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## NEWS OF COUNTY TOWNS

### EOLA.

George Brunk has been quite ill. Ed Mitty has been quite ill lately. Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Chamberlain this week, a son.

Strawberries are ripening very slowly in this vicinity.

W. B. Daggett, of Portland, visited friends in this place recently.

The Rev. Walker will deliver a temperance lecture in Eola, Sunday evening.

Cherries in the vicinity of Eola are growing finely, and a large crop is assured.

Mrs. Dunsmore is visiting at the home of Pryor Robertson, in Turner, this week.

O. G. Savage is recovering rapidly from the effects of his recent severe illness.

H. B. Brophy recently spent several days in Lebanon and the surrounding country buying cattle.

Professor Sherwood, of the Willamette University, preached an excellent sermon at this place last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Grosser, of Willamina, have been visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. W. Chamberlain.

Miss Nina Johnson, of Salem, is teaching classes in vocal and instrumental music in the Greenwood and Eola districts.

Miss Osa Grice, of Popcorn, spent several days in Monmouth last week, visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. L. Conoy.

Mrs. Brophy's mother and sister, Mrs. Vandom and Mrs. Charles Williams, of Monmouth, are visiting at her home in Eola this week.

Mrs. F. L. Benedict, of Portland, and Miss Martha Sheridan, of Salem, were visitors at the home of their sister, Mrs. Ferguson, recently.

The work of grading the roads in this neighborhood was well under way some time ago, but had to be discontinued temporarily on account of rainy weather.

### LEWISVILLE.

John Rittner is building a fine up-to-date cow barn for Frank Loughary. Everyone is invited to attend the

Shady Lane picnic Saturday, June 6. The G. and G. Club met at the home of the class teacher Wednesday night.

Mr. Caulkings, of Portland, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White.

George Conn and Dorsa Turner attended the races in Independence, Wednesday.

Miss Olesen, the teacher in the Lewisville school has returned to her home in Washington.

Mrs. Rosa Singer, of Portland, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Wing.

Earl and Orville White have taken a contract to cut 600 cords of wood for Arthur Winterstein, of Airlie.

Mr. Armstrong will move his axe-handle mill from the Fowle property to the Brigham Young place this week.

"Grandpa" Lindeman after a two days' visit at the home of his son, George, in Corvallis, has gone to Hillsboro for a visit.

Mrs. Susie McKinney was called to Albany, Thursday, by news of the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Tom McKinney. Mrs. McKinney has been taken to the hospital for treatment.

Our school closed Wednesday with a fine entertainment and a basket social, from which the school cleared \$40.85 with which to buy an organ for the new school house that is to be built.

### AIRLIE.

The new depot at this place is almost finished.

A. N. Newbill recently purchased a new buggy and driving horse.

The axe-handle mill has been moved to the Burgett Young property.

W. A. Robertson is hauling wood from Airlie for the Independence motor company.

J. M. Staats is suffering from a lame foot caused by a wound from a rusty nail.

Many of the people from this neighborhood will attend the picnic at Ridders Grove.

S. E. Trask, of Falls City, will assume charge of the Miller & Aloor store at this place next week.

Mrs. C. Cooper died Monday night

after a long illness. The funeral was held Wednesday, and the remains interred in the Kings Valley cemetery.

A company will be formed in this neighborhood to buy a threshing outfit, so that all may be assured of having their threshing done promptly and to suit themselves.

### BRIDGEPORT.

Clint Foster is quite ill.

W. H. Maek lost a valuable horse last Friday.

Dan Foster, of Salt Creek, visited in this vicinity last week.

Mrs. R. R. Riggs is visiting her parents in Columbia county.

Miss Alpha Wilson visited among friends in this neighborhood Friday.

Wesley Robertson, of Hickreall, visited at the home of Frank Law a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Chamberlain visited relatives and friends in Newberg a few days last week.

A big crowd is expected to attend the picnic which is to be held at Shady Lane on Saturday, June 6.

Miss Hattie Teats' school closed last Friday and Miss Sadie Lynn closed a successful term at Bridgeport about two weeks ago.

J. D. Smith, of Dallas, was a business visitor in this vicinity Wednesday. Mr. Smith recently built several hundred rods of wire fencing on his farm.

### MONMOUTH.

T. J. Pettit was an Albany visitor last week.

S. Gilliams was in Toledo last week on a short business visit.

Mrs. Cal Kramer, of Falls City, visited relatives and friends in this city last week.

The Monmouth creamery is working steadily, and its business promises to become one of the most important items in the industrial development of this city.

Dewey Burt was knocked senseless by a blow from a baseball recently, but is recovering nicely, although the injury threatened to be very serious.

Many of the citizens of Monmouth went to Newport last week to see the battleship fleet, but were disappointed as the ships passed that point so far out at sea that only the larger ships were visible to the watchers on the hills about Newport and the bay.

County Clerk E. M. Smith and Superintendent H. C. Seymour were visitors in Independence, Wednesday.

### MORE ROOM NEEDED

Dallas Must Provide For Rapidly Increasing Number of School Children.

At the meeting of the school directors Tuesday evening it was decided that more school room has become necessary, and steps will be taken this summer to arrange either for the enlargement of the present school building, or the erection of another to accommodate the increasing number of school children requiring entrance into our public school.

When the building now in use was first finished, it afforded ample room for the limited number of pupils, but the addition of the high school grades, combined with the rapid growth of the city's population has, within a few years time, filled it to overflowing and now the directors are facing the alternative of either abolishing the ninth and tenth grades, or of securing more room.

The benefits derived from the addition of the high school work have been so apparent that it is doubtful if the patrons of the school would be willing to have them abolished, so it is quite probable that Dallas will have a new school house before next Fall, or at least will have an addition built sufficient to accommodate the vastly increased number of pupils attending.

### TAXES NEARLY ALL IN

Less Than \$17,000 Now Uncollected Out of Total of \$148,000.

General Fund.....	\$68,741.51
Common School Fund.....	20,039.89
City of Dallas.....	4,891.15
City of Independence.....	1,733.92
City of Monmouth.....	834.96
City of Falls City.....	533.15
<b>SCHOOL DISTRICTS.</b>	
No. 2.....	\$3,250.07
No. 6.....	95.94
No. 11.....	191.59
No. 12.....	82.33
No. 13.....	1,971.00
No. 14.....	25.29
No. 21.....	653.80
No. 22.....	144.12
No. 23.....	133.26
No. 29.....	2,185.21
No. 33.....	176.97
No. 35.....	141.65
No. 36.....	624.00
No. 43.....	149.66
No. 44.....	107.71
No. 46.....	42.67
No. 47.....	79.37
No. 49.....	30.97
No. 57.....	3,445.20
No. 58.....	366.49
No. 60.....	523.37
No. 61.....	438.74
No. 62.....	264.37
No. 66.....	1,043.83
<b>ROAD DISTRICTS.</b>	
No. 1.....	\$ 950.02
No. 2.....	556.86
No. 3.....	743.07
No. 4.....	535.63
No. 5.....	656.71
No. 6.....	1,004.10
No. 7.....	574.09
No. 8.....	702.96
No. 9.....	596.83
No. 10.....	489.93
No. 11.....	534.93
No. 12.....	328.37
No. 13.....	933.57
No. 14.....	583.59
No. 15.....	693.07
No. 16.....	746.12
No. 17.....	1,430.50
No. 18.....	1,324.86
No. 19.....	710.92
No. 20.....	498.93
No. 21.....	1,300.23
No. 22.....	513.73
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$128,431.01</b>

State of Oregon, County of Polk, ss. I, J. M. Grant, Sheriff of the above-named county and state, do hereby certify that the above statement is a true transcript of the collections of the 1907 tax in my office, and turned over to the County Treasurer up to and including the 8th day of May, 1908.

J. M. GRANT,  
Sheriff of Polk County.

The total amount of 1907 tax was \$148,128.28. Of this amount, \$35,225.39 is to be deducted as the amount that has been allowed on the 3 per cent rebate. Adding this sum to the collections already made gives a total of \$112,902.89. Deducting this latter amount from the total taxes, there is only \$35,225.39 remaining to be collected on the roll. A large portion of this balance cannot be collected until next Fall, as many taxpayers having paid the first half of their taxes are given by law until October to pay the last half.

Notice to Contractors.  
Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned for the construction of a schoolhouse in School District No. 51, Polk county, Oregon. Plans may be seen at the office of School Superintendent H. C. Seymour, or at D. J. Grant's furniture store in Falls City. All bids to be sent to J. M. Farley, Dallas, Oregon, to be opened June 6, 1908. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

J. M. FARLEY,  
District Clerk.

W. D. Henry, of Spring Valley, was a visitor in Dallas, Wednesday.

### GOVERNOR IN DALLAS

Talks to Audience That Comfortably Fills Courthouse—Defends His Record.

Governor George E. Chamberlain addressed a large crowd of the men and women of Dallas at the Courthouse, Wednesday night.

J. G. VanOrdel, chairman of the Democratic committee in Polk county, presided over the meeting, and Hon. N. L. Butler introduced the speaker of the evening with a short and witty address.

Mr. Chamberlain began his address by declaring that he had been drawn into the campaign contrary to his expressed desires, but since he had entered it, he intended to make as hard and consistent a fight as it lay in his power to make. Briefly outlining his policies and the course he intended to pursue, should he receive the election, Mr. Chamberlain devoted the latter portion of his speech to a defense against the attacks that had been made upon him, speaking especially upon the subject of his alleged abuse of the pardoning power.

During his entire address Mr. Chamberlain always alluded to his opponent, H. M. Calk, in a most courteous manner, maintaining that although their political views differed, they were the warmest of personal friends.

As Mr. Calk, in all of his speeches throughout the state, has carefully refrained from abuse of his Democratic opponent, it would appear that the personal element of the campaign has been confined to a few over-zealous newspapers on both sides, leaving the real issue between the two candidates where it ought to be—purely one of party principles and party policies. The voters of Oregon fully understand the situation and will vote accordingly next Monday.

### THESE HAVE PASSED

Names of Pupils Who Will Receive Eighth Grade Certificates in Polk County.

The names of the eighth grade pupils in Polk county who passed the final examinations last week are as follows:

Dallas—Elma E. Harris, Ruth Morrison, Lilah McDaniel, Amy Whitehorn, Katie Hughes, Birdie McBride, Cora B. Cone, Dessie Miller, Edna Clifford, Hattie Coover, Ruth Simkins, Olive Coulter, Anne M. Gardner, Arlington Simkins, Norval Gates and Homer Calkins.

Falls City—Leslie O. Tooze, Eurith Leek, Earl Crowley, Lavilla Buell, Lamar Tooze and Walter Tice.

Popcorn—Dwain Gibson, Fred Gibson, Grace Wilson, Flora Grice, Blanch Wilson and Ollie Porter.

Bethel—Gladys Turner, Elizabeth Cook, Leda McKee, Leo McKee, Nellie Stewart and Ava Shields.

Lincoln—Margurite Spong, Ethel Walling, Mamie Gerth, John Ruble and Miles Bradford.

Buona Vista—Martha Winn, Clara Wells, Carrie Nash and Roy Elkins.

Spring Valley—Veta Branson, Jessie Simkins and Carrie Damm.

Perrydale—Jessie Morrison, George Flansery and Nellie Key.

Ballston—Carl Gregg and John Seufert.

Rickreall—Allen Cadle and Walter Vaughn.

Airlie—Ernest Williams.

Gooseneck—Norval Emmett.

Harmony—Edna Hicks.

Montgomery—Walter Guyer.

Suver—Bena McCready.

Enterprise—Harry Bissell.

Pioneer—Lawrence Donrhecker.

Oakhurst—Mary Hanson.

Mountain View—Chester Kubin.

Highland—Ernest Ewing.

Pleasant View—Amelia Peterson.

### New Boat on Willamette.

Captain Skinner, of the steamer Independence, has been building a new boat to use between Salem and Independence at odd times when the regular boat needs repairs or when there is a rush of business. The new boat is a 40-foot launch of his own design and has been constructed under his own supervision. It will be ready to launch in about a month. It will then take the place of the Independence until that boat receives a thorough overhauling.—Salem Statesman.

Thirty members of the Eastern Star lodge of Dallas, visited the Adah Chapter in Independence, Wednesday, going over on the regular evening motor and returning by special train at 1 o'clock. The occasion was the initiation of several new members into the Independence lodge. After the close of the work of initiation, a delicious banquet was served and the remainder of the evening spent in a pleasant social manner.

The Rev. D. J. Becker announces that next Sunday has been set aside for special services in honor of "Our Mothers" at the Presbyterian Church. Everyone is requested to assist in the services by bringing his or her mother to church, presenting her with white flowers, and wearing a white carnation or some other white flower themselves in honor of the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Cook, of Falls City, were Dallas visitors Tuesday.

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## What About Salmon Protection?

That the food fish of our State need better protection than is now afforded is agreed. You have already or doubtless will receive considerable literature on the subject, but no matter how attractive the argument, stop and consider how much it may be colored by self-interest.

The United States Bureau of Fisheries are the greatest expert authorities on the subject and have no ax to grind. Read what they say.

### Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Hon. Charles W. Fulton,  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

Sir: The Department realizes the importance of the various questions affecting the salmon fishery in the Columbia River brought up in your letter of the 18th ultimo, and has taken this opportunity to make a thorough investigation of the matter. There can be no question that the status of the fishery is unsatisfactory, and that under existing conditions the trend may be expected to be steadily downward, with the result that in a comparatively few years the run of salmon in that stream will be reduced to such a degree that thousands of fishermen may be thrown out of employment and much capital rendered idle. The Federal Government is without any jurisdiction whatever in the premises, and the duty of conserving the salmon supply in the Columbia devolves on the States of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho; but this Department has been charged by Congress with important fish-cultural operations in the Columbia basin, and has felt impelled from time to time to direct attention to the necessity for giving adequate protection to the various species of salmon frequenting that stream. The Department is convinced that the run of salmon in the Columbia can be amply maintained for an indefinite period if artificial propagation is supplemented by rational protection; but artificial propagation alone cannot cope with the situation, and, as a matter of fact, the recent experience of the Department has shown that its beneficent labors are rendered almost futile by the failure of the State to appreciate this fact.

The Department sees no reason for advocating the elimination of fish wheels from the river, as there is no evidence to show that this form of apparatus is particularly destructive to salmon. A condition that is specially favorable for the passage of salmon—namely, very high water—renders the wheels unserviceable and, on the other hand, periods of very low water, when the fish are much restricted in their movements, are also unfavorable for the wheels. During the past two or three seasons the catch of salmon by wheels has been comparatively small, but even if it were very large it would be a fact of no special significance in the present connection.

The Columbia River is, however, made to yield a quantity of salmon far greater than regard for the future supply permits, and the drain is yearly becoming more serious. No one familiar with the situation can fail to appreciate the menace to the perpetuity of the industry that is furnished by the concentration of a tremendous amount of fixed and floating apparatus of capture in and near the mouth of the river. This apparatus comprises about 400 pound nets or traps, over 80 long-sweep seines, and more than 2,200 gill nets, the last having an aggregate approximate length of over 570 miles; and these appliances capture more than 95 per cent of the fish taken in the Oregon and Washington waters of the river, the figures for 1904 being nearly 34,000,000 pounds, or 98.7 per cent of the total yield. Under such conditions, it is self-evident that but comparatively few fish are permitted to reach the upper waters where the spawning grounds are located.

The details of the measures necessary to place the salmon industry of the Columbia River on a permanent basis can not be elaborated by the Department at this time, but in general it may be said that there should be (1) a restriction on the amount of apparatus employed in a given section; (2) an adequate weekly close season, covering possibly two days at first, but reduced later if circumstances warrant it; (3) an annual close season, preferable at the beginning of the salmon run, and (4) joint arrangements between the States, so that protective measures may be harmonious.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) OSCAR S. STRAUS,  
Secretary.

Bill No. 318 embodies Government recommendations and should pass. It is a square deal for all

VOTE 318--X--YES

Bill No. 333 was framed to foster the selfish interest of a single locality. It is against the Government recommendations, and will mean a heavy tax on the State to carry out its provisions. It favors monopoly and is unfair. It should not pass.

VOTE 333--X--NO

W. D. Henry, of Spring Valley, was a visitor in Dallas, Wednesday.