

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

F. L. Miller and family have given up farm life for the present and are at home in this city.

Dr. and Mrs. M. M. Davis came out from the bay, Tuesday, to see how everything fared at home.

It is rumored that a branch of the Corvallis Club is to be established in Junction City in the near future.

Mrs. Julia Paul went back to Portland, Wednesday, to join her husband after having visited here for a number of weeks.

Final touches are being added to the C. E. Ireland hop drying house. F. A. Hencye has charge of the installation of the piping.

Dr. E. J. Thompson, formerly pastor of the Presbyterian church of this city, but now of Independence, visited Corvallis friends during the first of the week.

There will be German preaching at the Presbyterian church next Sabbath afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. These services will be conducted by Rev. J. C. Byerline, of Albany. All are cordially invited.

Ralph Gill, of Scio, spent Monday night in this city while on his way to the coast. He went over westward after a band of sheep which he purchased recently.

J. E. Felton and son started taking out the old walk in front of the city hall, Tuesday morning, preparatory to putting a concrete walk in front of that building.

V. P. Fiske, editor of the Oregon Woodman, published at Dallas, Or., has been in Corvallis for several days on business connected with his paper and Woodmen generally.

James Flett and family, accompanied by Miss Bessie Yates, returned to this city, Tuesday, after spending several weeks on Mr. Flett's Five Rivers homestead. They had an enjoyable outing.

We received a postal card a couple of days ago from Rev. M. S. Bush, who has been taking an outing at Elk City, requesting us to "Please announce regular services at the Presbyterian church next Sunday."

Harvey Sargent arrived home, Monday, from a peelding trip to Portland and return. He had fairly good success, but gives it as his opinion that the farmers have no money. He leaves shortly for the Independence hop fields, where he intends establishing and running a shooting gallery.

Mrs. W. W. Garrow and baby arrived in this city, Tuesday evening, and are the guests of relatives. They came from McCloud, Calif., where they have made their home for a couple of years. Wilbur is still there, but as he has disposed of his business at that place he intends to come to Corvallis in the near future.

The congregation of the Methodist Episcopal church will worship in the M. E. church, South, both morning and evening next Sunday. The pastor, Rev. Feeze will preach. Morning subject, "Our Father in Heaven," evening subject, "The Good Derived from drawing near to God." This privilege has been most cheerfully accorded by Rev. Mr. Reeves, pastor of the Southern Methodist church.

Senator P. Avery and Prof. John Fulton arrived home the first of the week from a hunting trip of fifteen days duration. They went onto the head waters of the north fork of the Umpqua river—this is distance between three and four days' good driving. They crossed the Cascades by what is known as the old military road. The hunters killed four deer and wounded a couple of black bear, but did not follow the latter to their lairs, as it was growing dark and the sportsmen were not positive that they had lost any crippled bear. Altogether they saw about 25 deer and 4 bear. Mr. Avery says that if it were not for the fact that cattle are ranging all over that country it would be a hunter's paradise.

H. L. Dunn, wife and child, arrived in this city, Tuesday, from Oklahoma. They came via California and visited in San Diego and Los Angeles while en route to Corvallis. They were about a month on road. They also visited the Exposition in Portland before coming here. Mr. Dunn is a nephew of James Spencer, of Aulsea, and went over to see his relatives, Wednesday. Mr. Dunn farmed in Oklahoma and speaks well of that section of the country, his only particular objection being the high winds. Where he was located the main crops were wheat and oats. The average yield of the grain was from 15 to 35 bushels per acre. Before coming west Mr. Dunn sold everything he had there and it is his intention to locate in Oregon if he finds anything to suit him. He is well pleased with what he has seen of the section of Oregon.

Next week hop harvest will begin. The quality of the crop Benton is A 1. The yield is good.

Ernest Kyle returned home the first of the week from a trip to Eastern Oregon. He was not satisfied with conditions there.

Miss Agnes Mews returned to this city, Wednesday, from Newport where she had spent a couple of weeks. She was accompanied home by Mrs. E. E. Mundy.

Baptist Church—next Lord's Day, Sunday school at ten o'clock, preaching services at eleven and seven-thirty. The pastor will be nappy to greet you all again.

Mrs. Ella Bowers arrived in the city recently and is visiting relatives. She is a cousin of Mrs. Jennie Grier. Mrs. Bowers' home is in Mexico and at the conclusion of her visit she will return to the southern country.

H. Hodes tore down the porch in front of his gun store yesterday morning. Early next week he will start workmen at the task of installing a cement walk in front of his place of business. The front of the store is to be treated to a coat of paint.

W. S. Gardner and family arrived home from the coast Tuesday. The family were at the coast a couple of weeks, but Mr. Gardner was only with them a part of the time. Mark Fruit took them over to the coast and back by private conveyance.

Mrs. W. H. Bartgess has gone to Albany to visit friends, and Miss Loree Bartgess is visiting friends near Taugent. Miss Francis Bartgess left yesterday afternoon for Philomath to visit her aunt. They have all been guests recently of Prof. Goodnough and mother, this city.

On account of the repair work being done at the Christian church there will be no services of an kind next Sunday. All things will be in readiness and all services will be resumed September 10. Children of the Sunday school are asked to remember that Sunday school will be held at that date.

It is reported here that a party recently shot and killed an albino China pheasant. It is said to have been a very fine specimen, but as it was out of season the party who killed the bird was afraid to have it mounted for fear of in this manner attracting to himself the vengeance of the law.

Bert Newton smashed a finger on his left hand very badly yesterday morning by striking it with a hammer. He had been working for Adams Bros. on the Wilkinson house. He tore the nail and a good deal of the flesh off the end of his finger, making quite a painful wound.

George Spangler, wife and son, who have been visiting a few days at the home of J. A. Spangler, this city, departed yesterday for Albany to visit relatives in that city and vicinity. They are enroute to their home in Santa Ana, California, after visiting the Exposition and Oregon relatives and friends. George Spangler is a nephew of J. A. Spangler.

F. L. Miller has struck a snap. His discovery is worth millions—but he cannot hope to realize in any such sum. He raised some vetch and wheat together and as he wanted to save some clean vetch seed he was at a loss how to separate it from his wheat. Finally a novel idea came to him—he fed the vetch and wheat mixed to his Buff Orpington hens. They ate the wheat and left the vetch seed in the pan. Under no conditions will a chicken eat vetch. Of course Mr. Miller cannot patent his discovery.

Engineer G. N. Miller was reported to be in the edge of town with his survey party yesterday afternoon when we went to press. It is said that a survey of a water route was made through the principal street of Philomath. It is quite probable that the engineer will make a report before the water committee at the regular monthly meeting of that body next Monday evening. During the absence of S. L. Kline, clerk of the water committee, in the East, that gentleman has appointed E. E. Wilson deputy clerk of the water committee.

As a showing of the heavy traffic over the Corvallis & Eastern railroad since the season commenced, the number of checks used during the summer will be interesting. Since July 13 last the company has used for local baggage business 5,000 paper cardboard checks, aside from the brass checks that are kept in use continually. Most of the checks used by the road were between this city and Corvallis on the one end, and Newport on the other, the summer travel of people going to the seaside and the mountains being responsible for the great activity in the transportation of baggage.

Club Raided.

All readers of the Gazette are aware that some few weeks ago there was established in this city a club being known as the "Corvallis Social and Athletic Club." That liquor was a feature and drawing card of the club none of its managers nor officers denied. However the club was organized and incorporated under the laws of the State of Oregon, and while it was very obnoxious to the nostrils of the local option people, the fact that quite a number of our substantial citizens are said to be members proves conclusively that there were those who opined the club was all right.

Let opinion be as it may, the fact remains that on a complaint made out by Deputy District Prosecuting Attorney Bryson, Wednesday, Sheriff Burnett and his deputy, J. D. Wells, accompanied by one or two other gentlemen raided the place. This was shortly after noon. The sheriff, according to the authority vested by the complaint he carried was entitled to take into custody Mike Kline, Merwin McMaines, Jack Milne and John Doe.

Mr. Kline being absent from town at the time, Messrs. McMaines and Milne were apprehended—John Doe was not disturbed, although present in some numbers. The two men secured were haled before Justice Holgate and vigorously examined. On representations they made the matter was postponed until evening, by which time Mike Kline had promised by phone to be here.

The evening session was held in Attorney Bryson's office before Judge Holgate. The defendants, Messrs. Kline, McMaines and Milne, plead their own case. Jack Milne showed that he was connected with the club and its workings solely as steward and, as we understand, his case was dismissed.

His Honor, realising that in all probability a test case would be made and the matter carried to a higher court, imposed a fine of \$300 each on Mike Kline and Merwin McMaines for their operations in defiance of the local option law. It is commonly asserted that these men will take an appeal. They have thirty days to carry the matter to a higher court and a reasonable time to secure counsel and file their bonds, etc. The matter will be watched with considerable interest by the people of this city.

A Bad Fire.

Shortly before 9 o'clock yesterday morning a telephone message conveyed the intelligence to town people that the country dwelling of Gustave Harding was being destroyed by flames. Many men about the city made haste to go to the scene of the conflagration, in order that they might render any assistance possible.

It seems, however, that nothing possible could have saved the house, which was completely licked up by the flames. From what it learned, Mrs. Harding thought the morning a trifle chill and started a fire in the fireplace. Just how the fire originated, even after this, is not known, but the supposition is that a spark lodged on the roof and the brisk wind blowing from the north fanned it into flames. When discovered the fire was too far advanced to put out and the only thing to attempt was the saving of what could be carried from the building in the way of furniture and other valuables.

Mr. Harding was in Portland, but a couple of hired men were on the place and they rendered all possible assistance. Neighboring men gathered from all quarters and did what they could. There is a very fine windmill near the house and an abundance of water was thus provided for keeping the flames somewhat in check, as the north wind kept the mill humming.

Notwithstanding the report in town that the fire had got into the fields and was spreading, only the residence was destroyed. A good portion of the furniture was destroyed, although many

valuable articles were saved. The house was a very old one and from time to time had undergone repairs. It was large and comfortable, being conveniently arranged. Hot and cold water was carried through the dwelling. While old it was in good repair and answered as well as an expensive new residence. Furniture and all, the loss is probably \$2,500.

Mrs. Harding did not know if there was any insurance on the house or furniture, but thought there was on the latter—possibly on both house and furniture. Mr. Harding being in Portland, we were unable to ascertain the facts on this point. Mrs. Harding, while regretting the destruction of her home very much looked at the matter philosophically and said that she had experienced greater misfortune.

For Old Soldiers.

Next Monday, September 4th, is Labor Day, and the governor has so proclaimed. It chances that this is the date for old soldiers to appear before County Clerk Moses and draw their pension for the quarter year just closed. Of course Labor Day, being a legal holiday, all public offices will be closed in accordance with custom and law. However, in order that the old soldiers may not be disappointed in the matter, and to accommodate those who may be unmindful of the fact that it is a legal holiday and appear at the office anyway, the clerk has decided to keep open house for a couple of hours on this occasion. These hours are from 8 to 10 o'clock in the morning and old soldiers should bear this in mind.

Additional Local.

See Blackledge for furniture, etc. 26

Prof. G. Taillandier and wife went to Newport yesterday to remain for a week or such a matter.

Kav Jones arrived home in this city, Wednesday, from Minnesota, where he had spent about a year.

Hart, Shaffner and Marx had tailored ready to wear clothes for men. Elegant line from \$15.00 to \$25.00. S. L. Kline. 72

Attorney J. F. Yates paid Albany a business visit Wednesday. Get your wood—oak or fir—of P. A. Kline. It will keep you warm this winter. 72

A week from next Monday will see the opening of our public schools. How times flies!

Mrs. J. Mason announces that she has twenty-seven and one-half dozen very fine new street hats, all the latest styles, that she will dispose of at one-half Portland prices—these are the finest hats ever brought to Corvallis. She also has a very fine selection of velvet suitable for dress trimmings. 72-3

Largest line of matting in county at Blackledges. 30tf

To Paint or not Paint? is the question many house owners are now puzzling over. Very likely if you knew the very low prices at which we are selling high grade paints and oils you would decide to paint. We have everything you need for any painting job, large or small. Graham & Wells. 70tf

Blackledge, leading wall paper dealer. 30-

Don't forget that we are headquarters for Graphophones and Records. We have just received a new lot of Columbia Disc and Cylinder Records. Also a lot of the American Blue Records—the best made. Graham & Wells. 70tf

Services will be held in the Congregational church on Monday evening, Sept. 4, at the usual hour by B. H. Barton, traveling "Pilgrim" of the society known as "Millennial Dawn" people. All are cordially invited.

Austin Lafferty has accepted a position at S. L. Kline's establishment.

Prof. Goodnough goes to Portland today to arrange with his class of piano pupils for the ensuing year.

Our new Hart, Schaffner and Marx Fall suits for men have arrived in all the new styles and colors. Come in and look them over; some swell ones at \$25.00. S. L. Kline. 72

Our Ladies, Misses and Childrens Cloaks, Jackets and Rain Coats have arrived. Latest New York styles. Call and see. J. M. NOLAN & SON 72

Grand Opening

On Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 30th and 31st, I will display my advance Fall Styles of

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Postponed Two Weeks. For Sale—1 set single buggy harness, good repair. John Reeves. 72

Wednesday afternoon the ways and means committee of the city council met with counsel representing E. P. Greffoz for the adjustment and settlement of the city's claim against Mr. Greffoz. Attorney Hewitt, of Albany, represented Mr. Greffoz and relatives in the matter. At 7:30 in the evening a session of the council was held, Attorney Hewitt being present. No definite action was taken, but it is thought that a plan for final settlement was formulated along lines that will be satisfactory alike to the city, Mr. Greffoz and his relatives. The matter is to be taken up again in the course of a couple of weeks. Miss Hortense Greffoz came up from Portland, Wednesday, and returned home again yesterday.

Every man owes it to himself and his family to master a trade or profession. Read the display advertisement of the Six Morse Schools of Telegraphy, in this issue and learn how easily a young man or lady may learn telegraphy and be assured a position. 67tf

Got off Cheap. He may well think he has got off cheap, who, after having contracted constipation or indigestion, is still able to perfectly restore his health. Nothing will do this but Dr. King's New Life Pills. A quick, pleasant and certain cure for headache, constipation, etc. 25c at Allen & Woodward drug store; guaranteed.