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POLK'S NORTHERN BORDER.

It was not very long after breakfast last Friday morning when we drew rein at the old Wm. Kennedy homestead, some six miles out on the Perrydale road. Ira Townsend is the present owner, and it has for several years been rented to the Bailey brothers, who will soon move to and enter upon a three years lease of the Sam Smith farm of 600 acres at Smithfield. Their father, who is a Baptist minister, was at home on a visit from his work over in the Nestucca region. During the spring and summer he organized and now has charge of three churches there. On the crest of the hill beyond still abides C. P. Zumwalt, where he has held forth for many years. To the west lives Henry Zumwalt and Gus Larsen. A mile short of Perrydale we were in front of the home at which Wm. Howe settled over forty years ago. His son Zach lives there and has things in good shape around him. Robert, Henry and James live in Dallas, have plenty and rank among our very best citizens. Grandpa Howe makes his home with them, and several times each pleasant day makes a circuit of the town for exercise, occasionally stopping to chat with old friends or watch the children at play. A. C. Taylor now owns and occupies the sightly place where J. P. Frizzell lived a few years ago. Mr. Frizzell came to this county with his mother when a boy, and twenty years ago married Miss Louisa Baskett, now deceased. His present home is Salem. Just across the road from Mr. Taylor is the home of E. C. Keyt, who came here many years ago with nothing but strength and a will to work and economize. To day he is the largest land owner and wealthiest man in the county and still works hard as ever. He recognizes a bargain when he sees it and does not dabble in unprofitable things. Having become thoroughly satisfied that tiling would pay, he has put in a large amount of it and is adding still more. His son told us that the land which two years ago was too wet to produce either hay or grain now yielded abundant crops of both. Within a year several improvements have been made at Perrydale. On the corner, facing the store of Wise & Keyt and the new blacksmith shop of Waymire & Lawrence, has been erected a new drug store for Dr. Bartel, the Patriot office being in the rear room of the building. We found editor Ryan and business manager Freeland at work, but they stopped long enough for a five minutes interview. H. B. Tingle was, as usual busy, and is doing his full part towards making the town what its citizens hope for it. Fred Hebding had just arrived from the country on his bicycle, but we failed to learn whether he had been out to see his best girl or to warn people where they could get furniture and hardware the cheapest. Will Townsend was there, and when we remarked about the superior quality of their grain, said it was because of more and better cultivation rather than difference in soil. Frank Sargeant owns the place settled many years ago by L. M. Wallace, who now lives on the Grand Ronde road above Willamina, and reported grain and grass as good enough. We tarried not long and were off toward Ballston. The home of Cyrus Jones one-fourth mile north of the road looked as if it must be a pleasant place. The deep cut in the hill to lower the grade seems to have been a mistake, for the road was impassable in winter until it was planked, and now it will be no easy matter to drive a heavy load over it. The Flanery brothers, Benton and Winfield, live on the place taken up by their father, Elijah Flannery, perhaps ferty years ago, and John lives on the old Hagood place on upper Salt creek. Just north of them M. D. Coulter has charge of the Kimsey farm and Wm. Comegys owns the land taken up by his fathe. when Spanish cattle and Indians were more common than white folks. Just as the sun reached its zenith we drove up to the home of Wm. Swartz, whose wife is a daughter of Uncle Davie Lewis. She was off visiting her parents, but Mr. S. having done considerable batching at his homestead down in Washington county, was equal to the emergency and set us a good dinner. Just back of the road where John Frederick lived for so many years, Henry Byerley lives in a neat new house with good improvements all around, the latest being a granary that will hold 4000 bushels. He showed us an immense cherry tree and huge grape vine that were planted by Mr. Frederick. Just north of the house is a plum grove thickly studded with trees of many varieties. Mrs. Byerly was a Notson and sister to Mrs. Henry Rowell. Mr. Byerly sold his former adjoining home to C. D. Nairn, the dog man. Some Germans came not long ago anxious to buy his new home, but he would not even make an offer for fear that they would take him up. The hot afternoon sun made it very pleasant to go in for half an hours social chat with Mrs. U. H. Hyde and her daughter, Miss Lucy, who has not yet entirely recovered from a severe injury caused by a runaway team a year ago. Mr. Hyde is a thrifty man and is continually adding to his landed possessions. John Riggs who owns the adjoining place has rented it to J. W. Caldwell and for the present lives at the state capital. In a field near Enterprise school house we found Elijah Morrison gathering his nice crop of hay. Away back in 1851 Mrs. Nancy Sargeant settled just west at that. He died and thirty years ago she married J. M. Chandler. They are both now dead and the children scattered. William is a merchant at Salem, Cass lives at Sheridan and Abby near W. W. Stockton's on a part of the old Paris McCain donation. Wm. Clanfield now owns the place and it is rented to W. H. Carroll. Approaching Ballston we pass between the old Joe Downer place now owned by N. F. Gregg and the John Martin donation claim where L. C. Wann lives. Mr. Gregg now lives in Dallas and has the farm rented to Jake Pence, but proposes to build a new dwelling and move back to his country place. Mr. Gregg's county seat residence is where old timers will remember as the home of Nicholas Lee. Speaking of Joe Downer and his good wife, Ann, reminds us that we have known them up in the Klickitat and Yakima country for a dozen or more years. His brotherinlaw, Jas. Fredericks, came to this county in 1847 and bought the Applegate farm on Salt Creek where he died in 1856, and his widow who was Miss Clara Downer then married Harrison Linville, a pioneer of 1846, who long lived near Buena Vista and is now at the Siletz agency with his son, Willard, who is employed there by government. Mrs. David Cosper, of Dallas, was the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fredricks. Mr. Cosper was a pioneer of 1852 and has been a former druggist, grocer and hardware dealer. He was elected sheriff of the county in 1857. John McCulloch, Kenneth Campbell and John Campbell, all sons-in-law of Mrs. Rachel Davidson live along the narrow gauge between Sheridan Junction and Ballston and so does Mrs. George Fairgrieve who used to work in the Ellendale woolen mill. The sun was getting low when we tied our pony to the fence and we marched in for a spicy chat with Aunt Rachel, where she and Andrew Davidson settled down in a rail pen in 1847. They gradually accumulated the goods of this earth until they had plenty of everything and she still owns her original donation of 320 acres. She has steadily refused to part with it until now the weight of years makes the burden of its oversight too much for her. One day last week a host of grand children gathered in to celebrate her seventieth birthday. Here we are driving into the new livery stable of Seward & Alley just across the street from the blacksmith shop. It is a commodious, well built and well arranged structure and they are well prepared to serve the traveling public. No other town in the county has improved and is improving so much this year as Ballston. Progress seems in the air and is imbibed by all hands from Grandpa Ball down to the half grown boys. Edward's new store across the street north of the blacksmith shop would be a credit to a larger place, and Mr. Welch has the old store building fixed up in good shape. W. H. James runs the former mercantile business of M. R. Vanhorn, who now in connection with Dave Vanhorn has a 25 acre hop patch in the bottom north of town. In the same vicinity Lee Wann has 15 acres, Dudley Saling 22, Frank Tatom and George Berry 20, Jas. McCain and Elias Conner 20. Just west of the James store Squire Mack Syron has a neat office and barber shop. Close by the Edward's store John Cornelius has a meat shop from which he runs a daily wagon through the surrounding country. Mr. Wilcox keeps the hotel and David Warren, formerly of Monmouth, is the blacksmith. F. A. Wester runs the railroad warehouse. He and Schoolmaster Parker and their families had just returned from a two days journey to Wheatland for blackberries which they reported as not very plentiful. L. W McAdams, former principal of their school, but now owner of the Independence marble works was there on a convassing tour. We noticed lumber on the ground for half a dozen more new buildings, and several others are to go up this fall. Perhaps the most important thing about the place is the brick and tile works, owned by G. F. Shew, S. P. Cunningham, J. D. Wilson and Ira Jones. They have burned eleven kilns of about 12,000 feet of tiling each, ranging in diameter from two and one half to eight inches. They sell brick at from seven to nine dollars and tile at from twelve to seventy dollars per 1000, according to size. They will this fall burn a 300,000 kiln of brick. Among those to whom they have sold tiling are: Thos. Notson 4000 feet, Ball Bros. 5000, Ira Townsend 9000, John McCullock 10,000, Wise & Keyt 10,000 and 4000 for the Broadmead ranch. The railroad company have erected a neat and convenient depot, and Frank Gould with his section gang keeps the track in good state of repair. Wm. Wilcox runs a butcher shop and a wagon among country customers, and nearly everybody about the burg seems to have something to do. Boydia Gee, a half grown boy, is to pay for his Itemizer with money earned picking hops. Most of his money, so earned, will be spent for a well grown calf, which he will feed until it is worth double the money. His mother, a daughter of John East, was born and raised on Salt creek. Mrs. Nathan Conner has exchanged her old home place for the Ballston property of Joe Yocum, and with her son Elias, now now lives there. She has served her share at hard work and now spends much of her time making fancy articles for her children and grand children. It was ten o'clock Saturday when we started westward and first stopped at the old Rowell place, which Peter Syron sold a few years ago to J. T. Birks, who was getting his summer fallow into good condition for fall sowing. His son William, now living near Suver, has part of the lumber on the ground to build a new home on the road south of the old house. We found Joe Yocum and family on the place settled more than a generation ago by Nathan Conner. At the summit of the hill is Pleasant Hill church and burying ground, which has been a prominent point for more than forty years. We hitched to a convenient tree and peeped into the meeting house through a broken window pane. The pulpit and altar rail are in proper place, but the old fashioned and abused benches are scattered promiscously over the floor, which looks as if it had not seen a broom for many a year. In times that were, it was a noted Methodist preaching point, and great crowds often assembled there. Eighty acres of land near by was bought for the circuit preacher's use, and is to this day called the parsonage place. But the church has long been unused and is fast going to decay. In the cemetery hard by the church we passed an hour reading the tombstone inscriptions. There rest many of the widely known fathers and mothers who helped to civilize this region. We jotted down many names and dates which will be given in the near future. The grounds have been grubbed out and refenced at a cost of about $150, contributed by those interested. Noon has arrived, and we are at the home of Newton Syron, who owns and occupies the 320 acre place that was so long the abode of Dr. Jackson. When we asked about his grave the reply was; that in life he had expressed to Isaac Ball a desire to be buried under a certain magnificent oak some distance north west of the house. Passing through a grain field we came to an enclosed grave under a handsome oak at the edge of the timber. The $130 monument which had been erected over the grave by administrator P. C. Sears, had tottered and fallen. Mr. Syron climbed over the fence, parted the overgrowing brush and turned over the prostrate marble shaft that we might read the inscription. It said that Dr. Jackson was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1805, and died in April 1880. In early days he raised considerable stock, and was long a prominent practicing physician. His estate was appraised at something like $40,000. He willed $500 to each of his three daughters and the balance to the Swedenborgian church. It is said that after his death a thousand dollars in gold was found buried in his cellar. The first burial at the church was a child of Ben Franklin that died in 1852. Mr. Syron has been making many improvements about his place. He has already put in 1500 feet of tiling with excellent results, and was arranging to lay as much more. His father, Peter Syron, took up a donation across the hollow from where Wm. Conner lived so many years and there run a blacksmith and wagon shop for many years. A quarter of a century ago, Dan Syron, now of Dallas, was a merchant at that point. Passing through Red prairie by the homes of John Syron and V. J. Turnidge, we halted to make the acquaintance of Mr. and Mrs. Ingermanson, on the hill above Buell's chapel and found them to be far above the average foreigners who come to our shores. M. Michelbrook lives at the former Perry Conner place, and the latter gentleman has erected a new home a little farther west. On the south side of the Grand Ronde road Uncle Mat Brown abides at the old home of T. L. Butler, who now lives in Dallas. A little distance this way F. P. Petit is carving out a new home.

FALLS CITY.

The sound of the mower is abroad in the land again.

The house of Mayor Ellis is beginning to loom up.

A large number of pleasure seekers in town these days.

J. R. Moyer has his hands more than full, building for Vassall Bros.

J. S. Courter intends closing out his business here and go to California.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Carey have been to Lebanon on a visit to her brother.

No idlers around town at this season of the year, all who want work can find it.

The carpenters are getting along nicely with Ex-Druggist Meesman's house.

J. C. Frink has the neatest and best barn in town. Robt. Wonderly and F. A. Lucas were the builders.

Messrs. Kimes, Wonderly and Courter are at work on William Ford's hop house raising it and otherwise improving it.

C. M. Travis has just finished his slashing which greatly improves the looks as well as the utility of his neat farm.

Two young ladies, one of Dallas and the other of Falls City, walked out from Dallas here on a wager one day last week. Good exercise ladies.

We have a full grown artist and photographer with us at present. It is none other than W. A. Raymond, the carpenter, tin smith, cabinet maker, painter, and last, but not least, the ladies man.

The fruit tree agent is abroad in the land seeking whom he may take in. There are plenty of good reliable nurseries at home which should be patronized in preference to foreign nurseries.

PERRYDALE.

Farmers busy haying and summerfallow wheat good.

Pastor Crandall will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday.

Fred Hebding has been out setting up a binder for Benton Flanery.

County Commissiones Byerly came in yesterday for a load of lumber.

Landlord Hampton drove down to Portland and says it is very dull there.

A seventy-two acre tract of land on the road between here and McCoy is for sale by H, B. Tingle.

While J. H. Hastings was in the church last Sunday his horse ran away and broke his cart and harness all to pieces.

Mr. Lawrence is completing his new house and J. M. Wise is in Portland, a delegate to the A. O. U. W. grand lodge.

McCOY.

Farmers are all busy making hay and getting ready for harvest.

Mr. Long and C. G. Le Masters, of Amity, were in town Saturday.

Mrs. Kingston is visiting her mother, Mrs. Graves, of Independence this week.

G. H. Howe and family returned last week from a few days stay over at Newport.

Mike McNulty and Wm. Alderman are working through harvest for A. J. Harris, of Oak Grove.

Miss Mary Alderman is up from Portland visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Alderman, of Bethel.

C. A. Merritt made a trip to Salem Monday to have his bicycle repaired, the result of having loaned it out.

I. C. Richardson, Perrydale's real estate man, has been seen driving out east of McCoy quite frequently of late.

Wise & Keyt, of Perrydale, are making a general clean up of the Kelty, Hawley & Co. warehouse here, preparatory to turn it over to M. A. Hendrick & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Torrance, of Woodland, California, stopped off on their return home from the World's Fair to visit with S. W. Fletcher and family.

The directors of the McCoy warehouse and shipping co. held their annual meeting Saturday and Jas. K. Sears was chosen as manager of the house this year.

L. H. McMahan, editor of the Oregon Independent, was over and delivered a lecture or rather told the tax payere what the last legislature did with $2,700,000. He is the first man that has ever dared to expose the legislature and state efficials in their criminal acts.

The Dallas base ball nine came down Saturday to play with the McCoy nine, the score stood 10 to 30 in favor of the McCoy boys. We will say that the Dallas boys were mistaken about the McCoy nine having quils on their chins, that they are all slick as a greased barbers pole, we mean on their face.

BRIDGEPORT.

Warren Frink and family were visiting at Smithfield last Sunday.

Mr. Graham, late of Michigan, will teach our fall term of school.

Mrs. Jennie Smith, of Newport, is out visiting friends in this section.

Mr. Moyer is carpentering for the Vassall boys and Wm. Ford is remodeling his dry house.

Billy Garren had a disastrous runaway last week, up at Suitor's mill in weich his team was badly crippled and his wagon demolished.

BALLSTON.

Prof. L. W. McAdams was in town doing business last week and meeting old acquaintauces.

We understand the contract for painting the school house was let to a Sheridan painter.

Ballston is progressing and it bespeaks the character of its citizens when they take the interest they do in keeping up the school and its surroundings.

Mrs. D. C. Saling, who has been sick with inflamatory rheumatism, is slowly recovering and is able to sit up. Dr. Smith, of Sheridan, had been in attendance.

Ballston Sunday school re-elected the following officers last Sunday: W. Parker, superintendent; Miss L. Birks, assistant superintendent and organist; Miss Dovie McCulloch, secretary.

An ice cream festival and lawn social will be held here on Friday night, July 28th. The proceeds will go to painting the M. E. church. Ice cream and cake will be served in abundance and a good programme will be given. Everybody is invited to come and have a good time.

F. A. Wester's and W. Parker's families were at the blackberry patch on the island below Wheatland last. week, and report blackberries scarce, but lots of fun hunting them. The following persons and their families go this week, E. J. Morrison, J. W. Caldwell, F. Morrison, A. J. Baxter and W. Carrol.

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Isaac Nichols to Edwin Cadwell, 2 acres in Dallas;	1,000
H S Montgomery to Mrs Elizabeth Snyder, 50 acres in t 8 s, r 6 w;	1,050
N H Burley to Carrie I Burley, 47 acres of Burley fruit farms;	1
Haley A Adkins to Mrs E A Frazer, 1 acre in Monmouth;	1,000
Wm Byers to Isabel Cressy, lot in Monmouth;	570
Isbrand Peters to Jacob Buhler, 259 acres in t 6 s, r 6 w;	12,000
Henry Hill to Abram Nelson, lot in Indedendence;	1,600
John McCaleb to C E McCaleb, 25 acres in t 8 s, r 5 w;	450
J F O'Donnell to A Nelson, lot in Independence;	110
H G Deming to Abram Nelson, one-sixth interest in block 22 in Independence;	67
I B Whitcomb to Jno McCaleb, 105 acres in t 8 s, r 5 w;	5
Jno McBaleb to I B Whitcomb, 220 acres in t 8 s, r 5 w;	5
D M Leitzel to R G Keene, lot in Monmouth;	50
S K Hoffman to B F Smith, land in t 9 s, r 5 w;	450
G W McBee to J J and I G McBee, 43 acres in t 8 s, r 6 w;	500
H A Adkins to Mrs E F Plummer, 1 acre in Monmouth;	80
Frank Chapin to Julia I Courter, lot in Falls City;	30
Mary J Hosford to Olive Elizabeth Norwood, 15 acres of land;	600
Polk County Land Company to Mary E Clodfelter, lot in Talmage;	200
Dudley Saling to C W Alley, lot in Ballston;	100
Dudley C Saling to J D Seward and C W Alley, lot in Ballston;	100
O & C R R to Jno Illingsworth, 160 acres in t 8 s, r 6 w;	400
Pleasant Orchard to Franklin Orchard, 10 acres in t 6 s, r 5 w;	100

POP CORN.

The sound of the mower is heard on all sides. Dr. Whitiaker, president of Willamette University, delivered two excellent discources at Highland last Sunday. On account of the conference at Highland there was no Sunday school at this place last Sunday. Charley Pearce has gone up to his mountain ranch. E. C. Shellburg has gone to his old home at Mehama, to attend the funeral of his father. Squire Pearce's mill of justice is grinding away.

Jas. Wilson, John Uglow, Jas. McGruder and Mr. Cadwell left Thursday for a week's hunting and fishing over on Salmon river.

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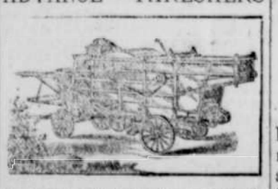

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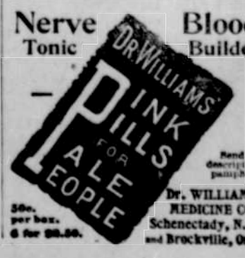

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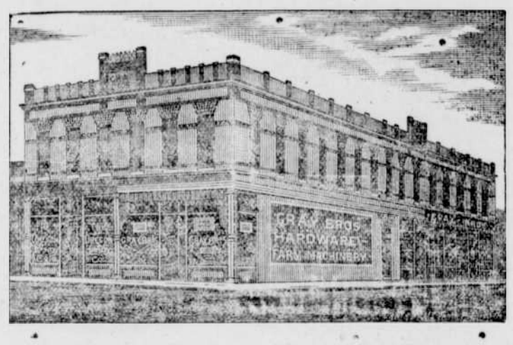

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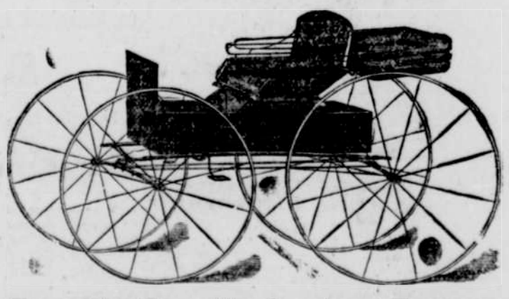

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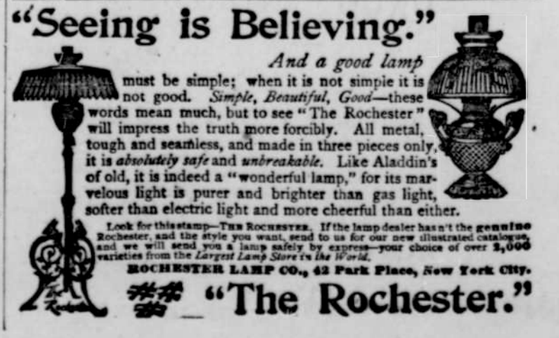

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