

From the Richest and Best Part of the State

News from Nearby Valley Points

By Capital Journal's Special Correspondents

PICNIC CLOSES SCHOOL YEAR IN RICKEY DISTRICT

Rickey, May 29.—A large crowd attended the school picnic which was held at Hager's grove May 26.

A long table was being built, swings put up, a ball diamond laid out and with the natural scenery Hager's grove is one of the most ideal picnic places near Salem and for the day the gates were thrown open to the school and neighbors.

A basket dinner was enjoyed at noon and then began the great event of the year, the ball game between the married men and the school boys.

Only an able umpire like Tom Fitzpatrick could have given just decisions in a fast game of 11 innings, with the score 5 to 4 in favor of the married men.

Those starting on the men's team were Andy Parson, George Hager and A. Binegar.

Several of the papers were greatly surprised when they were fanned out by Wilber Strawn pitching for the boys.

The married women held the girls down to an even score in a three-inning game.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Magee made a business trip to Crooked Finger last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Binegar will spend the week end at the beach. A Van Cleave of Portland was a guest of the father-in-law, D. A. Harris, Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace have as house guests relatives from Washington.

W. Sheridan has started picking strawberries.

Mr. and Mrs. Messerell and daughter motored to Dallas, Tuesday.

Those who were neither absent nor tardy during the school year were Troy Crabb, Loyal Sheridan and Margaret Magee.

ELKS WANT HOLIDAY CALLED FOR JULY 16

Elks lodges of the state are bringing strong pressure to bear on Governor Pierce to declare a legal holiday throughout Oregon on July 16, the date of the Elks parade at the national Elks convention in Portland. The governor said today that he might yield to the requests. About a dozen telegrams from exalted rulers of various lodges were received by the governor today.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

The following is the official publication of the record of claims before the Marion county commissioners court for the May term, 1925, with the amount allowed, bills continued, etc., according to the records in the office of the county clerk.

ROADS AND HIGHWAYS

Atwood, grading, etc.	12.00
Kell, A. W., laying tile	6.40
Owen, C. E., repairs on grader	16.40
Smith, J. T., laying tile	4.40
Zieler, Bill, laying tile and ditching	8.40
Boyer, A. C., patrolman	24.00
Green, F. L., services as chain man	4.50
Road District No. 2	
Oregon Gravel Co., gravel	7.50
Miller, Allen, dragging and plowing	17.00
Moore, J. C., material for gravel	7.10
Miller, J. H., patrolman	50.55
Road District No. 4	
McIntyre, Joseph, cutting brush and scraping	32.20
Burnham, Lawrence, blasting ditching, scraping, etc.	45.20
Burnham, C. A., scraping, hauling gravel, etc.	58.00
Burnham, Earl, shoveling sand	1.60
Crate, Arnold, clearing, burning, etc.	2.20
Faber, Ed., clearing, burning, etc.	6.40
Gearty, Davey M., rep. culvert, etc.	14.80
Phillips, Basil, scraping, shoveling	4.20
Cook, J. L., plowing, scraping, etc.	112.00
Road District No. 5	
Larkin-Prince Hardware Co., powder, fuses, caps	10.10
Leavitt, Bill, clearing road	6.40
Burnham, Lawrence, putting in tile	2.50
Crate, August, do.	3.20
Pilliste, Basil, do.	3.20
Cook, James, grading, etc.	21.00
Davidson, Chester, do.	3.40
Davidson, Fred, scraping	9.80
Eston, J. L., rep. fence	5.90
Ernst, G. H., shovel, fuses, single fuses, etc.	12.80
Grant, Joe, blasting stumps, ditching, etc.	44.80
Kirk, R. E., ax	2.00
Woodruff, Clyde, grading, ditching, etc.	51.20
Woodruff, Eric, ditching	14.80
Davidson, W. F., patrolman	65.00
Road District No. 6	
Aral, L. L., dragging	12.00
Falley, J. W., patrolman	12.00
Road District No. 7	
Keppinger, Mike J., grading	12.00
Jensen, Peter E., patrolman	21.00
Road District No. 8	
Coast Cement and Stone Co., salvandrone and stone	137.25
Dickerson, G. H., hauling road	8.00
Hove, J. N., hauling gravel	127.60

POLK FINANCES IN BETTER SHAPE SAYS TREASURER

Dallas, Or., May 29.—Polk finances on May 1, 1925, revealed a much better condition than was forecast at the beginning of the year, according to County Clerk Black, who has completed a check of funds as of May 1.

This shows cash on hand with the county treasurer of \$151,602.92, with outstanding warrants totalling only \$59,770.28. In addition there are uncollected taxes amounting to \$375,286.60.

Between May 1 and May 20 Sheriff Hooker turned over an additional \$60,599.51 in tax money, bringing up his cash on hand item to over \$212,900.

The uncollected taxes are divided \$350,129.92 on the 1924 levy, \$23,609.98 remaining from the 1925 levy, and the balance spread back to 1908.

The county is also about due for another share of motor vehicle license funds from the state and for market road money from the state.

The outstanding warrants amounting to \$59,770.28 are divided as follows: General fund \$12,757.24; general road fund \$25,026.81; market road fund \$50,599.55; dog district fund \$15,318.89; dog fund \$999.91, with the balance made up of smaller amounts on other funds.

The resources on hand are apportioned as follows: \$151,602.92; General fund \$60,262.09; general road fund \$21,014.04; market road \$49,929; motor vehicle, \$51,419.92; dog districts \$28,273.22; dog fund \$317.86, with the balance composed of school funds.

SEEK \$500 FOR SCOUT FUND

Dallas, Or., May 29.—A campaign for funds to finance the activities of the Dallas Boy Scout organization has been in progress this week. A goal of \$500 was set and it is probable that from \$300 to \$400 will be raised from present indications.

No large donations were sought and practically all firms solicited responded in good spirit.

The money will be used in fitting up a new camp on the Rickard, recently donated by C. K. Spaulding, and for other activities that require funds. The Dallas council is no longer affiliated with Marion, Lin and Benton counties.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Turner News

Turner, May 29.—J. F. Thomson and wife enjoyed a visit from their daughter and family, of Albany, over the week end.

Mrs. L. J. Rowley visited with friends and relatives, at Amity, over Saturday, returning to Turner Sunday night, with her son who motored to Amity Sunday afternoon.

F. P. Rowley attended the Memorial services at the First Unitarian church, at Salem, Sunday morning.

Mrs. L. J. Rowley and Mrs. C. B. Bones were among those from Turner taking in the sights in Salem Monday.

Ruth Chaves is in Salem for a few days operating the Bronson confectionery store, during the temporary absence of the owner.

Mrs. L. E. Miles was in Turner for a short time Monday.

Miss Velva Jackson, of Portland spent the week end with Miss Avelyn Dezell.

Miss Theima Dezell will go to O. A. C. to see the military tournament this week end. Her school closes Thursday with a picnic.

A car took a short cut down the hill from the Barber home, Saturday night. It displaced a few rocks and came to a stop in a wire fence with nothing more than a bent radius rod to show for the wild ride. The occupant was not hurt.

Mrs. S. Talbot returned from her vacation last week and is back at her old place in the bank.

Mr. Earl Kelly visited with his children, at the J. Kelly home one day last week.

Plans are rapidly being formed for the Memorial day exercises at the Twin Oak cemetery, Saturday afternoon.

G. Alexander and S. M. Endicott are building some fence for Mrs. Davis this week.

John Watson, Jr., was home for the last week end. He is now sporting a new Dodge roadster.

The speakers and music for the memorial exercises at both cemeteries are arranged as follows: At the I. O. O. F. cemetery Saturday morning Rev. C. W. Pogue will deliver the address and at Twin Oak cemetery Saturday

Hazel Green

Hazel Green, May 28.—August Woelke and family of North Howland called on his brother, Pete Woelke, Thursday.

Mrs. Schaefer of Quincy visited

afternoon Rev. Ward Willis Loug, of Salem, will deliver the address. The Turner Commercial Band will play at both exercises.

Through the efforts of Capital Post of the American Legion, bronze grave makers have been placed on the graves of all ex-service men in this vicinity, who served in the late war, regardless of whether they belonged to the American Legion or not.

The Robert Booth Pioneer Club, of the M. E. church, are planning to attend a Pioneer rally to be held Saturday, June 6, to be held on the state house grounds, at the foot of the Circuit Rider monument.

Mrs. C. A. Bear was among those shopping in Salem Monday.

Col. W. F. Wright was a Salem visitor, from the Clarendon district, Monday.

Turner was a favorite gathering place for salesmen, Tuesday afternoon. No less than six being in town at the same time.

The two old bridges, over the mill race, near the Baker Hotel, have been removed by the city, as they had become unsafe for use.

Walter Robinson accompanied by a friend, motored down from Mill City, Sunday for a visit in this vicinity.

J. L. Webb and family, have moved back to Turner and are living in Farris property, formerly occupied by H. G. Knights. Their son lives on the farm.

A representative of the Salem Chamber of Commerce was in Turner last week in the interest of the new linen mill which is to be built in Salem in the near future.

The roses that were set along the mill race by the business men have made a fine growth and are now showing several blossoms.

Miss Hazel Peetz, of Portland, visited with home folks over Sunday.

Mrs. E. C. Baker received a nice bunch of rhododendrons from her son Andrew, of Mill City, last Sunday.

There has been several loads of grain delivered to the Cloverdale district the past week.

Ed. Farris and wife, of Salem, visited Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Farris.

The Andrews brothers, with their wives, of Salem, called on friends in Turner Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Westenhouse of Liberty, Mr. and Mrs. Booth and children and Mr. Hickman of Salem visited at the I. R. Worden home Sunday.

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Items

H. Wachen is building a cellar. Mr. and Mrs. Orville Luckey are the proud parents of a baby girl born Saturday, May 23. Mrs. Luckey and baby are doing nicely.

Mrs. Letha Plogue, Mrs. John Rundlett, Mrs. Bardenburg and Mrs. Luthy of Salem called on Mrs. T. A. Van Cleave, Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wachen and family, Hulda Stripling, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Wachen and daughter attended the picnic at Mr. and Mrs. Minch's of Riverside, Sunday.

The occasion was the birthdays of Hulda Stripling and Mr. Melroe.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Woelke and daughter, Hazel, called on Mr. Anton Woelke of Gervais, Sunday.

G. G. Looney and son Guy Alton, attended the Jersey Jubilee at the fair grounds last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lanham and Mrs. Lanham's father, Mr. Woodard, spent Sunday afternoon in Salem visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Muid of Salem were Sunday visitors at Lester Van Cleave's.

Mrs. N. P. Williamson and children and Grandpa Peterson spent Sunday at Sublimity.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gilbert and son called on Tom Van Cleave's, Thursday evening.

August Zielenski of Portland is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Max Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kobow and boys called on Mrs. Kobow's sister, Mrs. Pearl Davis, at Silverton, Wednesday. Mrs. Davis is running a dress making establishing, the Peggy La Ton.

Carlo Thielon visited her sister, Agnes Wachen, last week.

Mrs. Matilda Kobow is visiting at George Zielenski's.

Strawberries are getting ripe in this vicinity and within a week's time the harvest will be on in full swing. Many of the growers are beginning this week with the early varieties.

Mrs. T. A. Van Cleave entertained at dinner Sunday the following: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gaskell and daughter, Laura, of Salem, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Van Cleave and children, Marvin and Genevieve.

Rudolph Wachen was shearing sheep in this vicinity last week.

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The junior-senior reception will be held next Monday night at Woodman hall.

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Rosedale News

Rosedale, May 29.—The young people had a surprise party for Kenneth Cole, Saturday evening, the occasion being his birthday.

Clyde Thomas and family motored to Scotts Mills and back Saturday evening to take Willie Kellogg, who has been visiting here, to his home there.

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First Crop Flax Grown in Valley Won Grand Prize

Jefferson, Or., May 29.—The first flax to be grown in Oregon was raised in 1875, by two farmers living near this city, according to a statement given out here by Lou Miller, lint from the flax grown at that time was sent to the centennial exposition at Philadelphia a year later and received first prize in competition with products from all parts of the world. Mr. Miller stated, "I have been judges, experts from various countries, judging without consultation, unanimously awarded the first premium to the product from Oregon."

An attempt was made soon afterward to start an active flax industry in the Willamette valley, a beginning being made toward a textile manufacturing plant at Albany, but eastern competitors nipped the project in the bud, underselling local manufacturers to such an extent that they were unable to get on their feet financially. The plant, which was moved from San Francisco, never had a chance to get started.

The first flax, grown by Jesse Parrish and Charles Miller, both of whom lived in the immediate vicinity of Jefferson, was pulled by hand, then retted and scutched on Miller's farm, which was located some two miles east of Jefferson to the north and east. Experts were brought from New York to manage the mill.

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Congressman is Dallas Visitor

Dallas, Or., May 29.—Congressman Albert Johnson of Hoquiam, Wash., has been spending a few days in Dallas this week resting up and enjoying himself after a strenuous year at Washington. He is at the Yellow home with his secretary, Carl Cresay, who is visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary Cresay.

Mr. Johnson will be the Memorial day speaker at Centralia, Saturday, and following that is scheduled for a number of public appearances in western Washington.

Congressman Johnson is a newspaperman of wide experience. At the present time he is publisher of the Grays Harbor Washingtonian at Hoquiam.