

POLK COUNTY NEWS FROM OBSERVER WRITERS

FALLS CITY

Postmaster J. E. Beezley, who has been very ill, has resumed his duties in the office. Miss Mammie Fugitt has been working in the postoffice during the holiday rush. The debating teams of the Falls City High school will compete with teams from Lebanon and Corvallis January 12, on the text book question. This is the same question that was debated in the county league last year. Falls City defeated Corvallis, but then was defeated in the inter-district debate by Lebanon. What is said to have been the best play ever presented in this city was the drama "Borderland" given by the "Ell Dee" society of the public school last Friday evening. The unprecedented success was greatly due to the natural adaptability of the players to their respected roles. It is the intention of the society to present a number of plays this season. Charles Kaufman is visiting with friends at Corvallis. Mrs. Bessie Pye is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Pye at Newport. L. H. Hulbert has been transacting business at Woodburn. J. C. Talbott was in Salem recently. Ben Survey spent a day last week in Salem. Mrs. C. W. Davis visited Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Mackner in Salem a few days last week. George Brown has returned from a month's trip to Rochester, Minnesota. A. E. West, of Rickreall, spent a day in Falls City last week. Mr. West was a former resident here. Miss Ethel Tooze is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Tooze. She is a student of the University of Oregon. Mrs. W. R. Hinshaw was a Capital City visitor last week. Mrs. Addie Montgomery visited her daughter in Dallas recently. Professor and Mrs. J. E. Dunton are spending the holidays with relatives in Molalla and Portland. Elmer Barnhart is spending a few days in Portland. Miss Ella Mehring, of Dallas, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mehring. Lester Barnhart, of Dallas College, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Barnhart. Miss Violet Pfandhoefer, a student of the Capital Business College, is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. L. Pfandhoefer. Frank Martin has returned to this city from Airlie. Miss Susan Gordy, of Oregon City, is visiting Miss Edna Courter. Interesting Christmas programs were given at the Christian and Methodist churches Saturday evening. Mrs. W. A. Cobb spent the holidays at Lafayette. Professor L. E. Mills, of Black Rock, passed through this city Saturday enroute to Woodburn, where he will visit H. W. Hall. Mrs. J. M. Dennis spent the week end at Airlie. Miss Mae Lynch is visiting her parents near Salem. Miss Ermon Wheelock is spending the week with her parents in St. Johns. Miss Ruth Nunn is passing the holidays at the home of her parents in Dallas. Miss Elsie White is visiting relatives in Salem. Nelson Chapin went to Dallas Saturday. Miss Clara Ray spent the week end in Salem. George Bell went to Dallas Saturday. Miss Laura Hager visited friends in the county seat Saturday. A. L. Porter was a passenger to Salem Saturday. Merrill Porter is visiting friends at Portland and Vancouver, Washington. C. I. Corbin, the new hotel proprietor, transacted business in Dallas Saturday. O. A. Castle, of Dallas, was in this city Saturday. Mrs. G. D. Treat, who has been very ill with typhoid fever, is now able to be about again. Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Treat and daughter, Helen, Lucena and Genevieve, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Treat in Monmouth. Miss Leda March, of Corvallis, visited her brother George March, the first part of the week. Mrs. F. S. Crowley, of Independence, passed through this city Saturday enroute to the Siletz Basin, where she will visit Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hinshaw. Otto Bell, who has been working at Rickreall, has returned to Falls City. At the recent shooting match at

Dallas, L. A. Hulbert of this city, won three out of the five competitive matches. William Alderman is out from the Siletz Basin. Mrs. J. P. De Witt, of Monmouth, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Singleton. Mrs. Paul J. Sheppard returned from Portland, Saturday. Charles Hinshaw, of the Siletz Basin, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hinshaw Saturday. Misses Clara and Edith Montgomery, who are teaching school at Salt Creek, are spending the holidays in this city. Mrs. J. S. Packard, of Portland, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Grier. Mr. and Mrs. B. McDowell and daughter, Dora, are visiting relatives at Gilliam. Mrs. C. R. Hammond, who has been in the city for the past week, left for her home in Portland Saturday. At the last session of the city council that body decided to levy a 15 mill municipal tax to meet the contingencies of the ensuing year. The assessed valuation of city property is \$265,280. At a recent meeting of the commercial club the following officers were elected: President, C. W. Lee, vice president, William Ellis; secretary, Bert Dennis; treasurer, M. L. Thompson; executive committee, Dr. F. M. Hellwarth, M. G. Ellis, and W. F. Nichols. Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Richey are visiting relatives at Myrtle Creek. Alex Courter visited relatives in Newberg last week. J. C. Gruver is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moyer. Miss Gertrude Waters, of Portland, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Waters. R. S. Ferguson, G. J. Ferguson, and Charles Cochran came out from the Siletz Basin Saturday where they are engaged in building donkey engine sleds for the Falls City Lumber company. E. B. Hubbard was a county seat visitor Saturday. W. O. Ellis, of Dallas, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Ellis. Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Bogert are visiting relatives in Monmouth. Ellis Frink is spending the holidays in Oregon City and Portland. Lloyd Miller is visiting relatives in Oregon City and Portland. Jesse Beezley has gone to Roseburg. A. J. Vick went to Salem Sunday. Arist Moser is visiting his family in Portland. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moyer are visiting Professor and Mrs. J. B. Hatch at La Fayette. Warren Cobb is working at Tillamook. Frank Inman and son, Russell, of Dallas, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Inman over Monday. Edward Inman has gone to Oregon City. Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Courter and sons, Clive and Eusign, spent the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Courter. Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Faller, of Salem, visited N. A. Lund and family the first part of the week. A. E. Trask, of Corvallis, spent a few days this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Trask. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert March and son, Chester, of Corvallis, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. George March. Miss Eva Chapin, of Ajax, Eastern Oregon, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Chapin. George Dutton, of Ashland, Nebraska, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moyer. Miss Anna Churchill, of Ashland, Nebraska, is visiting friends and relatives here. Willis Montgomery, of Dallas, is visiting his mother. H. A. Packard, of Portland, spent several days this week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Grier. Professor and Mrs. W. I. Reynolds, of Buena Vista, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Nichols and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Dennis this week. Willis Reynolds, of Salem, visited relatives the first part of the week. Archibald J. Lyon, of Portland, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lyon, Christmas. L. L. Brooks spent Christmas with his family in this city. Professor and Mrs. Ernest Reed, of Independence, visited Mr. and Mrs. H. Reed and Mr. and Mrs. Noah Ferguson this week. Miss E. Winkle, of Brownsville, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clay Oxford. Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hinshaw entertained Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Heydon and Mrs. J. D. Moyer at Christmas dinner Monday. A most enjoyable social dance was

given at Wagner's Hall Christmas night. Music was rendered by Walker's orchestra. A light lunch was served at midnight. Frank Syron, of Dallas, attended the Christmas night dance. Verne Compton was here from Dallas Monday. Mr. and Mrs. N. Selig left Tuesday for a few days visit in Salem. Mrs. Clara Kaufman and daughter, Beulah, left Tuesday for their new home near Seio. F. P. Heydon transacted business in Dallas Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Vick returned Tuesday from a trip to Salem. Mrs. William Ellis was a Dallas visitor Tuesday. MONMOUTH Mr. and Mrs. Walter Black and son, of Black Rock, were in town Friday. Miss Loretta Smith, a teacher in the Newport school, is at home during the holidays. N. Heffley, of Pleasant Valley, spent Sunday in town. William Fishback, of Gorton, was in town Saturday. James Goodman, of Antioch, was in town Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan spent their Christmas at the home of Mrs. Sullivan's mother at Antioch. Harold Davis left Monday for his home in the Alsea country. Eugene Bogert and family of Salem, spent Christmas at P. H. Johnson's. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Howell, of Portland, spent Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Howell. Miss Esther Fisher, one of the teachers in the McMinnville schools, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Fisher during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. C. Clodfelter and daughter, of Jefferson, were the guests of her parents here. Clotis Sloan, of Newberg, was visiting relatives in town the first of the week. He formerly lived near Monmouth. C. E. Force, of Rufus, Eastern Oregon, is visiting his family this week. N. S. Butler, of Portland, is visiting his many relatives in town this week. He was raised in Monmouth. About 70 of the Butler relatives met at J. B. V. Butler's Sunday night for their annual reunion, being about half of the complete number. It is their practice to meet every Christmas. Miss Erma Hall, teacher in the Thompson school at Portland, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hall. William Hall, of Buena Vista, was the guest of his brother last week. Mrs. Laura E. Miller, of Portland, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hall, this week. Harold Herren, engineer on the boat "Louise" on the Willamette, was home on a visit with his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Herren. Miss Ethel Skinner and daughter, of Independence, were the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hall, Christmas. Mr. L. Murdock, district school superintendent of Prineville, Crook county, is home on a visit with his parents. S. W. Jackson was exhibiting a lemon that was raised by his daughter in Corvallis, Tuesday, that beats any lemon you can buy in the stores here. It was about three and one-half inches in diameter one way and over four inches the other way. F. M. Hampton, of Idaho, is the guest of his brother, D. M. Hampton this week. Edward R. Bedwell and Edith Peterson, both of Monmouth, were married December 23, at the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. E. Bedwell. Miss Eugene McInturff, of Salem, formerly of Monmouth, was greeting her numerous friends in town Tuesday. The Christmas exercises at the Evangelical church Saturday evening were good and the church building was most tastefully decorated. RICKREALL Albert Cullis came up from Portland to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Cullis, and returned Wednesday. Mr. Hallapeter, of Portland, spent Christmas with the family of William Cullis. Mr. and Mrs. Orval Price went to Portland to spend a few days. Lena Nesmith came down from Eugene to spend Christmas with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Clark. Harold Warren, of Portland, is spending the week with H. C. Fox and family. Aurelia Burch came down from

Silverton, where she is teaching, to be at home during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Goodell spent Christmas at Monmouth. Mr. and Mrs. Grover Beeler went to Portland to spend Christmas with her parents. Clem Orr came up from Portland to spend a few days with his sisters. Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Lucas went to McMinnville Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Bud Ramsey are in Portland this week visiting his wife's people. Mr. and Mrs. David Smith spent Christmas at Monmouth with their daughter, Mrs. Riley. Horace Jones came up from Portland and spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Jennie Jones. Hugh Farmer and wife took Christmas dinner with his sister, Mrs. Braden and family. John Braden is home on a visit from California. Frank Farmer gave a party at the Oak Grove hall Monday evening. About a hundred attended. Quite a number attended the dance here Monday night. PEDEE Miss Stella McGee went to Corvallis to spend the holidays. Willie Bush and family took Christmas dinner with Bluford Bush's last Monday. Mrs. Willie Bush and daughter, Elsie, went to Airlie last Thursday. Mrs. Winnie Irvin and daughter, Precious, are visiting relatives at Pedee throughout the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Rex Womer went to Airlie last Thursday. Earl Smith, of Philomath, is visiting his brother Delbert. Henry Powell and family visited Mr. Baker's last Sunday. Levi Dyer, of Black Rock, is visiting in Pedee. Blanche Lacey visited Elsie Bush last Sunday. Miss Florence Lacey visited Myrtle Pruitt Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. D. P. McGee went away to spend the holidays. Several in Pedee have the whooping cough. BUELL A large crowd attended the Christmas tree and program at the church Saturday evening and enjoyed the program and tree very much. Miss Helen Coffey spent her Christmas vacation with Nora Jones. Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Fletcher have started for Pennsylvania where they expect to visit for a few months. Mrs. D. C. Walker fell and hurt herself quite badly a few days ago. Mr. Sherd Braley and Lynn Jones returned from their extended eastern trip Saturday and report a fine time. A few of the Salt Creek talented singers rendered their famous "Johnny Smoker" song at the Christmas entertainment and it was highly appreciated by all. Carl Harold, of Salem, is visiting friends here for a few weeks. E. V. D. Paul gave each of the school children a nice Christmas present which they appreciated very much. The many friends of Mrs. R. R. Jones are pleased to hear of her speedy recovery. BOWERSVILLE Dr. and Mrs. Diet G. Rempel's little son returned from Portland Saturday and will spend the holidays in this vicinity. A Christmas gathering was given by their relatives, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Rempel. S. H. Petre and family of Dallas spent Christmas dinner with Mrs. Mrs. W. H. Cadle, Monday. Elbert, Marjorie and Mahal Brown are spending the holidays with the grandparents at Forest Grove. J. O. Wilson is digging a well at his new place near here. George Kiewer, who is living at the old Crider place, recently installed a phone. Otto Byerley is soon to move into his new home which he recently erected. EOLA Members of the Aeff family had Christmas dinner with Grover Farmer's. W. D. Magee and family spent Christmas with Mrs. Magee's mother, at Chemawa. Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter spent several days of last week in Dallas visiting their daughter, Mrs. Adair Stewart. The Christmas tree was a present (Continued on Page Three)

Special Notice
I TAKE this means to thank the public of Dallas and vicinity for their most generous patronage in the past. Our sale has been a phenomenal success. However, I still have a large stock on hand. I am determined to clear out every article in my store by the last of January. Therefore I have once more Put the Knife to the Already Prevailing Low Prices
Prices Cut and Slashed on Everything in the store. A word to the wise is sufficient
Come to this sale and Save Money.
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Everybody Knows When You See it in my Ad it's so
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