

PERSONAL NEWS NOTES

Both from Jacksonville and Over the Hill

Clarence Buck was visiting friends at Gold Hill a few days ago.

Wesley Hartman is engaged in taking an inventory of county machinery.

All winter coats at half price. Now \$12.50 to \$39.50 at Adrienne's.

Miss Babe Demmer, who has been visiting her mother, returned Wednesday to Portland where she is employed.

A Joint Odd Fellows and Rebekah 6:30 dinner and installation of officers will be given in this city Saturday evening.

Brian Hamilton of California spent the holiday week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hamilton, at Ruch.

Y. H. Allen of Yreka was a recent visitor at the home of his mother, Mrs. Dave Courtney, of Thompson Creek.

Store wide semi-annual clearance sale now on at Adrienne's.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fawcett were guests last week of the latter's sister, Miss Louise Johnson, at the F. C. Preston home.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Dyke, who spent the holidays in Ashland, returned to their home Saturday and were business visitors in Medford Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Saltmarsh, who had resided in the Coke house east of town since their trek from Tallowbox in the fall, have moved to their home at Oak Grove.

Guests at intervals during the week at the home of Mrs. A. S. Kleinhammer were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Anderson and son and daughter of Medford, and Miss Rita Sanders of Ashland.

A Star Gulch miner evidently thinks prosperity has rounded the corner, for he is reported to have found fifty dollars in gold recently. He is said to have sold his findings to F. J. Reddy at Medford.

Jack Gilham, star route mail carrier here, received word of the death of his son, Cal Gilham, in Roseburg Tuesday. He left immediately for the northern city to attend funeral rites Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Wilson entertained at New Year's dinner Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fick and daughter Virginia, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Larson, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Fick and Mrs. Henrietta Fick.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fick entertained at dinner Monday evening for Mr. and Mrs. John Knight and Miss Alice Hoefs. Wednesday night the local family entertained Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Brill of Medford.

The local chapter O. E. S. initiated two new members Tuesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor of this city. Members also rehearsed for installation ceremonies which were to have been given to incoming officers Thursday night.

Grange calendar of meetings for January include gatherings in this city on Friday night, the 13th, and 27th. Applegate Grange will meet also on the 13th and 27th. All meetings will commence at 8 p. m.

Marriage licenses issued in Jackson county during 1932 totaled 507, or 66 less than were issued in 1931, when the total marriage licenses numbered 573. During 1932, 148 divorces were granted in this county—an increase of one over the 1931 total.

Alvin Dunford, who had remained at the home of his father, Chas. Dunford of this city since November, expected to return to his home on Little Applegate Wednesday. Mr. Dunford has been seriously ill during the last few months.

Miss Ethel Houston has resumed her duties in the Little Applegate school, following a most complete holiday vacation, part of which she spent in Olympia, as a guest of Miss Opal Harvey, formerly of Medford. Miss Houston also visited Seattle while in the north.

All trimmed and patterned hats \$1.00 at Adrienne's.

C. B. Griggs has returned to Long Beach, after spending several days visiting his aunt, Mrs. W. D. Peckham, on Applegate. Mrs. Peckham also expected her son, Frank Scofield of Willows, to arrive Wednesday for a visit.

Mrs. Ervin Lewis has returned to her home after spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Frank Ditsworth of Prospect, who underwent an operation at the Community hospital Friday. Mrs. Ditsworth's condition is improving.

Adrienne Steward leaves Saturday night for Los Angeles to attend the advance millinery and ready-to-wear showing, which is being held in that city at the Biltmore hotel. Many eastern firms will have displays at the show.

Florence May and Ruth Severance returned north from a holiday visit with their parents here, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Severance. Florence May is attending college at Corvallis while Ruth has been a member of the Philomath high school faculty.

The first meeting of Applegate Grange in the new year, which falls on Friday, the 13th, will have its

Smart Ensemble



Pale blue felt and chenille are combined in this smart turban and scarf ensemble.

unlucky phase offset by a chicken dinner. Members are looking forward to a meeting of exceptional interest, not only on account of the dinner, but the new officers will take their chairs, at that time.

Among those ill with influenza during the last week are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Young and son Jimmie, Mrs. Young's mother, Mrs. Wm. Harlow, and Mrs. E. R. Jones. All are recovering.

Mrs. John Byrne entertained a large number of guests with a watch party at her home on Big Applegate New Year's eve. Dancing ensued until the first hours of the new year.

Mrs. Mary Pursel and daughter, Mrs. Claud Medley, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Fred West, Mr. and Mrs. George Pursel, and Mrs. Nelson Pursel, visited during the week at the home of Mrs. Frank Sylvia near Wilderville. Mrs. Mary Pursel is remaining for a few days with Mrs. Sylvia, who is her daughter.

Semi-annual clearance of dresses at Adrienne's. Priced \$2.95, \$5.00, \$10.95 or 2 for \$20.00. Values to \$39.50.

Driving the Chrysler automobile in which his brother, Wm. Hards, was killed in a wreck near Mineral, Wash., on Christmas, Lylal Hards returned to his home on Applegate Monday, having gone to Washington to attend the funeral. Mr. Hards' mother was expected to arrive by train on the following day to make her home with her son here.

Clarence Meeker of the M. M. Department store in Medford, who returned with his family from Los Angeles early this week, complained that the regular news bounds, including "Scoop" Fawell and others, overlooked his auspicious (or suspicious) descent onto the Medford depot platform. In view of the fact that The Miner news bound hopes to include Mr. Meeker as one of the regular advertisers in this paper, we herewith tender this choice bit of news, for assimilation. (We'll be seeing you about Tuesday, Mr. M.)

Mr. and Mrs. John Black, whose marriage occurred on December 24th, were honor guests at a dancing party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Davies on Forest creek Saturday evening. Mrs. Black, formerly Marguerite Watson, is well known in Jacksonville, where she attended school a few years ago. She is teaching at the Forest creek school. Rumors of a chivalric party which nearly ended in failure are abroad, although it is said that the fun seekers made away with a fruit cake and other items of similar interest.

As a fitting filler for a lengthy holiday vacation and perhaps to bring back the good old days around Jville, Dick Hartman, with a couple of pals, went out rabbit hunting Tuesday, and reports a good catch of rabbits. Dick has been busy calling on old friends and catching up on the activities of many of the high school alumni. He likes his forestry work in Spokane, which gives him a variation of office and field work. But he doesn't care about the climate. He says the dust from the wind storms causes the housewives there no end of trouble. Mr. Hartman enjoys an occasional copy of The Miner in the northern city, he says.

Lem Wilson, well-known Jacksonville, celebrated his eighty-second birthday anniversary Sunday, January 1, with turkey, cranberries and appropriate accessories. Members of the family who were unable to attend the party sent their greetings by mail. The following day the Southern Oregon Rabbit Breeders' association show-

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ered the veteran with a rabbit banquet and birthday cake. Lem, forgetting his 82 years, was reported as behaving as spry and agile as any present. He matched wits with guests and all thoroughly enjoyed the advent of Father Time's march on the Wilson family. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Wilson and son Orville of Medford, Mr. and Mrs. A. West and daughter Betty of Perrydale and Mr. and Mrs. George Wendt and two children.

SPUD OUTYIELDS BURBANK

HILLSBORO.—The new Katahdin potatoes tried out here this year on the A. J. Rowell farm gave a better yield than Burbanks grown in the same field, showing unusual drought resistance, reports County Agent W. F. Cyrus. The drought resistance is the result of a larger root system typical of the variety, he says. The Katahdin is a round potato and thus is not quite as attractive to the general trade, but it is high in quality and may have a distinct place in western Oregon especially where the long varieties do not always attain desirable size and form.

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We can understand why a man might want a divorce, but we can't imagine why he should want to marry again the very next day.

LETTERS

To the Editor

To the Editor:

In your issue of December 16, you referred to comments, both favorable and otherwise, on your editorial policy to inform the public regarding the actual character and motives of another editor whom you describe as your "noisy contemporary." "The fist-banging editor of the Hogwallow Blatter," "the apoplexy candidate," the "self-appointed saviour," "the crusader," "the Chosen One," etc. You requested opinions from your readers regarding your policy; mine follows:

A few years ago I would have condemned your outspoken retaliation, but now I heartily approve your courageous tactics. The only way left to save Jackson county from this astounding menace, is to fight fire with fire.

The writer has been a long time in coming to this conclusion, and perhaps some explanation is in order. I have lived in the valley for over 22 years, have witnessed its ups and downs; as a fruitgrower and also conducting some other business enterprises, I believe I know the people and the conditions of Jackson county as thoroughly as some whosould know more about them; I have no axes to grind other than the general welfare of our once delightful valley; I am one of the few well-known old residents who have happened to escape the unreasonable attacks of the "free press pirate"; even my enemies (if I have any) will grant that I am fair, reasonably intelligent, and above all, tolerant. Yet I say unto you—young man, you are right in your courageous stand to stem the tide of hitherto almost unrebuked character assassination and devastating turmoil which has proved to be the worst influence and caused the most damage this otherwise sweet and law-abiding valley has ever experienced!

I have known the "crusader" since California shifted him on to us. I have carefully read every word he has published here. True, he performed some slight good in the fruit business at first (although done for his own ulterior purposes, rather than for the benefit of others, as he always pretends). Unfortunately, whatever good he accomplished has since been overwhelmed by the damage inflicted through his newspaper. You must give him credit, how-

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Heads the Engineers



Dean Andrew A. Potter of the school of engineering of Purdue university, who has been elected president of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Dean Potter, who formerly was consulting expert to the United States Department of the Interior and representative of the society which he now heads on the American Engineering council, was elected by a mail ballot of the organization's 20,000 members throughout the country.

ever, for being a genius in several ways; too bad his talents were not regulated to good uses instead of destructive, diabolically-clever schemes for the undoing of his neighbors and wrecking the good-will and incidentally the prosperity of the valley. He is an extremely clever writer, can distort truth till many cannot recognize it, lays his plans months ahead and builds up his misleading propaganda accordingly; even some intelligent persons have fallen for it, not to mention the restless and uninformed unfortunates who read no other paper and to whose prejudices and predicaments the self-appointed Saviour has appealed in these tough times of world-wide depression.

In my various visits with your adversary, I have to acknowledge his personal charm—several persons term it hypnotism. He can speak softly and persuasively. He has thus spoken to individuals, groups, committees, sessions, and charmed them; he can get across his verbal claims of "animosity toward none" even while his current publications are daily reeking and shouting his vicious animosity toward everyone and everything—particularly if indicating the slightest opposition to him or protecting themselves against his false charges.

Then some people forget the horde of victims he has cruelly libeled for years. I would like to see listed the prominent citizens, courteous and efficient public officials, and various civic, religious, industrial and other organizations he has attacked and ruthlessly condemned with his power of the press in the past three years. They should total over one hundred. Can they ALL be WRONG and only HE right? Impossible!

I am in a position to know the damage his selfish campaign of abuse and strife has done us all locally and elsewhere. At first it

resulted in Medford becoming the laughing-stock of the state; next our actually law-abiding county was given the reputation of being the hell-hole of the west and the abode of gangsters and official criminals; finally it has done us untold damage in investment and financial circles. Yet we weak-kneed citizens allowed the Arch-Disturber to go merrily on, doing as he pleased until you had the courage to call a halt.

Now that his own self-glorification, reckless financial spree and poor business policies have made it necessary for his long-suffering creditors to protect themselves and cease extending and re-extending him leniency, he turns on these friends and unreasonably blames THEM for his own self-made troubles. Furthermore, he proclaims that they are taking advantage of the situation the depression brought on him. On the contrary, his payments on property, taxes, etc., were delinquent in 1929—three years before the depression overtook the rest of us! That point should be stressed.

Yet he has set himself up as Lord of this country, to run the county, to control its machinery of government, to "turn out all the rascals from the court house"—but note, meanwhile he pays no taxes to support the county government he condemns. An example of his utter inconsistency and delusions of importance.

Speaking of delusions of grandeur and of persecution, your suggestion of a "one-way ticket to Salem" was months ago considered seriously by several doctors and lawyers of Medford in analyzing and diagnosing his actions and utterances and emotional sprees and fits of ungovernable temper and hysterical screaming that could be heard for blocks. Several up-state and local newspapers also recognized and frankly disclosed the trouble when they referred to the "Paranoiac Publicist of Medford."

I suppose it is but another symptom of this disease that he cannot "see himself as others see him." Everyone has read what he sets himself up to be—a Holy Moses to lead the Common People out of Bondage into the Land of Promises, a Defender of the Downtrodden, their Champion against the mythical "gang," which of course does not exist, a Great Politician, a Great Publisher, a Great Economist, etc., etc., ad absurdum, ad nauseum. Can't the poor, deluded "Crusader" see that thousands are ridiculing him and his grotesque antics, that he is a laughing-stock

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