

# THE POLK COUNTY ITEMIZER.

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**The ITEMIZER** to-day enters upon the ninth year of its existence, during the past four years of which time it has been conducted by its present proprietor. In accordance with a universal newspaper custom, we make this event the occasion of saying something of ourselves. We do this with less hesitancy because our readers will bear witness that we are not in the habit of wasting our space in self-praise. We prefer always to let the paper speak for itself. We will, however, be pardoned for assuming that a sketch of our progress, our hopes, our aims will not be uninteresting to the old and new friends with whom the ITEMIZER is a welcome visitor. We take it for granted that you have put the paper in your pocket, to be read in the evening by the cheerful fire-side, with mother and the children to share your pleasure. We take this for granted because we are supposing that you know how to get the most enjoyment out of your reading. The most intensely selfish spectacle we know of is the man who gets into a corner with his paper and, oblivious of every one else, reads for his own exclusive gratification. He has missed the meaning that sympathetic appreciation which, shared with others, becomes itself increased. Besides, the leisure of the hour, the sense of satisfaction when the chorus of the evening are done, and the care of the week are past, the home feeling that such an hour brings to even the humblest toiler, all combine to fit him for the keenest enjoyment of what his home paper has to tell him. The hurried man, who skims down the column, two lines at a time, may get the information, but fails to get the subtler meaning that often lies between the lines. Then, while the fire burns bright on the hearth, and brightens the faces and the hearts within your little kingdom, read.

THE ITEMIZER is a home paper. It tells you of the doings and movements of your neighbors; of events and things which are of the nearest interest to you; of the births and deaths, of the sickness and health, of the good fortune and misfortune, of the general welfare of those with whom you own its more or less intimately connected. It supplies you with information that no other newspaper in the world can possibly give you. Those events of remote interest, that happen across the continents and beyond the oceans, are more fully recounted in general newspapers. You ought to know the doings of the great world, to be sure, but you are poorly informed, at last, when you know better what is transpiring in New York or Dublin than what is going on in Dallas, Independence or Popcorn.

We do not think we are boasting immoderately when we say that this paper has kept pace with the progress of the county. When we took charge of the office, THE ITEMIZER was a "patent outside," the home side being printed on an antiquated press that did service in Oregon in the pioneer days. The appointments of the paper, while perhaps up to the requirements of that period, were such as would not answer the increasing demands of Polk County's progress. Since that time there has been added a large amount of type and material, and a large and costly press. The necessity of the latter may be better appreciated when it is known that it would take nearly two days with a hand press, the press now do in about four hours.

We are not sure but, in our extensive outlays, we are, to use a homely phrase, "a little ahead of the bounds." But it is one of the misfortunes of a newspaper that it must keep ahead of the times or behind the times. It is the man that hews a way for the rest of the world. It has no business except at the front, and it must pay there or else get out of the way. It is the essence of its existence to be a pioneer. When it ceases to be that, it ceases to be anything.

We have noticed that, almost without exception, a person will first turn to the local page when he opens his paper. This teaches us that local news is of the most interest and of the most importance. No brilliancy of editorial writing, even if we had that, can supersede this in interest. It is, therefore, our aim to make this department

as full and complete as possible. Whatever is worthy to be talked about is worthy to be printed. There is scarcely an event so trivial that it does not interest some one. It may not be of overwhelming importance that Tom, Dick or Harry is visiting his wife's aunt's cousin's grandmother on the Luckiamute, but the statement is pretty sure to be read with pleasure by, at least, Tom, Dick or Harry, to say nothing of the sisters, aunts and cousins to him related. In this department, we include the proceedings of the Commissioners' and County Courts, of the Circuit Court, and the real estate transactions of each month. These are all of paramount public interest. In giving the news from every part of the county we are assisted by a faithful corps of regular correspondents. The local field is covered so completely by our representatives that it is not often that an event of interest escapes appropriate notice in these columns.

Our State and Territorial news is compiled and condensed from our exchanges throughout this State and Washington Territory. Nearly all of this is re-written, so as to give, in brief space, the kernel of the news in this northwest. We think we can confidently claim that no other local paper in the State devotes more care and attention to this important department of news. Our editorial department is intended to be an intelligent commentary upon current events. In this column we set ourselves a definite limit, keeping constantly in view that we do not publish a paper simply to make it the vehicle of all our opinions upon every imaginable subject. It is only when a matter comes within the purview of our main design that we deem ourselves justified in giving a temperate and well considered opinion about it. For this reason we eschew party politics, and for the same reason we avoid the discussion of religious creeds. They are equally outside of our design. But, while we do not print all that, as individuals, we may believe, we believe thoroughly all that we print as editorial matter. Perhaps not always wise, we yet claim the merit of sincerity and due deference to the opinions of others.

The miscellaneous matter of our paper is selected with care, and with the view that it shall be suitable for family reading. It is our object to exclude from these columns what is not proper to be read in a refined house. In typographical appearance we invite comparison with any of our neighbors. Our type is large and clear, and the print good. We have already a flattering circulation, which is continually increasing. Still, there are good people in the county whose names are not on our books. Many of these, we are assured, only need to have their attention called to the paper to ensure us their patronage. Our subscribers can do us a very material service by speaking for us a kind word to those who do not receive the paper. We are offering to our business men a very valuable medium for presenting their claims to customers. Intelligent advertising is a very potent factor in modern commerce. In soliciting the advertising patronage of our merchants, we do not put it on the ground of a duty they owe to help support a local business that is of great public benefit. That view has strong reason to support it, but we prefer to speak only of the advantages to be derived by the advertisers themselves. Not all of our business men, we fear, thoroughly appreciate their own interests in this matter. The best proof that advertising pays, is furnished in the fact that the most progressive and successful business men in commercial circles continue to advertise. If it were not beneficial, the shrewdest merchants in Oregon and America who are continually testing it, would have abandoned, instead of increasing their advertising.

The publication of a newspaper is a business enterprise. We do not pretend any philanthropy in it. We do not disguise, even the fact that we intend THE ITEMIZER to make money for us. It is our bread-winner. We are not in the habit of publishing duns, but it always seemed to us that a man, of true heart and upright mind, would read his paper with keener zeal, with a receipt in his pocket in full to date and for one year in advance. THE ITEMIZER wishes you a kind good night.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

Thurlow Weed is dead.

A grand fair is holding in Washington City to raise funds for a monument for President Garfield.

Daniel Murphy, of Elko, Nevada, the cattle king and largest land owner in the world, died on the 29th ult.

Thurlow Weed made a sworn statement a few days before his death, reiterating his charge made fifty-six years ago, that the Masonic fraternity had made away with Morgan.

The Thanksgiving proclamation of the Governor of California closes with the prayer: "God save the Commonwealth." To this Republican papers add: "California solid Democratic. Amen."

The bloodhounds in the "Uncle Tom's Cabin" troupe broke loose on the stage at Davenport, Iowa, and killed the donkey. It was unfortunate that they should kill the best actor in the lot.

Hon. J. H. Budd, the Democrat who beat Page for Representative in Congress, in the recent California election, used to be a negro minstrel, and performed in Portland about five years ago. Budd has blossomed some since then.

There is a rumor going the rounds of the Eastern papers to the effect that the Democrats in that last House of Congress had arranged a plan to forcibly eject Speaker Keifer from the chair. It seems too wild a scheme to be probable.

The northwestern railroads are engaged in a bitter war, in which rates are cut ruinously low. There is a prospect that a compromise will be made, when rates will go up high enough to make the people eventually pay for the losses.

It is said that the West Point cadets are deficient in the art of "fencing," and it is proposed to adopt a plan to make them more proficient. In modern warfare the sword is only an ornament. To be a good shot is a better qualification of a soldier than to be an expert swordsman. But the latter is a fancy accomplishment, and therefore the West Pointers must have it.

A Polk County "Tax-Payer" writes to the Farmer, under date of Nov. 20th, giving his views of the new assessment law. He frankly states that he has not seen a copy of the law he writes about. Had he been a reader of his county paper he would have read the law and the comments thereon, and would have avoided making the blunders he does in his letter to the Farmer.

The President, upon the application of Attorney-General Brewster, has removed from office the Postmaster and Assistant Postmaster, at Washington, the Marshal of the District, the Foreman of the Congressional Record, and one of the Commissioners of the Union Pacific, on the ground that they had interfered with the course of justice in the star route cases. This is the first unequivocal indication that the administration is earnest in the prosecution of these cases. There has never been a doubt that the Attorney-General and his assistants are thoroughly in earnest. If the President continues to give them his support, the thieves will probably receive their just deserts.

Newspaper thievery is as bad as any other kind. An honest paper will not palm off as its own, matter it has siphoned from the columns of its exchanges. Of course, in a column which is set apart for extracts from other papers, there is no attempt to disguise the fact that the items therein are taken from other papers, and the shortness of the item sometimes excuses the giving of credit to the particular sheet whence taken. But this is very materially different from the case where a paper prints as original what it has stolen. These remarks are made because, recently, this paper recognizes its own items doing service as original news in the columns of some of our esteemed contemporaries.

The lead in the celebrated "Greenwood" will cost, 213 acres, has been sold by the successful litigants, J. W. Greenwood and Eliza Smith, to Sol Durbin for \$10,000.

## STATE AND TERRITORIAL.

The First National Bank of Salem will open the latter part of next February.

Hillboro has a billiard hall and reading room combined. It is not a saloon.

The contract for the new Court House in Jackson County has been let for \$32,000.

Mrs. Coburn, sister of Mrs. A. S. Duniway, is editor of the Telegram. It is a journalistic family.

A young wife in Victoria has given birth to triplets, the father of whom is only seventeen years old.

Charles Wilson, a Swede, fell from a vessel at Yale, last week, and has not been seen since. He was drunk.

An unsuccessful effort was last week made at Albany by the clerks to have the stores closed at seven o'clock.

There was a land-slide on the railroad between Portland and The Dalles, which delayed the train several hours.

A daughter of William Morgan, of Masonic notoriety, died at Mehlama, in Mason County, in this State, recently.

The Corvallis Gazette, describing a new disease prevalent among the Chinamen in Douglas County, asks: "Is it leprosy?"

The notorious Dolly Adams tried to kill herself in Portland Monday morning by taking morphine. She will probably die.

A little girl in Portland, last Saturday, had her finger so badly chopped by her older sister as to render amputation necessary.

Dr. A. I. Nicklin, of Eugene City, has accepted the position of resident physician of the Insane Asylum, in place of Dr. Nottage, resigned.

On the 19th ult., Mrs. H. A. Atwood stepped on a loose board in a Corvallis sidewalk and fell, breaking her nose and mutilating her face.

Governor Moody has appointed Dr. Wm. G. Baker, of Astoria, health officer at that port, and Dr. C. W. Tower health officer at Coos Bay.

Miss Mary Hurley, who was committed to the insane asylum at Portland several weeks ago as a kleptomaniac, has returned to Corvallis.

The East Oregonian boldly opposes woman suffrage, and throws down the gauntlet to Mrs. Duniway. Somebody's scalp is going to be raised.

The members of the Corvallis bar, at the recent term of Court in Benton County, adopted resolutions of respect to the memory of J. A. Yantis, deceased.

Col. William H. Effinger, a well known attorney of Portland, has been appointed attorney of the Dundee Investment Co. and the Dundee Mortgage and Investment Co., limited.

All the saloon keepers of Oregon City were indicted by the recent Grand Jury of Clackamas County, for selling liquor to minors. They all pleaded guilty and were fined \$50 each.

Last week two rivals in the affections of a young lady in Oregon City had a difficulty in a ball room at that place, and one fired at the other with a revolver, inflicting a wound in the ceiling.

"Clarrie" is the name of the first station on the O. R. & N. Co's line east of Portland, Ore. It is a combination of the names of the wives of two persons of high position on the road, Clara and Jennie.

Albina is to be the actual terminus of five railroads, and as a consequence great things are predicted for that little city. The Albina Herald is a new candidate for patronage, which will be issued shortly.

The Supreme Court has granted the application of the Oregonian Railway Company, limited, for the removal of Ellis G. Hughes, as its attorney, provided the company shall pay Hughes the sum of \$1,559.

Miss Sally Thonson, a young lady lately in Oregon City, was suddenly and under circumstances that lead to the belief that she had committed suicide, and a post mortem examination ought to have been had.

The Pendleton Town Council recently passed an ordinance raising the saloon license to \$1000. Mayor Livermore has refused to sign the ordinance. The East Oregonian thinks this will not defeat the ordinance, as the Mayor has no veto power.

Our last Legislature, with some proviso, made the Ashland College a State Normal School. Apart from any consideration of the ethics of the action—conferring State recognition upon a sectarian institution—it need but be said that while \$45 per month is considered "good wages" for teachers in Oregon Normal Schools, the Legislature has refused to sign the ordinance. The East Oregonian thinks this will not defeat the ordinance, as the Mayor has no veto power.

The Independent, of Hillsboro, will hereafter publish marriage licenses as they are issued, for the reason that ministers are dilatory about sending in the returns.

The Albany Democrat has some timely remarks about the necessity of a good school-house for that city. The same remarks may very appropriately have a wider application.

Mr. Schwatka, of Salem, who suffered amputation of one of his toes, has had his foot amputated and is recovering. He is the father of Lieut. Schwatka, the Arctic explorer.

A Yambill preacher was recently called to marry a couple, but being lately a Justice of the Peace performed the duty. The preacher was mad when he arrived and found himself left.

The alleged accidental shooting of Alex Bleedsoe by Sam West in Washington County, on the 24th day of October, is to be investigated by the Justice of the Peace. Circumstances are said to indicate that the shooting was premeditated and was caused by jealousy, both men being lovers of the same girl.

The contract for making the bedsteads for the new insane asylum has been awarded to L. Myer, of Astoria. It also lays bare an alleged plan of well respected citizens who are going to build a vessel for smuggling purposes. Our neighbor has evidently got the jim-jams.

Albany Herald: On Sunday, the 19th inst., Jay Swank, aged about 18, who lives near Lebanon, shot himself in the hand. He was out with some other boys shooting ducks and had discharged one barrel of his gun, leaving the other cocked. Without putting down the hammer of the loaded barrel he started to reload the other, while so doing the second barrel went off, the charge going through his hand. The services of a surgeon were procured and one of his fingers had to be amputated.

The Columbia Chronicle tells the following: A young Indian, named Lot, who lives at the junction of the Spokane and Little Spokane rivers, went down the river salmon fishing last week, and when about two and a half to three miles below the mouth of the Little Spokane, stumbled upon a dead man whose skeleton was being examined by a doctor. The body was found near the shore and the bones themselves, that they have been exposed for from six months to a year. He believes that they were dragged to the river bank by coyotes. It may possibly be the remains of C. W. Williams, who disappeared from his ranch near Rockford last year.

The body of a man named Chas. Multher was found in Umatilla river two miles above Pendleton on the reservation. It had three contusions on the head, as if done with a blunt instrument. Thirty feet of lash rope and a pack of cinch were tied around his neck and the other end was tied to a log on the bank of the river. He had on his person \$200 bills, one fifty, two twenties and one ten dollar gold piece and a certificate of deposit for \$300 on some interest bank, either at Boise City or in Montana. A bottle of whisky was found near him. An Indian woman of steady character who lives close by said she heard a disturbance the night before the body was found, but knows nothing. This is the third mysterious murder in as many months in the same section of the country, and no clue has been found as to who did it.

Times Mountainers: Monday night the 20th inst. the first through passenger train between Portland and The Dalles came over the track. About half-past 10 o'clock at night, the whistle of the approaching locomotive was heard, and soon after the head-light was seen through the gap on Mill creek, and the iron-horse sped across the bridge and stopped in front of the Umatilla House. Quite a number of our citizens were there to witness this great event in the history of the development of the country. There were men who traveled across the plains in early days, and floated down the Columbia in rude rafts. At that time they little thought they would live to see the day when they could leave Portland as in the afternoon, and reach this point in six hours. Our great future was then unknown, and who knows but surprises equally great are in store for those who will live to see the next decade.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit, within six weeks from the date of the service of this summons upon you by publication, to-wit: on or before December 4th, 1882, and if you fail to so answer, you are notified that the Plaintiff will take a decree of foreclosure of the mortgage on the premises hereinafter mentioned in her complaint, and for the other relief therein prayed for. Publication ordered by Hon. J. B. Rice, Judge of said Court, at Chambers at Salem, October 13, 1882. DALEY & BUTLER, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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**DRESS GOODS AND NOVELTIES,**

Black, all wool, ARTURES,  
Shaded Seres, Fancy Melanges,  
Fine Diagonals and Brocaded Suitings,  
Cloakings, Ladies' Cloths, Waterproofs,  
Ladies' Cloaks and Dolmans,  
All colors of Cashmeres.

NOVELTIES! NOVELTIES! NOVELTIES!

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Men's and Boys' Clothing,  
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BOOTS AND SHOES.

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Lewin & Co's  
FINE PHILADELPHIA BOOTS & SHOES,  
Giant Seam Boots.  
Foster's Genuine Kid Laced Gloves.

**GOODS PRIME AND PRICES BEDROCK!**

## JOS. D. LEE,

At the White Brick, Main St., Dallas.

Summons.  
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Polk.  
Sarah A. Bellev, Plaintiff, vs. Wm. H. Bellev, Defendant.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT:  
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**Dr. J. B. JOHNSON,**  
**DENTIST.**  
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Office in Vanduyt & Smith's new brick, up stairs.

**HUGHES & GUY,**  
Manufacturers of  
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WE USE NONE BUT THE BEST OF MATERIAL and guarantee satisfaction to all who favor us with their patronage. We keep on hand a good supply of Heavy Made Work. Give us a call. DALLAS, February 2, 1882. HUGHES & GUY.

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We have money to loan on approved Real Estate security, in sums from  
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FREE FROM ONE TO TEN YEARS. INTEREST PAID.  
**TRUITT & JOHNS.**  
August 24, 1882.

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**D. C. S.**  
(Successor to...) GENERAL...

**Drugs and**  
BALLSTON, POLK...

**HAVING PURCHASED**  
and all goods formerly owned...

**AT COST,**  
Just arriving, a large...

**GEN'L MERRILL**  
Which will be...

**Country**  
of Every Description...

**Drugs, Patent**  
Pure Wines...

**Debtors, Take**  
Notice to Creditors...

**ALL PARTIES**  
who come to Court next week...

**James**  
Wagons, Plows...

**FARMING IM**  
of Every Description...

**Z. T. DODSON**  
Physician, Surgeon...

**NOTICE**  
of the Order of the Court...

**NOTICE IS HEREBY**  
given that the undersigned...

**Administrators**  
for the estate of the late...

**NOTICE IS HEREBY**  
given that the undersigned...

**JASPER B...**  
has been appointed...

**Druggist and**  
**Chemist**

**Perfumes**  
**St...**

**Notice of Order**  
of the Court...

**MEERSCHAUM**  
Cigars, Tobacco...

**NOTICE**  
of the firm of B...

**ALL PARTIES**  
notified that the undersigned...

**MARRIED**  
the undersigned...

**For Price and Terms**  
apply to...

**D. W. FRENCH**