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Still Continues

Prices are down to bed rock, our store is crowded every day with customers. Why? Because people appreciate the saving on their purchases during this sale. A square deal and no fake sale; goods marked in plain figures and sold as advertised. Only a few more days to buy goods at present low prices.

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I can cure Quarter Cracks and Contracted Feet, also stop Interfering and Forging. I guarantee all work first class. All I ask the public is to give me a fair trial. I also cure corns on horses feet.


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Painless extraction free when plates or bridge work is ordered. Examination free. Mutual phone 256.

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Never smokes or smells whether burned at full height or turned low like gas. It is not merely an ordinary lamp improved. It is an entirely new method of oil lighting. For simplicity and convenience of operation it is the closest rival of gas or electricity. For splendid reading light and artistic illumination it is the superior of either. The angle at which the flame burns throws the best light from its most brilliant surface directly downward. The effect of the light is doubled, producing a reading light with which no other system can even compare. For the Angle Lamp is the most economical of all lighting methods. Come in to burn them, even the ordinary lamp fully is less. But call and see it or write us for full description booklet.

DIET G. REMPEL

Dallas, Oregon

NEWS OF POLK COUNTY

ITEMS CONTRIBUTED BY RESIDENTS OF LOCAL CORRESPONDENTS.

Happenings of Interest in Various Neighborhoods Told in Interesting Manner.

BUELL

George Walker's hand is nearly well now. The snow has nearly all disappeared since the rain. Everybody is wearing a smile on account of the rain. Preaching services are held at Buell every other Sunday. A. W. Fletcher made a business trip to Sheridan, Monday. Lynn Jones and Tom Turner came down from the mountains for a few days. Mrs. Melvin Conlee, who has been suffering with rheumatism, is much better. Mr. Smith, of Sheridan, was called to the Cedar Creek camp on account of sickness, Monday. Several persons from here attended the school rally at Harmony, Saturday, and all report a fine time. Russell Jones has purchased a fine span of mules, with which he intends to log, as he has taken a large contract from the Sheridan Lumber Company.

FALLS CITY.

F. M. Smith returned Sunday from Dallas. T. E. Dwyer returned from Portland, Sunday. Mrs. W. H. Dalrymple returned to Salem, Saturday. Dr. L. M. Bull went to Portland, Saturday, on a business trip. William H. Rice transacted business in Dallas, Tuesday and Wednesday. Mr. Guy and family, of Lebanon, are visiting at the home of William Ellis. Mrs. J. H. Flower and Mrs. J. T. Chamberlain were Dallas visitors Saturday. A. E. West, of the Palace Meat Market, transacted business in Dallas, Saturday. Rev. H. J. Blair, of the Free Methodist Church, left for Springfield, Saturday. L. Hall, of Monmouth, was an over Sunday visitor at the home of J. C. Kramer. George McLaughlin has returned to Falls City after a month's vacation in Portland and Southern Oregon. J. V. Dennis and Mrs. Bert Dennis returned Tuesday from a few days' visit with Mr. Dennis' mother in Salem. W. E. Newsum, of Portland, came up Saturday for an over Sunday visit with friends. He returned on Monday's train. Mrs. J. M. Dennis, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. W. D. Wheeler, returned to her home in Falls City last week. The bad weather of the last few days has so hindered logging operations that the mill was shut down for the first few days of this week. W. A. Graham, who bought 40 acres of the Zorn place, in Corvallis, making a special study of fruit culture, intends to start the business right. Bert Dennis, of Lake County, writes to relatives here that the coldest weather they have had is 35 degrees below zero. Who wants to leave Falls City for Lake County? E. S. Rich and A. R. Sorvey have purchased the general merchandise store of H. C. Courter. They took possession last week, but we failed to get the item in time for Friday's paper. A. E. Courter reports the sale of 40 acres of fruit land just north of town for \$1000 to William Ellis and T. D. Hollowell. Part of the land is open and ready for fruit. They will plant it to choice fruit as soon as the ground is ready. In a hard fought battle, the local High School debating team was defeated by the Lebanon High School team Friday night. Although younger than the visiting team, the Falls City team produced arguments that would be a credit to older persons. The question, "Resolved, That the cities of the United States should be governed by a commission," was decided in the negative. For putting out two of the ablest debating teams in the valley, Professor J. E. Dunton deserves much praise and encouragement. His plan to make the Falls City schools second to none in debating with approval and should be encouraged by all. Our teachers alone cannot do all that goes to make a school successful. They must have the co-operation of parents and patrons. Parents, do your part; our teachers will do the rest.

ZENA AND SPRING VALLEY

W. J. Crawford returned from Portland, Wednesday. Mr. Looney, Sr., is visiting in Clackamas County. Mrs. K. Thompson, of Portland, is visiting at the home of Mr. Derrick. Mr. Courtney, of Portland, has been spending a few days at the home of S. H. Barker. Fred Raymond, formerly of Zena, is very low in a hospital in Portland with paralysis of the left side. Ralph Shepard has rented the William Toner place, formerly owned by Peaslee and Toner, near Zena. G. H. Crawford went to Salem, Tuesday, after a load of Spring wheat. Good Spring wheat is not plentiful this year and the market is rapidly advancing. Roy Townsend came over from Marion County last week with his hounds, and, with the hounds of the neighborhood, making about a dozen in number, engaged in chasing rabbits and foxes.

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Mrs. N. E. Taylor has returned from Portland. W. R. Hall returned from Salem the last of the week. A. J. Richardson returned home from Portland, Sunday. Mrs. Carrie Tyler has returned to her home in Woodburn. Sheriff Grant was a business visitor in Buena Vista last week. M. N. Prather returned from Portland the latter part of the week. Ed. Prather ran a raft of trellis poles to Independence for J. M. Burton, Saturday. Rev. C. C. Poling, of Portland, preached here last Sunday in the Evangelical Church. One hundred and sixty acres of the Dewey Hill farm adjoining this place was sold to A. J. Hall and G. A. Wells last week. The price was \$55 an acre.

MONMOUTH

Dean Butler, son of Orville Butler, is improving nicely. L. M. Hall made a flying trip to Falls City last week. The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Powell is convalescent. Babe Graham has returned and moved into the Lorin Walker house. Mrs. Ida Goodrich is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Smith. J. Wagner, of the Oregonian staff, is in town in the interest of the paper. Dave Stapleton was in town Wednesday and reported his grain in good shape. Mrs. W. Finton, of Pleasant Hill, Lane County, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. Mulkley. Every few days, some stranger comes to town and our real estate men are kept busy. Sunday was the worst day and night we have had; but we are highly blessed, considering the bad storms they are having in the eastern states. Quite a number of our people go to Independence to hear the celebrated evangelist and spend their money. Better keep the money at home, we think. The creamery company held its annual meeting Tuesday. Officers were elected and most of the stock was disposed of. The creamery is in good circumstances financially. The death of Mrs. Eugene Catron, of Wasco, cast a gloom over Monmouth, where Mr. Catron was raised. Mrs. Catron's remains were brought to Falls City, Monday, and were accompanied by Mr. Catron and Mr. and Mrs. Atwood, of Wasco; Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Craig and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Clodfelter, of Portland; A. L. Finley, the well-known undertaker of Portland, had charge of the body. Mrs. Catron left a loving husband and two children, one nine and one five years old, to mourn their loss.

ing and family have gone to Alberta, Canada, for an indefinite stay. The pruning and spraying of the orchards has been begun. Road dragging is the order of the day. The roads that are dragged do not wash so badly nor get so muddy as those not so treated. Some of the farmers started their plows, but have abandoned that part of farm work on account of the stormy weather.

RICKREALL

Peter Cook is in Portland on business. The boys of this place are organizing a band. Hurrah for the boys! Walter and Hazel Vaughn spent Saturday and Sunday in Independence. Superintendent H. C. Seymour made a short visit to the public school, Tuesday. Rickreall is in for a High School. Let everybody boost hard and we will get it. While wrestling with another one of the boys at school Tuesday, Thomas Hayes was thrown and his leg was badly injured. J. O. Price, Forest Craven and Bob Fox went duck shooting on Tuesday. The boys say they never had a better chance to hunt. Miss May Price, who is visiting in Albany, writes that she is greatly interested in the dairy business of that locality and is rapidly becoming an adept at milking and churning.

LUCKIAMUTE.

Mrs. James Hillbrand is sick with neuralgia. The recent freeze damaged the grain on low ground. E. Chamberlain was down from Corvallis, Wednesday. H. Hoskins was doing business in Albany the first of the week. Jack Moore has rented 100 acres from F. M. Stump and will run a dairy. The Fair View Sunday School is preparing for a Basket Social to be held in the near future. The freeze has made our roads the worst they have been this winter; but the hard rains will settle them again.

COMEDY AND MUSIC

Wales Company Will Appear in Dallas Tomorrow Night. The Wales Comedy and Concert Company will appear at Woodman Hall tomorrow night under the auspices of Dallas College. This company has not visited Dallas before, but if the word of Eastern critics can be relied upon, the performance will be well worth attending. This is the seventh season Mrs. Wales has appeared at the head of her own company, and it is said that her entertainments furnish just the element of "something new" so much desired by the committees of the different organizations playing the lyceum attraction. Several years ago there was known in the vicinity of Omaha a boy soprano, having a voice which was considered phenomenal. People listened in wonder and delight to his singing, and anticipated with regret the time when the beautiful soprano should be changed into a mature voice which might not be so enjoyable. But their fears were unfounded, for in the rich baritone of Mr. Longstreet, people forget to be sorry and just listen and enjoy as of old. It is with pleasure that the management announces his appearance with Mrs. Wales' company. A charming personality, unusual musical ability and brilliancy of style, combine to make Miss Florence Adele Benson a decided success in a public career. She comes from a musical family, with an inheritance that is little short of genius. Her education was begun and continued for several years under some of the best teachers, both vocal and instrumental, to be obtained in this country, and with most gratifying results. Desiring the prestige of foreign study, Miss Benson then went abroad and studied in Paris, but returned for the opening of the season as a member of Mrs. Wales' company, and the management feels sure that her appearance will be greeted with genuine pleasure. Seats for tomorrow evening's performance are now selling at Stratton's drug store.

WILL REDUCE ACREAGE

Willamette Valley Hop Men Not Encouraged by Outlook. "There will be no increase in the hop acreage in this state this year, and for the best of reasons," said a local grower dealer. "Years of experience have convinced the growers generally that the crop now, one season with another, is far less profitable than it was some years ago. "Nothing is clearer than that land in the Willamette valley that will produce hops that are known to be very profitable is too valuable to devote to the production of hops. Potatoes, onions, grains of all sorts, fruit and livestock have for years brought far better returns on money invested in land in the valley than hops. "The chances are that the acreage will be no greater than that of 1909, and it may be smaller, but if the sun proves a favorable one the 1910 output should be materially greater than that of last year. Last year we thought for a time that we had only about half a crop, but it proved to be something like \$2,000 a bale. A full yield this year would probably mean an output around 120,000 to 130,000 bales. "I do not believe the recent freeze did any appreciable damage to the roots. The hop root is a thing of great vitality, and it takes a pretty severe freeze to kill it. With the return of warm weather in the spring it will probably be found that the roots came through in good shape. "The market for the time is rather quiet, in the main due to the bullish attitude of the growers who still have goods unsold, but the tone is still strong. Business transacted earlier in the season was for the most part better growers and dealers. Now, it is said the bulk of the trade is between dealers, local operators and buyers for the eastern and foreign markets, and the prices paid during the week past have ranged from 18 to 22 cents. "Buying from growers at the prices quoted appears to be all but out of the question for the time, for, encouraged by the bullish reports that have for weeks been coming from England and the continent, they have their minds made up that values during the spring months will show a sharp advance. Dealers concede that the situation on the whole is fairly strong. "An offer of \$10,000 has been made to the first aviator who propels a heavier than air craft from San Francisco to the summit of Mount Tamalpais, on the north side of San Francisco bay.

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