

LATE IMPROVEMENTS NOT BEFORE NOTED

A hasty survey of the town shows these improvements now going on or recently finished, which have not previously been mentioned.

Marion Adam's house, on East Main street, built last year, has received a fresh coat of paint, and a fine lawn has been laid out in front.

Lee Jones has recently built a good barn in Stewart's addition.

The rear addition to David Woolley's residence, on D street, between 8th and 9th, mentioned at the beginning, is now well on the way to completion.

Severt Jacobson, at the corner of 8th and F, has lately repainted his house, and is now building a wood house on the alley at the rear.

Dan Critch has built a garage to the east of his residence on C street, between 8th and 9th, and a wood house on the alley to the rear of the house.

John Johnson has reroofed his residence on E street, between 6th and 7th.

C. E. Swartz has repainted his residence on 5th and E streets, and is preparing to reroof this and the house which stands next to it on the west, now occupied by Mr. Wetzel.

Jesse Lorah is reroofing his house on B street, between 3rd and 4th, now occupied by O. F. Kizer and family.

John Hutchins has put in a cement walk on the 2nd street front of his residence; and a cement driveway on the A street side.

WITH THE TOURISTS ON THE AUTO CAMP

Thomas Atkins—not the typical British soldier, but a plain American farmer, from the neighborhood of Waterloo, near Lebanon—camped on our grounds last Friday night. He has been in poor health lately, and hopes that a season at Belknap Springs may help him. He was accompanied by a brother who, with his son, about 12 years old, had come over from the John Day county to visit him, and was going up to the springs with him. The two brothers each had his own car.

A dozen or more of Brownsville people, all related or connected by marriage, as one of them said, traveling in three cars, had been up the McKenzie as far as the fish hatchery for an outing last Sunday. They turned into our camp for an early supper, and then pulled out for home. One of the party said the revived woolen mill, under the management of its new owner, Mr. Bowman, will have some extensive additions to its former equipment.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Dewet and their white cat were back on our camp for the third time last Sunday night. They and the family of M. C. Van Dyke had been neighbors about Riverside, California. First the Dewets, and later the Van Dykes had come up to the neighborhood of Albany, where Mrs. Dewet has a sister. The Van Dykes made third stop and the Dewets their second, a few days ago. They went from here to Bandon together. There the Van Dykes decided to return to Southern California, and they dissolved partnership. Mrs. Dewet says southern California is too hot for her, and Oregon is good enough for her. They expect to settle somewhere in the valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Waters were on the camp Saturday and Sunday nights. Mr. Waters is a traveling representative of an eastern factory, visiting their agents and local dealers over an extensive territory, and traveling by auto. They are now making their home in Portland, and Mr. Waters is taking his wife with him on one of his long trips. He is planning a long tour for 1926—to cover the whole stretch of country from Portland, Oregon, to Portland, Maine, taking in the Sesqui-centennial at Philadelphia on the round. He attended the centennial exposition there.

A visitor on the camp Tuesday evening found nobody at all on the camp except a party whom he took at first to be a band of gypsies—from their complexions and the gray coloring of the dress of the females—but who proved to be a family party of Serbians. There were about 25 of them, of all ages from 60 down, and apparently of three generations. They were all closely related, they said. The head of the tribe, who could not speak English well enough to be clearly understood in all things, spoke of some of the younger men as his nephews. Several of the younger ones acted as interpreters in a hitch, although the most talkative of them confessed that he could not read "American" at all. They had several copies of the Oregon road map among them, and quizzed the visitor about routes and points on their journey. Sometimes they held the map upside down, but that did not seem to bother them much. The patriarch of the tribe (and perhaps some other of the older ones) was born near Belgrade. He had served in the Serbian army in one of their wars—from the best the visitor could make out it must have been the war between King Milan of Serbia and King Alexander of Bulgaria, about 46 years ago. The visitor tried to get his name, but was not much wiser for his pains. The party was from Dayton, Ohio, and were on a sight-seeing tour. They had been about three weeks on the way. They had crossed the Mississippi river at Burlington, Iowa; and had come by way of Kansas City, Denver, Salt Lake City, Pocatello, Twin Falls, Boise and Portland. They were going down through California, and were speculating on a detour by way of Marshfield. They were traveling in four cars, and were well equipped for the journey. They have the distinction of having made the longest journey of all the visitors on our camp, this season, so far as this observer has observed.

Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Rebhan returned last Sunday from Seattle, where the doctor had been for several days and Mrs. Rebhan longer. The doctor reported a new baby at the home of his sister, on whose account he made the trip.

TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS DURING PAST WEEK

The grist of traffic offenses was not nearly so large during the past week as the week before. It is to be hoped that vigorous enforcement of the ordinances will diminish the number of offenses of that kind. The record for the past week, up to the middle of this week, is as follows:

Failure to display tail light, Ralph Bearger; fine \$2.00.

Exceeding speed limit: Thos. A. Kennon, E. B. McAllister, \$15 each.

Failure to display head lights: C. B. Binkley, \$2.00.

Parking near hydrant, Wm. Nelson, \$2.00.

HENRY KORF VICTIM OF FRIENDLY SURPRISE

Henry Korf, besides his work at the garage, which often demands over time, has been putting in odd hours to forward the work on his house out on the tract north of town, where he and Mrs. Korf expect to make their home. While the Korf-McGowan family were on a trip to show Mrs. Korf's sister, Mrs. Schiltz, some of the sights of the coast, some of Henry's Odd Fellow friends took the work in their own hands, and finished putting on the roof, which was just fairly commenced, and sided up one end. They were parts of two days at it, and worked day and night shifts, some of the interlopers being employed on the day shift at the mill.

EBBETT'S REEDSPORT AFFAIRS SETTLED

W. W. Ebbett, formerly in business here, later in Reedport, was here Tuesday, on his way from Roseburg to Reedport. Monday was the day set for the final hearing, at Roseburg, of some matters growing out of the bankruptcy of the Reedport Light and Power Company. The lines of Mr. Ebbett and some other claimants were settled out of court, and Judge Hamilton signed a decree giving effect to the agreement. As a result, the company is to be reorganized, and will make preparations to greatly enlarge its field of operations. Mr. Ebbett, who was assistant manager before, will be general manager of the new concern, and will receive a block of stock as part of the settlement of his claim.

Mr. Ebbett says Reedport is thriving and growing rapidly, although not well supplied with capital as yet. He thinks that, with some improvements which congress has provided for, it will have one of the finest harbors on the coast.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH ALL DAY GROVE MEETING

The Christian church congregation had an all-day outdoor meeting at Myer's grove, on the McKenzie, last Sunday. About 20 cars were gathered at the church, and took out all the people they could carry. O. C. Bean took the big feed store truck, and took an organ from the church and 29 or 30 young people.

The cars were parked in a horseshoe about the truck. The organ and the choir occupied the platform of the truck. The opening exercises of the Sunday school were held about this central point. There the teachers took their classes and arranged them on logs and whatever seats they could find. After the Sunday School, the congregation gathered within the circle of the parked cars, and seated themselves in the cars and on running boards, logs, robes on the ground and whatever they could find and the pastor preached what was spoken of as a fine sermon, well adapted to the occasion.

After the sermon came a picnic dinner. In the afternoon, the congregation reassembled, and listened to a report by Miss Clara Jones on the recent state convention at Turner. Music was a prominent and pleasant feature of all the services. About 125 persons attended.

The church held a similar gathering at the same place last year. They expect to make it an annual affair. One drawback to the pleasure of the occasion was the lack of grass. On this account, it was suggested that the meeting might be held in the neighborhood of the Stafford school-house next year.

MISSIONARY LADY VISITING SISTER HERE

Miss Hattie Mitchell, whose home is near Salem, is spending a few days in what is regarded as a farewell visit to her sister, Mrs. D. B. Murphy, in Springfield. Miss Mitchell graduated from the Eugene Bible University, and later attended the College of Missions of the Christian Church, at Indianapolis, for two years. She expects to sail from New York the last of September, to enter upon missionary work in Belgian Congo.

About 25 friends, mainly ladies of the local church, with one other from Springfield and several from Eugene, met at the home of Mrs. Murphy last Thursday afternoon, and gave Miss Mitchell a shower of such things as would be helpful to her on her journey and in her work. She gave an informal address to the company, touching upon the preparations she had had to make for her work, and the manner of life that was before her in the mission field.

The Christian Sunday School of Eugene presented Miss Mitchell with a fine portable typewriter last Sunday.

OLD TIME FRIENDS EXCHANGE VISITS

Mrs. M. F. Conley, of Hastings, Minnesota, visited here several weeks ago with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Anna Glendennig, and went on to Klamath Falls to visit relatives there. She returned to Springfield on Thursday of last week, and visited with Mrs. Glendennig until Sunday, when her son-in-law and daughter, Prof. and Mrs. H. A. Scullen, of Corvallis, came over and took her home with them. Mrs. Glendennig expects to accompany Mrs. Conley when she starts for home, about August 3rd. Hastings was Mrs. Glendennig's home for many years. She expects to visit there about three months.

OSMON T. LANGDON

Died at the home of his son, L. W. Langdon, 3 miles south of Eugene, Saturday night July 23 aged 80 years. The funeral was held at Walker's chapel Tuesday, July 25, at 10 a. m., and was conducted by Rev. Wm. Moll Case, of Eugene. The burial was at Laurel Hill. The G. A. R. post of Springfield attended the body, and had charge of the services at the grave.

Mr. Langdon served in the civil war in Co. F., 51st Indiana infantry. He is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters. The sons are L. W. of Eugene, and G. W., of Colorado. The daughters are Mrs. W. Baldwin, of Eugene; and Mrs. M. W. Schafer, of Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Langdon lived in Springfield several years, and were well known here. Lately they have been living with the son at whose home Mr. Langdon died.

An alarm sounded about half past 4 last Thursday afternoon called out the firemen to help extinguish a grass fire in the residence section on Wilamette Heights. A grass fire may become a very dangerous thing in these days.

Rev. Otto Fresen, pastor of the Free Methodist church in West Springfield, was at Roseburg the latter part of last week attending the district quarterly meeting. Rev. B. B. Beckett filled his pulpit Sunday forenoon, and Rev. H. C. Ethell in the evening.

Dr. S. Ralph Dippel, dentist, Springfield, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rodenbaugh came up from Portland on Wednesday of last week. Mr. Rodenbaugh went back to Portland with Mr. and Mrs. Snodgrass in their car Thursday. He is employed by the Gill Automotive company in Portland. Mrs. Rodenbaugh will remain at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore McCracken, and carry on her music teaching.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Snodgrass went to Portland last Thursday for a short stay. After their return, they expected to go up into the Oakridge region for a summer vacation.

A little son of Claude Lansbery, 4-years old, was operated upon last Thursday, in Eugene, for a cataract on the left eye. That eye had become practically sightless. The other eye will be operated upon when the first one recovers.

Try "Spirella" the World's Best Corset. Orders taken by Mrs. Ida Larson, 114 E. St. Phone 115-W evenings.

The Antlers hotel, at Blue River, was destroyed by fire on the afternoon of the 13th. The fire caught from a spark on the roof. All the men employed about the place were away fishing at the time. Several small buildings near by, including one residence, were burned.

Miss Hazel Dean, daughter of Geo. I. Dean, in company with a chum, Miss Jennie Miller, of Eugene, was spending a few days of vacation at the Foley Springs, at the time of the fire. Miss Dean lost all the clothing she had with her except what she had on.

All orders of hemstitching left at Eggumanna's. 5c per yard for all colors.

Mrs. Wm. Lansbery left the first of this week for Wernner, near Lethbridge, Alberta, for a lengthy visit with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Hershey. She went by way of Spokane. She will be gone at least a month.

Dr. and Mrs. S. R. Dippel, accompanied by Mrs. Dippel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gallier, proprietors of the Hotel Gallier, at Bandon, left Springfield on Monday, the 17th, for a two-weeks' fishing trip to Calgary, Alberta.

WALTERVILLE NOTES

Miss Elizabeth Potter spent last week with her grandmother, Mrs. S. C. Potter.

Mrs. Harry Thienes will teach the Cedar Flat school the coming term.

The road above here will be closed certain hours, beginning the last of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McCue is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Page. Mr. McCue is Mrs. Page's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Shrode made a business trip to Eugene Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Campbell were in Eugene Tuesday.

Katherine Hotelling spent Monday with Mary Trotter.

Mrs. I. E. Stevens has been laid up for about ten days as the result of a fall by which her left knee was sprained.

Quarterly meeting will be held at the Free Methodist church in West Springfield, next week, from Friday evening to Sunday evening. Rev. D. D. Dodge, who is district elder again, for the third term, will be in charge.

A. Pierce & Co. will open a line of light groceries, about August 1st, in the Kepner building No. 337 Main street. The building has been overhauled and rearranged to adapt it to the needs of the business.

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1/4 acre lot on 5th st. Make me an offer. Send the money. A. M. Platt 1678 E 55th street, Cleveland, Ohio.

The unoccupied part of the Bettelheim corner is regarded as a pari, and as such is under the supervision of the Ladies' Civic club. As a part of the clean-up movement called for by the marshal's notice, Wm. Lansbery mowed the grass off it, without charge, and he and Mr. Donaldson hauled off the grass.

C. C. Canter and wife of Portland, and F. R. Myer and wife of San Francisco, were in town last Saturday inquiring as to the condition of the road to McCredie Springs. The Myers had joined their friends at Portland and the two families had chosen this vicinity in which to spend their vacation. Mrs. Myers is advertising manager of the Whitehouse Department store of Frisco, which is one of the largest on the coast.

Hop pickers wanted. Both early and late hops. Good camp ground on road. If you want a cabin speak early. Phone 47-F5 Springfield, or write J. L. Clark Mt. Rt. "B" Eugene, Oregon.

J. J. Wolk, of Walla Walla, Washington, a shareholder in the Springfield Mill & Grain company, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Bushman from last Saturday until Tuesday of this week.

THURSTON NOTES

Grandma Mathews, who had spent several days visiting her son Ross and family, returned to her home in Eugene last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Edmiston, who have been down on the Siuslaw, returned home last Thursday.

Miss Thelma Blanton, who has been visiting at the Rennie home for the past two weeks, returned to her home at Brooks, Thursday.

Several from Thurston went to the Jersey breeders picnic at Blacly last Thursday.

Mrs. Price Gilmore and daughter Grace, from Junction City, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Weaver last Friday.

Mr. L. Needham and family and Mrs. Melvin Needham and son arrived from California last Friday, for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Needham.

John William had a narrow escape Saturday, while bucking a log several feet high. When the log fell, it threw him several feet. He struck, on the back of his head, rendering him unconscious for several minutes. He soon rallied, and his injury proved not to be serious.

There was quite a crowd gathered at the home of J. T. Harbert Saturday evening and charivari'd Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gossler, who were married several days ago. Mr. and Mrs. Gossler moved to Camp 25, above Wendling, Sunday, where Mr. Gossler has employment.

Mrs. Earnest West gave a party at her home last Saturday evening, in honor of her niece, Miss Pearl McCallum, who is visiting her.

Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Yarnell returned home Sunday, from an outing of several days at the Springs.

Mr. Waite, of Marcola, was in our neighborhood Monday, buying stock for market.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jackson, of Spencer Butte, spent Monday at the John Edmiston home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Weaver visited with Mrs. Weaver's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moore, north of Eugene, Sunday. Taylor Needham and family motored to Belknap Springs Tuesday.

Bert Mathews started his threshing machine Tuesday. He began on his place at Thurston.

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The Harrisburg Bulletin complains that the old orchards in that vicinity are going into decay, and are not being renewed, and that very little fruit is now produced there for shipment.

Mrs. Sarah Skinner, aged 83, the mother of F. E. Skinner, of Springfield, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Roach, in Eugene, on the 19th. She was buried at Coburg on the 21st.

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NOTICE TO CUT GRASS

In accordance with Ordinance No. 114, notice is hereby given that all owners, agents or occupants of any property within the limits of the town of Springfield will be required to "cut and remove any grass, weeds, thistles or bushes growing upon any lot, vacant or occupied, or in any street or alley adjacent to such property," within 10 days from the date of the publication of this notice. The penalty for failure to do this is a fine of not less than \$5.00 nor more than \$30.00.

Owing to the great danger of fire, on account of the extremely dry season, this ordinance will be strictly enforced.

Wm. DONALDSON, Marshal.
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