

Silver Creek Falls

Well the mountains seem to be getting their share of the rain for the past few days.

Miss Winnifred Freeman, Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Monroe met at the home of Mrs. W. W. Neal Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of arranging a program for the picnic the Sunday school is intending to give.

Miss Etta Lang is thinking of leaving the mountains again some time this week.

Slim Peterson has bought a new buggy.

Sunday school every Sunday at 11 o'clock with a full attendance. Supt. D. O. Freeman, Teachers, Mrs. W. W. Neal, Mrs. Monroe, Mrs. William and Miss Etta Lang. All are invited to attend.

School closed Wednesday May 5. The teacher Miss Marie Smith of Salem has done excellent work in the grades and her school shows her ability and energy and it is the wish of all that Miss Smith will return for the coming school year.

Those who are entitled to enter the county spelling contest from Silver Creek school are Linn Neal eighth grade 99 1-2 Lenord Peterson sixth grade 98, Alfred Brown 98 1-2.

Those who took the eighth grade examination on Thursday and Friday were Linn Neal and Rena Lang.

There were quite a few automobiles and motorcycles at the Falls Sunday in spite of the threatening weather that early morning gave us. Some of them found that a good team and wagon was a handy thing to have.

The Prison of Sark.
Sark, the loveliest of the channel islands, possesses a quaint old prison of two cells more as a matter of fact than of necessity, for serious crime is almost unknown in the island, which has no paid police, but simply an elected constable. It is some years since the prison was called into requisition, and on the last occasion the bolt was found to be so rusty that it had to be broken before the door could be opened. The prisoner was then put in, left all night with the door open and made no attempt to escape.
On another occasion a young English servant who had stolen some clothes was sentenced to three days' imprisonment. The prospect so terrified her that the authorities took pity on her and she was released. The little maid sat in the doorway and was consoled by kind hearted Sark women, who came to keep her company. A still more curious incident is told of a man who was convicted for neglecting his wife and children. He was ordered to take himself to the prison and there wait for the arrival of the constable. This he did, sitting outside until the door was opened.—Strand Magazine.

The Alpine Guide in London.
Melchior Anderegg proved when he visited London that a great Swiss guide's topographical sense is not necessarily confined to the mountains. He was met at London Bridge station in a thick fog by Leslie Stephen and T. W. Hinchliff, who accompanied him on foot to Hinchliff's rooms in Lincoln's Inn Fields. "A day or two later," says the biography of Anderegg in "Pioneers of the Alps," "the same party found themselves at the same station on their return from Woolwich. 'Now, Melchior,' said Mr. Hinchliff, 'you will find us back home.' Instantly the skillful guide, who had never seen a larger town than Berne, accepted the situation and found his way straight back without difficulty, pausing for consideration only once, as if to examine the landmarks at the foot of Chancery Lane."—London Spectator.

The Rock of Moses.
The rock of Moses lies in the wild valley at the base of Jebel Musa, the Mount of the Law, in the peninsula of Sinai. The rock is eighteen or twenty feet high, slightly inclined, a rough indentation running over each side, which is intersected here and there with slits, and the stone is worn away in places as if from the effects of running water. It is beyond doubt the oldest known legendary object in the vicinity. The Koran refers to this rock more than once, and from these allusions arose the reverence of the Bedouins, who hold it sacred. From the middle ages onward it has been visited by Christian pilgrims, who have carved rude crosses on its side. Of all the objects in the desert it is most closely bound up with the simple faith of its wild inhabitants and of its early visitors.—Strand Magazine.

RAINS CAME AT THE RIGHT TIME

The splendid rains of the past few days have put the pastures and small grain crops in fine shape, and Oregon can congratulate herself that a failure in that line is the next thing to the impossible.

Fruit looks much better also since the downpour, and every farmer one meets has a smile all over his face.

A START IN HOGS

At a meeting of swine breeders at North Portland last Tuesday arrangements were perfected for furnishing the boys and girls of all sections of the state with breeding animals with which to make a start in the raising of pork for the market. The plan was inaugurated by the Union Stockyards some weeks ago, but the call for sows was so great that it was found necessary to enlist the aid of professional hog breeders in order to supply the demand. The stockyards will receive orders for sows, already bred, pass them on to the breeders who have agreed to furnish stock, and on receipt of a properly indorsed note from boy or girl, the animal will be shipped direct. The notes will become due and payable at time the pigs are mature and ready for market.

SURPRISE PARTY

A very pleasant time was had at the Everett Gardner home Tuesday night, the event being the visit of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Mills of Albany. A dainty luncheon was served and the guests left for home at 11 p. m.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Crabtree, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Holford, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stayton, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Miller, Mrs. S. G. Crabtree, Everett Crabtree, Miss Nora Crabtree and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Gardner.

PURCHASES NEW WAGON

J. M. Ringo has purchased a new undertaking wagon for use in connection with his undertaking parlors here. This vehicle, which is particularly for the purpose of handling caskets and bodies, brings the equipment of the Ringo Undertaking Parlors on an equal with those of any city in the valley. Mr. Ringo is to be congratulated on keeping up to date at all times.

SHOEMAKING AND REPAIRING

First-Class work in every respect. Bring us your shoe work and get it done quickly, neatly and reasonably. Shop next to Davie's barber shop, Third St. Stayton. L. A. Messing.

For Sale or Exchange for Stock. A fine home in Stayton with five acres of land, all in cultivation. Fruit and berries of all kinds. 4 room bungalow and all necessary outbuildings, all new, just outside of city limits and on main road. See or write W. B. Allis, Stayton. 6-3x

WILL ATTEND CONVENTION

The I.O.O.F. delegates from Stayton to Newport on May 17, are: Grant Murphy and Chas. Staab. The delegates from the Rebekah's are: Mrs. Lucinda Miller and Mrs. Anna Stayton.

ATTEND RACES

Those who attended the automobile races at Salem last Saturday were: W. L. Freres, Wm. Petzel, E. C. Titus, Miss Cora Cooper, E. D. Alexander, G. F. Korinek, Geo. Keech, J. T. Kearns, J. A. Hendershot, Henry Smith and E. M. Olmsted.

The races were interesting in the extreme and a large crowd was in attendance.

WILL LEAVE FOR MONTANA

Mrs. J. P. Davie started today for Columbia Falls, Montana, where she will stay a couple of months with her brother David Lutz at that place. She was accompanied by Mrs. Lutz, who has been here visiting for some time.

Mrs. E. Gooderham and son Henry left yesterday for their home in La-Grande after an extended visit with Mrs. Gooderham's daughters, Mrs. J. M. Sneyper and Mrs. Chas. Gehlen.

Otto Herrling and Miss Frances Kirsch arrived from Eastern Oregon Monday. Miss Kirsch has been teaching the Ridgeway school in Wasco county, and Mr. Herrling has a home-stead there.



H. N. Huntley made a business trip to Salem yesterday.

Geo. Tate made a week-end trip to Salem and Portland.

Joe Senz was over from Mt. Pleasant Monday trading.

A large crowd attended the dance at Sublimity last night.

Geo. Clow of Mill City visited at the Clow home here Sunday.

The Stayton Ball Team will play at Silverton Sunday, May 16.

C. J. Thomas was down from Gooch the latter part of last week.

Sloper's "Borated" Foot Powder relieves tired swollen feet.

Miss Belle Whipper of Turner is employed at the Heltzel home.

Harvey Anderson is back to work as janitor at the school house.

Home grown strawberries are on the market. O, you short cake!

T. B. Riggs and Wm. Fitten motored over to Salem Monday on business.

John Gentry and Hugh Cook of Marion was a Stayton visitor Tuesday.

Peter Fiedler will soon begin mason work on the J. J. Lambrecht house.

Mr. Hammond of the Hammond-Bischoy store spent last night in Stayton.

The Rev. D. J. Goode will preach at the Methodist church Sunday morning.

E. D. Alexander visited with W. C. Parry and wife in Junction City Sunday.

Miss Katie Benedict of Aumsville was trading with merchants here Tuesday.

John Kintz was a business visitor here from Sublimity Monday afternoon.

Pure bred Durham bulls for sale. One and two years old. B. F. Fresh, Shaw, 5-13x Oregon.

H. J. Mutschler and family and John Mielke and wife motored over to Salem Sunday.

B. Minten and wife of Linn county were trading with Stayton merchants Monday.

Clyde Rogers and August Rahn were Stayton visitors from Linn county Tuesday.

Joe Silbernagel, wife and two children were in town from Fern Ridge Tuesday.

Misses Ella Williams and Alma Phillips were visitors in Salem a few days this week.

Rev. Chandler is making a business visit at Creswell and Cottage Grove this week.

W. A. Elder, Henry Smith and Geo. Davie fished down the river in a boat yesterday.

San Tox preparations will sell on their merit. Ask Sloper's Drug Store.

John Van Handel and wife and John Lulay and daughter, Mary, were Jordan visitors Sunday.

Misses Mabel Rupert and Maude Hollister were over Sunday visitors at their homes in Salem.

Camphorated White Liniment best for sprains, swollen joints, rheumatic pains, etc. at Sloper's.

Mrs. V. J. Philippi and baby and Mrs. C. C. Titus and baby were over from Linn county Monday.

Mrs. Roy Cole returned to her home in Mill City Monday after visiting at the Arthur Leffer home.

Chas. Mills and wife of Albany are here visiting at the J. R. Gardner and the Mrs. S. G. Crabtree homes.

Willis Caldwell and wife are the proud parents of a big boy born: May 10, at their new home in Ashland.

Dave Aegerter's new barn in Linn county will go up rapidly under the direction of Tony Schindler and Nick Lulay.

Joe Koberline, wife and daughter and Joe Rundt of Jordan Valley were trading with Stayton merchants Tuesday.

E. P. Schott and J. T. Hunt were among the Sublimity people who took in the auto races at Salem Saturday.

Herman Marking showed his smiling face in town Sunday, and reported everything on the move in the Jordan Valley.

Ben Roy spent the week-end with his parents here. His sisters Muses Milca and Eliza returned to Portland with him Monday.

Mrs. C. A. Luthy is reported recovering rapidly from the operation for appendicitis performed at the Salem hospital last week.

Dr. Beauchamp reports a fine 12 pound boy that arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jackson of West Stayton this morning.

Geo. A. Smith motored over to Salem Sunday, his sister Mrs. N. J. Gehlen accompanied him home after a short visit with relatives.

Clarence Mitchell, at one time a resident of Aumsville is bookkeeper for the Pacific Telephone Co., which is erecting new poles between here and Mehama.

W. E. Chrisman is to have a public sale of high grade Jersey cows and heifers on Monday, May 24. See the complete list on the big ad on the inside page of the Mail.

Jno. Thoma and wife are snugly settled in their new home at the corner of Water and First Streets. Johnny is a lucky boy to have a home that is second to none in the city.

A very pleasant party was held at the Creech home across the river last Friday night. About fifty people were present. Dancing was the main feature. The Stayton orchestra played.

Why the Blues?
Every one loves the blue sky with its brightness, warmth and softness. Hundreds have written of it in glowing terms of praise, while the inarticulate millions have felt what they expressed. Who does not love a pair of blue eyes—laughing blue eyes, true blue eyes, tender blue eyes, Irish blue eyes? The men who follow the sea love her every mood and hue, and yet 'tis her sparkling sapphire cloak they would have her don on the happiest occasions. "It is impossible in our condition of society not to be sometimes a snob," wrote Thackeray—not to have a heart that would relish pumping a little blue blood along with the red. But when our thoughts are dull, depressed and dour, like an unkind wintry gray sky, we are in the blues. Why this paradoxical deflation of the color which is associated with so many of the fair and pleasing things of life? If we must vilify a color there are yellow, canaries and jaundice. There are red devils and danger. Why the blues?—Boston Globe.

A Remarkable Career.
The most remarkable official career in the United States was that of John Quincy Adams. This career extended over forty-eight years and embraced fifteen years in the diplomatic service as minister to Russia, Prussia and the Netherlands, five years as senator, eight years as secretary of state, four years as president and sixteen years as a representative in congress.

FUN! FUN! FUN!

Hizz Fun Makers
Beginning Monday, May 17
Star Theatre

The price of admission 10c
This in no way will interfere with our regular Serial Pictures as they will be shown with the program of Hizz Fun Makers.

Don't Forget, this is the Big show of the Season.

Valuable Premiums Given Away Each Night

TO-NIGHT:

Special Pictures—"A trip over the N. P. Ry."
"MILLION DOLLAR MYSTERY" No 9.
ALWAYS GOOD NONE BETTER

Saturday Night:

"EXPLOITS OF ELAINE"

Pathe News Comedy 5 Big Reels

Sunday Night:

"THE RECKONING" 4 Reel Feature
GOOD COMEDY 5 REELS IN ALL

STAR THEATRE

WOOL



We are in the market at all times for all kinds of Wool, and will pay Highest Market Price for Same. We Buy Sheep Pelts. Wool sacks furnished, and fleece twine for sale. Bring us your wool and get the top price—We use it in our business. We pay one cent a pound higher than market price if taken in trade for woolen goods.

Custom Work—Your wool carded into balls for comforters and mattresses
WILBUR WOOLEN MILLS COMPANY, STAYTON, OREGON.

Laundry Reopened

I have leased the the Stayton Steam Laundry and will be ready for business Monday, May 10.

ALL KINDS OF FINISHED WORK A SPECIALTY
WET WASH, 50c ROUGH DRY, 2 1-2c per lb.
Prompt Delivery Two Times Weekly
C. W. DUNAGAN, STAYTON, OREGON

A Most Astounding SUBSCRIPTION OFFER

The best family daily paper in the state and your own home weekly paper for

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This offer will be in force from now until July 15, and may be taken advantage of by old or new subscribers. Good only until July 15, 1915.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Directors of School District No. 77, Stayton, Oregon, until the hour of 7 p. m. on the 28th day of May, 1915, for the erection and completion of a High School building, according to plans and specifications prepared by Charles H. Burggraf, architect, Albany, Oregon. All bids must be accompanied by a certified check payable to "School District No. 77, Stayton, Oregon," for the sum of \$200.00, as a guarantee that the contractor will furnish an approved bond equal to 50 per cent of the contract within ten days after awarding the contract.

All bids must be made out on blank proposals for the same. Blanks furnished upon application, by the clerk or architect. Plans and specifications may be seen at Clerk's office, Stayton, at T. M. Barr's, Salem, or at the architect's office, Albany.

The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. By order of School Board No. 77, Stayton, Oregon.

Henry Smith, Chairman,

W. Richardson, Clerk