

Newsy Notes from Rogue River Valley Towns

Butte Falls Items

Monroe Baldwin was a pleasant visitor to the Falls on Wednesday. Reuben Murray of Central Point was visiting here during the week. Professor Wright has returned from his trip to Pennsylvania and will open school on Monday. Superintendent Netherland and Manager Mills' new homes are fast nearing completion and will be very comfortable and convenient homes. Tom Edsall is very sick with an attack of kidney trouble and there are symptoms of typhoid. Dr. Holt of Eagle Point is in attendance. Lee Edmonson was visiting his many friends and his father's family on Monday, and while here attended to some important legal business. Professor Edgar Smith has purchased property in Butte Falls and will remove here for the winter and perhaps all the time, as his family are living hereabouts. The box social netted the ladies the sum of \$35, which will go toward furnishing the assembly room with seats for religious gatherings. The Crater Lake Lumber company through Mr. Hafer has made a handsome gift of land to the railway and it is now running a Y or switch to timber holdings of the company. William Ferguson of Central Point drove his team to Butte Falls, bringing a Mr. Johnson and another gentleman from some northern point, who are looking for investments. Our school will open very soon with a corps of two teachers and from indications will have an increased enrollment. Professor Wright will be principal, with Mrs. Barritt as assistant. Arnold Banholzer, who has been quite a sick man, suffering from some internal trouble, is convalescent and able to move around. He will soon take a trip to the valley for a change. The voters are not registering very fast and it appears as if there is a general apathy concerning the election hereabouts, but it may be that the few days remaining to register will bring the voters out. Eugene Young of Jacksonville, Or., and who was mail carrier for many years, has been encamping here for a month or more and if conditions suit him will locate and enter business. Dr. Pierson of the camp finds his professional services in demand among our local people and has ever been ready to respond to any call, and all which is most gratefully appreciated by the people and the patients especially. Mr. Herbert, a writer for the Atlantic Monthly, is here and preparing an article for the magazine, in which he will review the fire situation for its readers. He has engaged

Jacksonville Notes

Don Cameron, son of ex-Senator Todd Cameron, yesterday returned to Oakland to resume his studies in the polytechnic college of engineering. Dr. John Reuter of The Dalles, with his mechanic, toured from that city here to visit his mother and sisters. He will remain for several days. Mrs. J. N. T. Miller is down from Portland looking after her ranch. It is reported that she will sell, and that W. T. York & Co. of Medford will handle the deal. She has about 50 acres adjoining Jacksonville on the north, about ten acres of which are bearing orchard. A good many would-be nimrods were out after the deer in the foothills close to town yesterday, but from all accounts it is believed that the deer are safe so far. Quite a few have been seen close to town lately and all the old hunters say that it is a fine year for deer. It is still too dry for good hunting. The funeral of H. D. Kubli Saturday was one of the largest ever seen in Jacksonville. Main street was lined with autos almost its entire length and the Rogue River railway brought a good many more. Among the Medford men were D. H. Jackson, John S. Oroht, Gus Newbury, W. S. Crowell, D. B. Russell and W. W. Eifert. C. P. Briggs of Butte Falls and H. von der Hellen of Welton also attended the funeral. Ashland was represented by G. W. Dunn, Jack Cleveland, G. C. Culy, Jesse Houck, Robert Dow, Roy Hale, Howard Ross, Marsh Wagner, A. McCallen, D. S. Herrin, E. T. Staples, H. C. Sparr, Henry Barneburg and Cliff Payne.

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Eagle Point Eaglets

—By—
A. C. Howlett.

Frank Nichols is starting to build a new house on the place he bought of William F. Smith. C. A. Francois and F. H. Clark were out looking over our country for an investment in apple land. The cattle were in a canyon and the fire surrounded them before they could be driven out. Messrs. John W. Smith and G. W. Wensley are building a barn on the old J. J. Fryer place for F. E. Nichols. Speaking of living in tents, there are several tents being put up around town to be used here this winter in the absence of something better. Mrs. Geppert and her son spent the night here Thursday on their way home from Medford, where they had been for some of the necessities of life. George von der Hellen is pushing his new house along as fast as possible. He has moved his family on the ground and is camping in a tent, thus enjoying life. Mr. Eadier was with us Thursday night and reports that there has been a number of cattle burned in the fire on Little Butte near Soda springs. Mrs. Wharton of Butte Falls came out Thursday, spent the night with us and Friday morning took the stage for Trall, where she is engaged to teach school this fall. When Professor P. H. Daily returned from his hunt he reported having killed some deer and one bear, and he had the skin and meat as evidence. Miss Donna Rader, the popular saleslady in Von der Hellen's hardware, drug and furniture store, has been visiting the family of Artie Nichols on Salt creek. Alfred Smith and wife of Bandon came in on us for the night Thursday. The soldiers who have been engaged on the fire line have been coming in the last few days and this, Saturday, afternoon the last of them arrived. They are a fine looking set of men and are well behaved. The people who came in from the fire belt report that they did good work while there and the people can't speak in high enough terms of them. Mrs. King, a sister of the Spencers of the Dudley settlement, who has been visiting her brothers there, came in Friday and took the train for Medford on her way to her home in Corvallis. The three carpenters, Messrs. Bradbury, Walgamott and Atwell, who are building Mr. Stewart's house, are guests at the Sunnyside, and another crew of carpenters who are now at work on Benton Bowers' new house, have engaged board and rooms at the S. S., also a number of families who are working on the P. & E. have spoken for rooms, and it begins to look as though Eagle Point was fast coming into notice. They were met by their cousins, Aaron and Isaac Smith, the next morning and went to the country with them for a few days. Messrs. Bert Henderson and H. C. West, insurance adjusters, were guests at the Sunnyside the middle of the week. They spent a good part of the day fishing in Little Butte creek. Last Thursday as the railroad train was coming in from the Butte creek bridge some horses that were being pastured in Mr. Young's field took fright and started to run in the same direction the train was going and they soon became tangled up in wire fences and broke through, three of them tearing some of the fences down for several rods and cutting one of them, a fine young mare of Peter Young's, very badly, and at last accounts it was feared that she was ruined for life. Mr. Reed of Dudley came out on Thursday, spent two nights and Saturday morning, loaded John Higginbotham with his winter supplies. He had quite an experience with the fire, as he was in the midst of it for several days. He seems to think that the timber is not damaged so much as has been reported, although in some places where the timber was extra thick and the debris had collected the most of the timber is ruined. Our freight agent, Thomas Christy, at the P. & E. depot has been succeeded by F. M. Stewart, and Thomas Christie has assumed the position of braking on the passenger train between here and Medford. Mr. Stewart has bought a five-acre tract of land near the depot and Messrs. Bradberry, Charles Walgamott and Atwell are engaged in building a house for him on the land. Mr. Beeson of Talent started from here Saturday morning for the MacAndrews place on Rogue river to build a house for Mr. Brophy. During the past few days there have been a constant run of strangers. One day this week we had 18 strangers for dinner, not counting our regular patrons. Nelson Nye, a brother-in-law of our postmaster, A. J. Florey, came in from Alaska Friday night on his way to his old home near Prospect. His wife is still with her mother in Washington. I did not have any talk with him, as he started early this, Saturday, morning for his home. Mrs. George West, wife of Forest Ranger George West, came in on the Prospect stage Saturday evening to the S. S. Just as I was writing she says that George is the busiest man in the United States.

Central Point Items

W. J. Freeman left for Portland this morning, where he goes to buy stock for his large business and implement house. N. E. Childers has commenced the erection of a large and commodious dwelling in the Shields addition, on Pine street. The brick work is complete on the Whiteside-Childers building, and the plasterers and inside finish men are now getting busy. Frank A. Hawk had traded his old automobile to B. McDonough of Eagle Point for real estate in that division on the P. & E. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hawk and Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Purdin enjoyed a few days' fishing in Rogue river on Sunday. The party made the trip in Mr. Hawk's auto. The party brought here last week by Dr. Ray for the purpose of taking over the Central Point hotel, did not do so, but instead purchased hotel property in Ashland. The football boys are beginning to practice for the season's games. Central Point will trot out the finest eleven in the valley this year, unless all signs fail. Orval Hardee, recently of Astoria, arrived here Sunday. Mr. Hardee is figuring on entering the hotel business at some point in the valley and will spend some weeks in looking over the field. L. L. Truax has gone to Portland and other points and will no longer reside in the vicinity of Central Point, having left his horses with G. R. Wilkerson with power to sell the same. The merry-go-round pulled up stakes Saturday night and on Monday morning pulled out for Roseburg. This will probably ease the minds of those who did not approve of that kind of "innocent amusement." The Y. M. C. A. people have had considerable trouble in getting plans for a building to suit them that will come within their means, but at last report of the committee plans were decided upon which it is believed will reach all requirements. It is not at all probable that the building will be completed this winter, as the rainy season is due, but the work will be rushed in the early spring. C. B. Bade, of the Jacobson-Bade company, will appear before the council tonight, at which time the city solons will accept in full the municipal water system. Mr. Bade has been exceedingly careful that every detail of the plant be perfect, and as a whole it is one of the best and cheapest water systems in the state. Aside from the boxes around the shut-off valves, every detail is of the highest grade and the people of Central Point are fortunate in securing such an adequate water supply at such a nominal cost. The paving of Pine street and the establishing of a sewerage system are the two great questions now confronting the city government and the people at large. It is the opinion of experts, among which is Mr. Bade; the opinion of Mayor Leever, a number of the councilmen and many citizens that a trunk sewer down Pine street is the only solution. This being the case, to pave Pine street before the sewer is dug would be a waste of time and money, as the pavement would have to be torn up for sewer purposes. The sewer could be put in and the pavement postponed, but upon this mode of procedure the people are divided. To tax the people for both pavement and sewer at one time is believed to be too much of a burden, as the question of property valuation being sufficient for such bonds is also entering into the game. All we know that we will be forced to put in a sewerage system and civic pride will necessarily compel us to pave Pine street, and there you are.

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