

Locals-Personals
Merely Many Minor Matters
 Briefs and Fillers

Count the small news items.
 Jackson nearly lost his springs.
 Mrs. Wilson returned from Portland last Friday.
 Mrs. C. E. Hooper accidentally fell last Friday breaking her arm.

Advertising is nothing more than salesmanship—saying on paper what you would say orally.

Rev. J. N. Murphy is justly proud of a splendid new Bible presented to him by his local church members.

We would like to do some of your job printing. We live here, pay taxes, trade here and guarantee the work.

Miss Mooney, a Lincoln school teacher, was unable to attend the classes the first of the week on account of illness.

Mrs. and Mrs. George B. Icenhower left last week for a vacation visit in Portland, Seattle and points north.

No daily Oregonian, Journal or northern mail for a couple of days gives everyone the fidgets.

Postmaster F. D. Wagner made a trip to Medford by auto Sunday to get letter mail for Ashland from the train, that was delayed there on account of high water.

Air mail did a good business this week carrying many rushed letters that the trains were unable to move. Postmaster Wagner was extra busy all week in his endeavor to keep mails moving, making some trips by automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gilling and little daughter, who have spent the past few days visiting with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Gillings, on Oak street, returned recently to their home in Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. George Heath of Oakland, Oregon, arrived in Ashland last Friday. They intend making their home here and have leased apartments in the Shook block for the present.

Ashland didn't entirely escape flood damage, as several of the unpaved residential streets were washed into holes, ditches and bumps. The bridge on Water street was washed out and the canyon bridges and the Van Ness avenue bridge were all damaged.

Mr. Keeler and daughter spent Sunday in Hornbrook. He says they had real floods south of us and across the line. At Hornbrook one building was cut in two by swift water and moved to the center of the main street.

The Women's Missionary society of the Congregational church will meet at the home of Mrs. Harry Moore, 480 Liberty street, Thursday afternoon, March 3. All ladies of the church are asked to attend this meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Myers of Needles, California, are spending a few days in Ashland, visiting at the home of Mrs. Myer's parents, Attorney and Mrs. Roberts on Church street. They made a trip over to Myrtle Point during the week-end to attend a birthday dinner, celebrating the birthday of Mr. Roberts, his mother and Mrs. Roberts mother.

D. N. Davis of the Green Springs

NOTICE!
 Saturday afternoon, Feb. 26, between 2 and 4 o'clock, we will give away **FREE**
500 Pairs
 LADIES AND GIRLS SHOES
 Sizes 2½ to 8
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mountain district, celebrated his 78th birthday February 16. Twelve guests were present and enjoyed the evenings entertainment. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Davis and son, Elbert, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Davis and daughters, Velma and Viva, Miss Maude Miller, Mrs. Mc-Nerney, Eli Davis and Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sams attended a big party in Rogue River last Thursday night, the 17th. Mr. Sams' father, C. E. Sams, lives in Rogue River and his birthday is February 18. He has two neighbors who had birthdays the 16th and 17th and all joined in the birthday party, the night of the 17th. Twenty-seven were present and a royal time experienced.

H. G. Wolcott, proprietor of the Wolcott grocery, was over at Crescent City the first of the week and found some bad flood conditions before he arrived home Tuesday morning. He came back on the old Crescent City road, finding the new Redwood highway absolutely impassable. The Smith river bridge went entirely out and much of the new road is in ruins. The old road, however, was in very good condition and the trip was made with little difficulty.

The Woodmen of the World will hold their national convention for 1928 in Ashland. This will bring delegates from many states to our beautiful city and, although some distance away, it is none to early to begin arranging for the welcome every citizen should extend the visitors. Ashland should be one of the most important convention cities in Oregon.

Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Murphy of the Full Gospel church with Mr. and Mrs. Hayes, returned from their northern trip last Friday evening. They visited in Portland and attended the Bible standard conference in Eugene, reporting a splendid time, big increase at conference and successful meet. At the conference a home mission board was selected and an evangelist and field secretary were added. Rev. Murphy was appointed editor of the literary department. The camp meeting and conference in August will be held in Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Davis and family and Mrs. Cromwell and daughter, Von, who live near Etna, California, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Davis in the Green Springs mountain district. They expected to leave for their home in the south Monday morning but on account of the slide on the highway near Yreka, had to postpone their trip for a few days. While in Ashland Monday, Mr. D. N. Davis stated that the road from his place to the main road of the Klamath-Ashland highway was in very bad shape following the recent rains.

The Thomas Nelson and Sons, publishers, publish the American Standard version of the Bible. Recently they conducted a contest offering prizes for best letters, showing how the American standard translations are more accurate than the King James translation. Mr. John Leggett of Ashland was one of the many to enter the contest and the following letter from the publisher explains that Mr. Leggett was successful:

"It is a pleasure to advise you that the three judges of the prize essay contest on 1 Corinthians 15:33 have awarded a third prize of \$5 to you and we are enclosing our cheque for this amount which we ask you to kindly accept with our heartiest congratulations.

"We wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your great interest in this wonderful work of Bible translation and revision that was accomplished by the members of the American Revision committee.

"Also, we believe you will be interested to learn that among the prize winners in this contest were some from Canada and other countries as well as from all parts of the United States.

It is very gratifying to have this response from all over the world and

to know that this latest and most accurate translation of the Scriptures is being so extensively used.
 "Trusting that the coming year will be a most successful one for you in every respect, we remain, Your very truly, L. Nelson, president."

SUSPECT ON WAY HERE

THREE WERE RESIDENTS OF ASHLAND.

Under Armed Guard

Jackson County Will Ask Federal Government to Try Train Bandit in This County for Murder.

Jackson county, through its law enforcing agencies will formally request the federal government for the right to try Hugh DeAutremont, alleged Siskiyou bandit and slayer believed to have been arrested in the Philippines ten days ago and now enroute to San Francisco aboard the transport Thomas. DeAutremont stands indicted in this county, with his twin brothers, Ray and Roy, for murder, assault with intent to commit robbery and train robbery. District Attorney Newton Chaney returned Saturday from Portland where he was in conference with United States Attorney George Neuner. The federal authorities, Chaney reports, expressed a readiness to permit the state courts to try DeAutremont on the more serious charge first.

The county will also request that the army, in whose keeping he now is, to hold him until shortly before the trial, if, any, as a precautionary measure. Definite action will be taken upon the establishment, beyond a doubt, of the identity of the suspect, when the transport Thomas arrives at San Francisco, about March 16.

A mass of testimony and evidence, collected by an army of Southern Pacific special agents and local authorities and detective agencies, after the holdup, presented to the 1923 grand jury, are now sealed in the archives of the county. About fifty witnesses in the case reside in Ashland, Medford and stations in the Siskiyou mountains.

Three of the four men slain in the hold-up were residents of this county. They were Marvin Seng, firman on the ill-fated train, Coyle Johnson, extra brakeman and E. E. Daugherty, mail clerk, who perished in the mail car. All lived in Ashland. Sidney Bates, the engineer, slain in the engine cab was a resident of Dunsmuir, California.

Public opinion in this county, on the crime, one of the most atrocious in the crime annals of the Pacific coast, has been from the start evenly divided, a large portion adhering to the theory of the father, that his three sons were victims of the well-laid plot of the real bandits. The father, Paul DeAutremont of Eugene made several visits to this city during the first investigation of the robbery.

Recent developments have caused a renewal of general discussion of the mystery, which is a maze of tangled angles, rumors and facts.—Mail-Tribune.

The Fisherman's Lament.

Backward, turn backward, oh time in your flight, please make 'em bite again just for tonight. I've sat on this boulder for sixteen long hours, and baited with crawfish and doughballs and flowers, and minnows and ryebread and liver and bees, and grasshoppers, fishworms and limburger cheese. And never a nibble—a jerk on the line—of the sunfish or sucker I've seen not a sign! My arms are fried brown, and my nose is burnt red—my seat is worn thin and my legs are both dead. My stomach is puckered, tied up in a knot and yearn for a waffle or something else hot. I'm sore and I'm dirty and thirsty and stiff. I've lost my tobacco and ain't had a whiff and I've got the small pox, the measles and pip. I'm all broken up on my shins and my hip. It's fourteen long hours by the road to my shack, to cold cream—to comfort—to rest—to a snack. Oh, backward, I guess, is the

way I will turn, they don't want to bite, and I don't give a darn! For I have been fishing—I've had a good day; now all I want is some grub and the "hay."—Eldee in Outdoor Life.

WELL MAKES DESERT SPOT INTO GARDEN

Is the Lowest Depression in All America.

Stovepipe Wells, Death Valley, Calif. —Where 77 years ago the starving, thirst-parched Jayhawker party here sipped a life-saving draught from a shallow waterhole and eagerly gnawed a piece of ox-hoof, merry-makers dined and danced in celebration of the formal opening of a new 24,000-barrel artesian well in this desert oasis.

Stovepipe Wells, in the heart of Death Valley, is the lowest depression in America, being 278 feet below sea level.

With the opening of the well, it is being developed as a sight-seeing resort, being linked to Mount Whitney by a road piercing the Panamint mountains.

It was on November 23, 1849, that the Jayhawker party, led by W. Lewis Manly and Tom Rogers, first sighted the shallow water hole of Stovepipe Wells and took back the good news to the Bennett and Arcane families with their four suffering children, who had been left behind when the unencumbered members of the party forged on through the desert sands.

The meager bit of water which seeped through the sands saved the adventurers who had staked their lives in the gamble for California gold.

The new well, with its 1,000 barrels of water an hour, has made possible hotels, resort homes, fruit and flowers where pioneers found a crater of broiling sand.

PAST YEAR IS PROFITABLE

Income of Government was Over Three Billions.

According to a report issued by the department of agriculture, the receipts from farm produce was 27 per cent higher than the pre war prices. However, the price gradually declined each month during the entire year with the exception of August. This report covers only 30 commodities.

Some other interesting information derived from the report is the fact that during the nine years of air mail service the pilots have flown over 11 ¼ million miles. There are now 50,601 post offices in the United States.

The income of the United States last year was \$3,962,000,000. Of this the income tax amounted to half. Stamp taxes netted 22 per cent, foreign loans, five per cent and tariff duties 14 per cent.

Candy and automobiles are two of the leading luxuries of the American people. The confectioners estimate the 1927 business will be a-

bout \$400,000,000,000.
 In 1926 it took 4,480,000 cars and trucks to provide the demands made upon the manufactures.

Thirty were killed the other day in a battle in Nicaragua, which shows that fighting in Nicaragua is almost as dangerous as crossing the street in the United States.

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