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PROFESSIONAL

DR. F. A. HALL—Dentistry and all its branches. Swedenburg Bldg., Ashland, Ore. Phone 167. 5-tf

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GEO. T. WATSON, Painter and Paperhanger. Phone 202-R. 166 Ohio street. 40-tf

MISCELLANEOUS

BILL POSTER—Will Stennett, 116 Factory St. Bill posting and distributing. 54-tf

CHAUTAUQUA PARK CLUB. Regular meetings first and third Fridays of each month at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. S. Patterson, Pres.; Mrs. Jennie Faucett Greer, Sec. 4-tf

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT CLUB. The regular meeting of the club will be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 2:30 p. m., at the Auxiliary Hall. 4-tf

MONEY TO LOAN—Mortgage Company Holland-America has plenty of money to lend on good farm security. Isaac Best, agent, Grants Pass, Ore. 41-tf

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Six-room house at 356 Granite street. Large lot. \$5 per month. Inquire at Tidings office. 43-tf

FOR RENT—Furnished bungalow; adults only. 143 Nutley. Key at 147 Nutley. 64-tf

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—Jackson county warrants in the sum of \$744.58, registered February 4, 1916, drawing 6 per cent interest from date of registration, at par and interest. Call at Tidings office. 4-tf

FOR SALE—Good transfer, storage and coal business. Reasonable. Apply to City Truck Co., D. Guy Good. 31-tf

FOR SALE—1916 Maxwell touring car, run 5,000 miles, excellent condition. A bargain if taken this week. Worth investigating. Write or telephone E. V. Upton, Gold Hill, Ore. 64-3t*

FOR SALE—Fireproof safe, power coffee grinder and cheese cutter, cheap. R. J. Luke, Talent, Ore. 64-2t

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE—Property close in, 104x198 feet; comfortable house and barn, large lawn, shrubs, fruit and garden. Price \$3,000; one-half cash, balance on reasonable terms. Address E. G., care Tidings. 35-tf

FOR SALE—Modern cottage of six rooms, on 1 1/4 acres of ground, mostly meadow, under irrigation ditch; young bearing fruit trees. Price \$2,000 cash. Bargain. Address E. G., care Tidings. 35-tf

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MODERN six-room house, well built, and five-room old cottage on corner Nursery and Rock streets. Price reasonable. Address owner, James Chumos, 312 Fulton street, Seattle, Wash. 64-1mo.*

FOR SALE—Ten acres Bear creek bottom land, under ditch. Suitable for growing of sugar beets or alfalfa. Address R. F. D. 117, Talent, Ore. 64-3t*

FOR SALE—LIVESTOCK

FOR SALE—Hambletonian mare, cheap, if taken at once; in good condition; perfectly gentle; good driving, riding or working animal. Will give trial to responsible party. H. L. Sinclair, at Tidings office. 64-3t*

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FOUND—Gold chain necklace. Owner may have same at Tidings office by paying for this ad. 64-3t

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WANTED

WANTED—Infants and children to board. Inquire 366 B street. 56-tf

WANTED—To buy chickens. P. L. Powell, 524 A street. Phone 130. 64-4t

WANTED TO TRADE—For house and lot or vacant lot. Must be close in and cheap. Address N. W. G., care Tidings. 64-3t*

Proposed County Unit School Plan

The county unit plan for all schools in districts below the first class probably will be presented to the legislature for enactment into law.

State Superintendent of Schools Churchill, who strongly favors the plan, discussed it Monday with the county school superintendents, who were in session at the capitol in the capacity of an examining board.

The plan is to centralize the authority over all the schools in a county, excepting those in districts of the first class. Each county adopting the plan would be divided into five districts. Each district would elect a member of the county school board. This board of five members would appoint a county school superintendent, who would be the practical educational and business head of the schools in the county.

The county school superintendent would nominate the teachers for all the schools. He would place the teachers where they could do the best work. The taxes for the schools would be levied on a county unit basis.

Where the county unit has been adopted, Mr. Churchill said, great benefit has resulted, particularly to the rural schools, as a trained county superintendent, with proper authority, is more able to establish and maintain an efficient school than are the average rural school directors.

Coos Bay Times: After an all-day session during which various phases of the project were gone into and the terms of the proposed franchise discussed at length, the Coos county board granted the Smith-Powers company a franchise for the construction of a railroad along the east side of the highway between Bunker Hill and Summit. The franchise is for ninety-nine years.

La Grande has the largest packing plant in eastern Oregon.

INTERURBAN AUTOCAR CO.

Leave Ashland for Medford, Talent and Phoenix daily except Sunday at 9:00 a. m. and 1:00, 3:00, 4:00 and 5:15 p. m. Also on Saturday night at 6:30. Sundays leave at 9:00 and 1:00; 6:00 and 10:30 p. m.

Leave Medford for Ashland daily except Sunday at 8:00 a. m., 1:00, 2:00, 4:00 and 5:15 p. m. Also on Saturday at 10:15. On Sundays at 10:30 a. m., and 2:00, 5:00 and 9:30 p. m.

Fare between Medford and Ashland, 20 cents. Round trip, 35 cents.

ASHLAND Storage and Transfer Co.

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Ashland Fruit and Produce Association

Classification Gives Permanence

As a result of land classification work, more than eight million acres were eliminated from the national forests in the last fiscal year and, in addition, over 1,100 individual tracts within the forests were made available for homestead entry, according to the annual report of Henry S. Graves, chief of the Forest Service, which emphasizes the necessarily permanent character of the national forests, and points out the importance of definitely determining the status of the land which the forests contain.

"The national forests," says Mr. Graves, "are gaining in stability through the land classification work. It is important for the general public to know what lands are to be retained permanently by the government and what lands will be available for agricultural settlement. The whole forest enterprise is based on the assumption of permanence. All the work is conducted with a view to constructive development of the property and its constantly increasing usefulness."

"Every timber sale is made with a view to future consequences. The work of protection from fire is not only to prevent the destruction of standing timber but to save young growth and encourage the natural production on lands which have been injured by previous abuse. Millions of trees are established each year which will not come to maturity for a very long time. A regulated system of grazing looks to the upbuilding of the forest range, as well as to its present use, and the investment of public funds in extensive improvements is predicated on the permanence of the government enterprise."

The need for consolidating land ownership where government and private lands are interlocked is pointed out by Mr. Graves. Congress has, he states, already authorized an exchange of lands on the Florida, the Oregon and the Whitman national forests. Under the same policy exchanges have been or are being negotiated with South Dakota, Montana, Idaho and Washington for school lands in the national forests located in those states. The consummation of three of these exchanges now awaits final approval by congress.

Other measures which will have a far-reaching significance in relation to the permanence of the national forests, says the report, are the appropriation by congress at its last session of ten million dollars for the construction of roads within the forests and that of three million dollars to extend the national forests in the eastern mountains by purchase. "The appropriation for the construction of roads will permit the opening up of regions heretofore inaccessible, will greatly increase the use of the resources in the forests, will shorten lines of travel across the states and between communities, will stimulate prospecting and mining in mineral regions and will aid community upbuilding."

"The importance of having public forests at the headwaters of important streams has been recognized and greatly emphasized through the appropriation of \$3,000,000 for continued purchases of lands begun under the so-called Weeks law. The work of establishing these forests has been started under the most favorable auspices, and its discontinuance would have been peculiarly unfortunate. With the new appropriation the purchases may now go forward with a view to blocking out and extending the various units."

Feed the Birds.

Feed the birds. This simple act of kindness is its own reward, but little recompense is given by our little feathered friends who delight our eyes by their pretty manners and our ears with their sweet, cheery voices when other forms of nature repose in lethargic slumber. Love for these little creatures will prompt us to provide for them during the snowy days when the weeds, the seeds of which form a large part of their diet, are encrusted with frost and ice and the ground covered with snow. Even if not actuated by the spirit of humanity, a little thought will convince us that in serving the birds we also advance our own interests, since it would be difficult to estimate the immense amount of good these little feathered songsters accomplish by destroying noxious weeds and destructive insects. Let us therefore assist our little helpers in their struggle for existence, thus adding to the joy of life and conserving our own interests as well.

MARY AGNES DAILY.

Approximately 10,390 acres of denuded lands within the national forests were reforested in the fiscal year 1916. The total number of trees planted was 6,146,637, while 8,280 pounds of tree seed were sown.

Blames Disease On Catalogues

A new and unique theory as to the cause of the isolated cases of infantile paralysis which have sprung up throughout the west is advanced by Dr. Shoemaker of Roseburg. The Roseburg Review reports as follows:

"To the question which has puzzled local physicians and health authorities for the past several weeks, what caused the outbreak of infantile paralysis in this vicinity recently, an answer was made by City Health Officer Dr. B. R. Shoemaker here yesterday."

"In an address before the Parent-Teacher Association at the Rose school in the afternoon, Dr. Shoemaker stated that the cases found here were identical with those in the eastern states, and that because of the apparent isolation of the cases and the utter lack of any more attributable cause, they were undoubtedly developed here by means of articles of mail matter received from the afflicted sections of the east."

"Since the cases were in a farming community such as Looking Glass, the theory seems all the more probable," said the speaker. "Throughout the farming districts of this country great quantities of farm magazines, shipments of household articles, and numbers of catalogues are received constantly. It is my opinion that the germs of the disease reached this section through some of these shipments or upon catalogues which are sent out from the stricken states in large quantities."

"While Dr. Shoemaker did not state that the disease was the probable outgrowth of a habit that is quite general, that of patronizing the mail-order establishments of the east, this may be implied from the various remarks made during the course of the address."

Dr. Shoemaker also called attention to the other contagious diseases prevalent in this vicinity, and cautioned the parents to inform the officers of every case involving the members of their families. In this connection he spoke of both the chickenpox and the measles, several cases being now under the supervision of the various physicians. The measles are not always the simple disease they are supposed to be, was the declaration made by Dr. Shoemaker. He pointed out that 10,000 deaths occurred in 28 states from the disease last year alone. If co-operation is given by the parents to aid the physicians, said Dr. Shoemaker, there will be little trouble as the result of present cases. He said the officers now have all the diseases well in hand and expect no further alarm."

S. P. Could Haul 1,427,775 Tons

According to a report made public in Roseburg, the Southern Pacific Company now owns enough freight cars to haul 1,427,775 tons at one time. This is the largest car capacity ever reached by the company.

A table covering the same period since 1907 shows a constant increase in the supply of cars by purchase, except for 1912, when only six were added, and 1915, when none was added.

During the same period, however, 13,219 cars of the Pacific Fruit Express were received, which, though not owned by the Southern Pacific, are at home on Southern Pacific rails.

The increase of new cars from year to year was as follows: 1907, 2,294; 1908, 1,902; 1909, 1,224; 1910, 3,002; 1911, 2,935; 1912, 6; 1913, 3,576; 1914, 3,015; 1915, none; 1916, 554; 1916, (July 1 to October 31), 1,394.

During November, 1916, the company received 649 additional cars, but the aggregate capacity is not yet known. Still, 1,407 cars are due on the 1916 equipment order.

County Receipts Show Increase

Statements of receipts for the year 1916 in the county clerk's office have been prepared and show receipts for the past year \$200 greater than in the year 1915. The statement of disbursements has not yet been prepared. The statements of receipts and other county statistics follow:

Circuit Court—Filing complaints, \$2,380.50; filing answers, etc., \$460; trial fees, \$152; clerk's certificates, etc., \$155.55.

County Court—Filing petitions in probate, \$832.50; recording miscellaneous papers, \$486.75; sale of probate papers, \$54.50; 162 marriage licenses were sold for \$486; 47 divorces were granted during the year. Total receipts for 1916, \$5,007.80.

Phone job orders to the Tidings.

Talent Tidings

Mrs. Stewart, teacher in the intermediate grades, is ill at her home in Ashland. A substitute is taking her place.

R. J. Luke sold out his business to Arthur Rose this week. Mr. and Mrs. Luke are moving to their ranch near Frederick.

Dr. Goddard and son Jack of Klamath Falls are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goddard.

Mr. John Robison recently bought out Mr. J. B. Coleman's interest in the Talent Mercantile Company. Mr. Robison is a native of Jackson county and is well known in and about Talent, and all friends wish him success in his new undertaking.

G. W. Ager of Jacksonville was a Talent visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kerby and daughter of Wagner Creek are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kerby.

The following watched the old year out and the new year in at the Vandersluis home: Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Gleim, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Luke, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Ames, the Misses Lucile Ames, Margaret Ames, Constance Ames, Eleanor Ames, Messrs. Harry Gleim and Theodore Fish.

The baby son of Mr. and Mrs. William Withrow is very ill.

Mr. Will Childers has the janitorship of the Talent school, which was vacated by Mr. John Robison.

Mrs. L. Conrath of Marysville, Cal., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hearing, for a few weeks.

Master Carl Weaver is suffering with blood poison in his arm.

Miss Callie V. Zell entertained ten friends Saturday evening, December 30. Many delightful games were played and musical selections were rendered throughout the evening, and at 11 o'clock delicious refreshments were served. The guests were: Misses Ona Maxon, Dona Withrow, Anna Anderson, Verna Gilman and Alice Vandersluis, and Messrs. Jay Withrow, Kenneth King, Clarence Jeffery and Ava Holt.

Mr. M. L. Alford of Medford has been spending a few days here because of the serious illness of his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Alford.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Brown are packing their household goods, which will be moved to Cottage Grove, where they are going to make their home.

Mr. James Reynolds of Applegate was a Talent visitor this week.

Mr. Louis Brown has recovered from a severe attack of la grippe.

Mr. Charles Halstead is spending a few days in Talent from his mine on Wagner creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Spencer have rented the Walter house formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Minuth.

James Sawyer returned this week after a brief visit with relatives in San Francisco.

Everett Beeson is reported to be improving. Mr. Beeson has been very ill for the past week with pneumonia. Mrs. Stewart of Washington arrived Friday to spend the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Combs of Wagner Creek.

Mrs. John Budgeon made a business trip to Jacksonville Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wakeman, Miss Annette Wakeman and Maurice and Neal Mahoney were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Vandersluis New Year's day.

Mr. Onie Weimer, who has been visiting here for some time, leaves next Wednesday for his home in Leeland, Ore.

Chester Wolters made a business trip to Medford Friday.

Miss Alice Vandersluis had as guests Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Clinton McCurdy and Mr. and Mrs. Carlton James of Medford, Miss Lucile Ames, Miss Margaret Ames, Harry Gleim and Theodore Fish, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Denham entertained at a New Year's dinner for friends from Washington.

A. J. Hall of Wagner Creek was a town visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler of Eagle Point spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Robison of Wagner Creek.

Mr. A. C. Hazen left Monday for Bray, Cal., where he will work in a box factory.

Mr. I. R. Wilson was a visitor here Friday.

The funeral service of Mrs. W. H. Houston was held at the Methodist church Friday morning at 10 o'clock. A large number of friends attended.

Mrs. Jay Terrill entertained the missionary society this week at her home.

Mrs. Lucy Terrill is recovering from a severe attack of la grippe.

Mrs. Charles Holdridge is suffering from a bad ulcerated tooth.

Mr. William Blessing of North Talent was a business visitor Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollwell entertained Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Brown of Medford at dinner Wednesday evening.

The Community Club held their usual meeting on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Ross read a paper of unusual interest.

Ted Seaman is helping on the Ames Packard truck.

Saturday, January 6, many members of the Methodist church met at the church and gave their time and services in fixing up the church, which recently had an addition. A splendid picnic dinner was served at lunch time.

Miss Mae Skeene of Ashland is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Peter Spencer, for a few days.

Evangelistic services will be held at the Christian church next week, conducted by the Rev. Matlock.

Earl Beeson spent a few days on the Little Applegate at the Brick Pile ranch last week.

Obituary.

Lydia Margaret Sears Houston, daughter of Lewis and Roma Sears, was born in Warren county, Ohio, April 15, 1859, and died at her home in Talent January 3, 1917.

In early childhood Mrs. Houston moved to South English, Iowa, where she lived until 1906, when she and her husband moved to Klamath county. Two years later Mr. and Mrs. Houston moved to Jackson county.

On the 21st day of October, 1888, Lydia Margaret Sears was united in marriage to W. H. Houston at Sigourney, Iowa. She has been a member of the Baptist church for thirty years.

Mrs. Houston leaves to mourn her loss her husband, W. H. Houston, an adopted son, Ivan Houston, one sister, Mrs. Rebecca Hayden of Boulder, Colo., and a host of friends.

Mr. Houston and son Ivan wish to thank their relatives and friends who have been so kind to them during Mrs. Houston's illness.

There were 133,442 more cattle and horses and 605,338 more sheep and goats using the national forests in 1916 than in 1915. This increase was in spite of large eliminations of grazing lands from the forests. It is accounted for by improved methods of handling the stock and by more intimate knowledge of the forage on the ranges and their carrying capacity.



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