 2, Oregon press day, October 4, pioneer and barbecue day, October 5, plume day, October 5, school day, October 7, free for all races, last day October 8. School day, October 7, children under 12 years of age free. School children over 12 years of age, ten cents.

After harvest you will want a rest, so come to the state fair and enjoy yourself. One fare for round trip. Popular admission of 25 cents.

LARKINS RELEASED.—Roseburg Review: C M Larkins arrested with one Wellen on the charge of stealing a horse and mule at Myrtle Creek, has been released on a bond of \$100. His home is at Springfield and his father is now here. He claims that they merely took up the loose animals along the road and did not intend to steal them. He seems to be an industrious man and will work on a farm near here.

Daily Guard, September 4.

RETURNING HOME.—J A Walters, of Ashland, returned home today after a visit with his brother-in-law, Mr Baker of Irving. Mr Walters is an enthusiastic sportsman and speaks highly of Chinese pheasants as game birds. His first experience with the bird, yesterday, resulted in a bag of thirteen. He informs us that pheasants have been turned loose twice in the Rogue River country but for some reason have not propagated.

THE PACIFIC EMPIRE.—We have received the first number of the above weekly periodical, published and edited by Mrs L M Miller and Miss C C Cogswell, well known in Eugene. It is a three column, 16 page journal; subscription price, \$1 per year. It is a truly woman's paper, and is edited with great ability. We wish the ladies much success in their venture.