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Spend the Summer at Newport, Yaquina Bay

Beach in the Pacific Northwest

Where the pretty Water Agates, Moss Agates, Moonstones, Carnelians, and Rock Oysters can be found.

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Including Hunting, Fishing, digging Rock Oysters, Boating, Bathing, Riding, Autoing, Canoeing and Dancing. Fresh mountain water and the best of food at low prices. Fresh Crabs, Clams, Oysters, Fish and Vegetables of all kinds daily. IDEAL CAMPING GROUNDS, with strict sanitary regulations, at nominal cost.

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NEWS OF POLK COUNTY

ITEMS CONTRIBUTED BY RUSTLING LOCAL CORRESPONDENTS.

Happenings of Interest in Various Neighborhoods Told in Interesting Manner.

MONMOUTH

Well, here we are again, scratching away as usual. We had a fine trip to the beach, and enjoyed every minute of it.

The roads to Newport are in excellent condition, and automobiles can run over there and make good time. Eight autos came in while we were there. There was one had place on Pioneer Hill, but it is bridged now.

Seven hundred excursionists came to Newport last Sunday, and one can number the visitors by the thousands.

We saw Mr. and Mrs. Frank Collins, of Dallas, at Newport. They are enjoying their outing.

Newport has a fine water system now—second to none in the state. The water is good, and there is plenty of it.

This is one of the driest Summers ever known at the beach. There has been no rain for over a month, and no heavy fog.

Poor old Jump-Off-Joe is going fast, and will soon be a thing of the past. The point South of Nye Creek is also giving way rapidly, and Old Time will soon demolish it.

While in Newport, we met Doctor Hewitt, of Independence, and Judge Wright, of Albany, besides quite a number of other old friends. In the talk about Normal Schools, nearly everyone spoke favorably of Monmouth.

F. Y. Mulkey is at Newport for his health, and we judge by himself that he will be benefited.

T. H. Halleck, of Newport, and Miss Daisy Thomas, of Corvallis, were married at the home of the bride, Monday, August 1, at 7 o'clock in the morning. After the wedding breakfast, they left on the train for their future home in Newport. Mr. Halleck was formerly a resident of Monmouth and is favorably known by readers of the Observer. His bride is a Normal School graduate and is well known here. Mr. and Mrs. Halleck have the best wishes of all.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter left for Newport, Wednesday, for a ten days' outing.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newman and daughter, Ethel, left for Michigan, Wednesday, on a three months' visit.

Winegar & Lawrence, the hardware dealers, are building an addition on their business house to make room for their large stock of implements.

O. A. Wolverton, our Postmaster, arrived home Monday from a visit to Canada. He reports having had a good time, but is glad to get back to the Williams Valley, which is the testimony of everyone that goes away and comes back.

FALLS CITY

C. W. Davis was a passenger to Portland, Sunday.

J. C. Kramer was a county seat visitor Wednesday.

Bert Robinson was a Portland visitor the first of the week.

Hon. F. K. Hubbard transacted business in Dallas, Wednesday.

Dr. A. B. Starbuck, of Dallas, was in Falls City on business Tuesday.

J. E. Beasley returned from a short business trip to Portland, Tuesday.

J. C. Pugh returned from a short business trip to Portland, Tuesday.

W. V. Fuller, of Dallas, transacted business in Falls City the first of the week.

Miss Ethel Toose returned Monday from a week end visit with friends in Portland.

Mrs. W. J. Hooker was called to Harrisburg, Tuesday, on account of the serious illness of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Treat and A. F. Courter and family left Sunday for a two weeks' outing at Devil's Lake.

Rev. Hillis and family left Wednesday for Salem, where they will attend the Free Methodist camp meeting.

L. M. Grames was in for supplies Saturday. He reports no damage by fire to any of the claims in his neighborhood.

N. Sell left Tuesday for a ten days trip to Portland and Myrtle Creek. He expects to open his new store the first of September.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Muscott, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hines and nephew, Arthur Baldwin, left Sunday for a three weeks' outing on the Siletz Bay.

Zena—Spring Valley

Mr. Bates is engaging hop pickers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Henry were in Salem, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Starr were in Salem, Saturday.

Mrs. Holland and children attended church in Salem, Saturday.

Dan Fry, of Salem, was a business caller at Mr. Derrick's, Saturday.

Mr. Stratton halted last week for Mr. Mills, M. Barker and Mr. Crawford.

W. D. Henry has purchased a driving horse from Monroe Purvine, to drive to his new buggy.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Davis and family, of Zena, and Mrs. Will Wright, Luther Wright, and Miss Hazel Price, of Salem, are spending several weeks at the coast.

McCOY

Mr. Stewart's threshing machine started Tuesday.

A. C. Taylor's relatives, of Amity, spent Sunday with him.

Miss Gladys Smith is visiting friends in McMinnville this week.

D. W. Starn, of Portland, made a business trip to McCoy, Tuesday.

Miss Grace Buttrick spent a few days with her parents and friends here.

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Mr. "Doc" Richardson's sister returned to her home in Eastern Oregon, Monday.

Bert Miller's wife's father and mother, Mr. Moomaw, arrived in McCoy, Saturday.

Lewis Macken and Ed. Merritt are busy storing away hay these days. They have the warehouse nearly full.

Mrs. E. J. Nutter and daughter, Minnie, returned from Portland last week, where they were taking a vacation.

A party was given at the William Buttrick home in honor of their daughter Ada's birthday, Saturday evening.

We have a blacksmith shop at last. This has been very badly needed, and will be a great help to the farmers and others.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Logan have moved here from McMinnville, for the summer. Mr. Logan will work in J. K. Sears' warehouse.

POPCORN

C. A. Clarke is painting his barn.

L. D. Gibson has lost one of his best cows.

Frank Kermeyer, of Portland, visited at the McDowell home last week.

Miss Lella Bixby, of Newberg, has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. L. D. Gibson.

Blindling is going on throughout the hill country and threatening time is near.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sykes are visiting at the home of his folks, Mr. and Mrs. John Sykes.

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George W. Conkey, for the past three weeks, has returned to Portland.

Mrs. E. T. Henkle and daughter, Miss Emma, and Mrs. Arthur Moore and daughter, Miss Mabel Ellis, went to Newport, Wednesday, for a several weeks' stay.

LUCKIAMUTE

Mrs. Hillbrand and son, Frank, were Albany visitors Friday.

C. Lehman is again some better from an attack of rheumatism.

C. W. Stewart and J. B. Hillbrand are rebuilding the Dave Stump house.

F. N. Saver spent Sunday with his parents. He is assisting the County Surveyor.

All early sown grain in this vicinity is in the shock and a good percent of the Spring grain is cut.

Mrs. E. J. Steele and Mrs. C. W. Stewart were business visitors in Independence and Monmouth, Friday.

E. J. Steele and Robert Patterson will start their new threshing outfit next Thursday. They have a fine new 32 by 56 Advance threshing and an 18-horse compound engine, and will no doubt do some good work.

Last Saturday evening, several young people gave Mrs. Hillbrand a surprise party. It being her birthday. Games were indulged in and a general good time was enjoyed by all. The Fair View Sunday School presented her with a handsome berry spoon. After a dainty lunch had been served, the guests departed, wishing Mrs. Hillbrand many more happy birthdays. Those present were: Misses Ima, Emma and Anna Moore, Ethel, Mabel and Maud Moore, Lela Lampitt, Nora Saver, Vale Hillbrand, Minnie Fleischmann, Mrs. Joseph Lampitt, Messrs. Charles, Edward and Milton Lehmann, Thomas Lampitt, Clifford Lampitt, Jack Conger, Frank Martin, Kirk Seraford, Galt Hillbrand, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Hillbrand, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hillbrand.

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F. B. Conner, formerly of Perrydale, now of LaGrande, Oregon, has been visiting home folk for the last week. Mr. Conner has a splendid position as advertising manager and window trimmer for one of the leading department stores in LaGrande.

McCoy is Growing.

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PERRYDALE AND M'COY

NORTHERN POLK COUNTY HOME OF BLOODED LIVESTOCK

Farmers Are Harvesting Bountiful Crops—Towns Are Making Rapid Growth.

Perrydale is a beautiful town of about 200 people, lying on the Southern Pacific railroad ten miles North of Dallas, in a fertile valley of farm land, which, for richness of soil and productiveness, has no superior in the State of Oregon. While the place is not large, almost every house shows a recent application of paint. Every residence shows care and pride on the part of its owner.

At this season of the year, everyone is as busy as can be, and the people who come in to trade and buy a few articles usually do so in a hurry and get back to work as soon as possible. In every direction, one sees broad fields of wheat and oats, all at the harvesting stage of ripeness.

Perrydale Has Good Stores.

The main store of Perrydale is owned and managed by J. E. Yoakum, a brother of J. P. Yoakum, of Dallas. His stock consists of an unusually complete line of general merchandise. Mr. Yoakum has been in Perrydale two years and succeeds in holding all the trade that belongs to his territory. People in and around Perrydale are pleased with the store and with the efforts of the proprietor to give them the very best for their money.

The hardware and implement store is owned by Fred Hebbing, who carries a complete stock of heavy and shelf hardware, farm implements and binder supplies. Mr. Hebbing has always had a good patronage and stands well with the people. He is an old resident, having located in Perrydale 20 years ago.

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and the cost must have eaten deeply into the owner's bank account. The farm is one of the best in Polk County.

W. E. Wells, living South of McCoy, has an attractive home and a splendid dairy farm. It is known as the old Fletcher place. Mr. Wells moved on this place a year ago. He has a herd of 24 fine Jersey cattle and is making money from them.

H. Lehrman is building a house and barn on the G. V. Brown place. Mr. Brown is at present in California. Mr. Lehrman's services as a carpenter are constantly in demand, as he has done good work for the various farmers in this part of the county.

W. W. Glandon is building a house and barn on the old F. S. Glandon farm near McCoy. The farm has been cut up into 80-acre tracts. W. G. Glandon has one of the 80-acre farms.

C. L. Hawley, candidate for State Senator from Polk and Benton counties, owns a splendid farm of 100 acres east of McCoy. It is as good land as will be found in the Willamette Valley. Mr. Hawley has just finished cutting 80 acres of wheat, and is now taking care of 45 acres of oats. He says his wheat crop is good this year. The Observer reporter found Mr. Hawley working with a stubborn canvas on his binder, which seemed to want to balk in several places, but Mr. Hawley demonstrated that he could work with a binder out of fix and still "keep sweet."

The McCoy and Bethel neighborhood is one of the favored spots of Oregon, and the writer expects to tell more about it in another number of the Observer.

REVERSE MEYERS CASE

Slayer of Policeman in Salem Wins in Supreme Court.

The judgment of the lower court of Marion County was reversed Wednesday morning in an opinion written by Judge McBride of the Supreme Court in the case of the State vs. George Meyers and the cause remanded for new trial.

George Meyers was indicted for murder in the first degree for shooting and killing Thomas Eckhart, a Salem police officer, who had Meyers in custody. Meyers was subsequently convicted and sentenced for murder in the second degree to the penitentiary for life, on which judgment he appealed.

The case involved but one principle question for the consideration of the Supreme Court, it being the admissibility of testimony given during the trial by Sol. Anderson, of Salem, to substantiate forethought and malice on the part of Meyers. The State summoned Anderson, who related an alleged statement made by Meyers to the effect he, Meyers, said prior to the shooting, that if an officer would arrest him he would shoot. Over an objection Judge Burnett admitted this testimony and Justice McBride holds that the court erred in so doing, in view of the fact that other testimony given by Anderson had no bearing upon the case at hand and further evidence failed to prove that Meyers intended to take up a campaign to succeed himself as State Printer.

Grant B. Dimick, of Oregon City, has already completed one round of the state in the interest of his ambition to be Governor. Rather than withdrawing, he is reputed to be preparing for a second tour. Albert Abraham, of Roseburg, is also preparing to loop the state loop.

Oddly enough, with these three men in the field many of the anti-assembly Republicans are looking for still another man. They do not believe any one of the three has the ghost of a chance of winning. For some time past this element has been trying to draw Willis S. Dunaway into the race. But from the first Mr. Dunaway has sidestepped the temptation. At this time he is preparing to take up a campaign to succeed himself as State Printer.

So the situation just now isn't looking as bright as it might to the anti-assembly Republicans. The assembly element has only one man in the field and every assemblyite is behind that man, Acting Governor Bowerman. And there does not at this time seem to be much chance for a change of conditions.

Regardless of what their chances may be of