

THE COURIER. Official Paper of Josephine County, Oregon. FRIDAY, DEC. 10, 1886. STATE AND COUNTY OFFICIALS. STATE OFFICIALS: Governor, R. P. EARHART; Secretary, F. H. HANCOCK; Treasurer, H. B. MILLER; Senator, S. P. MITCHELL; Representative, E. B. McLELLAN; Supt. Pub. Instruction, Hon. L. R. WENSTER; Circuit Judge, Wm. M. COLVIER; District Attorney, Volney COVING.

OUR BUSINESS DIRECTORY. GRANT'S PASS. GENERAL MERCHANDISE. L. VANCE—Cor. 6th and H streets. Geo. W. RIDDLE—Main st., near 6th. CAMPBELL & TAYLOR—Cor. 6th & H sts. H. P. D. & I. Co.—Office and store cor. 6th and Main streets.

CELEBRITIES. J. M. CHILES—507 4th and Main sts. J. E. MARSHALL & SON—207 7th & Main. SHILTON & CHAPMAN—Main st. near 6th. E. A. ESTER—Main st., bet. 4th & 5th. ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW. DAVIS BROTHERS—6th & 8th Sts. S. U. MITCHELL—Main st. next door to Courthouse. SAM WHITE—Main st., bet. 4th and 5th.

W. F. KRAMER—National Drug Store. W. W. VAN DYKE—Main st. bet. 6th and 7th. W. H. FLYNN—6th street below H. W. H. GRAY—507 Main and 3rd sts. M. V. BROWN—Main st. bet. 4th and 5th. MISCELLANEOUS. A. W. BROWN—Furniture dealer and Architect—Main st., bet. 4th and 5th. W. RAZER & SON—Floor and Feed store—Main st. opposite Courthouse building. SHILTON & CHAPMAN—Hardware and Groceries—6th street, between Main and H. J. E. MARSHALL & SON—Furniture and 6th street, between Main and H. THOMAS & CO.—Blacksmith—H street, near corner of 6th. S. A. GIBSON & SON—Groceries and Hardware—Main st. bet. 4th and 5th. CITY MARKET—Main st. near 6th. PEOPLE'S MARKET—Cor. Front and 4th sts. O. B. STEARNS—Shoe store—6th and H sts. L. S. SMITH—Livery stable—H st. bet. 6th and 7th. J. M. CHILES—Furniture store—6th st. between Main and H. H. H. GRAY—Furniture store—Main st. near 6th. J. M. CHILES—Furniture store—Main st. near 6th. J. M. CHILES—Furniture store—Main st. near 6th.

Special Announcement! The readers of the COURIER are informed that we have made arrangements for clothing that forms 48-column weekly paper, THE YANKEE BLADE, a periodical which needs no recommendation from us, as one of the highest, cleanest and best story papers in America. Each number contains nine or ten complete stories, one or two serials by the best authors, poetry, household receipts, witty sayings, and in fact everything that goes toward making a bright and interesting story paper. The regular price of The Yankee Blade is \$2.00 a year. We offer to either old or new subscribers, The ROGUE RIVER COURIER and The YANKEE BLADE from now until Dec. 31st, 1887, for \$3.00. The regular price of both papers is \$4.25. Those who wish to take advantage of this extraordinary offer, can secure a sample copy of The Yankee Blade by sending their addresses to the Publishers of The Yankee Blade, 20 Hawley St., Boston, Mass. In ordering please remit to this office the amount above stated, giving your full address.

A NASAL INJECTOR free with each bottle of Shiloh's catarrh remedy. Price 25 cents. At Kramer's. IMPOTENCY in man or woman cured by Gilmore's Aromatic Wine. For sale at Kramer's drug store. Paid up subscribers or new subscribers to the COURIER, by paying the sum of \$5 cash, will receive both the COURIER and "West Shore" one year. The West Shore will be accompanied by a magnificent holiday engraving of Mt. Hood, 18x24, printed in eight colors, whose worth more than the amount paid. SHILOH'S CURE will immediately relieve cough, whooping cough and bronchitis. For sale at Kramer's. REV. W. F. BEQUA, Baptist church, Astoria, Ill., says that Gilmore's Aromatic Wine is a household remedy and that no family should be without it. For sale at Kramer's drug store. Call at the COURIER Job Office for Superior Job Work.

Local and Personal. Better Than Gold to-night. Joseph Moss is still improving. Plenty of water for the miners. Don't miss the drama, its immense. The COURIER job work cannot be excelled. Some one stole Frank Jordan's pistol recently. By all means let us have our town incorporated. Miss Cora Smith has taken a case in the COURIER office. The Mason boys, the famous accordion players, are back. Mrs. F. M. Nickerson gave us a pleasant call on Wednesday. Joseph Scott has the thanks of the COURIER office for favors. The weather changed and rain set in for certain last Tuesday. Thanks to Fred Geyer for a very fine sample of Fall Butter Pear. Mr. Cornelius of Jump Off Joe has added a new grant to his claim. Shiner & Judson have changed the style of their "ad." Read it. Wm. Bybee Sr., Benj. Bull Sr., and Alson Avery were in town last Friday. Large shipments of wheat have been made from Central Point this season. F. M. Davis, a druggist of Month-mouth has departed for parts unknown. The Times makes no direct mention of the death of Frank Krause, editor of the Sentinel. Filling the street in front of the Commercial hotel may be credited to Mr. Jordan, mine host. A car load of Washington flour, the best in Southern Oregon just received at J. M. Chiles'.

Hon. Frank C. Baker, state printer elect, has his office at Salem in readiness for the work before him. There were two pleasant parties in town this week, at the residences of J. M. Chiles and S. M. Wilcox. Go to J. M. Chiles for your Christmas candies, raisins, oranges, lemons and other nice things. A mail car was recently burned at Mukedo Mine, destroying all the mail for points between Fargo and Portland. Willis York has just erected a first class seven plank fence around his lot near Erickson's place west of Gilbert creek. Mail necessary service may be established in Woodville, Jackson county, Oregon, on the Oregon & California Railroad. Give Houston conductor on the freight train was very sick between this place and Ashland on the regular up trip last Friday evening. An assortment of fine chewing tobacco just to hand, from Henry Co., Va. and the finest tobacco ever in the town at J. M. Chiles'.

The next important step for Grant's Pass is a large ditch—safe investment and there is money in it. Then our town would "boom" for certain. Thanks to S. A. Richardson and Jas. Turner of Althouse for favors. Mr. Richardson's is the first name on our subscription books for that precinct. James W. Wilmer and Thos. Mee left on the north bound train Monday night for Roseburg, where they go to negotiate the sale of their famous Economist press. Hurray for Woodville and Central Point holiday grit. Those who want to see the lawlessness of a true Oregonian, will please call at either place and be happy for once. Woodville has decided to have on Christmas Eve at W. J. Stanley's Hall, an Entertainment, Christmas Tree, and Social Dance; the proceeds to be donated to the school furniture fund. On Dec. 24th, Central Point proposes to have a shooting-match and horse-racing; also a fat man foot race in which Ed Caton, Haskell Amy, and Prof. Jasper Hall will participate; also a grand ball at night. W. P. Hannum & Co. have been delivering some very choice trees, shrubs and ornamental vines from the depot at this place. From the quantity, it would seem that the people have fully awakened to the fact that this is a fruit country. We are compelled to settle up with the employes of the COURIER office and our other accounts on or before January 1, 1887, therefore those indebted on job work account or advertising will please be prepared to settle the same on or before that date. Old Santa Claus has come and taken up his headquarters at E. A. Ester's New Grocery Store. Fine Candies and Toys of all description for Christmas. Also, Staple and Fancy Groceries. If you want goods at low figures for cash, give him a call. Geo. W. Merrill, the indefatigable wheat buyer, informs us that he shipped from Medford this week a wheat train of 25 cars; and that he will ship, during the week, from points along the road, between 60 and 70 cars, having shipped between 600 and 700 car loads from different points during the season.

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