

JUDGE C. B. WATSON TO BE GEOLOGIST HARTMANN SYND.

GOLD HILL, April 5.—(Special.) Judge C. B. Watson who has been associated with A. E. Kellogg at Gold Hill in the law and abstract business the past five years will quit the firm shortly and go with the Hartman Syndicate of the Pacific coast as their attorney and geologist. This is the new concern which has recently acquired several thousand acres of shale lands east of Ashland and are preparing to begin the reduction of these rich shale bodies into oil, gas and other by-products on a very extensive scale. The judge will be quartered in the new offices of the syndicate in Ashland and give his entire time to his new duties. Kellogg will sell his law library and devote his entire time to the abstract business in Gold Hill.

Dr. M. M. Reid, pastor of the local M. E. church in Gold Hill was called to Los Angeles by wire Tuesday morning to attend the bedside of his only daughter who is critically ill in that city. The doctor and his wife left Gold Hill for Talent a few minutes after receiving the notice and preparing there to go by auto expecting to beat train time to Los Angeles. His post will be filled during his absence by Rev. T. L. Thiemler who is conducting protracted services in the M. E. local church.

Messinger & Sons of Gold Hill are preparing to remove their Sams Valley sawmill to the Foothills Creek district on the Thomas Cok tract on the south fork of the creek. They have purchased several choice tracts of timber adjoining the mill site which will require several years run to cut. The pine of these tracts will be cut

into box shooks at the mill, while the fir will be shipped from Gold Hill.

Mark A. Applegate and J. E. O'Brien of Medford have taken an 18 month lease and option to buy on the Roaring Gilet mine three miles south of Gold Hill and will reopen the property at once. This property was reopened two years ago by Applegate and associates and after expending considerable money endeavoring to locate in the old works abandoned the work a few months ago. The mine has been one of the richest producers in the district during the rainy days of Gold Hill, and is located adjoining the Gold Ridge mine and just south of the Millonaire. The property is owned by the Gilet Mining Co., a corporation, of Fairmount, Indiana, and represented locally by A. E. Kellogg at Gold Hill.

The regulation Tom Thumb wedding affair put on by the Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church at the high school auditorium the first of the week was a well attended social function. About sixty of the town tots were employed on the stage and caused a world of merriment to those attending the show.

W. W. Hittle has leased his 23 acre orchard home opposite Gold Hill on the river to Harry Hughes, a late arrival from Boise, Idaho, who has also purchased the dairy herd and all the stock on the place. The Hughes and Hittles were formerly adjoining farm neighbors in the Boise, Idaho district. The Hittles will move into town and will engage in some other pursuit the coming season. This orchard property is the richest in the district and was formerly owned by Attorney W. E. Phillips, now of Medford.

CENTRAL POINT

CENTRAL POINT, April 5.—Commencing with tomorrow afternoon the F and E theatre will run a matinee performance. The prices will be reduced to twenty cents for the adults. This change no doubt will make it

much more convenient for those living long distances in the country, and those who are unable to attend in the evening. The management has been contemplating the change for several weeks.

The country store that is given in the theatre every Monday night is very instrumental in drawing large crowds on the nights that they are given. Last Monday a record house was present, to try their luck and no doubt just as large a one will be present next Monday.

The serial play, "The Timber Queen" is the attraction that draws very large crowds on Thursday and Friday nights. Along with it they will show tonight "Through the Storm", and tomorrow evening "Elsie Ferguson in Footlights." Next Sunday night and in connection with the country store Monday they will present "A Wonderful Wife." The following two nights will Robers in "An Unwilling Wife," will be presented to the theatre going public.

Kenneth Beebe is installing wagon scales near his service station. Mr. Ockerman is assisting him in the labor. The scales will soon be ready for use.

The food sale that the Ladies' Aid held last Saturday, was a financial success. All the foodstuff was sold before the demand was satisfied.

George March of near Central Point, held the key that opened the lock at W. E. Weaver's store and as a result he was presented with a very good phonograph. Over two thousand keys were given out.

Mr. Moravy has purchased the house belonging to Lowell Grim, last week. Ira Grigsby was a former owner, having sold it to Mr. Grim last fall. James Cummings purchased a Ford Saturday and can now be seen driving proudly around town.

Miss Marie Thurber returned to her home in this city after an extended stay in Chicago. She accompanied Mrs. Salade.

Bert Rostel is now employed at Medford in the First National bank as bookkeeper.

Miss Kathleen Seiler attended a

press conference held at Grants Pass Saturday. The conference was in the interest of the high school publications of the valley.

Mr. Dean Howard of the University of Oregon, addressed the student body of the high school Tuesday morning. His speech was very interesting. He dwelt on college work and subjects.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller are planning to leave for Los Angeles, Calif., in the very near future. They will rent their home.

The cast for the operetta, "The Windmills of Holland" are rehearsing diligently their respective parts. It will be presented in about three weeks.

Miss Geneva Mandeville of Medford was a visitor in Central Point Saturday afternoon.

The freshment of the high school were the hosts of a party given to the rest of the school on Friday evening. Many were present to enjoy the evening. The part was based on the same plan as a carnival, booths were placed in the different rooms of the schoolhouse, to which a fee was charged to view the freaks of nature. Other booths dispensed ice cream and candy. Paper money given to the guests was used as the medium of exchange.

Ernest Scott is now entirely recovered from an attack of bronchial pneumonia. He was confined to his home for about one week.

A. O. Adams of Medford has moved into the house belonging to John Alberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tompkins are planning to move into the house soon to be vacated by Frank Miller in the very near future.

L. L. Hatfield will move his merchandise store to the Cowley building about the middle of next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jordan were business visitors in Medford Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Morton purchased the house formerly belonging to Mr. Kincaid. Mr. Morton is part owner of the Central Point mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover East of Agate were business visitors Monday.

Mrs. Charles Lammey moved into Central Point from her home at Agate Saturday afternoon. She is now living in the old Messner house.

Several Central Point people are giving dances at Tolo, to which many are attending. They are given every other Saturday.

TABLE ROCK TABLETS

Charles Dunlap returned to his home Sunday after a two weeks sojourn at the Sacred Heart hospital and is much improved in health.

Our orchardists have their emerald pots distributed among the trees and all is in readiness to give Mr. J. Frost a hearty welcome should he decide to visit our locality.

New pupils who entered our schools last week are Monroe Davis whose father is employed on the Dunlap ranch and Eugene Townsend whose mother is helping with the cooking operations at the Modoc orchard.

Mr. Johnson was a Jacksonville visitor Tuesday, where he donated his mite to the tax fund.

The small reduction in taxes in this district was brought about by the clipping of the school budget last fall.

The April showers have relieved the tension among the farmers in this district, who were beginning to be alarmed over the long dry spell.

The moisture is worth much to grain crops, gardens and pastures and will postpone irrigation which had been started on one or two farms.

A crew of thirty-eight men is now employed at the Modoc orchard and will be held until the frost season is over.

Lon Tuttle arrived home last week from Corvallis, where he took a short course in horticulture.

Many people from the valley towns were out last week and gathered bouquets of our beautiful wild flowers commonly known as lambs tongues.

Mrs. J. L. Newton returned Sunday from a two week's stay in Medford, where she received medical treatment.

Ivan Myers, the little son of Mr.

and Mrs. Frank Myers, who was afflicted with what was believed to be the measles was later pronounced a form of stomach rash, so the voluntary quarantine has been lifted.

Mr. Simmons of Central Point has charge of the Arrow Head orchard during the absence of Harry Wilcox and sister in California where they will remain until fall.

R. Smith of Tolo was over this way Sunday looking over the Dunlap sheep which he will take over to run on shares as soon as shearing is completed.

Mrs. McBride has returned from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Hubble at Oakland, California.

Miss Fellows, who is taking teachers' training at the Medford high school was a visitor at our school for three days of last week where she was sent to observe the modern methods of school teaching, and this week Miss Ora Wilson of Ashland is a three-days visitor for the same purpose.

Mrs. H. W. Davison is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Raymond Wyatt at Lebanon, Ore.

The last Sunday ball game at Sams Valley resulted in two of the players being hurried to the doctor's office for repairs, one suffering from a gashed head, which was accidentally hit by a thrown bat and the other with a badly dented face, which was the result of a collision with another player.

A crew of surveyors have finished setting the grade stakes on the Sams Valley road between the Harper place and the Sams Valley store and the grading and construction work will likely begin as soon as weather conditions permit.

Several from here were visitors with the West Side Community Club last Saturday night and enjoyed the entertainment which consisted of a mock trial which was carried out in a very creditable and amusing way by those who took part in it.

The Misses Kathryn and Eva Nelson will return Monday morning to Eugene to resume their school work at U. of O.

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