

WILLIAMS ITEMS.

Bert Bigelow is rounding up his cattle, numbering about 350 head, preparatory to taking them to Medford where Kleinhammer has contracted to buy them.

C. F. Thompson was in town over Sunday.

On Tuesday eve a delightful party was held in honor of the 21st birthday anniversary of George Turvey. A fine time was had by every one, and all voted Mrs. Turvey a capital hostess.

Jasper Larimore is the proud possessor of a fine set of six point horns which used to adorn the head of a buck that he shot last week. It was a large one for this country, dressing 150 pounds.

D. Vinyard, Will Carl and S. Mooma brought in their cattle from the hills last week. The fat and sleek appearance of the animals indicates good range out toward Mud flats.

Mr. Bacon of Lower Applegate has rented the farm of Mr. Mooma and has started a dairy herd.

C. O. Bigelow is erecting a big barn. In the near future he contemplates turning his attention to dairying. This is a fine thing and Williams creek needs more of it. Mr. Bigelow's ranch is well situated for a dairy ranch and should he so desire he could supply a creamery himself.

Assisted by friends and neighbors John Kincaid is rapidly building his new dwelling house in place of the one that was burned last spring.

A large crowd was in attendance at the love feast of the Brethren church Saturday evening.

The first month of school in district 31 has nearly passed with an enrollment of 32 pupils and a percentage of attendance of 96. A class of 5 in the eighth grade is striving hard to reach that goal which means success to them; the successful passing of the eighth grade examination.

MURPHY.

A. H. Carson left Saturday on a business visit to Portland.

A party consisting of the following persons left Murphy Saturday on a three weeks' hunting trip to the Grave creek country: W. S. Gilmore, J. F. Cook, Ike Vincent, Ed. Arthur and Willard Hannum and Mr. Veder.

Mrs. Kate McFadden is enjoying visits from her sons, Joseph, who has recently returned from Alaska where he has spent the past five years, and James, who has been a resident of California for the last two or three years.

Murphy school is progressing nicely under the efficient management of Annabel Lieth. About 35 pupils are in attendance.

Wm. Lieth is erecting a dwelling on his ten acre tract, recently purchased from the Madrona company. G. W. Meek is doing the carpenter work.

Several Murphys attended the grange fair at Williams and carried home several blue ribbons in consequence.

After lying idle for several years the "Michigan Mine," now known as the Strong Ledge Mining and Development company mine is to be put in operation at once. Two new dwelling houses have been erected within the past two weeks. One is occupied by Superintendent Geo. H. Tubbs and family, late of Charlotte, Michigan, and the other will be occupied by Manager Adolph Maier and family. Mr. Maier visited the mine Tuesday, but business engagements

prevent his moving to the mine for a few days.

Arthur McMurrin and family, late of Shoshone, Idaho, became residents of Murphy last week and are living at the Michigan mine.

State Grange Organizer Lee has been working in this vicinity and Tuesday evening organized a grange at Murphy to be known as the Murphy Grange, with officers as published in another column.

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JEROME PRAIRIE.

After a month's visit with J. H. Robinson and family and other relatives, Mrs. Lucy Lund returned to her home in Oakland, California.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Wylberg of Homewood farm, attended the fair in Medford, Tuesday.

J. C. and Austin Morgan, Edwin and Lansing Schoonmaker and Ralph Harman returned from a hunting trip on Williams creek. They report having bagged some game regardless of bad weather.

Miss Emma Armstrong arrived from Jacksonville Wednesday to visit with her brother, J. C. Armstrong, and family, before going to Portland where she expects to reside.

Blaine Breazelle of Selma was visiting with W. W. Tucker and family last week. On his return Saturday he was accompanied by Misses Martha and Myrtle and Elbert Tucker, who visited over Sunday with J. R. Tucker at Selma.

Chas. Lothrop was disabled for a few days owing to a bad cut made with an axe on his foot.

Among those who attended the good roads meeting Friday evening were Mr. and Mrs. A. Wylberg, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wheeler, and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Dobyns, from the Prairie.

Warm the home, bake the bread and roast the meat in Garland stoves and ranges, sold only by Cramer Bros. 10-13-11

SELMA ITEMS.

Most of the young folks of the neighborhood met at the home of J. R. Tucker last Saturday night and enjoyed themselves playing games and singing until the wee sma' hours of the morning.

S. E. Chastain and family and Mrs. B. F. Chastain spent a day or two last week visiting relatives in Grants Pass.

Howard Hilkey and Bert Fern of Rogue river were in our neighborhood visiting relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

Blaine Breazelle went to Grants Pass Friday to work a while.

Miss Reka Kraus has been on the sick list this week.

B. F. Tilley, Mr. Williams and others are putting in a five stamp mill run with a gasoline engine on the south side of the Illinois river opposite Six Mile creek.

C. E. Roberts, Robert, Tollen, Ben Carlisle and J. F. Stevens were at business visitor to the Pass last week.

Will Treefathen was gathering up and driving cattle last week on our creek.

The road work is progressing nicely here now; the traction hauling one way from the crusher and the teams hauling the other.

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SAYS JOSEPHINE MAY LOSE AUTO HIGHWAY

"If the people of Josephine county expect to enjoy any of the benefits of the \$18,000,000 road bonds issue voted by the people of California at the last general election, they will have to act officially before the California highway commission completes its plans, otherwise there will be no provision made for the proposed road from Crescent City to the state line near Waldo."

The foregoing statement was made to a Courier representative today by John T. Flynn of San Francisco, who recently addressed the people of Grants Pass on the subject of an auto freight service between Grants Pass and Crescent City. Continuing, Mr. Flynn said:

"Under the California plan of road construction, there are to be two great highways, extending the entire length of the state, about 800 miles. One line is to follow the coast from San Diego county to Del Norte county,

while the other will traverse the interior, covering the Imperial, San Fernando, San Joaquin, Sacramento and Scott valleys, terminating at the state line in the Siskiyou. This will afford a total of 1600 miles of roadways north and south independent of laterals east and west.

Importance of Coast Connection.

"As no freight service can be established over the valley route, by reason of the great distance to San Francisco, it is evident that if Josephine county is to profit by the California outlay it must be by the coast road rather than the valley. But California will not build east from Crescent City unless it is officially assured that connection is to be made by a like road near Waldo. The 55 miles from Crescent City to Waldo would be a waste of public funds without a proper connection by Josephine county. The California commission would probably decide, and wisely so, to terminate the coast highway at the coast line of Curry county, with a view to its ultimate connection with an Oregon branch

extending through Curry and Coos counties to a valley connection at either Roseburg or Eugene.

"As two-thirds of the cost of the proposed auto road from Grants Pass to Crescent City would be borne by the state of California, while most of the benefits in the way of reduced freight rates would go to the producers in the Rogue River valley, it seems to me that there should be but one opinion upon the subject. The distance from Grants Pass to Crescent City is approximately 100 miles. The distance from Crescent City to the state line near Waldo, via the Elk creek route, is 55 miles. This would be California's portion, covering expensive mountain construction, while Josephine would have but 45 miles to build, on easy grades, and on a road bed already in use.

Legal Aspect of Road Law.

"I think that Josephine county should proceed upon the theory that there is no defect in the law, just as Jackson county is doing, in order that California may know officially,

instead of privately that a connection is to be had at the Del-Norte-Josephine line. If there is irregularity in the road law, let the supreme court decide the matter at the proper time and place. The Jackson county authorities ordered the bond election without even the formality of a petition. They evidently assumed that the constitutional amendment carried with it, by inference, the right to call an election in the usual way, for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of the amendment. In my opinion, the constitutional amendment is simply an enlarged power to incur indebtedness, and needs no enabling act to make it effective. The right to call an election for certain purposes existed before the adoption of the amendment; that right still exists, and may be properly employed to give life or force to any constitutional amendment."

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With but 12000 votes between the leaders in the Piano Contest and but about 60 days more of the contest things are getting interesting. Two city ladies lead this week.

No. 10.....	3,528,260	No. 52.....	3,445,810	No. 78.....	3,668,680	No. 128.....	3,585,600
No. 13.....	3,506,995	No. 59.....	3,627,150	No. 83.....	3,581,585	No. 133.....	3,620,650
No. 17.....	3,505,255	No. 60.....	3,654,785	No. 90.....	3,372,375	No. 135.....	3,598,290
No. 22.....	3,607,185	No. 69.....	3,604,160	No. 100.....	3,664,425	No. 141.....	3,532,705
No. 29.....	3,659,770	No. 75.....	3,663,155	No. 120.....	3,331,425		

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