

CORRESPONDENCE

ODELL.

Roswell Shelley, of Carson, Wash., was a business visitor about Odell early last week.

Odell school opened Monday, September 7, with the following corps of teachers: Mr. McCoy, principal; Miss Thomas, intermediate; Mrs. Tousey, primary. Mr. and Mrs. McCoy are at home in the Joseph Hunter house just north of the church. Miss Thomas boarded at the home of Mrs. Alice Poole and Mrs. Tousey and family are at home in the house now owned by Robert Livingstone and known as the Rogers house.

G. E. Bowerman has a neat new single buggy and harness.

Harry Kingsbury's wife and mother came up from Portland last Thursday. Mrs. Harry Kingsbury had been down for a visit and her husband's mother returned with her for a visit with relatives and friends on the heels west of Odell.

L. H. Wilson and family are now at home at Oswego, Ore., they having gone to that place Thursday of last week. Odell friends wish them well in their new home.

We hear that J. R. Crosby has sold his 40 acre tract of Odell heights land.

Last Thursday Glenn Young was pitching hay to his father, B. T. Young, who was building the load and the fork which Glenn was using struck his father's arm making a wound which bled profusely for a time before yielding to treatment. At last reports the injured member was improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Pinkerton and son, Floyd, and daughter, Harriet, are from Athena, Ore., for a visit with their friends, L. D. Bopod and family. Mr. Pinkerton is interested in Odell in a business way, as he is a property owner here.

O. L. Walter went to the Dalles Saturday evening for a visit with his parents and brothers, and particularly with his brother, George, who is very ill.

Glenn Young had a lively runaway Friday, but escaped comparatively uninjured. The hay rack was thrown off with sufficient force to make it into excellent kindling.

W. A. Lockman is home from Endicott, Wash., and reports a recent barbed wire fence in that locality. He says Hood River valley looks beautiful when compared with the country in and through which he has been during the past month.

Frank Hammond is still quite ill. Two of his Portland L. O. O. F. friends whose names we did not learn visited him last Sunday.

Last Saturday evening a goodly number of friends of the Zellars gathered at their home, the occasion being Mrs. Belle Zellars' birthday and the party intended as a surprise, which it is said to have been. After a very pleasant evening and the serving of refreshments all went home glad to have been a part of so happy a gathering.

Miss Puddy, of Mt. Hood, came down Sunday and will stop at the home of L. U. Lafferty. Miss Puddy comes to enjoy the advantages of Odell's excellent school.

Any person who knows of a woman, middle aged or young, who will take care of two children, one of whom is a baby, during school hours and who will also attend to the greater part of the housework for a family consisting of the mother and three children will confer a great favor by informing Mrs. Sarah E. Tousey, R. F. D. No. 1, Hood River, Ore.

E. T. Folts and Mr. Merrill, of St. Paul, Minn., were callers at the home of O. L. Walter Monday.

MOUNT HOOD.

Among the real estate transfers at Mt. Hood lately was the sale of 75 acres by E. C. Miller. This was the south half of the home place. J. Adrian Epping was the purchaser.

Mrs. M. H. Craft went to the Dalles last Thursday to make final proof on her homestead. She took as witnesses Miss Nan Cooper and Paul Aubert.

G. B. Welch went to The Dalles last Friday, returning Monday.

School in the Steele district is to begin Monday, Sept. 13. Miss Anna Shelley has been employed as teacher.

Mrs. Duffield, who has been visiting this summer at the home of her son, George Duffield, returned Thursday morning to her home in Golden-dale.

Misses Nan and Mildred Cooper left Tuesday morning for The Dalles, where Miss Cooper will remain, and Mildred after two weeks will return to Portland to resume her studies at the Portland Academy.

M. Dumas and a friend came up from Portland last Friday. They are visiting John Vauthiers.

Miss Essie Parker and John Gray, both of Hood River, were the guests of Miss Lottie Jones last Sunday.

Miss Alda Puddy went to Odell last Sunday, where she is to stay with the family of L. U. Lafferty and attend the Odell school.

Labor day was observed with unusual activity this year by those who had hay out, as it threatened rain, and they hustled like everything to get it attended to.

Ernest Monroe has returned to Mt. Hood again for a while. We are glad to see his smiling face again.

Last Saturday E. C. Miller went back to his old position of inspecting ties for the O. R. & N. railroad.

Rev. Cornelison arrived from Portland last Saturday, to take charge of the pastoral work of this place until the arrival of the regular minister. He preached two very interesting and practical sermons last Sunday and was listened to with marked attention. Mrs. Cornelison and family came with him and they will reside here in Miss Nan Cooper's cottage.

The little dance after grange last Friday evening was a very successful affair. Those present enjoyed themselves very much. A lunch of cake and coffee was served and all departed at a late hour, feeling that they had had a delightful time.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Dimick was buried at Mt. Hood last Sunday, having met her death in a rather peculiar accident.

At their home in British Columbia on August 17, Mrs. Dimick and the child were sitting quietly when a stone from a blast came crashing in and struck the mother on the left shoulder ranging down and breaking both legs at the thighs. How the child was injured is a mystery, but when the father and others rushed in about ten minutes after the accident the little one was found dead and the mother unconscious. The body was kept ten days waiting for the mother to regain consciousness, then it was brought to Mt. Hood by George Dimick. Mrs. Dimick is recovering as rapidly as could be expected.

A pleasant surprise was tendered Miss Nan Cooper last Monday evening when a number of grangers who had gathered at the home of Mrs. E. C. Miller came to spend the evening. A jolly time was spent playing games until about 10:30 when a dainty lunch was served by the ladies who had come prepared. After several songs, some of which Rev. Cornelison sang in the Nez Perce language, the party broke up, everyone having spent a most enjoyable evening. Among those present were: Rev. and Mrs. Cornelison, Mrs. E. C. Miller, Mrs. Robert Leasure, Misses Lizzie and Hattie Cooper, Lottie Jones, Nan and Mildred Cooper and Messrs. Charles Shaw, James Cooper, Charles Thomas, Hobart Booth, Walter Davidson, Charles Jones and John Cooper.

WHITE SALMON.
(From Enterprise.)
The Commercial Club at its regular meeting last week took up the matter of a better water system, and from the progress that has been made since the meeting it looks like we are sure to have a fine water system in the near future.

We heard quite an interesting account to the party that camped on the Little White Salmon last week. Mr. Ackley tells us that he had one of the most exciting bear chases now on record. He and five dogs chased a bear for more than two miles through

the brush. Mr. Ackley says he could have killed the bear easily had it not been for the dogs. He was afraid to shoot unless he could get close enough to be sure of missing the dogs.

A. E. Woolpert sent a box of white grubs to the agricultural department at Washington, D. C., to have them examined. The department is trying to find some way of destroying the grub without injuring the plant that the grub works upon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Waldron and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bushong went to Hood River Tuesday to look over the orchards of that section. They will also buy some apple trees while there.

Mr. Thomas, of this city, has a limb of plums on display that measures 12 inches in length and has 25 well developed plums that will average 4-1/2 inches in circumference.

Mrs. J. C. Snyder, of the Cameron country, passed through town en route for Hood River last Wednesday.

White Salmon has many interesting amusements, but the latest feature was a fight between a bear and a man, or rather a would be fight as the man took very little part in the encounter.

Walter Freeland, who has seen considerable sign of the brain tribe near his ranch of late, took his gun and proceeded to search for Mr. Bear's whereabouts. Not finding him as soon as he expected he proceeded to waste all his ammunition except two shells on coyotes and other game which he will not mention here. On arriving at the spring where the milk and butter are kept he found Mr. Bear busily engaged trying to get a square meal and invited the gentleman to quit his premises at once. And this is how it came about. The bear insists that Walter insulted him by shooting him in the flank with a rifle and he thereupon made for Walter with intent to kill. Walter knowing the bear's intention and seeing his sepulcher down the bear's throat he tried to fall in before Mr. Bear could bury his teeth in his skin. But as the distance was farther than Walter thought he fell on the ground just in time for Mr. Bear to get to a few good scratches with his sharp claws and taking his victim for dead he went on his way.

MOSIER.

The Mosier prune packing days were made a pleasant time to be remembered last Wednesday evening by the Misses Gertrude Davenport and Irene Fisher. The girls can show their entertaining power when they start out for a merry making time. These present were: Misses Lurline Fisher, Annie and Aleora Haacke, Florence Robinson, Mae Miller, Mrs. Kate Kemp, Mrs. Laddie, Mrs. Davenport, Lee Hunter Martin, Ted Nickelson, Henry Zoller, Louis Gunning, Guy Stinson, Roy Abernathy and Johnnie Davenport. Games were played until late, when Misses Irene and Gertrude surprised the young people by bringing out watermelons and peaches. After the refreshments all departed wishing Misses Irene and Gertrude many happy returns of the evening.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers, safe, easy, pleasant, sure, little liver pills. Sold by Keir & Cass.

Woman's Club Meets.

The first meeting of the Woman's Club for the fall was held September 2 in the Unitarian church. It was dedicated to hold all meeting there for the present.

The president, Mrs. Goff, made an address of welcome and outlined some of the work she hoped the club would accomplish. One of these things is for the club to have their own club room and maintain a rest and reading room, especially for working men who have no homes. Mrs. Hall, Miss Hartley, Miss Fay Orr and Miss Edgington rendered a welcome song very acceptably. Miss Pearl Bradley playing the accompaniment. Mrs. Stafford presented the subject, "Club Work and What the Club will do for us," in a very able manner. Mrs. Green also gave a very interesting talk on women's clubs and their work, and afterward the routine business of the club was transacted.

The afternoon was concluded with a social hour. Dainty refreshments were served.

GOT TRACEY'S DEATH DEALING WEAPON

F. B. Tichenor, Pacific coast organizer for the Woodmen of the World, returned last night, says the Chronicle, from Salem, where, as representative of Morris Smith, of Spokane, he recovered from the state authorities the 30-30 Winchester rifle that rendered in Tracy's possession when the body of the desperado was found near Cheshal in the summer of 1902. The rifle will be turned over to Smith, who was the first member of the posse to reach Tracy's body and appropriate the firearm. Mr. Tichenor will leave for Spokane to deliver the rifle to Mr. Smith, who is a candidate for the Republican nomination for prosecuting attorney for Spokane county.

This was the rifle that was carried over the prison walls at Salem in June, 1902, and enabled Tracy and Merrill to make their escape after murdering three guards. At the time of finding Tracy's body, after the desperado had killed Merrill, the rifle was delivered to the Oregon state authorities as evidence. If possible, to apprehend the prison people responsible for planting it in the prison grounds.

"For some time after Tracy had been surrounded in a clump of bushes and it was reasonably certain that he had either been killed or had killed himself, none of the members of the posse would venture in," said Tichenor last night. "Finally Mr. Smith volunteered and located the body of the dead desperado. The 30-30 Winchester with which he had killed himself was clutched in the dead man's hands. Mr. Smith had been endeavoring for the last six years to recover possession of the rifle, which was surrendered yesterday, only after the state authorities had satisfied themselves that it was impossible to learn who carried the gun into the prison shops, where it was found by Tracy on the morning of his escape with Merrill."

Dealers and Growers Estimate Crop.
Under date of August 25 the Boston Chamber of Commerce issued the following estimate of the apple crop of 1903. The estimates are given below as based on last year's crop:

New England—In the aggregate 35 per cent less. Maine separately 50 per cent less. Shortage mostly of Baldwin. New York State—Western sections fully equal to last year's crop. Hudson river districts 40 per cent less.

Canada—Fall varieties in excess of last year. Winter varieties 30 per cent.

Nova Scotia—Ninety per cent of last year.

Michigan—75 per cent of last year. Quality fair to poor.

Arkansas—15 to 25 per cent. Quality not good.

Virginia and West Virginia—Sixty per cent of last year.

California—Fully 100 per cent more than last year. Quality excellent.

Oregon—Fully 100 per cent more than last year. Quality excellent.

Ohio, Indiana, Illinois—Somewhat more than last year.

Idaho—Fifty per cent more.

Missouri and Kansas—40 per cent more. Crop very small last year.

Colorado—Twenty-five per cent more than last year.

Great Britain—Earlier than last year with the exception of Scotland.

Continent of Europe in excess of last year.

Note.—Quality of fruit in the east expected to be much superior to that of last year, especially as to size. Prospects at the present time indicate that there will be fully as many apples harvested in the United States this year as last.

MOSIER

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Mosier, Oregon

At the recent annual meeting of the Apple Growers' Congress, a committee which had been appointed for that purpose reported the following estimates on this season's crop of apples by states. The figures represent the percentage of a full crop:

Missouri, 20 per cent; New York, 75; Illinois, 10; Ohio, 35; Kansas, 25; Pennsylvania, 45; Michigan, 40; Indiana, 20; Kentucky, 20; Virginia, 30; Arkansas, 10; Iowa, 31; West Virginia, 30; Maine, 50; Nebraska, 20; Oklahoma, 20; Colorado, 25; Massachusetts, 50; Maryland, 50; New Jersey, 50; Vermont, 50; Connecticut, 50; Idaho, 100; Minnesota, 60; Utah, 80; Delaware, 70; Montana, 100; California, Oregon and Washington, 75 to 100.

EARLY VARIETIES

GO TO ENGLAND

The first sale of apples to be reported by the Hood River Apple Growers' Union took place last week when D. Crossley & Sons, of New York and Boston, secured the early fall varieties controlled by the union. The purchase includes the Wealthies, Kings and Gravensteins and was made on a basis that was very satisfactory to the board of directors.

The consignment consists of 12 to 14 cars and will be sent to England. Already a good part of the fruit is on the way to New York, where it is expected to make close connection with steamers sailing from that point and is expected to be on the London and Liverpool markets within three weeks from the time it is shipped from Hood River. The early apples are said to be of the quality this year, but were picked a little earlier than has heretofore been the rule. It is found that they mature and ship better by being handled in this way and command a better price.

The experiment made by the union two years ago of shipping these early varieties of apples to England was such a success that it is likely that they will hereafter be sent there every year. They arrive on the markets there at a time when the apple market is comparatively bare of this fruit, as all of the old crop has become exhausted and the early Canadian apples which supply the English trade until the winter varieties are received, do not arrive until sometime later. The Crossley firm handled the apples two years ago when they were shipped across the Atlantic and believe that if they are handled this way every year for that the trade there will expect them there it will create a standing demand at a good figure.

The fruit has been packed and graded with extra care this year according to the instructions of the directors who made a resolution at one of their meetings some weeks ago to put a finer grade and a better pack of apples this year than has ever been shipped out of Hood River.

As yet no winter varieties have been sold, although buyers are commencing to feel out the situation and are trying to get a line on what growers expect for their fruit this year. They are watching for any sales that may be made at Hood River with extra vigilance and much correspondence is being received asking for information that will keep them in touch with the conditions here.

Held Annual Meeting.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church held their annual business meeting at the church parlors Thursday, September 3. The result of the election was as follows: Mrs. Calkins president; Mrs. Eringer, vice president; Mrs. Hill, secretary and Mrs. Wood, treasurer. The members are earnestly requested to be present at the next regular meeting, as there is work on hand that requires a speedy finish.

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