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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

Lloyd Miller made a trip to Dallas, Monday.

Mrs. W. L. Toose visited in Dallas, Saturday.

Mrs. T. B. Hooker and son went to Dallas, Friday.

Otha Bell is visiting friends in Tillamook County.

Miss Violet Pfandhoefer visited in Salem, Saturday.

Luther Davis made a visit to the county seat Friday.

Sheriff John Grant made a visit to Falls City, Wednesday.

George March, of Portland, is visiting friends in Falls City.

Mrs. Steven Boynton, of Portland, is visiting in Falls City.

E. F. Boughey, of Salem, was a visitor in Falls City, Friday.

Professor Mills, of Black Rock, visited in this city Saturday.

N. Selig left for Portland, Monday, to purchase Spring supplies.

E. E. Williams, of Portland, made a business visit here Tuesday.

William Estey is making an addition to his shooting gallery.

Many Dallas people attended the masquerade Saturday night.

Mrs. Jonathan Courter, of Newberg, is visiting Mrs. Alex Courter.

Miss Mabel Grant, of Dallas, visited friends here on Thanksgiving.

Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Lockett spent Thanksgiving with friends in Amity.

W. J. Hooker is building a residence on East Main street beyond the hospital.

County Commissioner Teal was a business visitor in Falls City, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heydon attended the dance in Dallas, Saturday night.

N. O. Harris, from the Siletz Basin, is engaged in packing his winter's supplies.

Mrs. B. F. Boughey and daughter, Elma, of Salem, visited friends here Tuesday.

Dave J. Grant made a business visit to Portland, Monday and Tuesday of last week.

W. H. Robertson, of Monmouth, visited at the home of J. H. Flower, Thursday.

Miss Edith Barnhart, of Oakdale, spent the week with Mrs. M. L. Thompson.

A. G. Steward and family returned Friday from a visit in McMinnville and Dayton.

Frank and Talmage Hillis, of Portland, are visiting their brother, Rev. E. H. Hillis.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Myer and son, Pernel, are visiting friends at Dolph, Tillamook County.

A party of people from this city attended the masquerade ball in Dallas, Saturday evening.

Glen Siefarth and Albert Vick, of Dallas College, visited their parents during Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hooker and son spent Thanksgiving at the home of J. J. Williams in Dallas.

Miss Margaret Flower, of Salem, spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Flower.

Mrs. Arthur Erickson and Mrs. George Burton attended the meeting of Pythian Sisters, Wednesday.

U. S. Talbot and Frank Smith, of Portland, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Talbot.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Buell, of Independence, are visiting with Mr. Buell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Buell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Dunton, of McMinnville, visited the former's brother, J. E. Dunton, during Thanksgiving.

G. D. Treat and family returned from Monmouth, Saturday, after visiting at the home of Mrs. Treat's father.

Miss Luella Ethel Toose left Monday for Portland and Salem, where she will spend a few weeks visiting friends.

Mrs. E. A. LaDow arrived home Sunday after attending the funeral of Mr. LaDow's mother in Walla Walla, Washington.

Representative-elect Ira C. Powell, of Monmouth, was in this city Sunday, making new friends and renewing old acquaintances.

A school election will be held at the schoolhouse on Tuesday, December 6. School taxes will be adjusted and indebtedness paid.

Little Howard Hillis, the infant son of Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Hillis, is ill with pneumonia. His condition is not considered serious.

Mr. and Mrs. Zora Hinshaw and son, Charles, returned home Friday, after visiting a week with Professor F. S. Crowley in Independence.

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velopment Congress in Salem by L. W. Zorin, president of the Commercial Club; William Ellis, Dr. L. Pfandhoefer, W. J. Hooker, secretary; W. T. Grier and C. L. Starr.

Mrs. Mark Nolan died at the family home in South Falls City from the effects of blood poisoning. The funeral services were held from the home Friday and interment took place in the Odd Fellows' cemetery.

Frank Heydon returned from Portland, Thursday, accompanied by his bride, Mr. and Mrs. Heydon were married in Portland last week. The wedding came as a complete surprise to Mr. Heydon's many friends in this city.

A crowd of fifty people serenaded Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heydon and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lowe at their homes Friday night. The Falls City band rendered many selections. The grooms gave a few remarks, thanking the visitors.

The teachers of the school left for their respective homes, Wednesday, to be gone until Sunday. Miss White and Miss Fugate went to Salem; Misses Jean and Hazel Kuykendall to North Yamhill; Miss Hallie Morrison and Miss Grant to Dallas, and Miss Palmer to Amity.

A special city election will be held Monday, December 5. The purpose of this election is to submit to the voters of Falls City whether the city shall issue water bonds to the amount of \$30,000, to bear interest at a rate not to exceed 7 per cent per annum. The waterworks situation is very uncertain, and it is impossible to say when Falls City will be furnished with water.

The Masquerade Ball given in Wagner Hall on Thanksgiving night was a decided success. The prizes for the best sustained characters were awarded as follows: Roy McMurphy and A. B. Brown, an old man and an old lady, first prize. Mrs. W. R. Hinshaw, as "Auntie Rosobud," and Herman Mason, as "Weary Willie," received second prizes. Music was furnished by the Falls City orchestra. At midnight, an elaborate banquet was served in Hinshaw's confectionery.

MONMOUTH

Mrs. A. L. Chute and two children were in town over Sunday.

J. D. Vance, of Utah, was looking at the country around Monmouth last week.

P. Springer, of Salem, made a business visit to Monmouth on Thanksgiving Day.

Frank Ecker, of Corvallis, has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Ecker.

Professor E. J. Hadley, of Portland, a Normal graduate, celebrated here Saturday.

Mrs. E. Bogert and daughter, of Salem, spent Saturday in town. They formerly lived here.

County Clerk and Mrs. E. M. Smith spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bristol and daughter, of Pleasant Hill spent Saturday in Monmouth, visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Dayhoff, of Oklahoma, were in Monmouth last week and went out to the home of a brother who lives near town.

Mrs. Erma Hall, principal of the Thompson High School in Portland, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hall, on Thanksgiving.

William Beckley, of Southern Oregon, was in town Tuesday. He has bought a farm about one and one-half miles West of Monmouth.

Mr. French, of the real estate firm, went to Jefferson, Saturday, where he will take charge of a hotel they own there. Leaving Mr. McInturf to run the real estate office.

Mrs. A. T. Cross and grandson, Paul Cross; Mrs. A. B. Moreland and daughter, Marie, left Monday for an all winter's visit in Central City, Iowa. Mr. Moreland accompanied them as far as Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. David Poulkes, of Portland, have been visiting Mrs. Poulkes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Ground. Mr. Poulkes has been employed in the composing room of the Oregonian for many years.

Thanksgiving was observed here by the business houses, but not by the churches. The stores were closed on turkey and chicken, and were thankful that they had the same.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Diehl and two daughters and two sons, of Watsburg, Washington, spent Thanksgiving with their son, Elmer Diehl. They were well pleased with this part of the country and said it was surely the Garden of Eden. They may sell out and come back here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hall gave a Thanksgiving dinner to some of their children. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Herren and two children, Dorris and Mr. Harold; Miss Erma Hall, Dorris and Mrs. G. C. Skinner and two children, of Independence, and Miss Dora Hall, of Monmouth.

The citizens of Monmouth met Wednesday night to discuss the water question. This is a question which should be settled at once, for we need a water system that would be of some account in a case of fire. The supply for domestic use is not sufficient at the present time. Let's all pull together for a good water supply.

POLK

The Fall sown grain looks promising.

Johann Quiring, Sr., is reported very sick.

Most of the farmers have quit farm work for the winter.

C. W. Boyle will put out a small prune orchard.

G. H. Robbins is getting out about 14 acres to prune trees.

R. T. Pierce lost a valuable hog last week by blood poisoning.

All indications point to a scarcity of hay and feed in this neighborhood this winter.

The roads are getting muddy and rutted and forming. The dirt should be used after every heavy rain, and it

would save a good many dollars in the Spring.

David Nachtengal, of Salt Creek, has gone to California for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. C. H. Warkentin, of Salt Creek, has returned from California, where she has been out since October 1.

A greater acreage of grain and hay has been put in this year than any we can remember of in the last ten years.

Reverend Wiens, of Enid, Kansas, has been visiting friends here the last three weeks. He left for home Tuesday.

C. B. Friesen, who has been under the care of a doctor in Portland for gall-stones, has returned home much improved.

Rev. S. S. Bumgartner, of Pratum, Oregon, held protracted meeting in the Menomath Church of this place the last week.

Mrs. G. G. Rempel and Mrs. D. G. Rempel are taking treatment with a chiropractic doctor in Portland and report good results.

Frank Warkentin has returned from Menno, Washington, where he has been working at the carpenter trade for the last two years.

The poultry breeders are preparing to take some birds to the Poultry Show to be held in Dallas, December 13-16. They expect to bring home some of the blue ribbons.

AIRLIE

Airlie will have a Christmas tree.

Clyde Turner was in Independence, Monday.

John Ritter was a visitor in Airlie, Tuesday.

Mr. Shewey, of this place, is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ray went to Albany, Saturday.

Mrs. J. O. Staats has returned from her visit in Eugene.

Robert Story has gone to Corvallis to spend a few days.

Well, we are all full of turkey and ready to read the news.

Dave Simpson was a business visitor in Independence Tuesday.

The stores of Airlie are getting in their stocks of Christmas goods.

Miss Minnie Nendel was the guest of Miss Dora Toedemeyer, Sunday.

Ernest Williams, of Independence, spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Airlie.

Clyde Turner, the station agent, is ill. Harry Williams is taking his place.

J. M. Staats was out repairing telephone lines after the recent storms, Monday.

Mrs. A. C. Staats and daughter, Edith, went to Albany on business Saturday.

Mrs. Alma Gripe, who was visiting friends in Airlie, returned to Independence, Friday evening.

Miss Jackson, of Monmouth, was in Airlie, Saturday, giving music lessons. She will come every Saturday.

The United Artisans gave a dance Thanksgiving night. They had a big crowd and all reported a good time.

A number of farms around Airlie have changed hands in the last month, one man buying all of them.

The farms sold were those of Green Hastings, Sharp Bevens, H. J. Bevens, T. P. Bevens and F. O. Bevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Winterstein were agreeably surprised by the members of the Artisan lodge Monday evening.

The crowd assembled in Airlie and then went in a body to Mr. Winterstein's. The evening was spent in various games. At 12 o'clock, a delicious supper was served by the visitors.

The crowd departed at a late hour and all had a good time.

Zena--Spring Valley

Miss Lina Phillips, of Salem, was a caller in Zena, Friday.

Miss Greta Phillips spent the holidays at her Zena home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crawford were Sunday visitors in Salem.

Harold White spent Thanksgiving with his mother in Salem.

John Clark, of Oregon City, was a visitor at Mr. Catton's, Sunday.

Mrs. Zella Baker spent Thanksgiving with her daughter and parents at Zena.

Miss Joyce Crawford, of Portland, and Miss Marie Crawford, of Salem, spent the holidays at the parental home.

Mrs. W. D. Henry and Mrs. Lynn Purvine entertained about thirty friends at a "trolley" party Friday evening. The first part of the evening was passed in playing progressive games. After serving refreshments, the remainder of the time was spent in enjoying music and recitations. All passed a very pleasant evening.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Crawford were pleasantly surprised Thanksgiving evening by a party of relatives who came in to celebrate the 31st anniversary of their marriage. The four sons presented their parents with a beautiful silver berry spoon as a memento of the occasion. Light refreshments were served during the evening, and all went home wishing Mr. and Mrs. Crawford many happy returns of the day.

BLACK ROCK

Mrs. Nichols has been very sick the last week.

H. Conners went to Salem the first of the week.

Louis Hamer transacted business here Tuesday.

Dan Garbage is making the woods fall these days.

W. M. Whyte made a business trip to Portland this week.

Miss Arrah Martin returned to her school duties this week.

Mrs. Hazel Flower visited her parents in Falls City last week.

We notice several husky loggers passing out with their packs of late. Al Latin has returned to Black Rock after a four-months' stay in Portland.

L. E. Mills took the school census this week, enumerating 122 children, as against 88 last year. Why not have

a good four-room school in Black Rock?

Jack Holloway took his logging team to Falls City for shoeing the first of the week.

Napoleon Patterson is head clerk in Mr. Whyte's store while Mr. Whyte is in Portland.

There is no let up on the trainloads of excellent timber passing down from Black Rock daily.

Miss Esther Clark, our primary teacher, went to Dallas, Saturday, returning the same evening.

It will be determined in Sunday School next Sunday whether to continue the school through the winter.

HARMONY

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dickey were visitors in Willamina, Monday.

Miss Nina Graves spent Thanksgiving at her home at Mt. Tabor.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. MacLean spent Thanksgiving with relatives at Bethel.

William Eads and family spent Thanksgiving at the home of W. A. MacLean.

Lynn Jones returned to the logging camp, after spending a few days with his family.

Joe Hinshaw and Miss Velva Blair visited at the home of Cyrus Blair, Thanksgiving.

Randall Buell visited his brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Blanchard, last week.

A little son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Woods is very sick with pneumonia at Willamina.

Miss Madie Blair has returned home after spending a few days with Mrs. W. Armitage in Sheridan.

Quite a crowd from here attended the church service at Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ridgeway's, Thanksgiving evening.

Miss Nina Hayes and Master Garlan Hayes, of McMinnville, are visiting at the home of their uncle, J. B. Hayes.

There was singing at the home of J. B. Hayes, Sunday evening. The attendance was good in spite of the stormy weather.

PEDEE

Sunday School every Sunday at 2 o'clock.

Darrell Turner visited Wilber Bush, Thursday night.

The Luckiamute River was pretty high last Monday.

Frank Rowley gave a shooting match Wednesday.

Levi Burbank and sister, Lucy, were in Airlie, Monday.

We hear there will be a Christmas tree at the schoolhouse.

Frank Rowley hauled a load of goods for the She