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## Important Business Change

An important business change occurred here Saturday last. The firm of Woods & Adams, who have been in general merchandise business here for years, sold out their entire business interests to R. E. Jackson and Nelson LaCourse, who will conduct the business under the firm name of Jackson & LaCourse. The purchasers have for several years been in business at Dayville, Oregon, under the above name and only recently sold out at that point. Both gentlemen are splendid business men, Mr. LaCourse having long been known to the residents of Forest Grove. Mr. Jackson comes with the highest recommendations from his former home, and has purchased the McCrum property for \$15,000 which he intends to make his home. It is a fine property, and will be put into form again. The balance of the property lies contiguous to the city limits and will undoubtedly be cut up into residence property in the near future. Mr. Jackson's family consisting of his wife and eight young people will arrive today or tomorrow. The new firm will retain the same building in which the stock is now located, they having secured a lease of the building for five years. When interviewed Mr. Woods declared that he would retire from active life, but being a man whose whole life has been spent in active work in the carrying out of his plans, it will be harder than he realizes. Mr. Adams states that he has formulated no plans for the future, but will rest for a few weeks, having been constantly behind the counter for about eight years. The business under the old management has been more than successful and the new management takes an established business and come with an established reputation as live up-to-date business men. The inventory will be taken in a few days and the new firm will take charge.

Candidates for the trip to St. Louis

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| Pearl Chandler | 2221 |
| Alyce Cronin   | 1923 |
| Manche Langley | 418  |
| Stella Via     | 30   |
| Detta Friday   | 13   |
| Grace Baer     | 8    |

## CHANGE OF MANAGEMENT

### Mill at Gaston Now One of the Best

The Gaston Flouring Mill by reason of the recent change of ownership is now being entirely renovated and improved in every part. The work is in charge of J. A. McCune, who recently came here from Weiser, Idaho. Mr. McCune is a master mechanic and is making many of the needed changes which the mill requires. Hereafter they will be prepared to manufacture a fine grade of flour—chop feed, etc., and will have in stock everything in the line for the farmer. The management comes with the best of credentials and the patronage will find him a pleasant and enterprising man of business. When in Gaston don't fail to give the mill a call, you will find their prices reasonable, and fair treatment accorded to the patronage.

### General Trade Conditions

The general condition of our county are far better than generally supposed. Wheat is a good crop and of a superior quality; oats are a fair crop; hay below the average; fruit crop has been generally good except the prunes; hops will be about an average if favorable weather gives them a chance to develop; the output of lumber by the mills has been average but not enough to supply the demand. All kinds of building materials have been in keen demand. The mail and express business has greatly increased. The express business ending July of the year is 2½ times as great as during July of last year. The union of the interests of the O. R. & N. R. Co. and those of the Southern Pacific will result in the use of any cars which may be empty and therefore the call for cars will be satisfied this fall. A spur into the rock quarries at Independence will give plenty of rock with which to improve the west side roadbed. Fifteen cars of this rock will be put about our own depot to render it free from the summer dust and winter mud. The merchants all report a far better year than last, both in the class and volume of business. Building of houses and business blocks has exceeded any year in our previous history, but in no way is it speculative in its nature. None of these are for rent.

Many buildings are yet to be erected and another business block is about to be started. The new church is well under way. The electric line is an assured fact whether built by the company represented by Mr. Graydon or not. In view of the conditions Forest Grove should not be dissatisfied with her status.

### Obituary

Rachel Miller was born in Montgomery county, Indiana, September 10, 1831. When a small girl she moved with her parents to Illinois, where they resided until the spring of 1851 when they started for Oregon, arriving here in the fall, settling in Linn county. She was married to Perin G. Northup on the 12th of March, 1857. Soon after they removed to Washington county, where they lived most of time until the spring of 1903. They then moved to Wasco county where Mr. Northup died on the 20th of last May, Mrs. Northup returning to Washington county to spend her last days at the home of her son. In early days she belonged to the Methodist church, later when their class was discontinued near her home, she joined the United Brethren church and continued a member thereof until death occurred August 9, 1904.

Three children survive her, Mrs. Minnie Young, of Portland; H. L. Northup, of Lake View; and J. I. Northup, of Forest Grove.

Funeral services were held at the Harrison school house, where a large assembly of her friends and neighbors gathered to pay their last respects to one beloved by all who knew her.

The services were conducted by A. Baldwin. She was laid to rest in the Wilkes cemetery.

### Fire in the Hills

Mr. and Mrs. Art Caples returned rather unexpectedly from their outing on Rock Creek, Tuesday because of the forest fires raging in that part of the coast range. They walked through a blinding smoke for seven miles to the Nehalem Valley thence to Buxton from where they were brought to this place. Their belongings are still on Rock Creek in the cabin of a settler who will bring them out when a team can be gotten through the fire district. Much damage is being done by the

fire and many settlers are back firing the woods to save their cabins and their stock. Mr. Caples saw two bear and one deer but was not able to get a shot at them. He reports a catch of 125 trout in one day, starting out at nine o'clock and returning at four in the afternoon. He is much disappointed at not being able to stay as long as he had planned but was able to change his appearance so that some of his friends did not know him at first sight.

### Watkins-Curtis

Miss Daisy Curtis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Curtis, of Hillside, was united in marriage with Loren H. Watkins of Forest Grove, last night at the home of her parents. The home of the bride was beautifully decorated, the parlor containing an arch and other decorations of Oregon Grape, and the dining room artistically ornamented with sword ferns and flowers. At eight o'clock the young couple were made one by Rev. Barber, after which a dainty dinner was served. The bride was beautifully arrayed in a gown of Crepe de Paris trimmed with exquisite lace. Many relatives and friends were in attendance to congratulate the happy couple who were also the recipients of many valuable presents. They will make their home in Forest Grove, where the groom has built and furnished a neat residence on Fourth Avenue.

### Examination Results

HILLSBORO, August 16, 1904.

At the examination for teachers' certificates lately held at this place the following certificates were obtained:

First Grade—Misses M. Grovaline Baldwin, Jennie Beamish, Rose Vandehy, Viola E. Fields, Hattie Starrett, Edna M. Fortner and Effie Galbreath.

Second Grade—Mr. Leo L. Morgan, Misses Helen M. Hall, Maisie O'Donnell, Clara Loynes, Mary Hilts, Massie Ayers, Bessie B. McVicker, Lillian L. McVickers and Agnes Hammer.

Third Grade—Messrs. T. P. Kendall, Ezra S. Dixon, Jas. A. Campbell; Misses Bertha Fowles, May Cooper, Grace V. Roblnson, Henrietta E. Bear, Adelia M. Hermens, Lucile Beard, Christina Chalmers and Ruth Jones.

Yours truly,  
M. C. CASE,