

# NEWS FROM NEARBY TOWNS

## Eagle Point Eaglets

—By—  
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E. W. Holeman of Puyallup, Wash., was here the middle of the week looking for a place to invest money to advantage. He went from here to Butte Falls, returning Wednesday. He has been in the Hood River, Palouse, Wenatchee, etc., countries and thinks in some respects that this is ahead of them all.

We are having our regular quota of traveling salesmen and solicitors here—F. W. Crane, who was soliciting for a typewriting company, and I. L. Krauss of Medford, representing the Pease Manufacturing company of Cincinnati, O., who was canvassing for a patent sardine.

Mr. Ditsworth and his three youngest children, a daughter and two boys, came in Sunday evening and started early Monday morning for Medford to see the show, returning Monday. The three children were delighted with what they saw. Speaking of the show, there was quite a delegation went from Eagle Point that day and quite a large number passed through here in wagons, buggies, etc., to see the show.

Mr. Long and Mr. Cassidy of Medford were both here for a night Tuesday. Mr. Cassidy represents a grocery firm in Portland.

A. J. Daley has had Stevens' hay balers baling his hay, finishing up Thursday noon.

Henry D. Simon, George Lewis and Henry Childreth started on a hunt Wednesday in an auto, to be gone several days. We are waiting for some venison.

P. H. Daley had his water tower and tank put up, Wednesday and Thursday and will soon have water in his residence. Speaking of Professor Daley, he expects to commence our school one week from next Monday, September 12.

Mr. Hallev, the representative of

the McMinnville Insurance company, was out last Tuesday looking after the business of the company.

Mr. Clark of Medford was out with his auto Tuesday evening with a lady and gentleman. I understand that he had come out to help a brother autoist out of trouble.

Last Monday evening, about 8 o'clock there were three men drove up in a buggy and one of them jumped out in the dark and skipped around the woodshed and the other two sat there thinking that he would return and pay his bill. After waiting a while it occurred to them that he had said on the way out that he was going to Mayfield's, so they drove down there, and as soon as they were gone he tried to enter the woodshed, but finding that way blocked he opened a door and went into the grainhouse and covered up with some sacks. In the meantime there were some young men who board here were watching, and as soon as he entered the grainhouse two of them started for the men in the buggy and soon brought them back. The procurer a lantern, went in and in a few minutes located him and demanded four dollars for bringing him out from Medford, but as he did not produce the coin they took him out, made him get into the buggy again and started with him for Medford, a badly scared man, for they promised him all sorts of punishment, such as working on the streets, going to the pen, etc.

Mr. O'Brien of Butte Falls, a subcontractor on the culvert work on the P. & E., was here Tuesday night and reports that he has about finished his contract.

The steam shovel has had to suspend operations for a while, as the railroad company have the road ballasted up to the bridge they are now building. The engineer, Mr. Fraser,

thinks that it will be a week or more before they will commence again. The company have employed Mr. Vincin, the sewing machine-ice cream man of Medford, as nightwatchman, to fill the place made vacant by C. Plymire, who is installed as fireman.

Charles Brophy, who has been visiting his brother, Benjamin, went to Medford Wednesday.

John Nichols has erected a new woodshed and A. B. Zimmerman is getting the material on the ground to build one for himself.

Messrs. Hughes and Cowden of Butte Falls came out Wednesday after a load of goods for the former, and Mr. Hughes went on to Medford the same day.

O. R. Brown commenced to put up the wire, two strands, for the telephone between here and Lake Creek Wednesday.

Wednesday night the timekeeper for the bridge gang came in about 10:30 with three men and called for beds for the three men, said that all of them, while working on the bridge in the course of construction of the P. & E., fell about seven feet and bruised him quite badly about the body and one arm. They took him on to Medford Thursday morning. I did not learn their names.

Mrs. Ringer, who has a place in the lower end of town, raised some peaches this year, and a 3-year-old tree that measured 11 inches in circumference. They were the Early Alexanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Clancy Flory went out the first of the week visiting their parents.

James Watkins, his son-in-law and wife and baby, and Mr. Hutchason, all living on the Trail route, called for dinner Thursday; also Misses Ada, Florence and Bertha Ditsworth, three sisters, called on their way to the valley, where they have each a school engaged for the fall and winter. Another one of the sisters went out to teach last Saturday and there is one now engaged teaching.

to our correspondent that the fires about Dudley were about extinguished and that the soldiers had left that section and the place was now under patrol of civilians; that the troops under command of Lieut. Campbell had gone to join Capt. Upton at Inimaha Creek, where there were about 160 soldiers fighting the fierce fires prevailing; that about ten miles of trenching had been done that Lieut. Mitchell was in charge of some 50 men; that the soldiers had done noble work and too much praise could be given them for their efficient service; that the Forestry service was doing all in its power to check the flames, and it was hoped that when Mr. Cecil, Asst. Forester arrived on Thursday that the flames would be under complete control.

Mr. Knapp wants the efficiency of the soldiers commended and due credit given to them and Major Martin, with his aides for the very helpful services which they have rendered.

Major Martin, together with Dr. Pearson made a very social call Thursday and reviewed the situation and origin of fires and expressed himself that it was more than

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## Who's To Be Your Grocer?

We don't ask the question to be inquisitive, but to attract your attention. We want to be your "GROCER."

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GIVE US A TRIAL

All we ask is a fair trial. Call and give us an order and allow us to demonstrate that we can serve you the best for anything in our line.

**Allen & Reagan**

CENTRAL AND MAIN  
PHONE MAIN 2711

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Our many patrons will be glad to learn that we have received a delayed car of that famous and justly celebrated Blue Ribbon Flour.

If you ever used Blue Ribbon then went where you couldn't get it and had to take something "JUST AS GOOD," you know that there is no flour just as good as Blue Ribbon. Moral: 'USE BLUE RIBBON' It's the same story with every line we carry—they are second to none on the market. This applies to

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Grocery Phone 286  
Market Phone 281  
E. Main, near Bartlett

## Butte Falls Items

Rev. Adams, Presbyterian Mission, is visiting Butte Falls in the interest of the new church and is holding religious meetings.

The daughter of our townsmen, Moore, accidentally broke her arm by a recent fall.

Mr. Smith, the edgerman, while employed about the saw mill was caught in the machinery and whirled around, but sustained only a serious shaking and no internal injuries. He had a narrow escape.

W. H. Holeman, a banker of Puyallup, Washington, was looking around Butte Falls Tuesday, investigating the advisability of opening a bank. He is now banking in Washington. He is much pleased with our town and may return.

Messrs. Gerig, Hafer and Dudley of Medford came in on Wednesday on their car and made an inspection of the burnt district and also inspected railroad matters.

Capt. Mahoney and Mrs. Mary Al-

bert who have homesteads in the unsurveyed reports that their claims were burnt over and great damage to the standing timber. Geo. Albert lost his cabin and many others suffered by the fires.

Messrs. Mills, Netherland and others, who have been in attendance upon the Grand Jury have returned home.

May of the fires in this section are under control, but there are some very bad ones still burning near Prospect, and they are sweeping toward Butte Falls.

There are a great many strangers in town and all seem to be intent on finding out about the incoming railroad and seeking locations.

David Day, wife and child visited Medford Monday and took in the circus, while many others from this section were in evidence to see the animals.

J. B. Knapp, asst. deputy forester of Portland, gave a detailed report

## Central Point Items

Woodlawn orchard in oil, will not be a bad advertisement, and this is exactly what is to happen. Charles H. Harmon, a prominent California artist, who lives at Santa Rosa, was here last week and while looking over the fine orchards of this vicinity decided on painting Woodlawn orchard and spent several hours in sketching it. Mr. Harmon's paintings, especially his landscapes and marine views, are excellent productions and no doubt but "Woodlawn orchards," the handsomest in all Oregon, will look lifelike when portrayed by his magic touch.

The merry-go-round has struck town and the over-pious who object to that sort of amusement are deeply absorbed in prayer, while the children and young people are wearing the broad grin of enjoyment and earnest expectancy.

Francis M. Daugherty, mining expert, left Newton, Kan., on September 1 in company with a number of

other citizens of the sunflower state, who are bound for Central Point, Rogue River valley. Mr. Daugherty is an able promoter as well as a mineral expert, and there'll sure be something doing when he arrives.

The discussions on wet and dry Central Point have ceased and all attention is now turned to delinquent board bills and other small outstanding obligations of both scribes and Pharisees, and the fact that the law is being provoked to collect for newspaperial pork chops is attracting much attention.

J. S. Murphy has moved his family from Medford to this city and is now comfortably domiciled in one of the Boswell cottages.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jeffers have moved into temporary quarters on their fine lot on Manzanita street, where they will reside until a new residence is erected or decide upon the now contemplated trip to California.

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Central Point is soon to be the home of C. W. Brandon, chemist and pharmacist, who has compounded the most successful fruit tree spray ever known to the fruitgrowers of Canada. While Mr. Brandon is an American, he succeeded in perfecting his compound while in British territory and so successfully has it worked in that country that he now comes to the Rogue River valley, where he will establish a plant for its manufacture and will introduce it to the fruitgrowers of this section. The Brandon Tree Spray company will be the name of the new firm.

S. A. Pattison, chief pencil-pusher of the Central Point Herald, attended the mill of Medford's herd of Elks Wednesday night and assisted in branding a number of "mavericks."

A camp meeting in one end of town and a merry-go-round in another is the program here for the next two weeks and such a program should successfully separate the sheep from the goats.

Roderick Easley, our fire chief, has moved to Riddle, Or., and a new chief has already been appointed, but not announced.

John Brown is soon to commence construction work on a new business block on Fourth and Pine streets.

The old Jeffers residence will be moved from its present site on Fourth and Pine streets to Fourth and Oak, to make room for business houses.

This department is a regular weekly feature, dealing with all phases of the fruit and produce world.

# IN THE FRUIT GROWING WORLD

Conducted by Charles W. Wilmeroth, manager of the Rogue River Fruit & Produce Association.

To our Stockholders and Friends:

The general market on Bartlett pears has not changed much from last week, prices ranging from \$2.50 to \$3 per box on mixed cars, fancy and choice. The majority of the association cars are running heavy to choice. One or two of our markets have been complaining about pears not keeping as well this year as in other seasons. One well-posted grower in the valley remarked that he is not surprised at this, as this is what he expected. These conditions are caused, no doubt, by our season being two weeks earlier than in former years. The season being earlier does not apply alone to the Rogue River valley, but to all the valleys of the northwest, and we get word that on account of the season being earlier their pears are not keeping as well as last year. One unfortunate condition this year, on account of the season being earlier, is we have for competition many heavy shipments of California mountain Bartletts, and being smaller in size than Rogue River pears, the prices realized for California stock will compare very favorably with our own stock for reasons stated above. We are informed, generally speaking, the markets prefer a medium sized pear to the large pears.

This is a good point to remember for future years, so that growers can thin their trees accordingly.

All eastern markets are glutted with heavy supplies of eastern peaches, as well as phenomenally heavy shipments of western box peaches, prices ruling from 40 to 65 cents.

Apples of all kinds are low in the eastern markets, ranging from \$3 per barrel to \$1 and even 50 cents for common stock. In some markets ordinary apples are absolutely unsaleable. Our coast markets, especially Portland, are overloaded with all kinds of fruit, and one firm handling our local shipments of plums has wired that we should discontinue shipment, as it is impossible to make sales.

No sales of Howell pears have been made up to the present time. We are now shipping Bose pears. We think the coming week will clean up shipments of this variety. Those having large or small lots of this variety should aim to get them in this coming week.

### Apples.

There are a few summer apples being packed, but on account of Portland and coast markets being so low, we have sold one car of such varieties as we are now receiving

Kings, Lauvers, Waxen and Hubs at 95 cents per box f. o. b. Medford.

If your wants are not fully supplied with box shock, paper, nails, stencils and variety stamps you should take the matter up with this office at once.

Regarding packers, you should arrange to engage such as you may need at the earliest possible moment. Our packing school is now in progress and more scholars can be accommodated. The association carries a line of picking ladders and a new picking utensil, sample of which can be seen at this office.

Please bear in mind that the association needs its money as fast as you can send it to us. While your portion may be small, please remember that every little bit helps. Our obligations come due very regularly and in order to maintain the line of credit this association is entitled to, we must be ready with the money, and we ask your assistance if you have not done your part.

From time to time we publish crop reports and letters from correspondents through the different sections of the United States, and one of our readers suggested it looked like "bear" talk from start to finish. The fact of the matter is, up to the present time we have had nothing but

"bear" talk to write about. Whenever anything is found that looks like short crop anywhere we are only too glad to make note of it. Our aim in publishing this information is to let those interested know what the fruit world generally is talking and reading each day. The plain facts will not hurt anybody, and while it may not please everybody to learn these facts, it does not change the conditions that we have to meet before our crop is marketed.

At this time we have a report from Grand Junction, Colo., that the worms are taking the crop badly and that the output is badly overestimated. We get a report from New York state that they have been six weeks without rain.

We are asked many times what we are going to get for our apples this year. This is too early to make predictions. A great deal can happen to the eastern crop before the winter apples are harvested, and no pains will be spared to keep in touch with the exact conditions. In reading these articles you must take them for what they are worth. I assure you they will not affect the management of this organization when it comes time for us to put a price on our output this fall.

If the press reports are correct, it

develops that the Hood River Apple association has contracted their entire crop of all varieties to Steinhardt & Kelly of New York, approximately 300 to 400 cars. The apples are in strong hands and controlled by people who have plenty of nerve when it comes to holding and always good ability to ask strong prices when offering them for sale. These conditions will not hurt us in the least; in fact, it should be to our benefit to know that the only competitor we have in quality is controlled by one strong firm.

Joe Steinhardt, in two or three letters, has agreed to pay us a visit and we are looking forward to this event with pleasure. If we cannot do business with him we can at least learn more or less from him that will be of value to the association.

Yours very truly,  
C. W. WILMEROOTH.

SEE LOW APPLE PRICES.

Action of Banks Will Flood New York With Fruit, Expert Says.

D. E. Lynch, a well-known apple man, returned from an extensive trip through the apple growing sections of this state, Michigan and the middle west, says the New York Fruit

Journal. Mr. Lynch is perhaps one of the best informed observers in the United States, and his entire business life has been in that line. He handled the Hood River deal for Steinhardt & Kelly in the season of 1908, and made record sales on northwestern fruit. He says that while some of the orchards have not as much fruit as last year, the quality is exceptionally fine, and on the whole the yield will be large. Some of the orchards visited by Mr. Lynch in Western New York average very high on fancy large fruit, he says, and the supply in the middle west is much larger than generally expected.

"The apple problem this year will be a puzzle," said Mr. Lynch. "In previous years the storage warehouses were ready to hand out loans to impetuous and irresponsible speculators, but this year the banks have taken the purse strings on the warehouses and refuse to advance over 10 per cent on the face value of the fruit, so only responsible houses with strong financial backing will be a factor in the game this year."

"The reports from the Hood River section are to the effect that the yield will be abnormally heavy, nearly 40 per cent more than last year, and that the entire crop will

be a great deal larger than generally expected."

These economic conditions, Mr. Lynch says, will force more fruit on the market this fall than ever before, and as a result New York will attract the bulk of the stock, so that the range of prices will rule abnormally low. The farmers are asking \$3 per barrel now for fancy red fruit, but up to this time not a sale of a single barrel has been reported.

Editor's note: If the above statement is true, it means a great deal to speculative apple buying. I have known in many seasons where the banks would advance practically three-fourths of the money a speculator would pay for his apples. This made it very easy to handle large blocks of apples, and many would be stored which would otherwise have gone into consumption. Very few firms in the United States have the means with which to pay in cash nine-tenths of the value of their purchases, and on this account there will not be so many apples stored that ordinarily should go to the cider press or evaporator, and on this account will materially strengthen the market after the holidays for fine, long-keeping apples.