

Items of Personal Interest.

D. Buell of Eugene was in town Tuesday. Jacob Fry was over from Illah Wednesday. Sheriff Russell was in Leland yesterday on official business. Mr. and Mrs. John Allman of Medford were in the city Tuesday. Mrs. H. L. Troax returned home from Portland Sunday after a fortnight's visit. Roy Wilson, one of the automobile agents, went to Roseburg last Friday with a weather eye for new business. Chas. V. Morrison of Sacramento, Cal., is here for an extended visit with his parents and friends. Mert Sill went over to Klamath Falls Wednesday where he will freight for Tim McIntyre this summer. Mrs. N. G. Gilkey returned to Grants Pass Tuesday after having spent the winter at Los Angeles. Ed Jones, who is operating a placer mine on the Rogue below the Applegate, came up to Grants Pass Wednesday. Mrs. L. F. Falkenstein of North Bend, spent the fore part of the week in the city, the guest of Mrs. Clara Coffman. O. H. Loug, president of Huron, S. D. College, is among the new arrivals in Grants Pass who has come here with a view of investing. Mrs. A. C. Hough entertained a coterie of friends Tuesday afternoon in compliment to Mrs. Chas. Booth of Portland, who is visiting in the city. David Yantis, wife and baby of Portland, returned home this noon, after spending a few days with friends in this city. Mr. Yantis operates a shoe store in Portland. Mrs. McDougall after a brief visit with friends here has joined her husband, the Rev. J. W. McDougal, and the two are now en route to Baltimore to attend the general conference of the M. E. church. Clans Schmidt and family left last week for a three months visit in the fatherland, most of the time will be spent in and around Hamburg. The store is in charge of J. R. McKnight, during Mr. Schmidt's absence. J. J. Frier of Lonsa Creek was attending court here this week as a juror. Mr. Frier is one of the old timers here. He came from Missouri to Oregon 63 years ago. He is now engaged in apple and prune culture.

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OUR LITERARY CLUB.



We always like to meet with Mrs. Brown. She has the coziest home there is in town, a "Homey" kind of home, you know, a place where you can sit and sort of rest your face. I know of houses gewgawed so with style, that when you enter you put on a smile—A sort of social shine, as you might say, so that you'll harmonize and be as fair. But oh, how dreadful tired I should get if I should train forever with that set. No, give me Mrs. Brown—whose happy guest Can just lounge down and rest, and rest, and rest. Her rooms are low and broad, and quiet green— That restful green, and all the pictures lean At comfortable angles, and you chat In low and cosy tones—and there's a cat, Of course a cat, that yawns there in the sun A picture of content, like everyone. Then Mrs. Brown brings out her dainty set Of tea things, and we know that we shall get The very nicest, dearest cup of tea— 'Tis CHASE & SANBORN'S brand, you know, and we Have all of us been using it 'round town, 'Tis always safe to copy Mrs. Brown.

Our first Strawberries for the season due here Saturday, April 25

Butter has again declined Sugar is higher Home grown Vegetables are Arriving Daily THE WHITE HOUSE GROCERY

C. W. Evans of Ashland was registered at the Josephine Tuesday. D. E. Dotson went down to Hill, Cal., Monday morning on a business errand. Mrs. Jos. Luttrell of Kennett, Cal., is spending a few days in the city, the guest of her mother, Mrs. Jordan. D. S. Mascoll returned home Monday from Portland where he had been on a few days' business errand. D. E. Kimball, came in from Rawhide, Nev., Sunday and left here Monday for Kirby. H. L. Lewis, one of the mine owners on the Creek was over from Galice Saturday. Dr. G. A. Martin came in from his fruit ranch last Saturday and took the morning train for Medford. Mrs. C. C. McArthur of Portland stopped off here en route to Berkeley, Cal., to spend the week with the family of A. U. Barnard. Fred Wilcox, baggage master at the S. P. depot, left Tuesday for Ashland where he will spend a few days with his uncle. D. P. Allen went out to Waldo Tuesday morning where he will, enter the employ of the Queen of Bronze mine. Miss Myrmie Grainger of Ashland spent last Sunday in Grants Pass, the guests of the Misses Lucie and Agnes George. Paint now and use Pattons 5-year guaranteed Paint—Cramer Bros. Mrs. Helen Lewis Guerin, and Mrs. Jeff Hayes, both of Portland arrived in the city Tuesday and went to Wilderville Wednesday to attend the Lewis-Light nuptials. They are sisters of the groom. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Demaray of Oseage, Iowa, parents of O. H. Demaray, arrived in the city the latter part of last week expecting to spend the summer in Grants Pass and vicinity. Miss Florence Schmidt, who is attending St. Mary's academy at Jacksonville, spent the Easter week vacation here with her mother, Mrs. J. G. Schmidt. H. V. Meade, who is now employed on the Kennet, Cal., Outlook, arrived in the city Sunday to spend a couple of days with his family. Mr. Meade was formerly with the Courier. Prof. Stanton Rowell of the G street music store left last Monday night on a business trip to Portland and Olympia and other points in Washington, and will probably be absent a week. Huxley Galbraith returned home Tuesday morning from Portland where he had been spending the past week, and in a few days will leave for Lakeview where he expects to spend the summer. Mrs. M. W. Wheeler of Central Point, a former resident of this city, who has been spending the week here with relatives and friends, returned home today accompanied by Miss Catherine Gilliland. Mr and Mrs E M Light of Grave Creek were spending a few days in the county seat this week. Mrs. Light went to Wilderville Wednesday to attend the marriage of her daughter, Ada B, to Ernest Lewis. Rev. C. H. French, D. D., President Huron college in South Dakota, was here last week visiting his brother-in-law, W. O. Long and looking over his fruit ranch at Woodville with a view of taking an interest in it. He was well pleased with it. Poultry Supplies and Petaluma Incubators at Cramer Bros. Will A. Leonard of Holland, a prominent farmer at Althouse and one of the leading politicians in that section, was in the county seat last Saturday. Mr. Leonard has sold out at Althouse but as yet has not decided what he will turn his attention to. Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Cardwell were in from Murphy last Saturday to do some trading. Mr. Cardwell has six acres of apples now coming into bearing. He says that the scale has been nearly eradicated in his section and that they are anticipating a large crop of fruit this year. P. A. DeFries came in from Merlin Saturday, to do some trading. Mr. DeFries, in company with a couple of practical mining men from Montana, will prospect this summer in Josephine county and then go farther west toward the coast. Geo. R. Hoxie came in from Williams Creek Sunday, having been summoned as one of the jurors for the April term of the circuit court. Mr. Hoxie is one of the practical miners of Josephine County. He also spent a year at Nome in quest of the yellow metal. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gorham over on Jump-off-Joe, were trading with Grants Pass merchants Saturday. Mr. Gorham is one of the prominent cattle men of Josephine county. He has a splendid herd of thoroughbred Jersey cattle and a nice flock of thoroughbred Cotswold sheep. He says quite a number of newcomers are settling in this section of the county. O. H. Perry, over on the Applegate, who owns a considerable tract three miles above Murphy, was in town last Saturday. Mr. Perry is engaged extensively in grape culture, and has planted the Tokay principally, until this year he is putting out 1000 Cornishons. This is an entirely new variety in this section, though it is raised extensively in California, where it is said to be one of the best sellers. Mr. Perry also has out a number of Malagas. Jasper Muller, teacher in School District No. 31 on Upper Williams Creek, 23 miles from here, finished the second week of his third term in the district last Friday. Special exercises were held when the pupils took occasion to name the school. A vote on the matter of a name resulted in christening the district Lone Pine. This is one of the excellent schools in the county.

Wm. Bybee of Jacksonville spent Sunday in Grant Pass. T. Y. Dean went to Roseburg Monday. T. W. Pack returned home Monday from a business trip to Roseburg. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Brown of Kirby were registered at the Layton Sunday. G. H. Pease of Placer was in the city over Sunday. Fred Mesach went to Hugo Sunday night to do some surveying. After an extended visit with friends in Grants Pass Mr and Mrs A. Anderson left Monday for The Dalles. J. O. Booth left for California and New Mexico last Monday, to be gone several weeks with the hope of regaining his health. After a two weeks visit with his parents and friends in this city, J. C. Hackett returned to San Francisco last Saturday. Miss LaRant left Monday for San Francisco after a week's visit in this city. Her home is at Gordon Valley. Miss Cora Smith, who is teaching school at Kirby, spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother and friends in this city. Judge J. O. Booth left Monday morning for a six weeks tour of Arizona and New Mexico. Joe Schmidt of Selma, senior member of the saw mill firm of Schmidt Bros. & Welter, was in Grants Pass last Sunday. Poultry raisers Use Prussia Lice Killer NOW and keep your hens clean. For sale by Cramer Bros. E. J. Porteus, manager of the Rogue River Mining and Development Co., moved his family from this city yesterday to Marial, near which place his company is operating mines. Rev. C. H. Cleaver of the South M. E. church, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis has recovered sufficiently that he will occupy his pulpit next Sunday. Dr. M. C. Findley expects to leave next Tuesday on a tour of Europe. He will first visit London and then Edinburgh, Berlin and other cities across the Atlantic. Mrs. Alex Brown of Kirby, a sister of J. T. Gilmore of this city, who is now here under the doctor's care, will leave shortly for San Francisco to undergo a surgical operation. Miss Austie Barron of Ashland, arrived in the city last Saturday and spent the early part of the week here, the guest of Mrs. Vivian McCarthy. She returned home yesterday. Wm. York, one of the leading cattlemen on the Applegate, was in the county seat Wednesday. He reports the grass excellent in the hills and says stock is doing exceedingly well. Mrs. I. Thompson and daughter, Miss Daisy of Kirby, are among those from this vicinity who will be at Frisco to meet the naval fleet. They left here last Monday for the big town on the bay. H. J. Russell of the Gold Bar mine at the big bend in the Rogue, came in from Illihoe Sunday after a couple of miners. The Gold Bar is running one shift now but Mr. Russell states that another shift will be added the latter part of the week. S. H. Briggs and son George returned home Sunday night from Klamath Falls and Lakeview where they had spent a week looking at land with a view to buying. They were most favorably impressed with that section, however, and returned without investing. Mrs. D. M. Watson of this city, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. William Phelps of Oakland, Cal., who has been visiting here for the past few weeks, left Monday for San Francisco, where the former's husband is soliciting memberships to the Modern Woodmen lodge. H. L. Andrews, secretary of the commercial club, left for Portland Sunday night. He goes to the metropolis for the purpose of revising the proof and subject matter to be contained in the forthcoming pamphlet being printed by the Sunset Magazine advertising Grants Pass and Josephine county. Postmaster P. A. Cook of Draper, who has been spending the winter here with his daughter, Mrs. J. H. Woodridge, left today for Draper to look after business interests and particularly the spring clean-up on his mine, known as the Cook placer, which his son, T. J., has been operating the past season. Mr. Cook has been postmaster at Draper for the past 26 years. The ball game between the Grants Pass and Medford teams scheduled at Medford last Sunday was declared off. The reason given by the Medford twirlers is that two of their men were out of town, but some of the local fans aver that it was only a case of "cold feet." The game was postponed indefinitely. The Grants Pass team will play Jacksonville next Sunday at Jacksonville. This is the only date they have booked at this time, though it is expected that a number of games will soon be arranged for the home diamond, including a bout with Roseburg and others. H. C. Telford of Klamath Falls arrived in the city Wednesday to attend Presbytery and to visit his sisters, Misses Hattie and Emma. Mr. Telford and son are engaged in building steam and gasoline launches at Klamath Falls. He, with the Rev. Geo. H. Pratt started from Klamath Falls by boat at 3 o'clock Monday morning, but before they had proceeded very far the boiler in the launch blew up and they were compelled to return. Rev. Pratt then concluded that he would not repeat the attempt. Mr. Telford, however, made another start, Tuesday morning and arrived at Weed too late to catch the train, and was thus laid out again. He finally reached here Thursday morning.

A Brief Record of Local Events.

Among those who have been serving on the jury this week were T. J. Mackin and John McCallin, two of the successful farmers and fruit growers near Leland. The Grants Pass Fisherman's union met at fireman's hall last Saturday night and organized for the season of 1908 by the election of Henry Hudon, president, A. Umphlett, vice president, A. Aubrey, secretary and L. L. Jewell, treasurer. The regular annual conference of the Free Methodist church of Oregon will convene at Portland next Wednesday, April 29th and continue in session over Sunday. Rev. E. D. Blackman, pastor of the Grants Pass charge, will be present and possibly T. H. Gilpatrick, who is a delegate. County Treasurer Taylor has this week remitted to the state treasurer half of the tax's due the state from Josephine county, as provided by law. The other half will be sent in in October. The amount forwarded by Treasurer Taylor Wednesday was \$5175. J. C. K. McCann is the new postmaster at Wilderville. Mrs. H. D. Jones resigning on account of ill health, after having charge continuously for the past 26 years and in the same building. She has been residing with her daughter, Mrs. G. W. Lewis. A beautiful Salmon rose picked from his own garden adorned Postmaster Donnell's desk last Friday afternoon. It was one of the first of the season, though one lady told the Courier that she picked roses from her garden in the latter part of March. This should be evidence to our eastern friends of the beauty and salubrity of Oregon's climate. Though unpleasant, it nevertheless seems to be a fact, that the Grants Pass debating team met its Waterloo in the debating contest at Lebanon last Friday. The question debated was "Resolved, that members of the legislature should be chosen on the system of proportional representation," the home team having the affirmative. This is the fourth victory for the Lebanon debaters. The final for the championship of the state will be held at the state university at Eugene. James Bringer, who has been confined at the county home for the past few years, has lately shown signs of mental derangement, and last week became so violent that he was sent to the state hospital for the insane Tuesday. D. J. Jones, superintendent of the Storgis mine, one of the leading placer properties in Jackson county, was in Grants Pass last Saturday shaking heads with his numerous old time friends. Mr. Jones has mined in this part of Oregon for the past 30 years. The Storgis is owned by the Sterling Mining Co., and is under the management of J. D. Heard. Two shifts of eight men each are now employed. Mr. Jones says they expect to make a cleanup in July. Dorlon Tryon a former resident of Jacksonville died at Astoria, a short time since, after a lingering illness, aged 82 years. He was born in Ver, mo in 1826 and with his father and two brothers crossed the plains in 1849 and came direct to Oregon. Mr. Tryon came to Rogue River valley in 1851 and was one of those who subdued the Indians then in possession of this favored spot. He was possessed of considerable of this world's goods. He never married, living with a niece, Mrs. A. A. Cleveland, for many years.—Medford Tribune. It is conservatively estimated that within the coming month there will be at least 14 saw mills in operation in Josephine county and all within a radius of 30 miles of Grants Pass. The famous sugar pine, so prolific in Southern Oregon, will constitute the greater portion of the lumber output of these mills. While much of the lumber will be shipped to the eastern states a considerable portion of it will be worked up here in Grants Pass in the manufacture of all kinds of fruit boxes. Nearly all this lumber is assorted and graded before shipment right here in Grants Pass, and lumbering is but one of the many important resources of this section. J. D. Franklin, who came to Grants Pass from Leads, N. D., a couple of months ago with a view to locating, returned here Monday night from Medford, where he had been looking around. While at Medford he became interested with B. F. Clark, who operates a wholesale gasoline engine and pump establishment, which house he will represent in Josephine county; in fact he will have all the territory from Grants Pass to Eugene besides the country tributary on the east and west. Mr. Franklin will open an office here as soon as he can find a room and will make Grants Pass his headquarters and permanent home. After visiting various towns in Washington, Montana, and other points in Southern Oregon, Mr. M. Franklin says Grants Pass looks good to him. There is an unusual amount of activity on old Mt. Baldy just east of the city this spring in the line of prospecting. One of the old timers here informs the Courier that there are between 40 and 50 prospectors at work now on Baldy and Blue and Grouse mountains. Many promising prospects have been opened up and all together the outlook around Mount Baldy is most encouraging. One of the best developed properties in this section is the Jewett. The former owner died some time ago and the property has since been somewhat inactive, but it is now reported that the estate is about to be settled up so that the Jewett may be taken over by a new management and the working force greatly increased. There is a 5-stamp mill at this mine and everything is reported to be in excellent shape.



THERE WILL BE Many new bicycle riders this year and we again offer the well known and standard Columbia and Stearns Bicycles. The prices range from \$25 to \$47.50, according to equipment, but every wheel is guaranteed. Our new stock is now on hand. CRAMER BROS. ODD FELLOWS BLOCK Bicycle Repair Shop General Repairing

SOME BARGAIN POINTERS

News Notes From the Business Men to Readers. Dr. Flanagan, Physician and Dentist. Go to Coron for Plumbing. J. E. Peterson, Pioneer Insurance Man. M. Olsens, Prescription Druggist. A splendid line of Royal Charter Oak Ranges at Coron's. You will find Samson's Vegetable Wonder Soap at Alfred Snyder's restaurant on G street. 4-17 tf Cash paid for Green and Dry Hides, Furs and Wool, J. H. Ahlf, at City Market. 2-38 tf DeWitt's Carbolyzed Witch Hazel Salve. It is especially good for piles Sold by Model Drug Store. 4-3 13. You will find Samson's Vegetable Wonder Soap at Alfred Schneider's restaurant on G street. 4-24 tf Get prices on the Alamo Gasoline Engines and Woodsaws before buying. J. D. Franklin, agent. Office in Rannie's Plumbing Shop, H street, between 6th and 7th. 4-24 tf J. D. Franklin has the agency for the Alamo Gasoline Engines. Office in Rannie's Plumbing shop, H street, between 6th and 7th. 4-24 tf "If you hear anyone speak ill of the Little Wonder Store, you will be safe in betting that the onery coon has been trusted when he had no money, and now that he has eaten up and worn out the goods, he does not want to pay for them." Amos and Ted Field were before County Judge Jewell last Monday on a charge of having stolen copper wire and selling the same to Ike Davis last Saturday. The hearing was continued until Wednesday, when, in view of the fact that the boys are minors and as this was their first offense, Judge Jewell felt constrained to be lenient with the boys and let them off on condition that they return the money received for the wire to Mr. Davis and return the wire to its owner, with the further admonition that a second offense would be rewarded by a much heavier penalty. The complaint against Pearl Herbig was dismissed without trial.

COMING EVENTS.

April 25, Saturday—Womans Home Missionary District Convention at the Newman M. E. Church. April 25, Saturday—Fruitdale Grange meets at 2 p. m. at Fruitdale school house. May 5, Tuesday—Grants Pass Poultry Keepers Association meets at 8 p. m. at Guild Hall. May 1, Friday afternoon—Parents' day at city schools. Exhibit of work. May 8, Friday—"Experience" social at Bethany Presbyterian church parlors. May 2, Saturday, Meeting of Dimick Grange at Dimick school house at 8 p. m.

IT WAS THE OLD FORT BRIGGS THAT BURNED

The residence of "Jack" Falk, of the Illinois Valley creamery, on Sucker Creek, five miles beyond Kirby, which was reported burned one day last week, has a history. The structure was of hewed logs, was built in 1853 by ex-Governor Briggs and was for many years known as Fort Briggs. Briggs, we are told was the second governor of the now great state of Oregon. The building was for a long time used as a government fort, its walls containing numerous port holes through which the occupants might ward off the Indians. The building has been occupied for some time by M. Falk as a residence. The structure with all its contents was consumed, entailing a loss to Mr. Falk of some \$1200 or \$1500, with no insurance. The origin of the fire here is yet unknown.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire by this means to express our sincere appreciation of the many kindnesses manifested by the kind friends during the illness and in the funeral arrangements after the death of our beloved husband and brother, the late Lloyd G. Gehrett. Mrs. Lloyd Gehrett, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Gehrett, Miss Katherine Gehrett.

ENGLAND SAYS NO ALUM IN FOOD and strictly prohibits the sale of alum baking powder— So does France So does Germany The sale of alum foods has been made illegal in Washington and the District of Columbia, and alum baking powders are everywhere recognized as injurious. To protect yourself against alum, when ordering baking powder, Say plainly— ROYAL BAKING POWDER and be very sure you get Royal. Royal is the only Baking Powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar. It adds to the digestibility and wholesomeness of the food.