

**Polk County Observer**

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Ron. W. L. Tooze, of Falls City, was a Dallas visitor Tuesday.

Miss Ada Ostfeld went to Portland, Wednesday, to spend Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Ray Craven went to McMinnville, Wednesday, for a few days' visit.

Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Toney went to McMinnville, Wednesday, for a few days' visit.

J. J. Wiseman went to Portland, Wednesday, for a Thanksgiving visit among friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Fuller went to Portland, Wednesday, for a few days' visit with relatives.

W. E. Kavens has purchased five to six Park addition and will build himself a fine residence.

Bert Woodley, of Falls City, was a Dallas visitor, Wednesday, returning from a business visit in Portland.

F. S. Ramsey is able to be out again, after being confined to the house for a month by a severe attack of STIPES.

Mrs. George Gerlinger went to Portland, Wednesday, to spend Thanksgiving. Mr. Gerlinger is in California on business.

E. C. Kirkpatrick arrived home Monday from Los Angeles, where he attended the funeral of his father, the late Dr. J. K. Kirkpatrick.

Dr. C. A. Meek, president of Dallas College, gave an address at the M. O. A. meeting, Sunday, which was an able effort and warmly received.—Corvallis Gazette.

Mrs. Ella J. Metzger announces to the ladies of Dallas and vicinity, that she, Mrs. Metzger, her trimmer, will be in store only until Saturday, December 7. This is positively her last week.

The low table for children's use, which was ordered for the Public Library some time ago, has been received at the reading room, and will be greatly appreciated by the youthful patrons of the library.

William Ridgeway, a prominent stock raiser of Buell, was in Dallas, Wednesday, and took his son and daughter, William Jr. and Emma, who are students of Dallas College, to spend the Thanksgiving holidays.

R. B. Winslow has charge of the Hotel Gall, during the absence of J. B. Thompson, who was called to Hargrove, Washington, by the death of his brother, W. H. Thompson. The late Mr. Thompson was for several years a resident of this state, and is well known to many citizens of Dallas.

Prof. F. E. Fisher has had the rifle, which was killed by Roland Gilman a short time ago, mounted and put on display in the museum of the Science Department of Dallas College. It is a valuable addition to the collection of curiosities which go to make up this museum.

The second basketball team of Dallas College will play the Independence Athletic Club in the college gymnasium in this city Saturday night at 8 o'clock. This game promises to be a fast one, and a good dinner for the basketball season in Dallas. Admission, 15 cents.

Mrs. Anna C. Farley went to Portland, Wednesday, for a short visit.

Miss Lillian McVicker went to Lafayette, Wednesday, for a short holiday visit at the home of her parents.

Earl Heckart and Raymond Peterson went to Corvallis Wednesday, and will spend Thanksgiving with their parents.

R. H. Ruddick has returned from Portland, where he has been working for several months, and is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Ruddick.

Henry Pfandhoefer and Ralph Harrington, who are attending school at the Oregon Agricultural College, were in Dallas, Wednesday on their way to Falls City to spend Thanksgiving.

The members of the Philadelphia Literary Society are rehearsing the comedy, "Smith vs. Smith," which they will make one of the features of the open program that will be given by the society in a short time.

The following officers were elected by the Woodmen of the World, Tuesday evening for the ensuing term: B. M. Guy, Past C. C.; A. Longnecker, C. C.; W. L. Soehren, adviser; Lieutenant; H. C. Seymour, escort; Henry Stump, watchman; C. Covert, outside sentinel; W. G. Vassall, clerk; W. A. Ayres, J. E. Sibley and H. Reed, managers; V. P. Fiske, organizer.

John McCollum, a prosperous farmer residing midway between Buell and Sheridan, was a business visitor in Dallas, Wednesday. Mr. McCollum says that the Spores murder was committed near his farm, and that the Indian crossed one of his fields, while attempting to bear the body of the dead squaw to the shack on Cyrus Blair's farm, where the couple had been living.

The lecture on "The Chief Idea of Education" which will be delivered by Dr. J. Whitcomb Broucher, at the Evangelical church tonight, will be well worth the attention of all who are interested in educational work. Dr. Broucher is an excellent speaker, and this, combined with the rich store of valuable thought which his address is sure to contain, will make it an evening of pleasure and profit to all who attend.

Everything indicates that the School Officers' Convention tomorrow will be attended by representatives from the board of directors in every district in Polk county. The chairman of each board is allowed two dollars to pay for the time spent while attending the convention, but School Superintendent Seymour has received notice from many of these, that they intend to bring all of the directors along, and use the fee to help defray the expenses of the party.

The Students' Prohibition Association of Dallas College held a meeting in the College chapel Tuesday night and a most profitable program was rendered. The members have decided to found a library, which shall contain books and papers dealing with both sides of the temperance question, and many valuable donations have already been received from friends of the association. Great interest is also being shown in the oratorical contest to be held in March, and many of the students are preparing to enter the preliminary try-out, and compete for places in the state contest.

J. T. Hughes, of Falls City, was a business visitor in Dallas the first of the week.

Orville Shultz and family, of Falls City, visited relatives in Dallas yesterday.

Dr. C. A. Meek and Professor D. M. Metzger went to Portland yesterday on business.

Kenneth Hollister, of Portland, is visiting at the home of his uncle, Mr. J. H. Hollister.

Harry Byers and Leif Finseth went to Portland yesterday and attended the big football game.

Roscoe Ballantyne returned yesterday from a week's visit among friends in Dayton and vicinity.

J. C. Morrison and family, of Independence, spent Thanksgiving Day with relatives in Dallas.

George E. Johnson, a former Dallas sawmill man, was up from Portland on a business trip this week.

Edgar L. Collins returned to his home in Arleta yesterday, after a week's visit with relatives in Dallas and Falls City.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred West and little son went to Albany yesterday for a visit at the home of Mrs. West's mother, Mrs. M. J. Peary.

Fred Toner, the obliging deputy in County Clerk Smith's office, has been a sufferer from the effects of facial neuralgia for several days.

Miss Jean Kuykendall spent Thanksgiving with her friend, Miss Hallie Morrison, while going from Falls City to her home in North Yamhill.

Mrs. A. M. Dalrymple, accompanied by her daughter Helene, and little son Denton, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Holman.

W. J. White and John Bird were among the Dallas people who attended the football game played between the U. of O. and M. A. A. C. in Portland yesterday.

Mrs. M. O. Pickett has returned to her home in Waitsburg, Washington, after an extended visit at the home of her parents, Hon. and Mrs. N. L. Butler. Her sister, Miss Ella Butler, accompanied her to Waitsburg, and will spend the winter at that place.

Rufus R. Wood and family will start today for Roseburg, for a week's visit with friends. They will then go to St. Helena, California, where they will make their home. Mr. Wood has a fine ranch near that place, and will devote his time to the culture of olives and grapes.

The heavy rains accompanied by strong gales, during the week, played sad havoc with both the telephone companies and the electric light system, by breaking and fouling the wires. Linemen have been kept busy for several days in Dallas, putting the telephone lines in working order again.

Roy Finseth and Carl Williams, who are attending school in Eugene, are spending the Thanksgiving holidays in Dallas. Carl is playing forward on a crack roller skating basketball team of which Roy is traveling manager. This team will soon make a tour of the Willamette Valley, and will stop over in Dallas if arrangements can be made to play a game in this city.

**YOUNG WOMEN ENTERTAIN**

Entre Nous Club Gives Jolly Party at Home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ellis.

The young women of the Entre Nous Club entertained several of the young men of Dallas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ellis, Tuesday night. Each of the guests was initiated into honorary membership in the club, and that ceremony being completed, the remainder of the evening was devoted to social amusement.

The various games prepared for the evening's entertainment followed one another so rapidly that the interest was not permitted to lag for an instant and the guests were kept in a continual state of surprise at the ingenuity displayed by their hostesses. Delicious refreshments were served during the evening.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Guy, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Soehren, Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Bollman; Misses Flora McCollon, Jennie Muscott, Maud Robertson, Nora Robertson, Ollie Howe, Ella Brown, Fannie Dempsey, Maud Hart, Evangeline Hart, Ora Collins, Mina Hughes, Messrs. Harry Gaynor, Chauncey Crider, W. I. Ford, R. R. Hill, C. V. Chorpene, N. L. Guy, Earl Wisecarver, Dean Collins and Dr. Osmar K. Wolfe.

**NOVEL BIRTHDAY DINNER**

California Newspaper Comments on Big Feast to Be Given by W. C. Brown.

The Los Angeles Times of last Thursday says: "Seventy-four widows and one bachelor gracing a single banquet board is what is promised by the invitations sent out by 'Uncle Bill' Brown of Dallas for a birthday dinner. Brown is a jolly old disciple of single-blessedness, and he means to celebrate his birthday in an original way."

"On Mr. Brown's invitation list is the name of every widow in Dallas, but no other person has been honored. The women on their part have entered into the spirit of the occasion, and there will be few absent. The host is a man of means and promises that the dinner shall be such a good old New England feast as is seldom spread."

All correct but the "bachelor" part of it: The head of one of the best known families in Polk county, with grand-children and great-grand-children innumerable, Uncle Bill will doubtless vigorously resent being referred to as a bachelor.

**One Hundred Were Masked.**

A party of Dallas people went to Falls City, Wednesday night, by special train, and attended the Thanksgiving masked ball held in Wagner's Hall. Over 100 maskers were present, and great ingenuity was shown in the costumes selected. The prizes for the best sustained characters were awarded to Mrs. Maggie Talbot and L. Rich, both of Falls City. Mrs. Talbot represented a Japanese lady and Mr. Rich, a sleep walker. A short intermission allowed the dancers to go down to "The Tavern," where they partook of a midnight lutecheon, after which those who desired returned to the hall and continued the dance for a short time. The music for the occasion was furnished by Stockwell's orchestra and their work was highly appreciated by all, each number being heartily enjoyed.

Mrs. Ella J. Metzger will sell all white hats at greatly reduced prices, on Friday and Saturday of this week.

Another car of extra Star A. Star shingles, the celebrated Moore brand, just received by the Soehren Warehouse Co., Dallas.

The many friends of Miss Julia Nunn will be glad to hear that her condition has at last taken a turn for the better and that she is slowly improving from her long illness.

Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Toney will return to their timber claims in Lincoln county as soon as the storm is over. Miss Rose Bronken will probably not return to her claim until after Christmas.

The Citizen's ticket for city officers, the only ticket in the field in Independence, is as follows: For Mayor, W. H. Craven; councilmen, Clyde Williams, M. W. Mix, W. A. Messner, Newt Jones; recorder, Asa Robinson.

Carl Perceval departed one day last week for California and will try his fortune in that state for a time. Carl is a good steady young man, and will make his way where anyone will.—Independence West Side.

Thanksgiving day was celebrated in an appropriate manner with union services at the Evangelical Church, at 10 o'clock a. m., a short program being rendered, and an impressive sermon preached by the Rev. A. C. Corbin. The remainder of the day passed quietly, all places of business being closed between 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M.

County Treasurer J. E. Beezley has been soliciting aid from the business men of Dallas this week for the Poultry Show to be held in this city, December 26, 27 and 28. The merchants responded liberally, and a large list of prizes in cash and merchandise was subscribed, and a fair sum given toward the general expense fund of the show.

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**CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET**

December Term Will Convene Next Monday Unless Holidays Interfere.

Following is the docket of the December term of Circuit Court for Polk county, which will be convened by Judge Burnett next Monday, unless Governor Chamberlain shall decide to further extend the holidays:

B. J. Bowen vs. Howard D. and A. D. Goodfellow, action on note; John Bayne for plff., F. A. Turner for deft.

White Sewing Machine Co. vs. L. D. Daniel, action for money; J. L. Collins for plff., L. D. Brown for deft.

J. L. Tomlinson vs. G. A. Snell, action for money; N. M. Newport for plff.

School District No. 61 vs. School District No. 32, action for money; A. O. Condit for plff., Webster Holmes for deft.

A. W. Cooper vs. William and Margaret Milledge, confirmation; Oscar Hayter for plff.

Falls City Lumber Co. vs. J. M. Grant, action for possession of property or money; Oscar Hayter for plff.

Polk County Lumber Co. vs. J. T. Chamberlain, action for possession of property or money; Oscar Hayter for plff.

L. Rice vs. J. E. Wilson, action for money; B. F. Jones for plff.

S. E. Trask vs. F. A. Lucas, action for money; Oscar Hayter for plff., Sibley & Eakin for deft.

O. P. Low vs. G. N. Phillips, action for money; Oscar Hayter for plff.

Thomas Kinchin vs. B. Pickens, action for damages; Oscar Hayter for plff.

Petitions for naturalization of Thomas Elliott, William Bijenski and Robert McEllroe.

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