

INDEPENDENCE

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FIFTEENTH YEAR.

INDEPENDENCE, POLK COUNTY, OREGON, JANUARY

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP.

With this issue the control and ownership of the ENTERPRISE and WEST SIDE, passes into new hands, having been sold to Walter Lyon, who is well known in newspaper circles in Oregon.

The new proprietor will supply the paper to subscribers who have paid in advance and will award and deliver prizes offered in the correspondents contest to be terminated the 30th of this month. Mr. Lyon knows the ups and downs, the ins and outs of newspaper life, particularly daily newspaper work and is equipped with the knowledge of public men and public affairs that comes from a number of years residence at the state capital, the last four years of which were as private secretary to Governor Geer.

The good will of the retiring owners of the ENTERPRISE and WEST SIDE is extended to the new proprietor, and we bespeak for him a cordial support in Independence and Polk county.

Nine years association with the ENTERPRISE in every capacity in the "art preservative" department and in the management of the affairs of the office has naturally created in me more or less sentiment toward the ENTERPRISE and people of Independence and should events in the future so shape themselves that a change of residence would be necessary, let it be remembered this feeling is just as pronounced as on this day we step down and out.

CLARENCE R. WAGONER,
Manager INDEPENDENCE ENTERPRISE and WEST SIDE.

Thoughts For 1904.

Special from Parker.

Now that the holidays are over and the New Year is abroad upon the land with its wealth of hope and promise, it is meet that all those good resolu-



WHO CANNOT BE CURED.

Backed up by over a third of a century of remarkable and uniform cures, a record such as no other remedy for the diseases and weaknesses peculiar to women ever attained, the proprietors and makers of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription now feel fully warranted in offering to pay \$500 in legal money of the United States for any case of Leucorrhoea, Female Weakness, Proflapsus, or Falling of Womb, which they cannot cure. All they ask is a fair and reasonable trial of their means of cure.

"I was a great sufferer for six years and doctor after doctor and a number of physicians but did not receive any benefit," writes Mrs. George Sogden, of 641 Bond Street, Saginaw (South), Michigan. "I had given up all hope of ever getting better. Thought I would write you. When I received your letter telling me what to do I commenced to take your 'Favorite Prescription' and follow your advice. I have taken ten bottles in all, also five vials of the 'Pleasant Pellets.' Am now regular, after having missed two years and suffered with pain in the head and back. I was so nervous, could not eat or sleep. Now I can thank you for my recovery."

Don't hesitate to write to Dr. R.V. Pierce, chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N.Y., if you want good medical advice from a fully qualified physician as to your personal good health. Such letters are always answered free of charge and confidentially. A medicine which has outlasted all others for women in the past third of a century and being recommended by all those who have used it, is a good remedy to tie to. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is purely vegetable and does not contain a particle of alcohol to destroy the blood corpuscles and weaken the system. Do not permit the dealer to insult your intelligence by suggesting some other compound which he recommends as "just as good," because he makes it himself.

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We are rather opinion of life and the world know there are man righted, still we feel th ing better every year, diydual thought an bring it about. In the fall—then let us harbo and banish the unwor they enter our minds.

Our military genius are capable of being ti peace of our land and l ervation.

We admire the creati more than the critical thankful for the genua ture so essential to th our souls to a practical knowledge of all that is noblest and best in our natures.

Our appreciation of good literature is also shown by our interest in our home paper, the ENTERPRISE, and we wish for it, its editor, staff and readers this year success in the fullest sense of the word.

May it go out to many homes, to gladden the hearts of its readers with its newsy columns.

A Pleasant Watch Party.

Special from Little Lucklamute.

Mr and Mrs S B Tetherow, Mr and Mrs A E Tetherow, Mr and Mrs G W Girard, Mrs Geo Mathews and Mrs Archie Tetherow gathered at F W Loughary's, to watch the old year out and the new year in. A very pleasant evening was spent in different enjoyments. Shortly after the new year, the guests all departed to their different homes, after wishing each and every one a prosperous year, and wishing that New Year parties might come oftener.

New Year's Party.

Special from Parker.

At the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. James Helmick a happy crowd of young people assembled to celebrate the birth of the new year, 1904.

The house was tastefully decorated with evergreens, mistletoe and ferns. Merry games were played until a late hour, when a most delicious luncheon was served, which was most heartily enjoyed by all. The scene of beauty and pleasure will long be remembered, and at two o'clock there were those still reluctant to wend their way homeward, so welcome they were made by their kind host and hostess and their prompt and pleasant family.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Percy Dickinson, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dickinson, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Collins, Misses Frances, Sarah, Nellie and Mary Helmick, Mattie Stevens, Mary Quick, Rose, May and Minnie Smith, Julia James, Sadie and Olive Cogle, Messrs. Charles Smith, Carl DeArmond, Albert and A. E. Tedrow, Clay Bush, Claud Boone, Dell Grigsby, Wm. A. Wiest, J. Fresh, Fred and Roy Cogle, Chester Warren, Walter Kerr, Ivor and Glenn Davidson.

Pleasant and Most Effective.

T. J. Chambers, Ed Vindicator, Liberty, Texas, writes Dec. 25, 1902: "With pleasure and unsolicited by you, I bear testimony to the curative power of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. I have used it in my family and can cheerfully affirm it is the most effective and pleasant remedy for coughs and colds I have ever used." e5c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by A. S. Locke.

A Watch Party.

Special from Buena Vista.

On the evening of December 31st, a number of friends gathered at the home of J. W. Baldwin to hold a watch meeting. They were entertained for a short time by Harry Davidson with his graphophone, when they started playing charades. After play-chgrades for a short time, Mrs. Bald-

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Elmer Nash, Roy Knighton and Walter Wells.

MAPLE GROVE.

Percy Lewis has gone to Falls City for a time.

The deputy sheriff paid the farm of Henry Staats a visit last week.

Mrs. Will Jones, of Monmouth, was visiting relatives here last week.

Miss Bertha Staats, of Airlie, spent part of the week with Mrs. Bagley.

Miss Ethel Walker, of Independence, was a visitor to friends here last week.

We are pleased to state that the condition of Miss Tate is considerably improved.

Edith Bagley, of Suver, came over last week and visited several days with her uncle, Jasper Bagley.

Ed Patras has his buildings at the mill completed now, and the hands will live there from now on.

Thos. Williams is putting up a tower for a water tank. A Mr. Pritchard, of Corvallis, is doing the work.

Will Robinson took the horse, which was the cause of Frank Brown's death, to Salem Tuesday, Mrs. Brown having sold it to a man there.

BUENA VISTA.

Roy Porter was an Albany visitor Tuesday.

L. W. Moore was a Salem visitor Tuesday.

Lester Murphy was an Albany visitor Tuesday.

Joe Bail was an Independence visitor Tuesday.

Joe Liggett was an Independence visitor Tuesday.

Clarence Kays made a flying trip to Corvallis Wednesday.

Geo. Murlate, Jr., was in Buena Vista Thursday evening.

Ward Goin returned home from his visit to Salem Tuesday.

W. J. Steele and wife returned from a visit to Portland Thursday.

M. N. Prather and wife made a business trip to Independence Thursday.

Mrs. Polly's granddaughter, Lessie Hammersley, returned to her home in Corvallis Thursday.

Quite a number of hogs were butchered in this part of the country during the fore part of last week.

Mrs. Phillips, of Roseburg, is spending a few days visiting her mother, Mrs. Joe Liggett, of this place.

H. Knighton is making some improvements on his property here, in the shape of a new wire fence.

Gleve and Harley Prather made a visit to Falls City Wednesday, where they will spend a few days visiting relatives.



The McLaughlin Family.

Recently the McLaughlin family held a family reunion in this city, at which time the event was chronicled in these columns. The above picture was taken at that time. Reading from left to right they are as follows: Upper row—W. M. McLaughlin, of Buena Vista; J. T. McLaughlin, of Hubbard; A. M. McLaughlin, of Buena Vista; Mrs. Louise C. McCarty, of Pendleton; Mrs. Emma J. Caldwell, of Oakland, Cal. Lower row—Mrs. Elizabeth J. Kennedy, of Woodburn; Mrs. M. A. Tethrow, city; "Grandma" Mary Minerva McLaughlin, city; Joseph A. McLaughlin, Pendleton; Geo. W. McLaughlin, of Buena Vista.

CITY OFFICERS DISAGREE.

Mayor and Councilmen at Loggershead.

Monday evening the new city officers were to take their places.

Assembling at the city hall, Mayor Stark surrendered the gavel to Mayor-elect J. S. Cooper. The coming mayor stated that his interpretation of the new charter prevented him from recognizing the council with its personnel as then imposed, he insisting that Councilmen-elect Taylor and Messner could be at once seated, and that a short-term holdovers had no right to be called members of the council. This led to wrangling, and at last a motion to adjourn on Tuesday evening prevailed. At the meeting Mayor Cooper did not attend the gavel, and after an hour's consultation a majority of the councilmen filed out of the hall. Mayor Cooper had present attorneys Holmes, of Salem, and Wiley, of Independence. The members of the old council were ready to uphold their contentions with equal tenacity. As was Monday evening, so was Tuesday evening wasted away. As the matter stands, overtures have been made for a peaceable understanding.

The people of Independence are rightly indignant at this state of affairs, and had it not been that replies from both sides repeatedly proached us to withhold condemnatory remarks until after one more meeting, we would express our opinion of the affair as we see it. In the meantime, we accept the suggestion of both sides to suspend judgment for a week.

Leap Year Party.

Special from Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Bolter entertained a party of their friends on New Year's evening. The rooms were nicely decorated with mistletoe. Floor games were played till a late hour, when a most appetizing lunch was served.

There was also music and singing. Nothing was left undone which could add to the pleasure of the company, by their kind host and hostess.

Those present on this occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. Bolter, Misses Maggie Kerr, Tressa Prather, Lucy Bolter, Bena Arlanson, Minnie, Ethel and Alice Knighton, Lorilla Bolter; Messrs. Ed Steele, Roy Porter, Martin Conger, Donald Bolter and John Arlanson.

A Birthday Party.

Special from Antioch.

On New Year's day one of the most pleasing events of the season occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Herren, it being Mrs. Herren's forty-eighth birthday. Their invited guests came at an early hour that day, to combine social enjoyment and friendly purposes. At twelve o'clock we were invited into a room, where we all partook of a most delicious dinner. As a rule the program consisted of singing, recitations, etc., but invariably the children with lisping words won the hearts of the listeners. At the conclusion of the exercises William Herren sang a solo which he had hastily prepared for the occasion and was received by those present with demonstration of approval. All now was mirth and merriment, and joy seemed pervade the hearts of all.

About twenty-five were present, who no doubt will in future years recall to memory this joyful event. Those in attendance were: Grandma Herren, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Fishback and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Herren and family, Henry Pulse and wife, Mrs. Maud Nealy, Fred Simpson, Bluford Bush, wife and daughter.

Congratulations.

Mr. John H. Cullom, Editor of the Garland, Texas, News, has written a letter of congratulations to the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as follows: "Sixteen years ago when our first child was a baby he was subject to croupy spells and we would be very uneasy about him. We began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in 1887, and finding it such a reliable remedy for colds and croup, we have never been without it in the house since that time. We have five children and have given it to all of them with good results. One good feature of this remedy is that it is not disagreeable to take and our babies really like it. Another is that it is not dangerous, and there is no risk from giving an overdose. I congratulate you upon the success of your remedy." For sale by all druggists.