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COUNTY NEWS & TOWN GOSSIP

Polk County Official Directory.

Polk county covers an area of about 1,250 square miles. Number of voters, 1,227. Acres of land under cultivation, 93,270. Value of assessable property, \$1,524,513.

COUNTY OFFICERS.—Commissioners, E. C. Dice, R. Tatem; Judge, J. L. Collins; Sheriff, J. W. Smith; Clerk, J. L. Thompson; Assessor, H. Davis; Treasurer, R. M. May; School Superintendent, J. H. Myers; Surveyor, S. T. Burdick; Coroner, C. D. Embury.

TERMS OF COURT.—Circuit Court, R. P. Boise Judge, convenes in Dallas on 4th Monday in April and 31st Monday in November. County Court convenes on the 1st Monday in each month.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.—T. Pearce, Esq.; J. W. Shelley, Independence; J. L. Collins, Dallas; H. N. George, Buena Vista.

POST OFFICE TOWNS.—Bethel, Bridgeport, Buena Vista, Dallas (county seat), Edin, Grand Ronde, Independence, Lodi, Lincoln, Lewisville, Monmouth, Riceland, Salt Creek and Zena.

U. S. MAIL LEAVES DALLAS FOR SALEM ON Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 a. m., returning same days at 6 p. m.; for Independence, each Tuesday morning at 6; for Salt Creek, each Tuesday at 1 p. m.; for Lafayette, Monday and Thursday at 3 p. m., returning Wednesday and Saturday at 10 a. m., returning Monday and Thursday at 4 p. m.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES IN DALLAS.

Methodist Episcopal Church (South).—B. B. Baxter, pastor. Services the first Sabbath in each month at their Church, southeast corner Washington and Church streets.

M. E. Church.—D. L. Spaulding, pastor. Services at their church, north side of Mill street between Main and Jefferson, as follows: First Sabbath (in each month) in the evening; 2d Sabbath, at 11 o'clock a. m.; 3d Sabbath, in the evening. Regular prayer meeting each Wednesday evening. Sunday School every Sabbath at 9 o'clock a. m.

Baptist Church.—J. W. Osborn, pastor. Services at their Church, corner Court and Jefferson streets, the Third Sabbath in each month.

Christian Church.—F. E. Campbell, pastor. Services at the Baptist Church second Saturday and Sunday in each month.

DALLAS, SATURDAY, JAN. 15, 1876.

WOOD! WOOD!—Persons who promised to pay us in wood for their paper are requested to bring it right away—we want it. Any person wishing to subscribe for the Times and pay in wood will please take it this way.

AN EARLY SETTLER GONE.—Last Sunday night, Jan. 9th, Col. Nathaniel Ford died at his residence, in Dixie, of disease of the heart. Col. Ford was one of the first train of emigrants that settled in Polk county. He came to Oregon from Missouri in 1844, in which latter State he had been a prominent politician for many years and held several responsible public positions. Since his arrival in Oregon he has been actively engaged in public affairs, and in all his undertakings has displayed untiring energy and perseverance. He was one of the most prominent and best known members of the Democratic party in this State, to which he has rendered efficient service. Although a strong partisan he commanded the respect and esteem of all classes, and was universally recognized as an honorable and high-minded gentleman. His hospitality was proverbial. At the time of his death he was a member of the Christian Church. Had the Colonel lived until the 22d of the present month he would have completed his 75th year. He had been unwell for several weeks prior to his death, but appeared to be convalescing; and a few hours before his spirit departed he had been walking to and fro in front of his residence, engaged in a lively discussion with some of his friends. His funeral took place on Wednesday last, and was very largely attended, considering the state of the weather. A host of sympathizing friends and relatives mourn his loss.

DESTITUTION.—We learn that there are several cases of destitution in Dallas that call on the sympathies of its good people, most of them persons that have recently come among us, and we are proud to say that this community can boast of not a few as noble souls as bless God's green earth, men who are always ready and cheerfully willing to respond to the calls of charity without a question further than is necessary to assure themselves that there are fellow creatures near them in need. We wish we could truthfully say so of all around us whom Providence has blessed with prosperity. Several subscription lists have been circulating of late for charitable purposes, and we find the same names on them all, many of them individuals who do not profess the Christian faith, or claim to be exemplars of the Christian virtues, yet these silent evidences of their goodness of heart speak louder than all the Pharisaical cant of a host of so-called Christians. "Charity covereth a multitude of sins," far more than empty professions. Divine writ has it: "By their fruits ye shall know them."

THE IDLE MAN.—This individual is an annoyance—nuisance. He is an intruder in the busy thoroughfare of every day life. He stands in our way and we push him contemptuously aside. He is no advantage to anybody. He annoys busy men. He makes them unhappy. He is a cypher in society. He may have an income to support him in idleness, or he may sponge on his good natured friends. But in either case he is despised. Young men, form habits of industry; do something in this wide awake world. Move about for the benefit of mankind, if not for yourself. Do not be idle. God's law is, that by the sweat of our brow we shall earn our bread. That is a good one, and the bread is sweet. Do not make yourself and others wretched by your idleness. Minutes are too precious to be squandered thoughtlessly.

DEPARTED.—H. J. Bevins, Jr., son of Mr. H. J. and Mrs. Mary S. Bevins, of Buena Vista, in this county, departed this life on the 23d ult., in the 20th year of his age. The family of the deceased have the sympathies of a host of friends in their bereavement.

COME TO TIME.—We have been advertising for some time back for fire wood. Many subscribers on our list promised to furnish us with wood in payment for their paper, but, with one or two exceptions they have failed to make their word good, although we should have been supplied before winter set in, but we have been compelled to pay out cash, a scarce commodity, to supply our wants thus far. We now give due notice that we cannot stand this treatment much longer, but shall be compelled to call on the delinquents by name unless they come to time. A word to the wise is sufficient.

WHOSE FAULT IS IT?—We learn that complaint has been made because the name of one of the County Central Committee did not appear in the report of its last meeting. Every precinct that reported as instructed was included in the report published. We were present at the meeting and know this to be a fact, so the parties who feel aggrieved have no one to blame but themselves. Whenever the Committee meet their proceedings will be reported correctly. We are not accountable for the negligence of others.

PAY UP.—Parties indebted to J. H. Lewis will do well to take the pointed hint he gives them in another column. We know ourself how impossible it is to keep business going without money and can fully sympathize with him. Come up and settle your old scores.

FURNITURE.—Mr. W. C. Wills has a notice among the new ads to-day. He proposes to keep constantly on hand a variety of household furniture to meet the demands of the community. He has secured a good workman to assist him and is now prepared to fill all orders in his line promptly and satisfactorily.

—The South Carolina Legislature adjourned the other day to see John Robinson's circus. A motion to that effect was made by Mr. De Large, the colored leader of the House, in these words: "Mr. Speaker, de circus hab arrive, and darfore I moves dat we adjourn;" which was done.

—Alms-giving never made any man poor, nor robbery rich, nor prosperity wise.

OREGON NEWS.

—The following is from the Commercial Herald of December 31st: Oregon has commenced to send down her usual supplies. During the week we have received from that source upwards of 10,000 barrels of flour, 7,300 sacks of wheat, 2,000 sacks of oats, etc. The quality, generally, is highly esteemed, finding ready sales at the highest market rates. A good reputation has been established in Eastern cities for several Oregon brands of extra flour, calling, even at this date, for shipments of 400 barrels of Imperial Mills, via Panama. We also received from Oregon 10,055 sacks of wheat in December, which latter may be taken as an indication of heavy supplies from the north during the current winter. The best samples of Oregon are held at \$1 65, but this is an extreme price, sales having been made at \$1 60 @ 1 62 1/2.

—The Register says Rev. Joab Powell, the noted preacher of Santiam Forks, is not dead as recently reported, though he has been dangerously ill, but is now convalescent.

—The Brownsville correspondent of the Register gives an account of the "hazing" of a school teacher by his pupils because he wouldn't treat. They gave him a ducking in a pond, wetting his linen and spoiling his watch.

—We recently saw, on the farm of J. J. Burton, of Yamhill, says the Statesman, a weeping willow, which is noticeable for its rapid growth. This tree, planted in 1853, a slip the thickness of a lead pencil, is now ten feet nine inches in circumference at the butt, and the limbs, which droop to the ground, cover a space of seventy-five feet in diameter.

—The total amount of receipts in the city of Albany treasury the past year was \$4,494 58. The whole amount, less \$346 02, was paid out for expenses.

—The ground is frozen so hard in Jackson county as to put a total stop to farming operations. The Ashland factory had been stopped by the freeze up.

—Mr. C. T. Finlayson, of Linn county, who was injured by the late railroad accident in California, has been paid \$1,000 by the company in liquidation of damages.

—The Albany Democrat says: Ben. Holladay has sent word to the citizens of Albany that if they will guarantee him \$25,000 in cash and \$25,000 in real estate, he will complete the railroad to within one mile of the Court House in this city by the 1st of January next. A rousing meeting of our citizens was held at the Court House last Monday night, at which committees were appointed to solicit subscriptions and report at an adjourned meeting at the same place this evening.

—The following is from the Statesman: The Scio News is talked of. A small sheet, to be issued weekly at \$1 50 per annum, under the editorial care of Dr. King; to be neutral in politics, and devoted to the civilization of mankind and the interests of Scio.

—Two substantial bridges have recently been erected over the Calapooia near Brownsville, at a cost \$2,000.

—A daily evening journal, to be called the Evening Call, is to be issued in Portland the present month, by Jas. Morrison & Company.

—The track of the California and Oregon Railroad between Marysville and Chico is being laid at the rate of one mile a day.

—The city of Albany has a cash surplus of \$364 62 in the city treasury after defraying all municipal expenses for the past year.

—Mrs. Norden, mother of our esteemed friend, B. L. Norden, Esq., County Clerk of Multnomah, died last Sunday, in Portland, after an illness of six weeks. Mr. Norden has our sincere condolence in his sad bereavement.

—The Oregonian has received a letter from Mr. A. S. Deefute, of Multnomah county, written in Chelsea, Vermont, December 17th, in which he informs us that he intended to start, shortly, upon a tour through the Canadas. At the date of writing he was in daily expectation of a package of the Statistics of Oregon, and he states that he will scatter all the copies received as he travels. He further says: "The farmers, mechanics and men of small means manifest a lively interest in learning the resources of our State, wherever I have traveled or distributed

copies of these reports, and many are preparing to convert their means into cash, leave the inhospitable climate and sterile soil of 'Happy New England,' and come to our coast and make Oregon their future home."

Bethel Democratic Club.

In pursuance to previous notice the Democrats of Bethel precinct, Polk county, met on Saturday evening, Jan. 8th, for the purpose of organizing a Democratic Campaign Club.

W. B. Earnest was called to the chair and W. D. Earnest was chosen temporary Secretary.

W. N. Walker, T. B. Wait, and John Magee having been previously appointed to draft by-laws, reported the following rules, which were unanimously adopted by the club.

1. This organization shall be known as the Democratic Club of Bethel precinct, and is organized for the advancement of Democratic principles.

2. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

3. The respective duties of the aforesaid officers shall be such as are usually prescribed for similar officers in like organizations.

The Club shall meet on the first Saturday of each month, at 1 o'clock, P. M., and at such other times as the President shall direct.

After the adoption of the foregoing by-laws, the club proceeded to the election of permanent officers, with the following results:

W. B. Earnest, President; Selden Higgins, Vice President; A. Seifarth, Treasurer; W. D. Earnest, Secretary.

On motion, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Whereas, At the June election in 1868 there was some twenty-five strangers voted in this precinct, and we believe they were brought into this county through the influence of certain Republicans who are now doing a mercantile business in this precinct, and should such an attempt be made at the coming June election, be it

Resolved, That we, the Democrats of Bethel precinct, will withdraw our patronage from those who attempt to secure the election of the Republican nominations by the importation of votes into this county.

Resolved, That we request our Democratic brethren to co-operate with us in our undertaking for a fair and honest election in this Bethel precinct and throughout the country generally.

A motion was made that a copy of the proceedings of this meeting be sent to the Democratic Press for publication and requesting that the Herald and Polk County Times to please copy.

W. D. EARNEST, Sec'y. Bethel, Polk county, Oregon.

FINANCIAL.—Latest advices show that gold is advancing and greenbacks again going down. They are now quoted in San Francisco at 82 buying and 82 1/2 selling, with the market dull.

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