

## Polk County Observer

L. Rush, of Amity, was a Dallas visitor Wednesday.

Samuel Gross, of Airlie, was a Dallas visitor Wednesday.

R. W. Ballantyne returned yesterday from a trip to Sheridan.

Dr. J. V. Scott, of Falls City, was a visitor in Dallas, Wednesday.

Henry Myers, of Seio, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Grant.

Samuel Orr, of Rickreall, was a business visitor in Dallas yesterday.

The Oak Grove grange will hold a public installation of officers, Saturday.

The Rev. H. H. Farnham went to Portland, Wednesday, for a short visit.

Hon. D. L. Keyt, of Perrydale, was in Dallas, Wednesday, on a business visit.

M. I. Capps was over from Salem, Wednesday, on a business visit in Dallas.

Miss Laverne Burns, of Bridgeport, was in Dallas yesterday enroute for Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Campbell were visitors in Independence and Salem, Wednesday.

Miss Rachel Cook is visiting at the home of her nephew, M. I. Capps, near Salem.

Commissioner William Riddell, of Monmouth, was a business visitor in Dallas, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. VanOrsdel went to Portland, Tuesday, to attend the production of "Ben Hur".

J. H. Moore, of Mill City, went to Portland yesterday morning after a few days' visit in this city.

County Clerk E. M. Smith issued license to wed to Richard Clamfield and Elizabeth Ross, Wednesday.

Miss Ella Roy went to Portland yesterday for an indefinite stay. She intends taking lessons in vocal music.

B. M. Guy returned Wednesday from Portland, where he had been attending the Hardware Dealer's Convention.

County School Superintendent H. C. Seymour, accompanied by Mrs. Seymour, went to Falls City yesterday on a visit.

A meeting of Jennings Lodge, Number 9, A. F. & A. M., is announced for Friday night. Work will be put on in the M. M. degree.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Craven returned Wednesday from Portland, where he had been attending the Hardware Dealers' Convention.

Mrs. Ellen J. Hubbard returned Tuesday night from a short visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Hubbard in McMinnville.

At the Presbyterian church next Sunday, the pastor will speak at 11 a. m. on "What To Do With Care" and at 7:30 p. m. "The Rubric of Redemption." A cordial welcome to all.

Rodney Coulter left today for his home in Baker City, after a few days' visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Coulter.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Casey and daughter, Helen, returned Wednesday evening from a few weeks' visit with relatives in Roseburg and Woodburn.

Trains to Falls City this week have been crowded with loggers and sawmill men returning to the mills and camps in and about that city.

Roy Wassam, the Dallas representative of the Spaulding Logging Company, went to Salem yesterday morning on a business visit.

Representative C. L. Hawley, of Polk county, has introduced a bill in the House for a uniform term of six months school in all rural districts.

Mrs. Chester Hare, of Portland, and Mrs. Laura Miller, of Newberg, attended the funeral services of the late Monroe Miller in Dallas, Tuesday.

County Commissioner J. B. Teal was unable to be down from Falls City, Wednesday and yesterday and no adjourned session of the County Court was held.

Rural telephone service has been seriously interfered with during the past few days by the storm and a few of the city lines have also been slightly damaged.

The Dallas High School has dropped out of the Polk County Debating League and in order to fill all dates scheduled in the organization, the Monmouth school will put two teams in the field.

At the Christian church next Sunday the themes of discourses will be: "If All The Members Were Just Like Me, What Kind of a Church Would This Church Be?" and "The Drama of Human Life."

With the exception of a few of the schools in the rural districts, work in the public schools of Polk county has been fully resumed after vacations of from one week to ten days during the unpleasant weather.

The Student Prohibition Association of Dallas College is holding weekly meetings for study and is preparing for the work in the oratorical contests. The local contest will be held here in February and the State contest in Salem early in April.

The three and one-half inch water main across the LaCreole, which supplies North Dallas, was broken and torn out by the flood and for several hours that portion of the city was literally "dry." A temporary main has been run from the corner near the Stouffer residence and carried across the stream on the bridge to serve temporarily.

County Clerk E. M. Smith and Deputy Clerk A. F. Toner have been hard at work for several days on a transcript of the evidence in the recent Hembree murder trial, which will be submitted at the hearing in the Supreme Court. The "brief" as it is jokingly referred to is anything but brief, containing nearly 300 pages of type written matter, embodying the whole of the evidence brought out in Hembree's last trial.

## WOULD CUT DOWN ACREAGE

James Myer Believes In Concerted Effort of Hop Growers To Reduce Yield.

Speaking from a grower's standpoint, James W. Myer, a prominent hop man of Polk county and owner of 100 acres of fine hop lands, recommends that the growers of the Willamette valley use some concerted action and plow up a portion of their fields.

"I know of several yards that are being plowed up," said Mr. Myer, "and I myself have plowed up 15 acres of hop lands. I do not believe it would profit a farmer to quit the hop business entirely. I think that would be a mistake, but if every hop man in the county would cut down a little on the size of his crop the market next year would show more than enough difference to yield a monster revenue."

"I think in Polk county there are altogether 150 acres which have been plowed up and there will probably be more. There certainly should be a big amount of work in both counties for the personal benefit of the hop growers."—Statesman.

Carpenters were employed yesterday with some slight remodeling work on the interior of the Baptist church.

P. C. Elbert, a traveling representative of the Evening Telegram, was in Dallas yesterday working on the Telegram's contest for a trip to Alaska, which is to be conducted on the same plan as other contests held by the Telegram in previous years.

J. E. Foster, the new proprietor of the Caldwell pool room, moved the tables and equipments Tuesday into the room formerly occupied by J. C. Shultz in the Uglow building, and has fitted up one of the neatest and most attractive amusement halls in the city.

The Dallas Woodmen held installation exercises Tuesday night, the following officers being installed: H. C. Seymour, C. C. A. Smith, advisor; V. E. Johnson, banker; W. G. Vassal, clerk; A. Griffith, esort; R. Reed, watchman; C. Griffith, sentry; H. W. Stump, W. A. Ayres, and H. W. Kraber, managers.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Ackerman has announced that his office would offer a prize of \$5 to the high school student submitting the best drawing to be used as a cover page design for "Arbor day," the annual publication devoted to the observation of Arbor day. Details will be given out through a circular letter to be mailed to superintendents.

Reed Rocker Free.

To the person who will write "Adams & Brobst Banquet Range" the greatest number of times on a 3 1/2 by 5 1/2 inch postal card. The writing must be legible to the naked eye. On the address side state what make of stove or range you have if you have one and how long it has been in use. This contest is open to all and will close February 1, 1909. Mail cards to ADAMS & BROBST CO., Banquet Range Agents, Dallas, Oregon. 1-5-0t

Legal Blanks at this office.

Dr. Donohoe, Dentist. Uglow Bldg. Legal blanks for sale at this office. Kaltz, piano tuning. Orders at Daniel's. 10-29-1f

Skating at the Colosseum rink Saturday night.

Vose, the barber. Shop on Court street opposite Postoffice. 1-15-1f

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Fares on the Salem stage now 75 cents. Best way to catch the 11 o'clock train (south bound) on the East Side. 12-1-1f

See Beard, the wonderful contortionist, in his new program at the Star Theater.

Dry fir cordwood wanted in any quantity up to 500 cords; to be delivered in Dallas or Falls City. For further particulars, call on, or address, Salem Falls City & Western Ry. Co., Dallas

Beard, the wonderful acrobatic contortionist, is giving a new program at the Star Theater. Don't fail to see it.

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The sport of roller skating is coming back into favor. Get in with the crowd of skaters at the Colosseum, Saturday night.

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Needlecraft Shop, formerly 322 Washington St., now 147 Sixth St., Between Morrison and Alder, Portland. January needlework sales now on. 1-12-1f.

## BATTLE ROYAL IN BUFFALO

Germans Win From Oreons In Hot Game By Close Score of 23 to 20.

The Buffalo Germans can still lay claim to the basketball championship of the world, although they had to struggle desperately to retain their laurels in the game with The Oreons, Wednesday night. The score, as telegraphed to Dallas yesterday morning, stood 23 to 20, leaving the Germans, by the scant margin of only three points, the possessors of the title they have held for years.

Few teams entour have ever before had the temerity to match themselves against the redoubtable Germans and the Dallas five has certainly done amazingly well, considering all circumstances—far better in fact than any of the teams that have preceded it and a defeat of that sort is one over which neither the players nor their supporters should feel dismayed.

From Buffalo, the Oreons will swing back into the second half of their tour, playing in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and the states of the Middle West.

Oregon Building First Finished.

Oregon was the first state to complete its building and the first to install exhibits at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition. Five months in advance of the opening of the exposition Oregon had two cars of choice apples and a car of forest products stored in its building and the entire exhibit will be installed two months before the gates of the exposition are opened. The Oregon building is a handsome structure and occupies one of the best locations on the exposition grounds. It is just off the central court and overlooks Lake Washington. The building was completed in November and since that time the Oregon commission has been engaged in the assembling of the state exhibit.

By the early completion of its building Oregon has received a large share of the advertising during the pre-exposition period. In the past three months more than 50,000 persons have paid admission to the exposition grounds.

G. W. Cone returned Wednesday from a few days' business visit in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Caldwell went to Stayton today for a short visit with relatives.

Mrs. Frank Rowland, of Portland, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Shriver.

Homer Shops, a former resident of Dallas, but now of Winslow, Arizona, is visiting in this city.

E. L. Collins, of Portland, is up for a few days' visit at the home of his father, Judge J. L. Collins.

The Rev. G. W. Pettit returned last night from a few days' visit with friends and relatives in Portland.

V. B. Sears, of Ballston, who has been attending to business matters in this city, returned home yesterday.—Statesman.

DeWitt Harris phoned over from Salem yesterday that Mrs. Harris, who has been under medical care in the hospital for some time, is much improved and that she will be able to return to Dallas by the last of the week.

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