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WE ARE THE PEOPLE AND OUR RECENT LOCAL AD- VENTURES

Are Thus Related by Press Reporters.
Social Happenings of the Week Just
Passed—A Brief Summary of the Doings
of the Populace.

There is only one prisoner in the county jail at present.

C. W. Mathews was down from Potter valley Tuesday.

Thomas Johnston will open the Tomki school Monday next.

J. C. Ford, the Mendocino lumberman, was in town Monday.

Mrs. E. G. Case has been quite ill with an attack of pneumonia.

The Caspar school opened Monday with Maurice Carey as teacher.

W. L. Felton of Willits will accompany the Baechtel party to Alaska.

J. H. Barker has been in Santa Rosa on a business visit during the week.

Edward Cox has applied to be appointed guardian of the minor Cox children.

Mrs. A. Cranz left for San Francisco Tuesday for a month's business visit.

The Pine Ridge school opened Monday last with Miss Emma Geer as teacher.

F. B. Butts left Monday on an extended visit to a brother who lives in Montana.

Bert L. Cleland takes charge of the Scott's Valley school Monday morning.

Mrs. Lafe Van Dusen returned Sunday from an extended visit to San Francisco.

B. E. Hirsch has been confined to his room for the past week with a severe cold.

George B. Crandall of Wells-Fargo was in town during the week on his regular official tour.

Miss Mamie Hughes left this city Monday for a month's visit to relatives in San Francisco.

C. H. Joy of Mendocino came up from a visit to San Francisco Wednesday and left for his home today.

James Cure, Robert Piper, Frank Coots and William Piper, all of Fort Bragg, left for Alaska last week.

W. A. Coburn of Mendocino has been elected assignee in the insolvency case of J. A. Chambers; bonds, \$300.

Tom Rawles has been spending a few days in town during the week recovering from an attack of the grippe.

Frank Decker of Low Gap was arrested by Constable Harbert Monday on a warrant charging him with insanity.

Miss Kittie Lewis of Santa Rosa arrived in this city Monday noon and will visit friends and relatives for about a month.

Miss G. G. Nelson, formerly of Mendocino, died at her home in San Francisco last week. The deceased was aged 27 years.

The Ukiah Electric company is now giving an all-night service. Arthur Horton has been engaged as assistant engineer.

Mrs. Sadie English and Miss Fannette Owsley of this city left Tuesday for Vallejo, where they will establish dress-making parlors.

Miss Clara Mason, aged 16 years, died at her home in this city Sunday of pneumonia. She was buried in the Catholic cemetery.

Bert Thomas, formerly an employe of Tom Charlton, will leave shortly for Seattle, where he intends to remain during the coming summer.

Daniel Johnson of Hopland has declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States. He is a native of Ireland and 27 years of age.

Mannie Young, Frank Diddle, John Rhodes and William Hollingsworth spent the early part of the week salmon-fishing on the head of Big river.

William Held sr. has returned from a week's visit to friends and relatives in Stockton and San Francisco. He also spent a short time in Martinez.

F. G. Havens and wife of Riverside were in town Sunday attending the funeral obsequies of the late Mrs. M. J. English, who was the mother of Mrs. Havens.

Alba Haywood, the actor, who performed in this city some months ago, was killed in Arizona last week by a saloon-keeper with whom he was quarreling.

The loss on the Tryon house, which was destroyed by fire two weeks ago, has been adjusted by the Home Mutual company of which W. D. White is agent. The com-

pany awarded \$949.68. The insurance was \$1000.

Joseph Klein, the blacksmith, will leave tomorrow for Portland, Or.

Edmund Enright of Fort Bragg was admitted to citizenship by Judge Mannon yesterday.

Michael Enright of Fort Bragg was in town yesterday and left on a brief visit to San Francisco.

The Cloverdale electric lighting plant was destroyed by fire Monday night. The loss was \$7000; insurance, \$3500.

George Waters, who resides at the Kister place on Mill creek, caught a salmon yesterday measuring three feet in length.

Tom Chase brought 140 head of hogs down from Round valley Wednesday. They will be shipped to the San Francisco market.

Frank L. Coombs of Napa has been appointed state librarian. This no doubt means the selection of T. L. Carothers as United States district attorney.

W. V. Lockwood of San Francisco one of the stockholders of the Mendocino Electric company of this city, is up on a business visit. He will leave shortly for the coast.

George McFarland died at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sheppard in Fort Bragg Friday last. The deceased was a young man and leaves a brother and sister.

E. M. Kister, who painfully injured his kneecap about five weeks ago, is able to be around on crutches. A plaster cast was placed around the knee yesterday by Dr. Moore.

The local lodge of Rebekahs had a grand time Monday evening last. After the lodge ceremonies had been concluded games were played and an oyster supper enjoyed.

George Lawrence of Red Bluff, who has been making an extended visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hughes of this city, left Monday to resume his duties in the former place.

Miss Carrie Garsey will open the Philo school Monday. The citizens of that section were particularly fortunate in being able to secure the services of such a competent teacher.

Mrs. Jennie Miller, wife of J. W. Miller, the wellknown stageman, has sued her husband for divorce. The ground is extreme cruelty, and the wife asks for \$40 a month permanent alimony.

W. M. Howard of Coyote valley was 80 years old Tuesday last, and rode into town as cheerfully and vigorously as he did forty years ago. Dr. Barnes will be 86 in about two weeks, and he is another specimen of the healthful climate of Mendocino.

Marshall Nuckolls returned last week from San Francisco where he has been studying for some time past. Mr. Nuckolls resumes his duties as principal of the Willits school Monday morning. His pleasant face will be missed from the four hundred of this city, but Ukiah's loss is Willits gain.

Luther and W. H. Baechtel, sons of S. S. Baechtel of Willits, left for the Klondike during the week. The two young gentlemen will remain in Alaska at least until next winter, their stay of course depending naturally of circumstances. The Press wishes the young gentlemen the best of success.

Rev. Father J. B. Gleeson, recently of the diocese of Sacramento, has been transferred to this city to fill the vacancy caused by the lamentable death of the late Father O'Connor. The Rev. Gleeson is a cultured gentleman and has traveled extensively. He is pleasant and affable and will no doubt prove a worthy successor to the late prelate.

R. D. Weldon, formerly of this city, is now employed in the custom house at Dyea. He states in a letter to his brother, Under Sheriff Weldon, that times are very lively there, and anticipates a great rush a little later on. Young Weldon recently took up a lot at Dyea, and proposes to locate there. He is putting in his spare time improving his property.

According to a letter received from Philo Handy Tuesday last the Round valley Klondikers have experienced a very rough trip. The letter was dated Wrangle Island. The party left Seattle on the steamer Utopia, and the voyage up to the point from which the letter was written was exceedingly stormy. The Handy party has been extremely fortunate, however, ever since their start. They came within an ace of taking passage on the unfortunate Clara Nevada, which was lost with all on board. The members of the company are all well.

OUTRE OCCURRENCES.

FUNNY FREAKS AND PECULIAR HAPPENINGS.

Weekly Budget of Things Which Take Place Without Apparent Provocation. Incidents and Accidents Due to Planetary Influences.

Sunday evening last four young fellows who were promenading near the grammar school saw evidences that a burglar had entered the building. Two of the boys came down town in search of an officer, and the other two remained on guard at the schoolhouse. The boys searched the city for one of its salaried protectors, but were unable to locate one. They finally concluded to summon Robert Briggs, and found him at his residence. On arriving at the schoolhouse the burglar was scared out of the building, and managed to escape by doing some first-class sprinting. The grammar school has been entered frequently of late and numerous trifling articles stolen.

A Terrible Accident.

A little daughter of J. C. Clow of Philo was fatally injured last week by the accidental explosion of a 22-caliber rifle cartridge. The child was playing with the missile and in some manner it was discharged. The leaden pellet penetrated the little girl's brain, and after lingering for about twenty-five hours death resulted. The child was taken to Cuffey's Cove for burial. The entire community is saddened by the terrible accident, and the family is prostrated with grief at the loss of their beloved child.

Injured at Mendocino.

Reuben Allen of Mendocino was quite seriously injured last week. He was trimming a large pine tree in Evergreen cemetery and had climbed up about twenty-five feet to cut away some limbs, when he lost his hold and fell to the ground. He struck on some pine boughs, or he would have been killed. Help was at hand and he was conveyed to his home and medical assistance summoned. An examination showed two ribs broken, and he was otherwise badly shaken up by the fall.

Wanted to Own Bikes.

Constable Hughes last week swore to warrants charging Eddie Fake and Frank Frasier with petty larceny. It seems that the young fellows aspired to become the owners of bicycles, and sought to acquire the wheels by piecemeal. They would secure a seat here, and a sprocket there. The two boys were brought before Justice Critchfield, who held judgment in abeyance in order to give the lads a chance to reform.

The Orr Will Contest.

Monday last Judge Mannon handed down a decision in the contest over the will of the late Nancy J. Orr. In the original will Riley Nicholson, one of the sons of the deceased by a former marriage, was left \$1000. By a codicil this sum was reduced to \$500. The decision eliminated the codicil, so the will remains as originally made. George Orr was the contestant.

A Dislocated Shoulder.

An accident occurred on the Highland springs road Tuesday which resulted in the receipt of a number of flesh wounds by Driver Henry Ferrier. His shoulder was also dislocated. The stage was descending the grade near Hopland when the horses shied and the wagon-pole struck a projecting log. But slight damage was done the vehicle.

A Narrow Escape.

Mr. England of Usal had a narrow escape from death last week while at work lacing a belt in the fire room. Some part of his clothing became entangled in the sprocket wheel of the elevator, and before he knew it he had been divested of everything but his shoes. A large gash was cut in his back and a small portion of his hip bone torn off.

SEATTLE IS BOOMING.

Interesting Letter From a Former Resident of Ukiah.

J. L. O'Rourke, formerly of this city but now of Seattle, writes as follows regarding the queen city of the north:

Seattle has filled up so fast in the past six weeks that the streets are packed all day and until late at night. Here and there among the throngs can be seen bunches of men dressed in yellow mackinaws, others in great long gray fur capes.

With the departure of each vessel one sees motley crowds throng the wharves, and as the hour of departure draws near

many pathetic farewells are said with pleading admonitions to "take care of yourself and write as soon as you can," while others of a more jocular nature crack jokes with each other. Although every steamer takes as many as the law allows, their absence is unnoticed for the reason that people are arriving here faster than they can obtain transportation on the north-bound vessels. Last year 150 vessels cleared from this port for Alaskan points, but this year competent authority says that number will be trebled.

Another evidence of the increase in Seattle's population is the long lines waiting their turns at the general delivery windows at the postoffice daily. In fact the postmaster general has been urgently requested to provide better facilities for handling the crowds.

The writer happened at the Union depot upon the arrival of the overland this morning and was amazed to see alight a party of fifty-four prospective Klondikers from Lancaster, Pa. and vicinity.

This was not all, however; a baggage car especially fitted up for the purpose was opened and in the neighborhood of 100 dogs led out, all of them large, long-haired animals, which from their long confinement pulled their owners through the mud and rain at a remarkable speed.

Seattle's hotels, lodging houses, saloons and gambling houses are reaping a harvest. Living is cheap and the second-class restaurants, of which there are a large number and increasing, give a good substantial meal for fifteen cents and some for ten cents. Several Japanese have gone into the restaurant business and are doing well.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Resume of Business Transacted at Friday's Meeting.

The board of supervisors met Friday last.

The contract for printing the delinquent tax list was awarded to the Dispatch-Democrat; bonds, \$1500.

Report of the viewers in the Fish Rock and Yorkville road was approved. April 6th at 10 o'clock a. m. was the time set for hearing.

The recorder was allowed \$60 for making up abstract of mortgages.

Smith & Donohoe were instructed to make land entries in the present ownership book at a cost not to exceed \$125.

R. E. Donohoe, Sam Orr and W. G. Poage were appointed to view out a proposed public road commencing at the northern extremity of School street, and running thence north and connecting with present county road near Gibson's hophouse. Viewers to report to C. P. Smith.

Bills of John Flanagan for \$10 and Sam Duncan for \$3 for mileage allowed.

An ordinance was passed forbidding trespassing on the court house grounds.

Washington's Birthday at Cahto.

CAHTO, March 1.—Tuesday evening last about fifty people gathered at the town hall to celebrate the birthday of the foremost of Americans in peace and in war. The party began at 8:30 o'clock and lasted until after 5 a. m. As usual in the country, dancing was the chief amusement and it seemed to afford sufficient pleasure to all concerned. Very fine music was furnished by R. McAninch and E. Prothero. These rising musicians always give us the latest music and their execution of it is faultless. Refreshments were served about midnight, after which numerous witty songs were rendered to aid in the digesting process. Those present who came from long distances were Callie Blair, Mae E. Chittenden, Will F. Cummings, G. Arthur Sparks, Andrew J. Haun and James H. Branscomb. The final decision reached by every one is, "that Cahto dances are all right."

Church Notes.

Dr. John Hannon will begin a series of meetings at the church Monday. He will be assisted by Mr. Bachelor of Santa Rosa.

There will be a Frances Willard memorial service at the Christian church Sunday evening, March 13.

Rev. J. W. Winsor will hold a series of meetings during April.

Services at the Christian church Sunday; morning subject—The Mission of Jesus; evening—Jerusalem; with stereopticon.

The lecture on seals by Prof. Clark of Stanford university Friday last was well attended. It was exceedingly interesting, the professor being perfectly familiar with seal life and with the habitat of the fur-bearing animals of the frozen north.

CHRISTINE CULLINGS.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES FROM NEARBY NEWSGATHERERS.

Pungent Paragraphs Prepared for The Press—Personal Peculiarities Presented for Sponderers—Some Very Amiable Suggestions.

CHRISTINE, March 2.—Having stood in the background for some months past, I again step to the front and will proceed to let you know how we are getting along in this little out-of-the-way place.

We have been enjoying fine weather for the past few days; splendid weather for ducks and geese. The streets are deserted and silent, none of Christine's sweet people daring to venture out in the storm.

I was delighted to see Willie Ontis parading our streets once again this week. He is rapidly recovering from the effect of injuries received while searching for J. E. Reilly's goats. Would advise Willie to give up the search if he wishes to avoid having trouble with the owner of those goats.

I learned through THE PRESS that Samuel McAbee of Boonville made a special visit to Christine a few weeks ago, and was very much surprised on seeing that that The Bad Man From Salt Water did not also state what Mr. McAbee's business was in our little town, for, as a general rule he knows everybody's business with the exception of his own.

Mrs. J. E. Reilly of Christine left Tuesday last for Altruria, Sonoma county, where she has gone to stay with her husband, who has been very ill for some time and who is receiving treatment at Dr. Burke's sanitarium.

I am very sorry to learn that Mrs. J. L. Eldredge has been in poor health for the past few months. I understand that she intends going to the city to receive treatment and hope that she will speedily recover.

Miss Emma Williams, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Christine, left last week for San Francisco.

We miss the sweet face and smiles of Alice Gentry, who has gone to Boonville, where she intends taking a few lessons in cooking. The supposition would naturally arise that Miss Gentry's aim in life is inclined toward matrimony. The woe-begone expression on Ed DeYoung's face is accounted for now. He is, no doubt, grieving over his recent loss.

I agree with Mr. Wood Chopper in regard to The Bad Man From Salt Water, that those who live in glass houses should not throw stones, especially, as the lady Mr. Salt Water spoke of is a relative of his, and because those who live in glass houses should not throw stones, I think that Mr. Wood Chopper should not cast insinuations upon the young gentleman of Christine.

It was well for Ed DeYoung that he was accompanied by Anderson's beauty, who was near at hand and pulled him out, when he went on his fishing expedition, walked to near the water's edge, fell in, and came out a wetter but wiser man.

Miss Catherine Gschwend of Christine will take charge of her school in Hansen district, near Comptche, the 21st of March. We all wish Miss Katie success as a teacher.

Miss Minnie Evans of Ukiah is visiting her cousin, Miss Tina E. Reilly.

We were pleased to see Ed Ray of Philo in our little town one day last week. As Ed spends most of his time in Yorkville and on the road between Yorkville and Philo, it is not often that we have the pleasure of seeing him in Christine.

Miss Ruth Sitton of Los Angeles, accompanied by her cousin Jack Duerson of Santa Rosa, came up last week to spend a few months with her brother, Frank Sitton.

GUY ROWLAND.

Death of Mrs. Brayton.

Mrs. J. E. Pemberton left for Riverside Monday last, having received information of the death of her mother, Mrs. Edwin Brayton, which occurred suddenly Sunday last at her home in El Cajon. The deceased was formerly a resident of this county, having lived at Navarro Ridge for many years. She was about 68 years old at the time of her death, and leaves a husband and three children. The deceased was greatly loved by her many friends in this county, who will learn with genuine sorrow of her sudden demise.

Seth Hammond was arrested yesterday by Deputy Robert Briggs on a warrant sworn to by J. P. Stanley, who charged him with trespass. The case came up before Judge Critchfield and the prisoner was discharged.