

## Items of Interest From the Rogue River Valley

### 200 BOXES APPLES ENTERED ASHLAND WINTER FAIR LISTS

ASHLAND, Dec. 9.—With nearly 200 boxes of prize-winning apples on display, the horticultural annex of the Winter Fair is a marvel. This exhibit is arranged at the Nat. and around the sides of the big dance hall the merchants displays are arranged, about thirty in number, representing various lines of goods and milling products. The Jackson County Fair Association is well represented. The poultry show is larger than ever, far exceeding the record made last year. The auto show is in the armory, which also houses the educational, the W. C. T. U. and Sunday school exhibits. Don't fail to inspect the auto display, for here centers the leading cars and accessories. Smith's livery barn, near the park entrance, is headquarters for the livestock, a place now designated as the Lithia Garage. Wednesday, the opening day, was a busy one getting everything in ship shape for the remaining three days of the big show. In the evening Mayor Gates and Senator Thomas, of Medford, and John Gratke, of Portland, made brief addresses. The "exposition" rooms are finely decorated, high school students assisting experts in this work. The weather is ideal, and bids "fair" to continue so throughout the week, when the show closes with carnival features on Saturday night.

Sixteen typewriters click merrily in the business department of the high school, the machines keeping time to the music of a Victrola with which the room is also equipped. The high school also has three pianos, one each in the assembly, gymnasium and music rooms.

The Oriental Gift shop is the name of a new business establishment on North Main street near Holmes grocery, featuring Japanese and Chinese novelties.

Malta commandery, Knights Templar, on Wednesday evening elected the following officers for 1922: W. H. McNair, eminent commander; F. H. Johnson, generalissimo; W. H. McGowan, Medford, captain general; Wm. A. Aitken, senior warden; Glenn Fabricik, Medford, junior warden; E. V. Carter, treasurer; W. H. Day, recorder. Installation will occur on Wednesday evening, Dec. 21st, at which time the appointive officers will be filled. There will also be work in the Red Cross degree. Preliminary to routine work supper will be served at 6:30. Membership of the commandery 190.

Christian Endeavorers of the Presbyterian church are enjoying a series of autumn excursions, the roundtrip, figuratively speaking, including sights and scenes existing in both occident and orient. The tour will also be extended into the midwinter season, invading localities in the temperate, torrid and frigid zones.

The Presbyterian church annex is about completed, and this week the Sunday school class rooms will be available. It is planned to dedicate the new addition about Dec. 29, at which time it is planned to have prominent church workers present, including Rev. W. O. Forbes, D.D., superintendent of Sunday school activities for Oregon, Washington and Idaho, also Rev. W. L. Van Nuy, field secretary in the Sunday school work.

The Parent-Teacher association in membership has now exceeded the 200 mark, and is steadily increasing.

Following a shooting match at Phoenix recently, at which a number of Ashland experts won hams and turkeys, another contest will be held here Dec. 18, in which a large number will participate, both local and outside shooters, the prize list being an extensive one. This event will occur during the holiday period and will be a lively contest, a reminder of old-time turkey shoots.

The Epworth League membership is increasing at a rapid ratio, about 40 new members having been added by "confession of faith" within the past year. Religious and social obligations have been extended to include athletic prowess. The local high school football team having disbanded for the season with the record of winning seven games out of eight, the Leaguers have taken up the less strenuous exercise of basketball and are not only challenging but also vanquishing all comers. In a recent bout with Medford the girls team won by a score of 42 to 11, the boys emphasizing the victory to the tune of 44 to 6. In the third round a Medford lad received a knockout, but responded to the sound of the song and fought out the game to a finish. There will be a series of games here with various teams throughout the county, Epworth ring regulations to govern.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of this week Prof. F. S. Stetson of the extension

department, University of Oregon visited the Ashland schools, highly complimenting for rating and efficiency.

Another barber shop has started here, the new installation being on A street, depot section.

The Winter Fair finally decided upon an admission fee, 25 cents, or 50 cents for a season ticket.

Official closing of the auto camp grounds for the season is announced. Tourists may camp there, but kitchenette and other utilities are suspended for the winter.

A special county election is announced for Wednesday, Dec. 14, to pass upon the question of voting bonds for the improvement of county fair grounds at Medford.

Long distance intelligence regarding the disarmament conference may be available through local channels, Lloyd Crowson, high school student, having installed a wireless tower at the family premises on the boulevard.

Ladies of the Congregational church will hold a food and money work sale, at the class A Garage, Hotel Ashland block, on Saturday of this week.

### ANTIOCH ITEMS

The board meeting was held at the Beagle hall Tuesday. Judge Gardner was also out, but the five mill tax for roads did not carry the farmers thinking their taxes are high enough. A large crowd was up from Sams valley to vote.

A poultry meeting was held at Theod. Glass' Tuesday by H. E. Crosby and was largely attended.

Mrs. J. L. Frink has been suffering this week with a rising on her hand.

The Antioch school is preparing for a Christmas entertainment in the afternoon on December 23 at the school house. We wish to entertain all parents of the school and their friends.

Mr. Earl Case took Mrs. Farleigh to Central Point Friday to meet the train, which she took to Deland to visit her mother, Mrs. Bunch.

Mr. W. H. Smith one of the directors, visited the Antioch school Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray were down from the Meadows Tuesday.

Edward Rummel was gathering cattle for Mr. Ed Moore and Ellis Clark Wednesday, as they are trying to get back to their old feeding place near Medford.

Mr. Fred Smith and Miss Della Bigham visited Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Bigham of Eagle Point Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Fink visited in Gold Hill, Central Point and Medford Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Chapman and family visited Bert Chapman's of Sams Valley Sunday.

Mrs. E. B. Lucas, clerk, visited the Antioch school Friday.

Frank Mayfield took his cattle from the Debenger Gap pasture and drove them to Central Point to their old feeding ground.

The mail did not come to Beagle Saturday on account of the bridge being out.

Ed Moore from the Meadows, went to town Tuesday.

Mrs. W. C. Chapman is visiting with Mrs. Theodora Glass this week.

### EDEN PRECINCT

The big windstorm of last Wednesday tore the roof off a portion of the Ames building in Talent, letting in the rain, which did considerable damage to plastering and furniture. The same storm blew down many light poles and broke shade trees in many of the yards in town.

The following persons from Talent were in Ashland last Friday at the big sale at Ferguson's: Mrs. Ella Patterson, Mrs. Will Ferns, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holdridge, Mother Holdridge, and Mrs. W. High. Jeff Bell, Mrs. Noah Chandler.

Mr. Spitzer, the Talent grocery man, was in Medford Saturday after supplies for his store. He brought out a full load of groceries.

Dr. Webster was in Talent Saturday morning on business, returning home by way of Phoenix.

Walter Allen has been putting the tractor he has rented from Theodore Fish, in shape to do plowing, and is plowing his father's alfalfa land.

Mrs. R. G. Satchwell of Medford was in Talent and Phoenix Tuesday selling oil stock. Mrs. Satchwell reports many taking stock in the Trigonias in the last few days.

The slogan of Fern valley is "Chew paraffine wax." The wax is coming out pure enough for good chewing gum now.

Mr. Oden is giving some good demonstrations in plowing of alfalfa roots. He is plowing an old field for Noah Chandler, and every root is cut clean, seven inches below the surface of the soil.

Ernest Stowers of Roseville, Calif., stopped off the north bound train last Thursday to visit a few hours with his uncle, Ben French of North Talent. He then proceeded on his way to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Denham of Talent

have bought a new Chevrolet car, as has also Mrs. Ed Poss bought a new Ford with all the latest equipment.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hollibaugh left Talent last Saturday for St. Helens, Columbia county, Oregon, to make their home.

Miss Mattie Turner of Talent, spent last Sunday in Ashland with friends.

Andy Weidner of Talent, has lately returned from Germany. He says that all the principal industries of that country are working full blast and that they are now producing more than before the war.

Those from East Eden who were in Medford last Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Anderson and family, Mrs. Donna Grafes, Mrs. Colver Furry, Mrs. Lovell Ferns.

Mrs. G. C. McClain and Mrs. Macla Wright of Phoenix, were in Medford Saturday shopping and attending the movies.

A niece of Jeff Bell, formerly Miss Donna Bell, is in Talent on a visit with her uncle and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis of Talent, were trading in Medford last Saturday. Mrs. Davis informed your correspondent that the threshing machine buried in the Perazzi barn was not that belonging to their son.

Another fatal accident occurred in this vicinity last Sunday morning, that of a traveling salesman by the name of Hartzell. This is the fourth within the year. One wonders if a pedestrian will dare venture upon the pavement. It seems that car owners have no thought of any one but themselves after nightfall. The killing of one or two does not serve as a warning.

There will be a big dinner and bazaar in Talent on the 15th of December. The dinner is to be a chicken feast and will be served throughout the afternoon and evening. There will be many useful Christmas gifts at the bazaar.

Mr. and Mrs. Button of Applegate, have moved into Phoenix and are looking for a small place to rent or buy. These good people hope to start a chicken farm, with berries as a side issue.

### CENTRAL POINT GROCERY SOLD TO UP-STATE MEN

Paul Norcross of Seattle, Wash., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Norcross here the past week, enjoyed a visit with his many friends, then left for the Washington state metropolis the early part of the week. Enroute to the Washington city, Mr. Norcross will stop at Eugene for a short visit with his young sister, Miss Helen Norcross, who is a sophomore in the Oregon State University, located there.

Jack Cowley of Dunsmuir, Cal., is enjoying a visit with his many Central Point friends here this week.

Miss Eula Benson, a senior in the local high school and a member of the teacher's training class of the Central Point high school spent the past week at Table Rock doing substitute work in the school there for Miss Mae Johnson, who was too ill to attend her duties as instructor at that time.

The Casebeer and Hubbard grocery and confectionery firm of Central Point is no more. A real estate deal made and closed the latter part of last week transferred their ownership and holdings to Ed Thurburt of Eugene and Ned Nixon of Cottage Grove, and from henceforth the firm will be known as the Thurburt and Nixon store. The new owners have taken charge and are ready to serve the public generally, justly and well at all times. The stock is being increased, and when business is well established the store will probably be run on the Groceria plan.

The confectionery and fountain department will be increased, thus making the stock complete. From all indications the new business men are wide awake and live wires and will be boosters for the town. They are welcome additions to the town. Too much can not be said in praise of the recent owners, Casebeer and Hubbard. During their stay here of several months they and their families have made many friends. Their well kept and attractive store, their courtesy and their fairness at all times to their patrons have earned them a host of friends who heard with keen regret of the sale of their business place. For the winter the two popular families will remain here and it is hoped that during that time their will make up their minds to remain here and continue their furniture business, which they built up and still retain. It is a great loss to any community to lose citizens like the above mentioned families.

The Shriners and their ladies from Central Point who attended the big ceremonial meet of the organization in Ashland last week were Mayor and Mrs. W. C. Leever, druggist, and Mrs. R. H. Paxson, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Norcross, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Davison, Mr. and Mrs. Terrett Sr., and Superintendent of Schools Israel Hedrick. The last named gentlemen were initiated into the mysteries of the order at the said session with nothing omitted and stood the test well.

Mrs. J. B. Holmes, Gladys Holmes, Edythe Jacobs and Herman Kathman were guests of Mrs. V. D. Brophy and family at Roguelands Sunday.

The friends and acquaintances in Central Point and the valley which are numbered by the hundreds, of Mrs. Kitty Morris, prominent Central Point lady, will be sorry to hear of her illness at her home here. The condition of Mrs. Morris, which has been serious for the past week, is thought to be slightly better at this writing and it is hoped by her vast number of friends that her recovery from now on will be speedy and sure.

Miss Doris Kindle of Medford visited relatives and school friends here Tuesday evening.

Frank E. Ross is enjoying a visit with home folks this month.

The condition of I. F. Williams, better known as "Ikey" Williams," familiar and beloved figure of Central Point, who lies at his home here in an extremely critical and serious state is little changed at this writing. The legion of friends of the sick man and his family throughout the whole community are deeply concerned regarding his illness and great is their sympathy for all the dear ones clustered around his bedside.

Mr. and Mrs. Dusenberry and son of Gold Hill were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Boswell at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Myers of Table Rock visited at the Johnson home here Sunday and were accompanied home by Miss Mae Johnson, who resumed her duties in the Table Rock school Monday.

Tuesday evening in the athletic hall here the Central Point high school basketball girls played the Jacksonville high girls. The score

### WILLOW SPRINGS

The poultry meeting at J. W. Birkholz last week, Wednesday, was well attended by a highly interested crowd. All of the prominent poultrymen of this district belong to the Southern Oregon Poultry Products association and believe in co-operation.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hoover are entertaining Mrs. Hoover's mother, Mrs. H. Millard of Roseburg. They are expecting Mr. Millard soon and they will spend the winter here.

The meeting of the Thursday club at Mrs. J. W. Elden's on December 1st, was well attended, in spite of the wind and rain, and was a very pleasant affair. Although the program has to be postponed until the next meeting, the ladies enjoyed a good visit and did full justice to the dainty refreshments served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Porter attended a party at Gold Hill Saturday evening.

Hugh Porter's mother, Mrs. N. J. Porter, and his brother Eugene are here for an extended visit with relatives.

Mrs. Morley Anders, who was called to Huntington by the death of her father, is expected home this week.

Mrs. McKidden and two children of Cottage Grove, who have been guests at the M. F. Young home since Thanksgiving time, returned home this week.

### RUCH RUMBLES

Miss Burr, our county school supervisor, was a visitor in our district Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Ed Smith, a member of the board of school directors, was a visitor at the school Friday.

Mrs. Rowden paid a short visit to the school Monday.

Most of Tuesday afternoon was spent in decorating the school, preparatory to the program to be given Saturday, December 10.

Marie Matney, Glenn Smith, Emmett Cantrall, Clayton Smith and Lee Matney were perfect in attendance for the month ending December 2.

Mr. Ingram of Portland, is spending a few days in Applegate Valley. Mr. Ingram is with the Forest Reserve service.

The shooting match Sunday was well attended.

Lee Goodman an dandy motored to Medford Saturday afternoon.

Lester Throckmorton and family visited with the home folks Sunday.

Lee Goodman intends to be healthy. He is having a fire place built in his home.

Captain Ruch made a business trip to Medford Monday afternoon.

Truitt Cantrall is as yet unable to attend school. He is in Medford for treatments.

### ROCK CRK. BRIDGE NEAR COMPLETION, STORM DAMAGE

The bridge over Rock creek is not yet completed, but a temporary crossing is laid over the present foundation, making it much more convenient for everybody as the temporary road around had gotten to be impossible for cars.

When our new bridge is once completed we will have one substantial enough to stand for many years, as the foundation is built of solid concrete piles.

Mrs. H. I. Pelton left this week for Berkeley, Calif., where she will join her daughter, who is attending school there. In company with Mrs. Pelton were Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Smith, who recently sold their interest in the Gold Hill bank and are on a pleasure trip through California. Mr. Pelton will join his wife in time to spend the holidays with the family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Scott, who have been residents here for many years have leased their property to a Mr. Warren of Marshfield and will make their home in Marshfield for the next two years, where they will be nearer their daughter, Miss Mabel, who has a good position in the Bend schools. The many friends of the Scotts regret to lose them but earnestly hope they find much pleasure in their new location.

Few districts seemed to have felt the effects of the small tornado which swept through our section one day last week. Coming after about 15 minutes of a steady downpour of rain it was wholly unexpected and though it lasted but a few minutes it left a noticeable pathway behind, having torn roofs from buildings, twisted trees from their trunks, scattered hay racks and other loose lumber besides much other damage to small sheds and outbuildings. It isn't often Southern Oregon plays these tricks, as many a local time resident states this is the first of its kind experienced here.

The high school pupils will give the play "Home Game Ted," Friday evening. Much time has been given to the preparation of this play, and we guarantee it to be worth the money.

Our library station is now established in the school building and those who desire good reading matter should call for their books.

The hot lunch is now being given in school, where most of the pupils patronize a good warm dish for these cold days.

Since the ground is drying out the tractor's busy hum against is heard from early dawn till late at eve.

The coyotes are more plentiful this season than for many years, and are doing a great deal of damage to poultry and stockmen. Their plentifulness is attributed to the scarcity of good hounds. Not alone did the dispenser take many dogs this year, but several good blooded hounds have been cruelly shot by vagabonds who know not and cared less for their true value.

The Stoner property here was recently sold at public auction with the household furniture. A large crowd attended the sale in spite of bad weather. The new owner is a gentleman from Ashland.

Mr. Hartman of Jacksonville, who is attending the building of Rock creek bridge, left Saturday with his crew of workers for home, to remain until the concrete work of the bridge has hardened sufficiently to continue work. The men have all worked diligently through very trying weather to get our bridge in, and when they return it will be rushed to completion.

Ralph Koger was recently enrolled in the high school list.

### EAGLE POINT EAGLETS

A. W. Train of Trail, who has a home on Big Butte near its junction with Rogue river, was a passenger on the Post-Trail stage Thursday evening, and spent the night at the Sunnyside. He has been and is operating a sawmill in that section and says that he has a demand for all the lumber he can saw right there at home. In speaking of the effect that the rain had on the streams, he said that the water in Big Butte creek was so high that it took out all the fish racks they had put in the creek and had taken out the fish wheel at the hatchery in Rogue river besides doing considerable other damage.

Frank Simpson was also here and spent Thursday night. He reports that he was working on Verna Mathews' barn and had it about ready to raise. It will be about 60 feet square with the post for the main structure twenty-eight feet. People are beginning to realize the advantage of building their barns high as the way Mr. Simpson figures the cost it costs as much to cover a barn as it does to build it, that is, the mechanical part of the cost.

In speaking of building Mr. Mathews' barn brings to mind the item I sent in last week about the wind blowing down Mr. Conger's barn and I stated that I did not know if there was any other damage done or not, but since I have learned that there was no stock in the barn at the time, but learned later that at the same time R. R. Minter had his barn blown down, and Mr. M. Peck, of Phoenix, spoken of in a former letter, who went up to Roy Conley's to take a bear hunt came in

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