

DAVIDSON

The old ground hog appears to be keeping up his reputation as a weather prophet.

The placer miners are most all happy and the others would be if the rule of live and let live was applied to the heart.

J. H. Tompkins, our strawberry man and agent for the Chico nursery Co., has shipped in quite a number of fruit trees for several parties here who are improving their orchards with a view of going into the fruit business.

Ike Vincent, our school clerk, was at Davidson and vicinity this week taking the census of school children and as Josephine county's part of this joint school district furnishes about three-fourths of the school, the clerk was quite busy and has good reason to think that our people agreed with President Roosevelt's theory.

W. S. Bailey is talking rural telephones to the people in this neighborhood, and soliciting subscribers for the purpose of organizing a farmers telephone system in the Missouri Flat, Applegate and Williams valleys. A meeting will be held at Provolt on Saturday, March 10 at 2:30 p. m. to hear the report of the committee.

Mayor J. M. Retalac, who has been sick most all the winter, is not much better at this time. The mayor has concluded to sell his little farm here as his health will not permit him to do any work. He has a fine little place of 10 acres which has a good orchard on it and also some alfalfa. Anyone desiring a nice little home could get a bargain from the mayor.

John Barrow, after a lingering illness for many months, passed quietly away at his home and was buried in the Missouri Flat cemetery on the 24th inst. Mr. Barrow leaves a wife and five small children who like many others of the unfortunate, are not possessed of much of this world's goods, however, the people in the neighborhood have been generous in contributing to their need, and those living near them were kind in giving assistance during Mr. Barrow's illness.

KUBLI

Who said rain?

Daniel Berlin has been on the sick list but is convalescing.

Chas. Burkhalter butchered and took to Grants Pass three fine hogs, Monday.

J. L. Woodriddle has been quite sick with the gripe but is some better at this writing.

Joe Cook butchered five fine hogs Monday and took them to the Grants Pass market Tuesday.

Amos Cook and wife, of Applegate, are visiting here this week, with their brother, James Cook.

Dorance Dotson and wife of Grants Pass spent Saturday and Sunday with her brother, J. L. Woodriddle.

Mr. Long, who was operated on at Portland, for a cancer of the stomach, is again in our midst and we are glad to note his chance for recovery.

Applegate river is still on a "boom" and in places it is washing away valuable land. We are now looking for "old Sol" to appear again.

Our enterprising merchant, K. J. Kubli, was in Grants Pass Saturday bringing home a heavy load of freight to be added to his stock of merchandise.

Raleigh Carns and Mr. Davidson have quit mining because certain parties are objecting to the tailings from the mine, claiming an injury to their property. Some people are always "sore" if they see others have a show to make a stake.

Geo. Swinney and wife of Hugo, Oregon are here this week visiting Mrs. Swinney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodriddle. They intended to return home Sunday but on account of Mrs. Swinney having an attack of the gripe are detained until her recovery.

R. U. Wile.

State Horticultural Society to Meet in Medford.

Editor Courier: There was a stirring meeting of the fruit growers of the Rogue River Valley, held in Medford on last Saturday and an auxiliary to the State Horticultural Society perfected. The outlook is very flattering for the largest membership of any local organization in the state. The yearly meeting will be held in Medford. The other meetings of the year will be held in the different towns of the valley from Ashland to Grants Pass. There were more trees planted in the Rogue river valley last year than Hood River has now growing and we hope to profit, after being shown by our bustling northern neighbors.

The June meeting of the State Horticultural Society will be held in Medford. Visitors may expect to be royally entertained.

C. E. HUSKINS,
Gold Hill, February 27.

PROVOLT

Jim Elevins and I. G. Roberts made Grants Pass a business trip last Monday.

The frogs in the ponds are singing parigoric which we look upon as a coming sign of Spring.

J. L. Woodriddle has been on the sick list for the past several days with gripe but we hope he will be around again soon.

Bonnie Watts and Leo Bailey will leave for the hills in a few days for a short season's trapping in the Gray-back range where wild fur bearing animals are plentiful.

A. M. Knox, Fred Knox and Bill Hill took a fine lot of work horses to Grants Pass last Monday, which they had sold to a San Francisco horse buyer a short time ago. We learn that C. O. Bigelow passed through Provolt a few days ago with a fine herd of choice beef cattle for W. I. Sweetland of Grants Pass. The drivers experienced quite a bit of trouble as the cattle were very wild and mean. The highest price paid was \$200 each.

The Powell Creek Lumber Co. will move their saw mill, which is now located near the mouth of Powell creek, to Merlin in a short time where they purchased a four hundred acre tract of timber which is much closer to the railroad than the timber of this section.

Bill Haney, of Jacksonville, has received the contract of enlarging the Cook, Rexford and Pernoll ditch of Clinton Cook, C. M. Rexford and K. J. Kubli, who have purchased the right to enlarge the ditch from the old ditch company. The ditch will be enlarged to four feet eight inches on the bottom, two foot deep and seven feet on top which will give the ditch about twice its present capacity of water and add quite a bit to the present number of acres under irrigation near Provolt.

Doctors Loughridge and Smith accompanied by the trained nurse of the Grants Pass hospital made a hurried trip through here last Monday, en route to Williams where they were called to perform an operation on Miss Rena Bingaman of that place for appendicitis. They young lady is only about 18 years of age and is very refined in character and her presence would be greatly missed by her many friends if she should lose her life. She has been bothered for some months with the appendicitis but thought she was getting better till a few days ago when she was taken very sick. The doctor informed us that her case had gone too long and there was only one chance out of a hundred for her recovery, which we all regret to learn.

Sam Sloper.

HOLLAND

W. A. Leonard was in town Tuesday.

Chas. Hart was in town one day this week on business.

Miss Addie Hart returned home from Kerby Friday.

Harvey Kellogg is sojourning in Kerby for a short time.

Stormy weather, but good for the farmer and the miner.

Mrs. Minnie Tyner is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Seyfeth of Holland.

Mrs. John M. Smock and daughters attended the masquerade ball at Kerby February 22.

Phil Starr arrived from Grants Pass and left for the Briggs mine on Sackee creek Sunday.

Geo. Porter and Mart Jones are busy packing supplies to the Gold Pick mines on Bolan creek.

J. M. Smock, accompanied by his wife and daughter, was out repairing the telephone line one day this week.

Mrs. J. F. Kellogg returned home from Kerby Friday where she has been visiting friends for the past week.

W. A. Leonard and wife attended the lecture on woman suffrage Friday afternoon. Billy says vote for the women.

W. O. Tyner, T. A. Glynn, Henry King and Ralph Kitterman left Tuesday for the Gold Pick mines where they have positions in the mine.

Frank Fowler, manager of the Gold Pick Mine Company's properties on Bolan creek, arrived in Holland Saturday from Grants Pass where he had been on business.

W. E. Bowen of Grants Pass came in on Monday's stage on his way to the Gold Pick mine on Bolan creek, where he will assume the position of assistant at the company's mill.

A Menace to Health.

Kidney trouble is an insidious danger, and many people are victims of a serious malady before the symptoms are recognized. Foley's Kidney Cure corrects irregularities and strengthens and builds up the kidneys, and it should be taken at the first indication of kidney trouble, as it is impossible to have good health if the kidneys are deranged. For sale by H. A. Rotermann.

WILDERVILLE

School is prospering finely with Mr. Brown as teacher.

The sun looks nice again after a week of rainy weather.

Rev. Clark preached an excellent sermon Sunday, the 25th.

Addie Robinson is spending a few days with the home folks.

Little Burton Robinson fell recently and hurt his left arm quite badly.

R. D. Lindsay made a business trip to Grants Pass one day of this week.

Mrs. Scott Robinson has been quite sick, but is much better at this writing.

R. M. Robinson made a business trip to Grants Pass Tuesday of this week.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCann, on Feb. 22, a nine pound boy. All parties doing well.

Claudius Robinson is home now from the State University and his health has been poorly of late.

Miss Laura Clay, of Kentucky, gave two good addresses on woman suffrage Sunday and Monday last. She is a good speaker and handles the subject exceedingly well. Uncle Fuller.

Quartz blanks at the Courier office.

GIANT TREES OF ILLINOIS VALLEY

Biggest Oak in Southern Oregon, A Big Sugar Pine and a Mammoth Cherry Tree.

S. F. Bacus and W. R. Whipple returned Friday from a 10 days trip to the Illinois Valley, the greater part of which time they spent on Mr. Whipple's farm near Takilma and at his copper claims adjoining the famous Queen of Bronze mines. They report that the development work being carried on at the Queen of Bronze and the other mines that supply ore to the Takilma smelter, this winter is opening up a large quantity of high-grade copper ore. When the smelter starts, which it is to do early in the Spring, there will be ore enough blocked out to keep it running to its full capacity so long as the roads keep dry enough to permit coke to be hauled in. Mr. Whipple has his claims opened up sufficiently to show that they carry high grade copper ore and apparently in large quantities. While on the trip Mr. Whipple and Mr. Bacus measured some big trees that were near the road in the Illinois Valley with a steel surveyor's tape

that Mr. Whipple had with him. One of the trees measured was a sugar pine, which at four feet from the ground was 27 feet and eight inches in circumference. An oak growing in Ed. Daily's field, 2 1/2 miles north of Kerby, was found to be 22 feet and five inches around, making it probably the largest oak in Southern Oregon. This oak is likely fully 400 years old and is yet vigorous and bids fair to live a century or more. A giant cherry tree, growing on Mr. Hogue's place on the Kerby road three miles north of Takilma, was found to be eight feet four inches in circumference. This tree was planted some 30 years ago by Mr. Hogue and it is yet as vigorous as a five-year old tree and bears each season a large crop of fine black cherries. It has been free from disease or pests and is proof that cherries would be a profitable fruit to grow in Illinois Valley, so soon as a railroad is built to give transportation to markets.

The Courier gives the mining news of Southern Oregon.

Charles Costain Wood Working Shop.

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Applegate Irrigating Ditch.

Editor Courier—In the issue of the Courier of February 23, your correspondent at Provolt states that the ditch on East side of Applegate river now being enlarged by K. J. Kubli of Kubli, will have a capacity of 350 inches of water. Will the Provolt correspondent give the method of estimating the capacity of said ditch? I am informed by the contractor of said ditch that this ditch is 56 inches on the bottom and seven feet on top and two feet deep and has one-fourth inch grade. The farmers are all interested in irrigation ditches and the methods of estimating the amount of water a ditch will carry will be valuable information to them.

A SUBSCRIBER.
Applegate, Ore., February 26.

The error of the Provolt correspondent, above mentioned may have been based on misinformation on his part, or it may have been a typographical error in the Courier office, but which is not known as the copy has been destroyed. By the rule of measurement given in the Oregon mining laws, this ditch would carry about 1700 inches of water.

The Best February song publications "Shoulder Straps," "Little Red Riding Hood," "Love is King." can be found at The Music Store.

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