

THE WEEK'S BUDGET.

What Our Reporter Finds of Interest to Our Readers.

THE LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Summary of the Events of the Week, Tensely Told and Collected Daily—Items of Interest from Everywhere.

An item in the Albany Democrat states that there seems to be indications of somewhat of a revolution in lighting by electricity at an early date, a fact that speaks for short contracts of not over a year under any circumstances.

Quite a number of our citizens were very highly entertained at the Little Palace Hotel by a traveling gentleman by the name of C. La Pas, from San Francisco, representing L. Euphrat & Co.

Now that the ladies have effected a permanent organization of the Gymnasium Club, and are talking of having a reading room, would it not be a good idea to get the one hundred or more volumes belonging to the circulating library here and place them in their rooms for use.

Frank Burch Jr., of Independence, is in the city and contemplates embarking in business here.—Roseburg Review.

Mr. Burch is here at the bedside of his father, who is in a critical condition, so that we can state as a certainty that he will not locate in Roseburg just at present.

A sermon will be delivered to the children on next Sabbath at 3 p. m., in the Evangelical church. Come and bring your parents and little ones.

There was a special school meeting Wednesday last at Lewisville, for the purpose of testing the legality of one of the directors' resignation which is claimed by some to be dormant.

Rev. Dr. D. M. Doty, of Monmouth, will speak in the Christian church next Sunday morning, and Rev. A. J. Hunsaker in the evening. Rev. Smith is absent from the city.

Agent J. C. White, representing Ponca Grange, informs all persons that if they wish to purchase goods through him to address him at Crowley.

The West Side will commence running a continued story about April 7th. Do not fail to read it as it will be intensely interesting.

Amusement lovers will rejoice to learn that the favorite actress Caroline Gage will be at Independence in the near future.

Dave Davis the job printer of the West Side office, was called to Portland on business for a couple of days this week.

Mrs. J. M. Vanduyv gave a pleasant whist party at her residence on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Bodley, of this city, is soliciting our business men for patronage to establish a telephone system through town.

Fred Lucas of Monmouth accompanied his brother Jay to his home in Condon, hoping to thereby improve his health.

"There goes Annie Rooney! Where? To Pattersons, where are the most delicious candies."

Call at Vanduyv's and see the new line of ladies', misses and children's jackets.

See the display of eggs in Patterson Bros window.

Mens' plow shoes at Vanduyv's. \* Figured India silk dress patterns at Vanduyv's.

A. J. Goodman took in Portland on Wednesday.

Fine creamery butter always on hand at Walker Bros.

Monmouth grange meets Friday, (today) at one o'clock.

Frank Kennedy has an heir which arrived last Saturday night.

Wanted—Turkeys and chickens, at Oregon Mercantile Co's. store.

The Oregon Mercantile Co. will pay one-half cash for farm produce.

Mrs. Geo. Rogers sister of Mrs J. L. Stockton is very low, and not expected to live.

Help needed to eat the nice fresh oranges and other tropical fruits at Pattersons.

"Where can I get a good cigar? At Pattersons; he keeps the very best in that line."

J. S. Mayo, of the steamer Mantzullo, made the West Side office a call last Tuesday.

Mrs. C. E. McLean, of Stockton California, was the guest of Mrs. A. J. Goodman this week.

A dozen chickens taken at the West Side office on subscription. Also half ton of hay wanted.

Messrs Patterson Bros are having a new canvass awning stretched in front of their drug store.

Miss Macaulay, the milliner has enlarged her store to make room for her increased stock of goods.

John Young looks younger because a young man came to his house last Monday, and it was a boy.

"Say John how much sugar have you in that package?" "That is one of Walker Bros. big dollar's worth."

Why is it that Walker Bros grocery wagon is always going? Because they are selling everything way down.

Mrs. J. H. Burton, who with her two daughters left last fall for a visit to relatives in Canada, returned home a couple of weeks ago.

I. G. Davidson, a capitalist of Portland, was in town Wednesday, and D. T. Stanley of Portland, was visiting Monmouth the same day.

Richard Harned, who was a fireman on the motor two years ago and left to join the army of Uncle Sam, is in town as a recruiting officer.

Mrs. M. H. Graves, having purchased the Dr. Johnson residence on 6th street, paying \$1000 therefor, has taken up her abode there.

J. M. Vanduyv, probably trusting that the cow ordinance would not be repealed, has had the fence in front of his residence torn down.

T. A. Farley, of Dallas, was in town Wednesday and informed us that he is still deputy sheriff of Polk county, reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

Willis Hill, the leader of the band here, informs us that he is very much encouraged with the progress the boys are making and intends giving a street concert soon.

J. B. Parker living opposite town, purchased the Jersey calf which lately was the property of the editor of this paper. The children cried, as it was already their pet.

Mr. and Mrs. John McQuery, of McCoy, have rented Mrs. Wm. Jones house on B street, and they will soon take up their residence here. Mrs. McQuery is the mother of D. W. Sears.

David Johnson was passing a petition this week asking that the cow ordinance be repealed. The clean condition of our side walks and the fact that fences and gates are no longer a necessity, rendered his mission a rather fruitless one.

Meslames VanMeer & Catlin, successor to Mrs. Winnill, having received their fine stock of millinery goods, request the people of Independence and the surrounding vicinity to call and inspect the same. We will not say anything for their praise, as the goods will speak for themselves. In regard to low prices they will not be outdone.

At the Congregational church Sunday there will be services by D. V. Poling both morning and evening.

Mrs. A. J. Goodman and Miss Lottie Hedges will sing a duet at the evening services. Y. P. S. C. E. meets at 6:45. The Sunday school will render an excellent exercise on Easter evening entitled "King Immortal." A cordial welcome extended to all.

What is the matter? you hear the ladies talk about nothing but Rosendorf & Hirschberg, Rosendorf & Hirschberg, Rosendorf & Hirschberg, Rosendorf & Hirschberg, Rosendorf & Hirschberg.

Well no wonder, they sell goods cheaper than they were ever sold in Independence.

On Wednesday evening Mrs. John E. Miller of Monmouth, gave a surprise party at her home, in honor of the 37th birthday of her husband. A very enjoyable evening was spent, refreshments were served, and some forty of the leading people of Monmouth graced the occasion and congratulated Mr. Miller upon the arrival of another anniversary, finding him enjoying health and prosperity.

Peter Cook, our liveryman, bought a new horse this week and took him out for a trial drive last Tuesday. He balked, he kicked both feet over the dash board and Mr. Cook in the quick turn made fell into the mud, and the horses ran astride of a tree in front of the Garrigus house and one of them sat down on the tongue of the buggy breaking both tongue and harness, and that ended the affair. No further damage. It drew a crowd and created considerable excitement on the street.

The arrest of Charles Blanchard, a boy eleven years of age, and the attempt to have an examination before Squire Lines for his commitment to the state reform school, created considerably talk this week. There are a number of boys in Independence who are as bad or worse than Charley, but Justice Lines insisted in considering it a criminal charge, which it was not, and the case was dismissed, at request of prosecution. A reform school is intended to reform not to punish, therefore a criminal charge with its attendant costs is not necessary. When a man attempts to do a good deed for a community he generally gets criticized for his actions, as in this case.

The Transcript at Dallas gets in, and kicks because it did not get the county printing and then gives the bids making its own the lowest. The facts are the West Side had the lowest bid and we can take the bids as evidence. The Transcript bid 50c a square or \$2.50 for 5 insertions; the Itemizer 10c a square, and the West Side 25c first insertion and 10c each subsequent one of a total of 65c for five insertions. There is no use kicking Bro. Snyder; we are not in it. If our bid had been even an inch it would not have been given us.

A. Nelson, one of our most progressive farmers, as well as a leading capitalist of this city, laid several thousand feet of tiling on his farm last fall and he finds it is doing its work in a splendid manner. He had Mr. Wiley, a practical tiler, do the work, and he saved Mr. Nelson enough to pay for the ditching and his services. Any person desiring to know whether it pays to use drain tiling on a farm need only talk with Mr. Nelson, and go on his farm and see the results.

The bunco men caught a man by the name of L. S. Skinner living in Polk county, near Salem, and "skinned" \$200 out of him, by getting him to bite on a lottery prize. Getting "skinned" is worse than being a Skinner, even when they are the same person.

G. W. Whiteaker has completed the renovation of his rooms in the brick building which will be occupied by the Ladies Gymnasium Club. It is a very pleasant room and G. W. Shinn, who did the papering and painting is well pleased with the results.

F. B. Lewis, who has just sold his butcher business to the Sperring Bros., desires that all persons owing him shall settle up on or before the first of April.

Vanduyv's is the only place in the city where you can buy the shafting pegs.

Wanted,—10,000 doz. eggs at 15c per dozen, by the Oregon Mercantile Co.

You cannot get fine syrup at Walker Bros. by the gallon or keg.

Walker Bros keeps the best stock of fancy can goods in town.

Twelve yards of challie for one dollar at Vanduyv's.

Fine coffee and teas a specialty at Walker Bros.

BUSINESS BRIEFS.

There is no place in Oregon where a better meal is served than at the restaurant of Westcott & Irwin, 271 Commercial street, Salem. Courteous attention, a fine meal, and the popular price of 25 cents, have made this house the headquarters of everyone who has occasion to dine in Salem.

Mrs. M. Deaton gives an elegant chicken dinner every Sunday for 25 cents.

Wall paper 10 cents per double roll. Send 2-cent stamp for samples Address, Schofield & Morgan, 102 Third street, Portland, Ore—

The Holton House at Portland, always has its "latch string out" to residents of Polk Co., and bids them welcome.

Mitchell & Bohannon have a very complete planing mill on Main street—

Dr. E. G. Young, veterinary surgeon, attends to the diseases of horses and cattle—

E. T. Henkle, the barber, has a convenient and well lighted shop on Main street. Will shortly have bath rooms—

E. H. Houser, of Monmouth, is a competent auctioneer, and will sell on commission—

Dr. E. L. Ketchum has his office in his own building, on Monmouth street, near Railroad—

Dr. J. B. Johnson, the dentist, has his office upstairs in the Smith & Vanduyv brick—

T. J. Lee has his office up stairs in the Independence National Bank building—

Geo. A. Smith, the attorney, has his office in the Independence National Bank building—

Daly Sibley & Eakin, at Dallas, have a complete set of abstracts—

Subscribers wanting help or any persons desiring employment can use the "Want" column of this paper FREE, one insertion, not to exceed ten words. Each additional word one cent.

It has been decided by the Polk Co. Fair management to have the spring race meeting the 15, 16 and 17 of June. Weather permitting the chances are it will be a very successful affair.

The Independence Tile Co. through superior clay, improved machinery, and a thorough knowledge of the business, is turning out tiling so cheaply as to be beyond competition.—

The "H&S" cigar, for sale by leading dealers of this city, is a pure Havana, strictly hand-made and one of the finest and choicest cigars manufactured. Try them.

FROM CORRESPONDENTS

News Notes From the Several Towns in the County.

WHAT OUR PEOPLE ARE DOING.

Our Correspondent at Monmouth Chronicles the Week's Happenings at that Place—Interesting News from Dallas and Other Places.

Monmouth. Mrs. B. L. Murphy is having a siege of the "gripp," but we hope it may not prove serious.

A gypsy carnival will be given Saturday evening Mar. 23, at the O. S. N. S. chapel, under the auspices of the college Y. M. C. A. After the entertainment candy can be had for sets and fortune telling for 10 cts. Gypsies have been engaged for that evening. Doors opened at 7:30 p. m. Admittance 10 cts. This will be something entirely new; an enjoyable time is insured to all.

D. T. Stanley of Portland was in Monmouth Tuesday. Also I. G. Davidson was visiting relatives here.

Mr. Ed Huston a member of the class of '89 was in town Monday. Ed is an insurance man in Albany now.

Mr. J. J. Russell is on the sick list this week.

Hon. D. D. Earp, who has been among us the past few days went to Amity Monday.

Dr. L. L. Rowland, of Salem, secretary of the state insane asylum was the guest of Dr. Parrish of this place Monday.

James Dempsey of Rickreall was in town Wednesday.

County taxes will be delinquent the 1st of April. Taxes can be paid at the Polk Co. Bank up to that time.

Mrs. Zeiber and Mrs. Spillman who have been in California during the past month, returned home last week.

Mrs. Lizzie Whitman returned from Olympia Wednesday, she reports that Seth Murphy (well known here) will not live long.

Tuesday night some poor fellow got very hungry and broke into butcher Smith's smoke house and took three sides and one shoulder of pork.

When you come to Monmouth do not fail to stop and compare the prices of merchandise here with other trading points.

Will Ireland will soon move his family out to his farm. He likes a good garden, which with his large crop of wheat insures him a luscious dinner and a few loose dollars to tingle in his pocket.

Some hungry democrats are striving hard for the appointment of post master at this place. Let's have no skylarking about it.

Columbus Tetherow went to Dallas this week to see about his claim on "road land" in Harney valley. He will lose his claim but will receive the money back he paid the government.

Clarence is a bonnie fair boy, and he takes no exception to a Bonny fair girl.

Mr. Best, who bought the Madison farm, is putting in 45 acres of oats.

Rather warm discussions are taking place at Billy Mulkey's head quarters. Bro. Smith's protracted meeting has set people to thinking. May it result in future benefit to all.

The editor of the Record has a neat little office; it is a cozy place to subscribe for the paper, and to make application for job work.

The Normal this year, will have the largest class applying for graduating honors known to its history.

Columbus Tetherow had a highly enjoyable time at his residence last week for the youngsters. The Spokane belle is endowed with high conversational powers, and contributed much to the enjoyment of the evening.

H. D. Staats has all of his sons at the Normal. Henry is a thrifty farmer, and the education of his sons will not be neglected.

The people here look for prosperous times the coming summer. Hope they may come not to part again.

Visitors to Monmouth remaining over night, should not fail to attend the chapel exercises in the morning. They will be agreeably and pleasantly entertained.

J. J. Russell is putting in quite an area of land to graze on the Craven farm.

Jeff Fryer went south of town this week to care for his sheep. Fat mutton is Jeff's pride.

Tom Wann contemplates removing to his farm in the Eola hills this fall.

Mr. Smith is erecting a new barn. His new horse and buggy will be well cared for.

Now comes the question which will make this life a bitter cup; How many hoop skirts will it take to fill a horse car up.

First Gent:—"A saloon in Monmouth would add to the business interests of the town." Second Gent:—"Yes while our business men might make a few more dollars, our boys would be subjected to a temptation that might result in consequences not to be computed in dollars and cents, but in lamentation and tears.

Parents often criticize their neighbors children on account of their deportment and association. Would it

not be well for these people to inquire where their own children spend their evenings, and what they do on the streets and elsewhere?

F. R. Neale continues to bring in good fat cattle. We contemplate offering the "blue ribbon" to his meat market.

Jonny Stump is one of the farmers that always has something to sell.

A. W. Lucas is apparently sinking rapidly. His friends have but little hopes of his recovery.

Mrs. Deus is still in feeble health. For the past three months she has required the utmost care and attention, which she received from warm hearted friends. We sincerely wish her a speedy restoration to health.

News Letter From Bethel.

To THE EDITOR:—Not finding any items in the West Side from Bethel or Oak Grove, I concluded to try and send a few.

Farming is being carried on with a vengeance in these parts at this time. Some plowing and some sowing; and business moving right along. Mr. Alexander, of near Bethel, has planted about twenty-five acres in fruit trees during the winter and spring, which are all looking well. There have been several men in these parts buying fruit land, and we hear that some contracts have been already made. We look forward to the time when, instead of scrubby oak groves, we may see our hills covered with blooming fruit trees.

J. C. White, of near Crowley, came near losing his house by fire a few days ago, caused by the soot in the chimney taking fire, which burned to a cinder, and being drawn out, fell and set fire to the roof. But for the aid of the hired man who was on the place and pruning his orchard at the time, his house with all its contents would have burned to the ground.

Members of Oak Grove grange met on last Saturday at 10 o'clock. There being a good crowd in attendance, it naturally followed that a good and profitable meeting was held. We feel proud to say that this is a live grange. The lecturer, J. P. Emmett, had a good programme, which was well carried out, consisting of a talk from J. C. White on what kind of horses are the most profitable for a farmer to raise. Mr. White treated the grange with some valuable information on the subject, after which J. W. Edgar took up the subject of sheep, under the same heading of horses, and handled it in a masterly way, imparting valuable information on the sheep question. Then came the question of the World's fair, namely: "Will the World's fair be a benefit to the state of Oregon?" the leaders were J. M. Robertson and Finley Edgar. The question was well handled and some very important points brought out, which were claimed by some had never been thought of before. There were four applications for membership presented, which makes a class of ten that are now ready for initiation. Taking it altogether it was a day well spent and long to be remembered by the grange at Oak Grove. The grange at this place has been meeting all winter at 10 o'clock a. m., but hereafter will meet at 1 p. m. OCCASIONALLY

Dallas.

Mrs. Grace Johnson, of Portland, is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. W. J. Farley.

John Olson, of Newport, spent Sunday with friends here.

J. B. Leasen has sold his house and lot here to A. G. Harmon, and has bought the 183 acre farm of W. B. Frink near Bridgeport, for \$1000.

Miss Maggie Murray, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Backensto, has gone to her home at Albany.

The following are the officers for the A. O. W. lodge at this place installed last Friday evening: W. W. A. V. R. Snyder; foreman, W. I. Reynolds; overseer, N. F. Gregg; recorder, V. P. Fiske; financier, J. Q. T. Saddle; receiver, J. E. Smith; guide, C. S. Hendley; L. W., L. B. Martin; O. W., C. G. Powell.

The young friends of Miss Ethel McKinney numbering about two dozen, gave her a delightful farewell surprise party last Friday evening. Mr. McKinney and family will leave this week for their old home at Wheatland California.

Miss Ella Carpenter has been engaged to teach a five months school at McCoy, where she has successfully taught for several terms.

The Presbyterian Christian Endeavor society, will hereafter meet on Monday evening instead of Sunday.

J. B. Trullinger, head miller at Grand Ronde, was transacting business at the court house Monday.

Assessor Beckett and justice Pearce of Spring valley and Eola, were in town Monday.

Parker's

The Oregon Pottery Co's, clay pit is being worked. They are very particular which kind of clay they get, as the most of it contains iron, which is the mineral that makes iron worthless, but there are quantities in sight (not gold) that can readily be reached by lengthening the switch.

There is a drove of sharpers, green-goods men and bunco steers, that are flooding our town with glittering promises, by post. We would love to scorch the bark off a limb hauling them skyward.

Al Bell, conductor on the S. P. freight train, is a loyal Irishman. St. Patrick's day he wore a button-hole bouquet composed of a corn cob pipe and a slip of shamrock.

Miss Libbie Vaughan is our school mistress again.

The S. P. freight locomotive was

detained at the Lucklamute bridge last Friday by losing the lagging from the slides on one of the cross heads.

A student from the smart works at Monmouth, settled our hash on Christianity last Saturday night, by early candle light, and Sunday morning at 11. Let the good work go on.

Rickreall.

Frank Gibson was in Portland over Sunday.

Mrs. Ellis of Salem has been visiting her daughter Mrs. W. H. Kuykendall.

Mrs. Henderson, of McMinnville, has been visiting her sister Mrs. B. F. Lucas at this place.

Jan. Simonton visited his daughter at McMinnville last week.

S. T. Burch is visiting his brother at Independence.

Fred Thielson was home from the O. S. N. S. last week on account of sickness but was able to return Monday.

The teachers association will be held at this place next Saturday.

There will be a stereopticon show on Friday night at the school house for the benefit of the library.

Miss Nannie Borch has been engaged for regular assistant teacher at the public school here.

Mollie Miller and Alton Vernon are absent from the public school on account of sickness.

Lucklamute.

Miss Dora Williams, of Airie, is a guest of Mrs. Lillie Fetherow.

Our new school house has been christened with the name of Fair View.

Miss Nellie Harris, who has been in Salem for some time, is home again.

Mr. Isaac Foister returned home Saturday from Albany where he has been visiting his daughter Mrs. A. Hunt.

Mr. Amos Holman, who has been on the sick list for some time, has improved very rapidly this week.

Mr. H. Miner and family have moved to Los Gatos, Cal., where Mr. Miner will deal extensively in the fruit business.

Real-estate Transfers.

H F Bevans to S S Martin land in t 6 s r 6 w; \$1900

George Williams to N E Tyler lots in Buena Vista; \$200

Nelle Damon to J S Cooper 19 acres, in t s r 4 w; \$6000

J W Crider to G H Daniel and W E Townsend lots in Dallas; \$1300

J W Crider to George Joseph lots in Dallas; \$1100

Isaac McElmurry to Madisa Masterston lots in Independence; \$444

Malisa Vanhorn to G B Contee 9 acres of Elias Buell d 1 c; \$25

A Nichols to Victor Link 5 acres in t 7 s r 6 w; \$100

A Nichols to Victor Link 94 acres in t 7 s r 6 w; \$3000

G M Patty to E A Bewley lot in McCoy; \$1

A A Catron to A D Parks 20 acres in t s r 5 w; \$125

A W Couch to T Jennings land in t 6 s r 4 w; \$715

Sarah Gilliam to W D Gilliam 22 acres in t s r 5 w and 6 w; \$350

E E Gilliam to Sarah Elliott 18 acres in t s r 5 w; \$500

W C Brown to W H McDaniel lots in Dallas; \$750

E B Frazer to R M Smith lots in Monmouth; \$500

Thos Fennell to E E Krengle lots in Independence; \$300

Mary Rotranel to Oscar Clow 100 acres in t s r 4 w; \$1000

L B Frazer to R M Smith 3 acres in t s r 4 w; \$300

L L Butler to George Conlee 9 acres of Isaac Vanhorn d 1 c; \$50

George Line to H Montgomery 5 acres in t s r 6 w; \$3000

D W Sears to Abel Uglert 20 acres in t 7 s r 5 w; \$1200

Polk county land Co to Mary Banister 12 acres in t s r 4 m; \$1200

Warren Trullit to J W McBurney 155 acres in t 6 s r 6 w; \$1