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### MERLIN NEWS

Mr. Bills' show in the city hall was well attended last week. He is an actor of some note. In the contest for the most popular young lady, Miss Ida Robertson received the largest number of votes and was declared the winner of the prize, a beautiful hand embroidered sofa pillow. Mrs. Riley Brockman was selected as the prettiest young lady and presented with a very useful present. Little Marie Haven was awarded the prize for the prettiest child under five years old, a solid gold finger ring. Elmer Houlson was declared the homeliest man in town and presented with a very useful article for some people to have, but Mr. Houlton says he will have to take a few lessons from the married men before he will be able to use his prize to any great advantage.

The people of Merlin have organized a literary and debating society to meet in the city hall every Wednesday night. W. M. Richards, president; M. L. Boucher, vice-president; Mrs. E. A. Neal, secretary; Miss Florence Williamson, treasurer; Hilt Mason, sergeant-at-arms. Several different committees were selected, but we have not learned all their names. The organization last year was a grand success, and we anticipate a rousing good time for the coming winter. Any one afflicted with a case of the blues will find a sure cure by attending our meetings.

Last Sunday while D. W. Mitchell was out driving he attempted to cross Louse creek, driving what he supposed to be a good democratic horse, but when the middle of the stream was reached Mr. Mitchell discovered that the truant steed had flopped over to the independent party, would neither go ahead nor back up, but sat right down in the middle of the stream, and but for the able assistance of two young ladies who happened to be passing by, Mr. Mitchell would perhaps be anchored in

the waters of the flowing insect creek to date.

Mr. Goller, recently from Los Angeles, has just received a carload of nice furniture from Los Angeles and is hauling it to his bungalow at Spitzenberg, where he is arranging to make a pleasant home for himself and family.

Married Sunday, November 13, 1910, at the residence of the bride's parents, Miss Edna Keyte and Frank Alred. Both are very popular young people, and the editor of the Merlin News joins their friends in wishing them many happy days and a pleasant journey through life.

Chris Oman, president of the Merlin Athletic club, is conducting the club in first class shape. So far we have not seen any black eyes caused from the free use of elbow grease in handling the boxing gloves, but all are enjoying themselves with exercise which the sport gives.

Mr. Wanhope gave a lecture in the city hall last Friday night which was well attended. Mr. Wanhope presented some very good ideas, according to the socialist way of figuring, but "Henry" says he is from Missouri and he will have to show him.

Miss Lissie Green has returned home from her visit at Three Pines and we understand will remain here during the winter.

Chas. Ladd for several years has held the office of justice of the peace in Merlin, but at the last election he was not a candidate and Chas. Crow was elected to that office and Milt Mason was elected constable.

Our question for debate at the literary society this week is: "Resolved, The Oregon Home Rule Bill Should be Adopted." Everybody come out and hear the orators discuss this question.

W. L. Robertson shipped two cars of fine apples last week, one car going to Los Angeles and the other to San Francisco. The apples were principally Spitzenbergs and Pippins and brought Mr. Robertson the top price. The writer had the pleasure of biting a few of them and I can say that the flavor of these apples could not be excelled in any state. Rogue river valley fruit, the rest you know.

Merlin went wet by five votes. Now don't some of you "dryns" wish you had come to the polls and cast your vote.

H. C. Cummings has received and will install a large pressure tank on his farm north of town for irrigating purposes. Mr. Cummings is building a fine bungalow on the hill, which presents a fine view from town.

The street sweeper invented by our Mr. Carter is nearing completion in the hands of Blacksmith Boucher and Weatherwax. This sweeper is very much different from all other makes, being simple in construction, but gets the dirt just the same.

Mrs. Alice Bacon, of the Leland schools, visited Merlin during Saturday and Sunday. Her son, Ralph, who has been sick for some time in Merlin, is improving nicely.

N. C. Purdy has been selling

quite a variety of Salem Nursery stock to the Marlinites and there will be several English walnut groves started in the Merlin vicinity soon.

We are waiting for the irrigation ditch now, next summer we will be ready for the water. Will it come?

Alex Enyert is the champion onion producer of Oregon. On one seventh of an acre of land on his place east of town he raised seventy thousand pounds of large early prize onions. How is that for onions?

Earl Dauntless did a neat job of sign painting on the window of the Rogue River hotel. We did not think we had so good an artist in our town.

Miss Grace Garry departed last Friday for Chicago, Ill., where she will spend the winter with relatives. Her father, Mr. Garry, will remain here, making his home at the Merlin hotel.

George and Ben Jones have moved into town from their mother's ranch on Rogue river.

Ben Neuhau is contemplating building a sidewalk from Main street to D. W. Mitchell's residence, also a foot bridge across Louse creek. The only bridge we have now is the railroad bridge, and no walk at all, which makes it very inconvenient for pedestrians in that part of town.

### FRUITDALE

L. C. McCabe, of Chicago, has purchased the property from Wm. V. Johnson known as the Fir Grove on the Rogue. Mr. Johnson and family came here from Sheridan, Wyo., two years ago and have made a lovely home, but on account of poor health of Mr. Johnson they thought it best to sell and travel for a time. We regret to lose these good people and wish them well and are sure they will come back to this valley some time.

We extend the hand of good fellowship to our new neighbor Mr. McCabe and his family, and are sure they will never regret casting their lot in our midst.

George Baldwin has moved his family down near the river, where he has established a permanent camp, having taken a large contract for clearing on the Riverside farm for G. A. Hamilton.

Glad to congratulate Charles Chaffee and wife on the arrival of their son and heir, Charles, Jr., who arrived on the five o'clock express Monday afternoon.

There is music in the air at D. C. Hefley's now, for he has been practicing for some time trying to rival some of the old masters; and from the outside one would say he had accomplished what he started out to do, but look in and you will see a new phonograph.

Burns Gillette and wife, who were visiting Mrs. Gillette's parents, William Heston and Mrs. Heston, last week, have returned to their home in California. They came to attend the Gillette-Duke nuptials.

W. G. White and wife attended grange picnic. These are some of the good people that Iowa has lost and we are winners again.

Alonzo Jones has spent several

days taking the road viewers over some proposed roads.

Word has been received from Mrs. H. H. Howe and Miss Howe that they are well pleased with Long Beach, Cal. We miss these ladies very much and best wishes of Fruitdale go with them.

Misses Drake and Pattillo were dinner guests at the Johnson home last Sunday.

Robert Huck is back at the blacksmith shop this week. Last week he stayed at home on a little plowing vacation.

Andrey and Garnet Best visited in Fruitdale last Saturday afternoon.

E. C. Underwood and J. F. Campbell are down the river this week looking after the Panama ranch and we feel sure these fishermen are not going without the finny delicacies.

The Thimble club entertained at Madrone farm last week.

At the last meeting of the grange Mr. and Mrs. Alverson and Mrs. Parram joined with us. They were members of Dimick grange and are enthusiastic grangers.

We expect to initiate several candidates in to the grange at the next meeting.

Mrs. Grill and Miss Heyer took dinner with Mrs. Breitmayer at Forest Home farm last Saturday.

### NEW HOPE ITEMS

C. C. Wynant is on the sick list. William Love is cutting wood for Mr. Barden.

A birthday party was given in honor of Miss Florence Wynant, it being her fifteenth birthday. Those present were Miss Grace McCallister, Bert York, William Love, Miss Christene English, Manuel Thomas, Hughey York, Everett Clark, Mrs. J. D. Clark, Clarence Floyd Wynant. Bert York is hauling wood to town.

Miss Pearl Bull visited with Miss Eva McCallister, also Ray Stevenson. Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Wynant made a business trip to town Monday.

Eugene Hayes was seen at the Oakland Valley farm.

Miss Dottie Sanford and Mr. and Mrs. Hughes and son, Harry, visited Saturday evening at the home of H. S. Wynant.

### WOLF CREEK NEWS

Beautiful autumn weather is still lingering with us, notwithstanding this is a winter month.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Thompson left Monday night for their home in Detroit, Minn.

Rev. D. C. Adams, of Phoenix, the Presbyterian evangelist, is spending the week in our city. He has already converted some of our young men.

Mr. and Mrs. Pinkerton, Sr., have gone to Ashland to live. Their many friends miss them sadly.

Mr. Stason has purchased a span of three and four-year-old colts and a new wagon. Mr. Stason is certainly one of the most energetic citizens we have.

Alice Stason is the proud possessor of a new piano.

Mr. Dresser is a Wolf Creek visitor this week.

Mrs. Holman is on the sick list.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE

# First National Bank of Southern Oregon

at Grants Pass in the state of Oregon, at the close of business November 10, 1910.

### Resources

Loans and discounts.....	\$372,557.07
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.....	1,530.95
U. S. bonds to secure circulation.....	12,500.00
Bonds, securities, etc.....	85,038.36
Banking house, furniture and fixtures.....	11,727.65
Other real estate owned.....	8,943.00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	1,616.87
Due from state and private banks and bankers, trust companies and savings banks.....	14,410.17
Due from approved reserve agents.....	172,729.63
Checks and other cash items.....	3,347.42
Notes of other national banks.....	5,125.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	881.25
Specie.....	\$55,121.30
Legal-tender notes.....	2,000.00
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent of circulation).....	625.00
Gold dust.....	1,867.81
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$750,071.48</b>

### Liabilities

Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund.....	25,000.00
Undivided profits less expenses and taxes paid	30,415.34
National bank notes outstanding.....	12,500.00
Due to state and private banks and bankers.....	557.51
Individual deposits subject to check.....	515,194.13
Demand certificates of deposit.....	29,475.45
Time certificates of deposit.....	86,529.05
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$750,071.48</b>

State of Oregon, )  
County of Josephine, ) ss.  
I, L. B. Hall, president of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

L. B. HALL, President.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of November, 1910.

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