

Polk County Observer

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Belt went to Portland yesterday morning.

The Observer's job office wants the printing you are particular about.

Mrs. G. N. Cherrington went to Portland yesterday to attend the Patti concert.

George Douglas, of North Yamhill, is clerking in Eakin & Dick's store at Rickreall.

Milton G. Pfoutz has returned to Dallas after spending the winter in Honolulu, H. I.

A. C. McKinnon, a prominent farmer of Yamhill county, was a Dallas visitor, Wednesday.

Miss Rose Bronken, of Portland, has secured a position as stenographer in the law office of Oscar Hayter.

Frank Miller has been seriously ill with pneumonia at his home near Rickreall, but is slowly recovering.

Samuel Coad has purchased a choice piece of residence property in Portland and has rented it to his son, Jasper.

Mrs. F. G. Elliott attended the wedding of George Morrison and Miss Maude Hembree in McMinnville, Wednesday.

Pioneer Employment Company furnishes all kinds of help on short notice free to employers. 215 Morrison St., Portland, Or.

H. L. Fenton, secretary of the Polk County Mohair Association, attended the National Livestock Convention in Portland the first of the week.

The Lewis and Clark Division will meet at the home of Mrs. H. B. Cosper on Monday next, at 2:30 p. m., instead of Tuesday as first announced.

The Ladies' Professorship Association of Dallas College will meet at the home of Mrs. Ed Biddle, Saturday afternoon, January 16, at 3 o'clock.

Dr. H. L. Toney, dentist, graduate of Ann Arbor, Michigan. Office upstairs Uglow building. Hours 8 to 12 and 1 to 5. Examinations free. Phone 45.

The Independence city council has organized. At a meeting called by Mayor J. S. Cooper, the tangle was straightened out in such a manner that it is thought the storm will be successfully weathered until another charter can be passed. The conflicting sections of the charter refer principally to election of members, qualifications of such, and it is thought that by all forces joining hands and legalizing their acts as far as possible, that the business transacted will be adjudged legal if taken into court at any time, even if difficulty should arise over the qualifications of members.

All kinds of cake at Riggs'.

D. A. Madison returned Sunday from a business visit to Portland.

R. R. Turner, of Corvallis, passed through town one day this week on his way home from Eastern Oregon, where he had been seeking a home-stand.

Miss Maud Patterson returned to North Yakima, Wash., Sunday, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Patterson. —Independence Enterprise.

Isaac McElmurry, of Linn county, father of S. H. McElmurry, of Independence, died Tuesday, January 5, of consumption. He was well known in Polk county, where he lived for many years.

George Muscott and Mrs. Rebecca Hughes, widow of the late J. C. Hughes, were married at their new home on Railroad street Sunday evening, Rev. L. Green, pastor of the Christian Church officiating.

County Judge J. E. Sibley appointed F. A. Patterson and J. W. Kirkland appraisers for Polk county, and J. B. Parker, Frank Fluke and James Callahan appraisers for Marion county, in the estate of Isaac Mattison, deceased, Wednesday.

George M. Mumaw, of Streator, Illinois, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Stoner in Rickreall. Mr. Mumaw is a cousin of Mrs. Stoner, and is a prosperous farmer of the Prairie State. The two cousins had not seen each other for 32 years, and the reunion at the Stoner home is a most enjoyable one. Mr. Mumaw is delighted with the mild winter weather of Oregon.

The Dallas College basketball team will meet the team from Company G, Oregon National Guard, of Albany, in this city tonight. The Albany players have made an excellent record this year, and a fast game is promised. A lot of fun is in store for the spectators in the preliminary game between the Rickreall and Dallas business men's teams. The preliminary game will be called at 7:45. The games will take place in the old gymnasium, the new building not being ready for use.

Read the new ad of Heath & Cornes in this issue. The new paint and wall-paper store is now open and ready for business. Traveling men say that this store is the handsomest of its kind in Oregon with the exception of one paint store in Eugene. Messrs. Heath & Cornes are experienced paper hangers and house decorators, and have made a beautiful and practical display of their skill in fitting up their own place of business. You are invited to call and inspect their new stock and get estimates on your Spring painting and paper hanging.

Raffia for basket work at Mrs. Metzger's.

Good morning! Have you drunk Santos coffee? Riggs.

Mrs. Alice Dempsey returned Wednesday from a visit in Portland.

Mrs. Edgar J. Bryan, of Falls City, visited friends in Dallas this week.

School Superintendent C. L. Starr returned Wednesday from Cottage Grove, where he visited his sick mother. Mrs. Starr is improving slowly.

A lodge of Knights of Pythias was organized in Falls City last night. A special motor was run to accommodate the visitors from Homer Lodge, of Independence.

J. B. Nunn, who had the misfortune to cut his foot with an axe about two months ago, is able to be out again. The cut was a severe one, and it is doubtful if he ever fully recovers from the effects of the injury.

Clover Leaf Rebekah Lodge, No. 56, installed the following officers last Tuesday evening: N. G., Mrs. Etta Walker; V. G., Mrs. Nellie Damon; Secretary, Miss Katherine Jones; Fin. Sec., Mrs. Nora Mattison; Treas., Mrs. Lo Perry; Conductress, Mrs. Ruth Conkey; Warden, Miss Minto Taylor; I. G., Miss Mira Kimberlin; O. G., Miss Leora Shank; R. S. N. G., Miss Florence Wagoner; L. S. N. G., Miss May Webster; L. S. V. G., Miss Jessie Mattison; Chaplain, Mrs. Hattie Henkle. —Independence Enterprise.

The appointment of E. D. Ressler of the Monmouth Normal School as an official for restoring athletes to amateur standing in college athletics has been announced by Prof. Horner. Authority for the appointment was vested in Prof. Horner at a meeting of college representatives held at Portland last summer. The meeting was attended by college presidents and other members of the faculty from all the leading educational institutions of the state. Prof. Ressler will have authority to hear all cases of alleged professionalism and if he sees fit, to restore such athletes to amateur standing.

The following officers were installed at the last meeting of Adah Chapter No. 34, Order of Eastern Star, Mrs. Margaret Goodman acting as installing officer: Mrs. Corrie Hubbard, Worthy Matron; Dr. O. D. Butler, Worthy Patron; Mrs. May Babbitt, Associate Matron; Mrs. Ica Mattison, Conductress; Mrs. M. Mix, Associate Conductress; Mrs. Maggie Wilson, Treasurer; Mrs. G. L. Burton, Adah; Mrs. J. Richardson, Ruth; Miss Gertrude Dickinson, Esther; Mrs. J. M. McCandless, Martha; Mrs. A. S. Locke, Electa; Mrs. Hattie Henkle, Warden; J. Dickinson, Sentinel. —Independence Enterprise.

SHOT THROUGH THE BODY

Isaac Hughes, Jr., of Falls City, Meets With Awful Accident While Hunting.

Isaac Hughes, Jr., a son of Isaac Hughes, of this city, shot and seriously wounded himself with a 40-caliber rifle on the home farm near Oakdale at noon, Wednesday. He was preparing to shoot at a hawk which had been making raids on the poultry yard, and was in the act of breaking the gun to eject the shell when the weapon was accidentally discharged. The bullet passed through the lower lobe of the right lung, and also through the liver, and came out at his back. The young man was about 200 yards from the house when the accident occurred. No particulars as to the manner in which the gun was discharged can be obtained, as he was alone at the time and is so badly injured that he is unable to give a coherent account of what occurred.

Dr. W. S. Cary, of this city, who was called to attend the unfortunate young man, says the wound is of a most serious nature, and little hope is entertained of his recovery.

Have You Registered.

Until the books are closed in May, the Observer will print the total number of voters registered in the several precincts each week. In the following table, the first column shows the number of the precinct; the second column the name of the precinct; the third column, the total number of voters registered in 1902, and the fourth column, the number of voters who have registered to date.

No. Precinct	1902	1904
1 Douglas.....	125	6
2 Jackson.....	107	1
3 Salt Lake.....	70	1
4 Spring Valley.....	78	1
5 Eola.....	126	1
6 Rickreall.....	118	3
7 South Independence.....	137	1
8 South Monmouth.....	115	0
9 Buena Vista.....	99	0
10 Suver.....	41	0
11 Luckiamute.....	176	4
12 Bridgeport.....	73	4
13 East Dallas.....	203	14
14 McCoy.....	89	12
15 South Dallas.....	155	12
16 North Independence.....	206	2
17 North Dallas.....	154	7
18 Rock Creek.....	23	0
20 North Monmouth.....	102	0
21 Falls City.....	139	1
Total.....	2336	63

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CLEARANCE SALE

Beginning SATURDAY, JAN. 2

we will have our Annual Clearance Sale. During the year there are accumulations of odds and ends, on which we will sacrifice our profit, in many cases cutting below cost.

Ladies \$3.50 Shoes at	\$2.75
" \$2.50 Shoes at	\$2.00
" \$3.00 Shoes at	\$2.25
" \$2.25 Shoes at	\$1.85
" \$2.00 Shoes at	\$1.50

MISSSES AUTOMOBILE CAPS, 75-cent values, 60 cts.
" " " 50-cent values, 35 cts.

LADIES \$5.50 FUR AT	\$4.50
LADIES \$4.75 FUR AT	\$3.75
Ladies \$1.50 Circular Shawl	\$1.25
Ladies \$1 00 Circular Shawl	.85

Mens \$1.25 Hats go to close at 95c.
Mens \$1.50 Hats go to close at \$1.05

These are not late shapes, but will make you a good, every day hat.

A few Books left from Christmas selling
20-cent Books now selling at 15cts.
25-cent Books now selling at 20cts.
35-cent Books now selling at 25cts.
50-cent Books now selling at 40cts.

Many other items too numerous to mention. Sale began on Saturday, January 2, and will continue until further notice

S. C. DODSON

Wilson Block

Dallas, Oregon

POPULATION OF DALLAS

Polk County Observer is Making House to House Count of Inhabitants.

"What is the population of Dallas?" This is a question that is asked every day by strangers visiting our city, and it is one that no citizen has been able to answer satisfactorily since the Government made a count of noses three years ago. We know what our population was in 1900, but no one has kept a record of new people who have settled here since that year; consequently, all answers to the question are based upon the merest guess-work.

The population of Dallas in 1900, according to the Government census returns, was 1272. The count was made by H. B. Cosper, and the work was so thoroughly and conscientiously performed that no one has had any reason to doubt its accuracy. It is safe to say that Mr. Cosper enumerated every man, woman and child whose residence was in Dallas at that time. The city has been making a steady growth in the last three years, however, and there are many more people here now than in 1900. The increase in the voting population, number of school children and wage earners leaves no room for doubt on this score. Estimates of the present population vary widely, but the great majority of our people place the number close to the 1500 mark.

To arrive at the exact number of people living in Dallas and its suburbs, the Observer has undertaken the work of making an enumeration at its own expense. A representative of this paper will make a house to house count, with instructions to list the name of every man, woman and child now living in the city. No college students from outside the city will be enumerated, and we will promise not to include the traveling men who may happen to be staying at our hotels. It is our object to make a careful, honest count in order to determine the exact number of bona-fide residents of the city. The result will be announced in next week's paper, and the blanks will then be placed on file, where they may be examined by any person who desires to see them.

Elmer West has purchased the White Front livery barn on Main street and will take possession of the property February 1. The barn occupied by Mr. West at the present time will be remodeled and fitted up for an ice factory and cold-storage warehouse. E. W. Fuller, the occupant of the White Front stable will be obliged to seek other quarters.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that contain Mercury, as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 75c. per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Our Annual Clearance Sale!

Will commence on SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, and continue for 30 days. Our complete stock marked at a great sacrifice. Every article reduced to the lowest notch. Remember that this is the store that promotes better Merchandise, and that when THE BIG STORE cuts deeply into the prices we want all economical buyers, judges of values, to come here; it's for your own good as well as ours; you will profit by it, and will come to know why this store is the enterprising merchandise Mecca of this town.

Bargain Offerings During Third Week of Our Annual Clearance Sale

Men's heavy wool mixed Underwear, tan and grey, regular price 50c, sale 35c

Men's fancy Golf Shirts, also solid Tans, the kind we sold at 65c and 75c, sale price 50c

During this sale we are showing the "Monarch" Shirt, the best line of shirts on the market, regular price \$1, at 85c

Closing out a line of Men's Hats, soft hats in a variety of shapes, also stiff hats, values up to \$3, sale price \$1.00

Men's heavy denim Overalls, full regular make, sale price 45c

Ladies' walking Skirts at reductions as below:

\$3.85 Skirts, now	\$3.25
\$5.00 Skirts, now	\$4.25
\$5.50 Skirts, now	\$4.50
\$6.00 Skirts, now	\$5.00

Blankets and Comforters at greatly reduced prices, cotton Blankets per pair, 50c, 65c, 85c, \$1.05 and \$1.25
Comforters at 65c, 75c, 85c, and up to \$2.50

Ladies' Neckwear to close, values from 25c up to \$1.00, your choice at 10c

Men's Bow Ties, former price 25c, selling now at 12½c



Adler's Tailor Made Fancy Suits During Sale, \$12.50

The BEE HIVE STORE

NORDBY & FINSETH

As per contract, no reduction can be made on Butterick Patterns and Gordon Hats during this sale.

Dallas, Oregon

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