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NEWS OF POLK COUNTY

ITEMS CONTRIBUTED BY RUSTLING LOCAL CORRESPONDENTS.

Happenings of Interest in Various Neighborhoods Told in Interesting Manner.

FALLS CITY.

C. E. Wellwood was a Salem visitor Thursday.

Dena Dennis visited relatives in Salem, Thursday.

R. R. Bettis is slowly recovering from an attack of grip.

H. E. Fouch attended St. Patrick's Hard Time ball in Dallas.

Mr. J. R. Moyer is slowly improving from her recent illness.

A. D. James returned from a short business trip to Eugene, Saturday.

G. W. Brentner returned from a business trip to Portland, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Flower are recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia.

M. C. Munson has purchased the N. Hamilton place in the south part of town.

W. V. Fuller, the Dallas druggist, was in Falls City on business the last of the week.

E. C. Richmond, a prominent stock man of Dallas, was in town Friday and Saturday.

L. L. Frink, of Amity, has exchanged his farm for the C. D. Tice residence property.

Mrs. F. A. Lucas, of Portland, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Catkins, in this city.

The city council have purchased an engine of G. D. Treat and expect to start the rock crusher this week.

Rev. Abbott, State Sunday School Superintendent, preached to a large audience in the M. E. Church Sunday night.

The new building being erected by Tress & Gilbert, is nearly completed and will be ready for occupation about April 1.

The secretary of the Commercial Club has received the community booklets giving detailed information regarding Falls City and Polk County.

R. W. Wolfenbarger, R. R. Wolfenbarger, Oscar Smith and Wm. Shepherd left Saturday for Eastern Oregon. They expect to take up homesteads near Silver Lake.

Glen L. Davis, a former resident of Falls City, was in town visiting relatives and friends. Mr. Davis is now traveling salesman for the Gillan Astoria works of San Francisco.

Thursday night of last week, the city council granted the contract to Jack Truax for grading all streets preparatory to putting on the crushed rock. Mr. Truax began the work of grading Monday and will complete it as soon as the weather will permit.

LUCKIAMUTE.

Pleasant showers and everything growing.

Mrs. M. A. Tetherow returned to her home in Independence, Saturday, after spending a week in this vicinity visiting friends.

E. W. Strong & Company started their mill on the Luckiamute, Tuesday. They will have about forty days' run to saw up the hardwood logs they now have in the boom.

A. E. Tetherow had the misfortune to lose his fine Shire horse, Stunney Lordship, of congestion of the stomach. This horse was first bought by Joe Rose and was later sold to Mr. Tetherow, who valued him at \$2000.

Claud Lewis purchased of J. J. Thurston for the Dallas Meat Company last Saturday the best bunch of stall-fed cattle that has been driven out of this locality for several years. The price—5 cents on foot—was the highest price ever paid in the writer's time. Dallas people will eat some high-priced meat.

HARMONY.

Several farmers have sheared their goats.

Harold Dickey is out of school on account of sickness.

W. A. McLean sprayed his orchard the first of the week.

Lynn Jones is busy in his hop yard these nice Spring days.

The farmers are busy getting their work done while the good weather lasts.

Thomas Hayes, of Rickreall, is visiting at the home of his uncle, J. B. Hayes.

The Sheridan Lumber Company has hired men to pick up the lumber along the fiume at Harmony.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wood, of Willamina, visited relatives and friends on Mill Creek last week.

There was singing at Mr. Canaday's home Sunday evening. A large crowd and a good time is reported.

ZENA AND SPRING VALLEY

George Felts returned Friday to his home in Portland.

G. H. Crawford was a business visitor in Dallas, Wednesday.

Miss Joyce Crawford and Miss Etta White spent Sunday in Salem.

Miss Lina Phillips and Mrs. Bartlett, of Salem, were visitors at Zena, Monday afternoon.

John Phillips has rented his farming land to Will Crawford, who will make his home at Zena.

Mrs. A. H. Coyte, who recently sold her property here, has purchased the adjoining farm belonging to J. T. Hunt.

James Edgar and James Best sheared goats in this neighborhood this week with their new gasoline machine.

Road work has started in this district. It is badly needed, as the roads are in a rough condition, owing to the heavy hauling and frosty weather of the past winter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Peaslee and family went to Portland on the boat Monday. They intend to make that

city their home, as they have recently disposed of their farm property at Zena.

BUELL

Will Fletcher is going to work at March's mill in Gopher Valley.

Lyle Jones has purchased a large work horse and will soon begin logging.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Bralley and family have moved back to Perrydale. All were sorry to see them go.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barger and family visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Howard Ames, Sunday.

Professor and Mrs. Kellogg have moved to Sarah Blair's house, and some people from the East are moving into the house they lived in.

Mrs. Harold was brought home this week from McMinnville, where she has been in the hospital six weeks with appendicitis. All are glad to see her back again. She is not able to sit up yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Olmstead, accompanied by Professor Dawkins, principal of the Sheridan school, attended the dance given at Marion Miller's home Saturday night. All report a good time.

While working at the South Branch camp, a young man's leg was so badly crushed by a log rolling over it that it is feared he will have to have it amputated. His name has not been learned, but he is a resident of Sheridan.

POLK.

The early gardens are coming up nicely.

A. G. Rempel lost a valuable colt last Sunday.

G. H. Robbins recently sold a 3-year-old filly for \$175.

Miss Katie Dyck visited Miss Elizabeth Friesen, Sunday.

The high land is much easier to plow than the recent showers.

A good many people from here have been attending the revival meetings in Dallas.

Mrs. A. Becker, of Alberta, Canada, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mrs. and Mrs. J. Quiring, Sr. Mr. Quiring is on the sick list.

BUENA VISTA

Mike Krebs visited here Saturday. John Ley is doing some road work.

J. W. Baldwin, of Scapoose, is visiting his family.

Henry Smith has bought the Albert Davidson property.

Miss Minnie Knighton has returned home from Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Emmons are visiting in Portland and Astoria.

J. D. Winn has put in a stock of phonographs and records at Donaldson.

J. K. Neal is able to be about his place of business again, after a spell of sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. George Grey, of Portland, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Richardson.

POLK STATION

Our farmers are all busy plowing and seeding.

T. R. Crook recently sold four horses for \$1000. One of them brought \$300.

The Dunn brothers are putting their young orchard in the best possible shape.

Dr. Mark Hayter has had his large orchard pruned in fine shape, also some grafting done.

E. C. Kirkpatrick, of Dallas, is planting a goodly portion of his splendid farm east of the station to Italian prunes.

Our roads this past winter have been better than ever, thanks to the intelligent work done by the supervisors in the last two or three years.

The Ewing brothers, in addition to what they already have, are planting a large acreage to fruit this season. They pursue the most approved methods in all of their work.

If the owners of the larger tracts of land in this neighborhood would place on the market portions of their holdings, at reasonable prices, Polk would soon become one of the greatest fruit and berry producing sections of the county.

POPCORN

McDowell Brothers have bought a fine horse.

Miss Smith, of Amity is visiting Mr. and Mrs. James Sykes.

Henry Hoffman has returned from a trip to the mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson visited friends in Salem, Saturday and Sunday night.

George Gibson, of Pomeroy, Washington, visited over Sunday at the home of L. D. Gibson.

PERRYDALE.

Elmer Enes was a Dallas visitor Saturday.

H. G. Keyt was a Portland visitor Tuesday.

Ben Werner was a Perrydale visitor Sunday.

Lew Macken was a visitor in Corvallis, Saturday.

Miss Beatie Enes was a visitor in McMinnville, Saturday.

Fred Hedding was a business visitor in Portland this week.

Miss Jessie Musgrave was a visitor at the home of Charles Bratcher, Sunday.

Other Carson, who is working in Portland, was a Perrydale visitor Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown, of this place, have a fine baby boy, born March 22.

Ed Keyt has leased his farm east of town for three years to a man from South Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborne, of South Dakota, are here visiting their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Carson.

Ben Jones had an operation performed last Thursday for the removal of a growth on one of his arms.

Mrs. Nancy Wise returned home

Monday from Bridgeport, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Plankinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Conner went to McMinnville, Sunday. Mrs. Conner will remain there and will submit to a surgical operation Wednesday.

A surprise party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. McKee, Tuesday night, it being Miss Gladys' 17th birthday. All who went report a good time.

SALT CREEK

G. Wood sold two cows lately.

Mr. Rosenau's sister is visiting him. Bert Miller is working for G. Wood.

Ben Rosenau was a Sheridan visitor last week.

W. H. Conley is building a barn on his place.

Mr. Rosenau has been sowing grass seed lately.

Mr. Kurtz is farming part of the Conner place.

A. Buhler is building a new fence around his yard.

L. M. Bowles was a Dallas visitor one day last week.

Miss Ruth Cook, of Dallas, is working for Mrs. H. Gilliam.

Otto, Ben and Fritz Rosenau were visitors in Dallas, Monday.

Enterprise district will build a new schoolhouse next summer.

Born, Sunday, March 20, to Mr. and Mrs. George Wood, a son.

Henry Gilliam's brother is moving from Hillsboro to the Leslie Kearns place.

RICKREALL

Mrs. W. E. Goodell is reported much better.

Peter Cook was a Salem visitor Monday.

Jack Goodell was a Dallas visitor Tuesday.

Forest Craven was a Salem visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper went to Salem, Sunday.

Mrs. John Vaughn was an Albany visitor Friday.

Miss Pauline Nesmith was a Salem visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill were visitors in Dallas, Saturday.

Mrs. Levi Ankeny and son, Robert, visited relatives in Salem, Sunday.

H. E. Eakin, of Dallas, is busy replacing dead trees in his walnut orchard.

It is reported that a mask ball is to be given in the hall on April Fool's night.

Robert Ankeny is remodeling his house and is going to have it modern in every way.

Mr. Sherwood, of Canby, has moved his family to the property he bought of Mrs. Stoner.

Several of the young people from Rickreall attended the revival meetings in Dallas, Sunday night.

Mr. Dunsmore has moved his family to the D. T. Hodges place, where he will help Mr. Hodges this summer.

Mrs. McArthur, who has been visiting her brother, James Nesmith, returned to her home in Salem, Monday.

While plowing Sunday, Miss Hazel Vaughn lost her watch. It was quite a loss to Miss Vaughn, as the watch was gold, set with a small diamond.

EOLA

Ray Ferguson is working for G. W. Chapman.

Ed. Mitty plowed Judge Maxwell's orchard last week.

Ethel Brunk and Eva Norcross visited J. F. Schaffer and family last Sunday.

J. F. Schaffer took a walk to Salem last Tuesday and sold it for 11 cents a pound.

Rev. George Cromley returned to Springfield, Oregon, last Saturday after a short visit at home.

William Schuett, who sold his place about three months ago, bought the place back again and has moved out from town.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Hamer visited friends in Salem last Sunday and attended the revival meeting at the tabernacle Sunday evening.

McCoy

James Buttrick is working for Waldo Finn.

Ed Keyt made a business trip to Salem, Friday.

Riley Burton made a trip to Portland last week.

All farmers are busy, preparing their ground for Spring sowing.

Mrs. J. Finn, who has been visiting her son, Waldo, has returned to her home in Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hawley, of Monmouth, visited at the home of their son, Curtis, last week.

Mrs. Josie Fletcher and daughter, Nellie, of Corvallis, have been spending a few days here with relatives and friends.

An Easter ball will be given in the I. O. O. F. Hall on Saturday night, March 26, for the benefit of our baseball team. The best of music will be furnished and a supper will be given by the Rebeekas. One and all are most cordially invited to come and have a good time.

The McCoy boys have organized their baseball team for this season, with Waldo Finn acting as manager. Frank Richardson and Carl Kahle have put the playing grounds, just north of town, in excellent shape. The boys expect to give all visiting teams the best of accommodations and a fast game. Their first game will be played Sunday with the Amity team.

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Russell Fields, who has been quite sick, is improving.

Mr. Hammons and family will move out to Mr. White's place.

On account of the Spring weather, several of the children have quit school to work.

Miss Nan Wilson, while on her way to town, was thrown out of the buggy.

Her horse became frightened at an automobile. She was not seriously hurt.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Bork will soon leave for Southern Oregon, where they will make their home. They have the wishes of many friends for their success.

STILL COMING WEST

Crank Who Threatens Governor Benson Has Reached Greeley, Colo.

A dispatch from Greeley, Colorado, printed in Tuesday's Salem Journal says the officers there are searching for William H. Williams, supposedly a demented man, who is walking to Oregon to kill Governor Frank Benson, according to letters received by the governor from Williams.

Governor Benson received another missive from Williams yesterday and he immediately notified the officers in Greeley to apprehend the man there. A search was made for Williams but he escaped. It is presumed that he has continued westward.

Williams started on his walk to Oregon from some point in the East. At various towns enroute he mailed letters to Benson, acquainting him with his purpose, and progress toward his destination.

Williams was an inmate of the Oregon insane asylum and was discharged as cured about a year ago when he went to the east. About three months ago Governor Benson received a letter from him which had been mailed in one of the eastern states, and which clearly showed that he was again mentally unbalanced. Since then letters have come one after the other and in them all Williams labors under the delusion that the asylum here is throwing across the continent electric waves which have a baneful effect upon him and that it is being done under the direction of Governor Benson.

The last letter received from him was mailed in Kansas and he asked that the governor meet him in Denver so that an agreement might be entered into between them, whereby the governor might be dispatched from the world, as he believed that this was the only way that he could be freed from this influence.

That was about two weeks ago and nothing more was heard from the man until yesterday when Governor Benson received a telegram from him at Greeley, Colorado. The telegram read:

"Greeley, Colorado, November 21, 1910.

Governor F. W. Benson, executive department, Salem, Oregon.

I shall be pleased by your institute; would like to know regarding to case.

WM. H. WILLIAMS."

The governor turned the matter over to the asylum authorities and a telegram was sent by them to the officers at Greeley to arrest the man, but up until a late hour this afternoon they have not been advised as to whether they had been successful in doing so.

WELCH SALE IN SIGHT

Groesbeck Confirms Report Concerning Northwest Corporation.

C. E. Groesbeck, vice-president of the H. M. Bylesby & Co., of Chicago, today confirmed the recent reports of a sale of the option on the holdings of the Northwest Corporation, which owns many light, power and street railway plants in the Pacific Northwest. Groesbeck also took occasion to pronounce untrue the report that the Electric Bond & Share Co., of New York, has divided the Pacific Northwest territory with Bylesby & Co., or has taken an interest in their option.

Groesbeck said in addition to the properties of the Northwest Corporation, Bylesby & Co. have purchased gas plants at Everett, Olympia and Puyallup, Washington, and one at Marahide, Oregon, and the company is in the market for other properties.

BEGIN THIRD TERM

Girl's Literary Society Elects Officers and Plans Program.

The officers elected for the last term of the Utopian Literary Society of Dallas College are: President, Miss Gladys Carter; vice-president, Miss Inez Ridgeway; secretary, Miss Sadie Bougher; treasurer, Miss Nada Scott; conductress, Miss Ruth Gurney; censors, Miss Eula Phillips and Miss Pauline VanOrsdel; critic, Miss Eula Phillips.

Although this is the last term of school, and the girls all have heavy work for commencement, the Utopians have carefully planned a series of programs which will make the society stronger than it has ever been before. The annual third term program will be given Saturday, April 2, at 8 o'clock p. m. Everyone is invited.

NOTICE

A Word to Land Sellers.

I wish that all farmers in Polk County who have land to sell would come in and list their property with my partner, John Bird, at Dallas. Do not wait to see me, for I am busy in Portland and Salem getting your buyers. Price your property to sell—not for speculation. I know what farms are worth, so if you don't price them right, you will not have any inquiries.

C. HUGHES.

Our office: C. Hughes Land Co., 619 Lewis Building, Portland; Hughes & Parker, 467 State Street, Salem; Hughes & Bird, Main Street, Dallas.

Al H. Steiner Married.

The marriage of Al H. Steiner to Mrs. Elvora M. Jacobs took place Saturday in Portland. Both have many friends in Salem, where Mr. Steiner has been for several years a prominent business man.—Statesman.

We have some of the finest and cheapest city property in Dallas. See Hughes & Bird Land Company.

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