

Polk County Observer.

Published Every Saturday.

The town of Monmouth is situated in the center of the richest part of Polk county...

Business Mention.

L. T. Mason the dentist, at Dallas.

Read our new advertisements this week.

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

Donnoway & Cooper Hardware in Independence.

Dentistry first class work done by T. Mason at Dallas.

All styles of summer dress goods kept at E. Hayter's, Dallas.

Go to Vaughns, Dallas, the leading retailer.

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

F. S. Barzee is bringing on new goods every day.

The dry goods store F. M. A. will give you a bargain if you will call at see them.

Shelley and Vanduyne in the ad with the largest stock of general merchandise in Independence.

When you go to Dallas don't fail to examine E. Hayter's stock of general merchandise.

For fine watch work go to C. N. Rahn at H. B. Patterson's.

The most complete stock of dress goods every brought to Polk county, E. Hayter's Dallas.

Specimens properly focused and accurately fitted at Henry Patterson's, very fair warranted. No fit, no fee.

R. M. Smith will sell dry goods as cheap as any place in the county, call and see him.

Paints, oils, varnishes, etc., at H. R. Patterson's.

Henry Patterson has just received new stock of all the latest novelties in the dry goods line.

Thousands of ladies say it is the best ever used. They mean the White Sewing Machine - you will find it at Buster & Vernon, Independence.

N. H. Butler has all kinds of machine oils. Call and see him before purchasing elsewhere.

Notice the following specialties at Shelley & Vanduyne: 45 inch embroidery, Newport scarfs, children's fine cord, fancy ornaments for table scarfs, etc.

Horse shoeing, new shoes \$1.50; set on shoes all around \$2.50; plow repairing without cutter \$2.00 and 1 other work in proportion. Oak splitting put in for \$4. Oak horse catch at C. Lancktree's Monmouth at 10 old stand.

The celebrated bread dress goods just received direct from the factory at Shelley & Vanduyne. Colors absolutely guaranteed. Best goods for the money.

Mrs. LaRansieur City Bazaar Independence, has a nice lot of ladies' muslin underwear, hosiery, gloves, mitts, collars, cuffs, gents' neckwear, handkerchiefs, socks; also, stationery, books, croquet sets, notions, numerous. Call before purchasing elsewhere.

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

You can get first class cedar shingles from G. E. Mann and Doty, Independence.

Frank Butler, COUNTY SURVEYOR, valuer and auctioneer; post address, Dallas, Polk county, Oregon. Specifications, estimates, plans and drawings of dwellings, barns, bridges, excavation, earth work and creek-dock furnished. Will attend in Dallas on Wednesday and Thursday in each county court week. Office at the court house.

Farms for Sale.

240 Acres, good house and barn, 150 acres cultivation, \$35 per acre.

285 Acres, good new house and barn, new yard, 50 acres in cultivation, good timber, \$35 per acre.

150 Acres all good farm land, 100 acres muck-fallow, good house and barn, good chard, \$37 per acre, it is well located.

160 Acres all in cultivation, good house and barn, 60 acres summer-fallow, farm divided into three fields, good spring in each, very suitable farm, \$35 per acre.

342 Acres, good house and barn, 40 acres cultivation, good orchard, splendid stock farm, \$10 per acre.

All the above farms are choice land and well located. Inquiries by mail will receive prompt attention. We sell and take on commission any properties in Oregon. JAMES A. TOM, Monmouth, Polk county, Oregon.

GENE HAYTER,

Dry Goods Store at DALLAS.

HERE AND HEREBOUTS.

The oat crop is excellent.

A fine shower this week.

County Court next week.

The circus is headed this way.

The narrow gauge will be repaired J. S. Cooper was at Portland Thursday.

Hon. J. D. Dee was at Portland on business this week.

Prof. J. D. Havens was on our streets Friday.

The doctors report their business dull at present.

I. G. Davidson and wife, of Portland, are here.

Ex-Clerk Dave Sears was in Monmouth Friday.

L. M. Hall, of Buena Vista, is in Portland this week.

Rev. G. W. Quinby preached at Dallas last Sabbath.

Frank Collins received 40,000 grain sacks last Saturday.

It will soon be time to organize Harrison and Morton clubs.

Miss Fanny Griggs left Thursday to visit friends at Junction city.

A brother of Mrs. Davis of this place, is visiting her this week.

President Cleveland is back from his fishing trip.

Eld. J. W. Webb, of Salem, will preach here to-morrow (Sunday.)

Born to the wife of Dr. J. B. Johnson, a son, on the 29th, Independence.

Mrs. Laura Burns visited her father at Salem this week.

Frank Collins has let out about 30,000 sacks to the farmers.

Subscribe for the OBSERVER, only 50 cents till after the Nov. election.

The Willamette valley is 140 long by an average width of 35 miles.

Pres. D. T. Stanley and wife returned from San Francisco, Monday.

Hon. N. L. Butler and wife, of Dallas, were in town Thursday.

Sheriff Smith was in Monmouth on business Friday.

Miss Edith Pentland, of Scio, is visiting her brother E. C. Pentland, at this place.

The meeting of the Baptist church at Airle last Sunday was well attended.

L. W. Robertson has begun the work on his new brick at Independence.

F. S. Barzee went to King's Valley Tuesday, where he is putting up machinery.

The meeting of the Oregon Press Association, Friday, the 10th, at Salem promises to be a great success.

Quarterly meeting of the M. E. Conference south, will be held at Independence on Sunday the 5th.

Born to the wife of J. C. Chitwood, of Dallas, July 3d, 1888, twin sons. All doing well.

Mrs. E. B. Davidson of Southern Oregon, is here visiting her many old friends.

E. C. Pentland was the recipient of a very fine family bible last Saturday, the gift of his sister.

John Wolferton hauled in the first load of wheat to the warehouse last Saturday.

Prof. Chas. Hodges the new Prof. elect of the Normal school will arrive about August 10th.

Mrs. Lee Fenton and Mrs. J. O. Grant, of Dallas, drove to Monmouth on Thursday afternoon.

The OBSERVER will be sent to any address from now till after November election for 25 cents.

H. Brunk and Miss Rosella, Morrow were married last Sunday, both of Polk county, near Eola.

A. B. Edges has in his market a fine lot of onion raised by E. A. Patterson at Independence.

Hon. Warren Truitt will take a vacation trip to the coast or springs after next week.

Empire City a thriving town of Coos county had a \$12,000 blaze on Wednesday.

Hon. J. J. Daly and Clerk Coad were picnicing on the Luckiamute last Sunday.

The campaign hats are, Republican pearl plug with black band; Democrat pearl plug with white band.

Mrs. H. A. Adkins will shortly go on a few weeks sojourn to the springs in Linn county.

A crowd of four had a picnic at the Luckiamute last Sunday. We promised not to give their names.

School teachers from the East have been passing through our State by the car loads for a week.

Eld. Messick preached at Scio Creek on last Sunday. He went to Portland on Monday.

Last Friday night Mrs. L. Bentley, who has been sick for a few weeks, had a severe stroke of paralysis of the left side of the body. She is not much improved at this writing, and fears are entertained that she will not recover.

Dr. I. T. Mason of Dallas will make a trip to the Sound country next week.

Mrs. F. W. Fenton, of Lafayette, is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. B. V. Butler.

Miss Ella Diens, who has been at Portland for some time back returned home Tuesday.

T. B. Rowell and family, of Dallas, returned home Tuesday from the springs in Linn county.

Churchill and Montleth are selling goods just at their cheap figures. Give them a call at once, at Independence.

Eld. Barnett's family will move to Salem next month. Prof. P. L. Campbell will occupy his residence here.

The democratic state central committee met at Portland on Wednesday, for conference concerning plans for the coming campaign.

The Misses Lucy and Sarah Coolidge living near Dallas, are going to attend the Normal School at Monmouth this winter. - West Side.

Prof. J. A. Buchanan and Geo. Stanley, who have attended the Teachers' Association at San Francisco arrived here Thursday.

W. E. Dalton, now of Airle paid this office a call on Friday. He will move his family here to live soon.

The fact that the Willamette valley is the best fruit country in the world is being more generally recognized every day. The results will speedily follow.

On Sunday night the residence of M. Adkins, one mile below Independence, was entered by burglars and a silver watch and \$25 in cash taken.

A. P. Bonza, a former sawmill man of Independence, now of San Francisco, is in this county looking after the interests of his property.

While at the Grand Ronde last week, Chet Ellis, of Dallas, caught a large black bear in a trap he used for that purpose. He says they are so numerous this season that they are destroying the crops.

Uncle El Delashante, was over Thursday, and made the OBSERVER a call. His health is as good as usual and will be able to cast his vote for Harrison and Morton.

Considerable typhoid fever is reported in the vicinity of Buena Vista. A daughter of Wm. Davidson has been quite low for the past few weeks but is now some better.

The threshing harvest is now under full headway. Four steam outfits are running in this immediate vicinity. A few weeks and all will be finished.

The Misses Denman, of Independence, were in town Thursday. Miss Agnes will attend the Normal school the coming session.

Prof. W. E. Vates will open the public school, at Independence in September, assisted by Miss McNary of Salem, in the intermediate department, and Miss Anna Denman, of Independence, in the primary.

Sam Mulkey, of Amity, while working on the harvest field a few days since, was taken seriously ill, caused by excessive heat. At last account he was some better, but still dangerously ill.

Mrs. Emmitt has put a new front to her house; Mrs. Howell is adding a shed to her barn; Wm. Mason has put a new fence in front of his premises, and other improvements are going on in town.

The immigration to Oregon is steadily increasing. A county with such magnificent resources and climate not exceeded anywhere is sure to attract the attention of the home seeker.

John D. Wiley who was arrested Wednesday at Portland for the attempt to extort money from Mrs. Dr. Murray, waived examination and was placed under ten thousand dollar bonds.

A convict, at the Salem penitentiary, by the name of Edward O'Neil, sentenced from Umatilla county, attempted suicide last Monday, by jumping from the platform of the third tier of cells in the south wing of the cement floor below. He was comparatively unharmed.

Miss Nellie Hannum who is with her folks here on a visit from Ashland, Wisconsin, spent this week in Monmouth. She will return to Ashland in about two weeks, where she is engaged as one of the teachers in the graded school of that place.

Dr. J. C. Byrd and wife came over from Salem Wednesday evening. They have lately visited Spokane Falls. The Dr. gives glowing accounts of the wonderful rush, push and enterprise of that great city.

C. E. Dubois, of the immigration board, Portland, who is collecting grains, grasses, etc., from the Willamette valley to be sent East as Oregon exhibits at the Chicago exposition and other fairs and industrial exhibits throughout the eastern states, was here Monday.

A general business of house breaking seems to have taken possession of Independence Tuesday night. Five houses were entered; supposed by tramps but little success attended their efforts. The country is full these scoundrels now and it is well for people to be watchful of their houses.

The prospectus of the State Agricultural College, under the new organization, at Corvallis is on our table. A commodious brick building has been erected on the agricultural farm near that town, which is now in the hands of the State and under State control. This building was built in accordance with the law of 1885. A large faculty has been selected, and the course of study prescribed. Each county in the State is entitled to one free scholarship.

Arrangements are completed for the meeting of the Oregon Press Association, at Salem on August 10th. The committee on programme have arranged the following exercises for the occasion: The business meeting of the association will be held in the senate chamber of the capitol on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, and will be devoted to the discussion of topics of interest to the fraternity in general. The public exercises are to commence at 8 p. m., in the representative's hall, and will consist of:

Music by the band.

Address of welcome, by Gov. Penoyer.

Music.

Address of welcome, by Mayor Murphy.

Response, by Pres. Pipes.

Music.

Poem.

Music.

Address, by Hon. Van DeLashante.

Music.

Adjournment.

Repairs will now be made.

Judge Deady modified his order of June 15th, in favor of C. N. Scott, receiver of the narrow gauge roads vs the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company, allowing M. A. Scott to borrow money to repair the roads and pay off indebtedness. It has been found impracticable to make the loan required and the modified order allows persons having claims against the narrow gauge amounting to \$1000 or more to take receiver's certificates for their claims. Several persons may assign their claims to make up the sum of \$1000 when a certificate will be issued to the assignee. These certificates are the same as mortgage on the roads and bear interest at nine per cent and if the interest coupon also draws interest from the time it is due. Several persons are ready to lay ties, repair bridges, trestles, etc., and take certificates in payment. This scheme will probably prove satisfactory to those who hold claims against the roads on which they have heretofore not been able to realize anything.

Three Convicts Released.

On Wednesday Gov. Penoyer commuted the sentences of the following three prisoners incarcerated in the penitentiary: S. J. Hitchens who was sentenced from this county December 13, 1886, for five years for assault with intent to commit rape. A very large petition was presented in his favor, backed by a letter from ex-Prosecuting Attorney George E. Chamberlin, who secured his indictment, expressing grave doubts as to his guilt. Wm. Peck, sentenced from Multnomah county for five years from September 27, 1886, for larceny in a store. The commutation of August Schultz, sentenced from Clackamas county for five years from April 23, 1888, for arson, is based upon the fact that all the persons upon whose testimony he was convicted have subsequently made affidavits that their testimony in that regard was false.

Record of Deeds.

The following real estate transactions were recorded with the county clerk this week:

H. H. Jaeperson to J. P. Davidson 1 1/2 in T 9 S R 4 W., consideration \$6,000.

J. W. Ayers to Elias Hinshaw 150 acres T 6 S R 6 W consideration \$1,000.

Herman Mason to J. T. Elder lot 10 1/4 and 29 in Monmouth quit claim \$50.

J. E. Rhodes to E. R. Poppleton, 329 acres in T 9 S R 4 W con. \$6,000.

Melba Vanhorn to Zimri Hinshaw about 150 acres in T 6 S R 6 W consideration \$800.

Elias Hinshaw to Zimri Hinshaw and in T 8 R 6 W consideration \$1,150.

David Warren to Ellen Stump 358 acres in T 8 S R 6 W consideration \$900.

Henry Massey to Mary E. Massey 520 acres T 7 S R 3 W consideration \$1,545 00.

M. P. Locke to A. P. Binney lot 5 and 6 block 11 Independence consideration \$845.

N. H. Butler Monmouth druggist.

Bridgeport Broodings.

On Sunday the 22th inst., the Bridgeport Musical Union met for a service of song at F. Butler's and a pleasant time was spent. Next Sunday the Antioch school house is selected for a place of meeting.

On Sunday (by permission of the Republican club) a very fine lunar eclipse was exhibited in our precinct; no accidents.

A Riddle: "For when all things were made, none was made better than this; to be lone man's companion, a bachelor's friend, a hungry man's food, a sad man's cordial, a wakeful man's sleep and a chilly man's fire. There is no herb like it under the canopy of heaven." Answer Tobacco.

On last Saturday C. G. Rowell, started for Dallas in his buggy, calling at J. S. Mitchell's on his way. The horse scared at our friend Mitchell and broke the harness and C. G. took the saddle route. Cause of fright unknown.

F. Butler is slowly progressing, but not yet able to work. J. Huber and W. Glaze are securing his hay crop for him.

On Saturday 28th J. B. Teal's new fish pond dam broke away and drained dry. The leak appears to have been started by crawfish. Carp will now be plentiful in the Luckiamute.

Eight Hours movement. The farmers of our precinct have resolved to limit their working hours and have decided on 8 hours before dinner and 8 hours after dinner to be a day's work exclusive of course of "chores."

Now its in order for the active jurymen to incite them to increased effort and further exertion.

The pure republican air of Polk has brushed the democratic cobwebs from friend Glass' brains. He is now advocating republican principles in a McMinnville paper. Rah for another bright intellect rescued from Laodicean ways.

Read G. H. E. in Remizer on the tariff and then start for Salem Lunatic Asylum. Why this fearful array of figures proving nothing?

Talk in cents, stop this million racket.

Tariff question is simple enough. If you buy from Europe you bust America. That's so.

Example: Why buy the Remizer at \$2 or the OBSERVER at \$1.50? Because they are home industries, which help to build us all up.

Dallas Locals.

Several fleshing outfits have been doing the vicinity of our town the past few days.

Mrs. Minnie Holman returned to her home at Albany Tuesday.

Otho Williams, who has been visiting his family and returned to McMinnville Tuesday.

J. A. Woods has been appointed agent for the Narrow Gauge at Rays Landing.

Ex-county Clerk Sears is doing our town this week. Dave is always a welcome visitor.

T. B. Rowell and Nat Holman returned with their families from upper soda springs Tuesday.

A. J. McDaniel of Perrydale, has leased the Narrow Gauge warehouse at this place, and will have it in running order to receive this seasons crop. Farmers in the vicinity of Dallas take note of this and store your grain at Dallas.

The work on the new hotel is being pushed rapidly forward and by Sept. 1st Dallas will have the neatest and most commodious hotel in the west side counties.

Mrs. Waugaman, who has been visiting her parents at little Nestucca returned home Tuesday.

P. W. Ellis, purser on on the City of Salem, visited parents and friends here Saturday and Sunday returning to his boat Tuesday at Portland.

Mrs. H. B. Tingle, accompanied by Miss Lu Bennett, telegraph operator at Perrydale were in Dallas Sunday.

The Band boys have purchased a set of new instruments and they are beauties too. Under the leadership of Prof. U. S. Grant we may soon expect to have as good a band as any in the state.

If you can live gently, patiently, uncomplainingly, and all your frots and irritations, day after day—that is heroism. That is your task. You are to resolve to do it. No one, not even God, will do it for you. Heaven does not put features of beauty in our lives as the jeweler sets gems in clusters. The unlovely elements are not drawn out and replaced by lovely ones, like slides in the stereopticon. You must win your way through struggles to all noble attainments. It is he that overcometh that is made a pillar in God's temple.—Sel.

A Trip to Kings Valley.

The grain is fast being harvested and threshed, the yield being very satisfactory.

Chambers' Flouring mill is in running order again, after being thoroughly refitted with new machinery.

Grouse are quite plentiful and seemingly tame. They sat on the fence and wined at us as we passed them by, knowing we had not the necessary equipment to bring them closer; but we may go that way again.

The Farmers of Kings Valley haul their grain to Newton on the Oregon Pacific, where they realize better prices than does our wheat raisers down this way.

Rev. Vost of Peedee, is preaching for a congregation at Sweet Home, Linn county.

Representatives of the Supply Depot Company, Monmouth, were in these parts during the week.—X

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that for the purpose of making an examination of all persons who may offer themselves as candidates for teachers of this county, the county school superintendent thereof, will hold a public examination at Dallas, on the 29th Wednesday of this month Aug. 29th. W. I. Reynolds, Supt.; Prof. T. C. Bell and P. L. Campbell, Examiners.

Notice.

After July 27th the boats of Oregon Pacific Company, on account of very low water in the Willamette river, will not run until further notice.

C. C. HOGUE.

July 24th 1888.

Your Destiny.

According to almost all the charts got up by the astrologists, what may be expected of girls born in the different months is about as follows:

If in January a prudent housewife, given to melancholy, but good tempered.

If in February, a humane and affectionate wife and tender mother.

If in March, a frivolous chatterbox somewhat given to quarrelling.

If in April, inconsistent, not very intelligent, but likely to be good looking.

If in May, handsome, amiable and likely to be happy.

If in June, impetuous, will marry early and be frivolous.

If in August, amiable and practical and likely to marry rich.

If in September, discreet, affable and much liked.

If in October, pretty and coquettish and likely to be unhappy.

If in November, liberal, kind and of a wild disposition.

If in December, well proportioned fond of novelty and extravagant.

The Yaquina Route.

Oregon Pacific Railroad.

And Oregon Development Company's steamship line 225 miles shorter, 20 hours less time than by any other route. First class through passenger and freight line from Portland and all points in the Willamette valley to and from San Francisco.

Willamette river line of steamers.

The Wm. M. Hoag, the N. S. Bentley, the Three Sisters are in service for both passenger and freight traffic between Corvallis and Portland and intermediate points, leaving company's wharf, Corvallis, and Messrs. Holman & Co's wharf, 200 and 202 Front street, Portland, three times each week as follows:

(The River boats are not running at present on account of low stage of water.)

NORTH BOUND.

Leave Corvallis Mon. Wed. and Fri. 10:35 a m

Ray's Log Tue. Thur and Sat 9:30 a m

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