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Local News Notes

Gold Hill—
The Fourth—
And also Fifth—
Two whole days of
Patriotic celebration and a
Program chock full of entertainment.

Get your hunting and fishing license at the Bon Ton.

R. M. McClane, of Rogue River, was in Gold Hill Tuesday.

For that tired feeling try Grape Purple—the new drink at the Bon Ton.

Dr. A. L. See spent several days in Medford the fore part of the week.

Mrs. Lynn W. Smith was the guest of Medford friends Tuesday afternoon.

James Trimble, the village smith of Grants Pass, renewed acquaintance with Gold Hill friends on Tuesday.

Frank Lawrence, O. E. Blackinton and John Johnson, all of Galls Creek, were visitors in Gold Hill Tuesday.

Catholic church services will be held at the home of Mrs. M. A. Price, on the Chavner ranch, at 9:00 Sunday morning.

A. E. Roble, of Grants Pass, was a visitor in this city Tuesday. Mr. Roble is manager of the Grants Pass box factory.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, of Medford, were guests at the home of Mr. Caldwell's mother, in this city, on Sunday last.

J. W. Merritt, of Merritt & Co., came up from Central point Monday on business connected with the local store of that firm.

W. G. Meyers left on Monday morning for San Francisco, where he is spending the present week attending upon matters of business.

The infant daughter of John Ritter died of uremic poisoning shortly after noon on Monday. Funeral services were conducted from the home the following day.

Charley Reed arrived on Sunday evening last and is spending the summer vacation with his father, after having attended the San Francisco schools throughout the past term.

Tom Dungey was in from Galls creek yesterday with the first red raspberries of the season to be offered in the local market. Galls creek is justly famous for its small fruit, as well as for its mines.

Call at the Gold Hill Variety and Furniture Store and ask Frank Burnett to show you the handsome New Royal cabinet sewing machine. It sets a new pace both in mechanical utility and machine cabinet construction.

Dr. Kirchgessner, of Delbenger Gap and Medford, paid a professional visit to Gold Hill on Friday last. Upon his return to the wilds of Butte Creek, the doctor was accompanied by Rex H. Lampman, who spent several days as a guest at his ranch.

An excursion will be run to Coletta on Sunday, June 30th. Leave Grants Pass, 6:30 A. M.; Medford, 7:30; Ashland 8:30; arrive Coletta, 10 A. M. Returning leave Coletta between 6:00 and 7:00 P. M. One fare round trip. Medford brass band accompanying.

A number of the pupils of the Gold Hill school deserve special mention for having been neither absent nor tardy during the past year. They are Floyd Jarvis, Leda Harvey, Clarence Cook, Clarence Van Houten, Theron Pinkney, Charles Riedel, Pearl Nowels, Ida Starns.

FOR RENT—Several suites, furnished house-keeping rooms with gas or wood stoves, by the day, week or month, for Chautauqua and the Fourth of July celebration. Also sleeping rooms. Apply 38 S. Second St., Ashland, Ore., two blocks from Chautauqua building, on same level, Hargadine St.

The Gold Hill Bakery wishes to announce that all orders for cakes will be promptly filled. This insures a cake that is absolutely fresh and made to suit the taste and pocketbook of the purchaser. We bake all kinds of cake and pastry, and everything as good as can be made, but carry in stock only staple and plain goods.

Vorne Blue came up from Ashland, where he recently completed the high school course, and visited on Sunday and Monday with his father, D. P. Blue. He was one of the aspirants to pedagogy who took the county teachers' examination at Jacksonville last week, and expects within the due course of time to receive his commission to instruct the young idea.

Supervisor D. C. Henry attended the meeting of the county educational board, which convened at Jacksonville on Monday of the present week. Among other important plans for the welfare of Jackson county schools the board slightly altered the districts of Mr. Henry and his co-worker, supervisor G. W. Ager, placing all high schools under the direct supervision of Superintendent Wells, and leaving to the two supervisors the direction of all schools of one teacher. District No. 2, of which Mr. Henry is supervisor, was extended to include the Big Butte schools at Butte Falls. In line with the advanced educational work of the several more progressive counties of the state the board formulated a plan to standardize all schools, and prepared a table of the necessary requirements, which will later be issued. Jackson county schools are a just source of pride and satisfaction to taxpayers at present, and the continued effort of the educational board and the supervisors to raise the standard yet higher will meet with the commendation so justly deserved.

So bountifully has Nature prepared for the record fruit crop of the Rogue river valley, that the wall of the growers for more fruit thinners raises early and late. Valley orchardists are confronting a serious problem in the shortage of help, the number of workmen available being altogether inadequate to the tremendous job of thinning young fruit which now confronts them. In the opinion of the venerated old-timers there never was such a crop in the history of the valley, and the valley, be it known, enjoys a more than modest reputation both for the yield and excellence of fruit of all varieties. Somehow or other, notwithstanding the dearth of labor, the thinning will be accomplished on time—the characteristic of overcoming obstacles by energy and pluck being also writ large in the annals of Rogue river achievement. As for the transient idlers, the social driftwood which surges up and down the line in a scientific effort to avoid the haven of employment it professes to seek, it would be timely to proffer the ready employment which fruit thinning offers, and, in the event of refusal, to hoist the slogan, "Move on!"

In rooms above the Sherman-Clay music store at Medford, the ladies of the R. C. congregation have prepared an extensive art-exhibit, which is well worth the special attention of any who visit Medford the coming week, while it is yet open to the public. The various pieces of the collection, which comprises many paintings of exceptional merit, and several genuine masterpieces, together with many other objects of virtue so dear to the soul of the art critic and collector, have been loaned for the occasion from the homes of generous Medford people, and constitute conclusive evidence to the effect that all things beautiful and rare are by no means confined to the art collections of larger and more pretentious cities. A very nominal admission fee is charged; the amount thus realized being applied to a special fund for church work. We understand that the exhibit will close within a few days unless the general public manifests a more lively and appreciative interest, and The News trusts that Gold Hill folks sojourning in Medford will find occasion to pass a pleasant and profitable hour with a distinctly local art collection that would do credit to Portland or San Francisco.

Word came in from the Del Rio ranch, at Rock Point, on Friday morning last, that a huge cougar had been seen in the timber south of the river. A posse of local hunters composed of John Hamersley, Sam Hodges, Nort Eddings and Rex Lampman, immediately took the trail with John's bear hounds and hooved it into the alleged territory of the marauder, where they beat the brush for several hours without jumping anything larger or more ferocious than a jack rabbit. "You are old, father William," the young geezer said; "and to disprove the contention Sam Hodges shinned up a tree, with all the agility of youth, and bore down a nestful of blue darter hawks. The party then chased a wood-rat from his lair, dispatched the beast with a single well aimed shot, and fed it piecemeal to the hungry hawklets. It was a very successful hunt from any viewpoint, the dogs had a lovely time and the youthful darters apparently enjoyed the rat, while the presumption that there might be a cougar somewhere between the river and the California line lent the proper proportion of spice to the adventure. The blue darters, brought in as mascots, succumbed within a few days to a combined attack of kindness and indigestion.

Mercury Up Prices Down

Shoes from .50 to \$7.50 - Calicos and Gingham 6c to 8c
Summer Lawns 7c

GROCERIES Prices Satisfactory COMPLETE STOCK

Dairy Salt, 50 lbs. . . 50c

Stock Salt, 50 lbs. . . 35c

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General Merchandise

TAKE DINNER

—WITH—

THE LADIES' AID JULY FOURTH

Served in Ladies' Aid Banquet
Room at old school house

Dinner Served at 11:30.

• HUNGRY FOLKS GIVEN SPECIAL ATTENTION •

Gold Hill—July Fourth—heap big time!

Elsewhere on this page appears the advertisement of the local Ladies' Aid, which will serve a full dinner to hungry celebrators on July 4th. The menu will go down the line from roast meats to pie, with plenty of good things between, and is well calculated to uphold the culinary reputation of its fair sponsors. Dinner will be served in the Ladies' Aid banquet room of the old school house, commencing at 11:30.

Jack Morrill is installing an extensive irrigating plant at his Riverside orchard the present week, the work being under the direction of engineer F. W. Dodge. The system consists of a series of electrical motors and ditches wherewith to drive the waters of the Rogue through eight and ten inch pipe to every nook and cranny of the property, and will be the last word locally in efficient irrigation—so far as orchards are concerned.

The Medford Sun, in its announcement of base ball for Sunday, declares that in the contest with Talent, the Medford gladiators will go against an "undefeated team." Without hoping for a correction of the mis statement, by the Sun, we wish to direct attention to the Talent-Gold Hill game, played on the local diamond June 2nd, when the "undefeated" visitors were not only beaten—but whip-sawed by a score of 10 to 3.

After having the game apparently as good as won, with Jack Jarvis pitching like a Rubie Marquard, the Gold Hill ball team blew up in the fifth inning at Central Point last Sunday, and when the noise of the explosion had died away the score was 5 to 4 in favor of Central Point. Up to that time Gold Hill had been leading 4 to 0. The final score was 9 to 6, and nearly all of Central Point's runs came as a result of errors. This is the second game that Gold Hill has lost to Central Point this year, both on the grounds of the latter.

Along with logan berries and other reasonable fruits, the young jack rabbits of the Rogue river valley may safely be said to have attained that size and excellence which entitles them to be termed as "ripe." In reverse ratio to his unwelcome character as a pest of the fields and an annoyance to orchards, the jack, when of tender age and condition, is an equally welcome variation to the monotony of the daily menu and a delight to the epicurean. As a gastronomic treat the long eared bunny has spring chicken, southern style or any other old way, backed to the ropes and squawking for recognition. Not only that, but to the itching trigger finger of the chronic sportsman his elusive habits and speed

provide a lawful and worthy target wherewith to while away the tedium of the closed season for other game. In early morning or late evening he is abroad, moving down from the cover of the hillsides to frolic on the country lanes and levy tribute from the alfalfa fields. At such times may the intrepid sportsman literally brave him on his native heath, and, with good luck and much expenditure of ammunition, occasionally bring home the bacon, so to speak. We are fully aware of the long standing popular prejudice to jack rabbit as included in the dietary, and while personally contending his superiority, are content to leave the defense in the more capable charge of Harry Ensign or Dad Turner, who know whereof they speak and are ready to maintain it. Seriously, however, the jack rabbit is a perplexing problem to fruit growers, and the further increase of the species would amount to a calamity within a short time. It follows then that, although complete extermination can never be hoped for, the occasional taking-off of a few, for any purpose whatsoever, is serving well the best interests of the locality, and should be more generally practiced.

A Wise Decision

Mrs. Jones:—"Why, good morning, Mrs. Brown. My, but isn't it hot today?"

Mrs. Brown:—"Well, I should say so, and I am nearly dead; I am baking today."

Mrs. J.:—"Why, you foolish woman! when you can get everything in that line at the Gold Hill Bakery. Why don't you buy your bread and cakes?"

Mrs. B.:—"I believe I will after this, and their goods are just as good as mine anyway."

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Ernest C. Richards, Minister
Services Every Sunday

Sunday school at 10:00, sermon at 11:00.

Epworth League at 6:45. Song service and sermon at 7:30.

A sincere invitation to all.

For Sale—Fine stock hogs, averaging from 25 to 125 pounds. Will sell at market prices. P. H. Gray, Beagle, Ore.

Take Notice

(Paid advertisement)

Any one molesting the property of Thos. McAndrews and J. C. Godlove or the crop thereon across the river south of town will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

A Patriotic Creed

WE BELIEVE in our country—the United States of America. We believe in her Constitution, her laws, her institutions, and the principles for which she stands. We believe in her future—the past is secure. We believe in her vast resources, her great possibilities—yes, more, her wonderful certainties.

WE BELIEVE in the American people, their genius, their brain, and their brawn. We believe in their honesty, their integrity and dependability. We believe that nothing can stand in the way of their commercial advancement and prosperity.

WE BELIEVE that what are termed "times of business depression" are but periods of preparation for greater and more pronounced commercial successes.

AND WE BELIEVE in Southern Oregon, in Jackson County, in Gold Hill, and in the certainty of their continued development and substantial progress.

The Gold Hill Bank

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