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## NEWS OF COUNTY TOWNS

### INDEPENDENCE.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Moore returned from Newport, Monday.

Misses Ivy Cooper and Bertha Bohannon are Falls City visitors.

Mrs. G. W. Conkey visited her brother, Travis McDevitt, in Corvallis, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Sears returned from Portland, Wednesday, and will make their home here.

Mrs. J. M. Stark and Johnnie and Allene Stark, of Eugene, are visiting friends here this week.

Mrs. John McCready was down from Black Rock the first of the week visiting relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kutch and Mr. and Mrs. Dae Taylor have returned from a week's fishing trip.

Mrs. A. Whitney and little son returned from a visit with friends and relatives in Eugene last week.

Mrs. John Dickinson entertained the ladies of the Leisure Hour Reading Club at her home last Thursday afternoon.

The steel bridge at the north end of Main street is now in the course of construction, and will be completed and ready for travel in a few weeks.

### FALLS CITY.

(Falls City News.)

W. E. Newson, of Ranier, was here recently attending to business.

Mrs. Ira Mehrling and daughter, Ella, have gone for a visit in Idaho and Washington.

The mill resumed operations Monday morning after being closed temporarily for repairs.

S. H. Tetherow came in from his ranch the last of the week where he had been during hay harvest.

W. P. Lewis and family left Monday for their home in Lake county. They went in company with Eric Bowman, of Dallas and will make the trip in a wagon.

Charles W. Rice and family, of Myrtle Creek, visited at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Rounds over Sunday. Mr. Rice is editor of the Myrtle Creek Mail.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Lucas drove up from Portland, Sunday, in their auto. Mr. Lucas made a timber deal and returned home Tuesday, leaving Mrs. Lucas here for a visit with her parents.

### AIRLIE.

A. N. Newbill is running George

Conn's binder for him at present, Mr. Conn being unable to work on account of a sprained back.

Miss Lena Tartor, of Corvallis, is visiting relatives near here.

Farmers are through haying, and grain cutting is now under way.

The little son of Charles Cooper was painfully injured this week, a heavy gate falling on him and breaking his leg near the hip joint.

The lumber for our fine new two room school house is already being hauled, and J. M. Staats will begin work on the building in a short time.

One of George Conn's little girls fell from a load of hay a short time ago and broke one of the bones in her arm just above the wrist.

Wallace Richardson died at his home near this place Monday morning, and was buried in the English cemetery, Tuesday. He was about 35 years of age and was unmarried.

### A. M. ALLEN DEAD

Brother of Mrs. Hardy Holman Dies at His Home in The Dalles After Long Illness.

Mrs. Hardy Holman received news yesterday of the death of her brother, A. M. Allen, which occurred at his home in The Dalles, Wednesday at 5 o'clock p. m., after a long and severe illness.

Mr. Allen was born January 23, 1848, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Allen, being pioneers of 1844. His grandfather, J. B. Riggs, was well known among the older citizens of Polk county, and was for many years a resident of Dallas. During the earlier part of his life Mr. Allen lived with his parents on the Jacob Pfau farm between Eola and Rieckreal, his removal to The Dalles being made in later years.

He is survived by a wife and nine children; a brother and two sisters, C. A. Allen, of The Dalles; Mrs. James Crawford, of Pendleton, and Mrs. Hardy Holman, of this city.

The deceased had numerous friends and acquaintances throughout Polk county, to whom the news of his death will be a source of deep regret.

### Rev. Winter Seriously Ill.

Rev. A. A. Winter, pastor of the First United Evangelical Church, East Tenth and Sherman streets, has smallpox and was removed from the maese to the Isolation Hospital, Saturday.

Mr. Winter was taken ill ten days ago with what was supposed to be nervous prostration from overwork, but until Saturday, the attending physician did not pronounce the case smallpox. Mr. Winter was preparing to leave for rest and recreation on a farm in the Willamette Valley. Up to Friday a great many of his friends called to see and chat with him, but Saturday the case was pronounced smallpox and he was at once removed to the pesthouse. The attack is mild and there is believed to be small danger that it will spread among friends, who continued to call as late as Friday.—Oregonian

### Establishing Cherry Driers.

The anxiety of growers regarding the future of the cherry and loganberry industry in this valley, caused by the dull market for these products this year, has been allayed to some extent by the favor with which the drying process is being received and the extent to which it is being practiced. Several large growers in Marion and Polk counties are drying large quantities of loganberries and experiments are being made in several places in drying cherries. A representative of McClure, Kilton & Company was up from Portland today for a conference with local fruit men. He states that there is a good market for dried cherries, and there is a belief here that the drying plan may solve the market problem.—Oregonian.

### Dies After Long Illness.

Mrs. J. D. Fenton, wife of Dr. J. D. Fenton, died at her home on Overton street Wednesday night at 7 o'clock. Death was due primarily to goitre of long standing, which about one month ago confined her to her bed. The funeral will be held today at 10:30 from Trinity church, of which Mrs. Fenton has been an active member and a worker in the Ladies' Guild. Rev. A. A. Morrison will officiate. Mrs. Fenton was the eldest daughter of Mrs. Kate Brasel, an old-time resident of this city. She leaves, besides her husband and a son who is 2 1/2 years of age, five sisters and one brother.—Portland Journal.

Dr. Fenton is a brother of H. L. Fenton of this city.

### Mrs. Nellie Raymond Dead.

Mrs. Nellie Raymond died at her home in Caldwell, Idaho, Sunday, July 5, after a long illness. She was born in Ohio in 1897, and on July 5, 1884, she married Fred Raymond, of Hillsdale, Michigan, and came with him to Oregon six years later. After 13 years residence in Oregon they moved to Caldwell, Idaho in 1903. The deceased is survived by two sons and three daughters, her husband having died a few years after they went to Idaho. Mrs. Raymond was well known among the residents of both Dallas and Falls City.

### OREGON CHERRIES PEELESS

Fruit Exhibited at Cherry Fair Last Week the Finest in the World.

In regard to the culture of cherries in Oregon, as exemplified at the recent Cherry Fair in Salem, the Oregonian speaks as follows:

The cherry fair held in Salem last week was an epoch in the history of horticulture in Oregon. The distinct success of the fair and the high quality of its exhibits draw attention to the fact that the people of Oregon and especially of the Willamette valley, do not appreciate in any degree the remarkable possibilities of our section in the growing of cherries. We speak indifferently of our beautiful and luscious Royal Annes, American Lamberts, but until some official test is made we do not appear to understand that in Western Oregon are natural climate and soil conditions which produce cherries of the highest quality and of the largest size ever shown in the world.

The Royal Anne is a native of the south of France and is the standard among white cherries. But in its native home it is not the Royal Anne of the Willamette valley, where it is grown 1 1/2 inches in diameter and supreme in quality. Yet the Royal Anne has been surpassed in the estimation of connoisseurs by the Bing, the Lambert, the Hoskins and several other varieties, all of which have been originated in the Willamette valley.

Here, in their native home, these varieties have excelled the products of all ages, and emphasize the claim that Oregon is unsurpassed in this tempting line of horticulture. However, excellent as these varieties seem to be, we have not been able to introduce them to the markets of New York and Chicago. The juiciness, the very luscious quality that endears these fruits to us, has hitherto been their undoing, robbing them of their carrying quality for distant shipments.

Experiments to obviate this tenderness in our cherries and berries have been in progress for some time, and it is now thought that the difficulty will be overcome by cooling the fruit before it is put into refrigeration. It is planned to load cars with cherries and run them into cooling stations, allowing them to stand a few hours, or until the temperature of the fruit drops gradually to the proper point, and then to ice the cars in the ordinary manner of refrigerating. It is thought that by this plan cherries, loganberries and all other tender fruits will carry in perfect condition to New York. Thus far these experiments indicate the solution of the tender cherry difficulty.

### THE REPRIEVE OF JOHN.

BY DEAN COLLINS.

The Standard Oil magnate receiving the message

Flopped down on a fine Turkish rug in the hallway,

And, wildly hilarious, kicked up his heels.

Then clapping his hands, which were horny and calloused

With clipping away at the lengthy coupon:

He settled his wig on his smooth shining skull piece,

And skipped through the doorway as light as a fawn.

He skipped down the hedgerows and sped toward the golf links,

As agile and free as the trickiest musk-tang.

And lifted his voice in a heart-happy chauntry,

And these are the jubilant words that he sang:

"Judge Landis, Judge Landis, the sins that a man does,

Though redder than scarlet and slimy as oils,

Yet whiter than wool, when the measure is full, then

They'll wash 'em all out in the Court of Appeals.

My lean days are ended my woe is befriended,

By those who in sympathy sweetly have spoke

The soft soothing speech that has stopped up the breach that

Long threatened to put the poor magnate clean broke.

Now thicker than freckles I'll scatter my shekels,

And turn on my charity faucet anew, and colleges many who haven't had any

Of my hateful rhino shall see me come through.

O gladder and gladder I'll grin while the madder

The people will roar at my lucky escape

As the 29,000,000 they're waiting for still, you

They'll see in the distance, a fleet fading shape.

O Kenesaw Landis, I'm feeling as grand as

A Kaiser, or Cesar, or an Emperor feels,

I'm gay as a colt o'er your unlooked-for jolt;

Hip, hip, hip, hurray for the Court of Appeals!"

The Randall Company has rented the Crider building on the corner of Oak and Main streets, and is installing seats and other fixtures, preparatory to opening a moving picture theater. The new amusement hall will be ready to open by the first of next week.

### WILL ENCOURAGE IMMIGRATION

Campaign Throughout Oregon Planned to Reduce Acreage of Farm Holdings.

A campaign throughout the Willamette Valley for the increasing of Oregon's population by reducing the size of individual farm holdings in the valley counties is being widely discussed among the commercial clubs, real estate dealers and railroad companies, and a concerted effort is contemplated to bring about a division of the larger holdings into small sized tracts, which may be parcelled out and sold to newcomers at fair prices, thus inducing an increase in the current of immigration to our state.

The Portland Journal, Wednesday evening, makes the following notice of a meeting held in that city for the purpose of discussing these plans.

"A campaign of education for smaller farms and more farmers in the Willamette valley was started by the Portland realty board at a meeting held Tuesday afternoon at the Commercial club. Railroad officials who have been making a study of conditions attended the meeting and joined in the movement. A committee was appointed to formulate a plan of campaign.

"The situation in the valley at the present time does not hold out encouragement for increased population and larger production. The farms are still held in large tracts, hundreds of acres being under single ownership and neither cleared nor tilled in reasonable proportions.

"The country is imperatively in need of more active agricultural operations. The industry seems to have been held back by the contentment of those who hold the lands, or by the settling of estates of deceased pioneers, or by the owner's failure to adopt modern methods of diversified farming. The lands are rich and will produce immense crops if properly cultivated. There is but a small proportion of the lands under continuous cultivation, and a vast acreage is still in virgin timber.

"Dr. James Withycombe, director of the Oregon agricultural college experiment station, urged the board to go on with its proposed campaign, and said any change from present conditions would be a benefit to the people of the valley."

Fine Specimens of Cherries.

J. B. Nunn has brought in this week from his cherry orchard south of Dallas, several remarkably fine specimens of the Lambert cherry, large finely colored samples of fruit, with small pits and exceptionally fine meat. Mr. Nunn was unable to send any of his fruit to the Cherry Fair held in Salem last week, on account of its slowness in ripening, but the specimens brought in this week were undoubtedly of a prize winning quality. Mr. Nunn's cherries are of the same variety as those exhibited by J. R. Shepard last week, which won the sweepstakes over the combined exhibits of four counties.

Mrs. A. R. Martin and son, of Junction City, are visiting at the home of her parents, Judge and Mrs. N. L. Butler.

Elbert Parrish is suffering from a light attack of blood poisoning caused by bruising his right hand while feeding one of the planers at the Willamette Valley sawmill.

## MID-SUMMER SPECIAL SALE

Commencing Thursday, July 9th, on our entire stock of Ladies' and Men's Oxfords--Tan, Patent or Vici.

Ladies' Shirt Waists, Silk or Lawn, to close out at a big reduction.

Wash Goods in Lawns, Organdies, Dimity, Mulls etc., all go during this sale at cut prices.

Owing to the cold, backward spring we are overstocked on these goods. Space will not permit of giving prices, but the price is low.

COME and SEE.

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## Willamette Valley Company

E. W. KEARNS, Manager for Dallas.

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