

THE PRESS WILL CHANGE HANDS

The Forest Grove Press Next Week Changes Owners and Location

WILL BE EDITED IN BUSINESS-LIKE MANNER

By George H. Curry, Jr. Who is an Efficient and Experienced Newspaper Man

After the present issue the Press will be edited by George Huntington Currey, who last week purchased the plant from the former owner, A. G. Hoffman. Mr. Currey comes to Forest Grove from La Grande, Oregon, where he has long been connected with papers in that part of the state. "Forest Grove as a city of homes, schools, and churches, backed by Washington county with its plentiful resources has appealed to me for several years," said Mr. Currey. "When I learned of an opening in the newspaper business, I came to look over the field, and finding general prosperity and good business conditions, with great opportunity for future progress, and best of all congenial people, I felt that one could make no mistake in coming to such a beautiful little city." Tomorrow Mr. Currey will move the Press plant to the John E. Bailey building on Main street which will be the future home of the paper.

The La Grande Observer made in part the following comment upon Mr. Currey's leaving his home city: "Having purchased the Forest Grove Press in the college town of Forest Grove, near Portland, George H. Currey, Jr., is home from a Willamette valley journey preparing to take possession of the plant in a week's time. His training for the business was largely obtained in the service of the Observer; mastering the mechanical phase as a boy and later in "front office" departments. Mr. Currey is an ambitious, hard worker and the citizens of Forest Grove will soon find out they have a live wire who will always be on the job when it comes to advertising the interest of their city and vicinity. His friends feel sorry at losing George, but all wish him all kinds of success and know he will succeed."

Two Reunions.

A reunion of relatives was held Sunday at the home of Mrs. S. J. Sparks, in this city. Those from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Mathias Spurgeon, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Butler, of Vancouver, Washington, and Mrs. Louisa Stewart, of Manchester, Iowa. Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Sparks are sisters, and they met again Sunday after a separation of thirty-nine years. Mrs. Stewart will visit here for a few weeks.

A pleasant surprise was accorded to C. L. Dennis and B. C. Dennis, of Gaston, who are being visited for an indefinite time by their sister, Mrs. Curtis Johnson, and daughters, Ersula and Ona, of Iowa, who arrived Sunday via Seattle. Mrs. Johnson and her brothers had not met for twenty-one years and the reunion was much enjoyed by them. Mrs. Johnson is also a half sister of Mrs. H. D. Layman, of Thatcher.

MARY FISHER IS FOUND

Nine-Year-Old Portland Girl Found Near Hillsboro Sunday

Twenty-five miles away from home, 9-year-old Mary Fisher, who says her mother, Bertha Fisher, and her uncle, Carl Fisher, live in Portland, was found at Old Bethany, near Hillsboro, yesterday, and was taken in charge by Mrs. J. J. Stoller, of that place. The young girl did not know the exact address of her mother or uncle, and the police tried last night to find persons of that name. Fishers at 426 Sacramento street proved to have moved three months ago. The little girl either did not know or would not tell where she was going and was very reticent about her connections, according to the word received by the Portland police from the Sheriff at Hillsboro.—Oregonian.

Later it was found out that she did not belong in Portland at all, but in the neighborhood near where she was found, being the child of Mrs. Fisher, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hammer, of that vicinity, who claimed the child as soon as she was found missing, they having instituted a little search party of their own.

BOARD WOULD NOT AWARD CONTRACT

The district school board, of Banks has decided to hire carpenters by the day and have the new school house built under its personal direction. Three bids—one from James S. Loynes, for \$3587; one from Joe W. Knapp, for \$3378, and one from Wells & Townsend for \$3440—were received by the board Monday, but as there has been but \$2500 voted for the new addition to the school house, the board rejected all bids, and hired Wells & Townsend to oversee the work on the structure, which, when completed will give the district a large four-room school building.

A small detachment of National guard troopers stopped over in the city Monday night enroute overland to Portland from the maneuvers at Tillamook. They reported a strenuous trip over the mountain roads and a lively time at the camp of instruction which has just closed.

A large "rubber-neck auto" load of people from the Sellwood district of Portland came out Sunday on a little pleasure excursion to our fair city. They were somewhat impressed with the evidences of prosperity and the resources of the country that they saw on every hand.

The excavating work on the east side of the Congregational church property is progressing rapidly. A new concrete sidewalk will be put in soon and thus another convenience will be added to the already numerous advantages of our beautiful city.

Mr. Barnes, our justly famous bow-maker, who has not been feeling quite his usual self for the past few weeks, has just finished and shipped two beautiful specimens of his art to Wheeling, West Virginia.

The Newman cottage in the eastern part of the city is being newly papered, painted and thoroughly overhauled.

NEW EVIDENCE COLLECTED IN LATEST ROBBERY CASE

The Banks Burglars Now Thought to be the Same as Those That Rifled the J. D. Anderson Store in Forest Grove A Short Time Ago

An important capture was made at Banks last Thursday night when an attempt was made to rob the Banks Mercantile Company. Two suspicious characters had been seen loafing around Banks for two days previously, and Mr. Kenton, proprietor of the store had his suspicions aroused by their actions, and returning to the vicinity of the store after dark, remained on watch. Not long after, the men were seen to force an entrance to the store rear, one going in and the other remaining on guard. Mr. Kenton immediately summoned assistance, and with several others, all carrying arms, advanced on the outside man.

He opened fire on them as soon as he observed them, but injured no one; and on being surrounded in such a manner as to cut off his escape, crawled under the store building. A dog was sent under in an effort to make him come out, but was scared off by a shot from the burglar. Later Sheriff Reeves crawled under the building, dispossessed the man of his arms, hauled him forth and took him to jail where he gave the name of Geo. McGrew. In the meantime the other man forced his way out of the front entrance and escaped in the darkness.

Sheriff Reeves went to Port-

land and on searching the man's room, found evidence which he believes will connect the man with the Anderson store robbery here.

This evidence consists of a small memorandum book, found in McGrew's suit case, taken by the sheriff from the room in a lodging-house on Front street, Portland. This book was taken from the Anderson store by the robbers. McGrew alleges that his companion in the Banks job gave him the book. McGrew also is suspected of the Beaverton robbery, as he worked near Whitford Station, on the Oregon Electric, within two miles of Beaverton, prior to the burglary.

A good deal of excitement was created in Banks during the affair, one party excitedly ringing the firebell and arousing the town; while another man finding out that it was not a fire, returned home and securing his shotgun, came out of his door and fired a couple of shots, presumably to let everyone know that he was coming.

It is now thought from evidence collected that these men are only a part of the gang which are operating all over this part of Oregon so audaciously. However, it is only a matter of time when these men will be captured and punished.

MOTORCYCLISTS HAVE FINE RUN

About twenty-five members and friends of the Portland Motorcycle club came out to Forest Grove Sunday on a pleasant little outing. They stopped here long enough to take lunch and stroll around the town a bit sightseeing and said they liked the trip so well that they might take the run again soon.

The Southern Pacific freight department which has just been moved to the new depot up town and where all the freight is now being handled, announces that the local freight from Portland will arrive here at 5 a. m. daily and that the north and south freight will depart at 11:15 a. m.

The concreting of the basement of the new Oddfellows' building is being finished.

The Southern Pacific has at last started to lay their new track through the business section of Hillsboro.

Hugh Murchinson, formerly connected with the Pioneer drug store, was calling on his friends in this city the past week. Hugh will leave in a couple of weeks for Aberdeen, Scotland, where he will visit his parents for three or four months. Hugh has been in America for about seven years, and the old home is calling him.

Vic Brown, deputy fire-warden, took a trip to Scoggins Valley, Saturday.

Rev. Hilton favored the Press last week with a copy of the Healdsburg Tribune (California) in which we note that he has just recovered from a short spell of illness.

LOCAL GIRL HAS HIGHEST AVERAGE

Of any Eighth Grade Pupil in Schools of Washington County

Miss Camilla Mills, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Mills, has the distinction of passing the best average in her studies of any eighth grade pupil in the county, making a general average of 93.1. Miss Mills is only 14 years of age, and has been in the Forest Grove schools seven years. She came with her parents from Arnold, Nebraska. Miss Mills will enter the High school here in September.

CORNELIUS TRIBUNE CHANGES HANDS

Last week the Cornelius Tribune changed hands and the former owners have left for Harrisburg, where they have secured a location. They also removed the plant to the same place and the paper is being printed at another office until further arrangements are made by the new manager, Mr. Lawrence Fernsworth, who will take charge about the 25th of this month. We extend a hearty welcome to the new brother editor and hope the people of Cornelius will support him and their paper with added patronage, as a live newspaper is one of a city's greatest assets.

To Survey South.

From an authentic source it has been learned that two Southern Pacific surveying parties were to commence on the Coos Bay to Crescent City Southern Pacific survey on the first of July and make the final and permanent location of this route. It is not known whether both parties will work from the Coos Bay end of this route, or whether one crew will be put on at the Crescent City end. At any rate, the surveying party now working at Empire is supposed to be the first of the parties to start work on the location.—Salem Daily Abstract.

Notice.

There will be a called meeting of the Woman's Club Monday afternoon, July 21st, at 3 o'clock at the reading room to hear the report of the committee on the club house site and to transact other business. This is an important meeting and we hope all members will make an effort to attend.—By order of the president.

Porter Starrett has begun the work of tearing down the old water tower which he purchased from the city last week.

Grandpa Dille, who has been quite seriously ill for the past week at his home here with a number of complications, was taken Sunday morning to the local sanitarium.

Walt Sears, one of our efficient and popular barbers, has announced his intention of taking a vacation about the first of next week. Hope you get started Walt and that the big one does not get away.

Misses Liza and Christina Jensen left Sunday for Walla Walla college, where they expect to attend teachers' institute and summer school.

COUNTY SALOONS CLOSED DOWN

Anti-Saloon League Takes Another Whirl Under New License Law

The Anti-Saloon League have found that under the new hotel provision of the liquor law, they can close up a lot of saloons over the state. They have closed two saloons at Banks, one at Timber and one at North Plains, worrying the owners considerably as it is said that they will have to secure new licenses before opening their bars again.

The Anti-aloon league, it is said, will move to close saloons all over the state under this law, at any rate a test case will probably be tried at Hillsboro to settle the matter definitely.

Another Pioneer Gcn: to Rest

Mrs. Olaf Aschim, died at her home in Scoggins Valley on Thursday, July 10, after a short illness. The remains were laid to rest in the Hill cemetery on Friday. Jennie Embree was born in Norway on February 12, 1851, and came to America when a young woman, spending several years in Minnesota. She was married about 35 years ago, later coming to Portland. The family came to Scoggins Valley about 21 years ago. She was the mother of five children, two sons surviving her, John Aschim, Deputy game warden of Tillamook county and Oscar, who left Seattle on July 6th for Alaska. She is also survived by her husband.

Mrs. Aschim was known as a kind considerate friend and neighbor, and ever ready to aid those in sickness or trouble, and was loved by all who knew her.

Card of Thanks.

During the great suffering, and after the death of Mrs. Jennie Aschim, the neighbors all showed very great sympathy and kindness in word and deed, and thus, no doubt, to some extent, alleviated her suffering. We wish to express our heartfelt thanks.

O. ASCHIM, husband,
JOHN ASCHIM, son.

The Wilson River correspondent of the Tillamook Herald has the following to say with which we emphatically agree:—The writer recently took a hike over the Wilson river road to Forest Grove. A trip a large number take every summer to enjoy the many and varied interesting scenes along the route as well as to partake of the hospitality of the inns along the road. It is too bad that a few dollars cannot be expended on certain bad spots especially on the summit, it would be a fair automobile road during the dryer months of July and August when many who are sweltering in the heat of the interior would like a short cut to the ocean.

An attractive booklet, descriptive of the Yellowstone Park, put out by the Northern Pacific was presented to the Press by the agent of the Oregon Electric this week. It is a very fine specimen of the printers' art and would not be amiss in the library of any home.

Amer Smith, of Vancouver, Washington, visited his father, Levi Smith, in this city, the past week. Amer had been away from the Grove for several years and he notes many changes.