

Polk County Observer

Verne Launer was a Dayton visitor Sunday.

Frank Johnson was a visitor in Portland over Sunday.

J. E. Yoakum, of Perrydale, was a Dallas visitor Sunday.

J. C. Talbot, of Falls City, was a Dallas visitor yesterday.

J. L. Brown was in from his ranch near Buell over Sunday.

Grover Mattison, of Independence, was a Dallas visitor Sunday.

Walter L. Toose, Jr., went to Falls City this morning on business.

George Ball, of Ballston, was a business visitor in Dallas today.

J. S. Parker, of Perrydale, was a business visitor in this city today.

Mrs. Anna Coad returned Sunday night from a week's visit in Portland.

Mayor A. B. Muir returned from a business visit in Portland, Sunday.

J. L. Sweeney was in Salem last week attending the legislative session.

R. A. Campbell, of Ballston, was a business visitor in Dallas, Saturday.

J. W. Caldwell, of Perrydale, came up to Dallas today on a business visit.

F. K. Hubbard, of Falls City, was in Dallas, Saturday, on a business visit.

Mrs. N. Dornstife went to Corvallis, Sunday morning for several days' visit.

Mrs. S. J. Woods returned Sunday evening from a week's visit in Portland.

Dan Brown came in from the logging camp on Mill Creek, Sunday, on a visit.

John Olin returned Sunday night from a visit with his family in Vancouver.

Will Peary, of Albany, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Launer.

L. Gerlinger, Jr., went to Portland, Saturday afternoon for an over-Sunday visit.

Born, Sunday, January 24, to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Shultz, of Salt Creek, a daughter.

Mrs. Edward Gerlinger came up from Portland this morning for a short visit.

H. Hirschberg, of Independence, was in Dallas this morning enroute for Portland.

Louis Carter returned to Portland yesterday to resume his work in the business college.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Williams returned yesterday from a few days' visit in Portland.

Mrs. Bert Dennis, of Falls City, is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. I. Reynolds.

L. D. Daniels is having the building formerly occupied by the Caldwell pool room repaired and renovated and will soon move his store to that place.

Mrs. Mary Hubbard returned this morning from a visit with her son, John, in McMinville.

County Clerk E. M. Smith issued license to wed to J. J. Trent and Carrie Crook, Saturday.

E. W. Kearns, of the Willamette Valley Company, returned Sunday night from a trip to Portland.

Mrs. U. S. Loughary and daughter, Gladys, went to Portland, Saturday, for a few days' visit with relatives.

M. D. Teats was up from Portland over Sunday visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Teats.

The jury in the Krebs-Livesley hop case in the Circuit Court, Thursday, awarded the plaintiff \$7000 damages.

Hank Hayes, of Corvallis, an expert plumber, is now in the employment of Craven Brothers' Hardware Company.

Miss Geneva Miller was up from Greenwood, where she teaching school for an over Sunday visit with Dallas friends.

"Colonel" C. W. Matthews is now a resident of Portland, where he is in partnership with W. W. Chappell in the saloon business.

Mr. and Mrs. O. O. McCammon, who have been visiting at the home of her brother, E. A. Hamilton, left Saturday afternoon for Astoria.

Roseco Ballantyne went to Dayton, Sunday afternoon, to act as one of the pall bearers at the funeral of his friend, the late Ray Grimes.

C. F. Swander, Corresponding Secretary of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society, preached in the Christian Church in this city Sunday night.

Samuel Orr has returned to his home in Portland, after residing for several months on his farm near Rickreall. His address is 203 East Fourth Street North.

W. L. Boise, of Portland, and R. P. Boise, of Salem, were in Dallas yesterday on business concerning the sale of the Hallow and Boise estates near Ellendale.

Frank Woods, of Vancouver, B. C., is visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. S. J. Woods. This is Mr. Woods' first visit in Dallas, after an absence of several years.

The members of the Falls City skating team were in Dallas yesterday, enroute for Salem where they were scheduled to play a game of basketball with the team of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. William Paul returned Sunday morning from a visit to Carson Springs. Mr. Paul is greatly improved in health, but expects to make another visit to the springs in future.

Rev. A. J. Hunsaker went up to Dallas, Tuesday, to officiate at the funeral of his lifelong friend, A. Monroe Miller, who died Sunday, January 17, aged about 82 years.—McMinville Telephone-Register.

The Dallas College basketball team defeated the Falls City team on its own floor Friday night by the score of 22 to 18. The game was rough and unscientific but the Dallas aggregation won out by its superior team work and goal throwing.

JONES CHAMPIONS BILL

Secures Adoption of Minority Report On Measure to Reimburse Indian War Veterans.

A dispatch from Salem in the Oregonian of this morning's issue says: "After a lively debate in the House yesterday afternoon, Representative Jones (Lincoln and Polk) secured the adoption of his minority report favoring the passage of the bill appropriating \$100,000 for reimbursement of the Indian War Veterans for the use of their horses during the Indian wars of 1855-56. The bill was then sent to the House committee on ways and means, where, under the provisions of a resolution recently adopted by the lower house, all bills will rest until after January 30, when they will be taken up and considered on their merits.

"Brandon and Hattberg, the other two members of the committee on Indian affairs, had submitted a majority report recommending that the bill be not passed, but they failed last week to secure the indefinite postponement of the measure, which was made a special order for 2 p. m. today. In urging the adoption of the favorable report, Jones said that, should the surviving veterans be paid \$2 a day for the time they served the state, they would receive only about \$130 each. He maintained that the debt was a just one and should have been paid many years ago. Jones said the amount of the appropriation probably would not be required to satisfy all unpaid claims; he believed that not more than \$75,000 would be required."

J. L. Castle's handsome cottage on Lyle street is nearing completion.

D. D. Goode, of Pelee, was in Dallas today, enroute for Portland on business.

Sheriff J. M. Grant was an official visitor in Independence and Monmouth today.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Cook, of Falls City, were in Dallas this afternoon on their way to Portland.

Rev. J. H. Cornwall, who has been quite ill for some time, is reported to be improved greatly in health.

Mrs. Tom Stockwell and brother, Earl Shultz, will leave tomorrow for an extended visit with Charles Leman and family in Woodland, California.

A number of schoolmates and young friends of Miss Laura Berg gave her a pleasant surprise party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Berg, Saturday evening, in honor of her birthday.

The Dallas Free Library is preparing to send a quantity of magazines to the logging camps above Dallas and Falls City. Donations of magazines from any persons who have some on hand which they have read and are done with, will be greatly appreciated. Magazines should be left with the librarian.

Representative Hawley has secured the passage through the house of his bill to pay volunteers of the Cayuse Indian War who have not heretofore been compensated for their services. The bill carries an appropriation of \$1500, which will be distributed at the rate of \$5.50 for each day's service during the war of 1847-1848.

BIG EQUITY SUIT FILED

Effort Will Be Made To Declare Sales of Many Acres of Railroad Land Illegal.

Thirty-five suits in equity to declare illegal and void the sale of the large purchases of the Oregon & California railroad land, alleging violation of the terms of the original grant, and involving more than 300,000 acres in Oregon worth approximately \$15,000,000, one of the largest suits in which individual interests are concerned ever brought by the government, was filed in the United States circuit court Saturday afternoon by E. D. Townsend, special assistant to the attorney general of the United States.

The parties sued are made joint defendants of the original case against the Oregon & California Railroad company, the Southern Pacific company, Stephen T. Gage, and the Union Trust company of New York, in which the government asks the forfeiture of a grant of congress of land worth between \$50,000,000 and \$60,000,000.

In each of the 35 suits the land involved aggregates 1000 acres or more. The government asks for relief in all contracts between the railroad company and the defendants named and that the deeds be declared invalid.

Among the joint defendants in the 35 suits filed by Mr. Townsend are: The Charles K. Spaulding Logging Company, L. Gerlinger, Christian Burkhardt, G. W. Cone, and the Siletz Lumber Company, all holding many acres of timber land in Polk county.

Preparing For Debates.

County School Superintendent H. C. Seymour visited the school in Falls City, Friday, and heard the preliminary practice of the debating teams from the ninth and tenth grades. Mr. Seymour says that the Falls City pupils are taking great interest in their work and promise an excellent showing in the debates with the other High Schools of Polk county. He is also receiving excellent reports from all of the other teams in the county league and is expecting a fine series of debates to mark the first year of the League's existence.

Will Breed Fine Horses.

C. A. McLaughlin, of Independence, has returned to his home in that city from Emeryville where he has his famous horses, Knight of the Grip, Kamsack and others in training. Mr. McLaughlin will soon establish a thoroughbred breeding farm on an extensive scale in Oregon. He has already five mares by Handsome as a nucleus for his establishment and will purchase other horses at once. Among the mares already on the farm is Misty Pride, known to California racers as the Oregon Express, in whose honor the new farm has been named.

Telephone Meeting.

A meeting will be held in the Court-house in Dallas, Saturday, January 30, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of discussing and arriving, if possible, at a definite settlement of the subject in which all subscribers on the mutual lines are interested. The subscribers on every rural line are earnestly requested to choose and send to the meeting a competent person to represent their interests.

Don't fail to be at the Colosseum skating rink Saturday night.

"Oregon's Best"

guaranteed to be the best soft wheat flour in the Willamette Valley. Sold by all grocers in Dallas. Manufactured solely by

Dallas Flouring Mill
SWEENEY BROS. Props.

THE LEADER Restaurant

In new quarters with improved equipments. Regular meals 25c. Short orders a specialty. Give us a call. One door north

JOHNSON BROTHERS' AND RIGGS, Props.
BOTH PHONES

Our Correspondence



is well ordered and surrounded with that degree of dignity that's necessary if your stationery is bought here.

CORRESPONDENCE STATIONERY is greater in variety than what customers require for business. We have both kinds and whether for business or other use stationery bought here is up-to-date.

We don't go astray on price, as that like our stationery is always satisfactory.

W. H. ROY & CO. DALLAS, OREGON

MRS. MAE WRIGHT teacher of **Elocution and Vocal Music** Studio in College Dormitory. Hours, 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Evening lessons if so desired. DALLAS, OREGON

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

OSTERMOOR

BETTER THAN HAIR BUILT NOT STUFFED

MATTRESS

Our store is the only place in the county where you can buy this famous line of mattresses.

HALL & HAYES

FURNITURE STORE

Electricity for Lighting

Is only expensive to people who are wasteful and careless. To you, who are naturally careful, it does not come high.

It is economical because it can be quickly turned off when not needed. With gas or kerosene there is the temptation to let light burn when not needed to save bother of lighting and adjusting. In some homes the electric light bills amount to only one or two dollars per month. You can probably get some kind of artificial light for less money than electric light, but does it save you anything when it limits opportunities for work and recreation—ruins your eyesight—smokes your walls—mars decorations and increases household work. You could probably save a dollar tomorrow by going without your meals but it wouldn't be economy. It is not so much what you save, but how you save that counts.

WILLAMETTE VALLEY CO. RATES—Residence on meters, per Kilowatt 15c; Residence, flat per month, 15c; 5c. **RATES FOR BUSINESS HOUSES**—25c per drop and 5c per Kilowatt up to 10 drops; over 10 drops 20c per drop and 5c per Kilowatt up to 40 drops; over 40 drops 17c per drop and 5c per Kilowatt. A drop figures 15c or less. For power rates apply at the office. We are always ready to explain the "ins and outs" of the lighting proposition to you, call on us or phone to us, we are never to busy to talk business.

Willamette Valley Company
E. W. KEARNS, Manager for Dallas.
Office on Mill street, just north of the Court House. Phones Bell 421, Mutual 1297.

The Jacobson Transfer Co.

All kinds of hauling promptly done. Specially equipped for the careful moving of furniture and pianos.

Phone orders to Belt & Cherrington's Drug Store
Bell, 301 Mutual, 253

BUILDERS ATTENTION

In connection with our Lumber and Shingle trade we are now handling **LIME, PLASTER, CEMENT, BRICK and SAND.** Lowest possible prices on all building material.

THE CHAS. K. SPAULDING LOGGING CO.
MANUFACTURERS OF FIR LUMBER

BLACK'S STABLES

Having purchased this well-known barn, we solicit a share of your patronage.

EVERYTHING FIRST-CLASS
Excellent accommodations for commercial men.

STOWE BROS.
MAIN STREET DALLAS, OREGON

Clean, Fresh Groceries

We carry the Famous **DIAMOND "W"** brand of Extracts, Spices, Coffee, Tea and Canned Goods. Fresh Bread Every Day

SIMONTON & SCOTT DALLAS

Special Prayer Services.

Thursday of this week has been set aside as a day of prayer for the Christian associations of Dallas College. The Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. will hold their prayer services before nine o'clock a. m. and the chapel services will be held at that hour. Rev. N. S. Reeves of the Presbyterian Church will deliver an address to the student body in the morning and Rev. H. H. Farnham of the Evangelical Church will preach in the evening.

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

Skating at Colosseum rink Wednesday and Saturday nights. Vose, the barber. Shop on Court street opposite Postoffice. 1-15-1f

Wednesday and Saturday night the Colosseum rink will be open for skaters. Money of private parties to loan at 6 per cent on well-improved farms. SIBLEY & EARIN.

Special prices on Lisks Granite Ware at Craven Brothers' Hardware. 1-26-1f

Legal blanks for sale at this office. All 1908 merchandise greatly reduced for the balance of this month. Some odds and ends to go regardless of price. Dallas Mercantile Company. 1-22-1f

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

Quick Meal Ranges excel in quality and durability. Craven Brothers, sale agents. 1-26-1f

Brown, & Stout, lawyers; abstracters; notary public; collections; Uglow Bldg., Dallas, Oregon.

W. R. Ellis, agent for Daily Oregonian and Evening Telegram. Have a daily paper delivered at your house by the week, month or year. No extra charge for delivery.

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.

Needlecraft Shop, formerly 382 Washington St., now 147 Sixth St., Between Morrison and Alder, Portland. January needlework sales now on. 1-12-1f.

RIPE OLIVES

direct from grower. I am the only grocer in Dallas handling them. Country cured Bacon and Ham and country rendered Lard.

L. H. SHULTZ
Next Door to Postoffice Both Phones

Your New Year Order



for fine groceries is invited. Give it as a test of our ability to supply you with better groceries for less money than any one else.

WE DELIVER ALL GROCERIES promptly anywhere. It makes no difference whether your order be large or small. What we want is your steady custom. We'll get it too if good groceries, moderate prices and prompt service will win it. Don't forget that trial order.

E. BOYD & SON
Phones: Bell 43, Mutual 314.

PLUMBING

Say: Do you know that you have some pipes broken by the cold weather that will spring a leak when the thaw comes? There is only one thing to do in that case: Call up GUY BROTHERS by telephone and tell them to send a man. We will give you prompt and efficient service. No doubt you intend to put in some

PLUMBING FIXTURES

or New Toilet

soon. We would be pleased to figure it for you the way it should be done.

GUY BROTHERS & DALTON
HARDWARE AND FURNITURE
THE STORE WHERE YOU ALWAYS GET YOUR MONEY'S WORTH