

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

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Are you making those new resolutions stick?

Father Fitzpatrick visited the county seat Monday.

J. R. Cooley and A. S. Powell were county seat visitors Tuesday.

Johnie Kirk of Dorena was transacting business in the Grove Tuesday.

Mrs. Joanna Hansen of Eugene is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. S. Medley.

J. H. Bartels and Walt Baker of this city, were transacting business at the county seat Wednesday.

Mrs. E. J. Beidler returned home Friday after an extended visit with her son, Ira and wife, near Oakland.

Loggers and mill men will find something to interest them in Pearce Bros. new ad in the Leader today.

Fred Knox of Lorane, trapped another coyote this week making 21 scalps to the clubs credit during the past year.

Fred Knox of Lorane, a member of our local Coyote Club, killed a large coyote last Friday and is \$10 ahead thereby.

Chas. S. Cochran went to Eugene Wednesday to assist the Eugene orchestra in a special musical engagement.

Rev. H. N. Mount of Eugene has been assisting Dr. Nave in his special meetings at the Presbyterian church this week.

Mayor J. I. Jones went to Salem Tuesday to attend a meeting of the Willamette University board, of which he is a member.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Newton Cruson, aged 24, and Viola Vaughn, aged 23, both of Cottage Grove.

Attorney J. S. Medley returned home from Eugene Tuesday evening where he had been in attendance at circuit court.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Kayser were county seat visitors this week, the former in attendance at court, the latter visiting with friends.

Al Cruson and bride returned home Wednesday from a wedding trip north and are receiving congratulations from their friends.

A letter from Elvira R. Gowdy and wife of Los Angeles, announces their intention of returning to Oregon soon and locating in Cottage Grove.

The annual inspection of Company E. will be held at the armory Monday evening Feb. 10. Colonel Jas. Jackson, U. S. A. will be the inspecting officer.

Woodmen of the World having uniforms belonging to the degree team are requested to return the same to the hall at once as they are needed by the team.

Mrs. H. F. Wynne shipped a fine Silver Laced Wyandotte cockerel to M. W. Pruner at Riddle, this week, from her pens of pure bred fowls of this variety.

The revival meetings being ably conducted at the Methodist, Presbyterian and Christian churches are well attended and much interest is being manifested.

U. S. Martin and brother Joel, came down from Seattle a few days ago to visit their father, N. H. Martin, who died at his home in this city yesterday.

Bart Venturini, the Divide Italian, who was taken to Eugene last week and given an examination as to his sanity, was sent to the asylum at Salem for treatment.

Robt. Griffin, one of the local poultry fanciers, received two beautiful White Wyandotte hens, from a prominent breeder, Thursday, to put in his breeding pens.

Griffin & Veatch Hardware company have a new ad in this issue of the Leader. The stock carried by this firm would be a credit to a city twice the size of Cottage Grove.

Dr. Job decorated his office floor with a beautifully mounted timber wolf skin rug, with head attached Saturday. The wolf was killed near this city and was a fine large specimen.

E. A. Johnson is moving his flouring mill from Drain to Albany where he expects to go into the milling business. His machinery passed through by freight a few days ago.

Miss MaGee is teaching in the public school this week in the place of Miss Beebe who is detained at her Jackson county home on account of a few cases of measles in the family.

Leader and Nugget subscribers who were in arrears are already responding manfully to our appeal for a settlement. They seem willing to add their mite in helping along a good and worthy cause.

T. C. Wheeler, cashier of the First National bank, returned home from a business trip to Portland Monday. Mr. Wheeler says business is rapidly assuming normal conditions at the state metropolis.

The work of clearing the Albany brewery of its outfit is progressing, and in about two weeks the large frame building will be completely empty, and Albany will be without a brewery for the first time in about forty years.—Albany Democrat.

Horace Conner came over from Lorane Tuesday to transact business in this city. He says the Coyote Club has its 20th scalp to its credit by the killing of a large coyote by Fred Knox of Lorane last week.

The Beidler Brothers have received returns from the 39 dressed turkeys which they shipped to a Portland commission house recently, in which was a check for \$98.34 net. This is an average of a little more than \$2.50 each for the turkeys.

The public and high schools resumed operations again last Monday after the holiday vacation and students and teachers have settled down to good solid work again, and there will be no more vacations until the close of the schools in June.

Registration books were opened at Eugene Monday and voters have already commenced registering for the forth-coming campaign. In Cottage Grove Squire Vaughn will register voters in the city hall and Attorney A. H. King will keep a set of registration books open in his office.

M. F. Babcock, a well known rancher of Silk creek valley, made the Leader a pleasant call Thursday and left a sample of a very fine, large, smooth potato, variety not known, which gave a yield of 80 bushels to a small patch of ground, the potatoes being very uniform in size and unexcelled in quality.

Ben Curry, who is interested in the restaurant business at Roseburg with Ed Wilson, formerly of this city, was in town Saturday and reports business rather quiet at Roseburg since the holidays. He says the laying off of so many men by the S. P. company in cutting down their train service, is causing a falling off in Roseburg's business, it being a railroad division town.

Miles Pitcher was in this city from Star Saturday transacting business, the first time in many weeks. He says one of their two sawmills is still running regardless of the outcome of the investigation before the Interstate Commerce Commission. Mr. Pitcher was postmaster at Star for many years, but resigned recently. He called and had his name enrolled for the Leader.

Dave Hubbard and wife, the popular young couple who have had charge of the boarding house at Alex Esselstrom's logging camp near Scottsburg for nearly a year, spent the holidays with relatives and friends at Drain and Cottage Grove. They will not return to the camp for about two months.—Nonpareil.

### A Glimpse at the Beautiful.

J. Lorenzo Zwickley, one of the most popular and fascinating art lecturers of the day, will give his lecture-entertainment at the Christian church Friday Jan. 17th. These lectures are one continual round of mirth, poetic, industrial, asthetic and art productions, illustrated both by hand and tongue. Go and hear him and carry home your soul bubbling over with sunshine for a change.

### Silver Anniversary Modern Woodmen.

The Modern Woodmen of America camp at this place observed the silver anniversary of that order Monday night in a very appropriate and enjoyable manner. Looking forward to this occasion the camp had worked up a list of candidates for initiating, numbering something like 24, fourteen of whom were ready to face the proverbial goat and were admitted into membership.

Following the initiatory work the camp resolved itself into a social session and at about midnight proceeded to put away about 15 gallons of soup, in which was swimming 7 gallons of fresh Eastern oysters. There was 114 members present and the festivities were indulged in 'til the wee small hours. This is one of the strongest and most flourishing secret orders in our city and at present is presided over by the following genial and well known gentlemen: Consul, N. E. Compton; Clerk, C. W. Wallace; Banker, Dr. Kibe. This order will initiate 10 new members at its next regular meeting.

### Pleasant Surprise Party.

Mrs. C. Ross King planned and successfully carried out last evening a pleasant surprise party at her home in honor of her daughter Miss Eva. A large number of young friends of Miss Eva were present and were right royally entertained, games and music being the features of the evening. In the geography contest Miss Dessie Harms was awarded the prize while Miss Katie Knowlton was equally fortunate in the drawing contest.

Late in the evening ice cream and cake was served and a merry time was reported by one and all present the guests being:

Misses Katie Knowlton, Agnes Langdon, Maud Blair, Vera Herrin, Gail Hare, Bell Burkholder, Dessie Harms, Helen McGee, Leta Sanford, Abbie Johnson, Fannie Johnson, Marguerite Jones, Stella Cochlin, Euna Job, Georgetta Berg, Eva King, Mrs. King, Mrs. Marion Veatch, Messrs. Merle Sevel, Ren Sanford, Orville Taylor, Pearl Benet, Fred Matthews, Jas. Atkinson, Geo. Gourley, A. Griffin, Merton Earl, Will Sherwood, Harry Short, Worth Harvey.

### Watch Party at Mr. Slagle's.

A few less than thirty invited guests assembled in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Baker Slagle, on Silk Creek, to watch the going of the old year and coming in of the new. Games of various kinds were enjoyed by both old and young. Corn popping and nut cracking was part of the program and all were enjoyed even to the cracking of fingers, for each had to participate in cracking the nuts. Music, both vocal and instrumental intervened the spare moments. At eleven o'clock an elaborate luncheon was served. All were quietly waiting for the old year to pass out, when the stillness of the midnight was broken by the whistles and bells in Cottage Grove that sounded beautiful, even so far away. Holiday greetings and good nights were spoken and all voted the watch meeting a grand success.

E. T.

### A Valuable Team Killed.

A fine team of well matched, heavy draft horses was run over and killed just north of this city by an early south bound train Sunday morning. The horses weighing about 1500 pounds each, were the property of Chas. S. Cochran of the Bazaar, and was valued at \$400. Mr. Cochran's little farm home is divided in about equal parts by the S. P. railroad, his pasture in which his team was grazing being on the east side of the track while his residence and barn is on the west side. The gates at the railroad crossing are used by a good many people in going to and from town and it is supposed someone carelessly left one of the gates open Saturday night and let the team get within the railroad inclosure. One horse, terribly mangled, was carried on the engine pilot up in the city depot yards, where some little time was consumed in removing it from the engine. Mr. Cochran hopes to be reimbursed by the company for the loss of his fine team and no doubt will be.

### DEATH OF NATHANIEL MARTIN.

Was Cottage Grove's First Postmaster and Justice of the Peace.

Nathaniel Martin, a well known and highly honored pioneer citizen of Cottage Grove, died at his home in this city Thursday evening Jan. 9, 1908, at the ripe old age of 79 years, 8 months and 7 days.

This venerable pioneer citizen was born in Martin county, Indiana, May 2, 1828. A few years after his birth his parents moved to Missouri where in 1847 he was united in marriage to Miss Nellie Allen and they settled on a farm in Gentry county, Mo. In 1857 with his wife and four children he joined an immigrant train composed of 12 wagons and about 50 people and headed for the Golden West. The company encountered many hardships and privations on their long journey and barely missed being in the terrible Mountain Meadow massacre. They buried three members of their party on the trip and finally arrived at Red Bluff, California in Nov. 1857. Soon thereafter Mr. Martin and family proceeded to the Rogue River valley, Oregon, where Mr. Martin engaged in blacksmithing for a time. In 1860 they moved to Eugene, where the elder Martin followed his trade for four years, at the end of which time he moved to a homestead west of Cottage Grove on Silk Creek and in the following spring he came to Cottage Grove to work at his trade. The name Cottage Grove originated with the post office first established at Fern Ridge 12 miles distant, and as it was moved from ranch to ranch the name stayed with it until its permanent location at this place. Mr. Martin became postmaster upon his homestead in the spring of 1865 and a little later he moved the office with his personal effects to Cottage Grove where the office was kept in an annex to his blacksmith shop. He built the first business house in this city and was the first Justice of the Peace, retaining the office for 10 years. In 1868, he bought more land on Silk Creek and thereafter divided his time between the farm and the shop. In 1874 he retired from the shop and spent most of his time on the farm.

Mr. Martin was elected to the state legislature by the Republican party in 1872 and served one term, discharging his duties with marked ability.

The summer of 1873 was spent by Mr. Martin on a government survey in Lake county and in 1884 he was instrumental in having a post office located on his farm, called Royal, at which he was appointed postmaster. Mr. and Mrs. Martin were the parents of seven children, Willard H., Jesse, Eleanor C., wife of A. J. Barlow, John S., Joel R., U. S. and N. H., all of whom are married and settled in life, the latter two being at the old gentleman's bedside when he died.

Mr. Martin and wife were born the same year, in the same county, were cared for by the same nurse, and lived in the same community until their marriage. The aged widow is enjoying good health and is bearing up under her great grief nobly.

Mr. Martin was a man who took an active interest in the affairs of his country and the locality in which he resided. He was a man possessed of good sound judgment, genial and affable in manners and was universally esteemed. Early in life he and his wife united with the M. E. church and both have always led upright, honest Christian lives. "Uncle Nat's" kindly greetings and wise counsels will be greatly missed by the people of this community, all of whom join the Leader in extending sympathy and condolence to the bereaved widow and family.

Funeral services were conducted from the family home by Rev. C. H. Wallace at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, interment in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

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