strip of sidewalk in front of W.G. Myers implement house in Gold Hill, Mud.

H.B. Nye, whose home on Riverside farm at Rock Point is one of the prettiest on Rogue river, was at Medford Monday shaking hands with old friends and transacting business. The handshaking, understand was merely incidental.

Perry Hulbert, Dots and Fred Eddings are building a boat. They are as serious about it as the Cramps might be over a battleship. They intend to name it after Dr. Smith or Jack Jarvis who has taken a trial trip in it.

B.H. Harris came home from northern California the first of the week to look after local affairs. With Mrs. Harris he was a Medford visitor Tuesday, but he is now in Northern California again, working on a big timber transaction.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Olwell, of Medford, spent Tuesday evening at the new bungalow at Riverside Orchard, where they were entertained by John F. Morrill, the occasion being his birthday. They returned to Medford Wednesday afternoon.

J.H. Lofftus has sold his interest in the Blackert placer property, which he and Phil Custer purchased several months ago, to Mr. Custer. The mine is being worked by Mr. Custer and G.W. Woods. It consists of three and a half claims, which were worked continuously by P.W. Blackert for over a score of years. Mr. Custer is pleased with the mining prospects of this district, and will prospect in the Galls Creek section.

J.W. Houten and Thos. Tyndall yesterday unloaded seven head of horses, two mules, wagons and a large quantity of farm equipment which came from Portland and which they took to the Tony Olsen ranch in the Meadows, just purchased by them from J.J. Seaton, who bought it from a man named Johnson, who bought it from A.J. (Tony) Olsen, of this place. All these transactions have taken place within the past six months. The ranch is one of the finest in the entire Meadows district or in southern Oregon, and is well suited for general farming.

Three marriage licenses have been issued since Monday by County Clerk William R. Coleman. Walter Warren of Ashland secured a license Tuesday to wed Vera M. Dresback; Robert Ellsworth Hale and Clara Creighton and Francis J. Leonard and Elizabeth C. Gibson secured licenses Monday.

Mrs. William R. Walker died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. Gordon, near Asbestos, just north of the Meadows district, on January 22d. She suffered a paralytic stroke three years ago, but the immediate cause of her death was an attack of lagrippe of seven days duration. Mrs. Walker was born in Missouri April 1st, 1833. She came to Oregon in 1855 and settled near Eugene. She later resided at The Dalles for twelve years, and then moved to Mendicino County, California, coming to Jackson County, where the family has since resided, in 1892. Besides her aged husband, a veteran of the Modoc war, who is at present seriously ill, she is survived by six sons and one daughter, Mrs. G. Gordon. The sons are David, William and Almond Walker of Mendicino County; Samuel Walker of Sacramento; George Walker of Klamath County; John O. Walker and F. Walker of Asbestos. Interment was made Monday, January 23d at Antioch cemetery.

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Gold Hill District Soon to Enter Era of Great Mining Activity

French Capital Buys Bill Nye

Trustbuster, Last Chance, Bill Nye and Others Begin Work Shortly

A controlling interest in the Bill Nye mine on Galls Creek has been purchased by a French syndicate represented by R. Boulier, who has just completed the transaction with F.C. Bellamy, representing the eastern capitalists, who owned the mine. Operations, which have been suspended owing to litigation among the people represented by Mr. Bellamy, will be resumed immediately.

The Bill Nye, which is equipped with a stamp mill and an electric power line, has been a good producer. It was formerly owned by H.B. Nye, and under his management much rich rock was taken out.

The five-stamp mill on the Weatherby property in Sams Valley, known as the Trustbuster, will soon be in operation.

The new two-stamp mill on O.C. Tiffany's Last Chance mine on Galls Creek will be running next week.

G.L. Haff has bonded his Blossom mine on Sardine Creek to San Francisco people.

Since the selling of their power interests, the Rays have announced that they will henceforth devote their energies to the development of their mining properties, which means that the Braden on Kanes Creek will soon be in operation, and probably several other mines owned by them in this district.

With the Sylvanite and Gray Eagle in operation, together with the other mines on which work will soon be resumed, the Gold Hill district will see more mining activity than it has for many years.

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Dr. A.L. See, of Seattle, is in the city on business.

Mayor Beeman and family are camping at Fish Lake.

W.H. Searle is here from Medford today on business.

Miss Ella Rawlings, of Medford, is visiting Miss Pearl Collins.

Mrs. R. C. Kelsey was a visitor at Central Point Wednesday.

Miss Alta Farmer returned Wednesday from a visit at Ashland.

Mrs. Grace Himmel, of Myrtle Creek, is the guest of Miss Bessie Newton.

Col. F.H. and Dr. C.R. Ray were in Gold Hill on business Thursday.

Harry Triplett, the Wimer merchant, was in town yesterday on business.

Miss Pearl Collins returned Wednesday from a two-weeks visit with friends at Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. G.B. Clark, late of Colorado, were in from Sams Valley Wednesday.

Mrs. G.A. Landis is spending the week with friends at Newport, where she used to live.

C.F. Carter caught three steelheads last Sunday whose total weight was forty-five pounds.

Mrs. M.E. Worrell and Mrs. J. M. Crook, of Sams Valley, were Medford visitors Thursday.

O.E. Blackington, the young Galls Creek orchardist became an Odd Fellow last Saturday evening.

Horace Pelton left for an auto trip into the Klamath County, where he has extensive interest, Monday.

Judge and Mrs. J.B.R. Morelock left Monday for a trip to
visited Gold Hill relatives the other day, and went on to Jacksonville on business.

Misses Hilma Caesar and Cynthia Tuttle, two of the teachers, have left for their homes in Wisconsin and Colorado, respectively. Miss Caesar has been re-engaged for next year.

John Hammersly, Sam Hodges and Charley Young returned from their bear hunt guiltless of bear blood and minus Mr. Hammersley's two fine Kentucky bear dogs, who attempted to get gay with grouchy timber wolf.

The Galls Creek bridge has been completed. It is a fence wire span stretching from the south side of town to a point about a quarter mile east of the mouth of the creek. It was built by donations of money and labor from Galls Creek residents and Gold Hill citizens and business men.

E.G. Perham, the contractor who built the Ray Gold dam, the Prospect power line, and who has done much other building work of magnitude in southern Oregon, is now advertising a new addition to Marshfield, comprising eighty acres, which he has put on the market as "Perham Park." The Marshfield papers say that the addition comprises one of the best located and most beautiful future residential sections of the great city that is building on Coos Bay.

Galls Creek

Jimmy Burns made a visiting trip to Gold Hill Tuesday.
Ray Eaton made a business trip to Gold Hill Saturday.
Mr. Jamerson made a business trip to Gold Hill Wednesday.
Ellis Randals, of Medford, visited his father-in-law, Mr. Jameson, last Saturday, returning Sunday.
Mrs. W. Steelman is contemplating a trip to California for her health some time in the near future, as she has been in very poor health of late.

H.W. Steelman has been on the sick list the last part of the week suffering from an attack of quinsey sore throat, but is better at this writing.

Wm. Hawkins, of Portland, made a business trip out on Galls Creek Saturday, returning to Gold Hill the same day. Claud Lawrence accompanied him on his return trip.

Riverside Ripples

Mr. Isaac Porten is building an addition and will soon have a very neat little bungalow.

C.H. Alden, father of G.B. Alden arrived Friday from Eyota, Minn. He has come to make his home here with Mr. and Mrs. Alden. Messrs. Slead and Wolverton have their ranches officially named. They are to be "Laughing Waters" and "River Bend." Both very appropriate to the respective places.

Debenger Gap

E.D. Wilhite, of Beagle, was a business visitor at Central Point last Monday, and his son, Clarence, was also a business visitor at the same place Saturday.

Among the visitors at the Debenger Gap ranch last Sunday were Mrs. J.B. Hanna and family and sister-in-law, Mia Hanna, Perry Foster, Russel Thornbrue, all of Debenger Gap vicinity, and Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Wilkinson and daughter-in-law, Mrs. J.B. Plymire, and two children, Reginald and Giles, all from the Willows ranch east of Medford, these being relatives of the residents of the Debenger Gap Ranch.

Quite a large number of relatives of Mr. and Mrs. George Stacy and family gathered at their place last Sunday to spend the day.
season is a 200 pound buck, brought in yesterday by S.T. Hodges and C.A. Peterson from the upper Evans Creek country. It carried a handsome pair of antlers, which Mr. Hodges will have mounted and placed in the Gold Hill Hotel.

The Centennial placer mine on Kanes Creek, four miles from Gold Hill, will be put in operation as soon as the fall rains provide the necessary water. The Centennial is worked by hydraulic, the gravel being washed down to bedrock, which is cleaned up with pick and shovel. The mine, which has always been a good producer, will be worked this winter by D.P. Blue and H.L. McMahon, under lease from the Indiana company which owns it, and which made an unsuccessful attempt to work it with an electric dredge three years ago.

The funeral of Mrs. Clarinda C. Oglesby, who died alone in her Sardine Creek homestead cabin the night of September 22d, took place Wednesday, and was attended by quite a number. The only relative present was Walter Bland, a grand-nephew, who came from Little Rock, Washington. Mrs. Oglesby had no nearer relatives, but there are sixteen grand-nephews and grand-nieces, who are her heirs, most of whom live in Illinois. She was born January 2d, 1840, in Tennessee. She came here several years ago from Norris City, Illinois, where she had residence property, and took up the homestead on Sardine Creek, which, with the house and lots in Norris city, constitutes her estate. While here Mr. Bland, as representative of the heirs, petitioned the county court to appoint J.H. Beeman administrator of the estate. This was done by Judge Neil, Wednesday, R.H. Moore, H.D. Reed and J.W. Hayes being appointed appraisers at the same time. As soon as the affairs of the estate are terminated, the body will be exhumed and shipped to Illinois for interment, in accordance with the wish of Mrs. Oglesby, who did not have sufficient ready money to carry out her desire when she died.

**Bill Ny Resumes Operations.**

The Bill Nye mine [unreadable] capital stock of which has just been purchased by a syndicate of Paris capitalists, has resumed operations under the management of F.C. Bellamy. The mine has a rich record as a producer but has been idle for the past two years owing to litigation among members of the company, which ended with the entrance of the French capital.

A director’s meeting was held at the mine on Galls Creek September 27th, there being present Directors F.C. Bellamy, R.H. Moore, C.P. Blanchin and R. Bordier, the two last-named being representative of the Paris stockholders. The resignations of James W. Hague, E.W. Munson and F.L. Andrews from the directorate were read and accepted, and W.E. Blackmer, C. Masson and E. Chemin were elected to fill the vacancies thus created.

The following officers were elected: President and treasurer, R. Bordier; vice-president, G.P. Blanchin; secretary, F.C. Bellamy. Mr. Bellamy was appointed general manager, and will have charge of the operations at the mine.

Twenty samples taken from the dumps and from various places in the tunnels all showed splendid prospects of the color that gladdens the heart of the miner. Messrs. Blanchin and Bordier were greatly surprised and delighted at the richness of the showing.

In consideration of the valuable services rendered the company by R.H. Moore the past year, the directors at the suggestion of Vice-president Blanchin, voted Mr. Moore’s hundred shares of the company’s stock. With Mr. Bellamy, Mr. Moore will look after the...
F.W. Dodge left Wednesday on a three-weeks trip which will take him to San Francisco, Cripple Creek, El Paso, Chicago, Indianapolis and Lansing, Michigan. He will visit his parents in the place last-named for a few days.

H.L. Walther, late of Yreka, the new manager of the Rogue River Electric Company, was in town yesterday with C.W. Martin, the company's traveling representative, getting acquainted with his patrons. Mr. Walther is optimistic over the prospects for an electric line through the valley, and expresses the wish that it may be a consummation of near future.

Miss Blanche Eaton and Mr. J.J. Johnson were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D.R. Eaton, on Galls Creek, at high noon, Tuesday, October 17th, Rev. Goulden of Medford, officiating. The house was tastefully decorated with mistletoe and mountain laurel. The groom met the bride under an arch of the same beautiful evergreens. The bride was gowned in rich tan surah, trimmed with silk clover. She carried a bridal bouquet of lilies and carnations. The groom was dressed in conventional black. A wedding dinner was served immediately after the ceremony, plates being laid for seventeen. The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Willard Eaton, grandparents of the bride. Although the bride and groom have not resided very long among us, coming here from northern Minnesota about a year ago, they have made numerous friends, who extend their heartiest congratulations. The presents are varied and numerous. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will be home to their friends at their Galls Creek residence after October 21st.

That Gold Hill will have an up-to-date opera house is announced as the result of a deal which has just gone through, whereby W.H. Stickel becomes the owner of the present opera house, which has fallen into such disrepair that it has been declared unsafe. The consideration is $4,500, and Mr. Stickel's residence property is included in the deal. The seller is F.M. Hough, a Portland attorney. Work will begin at once on the rehabilitations of the building. It is a brick structure, and the front has cracked and sagged so that the city council condemned it some time ago. The front will be taken out and solidly rebuilt, with steel reinforcements. A new drop-curtain will be painted and the interior thoroughly renovated. The work will be completed in time for a grand reopening Thanksgiving ball. The building will be further improved in the spring by extending it in the rear to the alley, a distance of thirty feet, its present dimensions being 50 X 70 feet.
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the Gold Hill Hotel, where he spends a good deal of time in explaining to solicitous friends that his left eye was blackened by a misdirected swing from a sledge in the hands of a fellow-workman and not otherwise.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Rex H. Lampman at their home in Gold Hill Thursday, May 2, 1912, a son weighing six and three-fourths pounds by Mrs. Snyder's scales, which weigh a trifle light. Dr. Smith, who officiated, says he "never saw a finer baby." Both Dr. See and Dr. Kelsey say that all doctors always say that. The young man found a name all cut, dried and ready for him--Herbert Howard Lampman--which the same without his knowledge or consent was wished on firmly with his first diaper. Mother and child are both getting on nicely, and father is gradually volplaning back to terra firma.

A revolver, which probably played an active and sanguinary part in the Civil war, was brought into The News office for editorial inspection one day this week by W.L. Childers, of this city, to whom the arm has been consigned for repairs by its owner, Mr. J.E. Nye, of Grants Pass. Mr. Childers, who is more than somewhat of a gunsmith and naturally interested in both modern and obsolete arms, discovered during the process of repairing the ravages of time and Mr. Nye's curious grandchildren, that the old arm bore upon the butt-plate an inscription reading, "Lieut. A.P. Slayton, 13th Regt. Vt. Vol."--an indication of honorable service sufficient in itself to remove all doubt of the part it bore in the great drama of fratricidal strife. The ancient sidearm, as before stated, is of .38 calibre, rim fire, equipped with a seven-inch barrel and calculated to enliven the conflict with six consecutive shots in the general direction of the enemy. It bears the gunsmith's imprint of "E.A. Prescott, Worcester, Mass, Oct. 2, 1850," and at the time of its manufacture and usage was undoubtedly considered to be the last word and final excellence in repeating side-arms. How Mr. Nye became possessed of the gun was unknown to Mr. Childers, though the former told him that it had been his property for more than thirty years and was still unimpaired in shooting quality. In any event it is a relic worth of careful preservation and an honorable place above the mantlepiece.

A Trip to the Country By J.B.H.

Starting from Gold Hill Monday, accompanied by Frank Avery, whose mission it was to obtain signatures for a rural free delivery mail route. After crossing the beautiful Rogue we are traversing through a district locally known as "Garden Row," where such prominent heads of families are located as J.E. Davidson, Haight, McClellan, Ritter, Crawford, Cook, etc. After interviewing the above residents, we find E. Savage busily engaged in cultivation of the blossoming orchard which so many people are minutely observing daily with the remark, "How beautiful." We are now headed for Galls Creek where, upon approaching the mouth of that stream, we find O.E. Blackington, Robt. Cook, Jas. Burns and W.H. Edmonds loading timber for the construction of the foot bridge across Rogue river on C Street. Their signatures were readily given for better mail service.

Upon approaching the fertile valley of Galls Creek, we find the residents busily engaged with their daily labors, which are very diversified indeed, as mining, both placer and quartz, has been continuously carried on since the early settlement of the country, as well as farming, stock raising, etc. We then retraced our steps to the place of beginning and, after a brief repast, wended our way to the Foots Creek district, where we found the
newly settled district of Riverside as busy as bees, and most favorably observed by the passerby, as those people are to be recommended for their neatness from the construction of a dwelling to the planting of trees, shrubbery and plants. We have now reached Foote's Creek store, where we find Mr. Elliott, the merchant, and assistants in pleasant moods and by observations doing a thriving business. We are now on the famous Foote's Creek, not made so by the name, but by the many resources for which it is noted. We reach the home of the Champlins, where we find Charles, the superintendent, assisted in the culinary department by our former townsman, Ad Graham. After extending the hand of good fellowship to Charles and Ad had a nice pitcher of buttermilk of which the writer partook of in no small quantity. It was then the kennels were visited, much to my gratification, where a pair of pure bred Russian wolf hounds were found and, to say the least, are sure beauties.

Our next halt was made near the Carter and Howard mine, where we met the former and wife, also Mr. Howard, who were out for a little constitutional on the mountain side after a day's work spent in the tunnel, where they report that a quartz vein exists of no small dimensions and richness. From there we go to Chamberlain Carr's, thence to Johnny Donegan's, when the shadow of night was approaching and, after the usual salutations, asked to be fed and lodged for the night. After a few excuses as to being a bachelor and having no spare beds in which to lodge "especially" town folks, it looked for a few minutes to Frank and I that a night's drive or camp fire would be our lot, so I informed Johnny that I was an ex-bear hunter, not high-toned and could eat and sleep as cozy any place. So we were made welcome and spent a most comfortable and pleasant night.

After visiting many residents along the proposed-route, of which space will not permit me to enumerate, we reach Draper postoffice, where we are royally entertained by Mr. McReynolds and family.

We now start across the dividing range to the right hand fork of Foote's Creek and to the Lance placer mine where Messrs. Cook, Bottoms & Co., the lessees, were engaged in making their spring clean-up and, judging by the three or four gold nuggets we saw, two of which were as heavy as a $20 piece, the boys will be well recompensed for their labors. Here we retrace to the Mattis lane and visit the residents settled along the creek until we are again at the junction of the two roads of which I have just written.

Foots Creek

Mrs. Anderson and R.F. Boling made a trip to Woodville Thursday. C.H. Farmer, of Gold Hill, came out to Foots Creek with them. Mr. Farmer says that the crops look better on Foots Creek than he has seen for some time.

Mr. Farmer has been doing some plumbing at the Anderson ranch. R.F. Boling has been helping him. It is a piece of fine engineering. Piping nice spring water in the house is a convenience that everybody should try to have.

All miners have started to clean up their winter's run, but will probably start to mine again as the water is beginning to rise very rapidly.

Kanes Creek

James Taylor, who has been very much indisposed, is much better at this writing.

W.L. Greenleaf contemplates the erection of a new stone
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Sunday being an ideal day everyone seemed to take advantage by walking, riding or otherwise basking in the sunshine. Southern Oregon surely is a fine place in which to live.

Miss Katherine Foley, who is teaching on Sardine Creek spent Saturday and Sunday with home-folks.

Mr. Norris, who is developing a quartz mine on Kanes Creek is spending a few days with his family in Medford.

Mrs. Sutton, and daughter Maude, of Gold Hill, spent a day recently the guest of Mrs. Sutton's sister, Mrs. Bean and family.

John Thompson, a former resident of this place but now of Klamath Falls, Or., was called here very suddenly to administer to the wants of his father, who is not expected to live, at his home near Jacksonville.

Riverside

Mrs. C.R. Ritter is very ill with throat trouble. Her many friends hope for her speedy recovery.

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Frank Shaffer of the Yellow Jacket mine, is fraternizing with his many Gold Hill friends at present.

Mrs. Ada Blakely visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George L. McClellan, on Sunday last, returning to Medford that evening.

W.D. Williams, who has been the guest of his sister Mrs. J.B. Hammersly and family, the past week, returned on Wednesday to his home at San Francisco.

Mrs. Sadie Coffee returned to Grants Pass Saturday last, after having been the guest of her sister Mrs. S.A. Dusenberry on Sardine Creek, for the past several weeks.

Clyde Walker and Fitch Snyder have joined the doleful noise brigade for the period in which they will try out their new band instruments--both having received clarinets from a Portland music house the first of the week.

Word has been received Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Darling of the convalescence of their son, Carl, who has been very seriously ill with an attack of diphtheria at Oakland, Calif. Though doubts of his recovery were entertained at one time the young man is now said to be entirely out of danger--largely owing to the watchful attendance of his chum, Tobe Newton, also of this city, who has voluntarily remained with him throughout his illness--the two boys being quarantined in a residence. Both are employees of an Oakland power plant.

Mrs. Dotha Hanna, a pioneer resident of Jackson County, and well known to many friends in this vicinity passed away at her home on Rogue river, eight miles above Eagle Point, on Tuesday of the present week. Funeral services were conducted on Thursday by E.C. Richards and interment made in the Antioch cemetery. Mrs. Hanna was born in Iowa in 1857, and had resided in Oregon since girlhood. Her father, Dr. A.C. Stanley, was mayor of this city for many years.

Armed with his trusty .32 calibre revolver, D.C. Henry stood off a pair of midnight marauders that came down from the hills just back of the Dekum addition on Sunday evening, and made the night
hideous with their caterwauling. Mr. Henry, with his wife, listened to the calls of the animals as they approached close to the dwelling, and at length the former stepped out into the back yard, revolver in hand. Evidently his guests were of the feline family, for there were no dead beasts in the Henry backyard the next morning, nor could the expedition which set out with dogs to trail the animal down succeed in locating the nightly disturber of the peace that customarily [unreadable] the Dekum addition. While this was Mr. Henry's first experience with the beast, other residents of that quarter have reported, at various times during the past month, hearing the night-time cries and calls of some beast or beasts in the hills and gulches beyond. Those who have heard the cries and are familiar with the harmony a cougar makes when about his nocturnal business, declare that beyond question these animals are nothing less than a pair of mountain lions, driven down from the hills to forage the chicken-yard and hog-pasture.

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Dave Avery, station agent at Tolo, visited with his mother, Mrs. Mae Avery on Wednesday.

W.V. Birdseye and wife of Rogue River were in this city business between trains Wednesday.

John H. Scholten and H.D. Pearson, of Hornbrook, Calif arrived on Wednesday, and will remain for some time prospecting this vicinity.

Israel Cox, a highly respected pioneer resident of Sams Valley, is seriously ill at the home of his son, east of this city. C.H. Smith is in attendance.

Interior improvements, which include the installation of a cozy big fireplace, have been practically completed at the H. Reed cottage by T.N. Anderson, who has charge of the work.


W.R. McKeene, principal owner of the Millionaire mine in Blackwell, and well known to many in this city and vicinity, died at his home in Terra Haute, Indiana on Tuesday of the present week after an illness which has lasted over four years. Six years ago Mr. McKeene paid his last visit to Gold Hill in the interest of business connection in this locality. In addition to connection with various mining properties near this city, Mr. Keene was a stockholder and director in Oregon Water & Power company, Gold Hill. Mr. Keene was 63 years of age and for many years been a prominent figure in eastern financial and political circles.

None but a few minor alterations and improvements remain to complete the spacious new residence just opposite the school building, and which will shortly be occupied by R.H. Moore family. The residence, which is a two story structure, designed and constructed with a view to both convenience and beauty, undoubtedly enjoys both. It is perfectly appointed and commands a fine view of the valley and mountain to the south. Moore is to be congratulated upon the impulse which added this to the long list of Gold Hill's fine residences.

Cecil A. Townsend, of Ashland, was in this city on Thursday, looking over the local mining situation, with refer particularly to future patronage for the custom quartz mill which he is now installing in his home city. Mr. Townsend, who is a