

LOCAL NEWS.

Wm. Flackus of Dairy was in town Saturday. W. W. Straw of Picard, Cal., was here Tuesday. A. J. Casbeer of Rocky Ford, Col., arrived Monday. W. W. Dickerson of Ashland arrived here Tuesday. L. C. Sizemore of Fort Klamath was in town Monday. C. N. F. Armstrong returned from Santa Rosa, Cal., on Sunday. M. F. Orr of Langell Valley is a Klamath Falls visitor this week. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Dixon of Tule Lake yesterday. John Bonner started for Arizona on Friday evening, and may be absent several months. M. B. Frain is making some improvements to his dwelling property at this place. Mr. Phelps, piano tuner, who was here several days, left on the Ashland stage Tuesday. On Sunday J. W. Siemens, accompanied by Insurance Agent Indohl, were in Bonanza. Judge Orr, accompanied by Mrs. Orr and their children, arrived home from Ager on Tuesday. Myriads of wild geese are arriving and are expected to hold grand caravals on the lakes hereabouts. Geo. Dickens who came here from Iowa last February, is looking over the country and expects to buy a farm. G. T. Baldwin's lot on which he will erect his new store, has been graded and is now ready to commence building. Paul Breitenstein returned yesterday from Merrill where he had been for a week putting in a pumping and irrigating plant. Mr. McDonald, stockman of Langell Valley where he has a ranch of several thousand acres, was doing business in town Friday. J. T. Henley left Saturday evening for San Francisco and perhaps will visit Nevada before he returns. He will be absent about a month. Prof. R. A. Hopkins returned to Bonanza Sunday, having completed his several days' service here as member of the county teachers' examining board. C. H. McCumber stopped here Monday on his way from the Pokegama logging camp, where he has been employed, to his valuable 400-acre ranch near Dairy. We are reliably informed that the proposed builders of the railroad from Klamath to Klamath Falls are negotiating for terminal grounds at the former place. Harris Dean, T. E. Smith and W. J. Weeks of Duluth, Minn., arrived here Tuesday evening and left the next morning for the timber near Sprague river. Mrs. Lizzie Paddy, an Indian woman, died at Glassey's cabin in the northern part of town Sunday. The remains were conveyed to the reservation for burial. Five gentlemen residing in Siskiyou county, Cal., arrived here Monday evening on their way to Lakeview land office for the purpose of obtaining timber land. J. C. Ferguson was up from his ranch yesterday. No special news from his part of the country, excepting that people are expecting first class crops this year. C. R. DeLap received a telegram yesterday announcing the sad news of his father's death, which occurred at his home in Polk county, Oregon, on the 16th inst. He was aged about 72 years. Henry Bloomingcamp, who is in the stock business at Bly, was in town yesterday. He reported that Bly was doing well in business and health and enjoying a prospect of good crops next fall. Hon. Geo. W. Colvig of Grants Pass has received the appointment of consul to Barranquilla, Colombia, S. A., and has wired his acceptance. His wife and niece, Miss Dora Colvig, will accompany him. E. R. Hanan and E. E. Sherwood of Roseburg returned Saturday from Big Klamath Marsh where they leased a large tract of land, on which they expect to graze 1,000 head of cattle during the summer. The Ashland stage now promptly comes in according to the schedule time. Arrangements also appear to have been made, by which the mail from Portland and northern points arrive as early as it used to. The mayor of Ashland last week issued an order to the citizens of that town to make a general clean up of alleys, streets, stables, etc., in view of the contagious diseases that exist in neighboring towns to the north. James Daragh, Pat Daragh Sr. and Pat Daragh Jr. of Iron River, Michigan, are here this week to locate.

They like the country very much, as far as they have been able to see during the time they have been here. Yreka Journal: The best paying enterprise we know of in Northern California would be the extension of the Yreka railroad to Fort Jones and Etina, which would secure a business that would grow greater every year. Hon. J. S. Orr of this place was recently appointed one of the Regents for the Ashland Normal School. The others who were appointed to serve with him, are R. P. Neill of Ashland and A. J. Sherwood of Coquille City. Nearly every ditch heretofore constructed is being enlarged and a dozen or more new ditches are being dug. Thus the area of irrigated land is being rapidly extended, and good farms and homes are provided for new settlers. The Lakeview Examiner states that the Lake County Agricultural association will give four days' racing on their track at Lakeview commencing July 2 and ending July 6. Purses to the amount of \$1,100 will be distributed. The exhibition of moving pictures in the opera house Friday and Saturday evenings was pronounced first-class by all who attended. The attendance, however, was small and fell far short of what the quality of the show merited. The Yreka Journal of last week truthfully remarks that a railroad through any section builds business for itself, besides advancing the interests of the country reached, for transportation of supplies and products, as well as an easier and cheaper mode of travel. Mrs. C. E. Worden has received the sad news of the death of her sister, Mrs. J. T. Swingart, who died at her home in Middleton, Mich., on the 2nd inst. Mrs. Worden is now the only living member of her father's family, a fact which makes her late bereavement less bearable. A new irrigating ditch has been commenced at Bly. With such an array of lakes and rivers to draw from in Klamath county and the effort now being made in all directions to utilize them, it will not be surprising, a year hence, to find little unirrigated valley land in the county. According to the reports of the weather bureau, the prospects for fruit on the western side of the mountains has been much injured by frosts. On the eastern side, frosts have not been injurious, the trees being not far enough along for that. Hence, we are liable to have big crops of all kinds of fruit this year. At the meeting of the board of examiners of teachers for this county last week, certificates were issued to the following teachers, viz: Misses Anna Applegate, Bessie Applegate, Annie Stockwell, Gertie VanMeter, Emma Bussey, Ella Bussey, Clara Terrill, Daisy Patterson, Mrs. Dumm, Messrs. Chas. Zevely and Gilbert Brown. Rev. J. W. McComb, pastor of the Presbyterian church, fell on a rock while fishing on Klamath river Tuesday and cut a three-inch gash to the bone in his forehead. Dr. Reames was summoned to take a number of stitches in the wound and dress it. We hope the genial pastor caught enough fish to in a measure compensate him for the damage done. Dozens of people have been attracted to Klamath county by the timber in the last few days. Some are locating new claims and others are inspecting bodies of timber for large investors. We are given to understand that those here now are prophetic of hundreds who will soon follow, and that a veritable stampede for Klamath county timber is imminent. On Monday Wm. Thomason, one of the workmen on the irrigating ditch, was accidentally and severely hurt. While blasting the rock, a stone weighing over ten pounds, thrown by the explosion, struck Thomason on the head with such force that it is surprising he was not killed on the spot. But though his head was badly cut up, the wounds were fortunately not serious. Crook County Journal: A good citizen is he who expresses faith in the future of the town he lives in and who is always talking of its advantages as a place of residence. Strangers fight shy of silurians, and never locate in a place the inhabitants of which seem to stay there because they can't help themselves, rather than from choice and a laudable desire of bettering their condition by helping the community they live in. The "Milk Maids' Convention," under Presbyterian auspices at the opera house Monday evening, attracted a good-sized audience, and all were highly pleased with the program and the manner in which it was carried out. Well rendered instrumental and vocal music and recitations were followed by the milk maids' drill and convention, in which the characters were skilfully represented. The entertainment was a success in all respects. Chewaucan Post: L. Gerber, the

Klamath stock buyer, some time ago bought from W. J. Sherlock 500 head of mutton sheep, to be delivered between the 13th and 15th of June after shearing. Mr. Gerber was expected here Tuesday to make a change in the contract, stipulating that he take the sheep before shearing; but Mr. Sherlock received a letter stating that he would not come and would take the sheep as per original contract. The great demand for brick which at present prevails, ought to induce a good brick maker, as, for instance, Mr. Vaughn of Dairy, to come and start a brick yard. Experience has shown that good clay for the manufacture of brick can be found here, as witness the store building of Reames & Jennings, and hence the statement that brick cannot be made here is nonsense. A good and energetic brickmaker is what is needed, and then brick buildings will be in demand at once. Our informant made a great mistake in reporting, and we were equally in error in publishing, that Judge Benson and family were going to Portland to reside. The story grew out of the fact that Mrs. Benson is talking of going to Portland to be with their son and daughter who are there attending college. As to the Judge, he will remain here, gratifying his friends by his genial presence, and administering equal, exact and impartial justice without fear, favor or hope of reward, until his family returns. Treat strangers with cordial hospitality, show them around and impress them with the resources, advantages and prospects of this county. Extend a welcoming hand and make them feel your anxiety in keeping them here to help in the work of development. Don't hide the good things and mournfully detail how long before and since Adam this county has existed without a railroad, for thereby a sensible, wide-awake listener is apt to gather suspicion that his informant is mossy and of antediluvian ideas. About the middle of May, President McKinley will visit Portland and other important points on his trip through Oregon. Had Klamath county an easy way of access, he would undoubtedly come here on account of the wonderful scenery it presents, and of which the crowning feature is Crater Lake. A few years hence things will be different, so that President McKinley can, on his next trip to this state, come by rail and view the beauties and grandeur of a country which is now in a great measure closed for the want of a railroad. The recently re-incarnated "Town Talk" of Ashland announces in its "opening greeting," that its friends have suggested that instead of calling that paper "Town Talk," its intelligent editor should name it the "Double Headed Calf." The suggestion is quite good, but would it not be doing greater justice to the present management to call that excellent sheet the "HEADLESS CALF?" With Ashland's skunk farm and its Headless Calf, that town could start a perpetual boom on its unique combination of physical and intellectual fragrance. Ashland Tidings: Adolph Soher, the postal clerk who disappeared from San Francisco early in April of last year, after, it is alleged, having squandered on the race track the trust funds that came into his possession as the administrator of the estate of his father, the late Dr. Lewis Soher, has been located in Bedford, Klamath county, Or., says the San Francisco "Chronicle." Soher made his appearance in Bedford in October last, and has since lived there under the name of J. D. Ross. He has been in constant correspondence with his wife in San Francisco, who, it is said, is endeavoring to effect a settlement with the insurance company. A most unhappy and unfortunate accident, resulting in the death of Frank Bellis, a respected farmer living near Eagle Point, is reported by the Medford Mail. Mr. Bellis and his son were out hunting, and becoming separated the son saw through the thick brush what he thought was a deer and fired at it. Going to the spot, he found to his horror that he had killed his father. In his distress, the son tried to carry the body home, but was unable to do so. He went to Eagle Point and reported the case to the coroner, who held an inquest at the home of the deceased. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death and exonerated the son from blame. Oregonian: A letter from Lakeview intimates that the Nevada, California & Oregon is likely to change its plan in the matter of the extension from Termo, Cal., to Lakeview. The general opinion has been that the road would build along the east side of Goose Lake, through a thickly settled farming and horticultural country, to Lakeview, and make a terminus. It has been hinted to the business men of Lakeview and the farmers along the lake that if they do not accept proposals soon to be made the road will be built on the west side of the lake, where there is no

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settlement except at the northern end. If the line follows the west shore of the lake, Lakeview and a good farming country will be left in the cold. W. E. Applegate, nephew of Captain Applegate, came down from Klamath Agency on Tuesday and will remain here a week or two before returning. He states that work will soon be commenced on the hospital, for the building of which an appropriation was made by congress at its last session. He also said that E. B. Henry is making the necessary surveys for the water and light plant, soon to be constructed. The irrigation ditch to be put in at the Agency and for which an appropriation of \$7,000 has been made, will soon be commenced. Mr. Applegate said that cattle men are coming in from various localities to procure ranges for their cattle. One man from Roseburg will bring 1,000 head about June 1st. A progressive old-timer furnishes us the following reminder of the improved conditions here: "The steady clang, clang of the drill and occasional boom, boom, boom of the blasts, together with the prying, picking and shoveling during working hours by Foreman Geo. Humphrey's force of sixty-five men, indicate that work is being prosecuted with vim by the Klamath Falls Irrigation Co. in cleaning and enlarging its irrigating canal. This company is now expending about \$1,000 per week in the improvement of its property, and taken in conjunction with the other local improvements, including the bringing under cultivation of large areas of wild land in the Lost River valley and other nearby localities, presents a season of activity never before witnessed in this community." In Crook county there is much activity in the business of putting in irrigation ditches. The ditch of the Des Chutes Reclamation and Irrigation Co. is surveyed 7 1/2 miles and is being constructed as rapidly as possible. The Desert Irrigation Co. has filed a water right on 50,000 inches of water to be taken from the Des Chutes river, and the Three Sisters Irrigation Co. has filed a water right on 20,000 inches to be taken from Turnello creek. In addition several smaller companies have filed on from 2,000 to 6,000 inches of water, mainly on the Des Chutes river. As each inch will irrigate an acre, the aggregate amount of land brought under cultivation this year will not be less than 100,000 acres. The same energy in behalf of irrigation is also seen in Lake and Klamath counties. M. R. Frain of Klamath Hot Springs is visiting at Klamath Falls this week, being the first time in several years, although in early times he was here often to look after property he owned and still owns in the county. Mr. Frain expressed much surprise and pleasure at the rapid advance in all lines which has been made since he was here last. The numerous irrigating plants, the tens of thousands of acres of alfalfa, grain, fruit and vegetables, and especially the great herds of fat cattle, present a wonderful contrast to the country as it appeared twenty or thirty years ago. Speaking of the promising future which enterprising residents may confidently look forward to, Mr. Frain said that there are hundreds of people in northern California and western Oregon who are expecting to

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