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NEWS OF COUNTY TOWNS

BRIDGEPORT.

Spring crops are nearly all planted. Several cases of mumps are reported in this neighborhood.

The Strong sawmill will soon be moved to a new location.

The recent frosts did considerable damage to the fruit in this vicinity.

Mr. Moser is building a large new barn on his farm in this neighborhood.

G. A. Biggs, of Vancouver, Washington, has been visiting relatives in this vicinity.

A. W. Plankington is recovering rapidly from the effects of a severe attack of lagrippe.

James Murphy is preparing to build a fine new residence on his wife's property near Falls City.

Road work in this neighborhood is progressing slowly on account of the frequent and heavy rains.

The Sullivan brothers have been farming on the property that they recently purchased near Pedee.

Misses Jennie Gilson and Annie and Amelia Peterson will take the final examinations from the eighth grade this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Brown have gone to San Francisco, where they will see the Atlantic squadron during its stop at that port.

George McCollom, who has been suffering for a long time with a cancer, has gone to Lovelock, Nevada, hoping that the change of climate may do him good.

MONMOUTH.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Pettit are visiting in Portland.

Sheriff J. M. Grant was a Monmouth visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Mulkey visited their farm near this city last week.

Bishop Bryfogle, of the Evangelical Association, will preach in this city tonight.

Mr. Shew will have his new tile factory completed and ready for operation in the near future.

Mrs. William Brown, of Bridgeport, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Robertson.

The creamery is in active operation at the present time, and everybody is highly pleased with its work.

Many of the roads in this vicinity have been graded recently, and will be covered with a good coat of gravel.

Messrs. Poole, Howell and Doughty are building a fine residence for Monroe Mulkey on College street, north of the Hampton hotel.

Val Huber, of Eastern Oregon is in this city with a herd of horses for sale, and will make his headquarters in Monmouth during the greater part of the coming summer.

The Rev. J. A. Goode attended the conference of the Evangelical Association at Little Falls, Washington, last week. His daughter, May, filled the pulpit in this city Sunday morning and the Rev. Stengle preached in the evening.

Harry Dellinger, of Portland, is visiting in this city.

Work on the cannery building is progressing rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Conkey were Salem visitors Wednesday.

Dr. Hewitt, of Oregon City, has located in Independence.

E. E. Paddock went to Portland, Wednesday, for a short visit.

Captain Spong, of Carson Springs, Washington, spent Sunday in this city.

Attorney Oscar Hayter, of Dallas, was a visitor in Independence, Sunday.

Edwin Wallace, a student in the O. A. C., visited in Independence last week.

Miss Ella Robinson, of McMinnville, spent Sunday at the home of her parents in this city.

Mrs. P. H. Drexler returned last week from a short visit with friends and relatives in Portland.

Mrs. H. E. Wagoner returned to her home in Portland, Saturday, after a short visit with relatives in Independence.

Fred McTimmonds returned to Dallas, Wednesday, after an extended stay on his ranch in the Siletz country.

LOGGER PAINFULLY INJURED

James Sevier, of Black Rock, Badly Crushed by Rolling Log.

James Sevier, of Black Rock, was severely injured while working in the timber Saturday, by a log rolling up on his leg, crushing and mangling it fearfully.

Dr. A. B. Starbuck was summoned from Dallas at once, but the young man had not sufficiently recovered from the terrible shock to make it safe for an operation to be performed.

The injured limb was temporarily set and on Sunday afternoon when the patient had recovered somewhat from the shock, an operation was performed and the leg was set. Mr. Sevier is recovering nicely, and it is believed that he will regain complete use of the injured member.

Mail Carriers Will Meet.

The annual meeting of the State Association of Rural Mail Carriers will be held in Albany, Friday and Saturday, May 29 and 30. There are over 200 rural mail carriers in Oregon and the majority of them belong to the State Association. Those from Polk county who will attend the meeting in Albany are: M. B. Grant, of Dallas, State vice-president of the National Association of Rural Mail Carriers; B. F. Wells, of Dallas, secretary of the Polk county association; Joseph Parker, of Independence, president of the Polk county association; L. R. Dickinson, of Independence; O. J. Bagley, of Saver; Finley Edgar, of Rickreall; C. G. Turner, of Airle, and Fred Huber, of Monmouth.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting. A meeting of the stockholders of the Freeland Consolidated Mining Company will be held at the office of the Company (Sibley & Eakin office) on Court street in Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, on the 29th day of May, 1908, at 7 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing five directors and for the transacting of such other business as may be deemed advisable.

H. C. EAKIN, Secretary.

Oliver Sevier, of Black Rock, was painfully injured Saturday, by the accidental discharge of a gun, the bullet striking him in the side and ranging down through the groin. He was taken to the hospital in Falls City at once, and the wound was carefully dressed. The wound is not necessarily dangerous and a speedy recovery is hoped for.

PROSPEROUS FALLS CITY

President of Willamette Development League Tells What He Saw There.

Editor E. Hofer, president of the Willamette Valley Development League, recently attended a booster and development meeting in Falls City. He was charmed with the town, and a few days later his paper, the Salem Journal, contained a three-column story of the Colonel's observations in and around Polk county's live lumber town. Among other things, he said:

Falls City held the first Booster and Development meeting at the opera house last Monday, and will now gather facts of production and prepare advertising matter for a publicity campaign.

On May 23 there will be a big Woodmen of the World convention held here, with an all-day program, prizes and parade, public speaking, grand ball and picnic. Fourth of July will be celebrated on a fine scale and with all the usual features of an Independence Day celebration.

The Salem, Falls City and Western railroad, which doesn't start at Salem nor stop at Falls City, is doing a fine business, hauling trainloads of logs daily to Dallas and Newberg. It is being extended into the timber as fast as new camps are opened.

It was a revelation to the writer to go to Falls City this week and spend a few days in its clear mountain air, beside its clear mountain stream, and realize the remarkable growth made by that little gem of Oregon cities in the past few years. It is a question if it does not hold the belt for having made the most rapid growth of any town in the state. It is L. Gerlinger and son's town, and the projector of the Salem, Dallas, Falls City and Western railroad has a warm place in the hearts of the people here.

The natural beauty and advantages of the place are great. Besides an almost inexhaustible timber supply, that keeps from three to five logging camps running, and a large planing and re-sawing mill in the city itself, the railroad is being extended into the coast range more and more. The local manager of this manufacturing plant is W. T. Grier, a regular captain of industry, who also manages the Falls City sales agency for the rest of the mills in the mountains, a distributing business that amounts to millions of feet annually.

People are coming slowly to realize the fact, that the entire foothill country from Dallas west and southwest is just as fine a fruit section as Hood River. Annual productions and shipments are increasing, and hundreds of acres are going into orchards where the soildest apples, that for high color, flavor and shipping quality are going to be world renowned, are produced plentifully and profitably. These lands are still to be had for a song.

One orchard we visited was Glen-alder fruit farm, owned by Miss Nellie Collins, for many years a school teacher, but who has become an enthusiastic orchardist. She has built a big cozy mountain home for herself and her sisters and father and mother, Judge Collins and wife of Dallas, when the Judge gets ready to retire from law practice.

Dr. W. H. Becker of Salem has located here and has a good practice. I found two old Journal office employees. Alvin Bowman, former pressman, and Billy McAdams, who sold papers for me when he was a kid. C. L. Starr, now secretary of the state normal schools, has been the live newspaper man of the town, and one of his brothers here is on the school board. It has run in the blood of the Starr family to have more or less to do with school matters for several generations.

Falls City has a ten-grade school conducted by F. S. Crowley. There are five teachers, and a branch school at Black Rock, the upper lumber camp, with two teachers. The school board are Ira Mehring, secretary of the Commercial club, G. M. Tice, Walter Williams and H. E. Starr. This board is not afraid to run a good school and employ bright and capable teachers and pay them good wages. Falls City has its full quota of churches.

The beautiful waterfall at Falls City is owned by W. E. Newson, of Portland, who has converted part of the power into electric current for lighting the city. The scenic beauty of the falls attracts people from far and near. The canyon is overhung with firs and alder, hawthorn and syringas, and other flowering shrubs, and has great scenic beauty that should be preserved. It will always be one of the greatest drawing cards of this city to have these falls and the natural beauty of this canyon preserved.

Falls City has two fine hotels, either of which would be a credit to Salem. They do a large business with home-steaders, timbermen, and tourists and traveling men, who all like Falls City for its hotels. The Tavern is conducted by H. Fagitt and family, a California hotel man and real estate booster who came here several years ago. The Walker is run by Col. Mat-

thews and Moss Walker, who came from Lebanon, both experienced men in catering to the public.

Walter L. Tooze came here from Woodburn a year ago, and bought out F. A. Lucas, the pioneer merchant and timberman. Mr. Tooze has extended the trade, until he does a large business, employing 14 people, and running a branch store at Black Rock.

Mr. Tooze is also president of the Commercial club and is putting the town on the map.

It would take a column of a newspaper to mention the other boosters and live men who have made Falls City the bustling, buzzing place it is, and it can all be summed up by saying the place has great material for making a fruit shipping center and has splendid attractions as a health and summer resort, and the mails are being extended.

T. D. Hollowell has about a quarter of an acre on the side of a hill and takes seven or eight hundred dollars worth of strawberries off each year. Mr. Hollowell understands the principles of soil drainage, heat radiation and a lot of things not taught in any agricultural college, and best of all he shows the products, and whatever acre of these hills is capable of.

One of the founders of the town is F. K. Hubbard, who is now running a big dairy business and supplying pure lactical fluid for the babies that seem to thrive on it.

A drive into the mountains will surprise anyone who has no idea of their richness and productivity. Every acre will grow fruits, small and large, vegetables, grains and grasses, has water all over and under it, and fine houses are being built along the roads, dairying is extending, chickens and pigs are multiplying.

County Commissioner J. B. Teal lives near here. He has a fine family of sons and daughters, has a big goat ranch, lots of timber lands, fish ponds, believes in good roads and bridges, and is in for giving Polk county a good progressive business administration.

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Monument Is Erected.

The monument erected by the public school children of 1908 to mark the site of the first school ever opened in Polk County was completed and set in its place on the McDaniel farm near Rickreall, Wednesday afternoon.

The ceremony of unveiling will be held tomorrow afternoon, and Superintendent H. C. Seymour says that, thus far, the preparations for the program have progressed with practically no hindrance. Should the weather be favorable he believes that over 1500 public school children will be present and assist in the celebration.

Dallas Plays Good Ball.

The Dallas baseball team played a practice game against Chemawa, Wednesday afternoon on the Chemawa field, losing by the close score of 9 to 8. As the Dallas team had only two or three days of real practice together before the meet with Chemawa, all feel highly satisfied with the showing made, and are quite confident that they will be able to defeat the Indians in the return game. Dallas will play in Sherwood Sunday afternoon.

The Dallas baseball team is practicing faithfully in preparation for the coming season of playing, and will make a strenuous bid for first place among the teams of the Willamette Valley. Shaw and Barham are developing an exceptionally strong battery. Fenton is playing his usual faultless game, and the other members of the team are showing up in excellent form. They will play the first game of the season with the Monmouth team at Rickreall tomorrow.

The Lebanon mohair pool, consisting of the clip from about 3,000 goats, was sold to the Ross Wool Scouring & Manufacturing Company, of Portland, Monday, the price paid being 18 cents a pound. About 5 tons have already been delivered and the entire amount of the pool will probably be turned in before the end of the week.



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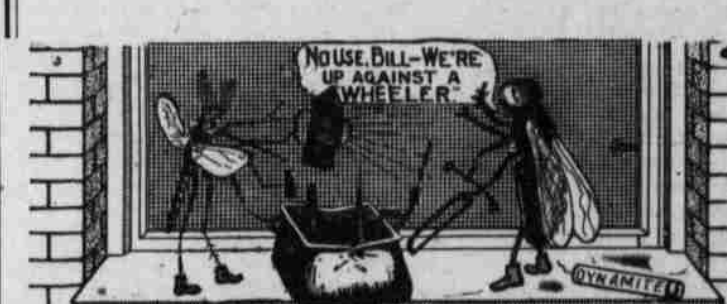
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