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Musings

By an Innocent Bystander

Sa-a-y! That was an awful short summer we had. We caught ourselves wishing folks "Merry Christmas" this week.

We have just returned from playing the Good Samaritan again. Every time that old Duplex press at the Medford News goes haywire, they call up "Dad" and ask for help. Last night came an S.O.S. about 10:30 saying that part of the darned old tub had fallen into the pit and asking what to do. We told them to put it back in place and go ahead, trusting in kind Providence nothing serious would happen. Today we had to trade work with one of their men while we went down and got the machinery straightened out again.

And are we tired tonight? Well, you try sometime standing in a stooped position under a big machine and holding up a hundred pounds or so with one hand while you fit in bolts and screws, and see if your back don't ache.

The writer had the honor to be chosen by County Judge Day as Juvenile Officer for Jackson county. We are told that there are a lot of delinquent youngsters about the county who need looking after once in a while. Be it far from us to butt in where angels fear to tread, but if we can help these boys and girls to see the error of their ways and to be better young men and women we shall not regret the labor. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure and it is our opinion there is no more worthwhile labor than to help the boys and girls to grow up into worthy citizens.

We heard a good one on the so-called "relief" work now being done in and around Medford. We were told that on a certain day recently on the Bear Creek project there were NINE bosses out of TWENTY-TWO men working. Looks like Senator Borah knew whereof he spoke when he said there was entirely too much waste in the government relief program.

The more we see of our present government's work, the less we are in favor of government ownership of anything. Too much graft, politics and pure inefficiency and waste. We hold that private business with its urge for profits is much more economical. And we hear they are talking of dropping about 80 per cent of the codes. They may as well drop 'em for all the real good they are doing.

We are wondering what will be the result of the fighting which seems to be starting among the Democratic majority in Congress. If they will only put that loud-mouthed Kingfish away in moth balls we shall be a huge sigh of relief. It looks to us that King Franklin the First's honeymoon is about over and the real fireworks are starting.

Last week we went out to the Antioch School to attend a real old fashioned "Pie Social". And did we enjoy it! It had been many a blue moon since we had the privilege of attending such an affair in a little schoolhouse among the hills. As a lad we knew only that kind of fun and it sure made us feel young again.

And as usual with newspaper people, we proved a good picker when we bid in a pie. Such a pie! And such a lovely partner! We may be getting old but we can still pick 'em. The school children put on a dandy puppet show and to make it better, they required no prompting at all. In fact, the teachers sat down in the audience and let them go it alone. And they deserve a lot of credit for their show.

We want to say a word of commendation to the "B" team lads who recently won the championship of Southern Oregon in basketball. The boys are good clean players who have worked hard for the honor. We expect to see some rare sport when they reach their "A" team.

We note that the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce has arranged for a big feed tomorrow night. At this meeting we shall hear the same old line about what a wonderful country this is, etc. We feel that there is a big field for a real county organization and we hope this year

COUNTY C. OF C. TO HOLD FORUM LUNCH TOMORROW

Many new members have joined this Chamber of Commerce during the past two weeks. WHY? Because the Chamber of Commerce is doing something.

WHAT IS IT DOING? It would take a long time to tell you but a few of its activities will be explained at the "INVENTORY FORUM LUNCHEON" to be held at the Medford Hotel, Friday, March 8th at 12:00 noon.

HERE'S THE PROGRAM:

1. The Chamber's Peach and Apricot Program—Vance Wolgamott.
2. The Chamber's Potato and Onion Program—Otto Bohnert.
3. The Chamber's Dairy Program—H. A. Theifolf.
4. The Chamber's Civic Program—Mayor George Porter.
5. The Chamber's Goodwill Program—D. H. Ferry.
6. The Chamber's C. C. C. Program—Major Clare H. Armstrong.
7. The Chamber's Housing Act Program—B. E. Harder.
8. The Chamber's Five Year Future Program—O. O. Alenderfer.

HERE'S WHAT WE WANT YOU TO DO:

1. Make your reservations now at the Chamber of Commerce.
2. BRING A NON-MEMBER WITH YOU. A FARMER IF POSSIBLE. This can be the largest luncheon we have sponsored for years. The officers, directors, and committeemen have done a good job this year. Let's show our appreciation and let them know that ALL OF US are back of them.

SEE YOU ON THE 8TH!

Big Show at High School Friday Eve

A special entertainment will be given tomorrow (Friday) night, March 8, at the high school auditorium.

Charles Winters, well known entertainer for children, will present "Tony", the most humorous Ventriloquist figure on the stage. Ten minutes with Tony and your trouble are forgotten.

Adding to the enjoyment of the evening will be magic tricks and a puppet show. Prepare for an hour of good clean fun. Admission will be 10 cents.

Table Rock Rockets

A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Willard Howsley at their home here Monday, March 4th.

Miss Hazel Cassidy of Medford was a weekend guest of her cousin Mrs. R. E. Nealon.

Those from here who attended the pie social at Antioch last Friday evening were well pleased with the entertainment, especially the puppet show, "Tom Sawyer".

Fred Rorden purchased a new team of horses from a farm near Grants Pass last week.

Mr. Robertson, father of Mrs. Lloyd Hamlin is quite ill and was taken to a Medford hospital for treatment Monday.

Mrs. Una B. Inch, county school supervisor, gave the pupils of our school a test last Monday morning.

Mrs. Moore Hamilton and son, Alexander, Mrs. Kathryn Huntress and Miss Frances Green, all of Medford, visited at the C. W. Sage home Sunday.

Tony Seabrooke, local decorator is doing some papering and painting for Mrs. Hazel Atkins of Agate.

Mrs. H. W. Davison visited the primary grades of Central Point schools last Friday.

Miss Beatrice Seabrooke spent Sunday with her sister Mrs. Cecil Messer of Sams Valley.

J. D. Mood, agent for the Metropolitan Life Ins. was a business visitor here Tuesday.

will see more and more cooperation between the metropolis and the smaller communities. Let's all pledge our sincere support to every move for the betterment of the Rogue River Valley.

About the County

Beagle

The Tom Sawyer puppet show Friday night drew a large number of people out, not only from the Antioch district but some from Table Rock, Central Point, Eagle Point and Malin, Oregon. Everyone enjoyed the show and the music. Mr. Grant proved to be a good auctioneer so the buying of the pies was entertaining as well as being quite profitable for school funds.

The voices in the show were Aunt Polly, Emma Frink; Peter, Nobe Brown; Injun Joe, Walter Gillette, Stranger, Robert Sanderson; Becky Thatcher, Mae Edler; Huckelberry Finn, Orval Mose; Tom Sawyer, Ernest Sanderson.

Understudies were Nobel Brown, Rose Gillette, Nelda Mann. The Announcer was Opal Brown. The music was furnished by the Gillette orchestra and the Antioch school harmonica band. Jack Edler gave an excellent reading entitled, "The Impersonation of a Dutch Orator."

Gordon Walker read the news items on the forthcoming Anniversary of Mark Twain's Birth.

Mrs. Rush, Elaine, Joe, and Dick Rush, Mrs. Harry Ellis and Ralph Ellis attende the basketball game at Sams Valley Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey are living in the Wm. Bennett house at present. They have purchased part of the Hascom place.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Purdue, Wesley Purdue and Mr. Walter Woods of Eagle Point, Mrs. R. Bischoff, Cleo Bischoff, Mr. Wm. Edler and Mae Edler of Beagle all called at the James Martin home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sanderson spent Tuesday at the Sater home.

Mrs. Nora Williams is in Medford receiving medical care for a cold. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bennett and Mr. Marion Bennett of Powers spent the week end with the Bennetts here. A few of the wild flowers are beginning to bloom now.

The Pleasant Hour Club will be entertained with a Musical Tea Mar., 13th at 2 p. m., at the Walter Grant home. Mrs. Walter Grant and Mrs. Nora Williams are the hostesses this month.

Mr. Eugene Lampman is back to make repairs and to prove up on his homestead. He will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Myers for a few days before he leaves.

Mr. Joe King is mourning the loss of his dog, Gyp, which has been missing since Tuesday.

The Antioch Community Sunday School is growing, 33 attended Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Greb of Eagle Point spent the week end with Mrs. Greb's mother, Mrs. M. R. Harper.

Sams Valley Items

Glen Holty and wife have moved into the Paul Shulz's house.

Roger Tresham and Jean Upton are both absent from school due to having the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted DeFord came home for a few days February 23. They have been at Yancy the past month. They report lots of snow on the marsh.

The Home Extension Unit met at Sams Valley school house Thursday February 28. There were 18 members present. Mrs. Sporlin was local leader and gave an interesting talk on bread making.

School was dismissed in all rooms in all rooms Monday February 25th for the day due to a break in the furnace pipes. It was repaired by Fern Johnson and school resumed Tuesday morning.

A group of grade girls took advantage of the holiday to go on a hike up above Ferguson springs. All but three contracted poison oak. Beulah Wabuff is quite seriously affected at having gotten around her eyes.

R. G. Hunsley and family of Table Rock and Mrs. Ted DeFord returned to Klamath County Tuesday.

The Winn family have moved over near the Dodge bridge. This causes Florence and Ruth to have a long walk before catching the school bus, but we are glad they can still attend high school.

Verne and Melvin Harper are working at pruning in the Van Hovenberg orchard.

Richard Korner has become a victim of the measles and is absent from school.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Straus return-

ed from California, February 22.

They reported a lovely trip and a very enjoyable visit with their children and their families. Mr. Straus also went to Los Angeles and visited his brother which was a further pleasure as it had been some time since they had seen each other.

The members of the Ladies club entertained their husbands with a banquet on the evening of February 23. There was a large attendance and a jolly time had by all.

A group of ladies with Mrs. Frink in charge sold hot tamales at Grange meeting Saturday night. A good sum was realized. This money is to be applied on the purchase of a new cook stove for the kitchen at the school house. The stove in use now having become worn and untrustworthy as a baker. These ladies deserve much credit for their enterprise as it is a much needed improvement and a benefit either directly or indirectly to all members of the community.

We are glad to see a larger attendance at Sunday school. But would like to see it grow still larger. They are organizing a young men's class and they are especially eager for new members.

Mr. Dick Straus accompanied Mr. Ross Kline of Eagle Point on an all day business trip to Rogue River February 27th, and Mrs. Ross Kline spent the day visiting with Mrs. Straus.

Mrs. Mike Koger is suffering greatly from her ankle which was broken some time ago and has never healed properly. She can not walk on it at present. We hope for an early improvement.

Mrs. Elwood Abbot has been staying with Mrs. Guy Humphrey of Medford the past week.

We are sorry to learn of the death of Mr. L. M. Sweet while residing in the Antioch district. He was close allied with Sams Valley being a member of the Sams Valley Grange and having a son in the high school as well as a host of friends who regret his passing. Mr. Sweet died Monday night. We extend our sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

Sams Valley high school basketball teams played Eagle Point high at Sams Valley gym on Feb. 22. This was the most enthusiastic game of the season to date and resulted in a victory for Sams Valley both for the first and second teams. This left the first teams tied in the contest so they were to play the deciding game at Jacksonsville on Monday night but Eagle Point forfeited the game due to an ineligible player.

Sams Valley played Rogue River, February 28 at Rogue River with a victory for Sams Valley. On March 1, they played Rogue River at Sams Valley and Sams Valley won again. This gave Sams Valley the County championship. We feel proud of the team and their coach as they met some stiff competition.

Sams Valley's second team played Central Point's second team at Sams Valley March 1st with a victory for Central Point and they played again at Central Point March 2, with another victory for Central Point. This gave Central Point the championship. Our boys played a good game but Central Point played a better one. Congratulations, Central Point.

Agate School

BY THE SCHOOL CHILDREN

Jean Storm was out of school on account of illness last Monday.

Theada Glass, June Marie Mann and Ruth Morava all got 100% in their spelling last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells Mann and daughter Jane were in the Brownsboro district on business Sunday.

Mr. Wells Stanley is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. D. O. Garrison.

Mrs. Ruth White and children Milford, Bernice and Velma Lee were shopping in Medford Saturday evening.

Mrs. H. A. Gilkison was a business caller at the school Tuesday.

Mrs. Una B. Inch visited our school Tuesday and gave us some tests.

When we came to school Monday morning we much appreciated finding our floors newly oiled.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells Mann and daughter Jane were Sunday callers at the Millard home.

The children are much interested in finding the little yellow violets when the sun shines. Geneva and Ellis Ray Millard and Bernice, Velma Lee, and Milford White went

Sudden Stroke Causes Death of L. M. Sweet

Lewis Miles Sweet, well known resident of southern Oregon, where he has lived for the past 25 years, passed away at his residence at Beagle, Oregon, at 8 p. m. Monday after a very short illness due to a stroke of paralysis.

Mr. Sweet went to the supper table that evening about 7 o'clock. When he tried to raise his arm to the table he found he could not, and that one side of his body was paralyzed. He suffered a second stroke at 10 o'clock and died the following evening.

Mr. Sweet was born at Blockville, N. Y., October 5, 1873. He spent his early life in New York, where he attended public schools, and later New York University. Upon graduation he was united in marriage to Blanche Marshall at Sherman, New York. They lived in New York until 1910, when they came to Oregon.

Mr. Sweet taught school in many cities, and after coming to Oregon taught at the Willow Springs high school. After leaving his teaching he went to a farm at Beagle, Ore., living there continuously until his death. Mr. Sweet was a kind and friendly man and will be remembered by his many friends as making a bid for county commissioner at the last general election. He leaves many friends who will be saddened at his passing.

He leaves to mourn his loss, his widow, Blanche Marshall Sweet, of Beagle, Ore.; three daughters, Mrs. Elmer Simmons, Dorris Calif.; Mrs. Clyde Smith, Jacksonville, Ore.; and Mrs. Herman Pence of Klamath Falls; two sons, Marshall Sweet, Medford, and Desmond Sweet at home; also 13 grandchildren; his aged mother, Mrs. Emily Sweet of Jamestown, N. Y.; one brother, Fred Sweet of Jamestown, N. Y.

Mr. Sweet will be buried from the Perl Funeral home this afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. W. R. Baird officiating. Interment will be in the Siskiyou Memorial Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Simmons of Dorris, California, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Pence and son of Klamath Falls are at the Sweet home and will attend the funeral.

'Red Berry' Control Explained by Co. Ag.

The "red berry" disease of blackberries and Youngberries may be successfully controlled by spraying all canes with liquid lime sulfur, one gallon to twelve gallons of water at this time of season, states L. P. Wilcox, County Agent.

This so called "disease" is in reality caused by a small mite, which works its way into the buds during the bloom period and so injures the berry that normal development is impossible. Injured berries remain red in color and fail to mature thereby causing severe crop losses. The Himalaya variety is the most susceptible, but injury is known to occur to a certain extent on all varieties, even those growing in the wild state. Youngberries are subject to this insect also, and should be given protection by the spray recommended above.

Growers desiring a crop of edible berries are advised to plan at this time to spray all their vines with the lime sulfur solution before the buds break open. In districts where wild blackberries are harvested, it is suggested that some community effort be made to spray these vines as recommended.

Closing Date for Corn-hog Campaign Set for March 16

March 16 has been set as the closing date for signing applications for the 1935 corn-hog contracts by the Oregon board of review which held its first meeting recently. This date is somewhat earlier than that set last year, but as there is little work to renewing the contracts it was felt that first payment would be speeded up and the best interests of all be served by completing the campaign promptly.

Nothing attracts settlers so much as bright and attractive places.

The drive to repair, repaint and remodel is going over good in Medford.

Gold Hill, Jacksonville, Central Point and Phoenix have beauty spots. Why not have more of them?

We lend money to responsible people for this purpose.

Farmers and Fruitgrowers Bank (Community Builders) (Deposits Insured)

POPULAR COUPLE WED THIS WEEK AT BRIDE'S HOME

A wedding of local interest was solemnized in Central Point on Friday evening, March 1, when Miss Merle Hedgpeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hedgpeth of Central Point became the bride of Oliver Obenchain son of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Obenchain, also of Central Point.

The event took place at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. D. E. Millard reading the ring ceremony. The bride wore a suit of rose and brown with brown accessories and corsage of sweet peas and fresasias.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hedgpeth, Mrs. Emma Doolittle, mother of Mrs. Hedgpeth, Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell and daughter, Allison of Talent, Mrs. Campbell being a sister of the bride, Harry Hedgpeth, Gazelle, Cal, brother of the bride, and Miss Joan Millard.

A lovely supper was served after the ceremony and the couple left immediately on their honeymoon to California.

The bride is a graduate of Southern Oregon Normal School and the groom is a former student of Oregon State college. Both are graduates of Central Point high school. After their return they will make their home just north of Central Point.

80th Birthday Is Celebrated by Mrs. Mattie Smith

Twenty-one ladies of the WRC gathered at the home of Mrs. Edward Jones Monday at 12 o'clock and proceeded to the home of Clifford Smith where they very quietly entered the living room and gathered around the fire place. One member then rapped on the door to Mrs. Mattie Smith's bedroom and asked her to come out. She was very much surprised on seeing her friends and realizing it was in honor of her eightieth birthday. A pot luck dinner was then enjoyed. Mrs. Clifford Smith had prepared a turkey, potatoes and coffee for the feast. It was a gala occasion. Mrs. Smith received many lovely gifts and birthday wishes.

P. N. G. Club Meets at Merritt Home

The P. N. G. club met March 5th at the home of Sister Catharine Merritt. Members present were Clara Farra, president; Mary Richardson, secretary; Clara Vincent, Emma Gleason, Inez Ferguson, Iva Copinger, Minnie Buckles, Ida Henderson, Erma Hedgpeth, Nellie Simmons, Ethel Southwell and the hostess. Mary Mee and Sarah Vincent were welcome visitors. The next meeting place will be in the I. O. O. F. hall, Thursday, April 4th, at 2:30 p. m. Then at 7:00 p. m. the same day the P. N. G. club are to have a covered dish dinner in the same hall for all Past Noble Grands and their families.

The club members have planned to put their cedar chest on display at the Rebekah dance in the Walker Hall, Saturday, March 9th, so all who would like a ticket on this chest please bring an extra quarter.

After the business meeting a very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed, by admiring Mrs. Merritt's beautiful quilts and crocheted work. A delicious luncheon of sandwiches, coffee and cherry pie was served by the hostess, assisted by Clara Vincent.

The members departed for their various homes, hoping to have an enjoyable a time at the next meeting.

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