

**LOCAL NEWS ITEMS**

Mrs. J. W. Elkins is visiting in Portland.

Clyde Corbett is in Portland for medical treatment.

V. A. Forbes returned last week from attending court in Prineville.

There will be services at the Catholic church Sunday at 10:30 a. m.

The Afternoon 500 club will meet tomorrow with Mrs. M. S. Lattin.

Rodger G. Caldwell of Portland was in Bend on business yesterday.

T. C. Rauch and family expect to start Friday for California in a rig.

The Caballero Club will give a dance in Sather's hall Saturday night.

Mrs. C. P. Niswonger entertained the teachers at her home Thursday night.

Horn, to Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Putnam, Tuesday noon, a 9 1/2-pound boy.

The band concert Friday night will be at the corner of Bond and Oregon streets.

Bill Howell was arrested Sunday for fighting and was fined \$15 in Recorder Ellis' court.

Frank Holton has returned from Klamath Falls where he went several weeks ago on business.

Friday night Mrs. A. M. Lara gave a reception in honor of Miss Arrie Black, who left Monday for her home at Roseburg.

F. H. Chamberlain, who was formerly engaged in missionary work in the east, has recently arrived in

Bend from Portland with his wife and five children. They are tenting on the Mosher tract.

C. L. Mead, owner of the Imperial Hotel in Portland, with his wife and son, spent the past week in Bend, at the Altamont.

The Priscilla Club met at the West home Monday night, Miss Gertrude Horton and Miss Pauline Wiest being the hostesses.

The Deschutes survey party has rented the room where the library formerly was, next to the light company's office, for a store room.

The school children have been having picnics galore this week. The high school students went up river Monday and had a big outing.

William Randles and family arrived Monday from Friday Harbor, Wash., making the long trip by auto. They will make their home here. The Randleses are old friends of Paul K. Peterson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Drake, who have been at the Mountain View for several weeks, left this morning for Berkeley, Cal., where they will visit relatives for several weeks before returning to their home in Seattle.

S. P. Lev, formerly assistant sales manager of the Bend Park Company, has gone into the real estate business in Seattle for himself, now being the manager of the Bend Land Company, in the Arcade Building.

The crew of engineers who are engaged on the survey of the Deschutes river went into camp at Benham Falls Monday on the east side. A diamond drill will be used in making soundings for a dam reservoir site at the falls.

The City Council had a short session last night but nothing of importance was done. There will be another meeting Friday evening when the city engineer will file the assessment roll in the street improvement work now under way.

The Bend people had an abundance of amusement last Friday evening. In addition to the regular attractions of the evening, there was a concert by the band at Wall and Minnesota streets, a basket social by the Methodist ladies in the Johnson building and a dance in Sather's Hall by the Royal Neighbors of America.

The forestry telephone line to Crane Prairie has been finished to within a mile of the ranger station. This stretch cannot be put up until later in the season when the meadow dries off. A portion of the spur up Green Mountain was constructed but this work could not be finished now owing to the snow yet on the mountain.

A slight change has been made in the program of lectures arranged by Dr. Gorbj as announced in The Bulletin last week. Instead of the lecture by Dr. Coe this evening, Dr. Gorbj will give a preliminary talk and Dr. Coe will speak next Monday evening. All are invited to attend the meetings, which will be held at the residence of H. B. Ford at 7:45. Miss Mililene LeRoux of Walla Walla, Wash., is visiting her sister, Mrs. O. M. Patterson.

**TOWNSITE PROMOTER HERE**

St. Paul Man is Interested in Development West of the Cascades.

"It is my confident expectation that the railroad will come across the Cascades within a couple of years."

Such was the statement of A. A. White, townsite promoter of St. Paul, who was here yesterday. While Mr. White flatly states that he and his associates have no connection with any railroad, it has always been a matter of common report that at least indirectly he was affiliated with the Hill interests. During the 40 years of his activity he has laid out and owned more than 40 townsites, about 20 of which were on Hill lines, chiefly in Minnesota, Montana and North Dakota.

Mr. White is strating three townsites on the west slope of the Cascades about opposite Bend. One will be at Foster, at the junction of middle and south forks of the Santiam river, one a mile and a half east of Cascadia and the third at Clear Lake, near the summit of the Cascades, where extensive power developments are under way, said to be Hill work. The latter will be a summer resort hotel principally. Mr. White is the owner of the Oregon Hotel in Prineville, which, he states, he has for sale.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**Methodist.**  
Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m., Epworth League at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday at 8 p. m. Choir practice Wednesday at 8 p. m.

**Church of the Brethren.**  
No services next Sunday. Services Sunday, June 1, at 3 p. m. in Methodist church.

**Presbyterian.**  
Regular services at the Star Theater next Sunday, conducted by the pastor. The children's day program announced for June 8 has been postponed until the new church is completed. Sunday school Sunday at 10 a. m., Ross Farham, supt.

**Baptist.**  
Sunday school at 9:45, preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Brotherhood at 3 p. m. Young people's meeting at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting at 8 p. m. on Wednesday. Choir practice Tuesday evening at 7:30.

**KING OF GAMBLEKS**

**Francois Blanc, the Ex-Convict,**

**Who Bought Monaco.**

**THEN STARTED MONTE CARLO.**

**A Bold and Reckless Soldier of Fortune, He Instituted the Gilded Gaming Palace That Now Wins Millions Yearly For Its Wealthy Owners.**

Francois Blanc, an ex-convict from Lombard, bought the principality of Monaco, boots and baggage. The genius of gambling had claimed many an individual, many a noble and his estate and not infrequently an entire city, but it had never before undertaken such a conquest as this.

Francois Blanc is one of the most remarkable of all soldiers of fortune. Of his early history little is known. He was seized by the authorities of Homburg for having made fraudulent use of the telegraph in relation to stock exchange news received from Paris. His method was one of the very oldest—namely, the corruption of the employees. It seems that at this time the German law did not precisely cover this species of swindling, and he and his twin brother escaped with a sentence of seven months.

Francois Blanc was not discouraged. He had accumulated 100,000 francs, and with that sum he established the Kursaal at Homburg. The Kursaal flourished, and Blanc might have gone on there to the realization of his ambitions but for the national sentiment he was shrewd enough to foresee. Blanc realized that the time was not far distant when the German people would put down the sort of gambling in which he was engaged, so he began to look about for some new country in which to set up his temple of fortune.

On the coast of the Mediterranean, between the kingdoms of France and Italy, there was a little independent principality. It was not more than two miles and a quarter long and hardly three-quarters of a mile wide, but it was an independent kingdom, with an old and royal house.

Charles III. was the reigning prince, but he was a tattered monarch, and his court was a beggarly make believe. In his desperate situation it is said he applied to a shrewd Parisian for counsel, who advised him to set up gaming tables and thereby "ruin other people's subjects since you have already ruined your own."

Charles III. followed that pregnant advice. He sold a gambling concession to the principality to two adventurers, Duval and Lefevre. These men built the casino, but their venture was not particularly successful. They asserted that Charles' aversion could not be satisfied, and when Francois Blanc arrived on the Mediterranean, around 1859, he bought the concession and moved his gambling establishment from the Kursaal at Homburg to Monaco.

Francois Blanc was a bold and daring adventurer. The little principality was divided practically into three towns—Monaco, Coudamine and Monte Carlo. It was the last that Francois Blanc occupied. He employed the best architect to be had, built a great casino, laid out beautiful gardens and terraces and expended over \$3,000,000 upon the mere prospect of making Monte Carlo the gambling headquarters of Europe.

Francois Blanc, the ex-convict from Homburg, was no ordinary man. Lord Brougham said that Blanc was the greatest financier of his time. At any rate, his great financial adventure justified itself. Blanc came to live in splendor. He married his daughters to princes, he accumulated a fortune of 250,000,000 francs, and he left behind him an establishment that nets at least 15,000,000 a year in profits.

More than this, Francois Blanc bought and paid for the principality of Monaco. He paid Charles III. 500,000 francs a year and all his expenses, with a percentage of the profits; he kept up all the roads and gardens for the principality; he paid the police and magistrates and all fixed charges of the kingdom. Moreover, when the merchants of Nice endeavored to persuade the French senate to resist gambling at Monte Carlo and when the subjects of the principality threatened to revolt, Blanc, daring and full of resources, had Charles issue an edict abolishing all taxes in the principality, and out of his concession, in addition to what he had already paid, Blanc paid all the taxes of Monaco.

When Albert Honore Charles, the present Prince of Monaco, came to the throne he remained under the thumb of the famille Blanc, and in 1888 the concession they had obtained was renewed for fifty years upon the payment of 10,000,000 francs down, 15,000,000 to be paid in 1914 and other vast sums, together with practically all fixed charges of the principality. All this is done by a company called La Societe des Bains de Mer de Monte Carlo. And so the genius of gambling ate a king and his court, a monarch of one of the oldest reigning houses in Europe—palace, an army, a principality with its subjects, and a bishop and cathedral to boot!—Melville Davidson Post, in the Saturday Evening Post.

**Kept Him Posted.**  
"Conscience is what tells a man when he is doing wrong."  
"That may be true in your family," replied Mr. Meekton, "but my wife's name is Henrietta."—Washington Star

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**MUSICAL SHOW TONIGHT**

Band Will Give Excellent Program at the Dream.

The Bend Concert Band has arranged an excellent program which it will give this evening at the Dream Theater, there being two performances, starting at 7:45 o'clock. In addition to orchestra numbers, there will be selections by several ladies, and the Priscilla girls will give a scarf drill. The following is the program:

- PROGRAM.**
- March.....Koh-I-Noor Orchestra.
  - Vocal Solo.....Selected Mrs. Forrest.
  - Cornet Solo.....Selected Ashley Forrest.
  - Waltz....."Only a Dream" Orchestra.
  - Scarf Drill.....Priscilla Club.
  - Violin Solo.....Selected Mrs. E. V. Ward.
  - Selection, "Mariana".....Wallace Orchestra.
  - Mandolin Solo, "Mexicali".....Springer O. M. Gupta.
  - Vocal Solo.....Selected Mrs. R. J. Todd.
  - Bend Park March.....Walter Bell Orchestra.
- ADMISSION 25c AND 15c

**RIS-POTTS WEDDING**

Bend Man Goes to North Carolina to Claim His Bride.

The following special dispatch to the Charlotte (N. C.) Observer will be read with interest here, both the bride and groom being well known in Bend:

"Winston-Salem, N. C., May 15.—A marriage of very wide interest occurred here at 6 o'clock this evening at the residence of Capt. and Mrs. W. L. Stagg, West End, when their niece, Miss Ruth Potts, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Potta, was wedded to Mr. John Ris of Bend, Or., the son of Jacob Ris of New York, philanthropist, lecturer and author. Rev. W. A. Lambeth, pastor of the West End Methodist church, officiated and the only attendant was Mrs. Frank Stagg as dame of honor."

It is understood here that Mr. and Mrs. Ris will spend some time at the summer home of the bridegroom's father, Blue Branch Farm, Barre, Mass. Afterward they will come to Bend to reside. Mr. Ris being in the United States forest service.

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