

Polk County Observer

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Born, January 2, 1904, to Mr. and Mrs. George E. Johnson, a daughter.

Born, January 6, 1904, to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Taylor, of this city, a son.

County Clerk U. S. Loughary issued license to wed to Charley Blanchard and Anna Dobson this week.

Lester Boyd, of Seattle, entered Dallas College as a student this week. He is a grandson of Mrs. Alice Dempsey.

Pioneer Employment Company furnishes all kinds of help on short notice free to employers. 215 Morrison St., Portland, Or.

The Dallas Juvenile Band will give a social dance in the City Hall, Saturday evening, December 16. An orchestra of six pieces will furnish the music.

On account of the meeting of the National Livestock Association in Portland, the Southern Pacific Company will sell tickets on January 10 and 11 at one and one-third fare for the round trip. Remember the dates.

While working at his desk in the courthouse on New Year's day, County Clerk Loughary received a phone message from Miss Edith Wolverson, who had been left in charge of his residence, that the chimney was burning out, and the way he made tracks for home was not slow. The fire was defective, and the escaping sparks soon ignited the roof, and for a few moments a bad fire was threatened; but the quick action of the neighbors and the good work of the fire department stopped the blaze before any material damage was done. Mr. and Mrs. Loughary are very thankful to those who saved their home from destruction.

The January term of county commissioners court convened Wednesday and will probably be in session the rest of the week. The tax levy is to be made, road supervisors appointed and a jury list drawn in addition to the routine business. At yesterday's session, the action of the School Boundary Board in changing the boundaries of District 31 was rescinded, the petition having been found to be defective; Wm. Ridgeway was appointed Justice of the Peace in District No. 1, J. W. Butler having resigned; the county clerk was instructed to advertise for 40 cords of old fir and 40 cords of oak grub wood for the courthouse; the Coroner was appointed County Health Officer to serve until the further order of the court.

Floyd Daly left for Los Angeles on a visit, Wednesday.

Good morning! Have you drunk Santos coffee? Riggs.

J. W. Lewis, of Rickreall, was a Dallas visitor, Monday.

L. D. Brown, Notary Public; typewriting. With J. N. Hart.

Mrs. Clara Guy, of Lebanon, is visiting relatives in Dallas.

Mrs. T. W. Nordby, of Portland, is visiting relatives in Dallas.

Steve Braley, of Ballston, was a county seat visitor, Wednesday.

Cass Riggs, a prosperous farmer of Crowley, was in Dallas yesterday.

Hon. N. F. Gregg was up from Ballston on a business errand, Wednesday.

The Perkins drugstore at Monmouth was burglarized Tuesday night. A watch, revolver and some money were taken.

Mrs. Ella Metzger, secretary of the Odd Fellows' Home Trustees, is attending a meeting of the board in Portland.

The Dunn Grocery Company closed its doors Monday, pending a settlement with its creditors. The company has done a large business since opening the store two years ago, but the store has not been profitably conducted or managed. The proprietors are popular young men in Dallas, and it is sincerely hoped by their many friends that they will be able to resume business in the near future.

Sixteen members of Jennings Lodge, No. 9, A. F. & A. M., paid a fraternal visit to Rickreall lodge Saturday night. All speak in the highest terms of the hospitable treatment received at the hands of the Rickreall brethren. Six members of the order from Salem were present. Those going from Dallas were Charles F. Belt, W. R. Craven, H. G. Campbell, J. L. Castle, E. V. Dalton, W. B. Daggett, Dr. H. L. Toney, U. S. Loughary, T. T. Notson, N. P. Rasmussen, G. L. Hawkins, W. V. Fuller, C. L. Starr, E. W. Fuller, George Hollister and W. H. Gaynor.

Nearly 4000 acres of land in this county purchased from the State Land Board has been escaping taxation, on account of the owners not placing their deeds on record. County Assessor Myer, suspecting that something was wrong, recently wrote to the Board for a list of all lands in Polk county deced by the state in the last three years. The request was complied with, and the list shows a total of 7,752 acres deced since 1901. Of this amount only 3,804 acres have been taxed, the deeds for remainder having been kept off the records. The Assessor has the names of all the owners, and hereafter everybody will have to dig up.

GIVEN LEAVE OF ABSENCE

President Poling of Dallas College, Will Spend a Year in the East.

Dr. C. C. Poling, President of Dallas College, has been granted a leave of absence and will spend at least a year in the Eastern states. Dr. Poling has worked for years without a vacation, and feels that he must take a needed rest. This leave was granted by the Board of Trustees at their meeting December 22. The board very reluctantly yielded to Dr. Poling's request, after passing resolutions expressing their approval and appreciation of his administration, and expressed the hope that he would not be necessitated to finally resign, as was his desire.

The Winter term of the College opened Monday, with a marked increase in attendance over last term. The President and faculty gave a pleasant reception to the students in the chapel, Tuesday evening. A short program was rendered, and the new students were made to feel perfectly at home. Games were indulged in, followed with light refreshments. The company adjourned at 10:30 o'clock, delighted with the evening's entertainment.

PROSPEROUS DALLAS

Surprising Growth Has Been Made in Last Three Years.

The growth of Dallas in the last three years is strikingly set forth in the following brief summary, clipped from Saturday's Oregonian:

Population—1900 in 1900; 1500 in 1903.

School enrollment—268 in 1900; 281 in 1901; 311 in 1902; 391 in 1903.

New buildings—33 residences and eight store buildings in last year.

Hotels—Two have enlarged their buildings.

New stores—Five established since January, 1902, with combined capital of 15,000.

New industries—Tannery erected, sawmill enlarged, and city building water-works to cost \$30,000.

New railroads—Salem, Falls City & Western Railroad in operation nine miles west to Falls City and will be extended further next year.

Miscellaneous—Farms in vicinity being divided into small tracts and much building being done around city.

Mayor Cooper, of Independence, has a sort of Benson house on his hands. Some of the newly-elected councilmen refuse to qualify, and the council is unable to organize. The outcome will be watched with interest.

WILL RUN SPECIAL TRAINS

Thousands of People Will Visit Oregon Angora Goat Show in Dallas Next Week.

The committee appointed to make arrangements for the Oregon Angora goat show, to be held in Dallas next Thursday and Friday, report that they are making good progress in their work, and confidently predict that the exhibit will be the biggest affair of its kind ever held in the United States. Goat breeders throughout the Northwest have written the committee of their intention to be present, and many of them will bring animals for exhibit. The secretary of the American Goat Breeders Association will come from Kansas City to attend the show, and the Chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, of Washington, D. C., will also be among the visitors. It is expected that the special train from Portland on Friday will bring several hundred prominent Eastern stockmen.

The Portland excursion will arrive here in the forenoon, and the visitors will be shown through the exhibit and entertained at lunch. A liberal supply of Polk county's big red apples will be placed aboard their train, which will leave for Portland in the afternoon.

Louis Gerlinger, Jr., the accommodating general manager of the Dallas & Falls City Railroad, has agreed to run an extra train over his road both days of the show. The extra train will leave Dallas at 5 o'clock in the evening, immediately after the arrival of the regular train from Falls City. The company will provide an extra box-car on Wednesday afternoon for the accommodation of farmers who desire to bring goats for exhibit. A half-fare rate will be given on all animals shipped for exhibit. President Hirschberg, of the Motor Company, will run special excursion trains from Independence and Airlie both days.

Thomas Brunk, of Eola, was in Dallas Wednesday, and says he will make an exhibition of his blooded swine. This announcement is hailed with delight by the committee, who say that Mr. Brunk's exhibit will be a big drawing card for the show. Fred Koser, of Rickreall, will also bring his fine hogs to the show.

Twenty-five per cent discount on all China for 10 days. Riggs.

Constable J. H. Moran, of Monmouth, transacted business at the courthouse Tuesday.

Brooks and Creffield, the Holy Rode apostles, were rolled in a bed of tar and feathers by the infuriated people of Corvallis Monday night.

CLEARANCE SALE
Beginning SATURDAY, JAN. 2

We will have our Annual Clearance Sale. During the year there are accumulations of odds and ends, on which we will sacrifice our profit, in many cases cutting below cost.

Ladies	\$3.50 Shoes	at	\$2.75
"	\$2.50 Shoes	at	\$2.00
"	\$3.00 Shoes	at	\$2.25
"	\$2.25 Shoes	at	\$1.85
"	\$2.00 Shoes	at	\$1.50

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" " " 50-cent values, 35 cts.

LADIES \$5.50 FUR AT \$4.50
LADIES \$4.75 FUR AT \$3.75
Ladies \$1.50 Circular Shawl \$1.25
Ladies \$1.00 Circular Shawl .85

Mens \$1.25 Hats go to close at 95c.
Mens \$1.50 Hats go to close at \$1.05
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Many other items too numerous to mention. Sale begins on Saturday, January 2, and will continue until further notice

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Bargain Offerings During Second Week of Our Great Annual Clearance Sale

Men's heavy wool mixed Underwear, tan and grey, regular price 50c, sale	35c	Ladies' walking Skirts at reductions as below:	
Men's fancy Golf Shirts, also solid Tans, the kind we sold at 65c and 75c, sale price	50c	\$3.85 Skirts, now	\$3.25
During this sale we are showing the "Monarch" Shirt, the best line of shirts on the market, regular price \$1, at	85c	\$5.00 Skirts, now	\$4.25
Closing out a line of Men's Hats, soft hats in a variety of shapes, also stiff hats, values up to \$3, sale price	\$1.00	\$5.50 Skirts, now	\$4.50
Men's heavy denim Overalls, full regular make, sale price	45c	\$6.00 Skirts, now	\$5.00
		Blankets and Comforters at greatly reduced prices, cotton Blankets per pair, 50c, 65c, 85c, \$1.05 and	\$1.25
		Comforters at 65c, 75c, 85c, and up to	\$2.50
		Ladies' Neckwear to close, values from 25c up to \$1.00, your choice at	10c
		Men's Bow Ties, former price 25c, selling now at	12 1/2c



Adler's Tailor Made Fancy Suits During Sale, \$12.50

The BEE HIVE STORE
NORDBY & FINSETH
As per contract, no reduction can be made on Butterick Patterns and Gordon Hats during this sale.
Dallas, Oregon

Falls City Notes

O. E. Leet returned from Eastern Oregon, Tuesday.

C. J. Pugh was an Independence visitor the first of the week.

Harvey Gage is very low with pneumonia.

The band meets for practice every Tuesday and Thursday night.

The Coast Range sawmill started up Monday, after being shut down several weeks on account of a breakdown.

A dancing club will be organized in town this week.

Miss Ida Waters visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Pugh, Monday.

R. Criderman has moved into the Hubbard property on Main street.

Frank Crigler is running the boarding house for the oak sawmill on the James Lee place.

P. A. McNeil was seriously hurt while working in the woods at the Coast Range mill one day last week, being struck on the head by a limb.

A surprise party was given Miss Altha Gardner, New Years Eve. About 30 guests were present and an enjoyable time is reported; also, a surprise party to Miss Maud Montgomery, Saturday night, with about the same number present.

E. H. Watkins returned from Washington, Friday.

A telephone meeting will be held tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon at 1 o'clock. All who are interested in phones should be present. An agent of the Bell Telephone Company will be with us.

The Bryan-Lucas Company is busy invoicing the mill and store. They shipped over a million feet of flooring last season, and have over 200,000 feet in the sheds ready for shipment at the present time.

The following is the report of the public school for the month closing December 24: pupils enrolled, 125; average daily attendance, 123; times tardy, 6; visitors, 51; pupils neither absent nor tardy, 107. School opened after the holidays with 131 pupils, and all have settled down to work. The parents and friends of the pupils are invited to meet at the schoolhouse tonight for a parents' meeting. Lunch will be served by the teachers.

Mrs. A. H. Partridge, of Portland, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Metzger this week.

Rev. S. J. Lindsay will preach at Bridgeport church next Sunday at 11 a. m., and at Fairview at 3 p. m.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 75c. per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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