

Polk County Observer

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Warren Frink was down from Falls City on a business errand, Wednesday.

T. T. Notson will spend the greater part of the spring and summer on his farm near Ballston.

Marion Smith, a prominent farmer of Lewisville, was a county seat visitor Wednesday.

Horatio Morrison left yesterday morning for Watsburg, Wash., where he will probably spend the summer.

Robert Andrews, Grand Master of the L. O. O. F., of Oregon, will pay an official visit to Friendship Lodge, No. 4, tomorrow night.

When a fellow takes his best girl out buggy riding, he wants a nice buggy. Get a Bee Line Buggy, and be suited with appearance, quality and price. GUY BROTHERS.

The enterprising meat firm of Castle & Shaw have purchased a tract of land on the LaCroole above town of W. H. Kraber, and will soon begin the construction of a new slaughter house.

District Attorney J. N. Hart returned Tuesday from Tillamook, where he had been attending court. He came across the mountains, and reports the roads in fair shape for this time of the year.

J. C. Morrison, foreman of Horst Bros.' big hop ranches on the Willamette river, was in Dallas the first of the week making arrangements to move his family back to their country home. Mrs. Morrison has been making her home with her brother, H. G. Campbell, and sending her children to school this winter. Mrs. Dr. Doty and daughter, of Monmouth, will move to Dallas and keep house for Mr. Campbell.

Messrs. R. E. Bryan & Son have decided to close out their stock of general merchandise in Dallas, and tomorrow morning will begin a grand clearance sale. Every article in the store will be sold without reserve, and the goods will go regardless of cost. All the new Spring goods in stock and those to arrive later will be sacrificed with the rest. H. L. Fenton, a dry-goods man of many years' experience, will assist in the store during the sale.

The goat men who were members of the pool are busy delivering their mohair at Dallas for shipment. Allyn Yocum brought over one wagon-load from Sheridan, Tuesday, from which he realized the neat sum of \$600. Owing to the fact that the growers received 35 cents per pound for this year's clip, it is easy to figure that it doesn't require a very large load to amount to \$500. Every grower who has any considerable number of goats will be on Easy Street this year.

A. E. Reames, of Jacksonville, was nominated for Congressman on the first ballot by the Democratic District Convention at Albany, Saturday, defeating John Jeffrey, of Marion county, by 35 votes. Hon. J. K. Weatherford, of Linn county, presided over the deliberations of the convention. The Polk County delegates received prominent recognition, Seth Riggs being a member of the committee on credentials and H. L. Fenton and J. W. Kirkland of the committee on resolutions. Oscar Hayter was one of the tellers, and D. W. Sears was appointed as Polk county member of the district executive committee.

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I. O. O. F. Block, Dallas, Oregon.

Vote For Queen

Votes for Queen of the Woodman Carnival will be given away with cash purchases at the following places of business:

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- Belt & Cherrington, drug store.
- The Bee Hive store.
- Mrs. H. H. Chace, millinery.
- Wilson Drug Company.
- J. C. Gaynor, boots and shoes.
- T. J. Cherrington, photographer.
- Cottage Hotel.
- W. R. Flennig, jeweler.
- Brown & Ellis, general merchandise.
- Wm. Faull, hardware.
- Oregon Woodman.
- C. H. Morris, jeweler.
- S. C. Dodson, racket store.
- Guy Bros., hardware.
- L. D. Daniel, wall paper.
- Dunn Grocery Company.
- H. J. Osfield, groceries.
- Brown's confectionery store.
- F. H. Muscott, cigar store.
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Goats For Sale.

About 50 head of wether goats for sale at \$1.50 per head at W. L. Frink's place, near Falls City.

Residence For Sale.

My residence property on the race on Oak Street is for sale at \$2400. Lease on same expires June 1. Apply at this office, or to

Mrs. A. M. STUMP, Salem, Oregon.

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Registered Poland China sow for sale or trade.

J. W. ROBINSON, Dallas, Oregon.

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