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PERSONAL MENTION OF THE WEEK

Local Gossip Condensed For the Benefit of Our Many Busy Readers

W. S. Mann was a visitor in town last Saturday on business.

W. F. Whited came down from Willits last Saturday on business.

John Duff was over from Boonville one day the later part of last week.

Dr. G. W. Stout and wife went to the bay cities this week on a visit to friends.

Ernest L. Williams, the Hopland butcher, was in town Monday on business.

B. F. Bowman and Charles Neilson were over from Moody this week on land business.

W. T. Eddie was down from Potter valley one day this week attending to business matters.

Mr. Alfred Tast was over from the north coast section of the county this week to prove up on some land.

Mrs. C. O. Dunbar came up from Santa Rosa on Saturday's excursion to witness the field day exercises.

J. A. Petray was among the Healdsburg contingent in town Saturday taking in the field day events.

Con. H. Goldberg was among the visitors from Willits in town last Saturday taking in the field day contests.

O. Hofman has gone to the city on a business trip. While below he will lay in a full stock of summer goods.

Lou Cunningham, cashier of the Commercial Bank, and Clair Smith paid Santa Rosa a hurried visit last Sunday.

John Guenza, a prominent citizen of Albion, had business of importance to attend to at the county seat this week.

Mrs. Kate Gorman, of the Occidental hotel, Mendocino, was a guest in town last Saturday with the high school enthusiasts.

M. A. Brasket and several others from Willits were called to the county seat this week as witnesses in the superior court.

Lee Pool and J. A. Brooks were down from Willits a few days this week as witnesses in a case before the superior court.

Miss Ida Hawn, of Talmage, has returned to her home in Potter valley, having resigned her position at the local state hospital.

Ernest, the young son of Jack Holiday, has been laid up with an attack of spinal meningitis this week and is in a very serious condition.

Mrs. Tom Farrance was among the visitors in town Saturday from Hopland. She has been in poor health for sometime but is now greatly improved.

C. J. Clement was in town a few days the first of the week on business. He has sold his Boonville ranch to Charley Lawson and has moved to Cloverdale.

Earl Thurston, a former Mendocino county printer, was in town a few days this week. He had been up the country on a visit and stopped off on his way back to the metropolis.

Mrs. J. S. Reed, nee Myrtle Hughes, came up from Petaluma Saturday and departed for her home in Potter valley where she will spend a few weeks visiting with her parents.

Harry Ginochio and wife came up from the city Sunday and are spending a short vacation with relatives and friends here. Harry is quite a fine young man and is making good.

Fred N. Loring, editor of the Willits News, was a county seat visitor last Friday. Fred is getting out a newsy paper and is enjoying the support of the people of the northern part of the county.

H. B. Muir, a capitalist of Willits, and a prominent lumberman of that hustling metropolis, was in town a few days this week on business. He reports times a little bit improved.

COUNTY ATHLETES MAKE GOOD SHOWING

Field Day Exercises Much Enjoyed and Our County Makes Others Take Notice

The high school field day exercises last Saturday brought a splendid crowd of enthusiasts here to root for their special favorites. From down the line came excursions from Petaluma, Healdsburg, and Cloverdale to witness the contest. Many former Ukiahites residing in these places took advantage of the excursion and came up to visit old friends. A number of people also journeyed from the coast to root for the two schools in the fog belt. Willits also sent down a large contingent. The result of the meet was as follows:

Healdsburg 73 1/2
Mendocino 23 1/2
Ukiah 21
Fort Bragg 20
Petaluma 4
Willits 3
Cloverdale 1

Ukiah was handicapped on account of the fact that some of her best athletes were out of school just at this time. Healdsburg had a splendid lot of all round athletes and had no trouble in taking first place in a walk. Several of the coast lads made good and give promise of making some good records at the next meet. The results were as follows:

50 yard dash—Stein H., McDonough H., Brien M. Time 0:5 3-5.
440 yard dash—Hurley M., Van Dyke and Gibson U., tied for second. Time 0:56.

220 yard dash—Stein H., Brien M., Brannum H. Time 0:24.

100 yard dash—Stein H., McDonough H., Banta P. Time 0:13-5.

880 yard dash—Clark M., Picon U., Cavanaugh F. B. Time 2:14.

1 mile run—Clark M., Ware F. B., Walbridge C. Time 4:49.

120 yard hurdles—Beeson H., Dean F. B., Prather U. Time 1:6-5.

220 yard hurdles—Beeson H., Dean F. B., Scatena H. Time 0:27.

1 mile relay—Healdsburg, Ukiah, Fort Bragg. Time 3:27.

Shot Put—Coolidge H., Thomas U., McKay U., 45 feet 11 inches.

High Jump—Beeson H., Rowe W., Brannum H., and Prather U., tie, 5 ft. 10 3-4 inches.

Pole Vault—Young H., Walde P., Hamilton U., and Murray M., tie, 10 ft. 9 inches.

Broad Jump—Dean F. B., Hurley M., Young H. 19 ft 11 inches.

Discus Throw—Coolidge H., Swisher H., McKay U., 98 ft 11 inches.

Succumbed to Automobility

Dr. A. E. Sherwood, the popular Westport physician, has automobility. The disease has been gradually making headway for some time, so last week he gave up and went to the city and purchased a Rambler roadster. He returned by way of Ukiah Tuesday with Martin Hart as driver and John Blair as oiler. They got this far all right but admitted that the roads were pretty tough. They proceeded forward Wednesday and doubtless reached their destination all right. The doctor will find plenty of use for it in his professional duties.

Death of John Garavanta

John Garavanta died at his home near Talmage last Saturday evening and was buried from the Catholic church in Ukiah Monday. He was born in Italy and was 63 years old. He had lived in California for 40 years and had spent twenty years of his life in this county. He was a good citizen and his death is generally regretted by all who knew him. He leaves a sister, Mrs. August Figo of Talmage and other relatives to mourn his loss.

Will Celebrate Anniversary

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs of Ukiah lodge will celebrate the 90th anniversary of the founding of the order in the United States on next Monday evening the 26th. An interesting program is being prepared and a profitable evening is anticipated. All sojourning Odd Fellows and Rebekahs are cordially invited to attend.

AUTO BOULEVARD FROM UKIAH TO BAY

Banquet at Petaluma Saturday Night to Boost Project Along—Ukiah Sends Boosters

Next Saturday evening the Sonoma county Automobile Association will give a big banquet at Petaluma to start a movement in favor of improving the road from Sausalito to Ukiah so that it will be inviting to autoists and tourists generally. At the feastal board there will be members of the boards of supervisors from Marin, Sonoma, and Mendocino counties, representatives of the press and the county clerks. The banquet will be complimentary to these people and after the wants of the inner man have been satisfied, there will follow a discussion of the good roads problem.

It is proposed to build a good road from Sausalito to Ukiah so that auto tourists will come this way instead of some other way. The supervisors from each of these counties will take hold of the matter and see if a solution can be secured. It is proposed to raise a large amount of money by private subscription and help out the public funds so that a splendid roadway can be built and thus attract the travel this way.

The number of people that leave San Francisco Saturday and take a run into the country until Monday morning is immense. Many people cannot go away on a regular summer outing and have to content themselves with a trip out into the country from Saturday until Monday. These people scatter considerable money in their wake and it is the shelds that our people are after. It would not take a great amount of money to make this boulevard just what the autoists would wish it to be. Other sections of the state have mastered harder road problems and are reaping great benefits therefrom.

At a meeting of the Business Men's Club the first of the week it was decided that a large delegation should go from here and help boost the project along, as the road from Cloverdale this way is not attractive to autoists. Supervisors Smith and Lawson will be in attendance, as will also C. M. Mannon, C. E. Rich, George P. Anderson, Frank Sandelin and others.

DIVORCES EXCEED MARRIAGES

Cupid White Reports it Dull in the Marriage Bureau

Cupid White of the clerk's office is somewhat discouraged and thinks that the fees of the clerk's office is going to drop off materially unless someone starts a matrimonial bureau. Some way or other the marriages are not coming off rapidly enough to suit the popular deity, who always likes to see a large amount of fees turned into the treasury from that office. The lull in marriages is supposed to be on account of the number of divorce cases that have been filed recently. The court commissioner has been kept busy taking testimony in divorce cases and this may have caused some of the marriageably inclined to stop and consider—at least wait and see how hard it was to get untied if they happened to be of incompatible temperaments. So far this month six actions for divorce have been filed and only eight marriage licenses issued. Cupid White does not want Court Commissioner Ruddock to be outdoing her and wants to see a few more marriage licenses issued and fewer divorces granted.

Struck it Rich

Seth Williams, who has charge of the work in the Royal Eagle mine in Mexico writes that they have struck the main ledge down at a depth of 250 feet and that it is permanent and fully 16 inches wide and widens out as it goes down. This looks like the boys have struck it rich indeed.

Grover Montgomery came up from San Francisco the first of the week to spend a few days with friends and relatives. Grover is a former Ukiah boy and has many friends here. He is now employed by a large automobile concern in San Francisco.

PRESIDENT RIPLEY INSPECTS RAILROAD

Distinguished Visitors go to Willits in Private Car to Inspect the Road and Plan For Future

President E. P. Ripley of the Santa Fe Railway, accompanied by a number of well known railroad men and a party of ladies, passed through here Wednesday afternoon on his way to Willits and Sherwood there to personally inspect the road and figure on future plans. They arrived at Willits at 6 o'clock in the evening and remained there over night going up to Sherwood yesterday where they inspected that part of the country. At Willits conferences were held on the subject of filling the gap to Eureka. It was estimated that this would cost at least \$10,000,000, and the people of Eureka offered to buy some \$200,000 worth of the bonds. It is the general opinion that the construction work on the road to Eureka will be continued this summer, but President Ripley gave out nothing definite on this point. He first wanted to figure the cost definitely. Speaking of branch lines and feeders for the new road, he said:

"The building of a line from Albion is one of the matters which will be discussed," he said. "While it would be impossible to run a road across to Ukiah, there is a possibility that it may be built to a junction with the main line at Cloverdale or Healdsburg. That is one of the matters which will come up at the conferences. There is a short line running some miles from Albion now, and the plan would be to extend this to a connection with the main line. Albion is a sawmill town, and the lumber from all that country now comes to San Francisco by sea."

In addition to the filling in of the gap between Willits and Shiveley, the construction of a line from Albion, on the coast, to Healdsburg is one of the matters which will be discussed by the Santa Fe president and his associates during his present visit to the coast. This line will provide a rail outlet for a part of the redwood timber of Mendocino county and will be of as great benefit to the country about Mendocino bay as the Eureka extension to the fertile lands adjacent to Humboldt bay.

SECURING RIGHTS OF WAY

P. Connolly Reports Progress on the Road to Lakeport

P. Connolly who has been assigned the task of securing the rights of way for the railroad from Ukiah to Lakeport via of Blue Lakes has been interviewing the property owners along the proposed line regarding the rights of way and reports that all the property owners seem willing to do the right thing about the matter and will lend every encouragement to the promoters of the scheme. The farmers along the line realize the value of the road to them and the county generally.

Mr. Connolly thinks that by the end of the week he will have interviewed all the property owners over whose lands the road will go, and thinks there will be no trouble whatever in securing the rights of way. Mr. Winters writes from Lakeport that everything is progressing nicely and he thinks he will be able to divert the money subscribed for the road to Pieta to this road via Blue Lakes. This amount is \$130,000. If this can be done it will insure the road this way, provided the rights of way can be secured.

Boys Bound Over

The potter valley fish case came up in Judge Crockett's court last Tuesday on preliminary hearing. After a number of experts were heard both the district attorney and Mr. Preston asked that the case go to the superior court and there be finally determined. The case has roused much feeling and the outcome will be watched with great interest.

There will be an excursion from San Francisco to this city Sunday. It is expected that a large crowd will take advantage of the opportunity and take a little run into the country.

POPULAR GIRL COMMITTS SUICIDE

Miss Eileen Howard Drinks Fatal Draught of Carbolic Acid on the Street Sunday

This community was dazed last Sunday morning when the news was flashed over town that Miss Eileen Howard had committed suicide by taking carbolic acid. The rash act was most distressing and lamentable one, and the relatives and friends have the sympathy of the entire community.

Miss Eileen Howard was the daughter of Mack Howard, a prominent farmer and former county recorder and a most worthy citizen. The young girl was the pet of the family and had been suffering from nervous prostration and was not in the best of health. The Howards now live in Coyote valley about eight miles from town. Last Saturday Miss Eileen drove into town to witness the high school field day exercises with her cousin, Mrs. Alice Scott. They stayed over night at the Palace hotel and next morning Eileen got the team and drove around town for while and stopped at a drug store and purchased a four ounce bottle of carbolic acid. She got back into the buggy and drove up Standley street and when in front of Preston's abstract bureau, she drank the contents of the bottle and screamed and began to get out of the buggy. A number of people rushed to her assistance and she told them that she had taken poison. They at once removed her to a drug store and called in several physicians who did all they could to save her life, but to no avail. Some of her relatives reached the drug store before her death but she was unconscious and did not recognize them. Before becoming unconscious she begged them to save her life, saying that she did not want to die, so it was evident that she took the fatal draught when under extreme nervous tension. She died within fifteen minutes after drinking the acid.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon from the M. E. Church, South, and was largely attended as the deceased was well known here. A number of young men school mates of the high school acted as pall bearers.

Eileen Elizabeth Howard was born in this valley, November 9, 1891, and died April 18, 1909. The bereaved parents have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community in their deep sorrow.

Eagles' Masque Ball

The local Aerie of Eagles is making extensive preparations for the grand masque ball to be given at Oleand's hall next Thursday evening under the auspices of the order. The boys say that this will be the dance of the season and guarantees all a good time. Five prizes are to be given away as follows: First prize, best dressed lady character; second prize, best dressed gent character; third prize, best sustained lady character; fourth prize, best sustained gent character; fifth prize, best sustained group. The prizes are on exhibition at Ewert's jewelry store.

Death of Fillmore Jamison

Millard Fillmore Jamison died in this city last Tuesday morning of hemorrhage. He had been sick with a severe attack of pneumonia and never got over the effects of the disease and lung trouble with its complications set in finally causing his death. He came up from Sebastopol last Sunday and was feeling pretty well, but Monday night he had a severe hemorrhage which resulted in death. He was 50 years old and leaves a wife and four children. The funeral was held from the Baptist church Wednesday afternoon.

Travel Picking Up

Travel has begun to look up now days and each train brings in a good crowd of drummers and traveling people generally. The Cecille hotel bus is crowded both at noon and night and Mr. Rich says he has his hotel filled nearly all the time. So it looks encouraging for a good summer traffic.

A FAMOUS CASE FINALLY DECIDED

Supreme Court Hands Down Important Decision in the Famous "Nolan Case"

The supreme court decided a case last week appealed from the superior court of this county which presented a question never before passed upon in this state. It was the case of James M. Nolan vs. Arthur Nolan, involving land near Cuffey's Cove.

In 1891 James Nolan sold to his son, Arthur, a tract known as the "Nolan Place." He took an unsecured promissory note for the purchase price, \$4000, bearing 2 1/2 per cent per annum interest and payable fifteen years after date. Soon after Arthur bought another tract known as the "Kennedy Place" and then mortgaged both tracts to Mrs. Catherine Morgan for \$5000. Subsequently Arthur married and his wife put a homestead on the Kennedy place.

The note being due and unpaid, James Nolan began suit in the superior court against Arthur Nolan for the amount due and also asked for a lien as vendor to secure the same. Mrs. Morgan asked in the same action that her mortgage be foreclosed on both pieces. Arthur's defense was that James Nolan had assigned the note to his daughter, Mrs. Ann O'Neil, consequently losing his right to a lien.

After hearing the evidence, Judge White gave Mrs. Morgan a decree of foreclosure on both pieces of property for \$5,663.50 and costs, and the plaintiff, James Nolan, a judgment and a vendor's lien on the Nolan place for \$4,269.20 and costs. On account of the homestead on the Kennedy place Judge White further ordered that Mrs. Morgan should not resort to the Kennedy place unless the Nolan place should fail to bring sufficient on sheriff's sale to satisfy her mortgage; and that James Nolan should have only the surplus from the sale of the latter place after satisfaction of the Morgan judgment. Under these circumstances, James Nolan would get nothing.

Arthur Nolan appealed to the supreme court from the judgment and from an order denying a new trial; James Nolan appealed from that portion of the judgment which prescribed the order in which the tracts should be sold. In the decision rendered Arthur Nolan's appeal was denied. As to James Nolan's appeal the judgment was reversed and it was ordered that the Kennedy place be first sold to satisfy the Morgan judgment. James Nolan has died since the case was tried two years ago and his daughter, Mrs. Ann O'Neil, is his executor. Under the terms of the decision of the supreme court, Mrs. O'Neil will be able to collect her judgment. Mrs. Morgan's mortgage being superior to both the homestead and the lien as vendor, she had no interest in the outcome. She was represented by Mannon & Mannon. The plaintiff, James M. Nolan, was represented by J. O. Ruddock and Arthur J. Thatcher. Thomas, Pemberton & Thomas being attorneys for Arthur Nolan.

MONEY COMES IN SLOWLY

Second Installment of Taxes is Now Due

Tax Collector Van Dyke and son Will are taking in the shekels now for the second installment of taxes. As usual the people put off paying until the last thing as they hate to part with their money. So far only about \$32,000 has been paid in on the second installment. There is fully \$50,000 yet due, but it will come dragging in the last day. There was paid in on the first installment \$182,573.19. Over \$100,000 of this was paid in on the last day, while only a little over \$82,000 during the six weeks prior to the last day. Judging the future by the past Mr. Van Dyke expects to get something like \$40,000 next Monday, which is the last day for paying taxes. A small delinquent list is expected this year.

W. P. Mariner, of the Cecille, has been in the city during the week attending to important business.