

## Polk County Observer.

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"The town of Monmouth is situated in the center of the rich part of Polk county, eight miles from the county seat, Dallas, and two and one-half miles west of the thriving town of Independence, and contains a population of over 400. The location is a beautiful one, on a rich rolling prairie, and for general healthfulness, the site is all that could be desired. Monmouth offers many advantages, and those contemplating any enterprise are invited to confer with our citizens. The Observer will be read in every township and at every postoffice in the entire county, and therefore unexcelled as an advertising medium."

The Observer four months for 50cts.

### Business Mention.

I. T. Mason the dentist, at Dallas. J. C. Worth's fine groceries.

Read our new advertisements this week.

The F. M. A. store has new goods.

Connaway & Cooper hardware men, Independence.

Dentist's first class work done by I. T. Mason at Dallas.

Paints, Oils, Varnish at H. R. Patterson's cheap.

Goods are going fast at Coad's store Dallas.

Fenton fruit the leading merchants of Dallas; look at their stock before going elsewhere.

The finest line of dress goods ever brought to Polk county are to be found at C. G. Coad's the new store Dallas.

Shelley and Vanduyn are on the lead with the large stock of general merchandise in Independence. Their prices compare with the times and all goods are warranted first class.

The latest in the jewlery line at Henry Patterson's.

Go and see the bankrupt stock of goods at Dallas. They must be sold in the next 60 days. Now is the time to get good bargains. Every pair sold fully guaranteed.

For fine watch work go to U. N. Grant at H. B. Patterson's.

Goodman and Douty have four "girls" sewing machines, which they are offering at cost for the next thirty days in order to close them out. They are first class, call and see.

C. G. Coad is closing out the bankrupt stock of goods lately brought to Dallas. They are all first class goods and must be sold.

Spectacles properly focussed and necessarily fitted at Henry Patterson's. Every pair warranted. No fit, no sale.

Henry Patterson has just received a new stock of all the latest novelties in the jewlery line. No old goods in his stock. Drop in and examine them.

The "Osborne" mower has an improvement this year which is far ahead of anything. Call and see them at Goodman and Douty's Independence.

All goods will be sold at C. G. Coad's new store, Dallas, at prices that defy competition. You should not miss the chance to examine this stock before purchasing elsewhere.

Thousands of ladies say it is the best they ever used. They mean the White sewing machine—on will find them at Custer & Vernon's, Independence.

Go to Dallas and get the advantage of the low prices; that the new stock of goods are being closed out at. This is the first time in Polk county that new goods were ever sold as cheap. Now is your time.

Horse shoeing, new shoes \$1.50; repairing shoes all around \$8.00; plow sharpening without cutter \$2.00 and all other work in proportion. Oak cutting price for \$1, oak bars each \$1. at C. Lanktree's Monmouth at the old stand.

While at Independence one day this week, our attention was attracted to a new and novel mowing machine in our opinion is the most perfect mower we have ever examined. It is the C. S. & A. Chain Company.

Note the following specialties at Shelly & Vanduyns: 45 inch embroidery skirting, Newport scarfs, chinies, chenille cord, fancy ornaments for table scarfs, etc.

All farmers who intend purchasing self binders should call and see the new "Osborne" at Goodman's and Douty's, Independence. It has many new improvements and an entirely new road wheel.

The celebrated broadhead dress goods just received direct from the factory at Shelly & Vanduyns. Colors absolutely guaranteed. Best goods for the money.

Mrs. LaRance City Bazaar Independence, has a nice lot of ladies muslin underwear, hose, gloves, mitts, collars, cuffs; gents' neck wear, handkerchiefs, socks; also stationery, books, croquet sets, notions innumerable. Call before purchasing elsewhere.

Z. F. Vaughn always keeps the latest styles in all kinds of jewelry and fanciful ornaments, and knows how to display them to the best advantage.

You can get first class cedar shingles from Goodman and Douty, Independence.

## JEWELERY

AT

Z. F. Vaughn's, Dallas.

Messrs. Staver & Walker have just issued instructions to Barbee & Robertson which enables them to lead the trade in Harvesting Machinery. Write, or call on them immediately, as this means business from a competitive standpoint.

### Personal Mention.

Dr. Shelton and daughter Bycie, of Salem, are visiting in town.

Marshal Grant and wife of Dallas, were in town over Sunday.

The Misses Fannie Griggs Clara and Lucy Gard, spent Tuesday with friends at Dallas.

D. W. Driskel left on Tuesday for Idaho. He is looking for a location, having sold his farm at this place to Bert Lucas.

Samuel Mulkey of Amity, was up Sunday. Sam is somewhat attached to Monmouth.

W. P. Connaway, wife and daughter, were over from Independence Sunday, the guest of Judge Dawson.

Mrs. Frankie Murphrey, Misses Rita Davidson and Bertha Coron, left Tuesday to attend the commencement exercises at Eugene City.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cowls, of McMinnville, were in Monmouth, over last Saturday night, the guest of Wm. Dawson.

Theodore Ingalls and wife, are taking in the beauties of Webster and other friends here. They are cross-pollinators from Waitsburg, W. Va.

J. S. Coyer, the delegate to the convention at Chicago, did not remain till that body had finished its work, but left for home last Sunday.

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### HERE AND THEREABOUTS.

Hermann's plurality, 7497; clear majority over all, 5432.

The new county officers will be installed next Monday July 2nd.

Measles are numerous over the county.

What is the matter with our Polk county towns? not a celebration in its borders. Why don't we celebrate?

We will have a chance to declare for home protection and the advancement of the nation, by voting the Republican ticket next November.

The Christian camp meeting at Turner closed on last Sunday. A number who attended from this town have returned. They all report a good meeting.

Subscribe for the OBSERVER the only untramed paper in the county, full of the latest news, and of a strictly moral tone.

The well-known Dixie flouring mill will be sold to-day at 3 p. m. by receiver, S. T. Burch. The property is very valuable and will likely bring a good figure.

Exercise of the 10th annual commencement of the State University at Eugene City have been in progress during the present week.

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of South Salem. One of these will be in the cell with the murderer constantly. They will have no arms, but their duties will consist in seeing that he does himself and no one else bodily harm, that he does not escape, and to relieve by companionship and conversation his distress of mind over his impending doom. Landreth will be kept at Salem till the morning of his execution, when he will be taken to Dallas.

Laying of the Baptist Corner Stone.

No more auspicious day could have been ushered in than last Monday, and no more representative assembly could have been called together than at our neighboring sister town of Independence, the occasion being the laying of the corner stone of the Baptist church, by the Grand Lodge of Masons. The train from Portland brought grand master Jacob Myer and several other members of the Masonic fraternity from Portland and McMinnville. Ex-Gov. Chakwick, Hon. Robt. Clow and Hon. T. McF. Patton, accompanied by a dozen or more members of the Salem lodges arrived about 10 o'clock; also Hons. J. D. Lee and W. C. Brown, and about twenty others from Jennings Lodge No. 9 at Dallas arrived about the same time.

Diner being over the Grand Lodge having been opened in hall of Lyon Lodge, the procession was formed on C. street with the following grand officers: Jacob Mayer, grand master; Robt. Clow, as dep'y grand master; T. McF. Patton, grand senior warden; Christopher Taylor, grand junior warden; D. C. McKercher, grand treasurer; F. J. Babcock, grand secretary; Rev. G. W. Quincy, grand chaplain; J. D. Lee, grand senior deacon; A. H. Wilson, grand junior deacon; S. F. Chadwick, grand orator; T. G. Rich, grand and A. B. Griggs, grand stewards; Wm. Armstrong, grand marshal; J. B. V. Butler, grand standard bearer; J. J. Spence, grand sword bearer; Gustaf Wilson, grand Tyler. There about 75 masons in the procession, which moved up C. street preceded by the Independence C. net band to third street, thence north on third street to the site of the church building. Here a hollow square was formed by the community and the ceremonies of laying the corner stone were performed by the grand master assisted by the other grand officers in accordance with the ancient usages and customs of the masonic order.

After the ceremony was over the procession reformed in line and marched back to the lodge room when the grand lodge was closed in ample form. Upon retirement of the Grand Lodge, Rev. J. G. Burchett of East Oregon, delivered a short but most excellent address. It being the first time in the history of Polk county that the Grand Lodge has been called on to lay a corner stone, an immense audience was present to witness the beautiful and impressive ceremonies and much interest was manifested by all present. Many were the expressions of regret, owing to the members from Portland and McMinnville desiring to return on the afternoon train) that an address was not delivered by ex-Gov. Chadwick on the subject of corner stone laying a masonic standpoint. From Mr. Chadwick's well-known reputation as an orator we doubt not but that he could have added much to the interesting occasion.

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