

NEWS of NEAR NEIGHBORS

DEBINGER GAP ITEMS. (By Norman Gage.)

Dr. E. Kirchgessner made a professional trip to Medford last Wednesday.

Mr. W. M. Jones of Eagle has been suffering from an attack of rheumatism.

Ira J. Dodge of Medford came up on a business trip to his ranch, the "Riverside," last Monday.

Dr. Kirchgessner made a professional trip to Sams Valley last Thursday, William Payne, of Sams Valley.

Miss Lola Quinn of Medford came up to the Riverside ranch last Sunday to visit with her sister, Mrs. Nellie Petersen.

Dr. E. Kirchgessner of the Riverdale ranch made a professional visit to Medford last Thursday and also a professional trip to Trail last Monday.

Mr. N. D. Firestone of Beagle has just recently traded his farm property in the Meadows for city property in Los Angeles. Consideration \$30,000.

Dr. Kirchgessner reports a ten-pound boy born on January 16, 1912, to Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Pell of Trail. Both mother and child are getting along nicely.

L. F. Rowe of Sams Valley has been suffering from a serious attack of pneumonia fever since last Tuesday. Dr. Smith of Gold Hill is the attending physician.

Earl M. Case of Beagle has been having good success this winter trapping for coyotes and various other animals that are more or less harmful to the farmers.

Mrs. W. A. Tresham and daughter, Elsie, of Sams Valley, left last Tuesday for Atkinson, Neb., where they will visit with Mrs. Tresham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jennings.

G. B. Johnston and L. L. Gage of the Debinger Gap ranch were visiting with friends and relatives at the Willow ranch east of Medford last Sunday and Monday and Tuesday were spent in Medford and Central Point attending to business.

Norman Gage of Debinger gap went to Sams Valley last Friday to help Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jones pick and pack their turkeys for the San Francisco markets, some of which will be as fine turkeys as the San Francisco markets will have.

MEADOWS MARCONIGRAMS (By Al Falta)

John Fredenburg of Sams Valley was a Meadows visitor Friday.

D. W. Sturgess and son transacted business in Medford Saturday.

Miss Hattie Miller called Friday on her sister, Miss Gladys, who is teaching the Meadows school.

The dance given in the Meadows Friday was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Mr. Stinell of Medford is visiting his old friends, the Cottrell brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Sturgess and children, spent the day Sunday with N. D. Firestone and family.

N. D. Firestone returned Wednesday from Los Angeles, where he has been the last few weeks on business.

Tom Pomeroy and Mr. Caton are two stepdaughters. The sons are: improving fence on the latter's ranch.

J. M. Payne spent Sunday with his day.

Dr. Emil Kirchgessner of the Riverdale ranch, on Rogue river, has established an office in the Hotel Holl and in Medford and can be seen at that place every Wednesday. He is a specialist on all diseases and especially the chronic.

Miss May Jones and Earl Grey, both well-known residents of Beagle, were married at Jacksonville last Tuesday, January 16. They have a host of friends who wish them all the joy that heart—or that two hearts that beat as one—can hold.

Owing to the high waters of Rogue river, caused by the recent rainfall and melting snow in the mountains, the Eagle Point and Trail United States mail carrier has been unable to cross the Trail ferry with the mail, therefore he has been making several trips with mail up the west side of the river by crossing the Opal Point bridge, which fact alone ought to be sufficient reason why we should get the mail route on the west side of the river, as it also accommodates more people.

A dry, hacking cough is hard on the lungs, often causing them to bleed. BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP is a healing balm that quickly repairs damage in the lungs and air passages. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Jarvis, the druggist.

A STRING OF WHYS—GIVE US SOME WHEREFORES.

OVER fifty per cent of the money spent on bridges in Jackson county in 1911 was spent without advertising for competitive bids on the work. WHY?

Sixty thousand dollars were wasted on the roads of Jackson county in 1911, according to County Roadmaster Harmon. WHY?

Insofar as the proceedings of the county court concerning contracts for bridge work are concerned, there are practically no records in the county clerk's office, except for warrants drawn to pay for such work. WHY?

Although the law expressly provides for two official papers, in which county publications shall be made, there is but one such "official" paper in Jackson county. WHY?

No record of the payment of the \$10,000 received "by public subscription" to help build the Flounce Rock grade appears in the offices of either the county clerk or the county treasurer. WHY?

When W. W. Harmon first began to "work" for Jackson county, and for months afterward, he was called "county engineer". Suddenly the title was shifted to that of "county roadmaster." WHY?

Cement work in the new Gold Hill bridge cost the people of Jackson county \$14 per yard. WHY?

When the old Centennial bridge at Gold Hill was wrecked there were no competitive bids for the work, so far as is known by several who intended to offer bids. WHY?

Until the money ran out, County Roadmaster Harmon used to go before the county court with a written order, demanding five or ten thousand dollars, and a warrant would be drawn in his favor for that amount. He would then pay for road work by personal check. WHY?

After county warrants went below par and became non-negotiable except at a discount, Mr. Harmon ceased to do the disbursing for the county, and warrants were issued direct to those who had them coming. WHY?

These are only a few of the Whys. It is up to some one to furnish a few Wherefores.

SOCIALISTS WILL BOSS THE REICHSTAG

BERLIN, Jan. 23.—A call for the reichstag to convene February 7 was issued today and, from all indications, the socialists will be in control with at least 110 members. The exact personnel of the body cannot be determined until next Thursday, when there will be rebalancing in 33 districts, in which none of the contestants at the general election January 12 received a plurality of the votes cast.

FOR SALE—Limited amount of choice alfalfa hay at \$16 per ton delivered in Gold Hill.

Any little wound or abrasion of the flesh occurring in cold weather that is not promptly treated becomes a bad sore and is difficult to heal. Apply BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT at once when such accidents happen. The wound heals promptly and soon does away with the annoyance of a bandage. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Jarvis, the druggist.

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KANES CREEK NUGGETS (By Cynthia)

Mr. Blue of the Centennial mill was a business visitor in Gold Hill on Saturday.

Mary Boggis spent a day recently the guest of Mrs. Higinbotham.

Fred Straube and wife of the Willow springs paid Gold Hill a visit one day recently.

Ada and Capitola Swinden of Galls creek were guests of friends at the Braden mine on Thursday.

Mrs. Stineburg and little daughter of Gold Hill spent several days recently on Kanes creek, guests of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Mardon were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Boggis over Sunday.

Mrs. Fannie Hoff of Gold Hill is the guest of Mrs. McDugall for a few days at her pleasant farm home in Blackwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyatt of "Garden Row" spent Sunday afternoon with friends living on Kanes Creek.

John Hammersley of Gold Hill drove his bunch of goats out on Kanes creek Thursday to the Byrley pasture for Mr. Greenleaf, who has purchased the same from Mr. Hammersley.

John Cisty and wife of near Central Point spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis.

Sunday being an ideal spring day, it seemed that every one was out on foot or horseback or otherwise basking in the sunshine.

If Dame Rumor reports be true, wedding bells will ring on Kanes creek in the near future. Names mentioned later.

Jess Durkey made a business trip to the county seat on Saturday.

Mrs. Dr. Kelsey and the children, of Gold Hill, spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Avery.

ROCK POINTERS. (By Pioneer.)

Andrew and J. A. Morris, both of Adel, Lake county, are visiting their parents at Rock Point, and other relatives and friends in Jackson and Josephine counties. They made the entire trip by rail, coming by way of Doyle and Maysville. Lakeview now has railroad connections with Reno.

Mrs. Della Miller and Mrs. Florence Peinling of Gold Hill visited

GALLS CREEK SUNSHINE. (By X. Ray.)

R. H. Edmunds went to Ashland last Thursday for a short visit at his home. Mr. Jamieson has just shipped a car load of wood to Medford.

Mrs. Wm. Blackert entertained her daughter, of Woodville, and Mrs. Prefontaine of Foot's Creek, Tuesday. J. F. Flippen was a Galls Creek visitor Monday.

The evening prayer meetings which have been led by Evangelists Cutter and Cochran, are discontinued. These two ministers tired in their efforts to convert Galls Creek residents, left for other parts to organize meetings. Perhaps the accidental shower bath Minister Cochran got while learning placer mining under Thomas Dungey's tutelage was the cause of his sudden departure. How about it, Tom?

Robert Cook has several fine dairy cows and contemplates entering the dairy business this spring.

There will be another of the popular Galls Creek dances this Saturday evening.

The Goldcrest Fruit company has purchased a new Faultless No. 2 stump puller. Manager O. E. Blackington is busily engaged clearing land to plant to orchard.

Mrs. Lawrence is mourning the loss of a fine old horse which has been in her service for twenty-eight years.

Mrs. J. E. Randles was a pleasant caller at Goldcrest ranch this week.

James Burns attended the funeral of Mr. Lance in Gold Hill Tuesday.

Mrs. R. L. Cook Wednesday.

Mrs. Brinson of Sleepy Hollow visited Mrs. Haymond Wednesday.

Mrs. Schnavely of the Big Foot mine was down Thursday. She reports a very rich strike.

Mrs. A. D. Helms of Seattle and Mrs. Marian Lance of Medford visited in Rock Point Thursday.

Lame back may come from overwork, cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease. In the two former cases the right remedy is BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It should be rubbed in thoroughly over the affected part, the relief will be prompt and satisfactory. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Jarvis, the druggist.

GOLD HILL, JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON

THE MINING METROPOLIS OF SOUTHERN OREGON

SEWERS ... CEMENT WALKS ... FILTERED WATER ... ELECTRIC LIGHTS

GOLD HILL has a natural site for a city, built as it is on the banks of Rogue river, at the gateway to the wonderful valley of the same name. The setting for a city is here—picturesque and inspiring—and if the law of natural development works as it should, the setting will some day, and that not far distant, be filled by a city such as southern Oregon may not boast at present. The town takes its name from Gold Hill mountain, so called because nearly half a million dollars was taken from a ledge at a point near its summit in the early fifties. No town in southern Oregon has a greater list of actual, get-at-able natural resources awaiting development immediately contiguous to its corporate limits.

The rushing current of Rogue river—teeming with gamy salmon, trout and steelhead—offers at a comparatively slight cost per developed horsepower an abundance of power for any and all industrial development. And speaking of hunting—the neighboring hills are the happy hunting grounds of southern Oregon. No hunter returns without plenty of venison, and generally he brings in the legal limit. Cougar, bear, panther and coyotes may be had by those who care to hunt them, and several trappers in the vicinity make good money each winter on the finer furs.

The choicest fruit land in southern Oregon surrounds Gold Hill, the numerous creek valleys, with their deep, fertile, mineral-mixed soil and absolute immunity from frost providing almost ideal conditions for the horticulturalist.

Several extensive timber belts can be most easily put into the market with mills located at Gold Hill.

THE following is a list of mining properties in the region contiguous to Gold Hill, classified as to their respective districts:

Kanes Creek: Revenue, Alice, Mendenhall, Roaring Glimet, Braden, Millionaire, Centennial placer, and many others; also the Hughes and Householder lime quarries.

Galls Creek: Bill Nye, recently purchased by a powerful French syndicate, operating mines in all parts of the world; five stamps will soon be in operation. Gold Standard, Red Oak, Rattlesnake, Kubli, Tin Pan, Burns & Duffield, H. D. Jones, Last Chance, and Big Foot.

Foots Creek: Champlin Dredging Co., Black Channel placer, Lance Bros. placer, Dixie Queen, Bertha, Horseshoe, Swaker, Hummingbird, and many others.

Sardine Creek: Little Giant, Black Hawk, Grey Eagle, Lucky Bart group, Corporal G, Garrison, Haft group, Hinckle, Smith placer, Dusenbury placer, and many others; this creek placers its entire length.

Rogue River Hills: Fairview, Blizzard, White Horse, Sylvanite, Trustbuster, Pactolian, Garfield (iron), Fleming-Ward (iron).

Gold Hill Mountain: Gold Hill ledge, Copper Queen, Whitney, Fisher, Dikeman and many others.

Backwell Hills: Maybelle, Nellie Wright, Bowden, Yellow Jacket, Lone Pine, Frank Shaffer and many others.

Willow Springs: Murray, Nick Jerry, Herschberger, Houston and many others.

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Gold Hill, Oregon

GOLD HILL is the center of a rich mineral district. Gold, copper, iron, cement rock, brick and potter's clay, shale, lime—the purest on the continent, according to government geological reports—all are here, and all undeveloped. The rich surface gold deposits, both placer and quartz, have been worked for fifty years, and have paid and are still paying handsomely. There is no deep mining. This will come later, and when it does it is freely predicted that Gold Hill will become one of the greatest camps the west has ever seen.

A mountain of high-grade cement rock lies just south of the town, and a mountain of high-grade hematite iron just north—both undeveloped. A bituminous coal belt many square miles in extent lies seven miles north of the town—undeveloped. This is in the Sams Valley and Meadows districts, comprising some of the finest land for fruit and general farming in southern Oregon. An eleven-foot vein of black lignite has been uncovered in the Meadows, and samples of coal taken from wells in Sams Valley have been proven by analysis and forge tests to be of high quality.

Capital is invited to investigate the Gold Hill district, either before or after investigating other districts, whether the object of the investigation is mines, timber, cement, lime, brick and tile clay, timber, coal, power, or a location for a sanitarium or tourists' hotel—Gold Hill has them all.

Add to all its other advantages as to location and resources an all-the-year climate that can't be beaten on the Pacific coast, and an idea is gained of the justice of the claim that Gold Hill has the best prospects for future development of any town in the world-famous Rogue River valley of southern Oregon.