

ASHLAND AND VICINITY

Dr. J. C. Reasoner, brother of Mrs. George Gantner, is expected here this week for a visit with relatives...

In observance of the sixteenth wedding anniversary of Rev. William Johnson and wife, members of the "Good Cheer" Bible class...

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lance, accompanied by their uncle, Eugene Walden, plan to meet with Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Hill on the Christmas anniversary at the latter's home at Hill, Cal.

Siskiyow Chapter, No. 21, Royal Arch Masons, elected and installed officers for 1917, December 21 as follows: P. K. Hammond, high priest...

Invitations has been extended to the membership of the Medford lodge No. 102, A. F. and A. M. to attend the installation of officers of Ashland Lodge No. 23 on the evening of St. John's Day, Wednesday, December 27, 1916.

Among Ashland students elsewhere Bob Wagner, taking a special course at the experiment station of the California Agricultural college at Davis, will pass the holiday season with his mother at Oakland, where he will be joined by his brother Carol who is a student at Berkeley.

Wm. Turner, pioneer resident of Siskiyou county for 65 years in the Butte Creek valley section, died recently. He was a veteran of the Modoc war, and one of the skirishes incident to that struggle took place upon his property.

Official scout car No. 2, Auto club of America, loaded with two passengers and a lot of equipment, was in this city on Wednesday, investigating conditions of highways and gathering data of interest to transcontinental motor travel.

Vernia Mills, student of the University of California at Berkeley, will be home for the Christmas vacation. Postoffice inspector, E. C. Clement of Portland has been in town this week on important business. He is an old time acquaintance of W. D. Hodgson, dating from the time when both were in the government service with headquarters at Fargo, North Dakota.

Misses Minnie and Nella Beaver will not return home from Salem for Christmas, but will pass the holidays at Springfield with near relatives in the Aldred Beaver and Walter Henderson families, all former residents of this city.

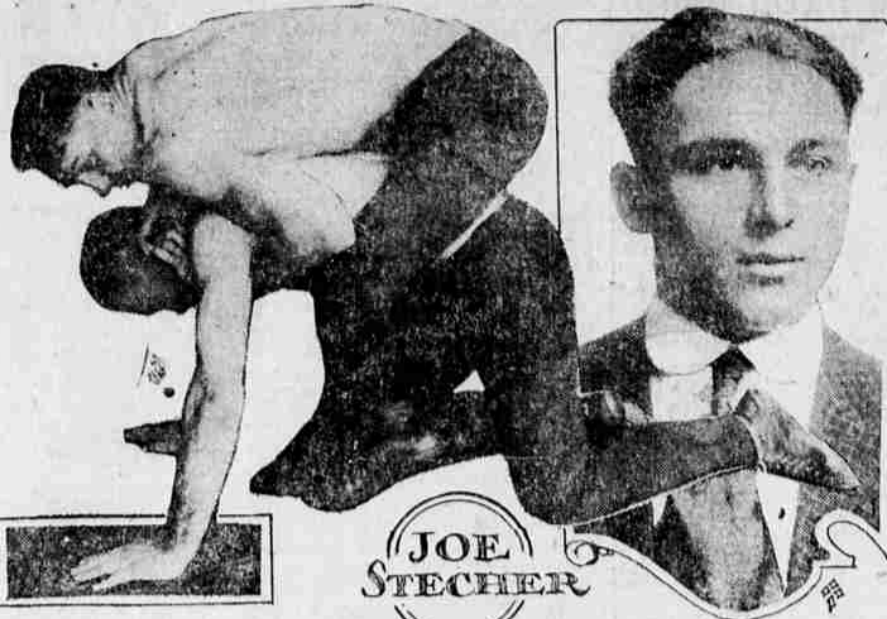
G. A. Reichman of Fort Jones, Cal., well known mining contractor has secured the machinery for hauling 40 tons of mining machinery from Hornbrook to the Gray Eagle mine, a copper property located near Happy Camp down the Klamath river.

Julian Provost, of St. Paul, Ore., is here for a visit with his brother Pierre. The latter is also receiving a visit from his son, Teddy, who is connected with the painting department of the Southern Pacific, and his daughter Mrs. J. M. Hughes of Grants Pass is expected Saturday for a holiday visit with her father and numerous other relatives. Mr. Hughes to follow later.

Tehama county's fine new bridge spanning the Sand slough over the Sacramento river near Red Bluff, has been dedicated to Henry Kaufman by the supervisors of that county. The structure is one of the notable improvements of northern California, and its construction is due to Kaufman, who is favorably known clear up to and even beyond the Oregon border as a leading exponent of the good roads movement. The new bridge is a monument to his efforts.

W. B. Coleman, formerly county clerk, having returned from Alaska for a visit, is being greeted by a host of friends throughout the county. He has been employed by various inter-

STECHER'S SCISSOR AND GOTCH'S TOE HOLD HAS NO DEFENDERS



JOE STECHER

By PAUL PURMAN. If Frank Gotch and Joe Stecher should meet on the mat which would win? Is the terrible toe-hold of Gotch more effective than the racking scissors hold of Stecher? With Joe Stecher off on his second tour which promises to be as successful as his first, when he defeated all comers, talk of Gotch and Stecher is being revived, even though Gotch has announced his retirement. A match between the two would be a test of the ability of the men in getting their favorite holds; not a test of the relative value of the holds. As operated by Gotch, the toe hold is irresistible. There is no defense for it. As manipulated by Stecher, the scissors is just as irresistible. There is no escape from it. In a match between the two, the

one in the far north and will return there.

An anomalous condition resulted from the city election. The voters decided to abolish the Springs commission and at the same time elected Dr. J. O. Jarvis as springs commissioner, who now holds an empty honor of a jobless position "without portfolio" even.

Miss Josephine Saunders is home from Reed College, Portland for a holiday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Saunders.

Several hoboes, forgetting that Ashland stores would not be open evenings until the 21st to 23rd, inclusive, undertook to do their Christmas shopping earlier in the week, but desisted in view of prevailing schedules.

Glenn Simpson, student of the O. A. C. will be home from Corvallis for the holidays, accompanied by his cousin, Miss Edith Lowery of Bellingham, Wash., who formerly resided here and is a graduate of the Ashland high school. Elbert Farlow, another student at Corvallis is also due home the latter part of the week.

The Mail Tribune for Wednesday, Dec. 20, skipped Ashland entirely, both mail and carrier copies being put not only that date but failed to miss in a delayed appearance on Thursday. Did they go to Albany or Astoria.

The Civic Improvement club will observe the Christmas anniversary with a fine literary and musical program at Auxiliary hall, Tuesday evening, Dec. 26th. Refreshments will be served, several committees having all details in charge.

Of the Southern Pacific \$300,000 will be distributed on the Sacramento division. Those sharing in the bonus must have been in the employ of the company for at least two years, and will not be entitled to participate in the distribution unless their regular pay is under the maximum of \$2500 annually.

Miss Marion Hodgson is home from the O. A. C. at Corvallis for the Christmas vacation period. Ladies of the Baptist church will hold a food sale preliminary to the Christmas dinner occasion, at the Ashland Trading Co.'s store Saturday, Dec. 23.

S. P. tickets for holiday ratings to California points will be on sale Dec. 21 to 23, and Dec. 25 to 28, return limit to Jan. 15, 1917.

GOLD HILL NUGGETS

William B. Haymond of Tyrone, N. M., visited on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Ben Haymond and family at Rock Point.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Morris of Rock Point visited relatives and friends at Talent on Monday and Tuesday.

Rev. Baker of the Episcopal church at Grants Pass was in town Saturday on matters relative to his church.

man who first succeeded in getting his hold would win. Both holds are torturing, body-racking grips. The reason there is no defense for them is that a human being cannot stand the physical pain they produce long enough to fight against them.

Men who have been in the grip of Gotch's toe hold have walked with a limp for days afterward.

Wrestlers who have tried to withstand Stecher's terrible knees have been unable to bear the pressure of their clothing for many hours. But there will be no chance for a test of the two men and their torture-producing holds.

Gene Melady, Omaha promoter, who offered a \$75,000 purse for the match last summer before Gotch broke his leg, has just written me that Gotch will never meet Stecher. Melady lives a short distance from

Bob Trimble left Saturday morning for Graves creek, where he had a position offered. The family will probably leave in a short time.

Earl Van Houten was a visitor at Grants Pass last Saturday.

Misses Ruth Cady and Faye Schroeder went to Medford Saturday morning, returning on the Saturday afternoon. Both are high school teachers in the local school.

Mrs. J. H. Byerly made a business trip to Rogue River last Saturday. Miss Vera Davidson was in Grants Pass Saturday and Sunday last, visiting friends and relatives.

Jack Smith of Sardine creek was in Medford Monday on business. Miss Tyne Sivenius arrived Monday from Portland for a lengthy visit at the ranch home of the George Lyman family. Miss Sivenius was formerly a resident at this place and is here for the holidays.

Messrs. C. F. T. and Master F. Renfro came in on the afternoon train Wednesday from Grants Pass, although they are lately from Los Angeles.

"Tony" Ross left Sunday for the Green Back mine, eighteen miles out from Grants Pass.

George Lyman, after a fortnight's visit to northern Oregon cities, returned home Monday morning.

Grace Caird and Francis Ford are drawing considerable attention at the Comus theater, where "Peg o' the Ring" is being shown each Friday and Saturday evening. In connection with the serial is a ladies' wrist watch contest, with the following five leading at the last count: Margaret Chisholm, 340; Velma Davidson, 335; Ida Johnson, 280; Ivy Walker, 255; Ruth Cady, 210.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reed and baby were down from Tolo for a visit with relatives the first of the week. H. D. Reed returned Sunday night from a visit to San Francisco and other California points.

John B. Palmer was a southbound passenger Wednesday. Miss Hattie Paulson was a weekend visitor in Medford.

Miss Edna Sutton was a visitor at the home of Mrs. Israel Lewis at Central Point Tuesday.

Miss Claire Tucker arrived Wednesday morning from Berkeley, where she is attending the university. She will spend the holiday vacation here with her mother, Mrs. E. R. Tucker and brother, Roy P. Tucker, engineer in charge of the Beaver Portland Cement Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Thompson departed Thursday morning for Montague, Cal., where Mr. Thompson is in partnership with N. B. Hull in a hardware store. Everyone regrets to see them leave. Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Boyd were shoppers from the Riverside colony Monday.

Mrs. Gwendolyn Martin is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stiekel, for the holidays, from Medford.

Benton Bowers was a visitor at his son's home Wednesday night. A very strongly substantiated ru-

the homes of both men in Nebraska and Iowa and sees them frequently.

Gotch was never anxious to meet Stecher, even when rival promoters were bidding huge sums for his services.

He is past 40, has met and defeated all the great wrestlers of his time and made a fortune. He does not need the money and has an ambition to retain his honors of undefeated champion.

The example of Jim Jeffries, a warm, personal friend of his, probably had a great deal to do with his decision.

Gotch told the writer last summer that he could see no reason why he should come out of retirement. The injury to his leg while on a circus tour last summer furnished an escape from a match that was as unwelcome as it was unsought.

It is current that the Beaver Portland Cement Co. will commence operations in earnest about January 2. The work at the plant for the past two months has been discontinued, as the factory was owned and it only remained for the owners to accept and begin operations.

Last Saturday the Epworth league of the local M. E. church gave their regular monthly social in the church building. The program was in charge of Miss Faye Schroeder, the fourth vice-president.

Thursday last Miss Millie Pearl Hodges and L. O. Walker were quietly married at Jacksonville. They returned to Gold Hill that afternoon, but left the next morning for Eagle Point, where Mr. Walker will be in charge of one of the large ranches in that vicinity. Gold Hill will miss both Mr. and Mrs. Walker, as they were well known and liked here.

Andy Hooten and Lee Dungen left for San Francisco for a visit through the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Rippey went to Medford for the day Thursday, where they were the guests of relatives.

Miss Bessie Stubblefield departed Thursday for Portland, where she will spend the holidays with relatives. She expected to also stop at Salem for a short visit. Mrs. Fred Witt Thursday went to Sisson to see her mother, Mrs. Nancy Andrews. She will probably return the first of next week.

W. J. Dixon, who is to be in charge of the Mammoth Copper company's plant at Kennett, Cal., stopped in Gold Hill for a short time between trains Thursday.

Mrs. F. M. Borer of the Sleepy Hollow ranch was in Grants Pass Thursday morning.

O. Durham left for Eugene Thursday for a week's vacation. Ernest Lyman went to San Francisco and Los Angeles and other southern California points for a holiday trip Thursday morning.

Dean Dilly, local freight agent, departed on train No. 16 Wednesday night for a Christmas visit with his relatives. His position is being filled by J. B. Palmer.

SAMS VALLEY

C. H. Natwick of Eagle Point is in this valley this week calling on friends.

H. A. Tresham and Ned Potter finished bringing the Ray company dredge from Kanes creek in to Gold Hill Saturday. They were delayed much by the unfavorable weather.

Miss Daniels will give a short Christmas program Friday evening and will have a little tree for the children.

Mr. Headlee of Medford was calling on residents in the interest of the Watkins Medical Co.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. Strathern and Curtis Miller are on the sick list.

J. I. Fredenburg has finished marketing an exceptional crop of corn, having gone sixty-five bushels to the acre, and the corn was of unusual quality. This precinct this year has made some very good reports on crop yields.

George Lyman has returned home after visiting several days in Portland. He was accompanied home by Miss Timie, who has visited several months in Portland.

Mrs. W. C. Kenney is visiting this week in Central Point and Medford.

The recent rain has checked the fall plowing, which was in full force.

Andy Hooten will leave Thursday for San Francisco, where he will take in the holidays.

A coyote club was formed at Sams Valley last week of the different men of this section, for the purpose of entirely wiping out the coyote.

Another good feature is their strict guard over any one harming deer with or in front of a dog. It is hoped such clubs will be organized in other sections of the state until the coyote is entirely extinct, as the damage from them is very heavy each year to all farmers and stockmen.

FOOTS CREEK ITEMS

Albert Mathis was a caller in Rogue River Tuesday.

Word was received here last week of the marriage of Fred Vincent of Applegate, in Idaho.

R. E. Cook and Ike Coy spent a few days in Gold Hill last week.

Friday afternoon there will be a program at the school.

Miss Emma Gaunyaw was a caller in Gold Hill the 14th.

Gustave Poyer is moving to Grants Pass.

Fred Champlain has almost completed a new addition to his home, the work being done by Leo Cook and B. E. Adams of Rock Point.

Born—December 18, to Mrs. Chas. Champlain, a daughter. Both mother and child are doing nicely. The people of this community extend congratulations.

H. G. Dice of Applegate is moving to Rogue River.

Mr. and Mrs. Lance were visitors at the home of Ed Woodcox Monday.

Ed Boling was a caller in Grants Pass this week.

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Christmas

Is coming. Be a "spug"—buy useful gifts. Nothing is better or more enjoyable for the Christmas feast as well as for every meal than

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It's made of pasteurized cream and there is nothing better made.

MRS. S. S. BULLIS IS CALLED BY DEATH

Mrs. Sarah Potter Bullis, wife of S. S. Bullis, died at her home 304 East Main street, Friday, December 21, 1916, age 65 years, four months, and eight days.

Mrs. Bullis and her family have been residents of Medford for the last year. For 32 years she was a resident of Olean, New York. She was a life long member of the Presbyterian church. She is survived by her husband, S. S. Bullis, and six children, Miss Martha A. Bullis of Medford, Gilbert Potter Bullis of Vidalia, La., Raymond S. Bullis of Medford, Helen Mary Bullis of Medford, Seth Madison Bullis of St. Cloud, Minn., Charles Gardner Bullis, Los Angeles. The services will be held at the residence, Friday after-

noon at 2:30 o'clock the Rev. A. J. A. Hogz officiating. The body will be sent to Olean, N. Y., for burial. Mr. Bullis, and daughters Helen and Martha, will accompany the body on the sad journey.

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