

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

MONDAY'S NEWS

Mrs. G. S. Butler left yesterday for San Francisco where she will visit for awhile before joining her husband in Bakersfield. They expect to remain in that section for several weeks.

Mrs. C. W. Wiene left last night for Portland on an extended visit.

Mrs. G. N. Gray is back at her post in McGee's dry goods store after spending a two weeks' vacation with her family in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Ferguson left Saturday night for a week's visit to San Francisco and Oakland.

Mrs. W. A. Stratton was up from Talent Saturday. She has been suffering with an infected finger and had come up for treatment.

Otto McMichael came home yesterday from Cottage Grove where he had been visiting with relatives for some time.

J. D. Mars has purchased a handsome new Buick Four Chevrolet automobile, which is among the fine new cars of the city, for the coming season.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Moore of Portland, who have been making a trip through California for several weeks past, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Frost.

Mrs. M. O. Courtney and son Don of Eastern Oregon are stopping in Ashland for a few days as guests of Mrs. Courtney's niece, Mrs. O. A. Paulsen, while on their way home from California where they had been spending a portion of the winter.

J. B. Rhodes, who has served as field secretary for the Y. M. C. A. of Oregon and Idaho for the past 12 or 13 years, with the exception of the two years in which he was engaged in Y work overseas, has been appointed general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for the state of Ohio, a well earned promotion. Mr. Rhodes will be remembered as having spoken at various times in Ashland on Y topics.

The 24-hour old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Walker died Saturday and was buried this afternoon.

TUESDAY'S NEWS

Mrs. J. B. Wilson and little son, who have been guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Long, on Eighth street, since the holidays, left yesterday for their home in Gerber.

George A. Sloan of Manitoba, Can., a nephew of Mrs. R. C. Porter, started this morning for Quincy, Ill., after spending a month in Ashland with his aunt. He also expects to visit friends in Kokomo, Ind., before going home.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Smith of Seaside Drive last Friday.

The Women's Relief Corps club met with Mrs. E. E. Miller at her home on Church street yesterday afternoon.

Raymond Long left Saturday for Palo Alto to resume his studies at Stanford after spending the holidays with his parents in Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Lave were called to the northern part of the state yesterday by the serious illness of the former's mother.

Mrs. Balf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Johnson, has returned to her home in Garfield, Wash., after spending several weeks with her parents here.

Harry Halfhill of Saskatoon, Canada, is in Ashland this week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Halfhill.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wenner last Friday. Mrs. Wenner is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hess, at their home on Church street.

B. N. French has sold his 45 acres of Bear creek bottom land between Talent and Phoenix to J. D. Duncan. The latter will make his new purchase his future home and will take possession the first of February, together with all the stock, farm implements and feed. This sale was transacted through the Beaver Realty company.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Slack have returned from a two months' visit in Kansas and other eastern points. They enjoyed their visit, but stated that Ashland looked good to them on their arrival home.

A ten and one-half pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin on Oak street Sunday.

Mrs. Gifford, wife of Dr. Canfield of Drain, with her little son Earle, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Garrett of Mandan street for the past week, left last night for her home.

The First National Bank is undergoing the throes of renovation at present which makes business in

that institution a source of much discomfort, but the attaches are submitting to the inconvenience with much complacency, seeing through the commotion a vision of a newly decorated and modernized building. The floor has been torn up and will be retiled, the walls decorated and the entire interior woodwork will undergo finishing that will make the bank look as if it had been newly coined at the mint.

The condition of Mrs. Amy Grubb, who is at a local hospital undergoing medical treatment, is about the same as it was previously reported. She is not recovering as rapidly as her many friends would wish.

The Elks have postponed their dance which was scheduled to be held in the club rooms Thursday evening, to Friday evening on account of the dance announced in the Natsatorium on the former date.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Sanford left last night for the south to spend the balance of the winter, the time to be divided between Los Angeles and San Diego.

Rev. J. W. Glaster, who has been holding a successful meeting in the Free Methodist church for the past two weeks, will be at that church all this week. Services will be held there every night.

John Edwards, a mail clerk, has moved into the Earle Fraley residence on Nurley street, where he will live with his family.

Mrs. Edmund Dews left this morning for Dunsuir to visit for a short time with friends.

Clark Payne sustained a painful cut on his thumb yesterday at the high school, when that member came in contact with a power saw during the manual training period. The services of a physician were required to dress the injury.

Mrs. C. M. Bomar is rebuilding and renovating her house on Allison street.

George Haskins and wife of Reeder, N. D., who came to Ashland this week, have taken apartments in the F. L. Putnam residence on Hargadine street for the present, until they can look around and locate a home, which is their intention to purchase.

Mrs. Charles East of Montague is in Ashland spending a month or so with her mother Mrs. Walbridge. They are both staying at the residence of Mrs. Blue on Laurel street.

A basketball game will be played at the high school gymnasium Thursday evening, January 15, between Ashland high and the Central Point alumni. The latter team has been claiming the games so far this season, but Ashland expects to give them a good run for their money. Three of last year's players are on the team this year, and with the rigorous practice the team is giving every day, the coming game promises to be a good one. The game is called at 7:30.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Davis of Pullman, Wash., who have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Dora J. Elliott, at 642 Liberty street, left this morning for an extended visit to Southern California points, including San Diego and Ocean Beach. Mr. Davis is a prosperous rancher and owns several of the finest farms in the Palouse country. Mr. and Mrs. Davis are well pleased with Ashland and are enthusiastic over the beautiful park.

PARTIAL LIST OF REALTY BARGAINS OFFERED

- Watch for additions and subtractions. Buy now, before the inevitable spring rise. Best bargains are gradually slipping away. Glad to give further particulars. E. T. STAPLES. Hotel Austin Building, next door to Ford Garage. Very handsome 5-room house, modern and extremely well built, bath, toilets, etc., sleeping porches, maple floors, every imaginable convenience; 3 large lots, abundance of fruit, scenic location, close to center of town; really an \$8000 property for \$4500. 7-room house, modern and nicely located on corner; both streets paved; good sized lot, shade trees and fruit; close to center town. Forced sale, at sacrifice price. \$2500. 8-room house, modern in all respects, porches and outbuildings, large lot, fruit and flowers; situated on corner close to center of city, paved on both streets. Price with some furniture, \$3000. Apartment house, large lot centrally located. Brings in \$40 to \$50 per month—nut sed, when you consider the price, \$2500. 5-room bungalow, cement basement; a very convenient and pretty property; nicely located, lot 100x120; fruit, nuts and berries. Price \$25000. 5-room modern house, barn and wood shed, chicken house; range and heating stove; lot 150x140; good soil, pretty location. Price \$2300. Pretty little cottage, 3 rooms, bath, toilet, woodhouse, large porches, shade and fruit trees; close in; lot 50x100. Price \$1600. All the foregoing property will be delivered clear of all encumbrance and assessments to date. My list is large and it will take several issues to get all in print. Complete list of all offerings may be had at my office. E. T. STAPLES. Ashland, Ore.

Domestic Science Department Conducted by Mrs. Belle De Graf Domestic Science Director Sperry Flour Co.

How to Make Cream Candies at Home

The cream candies of the confectioner always seem beyond the skill of the unprofessional candy maker. There are many interesting principles to be learned regarding the cooking of sugar, and it is probably one of the most uncertain substances to work with. It is easily affected by the atmospheric conditions and it is wise to select a clear day to experiment with the cooking of sugar syrup for candies.

However, if the following directions are studied and carefully followed it will be possible for the inexperienced candy maker to make a variety of cream candies.

The base or foundation for this type of candy is called "fondant," and can be used for an almost endless variety of combinations.

Directions Given for Making of Fondant

To make this fondant take 4 cups of granulated sugar, 1/4 tea-spoon of cream of tartar and 2 cups of boiling water. Put the sugar and cream of tartar in a saucepan, add the boiling water and stir until sugar is dissolved.

The mixture should be stirred slowly from the center of the pan in order to avoid having grains of sugar gather on the sides of the saucepan. The saucepan must be kept free from sugar or the fondant will become "grainy."

Cover the kettle until boiling point is reached, then remove and cook until the syrup will form a "soft ball" when dropped in cold water. This takes about ten minutes. When cooked remove from fire at once and set aside to cool in the pan it was cooked in.

Emphasis Placed on Cooling Syrup Evenly

It is most important that the syrup should cool evenly, therefore do not hasten the process by pouring it into another dish or by putting the saucepan into cold water.

When cool, but not too cold, stir vigorously with a spatula or flat wooden spoon, until the syrup has changed to a white, creamy, glossy paste. When too stiff to stir, turn onto a board and knead.

The lightness of the fondant depends upon the amount of kneading, as this part of the process cannot be overdone.

When light and creamy, place in an earthen bowl or jar, cover with a damp cloth and put in a cool place for at least twenty-four hours before using.

This fondant will keep for weeks if kept cool and well covered with a damp cloth.

Fondant Sometimes Will Become Granular

Sometimes, however, even with the greatest of care, the fondant will become grainy or sugary after it has been stirred. If this should occur, place in the saucepan, add hot water, stir until dissolved, cover and cook to the soft-ball stage again.

A dark fondant can be made with two cups of brown sugar, one cup of maple syrup, one-half teaspoon of cream of tartar and one cup of boiling water. Mix and cook in the

same manner as for the white fondant.

The following rules should be kept in mind when preparing fondant:

Scald the saucepan well before using, to be sure there is no odor or taste from previous cooking.

Never stir the syrup after the sugar is dissolved and cooking has commenced. This is most important. If the syrup is stirred the finished product will be granular. When testing the syrup carefully remove from the stove or turn out the gas flame, in order to prevent further cooking.

Always cover the saucepan until boiling point is reached. If any sugar has gathered on the sides of the saucepan, the steam created by covering the kettle will remove it. Wash the hands in cold water before kneading the fondant.

PUBLIC FORUM

TO BE SHOT AT SUNRISE

Traitors who in all countries in time of war; and rightly too.

How about knockers, I say they are traitors to themselves and the whole community.

In coming to your town I was terribly set back by knockers. Every real estate company here will tell you they have many of their deals upset by knockers.

Since I have put up some of my money to help in a small way to develop something worth while in Ashland I don't propose to let any knockers kick it over. I am going to offer a price for your names, a price for your head if you please. I am going to organize a firing squad from the real estate firms here. We will go to the city dads and ask that they put on the city's books, "That a knocker is a traitor." With the evidence in hand the firing squad will attend to Mr. or Mrs. Knocker at sunrise.

E. P. MOORE.

Highway Echo to Rieth ordered graveled.

Gold Hill to have \$5000 modern fireproof garage.

Last legislature levied large sums in excess of constitutional limit. Two tax levies necessary will be tested in courts.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9.—The predictions of Albert P. Porta of San Francisco that certain sections of the Pacific coast and other places would be rocked by earthquakes and seismic disturbances due to the "league of planets" last month have

been fully verified by the recent violent shocks in ten Mexican states and in the Canary Islands, in the opinion of Mr. Porta.

Prof. Porta became famous last month as the man who had predicted the end of the world on December 17.

While he was generally reputed to have made such a prediction, he showed very conclusively that he had done nothing of the kind, but that

certain predictions of storms and quakes and other disturbances that he declared would follow as a result of the gathering of six planets on one side of the sun had been enlarged upon and distorted by popular imagination.

Concerning the earthquakes in Mexico and in the Canary Islands, Prof. Porta now declares he predicted these last August, and that his forecast has been fully sustained by

the facts. He made this statement today: "Now, while I call the attention of the public upon the fact that I had this great Mexican earthquake exactly forecast since August 17, 1919, I am waiting for the verification of some other prognostications which I have connected with the same 'league' and which have been so roughly twisted and distorted by some unscrupulous eastern people."

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