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COUNTY NEWS

News of each Community Gathered each week by Our Rustling Associate Editors

Newport

At the last meeting of the Commercial Club the matter of road construction came up for discussion. Mr. Albert Teal was present from Falls City and was introduced to the Club. Mr Teal said he had taken an active part in road construction in Polk county; said a good auto road as well as a wagon road was already built to Falls City and it was the intention to build, and he was safe in saying, that the road will be built by the first of June to the Lincoln county line at the Warren Wright place at Upper Farm. Mr. Teal said the road was hard-surfaced to Falls City and from there it would be a dirt road to the Lincoln county line. The money is already available for building the road. The county of Polk puts up $6,000 and the people of the road districts puts up $6,000, making $12,000, sufficient to build the road and the county will not be bonded either. This is the best news we have had for a long time. The distance from Portland to Newport is 117 miles and the grade over the Coast Range of mountains will be about six per cent. A few months ago a proposition was made to bond this county for $190,000 to build this road but the taxpayers wisely turned it down and now we will get the road without a bonded debt and have it paid for. The road from here to the Polk county line is already in fair condition for Summer travel and when the Spring road work is put on the road it will be in good condition. The bridges across the Siletz river at the Agency and the Upper Farm are already built. The county has helped and the people have taxed themselves to the limit to build this road and these bridges. The road from Toledo to Siletz is in bad condition but no doubt before the Spring travel commences the road will be sufficiently completed so that autos coming from Portland to Newport can make the trip in half a day. This means a great deal to Newport and Lincoln county. A committee was appointed, consisting of the following named persons, to select a suitable site for the fair grounds to be presented to the County Court, as a permanent location for the county fair: W. L. Huckabay, A. L. Thomas, Dr. W. C. Bell, Dr. F. M. Carter, Wm. Matthews, S. G. Irvin and M. Wygant, president of the Commercial Club. Three propositions have been offered, viz: S. G. Irvin, 18 lots just west of the Plummer house on the Jeffries place; R. A. Bensell, five acres on the Phelps place, and R. F. Baker, 10 acres at the ball grounds. A committe was also appointed, consisting of Dr. Belt, H. F. Jenkins and Mr. Baser to confer with a similar committee appointed by the Oddfellows to make arrangements to entertain the Grand Lodge that will meet here the last of May.

Mrs. Kathleen A. Murry, born at Weston, Iowa, February 28, 1875, and died at Newport, Oregon, March 21, 1915, aged 40 years and 21 days. She was married to W. E. Murry at Weston, Iowa, August 10, 1877, and came to Oregon a few years ago. She was on a visit to her sister in law, Mrs. B. L. Barry, when death came. Her remains were taken to Medford for burial. She is survived by one son and her sister in law, Mrs. Barry.

I see that Vice President Marshall, at the University of California, said the United States was the greatest flunkey in the world. I don't like this accusation. It may be true of Washington, City, but it is not true in Newport. Here we take off our hats to no one except ladies.

West Yaquina

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hanlon spent Tuesday and Wednesday at Beaver creek.

W. E. Hanlon returned last week from Portland with a fine team. He reports the roads in very bad condition.

Mae Adams got the piano at L. E. Casteel's. R. V. Hanlon was second.

Everybody turned out and enjoyed themselves at the dance at the restaurant Saturday evening and there is talk of another one in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Weber of Ona attended the dance last Saturday night.

Ona

Mrs. J. R. Coovert attended the telephone meeting at Poole slough Saturday.

A very pleasant afternoon was spent by the ladies of Ona at the Grange Hall Friday of last week. The event being the closing exercises of our school. Each little one performed their part of the program better than had been expected and proved the training that had been given them by their teacher. The program was as follows: "The Graduates' Fairies," by the school. Song "Vacation Days" by the school. Recitation, "My Mamma's Lap" by Helen Phelps. Song "The Windmill" by Helen Phelps and Charlotte Koch. Dialogue, "Dot Entertains" by Clifford Phelps and Charlotte Koch. Recitation "The Candy Lyon" by Clarence Edwards. Pantomime "Where is my Wandering Boy" by the school. Recitation "The Wind and the Moon" by Charlotte Koch. Song "Farewell, Neta" by the school. Playlette "Scat!" by Mrs. H. H. Coovert, Neta and Clifford Phelps. We had one Eighth grade graduate, Neta Phelps, who made a very sweet "Girl Graduate," and the part she took in the program was indeed creditable. The little playlette given by Mrs. H. H. Coovert, Neta and Clifford Phelps was very clever and a real surprise. Clifford, as "Colonel" was charming. Neta, the maid who was looking for an advance in wage, was very cute and we did not have her on the stage long enough. Mrs. Coovert, in the part of the "Old Maid" who was fast loosing her eye-sight, was strikingly funny and afforded much amusement. Mrs. A. H. Phelps gave several piano selections during the program, rendering them in a manner that is always pleasing. With the completion of this term Mrs. Hester Coovert has finished the third consecutive term as teacher in our school. She has been successful and it is regretted that the term is not longer this year. However, we hope by next year to be able to add a few more months to the term.

Mrs. Guy E. Lewis and mother Mrs. Lewis, from Upper Beaver, were visitors at the Selby ranch Friday and attended the exercises given by the teacher and pupils of our school.

Road Supervisor and Mrs. Weber were visitors at Yaquina Friday.

Mrs. C. S. Ohmart and Miss Helen Phelps visited at the Christensen home Monday.

Mrs. Edgar May of Oregon City is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Christensen.

Mrs. J. R. Coovert commenced a six months' term of school at Upper Beaver Monday.

Mrs. Geo. Selby is on the sick list.

Elk City

The box social was well attended and a good program was rendered.

Newell Millner was the guest of A. B. Slocum and family last Sunday. Mr. Millner expects to leave for Eastern Oregon soon.

Miss Bessie Gillet was the guest of Winnie Boydson Sunday.

Eliphlet Follett of Philomath was in for the entertainment held at Eddyville for the benefit of the Eddyville and Little Elk baseball boys. He also visited among friends.

Mrs. Silver was in the city Saturday.

Farmers are busy putting in Spring crops.

Lost Strayed or Stolen—A foot-bridge has vacated Morrison creek, a small creek which empties into Big Elk creek. The bridge was one foot wide. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of same please let it be known and we will try and take up a collection to buy the person or persons a little lumber. As there has been several pieces picked up in the neighborhood we think or at least it looks like someone wants lumber and wants it badly.

Mr. Woodruff made a business trip to Toledo Thursday.

Yaquina

The Piano Contest at L. E. Casteel's came to an end Saturday in favor of Miss Mae Adams as winner. We congratulate her upon her prize.

A dance was given at the restaurant Saturday evening. A big crowd attended and everybody had a good time.

Mrs. Bud Weber returned to her home on Beaver creek Sunday evening, after a visit with Mrs. J. Weston.

James Brown, Jr., has been nursing a very sore arm, caused by cutting it quite badly with a knife.

A farewell dance will be held at the Oysterville cannery Friday evening for Jack Vigars, who will depart Monday morning for Portland in preparatory for going to Alaska.

There will be a box social at the Yaquina schoolhouse Saturday evening, for the benefit of the Sunday school. Everybody come and help a good cause along.

Taft

Bill Gerttula has bought a general store 12 miles out from Centralia, Washington, and will move his family out at once. We regret very much to lose Mr. Gerttula as he is a good, live man.

A very pleasant time was had at the dance Saturday night and the supper at Mrs. Bones' was simply fine.

Johnnie Bones has finished seeding and will help Frank Blatner next week.

J. E. Davis, school supervisor, was with the teachers at Taft Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. McClintock were gathering shells on the beach Sunday.

Arthur Combest is working on his farm clearing land.

We stated in last week's items that Mr. Wolf had rented the Walter Ball farm. It was Lee Bones who has rented it again.

Mr. French, our new storekeeper, informs us that he is well pleased with his new business at Taft. Mr. French says he will give the people a square deal and they don't need to send by parcel post for goods any longer.

Cecil Cosper has finished seeding the John Muir farm.

Salmon River people should do their trading at Taft and keep the money in Lincoln county.

Mr. Iler of Devils Lake was shopping at Taft one day last week.

Winant

Everybody in our neighborhood is busy putting in garden.

Mrs. V. D. Boone has been on the sick list but is now much better.

Mrs. Bessie Shermer made a trip to Newport Saturday where she will consult a doctor.

Clarence Boone and sister, Cara, spent Saturday night visiting friends in Yaquina.

A big dance was given at Yaquina Saturday night. It was well attended and everybody had a most enjoyable time.

Bay View

Apple blossoms!

A number of the young folks had planned a launch ride up the Alsea river for Sunday afternoon, but after they got out in the channel the launch stopped and as they couldn't get it started again they all decided they had better return. Those who went were, Miss Hansen, Miss Phillips, Misses LaDessa and Leona Prescott, Randie Hendrickson, Elva Rossi and Mrs. Frank Briggs, Messrs. Edwin Oakland and Milton Hendrickson.

Rev. Frank Phelps of Philomath came in Friday and held services Saturday evening, Sunday morning and evening. He returned home Tuesday.

Granville and Yada Yocum spent Sunday at Mr. Simonson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Twombly and son, Kenneth, visited at Geo. Stephen's Sunday.

Edwin Oakland is plowing for George Prescott this week.

E. E. Dyer and Nellie and Bernice Prescott spent Sunday up Drift creek.

Fiegles Creek

Mrs. Ralph Darting and son, Eskolt, went to Philomath last week.

Dr. Depew returned to Salem.

Geo. Titus returned from Summit.

Chas. Lindley and Gale Shane called on Mulvany's Sunday.

Ralph Darting made a business trip to Toledo relating to school business. The district was granted us. Now to business, school board, etc. Isaac Boies has very kindly tendered the use of his bungalow in lieu of a school building, until other arrangements are possible.

Z. A. Kessi is making the usual plans for big Summer crops which are always a big card for Fiegles Creek vegetation.

Ralph and George Darting are making some plans, too, for garden "sass."

Gale Shane, Ralph Darting and son spent Tuesday restoring the fence torn down on the Briggs place last week in order to put the road through.

Mr. Shane is suffering slightly from a lame knee, acquired while helping Geo. Tubbs fell timber. They are both unused to forest work and report it being rather a close call.

The bachelors have quite a new idea evolved, instead of working alone exchange works and help each other delve. A cheerful thought also inspiring safety, especially to new comers from cities and prairie states.

Chas. Lindley was busy last week passing a remonstrance concerning the star mail route. Ed Allen contractor. The remonstrance prays for the present schedule viz. Philomath, Peak and Harlan instead of Harlan, Peak and Blodgett, the proposed change. The chief reason given is that the people now have access to doctors and medicine, etc.

Upper Beaver

P. H. Martin of Corvallis visited at the Huyett and Martin ranches from Sunday till Tuesday of last week.

Henry Rhoades and A. Peterson and son, Peter, made a trip to Newport Tuesday.

Henry Rhoades and son Floyd went to Toledo Monday.

All the farmers are getting ready for Spring gardens.

Our school began Monday, March 22, with Mrs. Hester Coovert of Ona as teacher.

Mrs. G. E. Lewis and mother, attended the program given by the Ona school Friday.

Fay Selby of Ona visited at the Lewis ranch Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Huntsucker and Mrs. J. M. Bowers were Ona visitors Thursday.

Paul Spracklen, who has been visiting at the K. D. Martin ranch for the past several weeks, left for his home in Oakland, California, Wednesday.

Jesse Clifford returned home from Portland Wednesday evening.

K. D. Martin and I. N. Huyett went to Yaquina Wednesday.

A STATEMENT REFUTED

Editor Leader:—I notice in the Rose Lodge items in your issue of March 12th the writer states that the Salmon River Grange passed resolutions favoring the building of a bridge and tressel across Salmon River and its tide lands near the Otis schoolhouse. I wish to state that the writer has left a wrong impression on the minds of your readers.

The Salmon River Grange has a membership of more than fifty. The resolutions spoken of were adopted by about 12 or 13 individuals during a recess of the Grange on March 6th (while there were outsiders in the hall using their influence in favor of the trestle). The writer then refers to the few opposing ones as knockers, and states that the tressel would cut out over four miles of the worst road in Lincoln county. I am sorry to learn that a Salmon River Granger would misrepresent things so badly. The length of the road proposed to be cut out by the tressel is not more than two miles and by no means the worst road in Lincoln county. As for all those who oppose this worthy individual being classed as knockers, we will leave for the readers of your paper to decide.

Very respectfully,
A Salmon River Granger.

THE PIANO WINNERS AT CASTEEL'S, YAQUINA

The piano contest closed last Saturday with the following winners: Mae Adams, 662,200 votes; R. V. Hanlon, 468,589 votes; Mrs. Weber 275,571 votes.

Mrs. E. W. Hanlon won the phonograph.

BENEFIT ENTERTAINMENT

Following is the program for the benefit entertainment which will be given at the Dime theatre Tuesday evening, March 30, to raise money for the Relief Fund of the Women of Woodcraft:

1 Orchestra.
2 Clock Dance, by Oneatta Van Cleve and Edith Jacobson.
3 Song, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep" Mr. Ross and Mr. Geer.
4 Duet, by Clarence Ofstedahl and Charlie Gildersleeve.
5 Irish Lilt, Isabelle Lingenfelter, Iris Akin, Retha Carson, Carrie Wade, Sada Chambers and Addie Graham.
6 Song, Mr. Stuart.
7 Reel.
8 Orchestra.
9 Song, by Mr. Geer.
10 Hiland Fling, Mollie Ross, Irish Reel, Iris Akin.
11 "Its a Long Way to Tipperary" Male Quartet.
12 Dance, by Miss Doris Elder.
13 Reel.

Admission, 25 cents; Children under 12 years, 15c.

Show starts promptly at 8 o'clock. There will be but one performance.

Word was received here last evening of the elopement of R. E. Grove and Miss Belle Clemo of Shedds, who were married at Albany Tuesday. Miss Clemo formerly lived in Toledo, being the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. F. S. Clemo, and has a host of friends here.

Rose Lodge

H. C. Starr returned Saturday from a business trip to Toledo.

Will Griffith bruised his hand while slashing last week and it became so bad he was compelled to go to see a doctor.

Mr. Phearis of Salem brought in 14 head of stock to his son in law, Mr. Jones, on the McCormick place. They expect to milk for the cheese factory this Summer.

Ralph Dodson has quit school for the remaindor of the term to help run the ranch.

Howard McMillan and Al Bauman have finished their job of slashing for Mr. Crispein.

J. A. Messinger hauled a couple of loads of hay from H. R. Deakins' last week. He does not think it pays to sell hay in the Fall out of his field and then have to buy in the Spring and haul it through the mud.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Messinger, C. L. Alderman and Mr. and Mrs. P. Deakins visited with Grandma Tharp Sunday.

Clyde McMillan returned from Mill City last Friday, where he had been at work the past month.

Mrs. Bloom of Upper Slick Rock called on Mrs. Dodson Thursday.

The Salmon River Grange is planning for an entertainment the evening of April 17th.

EASTER MILLINERY WILL BE DISPLAYED

Mrs. T. P. Fish will have her stock of Spring hats on display Wednesday, March 31, and invites the ladies of the community to call then and inspect same.

FOR SALE

Montana wheat and stock ranch for a partly improved ranch near Toledo. 212 acres all tillable and fenced. 100 acres under plow, part in fall wheat. All necessary tools, mules, horses, etc., good buildings. Price $4,600. Good terms on part. For particulars see Frank G. Riebhoff, 1½ miles north of Toledo.

Let me make a new hat out of your last Summer's hat.
Mrs. P. Frederick.
First house east of Grammar School.

Ed Montgomery has bought the launch Iola, which has been on the run between Elk City, Toledo and Newport, and is fixing it up in fine shape.

PARENTS-TEACHERS' MEETING

A Parents-Teachers' meeting will be held at the High School building, Friday evening, March 26th, at eight o'clock. The following program will be rendered:

Music, Toledo Orchestra.
Paper, "Athletics in the School," Mr. S. B. Ports
Paper, "Value of Industrial Work in the School," Miss Maude Wakefield.
Piano Solo, C. R. Moore.
Paper, "Light and Ventilation in the School," Mrs. H. H. Pratt.
Paper, "Discipline in the Home and School" Jos. Swearingen.
Paper, "How a Mother May Best Help a Teacher" Miss Clara Larson.
Music, Toledo Orchestra.

I have clients with the following property to trade as first payment on improved dairy or stock farms in Lincoln county, some stock preferred: Good double apartment flat, Portland; rented; value $4,000. Good 8-room house; lot 100x100, Portland; rented; value $5,000. Lots 100x100; value $2,000; a well secured mortgage note, $600 due September 1916, and $400 cash. Address, C. C. North, Newport, Oregon.