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The Iron City Schools Prospering—A Good Place to Invest in Real Estate—Farmers Marketing Potatoes.

Oswego, April 3.—This is examination week at school. The school is progressing finely under the management of Prof. Jones and his able corps of teachers.

W. S. Smith, of South Oswego, went to Portland Monday to oversee a gang of laborers on the cable road.

G. W. Prosser has been sick for some time but is now improving.

Supervisor Prosser has been working a number of men on the Shipley hill, but all were laid off yesterday on account of the rain.

Quite a number of Oswego people are working at the Cascade locks.

Oswego just now is a first class place to invest in real estate. [This is not an ad.]

The fishermen here are making great preparations and are expecting a good run of fish. It is to be hoped that their expectations will be realized.

George Sandman, Ike Austin and S. C. Baker are replacing the bridge over the Tualatin canal that was washed out some time ago.

South Oswego's enterprising merchant, Mr. Bickner, has been suffering with rheumatism but is improving at this writing.

Mrs. J. J. Bullock has gone to Woodburn to pay an extended visit to her mother.

Mrs. M. J. Haines and Mrs. Eva Bussard spent last Sunday at the home of T. R. Worthington on the east side.

Mr. Bell, and another gentleman whose name we did not learn, both of Marion county, were visiting relatives here last Saturday.

P. H. Jarisch is suffering with la grippe. Farmers in the vicinity of Oswego have been quite busy the past week hauling in their potatoes. We hope they will realize a good price for them. AMERICA.

Mount Pleasant Items.

Mount Pleasant, April 2.—Mrs. David Oliphant and daughter Maggie, of Portland, were visiting friends here last Sunday.

Horticulturists are making every effort to eradicate all the evils that prey upon fruit trees by spraying, pruning, and white washing the orchard trees in this section of the country.

Illness appeared to prevail during the last month and continues in the present. Nearly every household has had the grippe for a visitor, on account of a slight form.

Last Saturday night the Twilights met at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Martin. In lieu of new officers Vice president Alice McArthur again presided. The Misses Emma Wilhelm, Lorena Lazelle, Alice McArthur, Nettie McCord, Mrs. Benj. Hendrickson, Messrs. Haines, Martin and Melvin McCord all portrayed graphically their chosen subjects in reading and recitations.

The next literary will be held at Mrs. George Lazelle's, April 13, and will be a purely Whittier evening. The following program will be rendered:

Vocal Duet.....Agnes and Alice McArthur
Reading.....Morton Haines
.....Emma Wilhelm
Instrumental Solo.....Lorena Lazelle
The Angels of Buena Vista.....Nettie McCord
Recitation.....Alice McArthur
Song.....Mrs. Geo. Lazelle
Reading.....Ray Weston
Song.....George and Bert McArthur
Reading.....Chas. Rutherford
Essay—Whittier.....Homer Martin
Reading.....George McArthur
.....Mr. Lazelle
Song.....G. and B. McArthur
Debate—Resolved, That the state militia should be abolished.

Although your correspondent has no authority to speak upon the matter, still we may safely say that the club will be very much pleased indeed and honored too to entertain the committee from the Oregon City Franklin Society at that time. VOX HUMANIA.

Smyrna Smacks.

Smyrna April 1.—Miss Ida M. Yoder is at home from Willamette University and will stay until the spring term begins. Her health was giving way on account of too close application to her studies.

Mrs. Tom Donaldson has been sick during the past week. Dr. Leavit of Molalla is attending her.

F. E. Taylor gave the young people a play party last Friday evening.

Rev. F. W. Parker and family of Hubbard, came out last Saturday and visited in the neighborhood over Sunday. Mr. Parker gave us one of his entertaining sermons at 11 A. M. yesterday. A crowded house greeted him.

Levi Lantz, who formerly lived in this neighborhood, came down from Drain, Douglas county, last week. He is moving his family and effects to the Andy Wyland ranch on the Molalla.

Miss Alice Ackerson, who has been attending Pacific University at Forest Grove during the winter came home last week.

Uncle Joe Johnston has torn down his ancient log barn and is replacing it with a frame structure.

Mrs. Hattie Myers, of Marquam, attended church services at Smyrna yesterday morning. JOKA.

Springwater Sprinkles.

Springwater, April 1.—D. W. Tucker, an old pioneer and one of the first settlers of this county, quietly passed from the stage of action not long since. Mr. Tucker was a Mexican war veteran. He has lived many years as a quiet, peaceable citizen on his farm near Springwater. He leaves many friends. He was of the Baptist faith and we trust he is enjoying a happy reward.

School will open to day, April 1st, under the care of Prof. C. Hargraves.

The first opening of the Stony Point new school house was for a dance on March 28. A. M. Shibley will go as a delegate to the presbytery which meets in Portland April 8th.

The Sunday school of this place closed a very interesting quarter on the 31st ultimo.

Rev. J. C. Sylvanus, the Presbyterian minister who has had charge of the church here for five years, will preach his farewell sermon on the third Sunday of April, the 21st, at 11 A. M.

The trustees of the Presbyterian church have purchased a two-acre lot in Springwater of D. C. Howell on which they will build a nice residence this summer for a parsonage.

So far as can be seen now the fruit crop in this vicinity will be a large one.

Seeding is nearing a general windup. Messrs. Palmateer & Livermore are getting in a fine lot of logs to supply their summer trade. They sell a high grade of lumber at bed-rock prices.

Harmony Notes.

HARMONY, April 2.—A Young People's Christian Endeavor society was organized here last Friday evening. About thirty-five were present. The officers elected are: president, Harry Gifford; vice president, Asa McLaughlin; recording secretary, Mrs. John Wise; corresponding secretary, Ada McLaughlin; treasurer, Theo. Hagenberger. A meeting was held Sunday afternoon and the organization completed. Just as the meeting closed out we witnessed the bursting and descent of the balloon which was sent up from Oregon City.

Louis LaGrand has finished clearing two acres of land for R. Dannels. He has four more to clear with a lease on them for five years.

The recent rain has improved the looks of fall and spring crops.

The Evangelical church will be dedicated May 5th at 10:30 A. M. by Bishop Wm. Horn, of Cleveland, Ohio. The people are invited to attend.

We have received the news of the marriage of Clyde A. Phillips, formerly of this place, and Elvina A. Lee, of Canby. Sickness is again in our neighborhood. John Davis's family is down, and several others are afflicted with colds.

Miss Anna Phillips, of Clackamas, was visiting relatives here last week.

Raleigh E. Karr spent two days of last week visiting relatives at Rock Creek.

Mr. Whitley and sons, of Albina, were reviewing our neighborhood last Sunday, having moved away in 1873.

Misses Jennie and Gracie Mullet were the guests of Mr. McLaughlin Sunday.

Wm. H. Karr returned yesterday from a short visit with his brethren and sisters of the Free Methodist church at Sunnyside.

Currinsville Callings.

CURRINSVILLE, April 1.—Currinsville is thriving; bachelors are getting married; new buildings are being erected, and vacant houses are being occupied. This surely shows good times are near at hand.

The farm work has been delayed somewhat on account of the rain, but crops have been greatly benefited by it.

Jack Marrs and family of Springwater, were visiting at Mr. Hale's Saturday and Sunday.

Walker Shepard, of Polk county, was in this vicinity recently looking for a school; but as there are so many teachers in the county he met with little success.

Mrs. Allen is making an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. E. Williams. She intends going to Portland soon.

We understand Mr. Baird intends running a logging camp this summer on the Clackamas river near this place.

Two prominent young men of this neighborhood, Wilbur Wade and Theodore Shankland, met with quite a mishap last Sunday evening. While at church at Garfield, somebody untied their horses. The boys experienced great difficulty in finding them as it was one o'clock Monday morning when they reached home. It was only a few Sundays before that the horses belonging to Wilbur and Amy Wade were turned loose at the church at Currinsville, and there have been other instances of the same kind. If the miscreants are caught they should be severely dealt with. TORST.

Meadow Brook Mites.

MEADOW BROOK, March 30.—Old Webfoot is giving us a reminder of old-fashioned weather, and the premature dust is well settled.

There was a very pleasant social dance last night at Major Hungate's house.

Frank Wills cut his thumb nearly off this week while splitting kindling.

The Salvation Army has not held forth at the Lafayette school house since the 17th inst. At their last meeting the chairman of the school board and the clerk notified them that the school building would hereafter be closed against the army.

Geo. Hungate and James Dickey did the traveling public good service by repairing and graveling the had mud hole at the foot of the Robbins hill half a mile west of the Upper Molalla or Beatty bridge.

Charley Robeson and John Comer started to Cowlitz river, Washington, last week to work in a large logging camp. PHOENIX.

Salmon Items.

SALMON, March 30.—Once more the sun is shining brilliantly. Farmers are taking advantage of it to get in crops.

J. T. McIntyre is clearing off stumps and logs and getting a large piece ready for the plow. So also is J. A. Linnemburger.

The many friends made by Miss Birdie Galentine last summer while teaching the Salmon school, will be pleased to learn that she has been engaged to teach the coming term, beginning April 8th and probably continuing five months.

Mrs. Imholz has come out from Portland to spend six weeks with her sister, Mrs. Unternahrer. PROGRESS.

Stafford Sittings.

STAFFORD, April 3.—The weather has turned stormy and somewhat cooler with an occasional heavy shower.

Rev. Gronde talks of organizing a German school and teaching the young how to read and write the German language. It would be a great benefit to many of the older ones if they would take it up, as this section is getting quite thickly settled with Germans.

[Why wouldn't it be just as well for those Germans to learn to read and write and also speak the English, and thus become fully Americanized? The mountain will not go to Mahomet.—COMP.]

Mr. Walters and wife were the guests of Mr. Weissenborn and wife Sunday.

John Johnson and family received a visit

from Mr. Johnson's parents of Behany, Saturday and Sunday.

Whooping cough is still afflicting several families.

Fred Oldenstadt returned home Friday last from the Good Samaritan hospital where he has been lying quite low with rheumatic fever. He now appears on the fair road to a speedy recovery.

The Larson boys have been shipping spuds and making gates.

Harvey Melcher is hauling spuds to Oswego for which he receives 45 cents per sack.

Miss Weissenborn has gone to Glencoe to make a short stay with her sister, Mrs. Walters.

Fred Schata has been pruning his orchard. Forty-four numbers were sold at the dance in Larson's hall on the 30th. Enough ladies were present to dance six sets. Music furnished by John N. Hedge and Roy Brown. Management by Jean Ford and Ben Carpenter.

Della Larson is at home once more after spending several weeks abroad.

Several men, headed by J. Schiewe, have taken to the mountains to hunt land and whip the streams for the speckled beauties

West Side Notes.

WEST SIDE, April 4.—There is nothing exciting going on now, but some of the West Siders will be doing something before long that will be of interest.

Last Sunday Charles Rutherford who teaches in New Era, and Elson Lay of Portland, were here visiting friends.

Almost everybody turned out to see the man in the barrel go over the falls, and to see the balloon ascension.

Mrs. Barker, of Gladstone, was visiting her parents last Sunday.

James Ward is having a fence put around his lot. This will make that part look better as his house is very prominent.

Eagle Creek Items.

EAGLE CREEK, April 2.—Several of the farmers went over to the Sandy river the past week and caught whole barrels of smelt.

In the joint discussion between the Eagle Creek debating society and the Sandy Ridge society, the Eagle Creek society gained a unanimous decision in its favor.

Uncle Richard Bradley is visiting his daughters who live at this place.

There is some talk among the boys of organizing a base ball club this spring.

Beaver Creek.

BEAVER CREEK, April 2.—The recent rains have been refreshing, and farmers are now able to finish their plowing.

Rev. Shields of Portland, preached in the Presbyterian church at this place on the 24th ult.

Miss Jennie Rowen will begin teaching near Danascus on Monday, the 8th.

Rev. Jones, of Oswego, preached in the Congregational church at this place on the 24th ult. REPORTER.

Probate Matters.

The estate of Christina Callahan, deceased, settled, and Samuel Engle discharged.

The will and testament of Jorgen Olsen Ringnes, deceased, to probate, and Hans A. Linneberg, appointed executor and Ole Anderson, Geo. Knight and G. Olsen appointed appraisers.

Mariah McGarvey was paid \$200 out of estate of Alexander McGarvey, deceased, upon appearing as sole heir.

Thos. F. Ryan appointed administrator of the estate of Wm. R. McCubbin, deceased.

At the regular meeting of the Philomathean society Friday evening, a mock trial will be held, which promises to be very interesting. The case is, the state vs John Lewthwaite, who was arrested for shooting a snipe without a license, Attorneys, L. Latourette Driggs and L. Kelly appearing for the defendant, the state being represented by Eva Mel-drum and Malcolm McCown. Visitors are always made welcome by the members of the society.

Items in Sugar Beet Culture.

In growing beets for sugar it has been found that the Nebraska station that 18 inches between the rows is most satisfactory and even 16 when hand cultivation is employed. Close culture gives richer beets, greater yield per acre and is less exhausting to the soil. The best yield and higher sugar content come from large, heavy seed. Potent factors in producing a good yield are deep and thorough preparation of the soil in autumn and the earliest possible sowing of the seed in spring. The yield of sugar depends largely on climate and thorough cultivation. In 1890 the station began preparations for the production of a high grade of beet seed by the strict methods of selection and culture which have been evolved in Europe and which have brought the European varieties of sugar beets to their present standard of excellence. Four years are required for the perfecting of the seed. Last season was the third year in the course at Nebraska station, and the beets raised will be the seed beets of this year.

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In Memoriam.

Thomas J. Forrester was born at Eagle Creek, Oregon, February 11th, 1869, and died March 30th, 1895. The deceased came to his death by the accidental discharge of a gun. He had just started out to shoot some birds and had gone but a few steps from his residence when the accident occurred, the supposition being that the gun hung fire after snapping a cap, when he set it down to pull out the ramrod preparatory to drawing the load, but being a muzzle loader, when it discharged, the load entering just below the short rib toward the left side, the shot ranging slightly upward coming out at the back. One of the other brothers previously having trouble with the gun seems to justify this theory. From the time of the discharge of the gun was heard till his death, was about 30 minutes. His next older brother B. F. Forrester arrived about ten minutes before his death, but Thomas was past speaking. The deceased was born and raised on the farm of which he owned a part, and where he met his death. The high esteem in which he was held by the entire community, was evidenced by one of the largest funeral processions ever witnessed in the community, and by the glowing tribute paid to his memory by the Gospel Sunday school of Sandy Ridge, of which he was an active member. About two months ago he was baptized and received as a member of Christ's church, in which he became a live worker until his Master said, "Your work is done—come up higher." The deceased leaves three brothers and five sisters to mourn his loss.

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