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THE WHY

Someone sighing as "A Taxpayer" wants to know if it would not be well for the trustees of the M. E. Church to put a handrail on one side of the steps at the church before someone falls and is killed or badly injured. Also, why a full account of the proceedings of every meeting of the City Council is not published in the News,

the first question will be referred to the trustees. It will be necessary, in order to answer the second question, to relate a little "ancient history." Once upon a time, some of the taxpayers begun wonder where all the tax money was going. The more they wondered, the more wonder. So that this wonder might be no longer a wonder, a Resolution was passed by the council that the amount, whys and wherefores of all funds hereafter disbursed by the council must be published in the News. This appeared to be a tolerant specific for the wonderers, and the years sped on. Councilmen came and councilmen went. At last a council was elected on economy platform. After they were installed and had "kissed the city ordinance book" each vied with the other in hunting leaks. The first wasteful extravagance found was a bill for 90cents for publishing the monthly expenditures of the council. Here was the golden opportunity for reducing expenses, and it was promptly cut out. "If the people want to know what their money is spent for let them examine the books," was said. This bill often run as high as \$1.20 per month. Since this act of press censorship, only occasional reports have been published.

BLACK ROCK ITEMS

Day's Camp has been unable to operate for several days because of deep snow.

Patriotism still prevails at Black Rock. Another member has been added to the Red Cross; Miss Roberts of the Day household.

L. Nixon took a vacation, visiting Falls City, Salem and Portland during the shut down.

Fred Chapin returned to Holts' Camp Wednesday after a trip to Falls City.

U. G. Holt made the rounds to Spauldings' camps last week in the interest of the Company.

The telephone service in the vicinity of Black Rock has been poor for the past week, due to the heavy snow. Subscribers are anxious for good service again.

Mr. Day was a Falls City visitor Sunday.

Mrs. Emil Keeny and daughter are visiting at the home of Mr. Will Hawk.

Mr. Hughes was a visitor in Falls City on Monday.

Mrs. Phil McGovern and son Clifford were week-end visitors in Portland.

Mrs. B. Bly made a business trip to Falls City on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brown and daughter spent last week in Portland.

Miss Opal Wallace was a caller in Falls City on Friday.

Rex Holt went to Salem on Wednesday.

Oliver Baker was a Falls City visitor Monday.

Miss Cecil Marts went to Portland on Tuesday.

John Charles spent the forepart of the week visiting in Falls City.

Mrs. Effie Miller of Stayton made a business trip to our city on Tuesday.

There is a man in our city that can wash as good as any woman. He hung his clothes out Tuesday and they were as clean and white as you make them. I think this party should have a great deal of praise for the noble work he did.

Ray Baker went to Falls City Wednesday.

Mr. Omish and son Charles were Salem visitors Monday.

Joe Garven and Miss Francis Hawk were married at Dallas on Thursday.

Mabel Baker went to Lafayette Saturday and returned Monday.

Merrell Tillotson of Portland was visiting his parents in this city Saturday and Sunday.

The masquerade ball given at the Willamette Valley commissary Saturday night was a success in every way. The music was fine. The following judges were ap-

pointed to select the best represented characters and award the prizes:—Mr. Ritan, Mr. Phelps and Miss Sayre. Mrs. Dimmick and Mr. Hagador received the award. Mr. Phelps presented the prizes.

HUSBAND WANTED

Young lady very handsome, possessed of considerable wealth, desires to form the acquaintance of a gentleman with view to matrimony. Gentleman must be of refined taste and sensible enough to have his clothes made to order by A. B. Stahl, the Tailor. Next door to the Bakery.

W. B. Stevens of Portland was in town Friday.

Mrs. T. Harris went to Dallas Friday afternoon.

Dr. Atwood was called to Portland on business Thursday. He expects to return Monday.

Albert M. Coxe of Butte, Montana was in town Thursday and Friday. Mr. Coxe notes a decided improvement in business conditions since his visit here in July 1916. He says that the labor conditions at Butte are greatly improved.

The head was knocked out of one of the engines at the mill Monday morning. The piston shaft broke causing the damage. Repairs were ordered by wire from Cincinnati, and in the mean time they will cripple along with one engine, running the plainer to keep things moving. It will probably be ten days before the damage can be repaired and it is to be hoped by that time the snow will be gone and logging again in full blast.

L. G. Bulgin has been interviewing the farmers and fruit growers in this section in regard sale of fruit and increasing the production. Mr. Bulgin reports that he is meeting with much encouragement. The inability to market their crop has been the great hindrance and caused this most profitable industry to be neglected. It is the desire of this company to sign up for at least 1000 acres. Anyone wanting to sign up or desires to know more of the project should call on C. J. Pugh who will be pleased to go into details.

WAR STAMP DRIVE

Weekly Report For Polk County
Total amt't to be raised \$321,160.00
Stamps sold to date 16,156.80
Balance to be sold 305,003.20
Stamps Sold for week ending Feb. 19, 1918

Airlie,	\$ 455.00
Ballston	
Black Rock	
Broadmead	
Buell	
Buena Vista	
Dallas	1,707.00
Falls City	99.86
Independence	
McCoy	487.34
Monmouth	
Parker	
Perrydale	
Rickreall	
Suver	
Total	\$2,750.00

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Notice is hereby given that after this date, I will not be responsible for and debts contracted by any other person than my self. Dated this 15th day of Feb., 1918.
A. E. Seymour.

SCHOOL NOTES

Mabel Murphy returned to school Monday after being out a week with the chickenpox.

Vernon Estelle quit school last week. Mabel Otte started to school this week.

Why the smiles on the faces of the senior English class? Because they have just finished "Carlyles Essay on Burns."

Why is George Wagner like a banker? Because he deals in notes.

Why did the teachers' training class look so crestfallen when they entered the study room Wednesday morning? Because Professor Lowe had lost his (?) and could not find it.

Last Friday afternoon the "Alpha" side of the literary society gave the following program:

Duet - Grace Hastings and Marguerete Dorman
Recitation - Jennet Brown
Piano Solo - Harold Wagner
Recitation - Marguerite
Solo - Esther Cleveland
Recitation - George Paul
Solo - Lavita Howell

The former Student Body president, Treval Powers, gave his farewell address and Eugene Starr, the new president, got stage fright and did not give his address.

One cold day about a week ago the photographer came to the school and took a picture of all the grades. Here and there one could see a vain boy combing his few stray locks, and some beautiful girl powdering her nose. Everything went nicely until the sophomore class broke the camera.

All Faced the Flag.

Justice Pendleton of the New York supreme court was examining applicants for citizenship recently when a band in the park began playing "The Star Spangled Banner." It was written by Francis Scott Key, Justice Pendleton's grandfather. The justice turned his head toward the window, and the hubbub in the court ceased. Then the justice rose to his feet, and the men who were seeking the right to take the flag as their own rose with him. Everybody faced the flag that was draped on the courtroom wall. Not a soul moved until the music ceased. Then the justice bowed and resumed his seat, and the work of making citizens went on again.

Made a Look For the Key.

An old and curious key and lock are attached to the door of Temple church in Fleet street, London. The key weighs seven pounds, is eighteen inches long, and, unlike other keys, it was not made for the lock. On the contrary, the lock was made for it. Both key and lock have been in use since the crusades, the church itself having been built by the Knights Templars in 1485.—London Spectator.

Hold Yourself Erect.

Keep erect if you want to keep on the road to good health. Slouch or slump and you are apt to find yourself headed for the sick bed, for rounded shoulders and relaxed abdominal walls are often associated with serious nervous maladies.—Chicago Herald.

Taking the Honor.

Mrs. Smith—They tell me that one of the girls made a faux pas at the cooking class lunch that everybody noticed. Mrs. Comeup (proudly)—I guess it was my daughter. She can make any of them French things.—Baltimore American.

Her Reply.

"Silence is golden."
"Maybe, but I'd like to see anybody get any money out of you without talking for it."—Detroit Free Press.

Cynical.

Doctor—You absolutely must give up coffee. It's a slow poison. Aged Patient—Ha, ha! I bet my hairs think it's infernally slow.—Life.

Her Sphere.

"Are you affiliated with any reform organization?"
"Yes, I'm a wife."—New York Times.

Hosiery Bargains

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