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We carry the famous DIAMOND "W" brand of Extracts, Spices, Coffee, Tea and Canned goods. Fresh bread daily. The very best of fruits and vegetables can always be found at our store.

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NEWS OF POLK COUNTY

ITEMS CONTRIBUTED BY REGISTERING LOCAL CORRESPONDENTS.

Happenings of Interest in Various Neighborhoods Told in Interesting Manner.

MONMOUTH

J. Brown, of Suver, was in town on business Tuesday.

Mr. Cornelius is making some repairs on his house.

Frank Clark, of Salem, visited his sister, Mrs. Sullivan, last week.

Born, May 19, 1910, to Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Johnson, a bouncing boy.

Born, May 15, 1910, to Mr. and Mrs. William H. Riddell, Jr., an 8-pound boy.

S. Guillema, who has been sick for a long time, is reported some better.

Mrs. Mat Graham went to Salem, Tuesday, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Staley.

Mrs. W. Miller, of Dallas, was the guest of her brother, George Sullivan, Friday.

S. Lee went to Linn County, Wednesday, to remain until after decoration day.

Ira Sullivan, of McTimmonds Valley, was in town Monday visiting his brother, George.

The crops around Monmouth never looked better, and the recent showers will boost them up more.

The fruit crop in and around Monmouth is good, with the exception of pears, which will be scarce.

Mr. Hunter is having a modern porch built on his house which will add to its appearance very much.

Mr. Dicht, of Idaho, bought the William Hervey farm and has taken possession. The price paid was \$1200.

Guy Hewitt, one the successful dairyman, farmers and fine stock raisers of the Laucklimate Valley, was in town Tuesday.

A. N. Poole had the misfortune to run a nail in his foot on day last week. So far there have been no serious results from the wound.

F. Y. Mulkey returned home from Newport, Tuesday, and reports having had a good time, which judging from the past, we know is true.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Portland, of Albie, were in town on business Tuesday. Mr. Portland was formerly in the mercantile business here, but is now one of our foremost farmers.

The following delegates have returned from the Old Fellows' grand lodge and the Rebekah Assembly at Eugene: P. E. Chase, W. R. Graham, Mrs. Mollie Stone and Mrs. Irene Dalton. All report a good time.

Everybody and his neighbor was out Monday night to see the eclipse and the celebrated comet that the leading papers have been making such a howl about. The thunder rolled and the lightning flashed, and everything looked gay and refreshing after the refreshing shower.

The Memorial services of the G. A. R. are to be held in the Independence auditorium May 29, at 11 o'clock a. m. Decoration services will be held May 29, at 10 a. m. All veterans of the Civil, Indian and Philippine wars are cordially invited to attend. The public in general is also invited. By order of the committee.

BUPELL

Carl Harold has sold his fine driving horse.

Carl Harold sheared sheep for Shrod Bruley, Monday.

Mrs. Bennett made a business trip to Dallas, Monday.

Miss Nora Jones visited with Miss Zelma Butler last Friday.

Mrs. Bennett has sold her farm to Mr. Thompson, of Wyoming.

Uncle Nate Blair has finished work on Mr. Whittington's house.

Mr. Bray has moved his family to the mill, where he is working.

Russel Jones has a new telephone in his camp in the mountains.

Steve Bruley and family visited relatives on Mill Creek, Sunday.

Miss Emma Ridgeway finished teaching school near Sheridan, Friday.

Russel Jones and Rainy Blair were down from the mountains Sunday.

J. J. Brown purchased some fine cattle from Charles Harold last week.

D. C. Walker and T. J. Merrick made a business trip to Dallas last Friday.

Noah Jones has sold his farm and contemplates going "back to Missouri."

John Delaney and Hugh Fletcher are working at Martin's mill on Salt Creek.

Joe Parker and A. W. Fletcher are cutting logs by contract for George Conley.

Several from here attended the graduation exercises at Ballston last Friday.

Several from here attended the circus at McMinnville, Saturday and thought it fine.

INDEPENDENCE

Miss Lena Phillips, of Salem, Sunday, visited Mrs. Lacy Whiteaker visited Mrs. K. Ford in Salem, Sunday.

Dr. F. Eaton, of Portland, was an over Sunday visitor here.

Sprinkling the streets was commenced the last of the week.

J. M. Stark, of Eugene, was an Independence visitor during the week.

Mrs. Jessie Cromwell visited relatives in Salem, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Wilcox were over Sunday visitors with friends and relatives in Portland.

Misses Katherine and Grace Jones returned from Eugene, Friday. They were guests of their sister, Mrs. F. L. Chambers.

Mrs. Charlotte Shellenberger came up from Portland, Saturday, for a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Craven.

Kersey Eldredge was up from Portland the last of the week, visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Eldredge.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church will hold their annual Rose Fair in the opera house Friday evening.

Mrs. E. E. Padlock and little daughter, Dorothy, visited her sister, Mrs. George Steiger in Salem the last of the week, returning home Sunday.

Miss Ruby Earhart came home from O. A. C. to visit for a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Earhart. She returned Tuesday.

Hurry Mix was up from Portland, where he is attending business college, to visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Mix, the last of the week.

Crosby Dalton, of Monmouth, who has been employed in a drugstore in McMinnville for about a year, has accepted a position with the Williams drugstore.

The W. R. C. and G. A. R. posts will hold Memorial exercises in the Auditorium, Sunday, at 11 a. m., and Decoration Day services at the same place May 30, at 10:30 a. m.

Mrs. J. S. Bohannon, Mrs. J. E. Hubbard and Mrs. Hattie Henkle returned from Eugene the last of the week. They visited the meeting of the Rebekah Assembly at that place.

BALLSTON

N. F. Gregg has been on the sick list. Quite a number from here attended the circus at McMinnville, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sloan visited relatives at Newberg, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. E. F. Craven and children, of Rickreall, visited friends here the latter part of the week.

Floyd Dickey and Nora Jones, of Buell, attended the commencement exercises of Ballston school Friday night.

The commencement exercises of the Ballston school were held at the Woodman Hall, Friday night, and were attended by a large crowd of the friends and patrons of the school. The following program was rendered:

Wand Drill—Primary Pupils.
Solo—Georgia Clark.
Reading—Florence Dorton.
Reading—Marie Short.
Reading—Edna Conner.
Recitation—Hattie Garrett.
Reading—Lawrence Pudge.
Duett—Lettie Birks and Kate De-Jong.

Recitation—Carric Sears.
Oration—Harry Bursell.
Oration—Rhoda Conner.
Oration—Zelma Butler.
Class Prophecy and History—Claire Summers.

Solo—Georgia Clark.
Class Address—Prof. L. R. Alderman.
Presentation of Diplomas—Supt. H. C. Seymour.

The graduates were Rhoda Ottinger, Marie Short, Edna Conner and Lawrence Pudge from the Eighth Grade, and Rhoda Conner and Zelma Butler from the Eleventh Grade. They were presented with many beautiful bouquets and warmly congratulated by their friends on their good work.

HARMONY

Ernest Hayes returned to his home in McMinnville, Sunday.

Harley Wilson, of the Highlands, visited at George Porter's, Sunday.

Allen McLean has the concrete foundation for his bungalow all ready for the carpenters.

Nearly every one on Mill Creek saw the eclipse and comet, which appeared Monday evening.

Cora McLean returned home Sunday from a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. John Talbot, of Butler.

R. L. Maine came up from South Forest Grove last week on a business trip and also to visit old friends.

Elvin Porter, who has been attending school at Dallas last winter, returned to his home last Monday.

Floyd Hayes and John McLean were McMinnville visitors Saturday and Sunday. They attended the circus while there.

Elmer Blanchard and family and Mr. and Mrs. William Endes and son were on a pleasure trip up in the mountains Sunday.

PERRYDALE

Alfred Enes is painting Mr. McKee's new barn.

Frank Lynn has been on the sick list this week.

A cartload of gravel arrived the last of the week for H. G. Key.

Miss Endies, of Portland, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Key.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Bratcher were visitors at the home of George Weaver, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Trent, who have been working for Frank Lynn, have moved to Dallas.

Mr. Al. Fountain and Miss Ethel White were married Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hawley.

Miss Edith Dugman was an Amity visitor over Sunday, attending the funeral of the late Norma Kinman of that place.

Zena - Spring Valley

Miss Lena Phillips, of Salem, attended the Zena school picnic.

Ben Windsor sold one of his fine colts to Donnel Crawford this week.

Victor Simpson, of Salem, was the over Sunday guest of Donnel Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Phillips, of Salem, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Crawford, Thursday.

Miss Helen Luthie, who is attending school in Salem, was the guest of Miss Marie Crawford, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Scott has charge of the preparations for the Children's Day program. All the children of the neighborhood are requested to be present at the rehearsals and help make it a success.

The first rehearsal was held Wednesday afternoon at the church.

Among those from Zena who attended the graduation exercises of the Williams Law School, Friday evening, were Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Barker, Roy Barker, Miss Etta White, the Misses Joyce and Marie Crawford, Rev. George McKinley, W. D. Henry, and Albert Wright. Guy Smith, who lived some time ago at Zena, was among the lawyers to be presented with their sheepskins. We wish him a most happy and prosperous future.

The picnic held at the Zena school grounds Friday was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. After a most excellent program, R. C. Shepard presented the three eighth grade graduates, Roy Barker, Doris Blise and Carl Bales, their diplomas, and on behalf of the pupils presented to Miss White, the teacher, a beautiful gold-lined berry spoon. All of the graduates passed with high honors, the average standing of all being much above 90 per cent. After congratulating the pupils and teacher on the excellent work of the past year, all repaired to the grove to partake of the bountiful lunch.

BRIDGEPORT

Clarence Lee is back from Eastern Washington.

Mr. Dow is taking medical treatment in Albany.

Herman Graber has sold his farm and will move to Dallas.

S. C. Bennett, of Creswell, has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. R. Riggs.

Miss Donna Hoppe has been engaged to teach the Mistletoe school the coming year.

Elbert Mack has been working for the Riddell brothers, who are sowing a large acreage to clover.

Frank Guthrie has purchased a farm near Salt Creek and will shortly move from the old home place, which has been sold, to his new home.

This neighborhood will be well represented at the Pioneer's picnic in Dallas next Saturday, but not by pioneers, as there are but very few left in this locality.

W. W. Miller returned home Tuesday from Alberta, where he intended to locate. He is satisfied from what he saw that it is no place for an Oregonian. He says every train into that country is loaded with immigrants, but that they are leaving just as fast as they are going.

Road Supervisor Sampson has a force of men and teams grading on the Fern hill where the change in the road is being made. This change will greatly raise the grade. Grading will soon begin on the Burns lane, which is now one of the worst pieces of road between Lewisville and Dallas.

OAK GROVE

Fred Doney is planting potatoes.

S. L. White has been hauling oats to Salem.

Don't forget the Oak Grove picnic, June 3 and 4.

The road grader is again at work in our neighborhood.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Fawk last Wednesday.

J. E. Allen and daughter, Mrs. Stevens, were Salem visitors Monday.

Mrs. Iva Fawk and daughter, Blanche, were Salem visitors Monday.

Seth Smith and Frank Farmer are hauling haley to Salem for Seth Riggs.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fawk, of Salt Creek, visited in our neighborhood last week.

E. L. Harris and Isaac Robertson made a business trip to Salem the first of the week.

Miss Verda Williamson, who has been visiting in Salem for some time, returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Edgar, of Salem, visited at the home of his father, J. W. Edgar, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doney are the proud possessors of a new-born baby girl, who came to them last Thursday.

Miss Flora Shaffer, of Ashland, and Mrs. R. L. Williamson, of West Salem, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Seth White.

It seems that a number of our neighbors, as well as ourselves, have been disappointed at the appearance of Halley's comet.

POLK

The hay crop will be below the average this year.

The recent showers have been very beneficial to all farm crops.

The Spring grain is looking nicely. The outlook is for a good crop.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Warkentin visited at the home of E. Friesen over Sunday.

Strawberry picking is the order of the season. The yield will not be as large as expected.

Mr. Kreisel, of Pratum, Oregon, visited friends and acquaintances in this vicinity last week.

G. J. Bempel, of Rickreall, is re-singhling his large barn and making other improvements.

BOOLA

Mr. and Mrs. Mitty visited Mr. Brown last Sunday.

There will be no program at the close of school on May 27.

Clifford Brunk is able to be out again, after several weeks' illness of typhoid fever.

Ethel Brunk and Bryan Ferguson passed the eighth grade examination, held here recently. Miss Ethel received a grade of 98 and Bryan made an average of 93 1-3.

Work was begun on the removal of the Brunk hill last Saturday. The hill will be cut down and a fill made at the bottom. The old bridge over the La-Creole River will be torn down and a new steel structure will take its place.

Mrs. Croxley and family entertained several guests last Thursday. Some were immediate neighbors and others were from town. The guests were taken to a grove on the north part of the place where they spent the afternoon in visiting and eating ice cream.

Everybody started home about 5:30 in the afternoon, after thanking their hosts for an enjoyable time. Those present were: Miss Currin, Mrs. Judge Moore, Dr. and Mrs. Altman, Judge and Mrs. Eakin and daughter, Gertrude, of Salem; Rev. H. T. Babcock, E. T. Hamer, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Brunk.

LEWISVILLE

John Leveck is delivering his wheat to the Dallas flouring mill.

The repairing and remodeling of the church at Lewisville is now under consideration.

The Grangers spent last Saturday up to 5 p. m. in their hall. They report that they will initiate a large class in the near future.

Preaching at Bridgeport next Sunday at 11 a. m., and at Lewisville at 8 p. m. The fifth Sundays are given to this part of the work.

Rev. E. E. McVicker's daughter, Jennie, arrived home the later part of the week from Corvallis, where she had remained to finish the public school course. She successfully passed the first examination and will return for the commencement exercises.

BUENA VISTA

Mrs. J. K. Neal visited in Corvallis a few days this week.

M. J. Kreutz, of Suver, was doing business here Saturday.

The much talked of comet was visible here last Saturday night.

Miss Marie Church visited in Corvallis, Saturday and Sunday.

W. J. Steele is able to be about his house again after a spell of sickness.

R. F. Hall, of Woodburn, visited over Sunday with friends and relatives in Buena Vista.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK

Closing Exercises of Dallas College to Be Held June 3-8.

The faculty and students of Dallas College are busily preparing for the annual commencement exercises, to be held June 3-8. Excellent programs are being arranged, and the friends of the institution are promised a week of rare entertainment. The commencement calendar is as follows:

Friday, June 3—Anniversary of Utopian Literary Society.

Saturday, June 4—Anniversary of Philadelphia Literary Society.

Sunday, June 5—Baccalaureate sermon at 11 a. m.; address before the Christian Associations at 8 p. m., by Gale Scaman, Coast Secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

Monday, June 6—Junior Oratorical Contest, at 8 p. m.

Tuesday, June 7—Annual Musical Recital, at 8 p. m.

Wednesday, June 8—Commencement, at 10 a. m.; Alumni Reunion and Banquet, at 8 p. m.

Pupils Make High Grades.

From all parts of Polk County come reports telling of the high grades made by the public school pupils taking the eighth grade examination. Few of the bright boys and girls writing for final papers have fallen below 90 per cent in their standing, and many more.

Such reports speak more eloquently than words of careful, conscientious and effective work on the part of the teachers and the man at the head of the public school system in Polk County. Our people have cause to feel proud of their excellent schools.

Ordered to American Lake.

Orders have been received at the headquarters of Company H, Oregon National Guard, to the effect that the Company will meet in annual encampment at American Lake, Washington, August 8th to 17th of this year. A big time is expected as there will be the combined National Guard of the various states in camp. Orders are said to be very strict and all members are commanded to attend.

Dunne Reappointed.

David M. Dunne, collector of internal revenue for the state of Oregon since 1898, has been reappointed. Colonel Dunne says he does not know through whose influence he was given the office for a fourth time. It is reported that Senator Bourne had recommended E. Hoyer, editor of the Capital Journal at Salem, for the place.

Flour for Widow.

W. W. Howell, the popular manager of the Rickreall Flouring Mill, has notified the committee in charge of the Artisan picnic at Rickreall that he will give a prize of 100 pounds of "White Lily" flour to the widow with the largest family on the picnic grounds.

New Library Books.

The librarian of the Dallas Free Library reports that these new books have been added to the rental list: A Modern Chronicle—Churchill. The Bending of the Twig—Russell. On the Branch—DeCoulevain.

LOW RATES TO SALEM

Reduction in Fare Granted for Modern Woodman Picnic.

Superintendent S. T. Jones, of the Salem, Dallas & Falls City railroad, informs the Observer that special low rates will be granted on Saturday, June 4, on account of the Modern Woodman picnic to be held in Salem on that day.

For this occasion, the following round-trip rates are authorized to Salem from the stations named: Black Rock, \$1.50; Falls City, \$1.25; Dallas, 75 cents.

The final return limit is Sunday, June 5. Children of half-fare age will be given one-half the adult rate. No baggage will be checked on these tickets.

The Modern Woodmen are preparing to give one of the most enjoyable picnics ever held in Western Oregon and a large attendance is assured. The low round-trip rates granted by the local railroad company will enable the people