

NORTHWEST STOCK AT LEWISTON IS WONDER

DALLAS COMMERCIAL CLUB REPRESENTATIVE ACCOMPANIES PORTLAND BUSINESS MEN'S EXCURSION TO IDAHO.

GREATEST SHOW EVER HELD

Entries From Four States Excite Admiration of All Beholders; Fine Beef Cattle and High Bred Swine Hold Attention; Many Fine Horses and Sheep Displayed.

(By E. F.)

By direction of the Dallas Commercial club the writer this week joined the Portland Business Men's excursion to the Northwest Live Stock show now being held in Lewiston, Idaho, the special train carrying the club and Portland business men leaving Portland on Monday night, reaching Lewiston Tuesday morning; returning from that city the same night and reaching Portland at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning. The outward trip was made over the Northern Bank and the Northern Pacific lines and the return trip over the O.-W. R. & N. without incident, except that the train on the latter road made up one and one-half hour's lost time between Timbilla and Portland, having right of way over all other traffic. Down grade all the way into Portland, the engineer simply pulled open his throttle and "let her speed" and speed she did. This piece of road was, at one time, declared to be the most crooked in the country but, by the expenditure of huge sums of money much of it has been straightened and is now in fine condition for fast time. If trains ever get up and hustle over the rails with any more rapidity than that special Wednesday, I can see where I would rather take a slower conveyance.

Great Stock Show.

The Northwest Live Stock show at Lewiston is the greatest of the kind held in the Northwest, the first one last year being staged at Portland, at which time more than 250 Idaho business men took occasion to make a special trip to Portland where they were the guests of the city during their stay. It was primarily to return the compliment, and cultivate closer trade relations between Portland and the Idaho country that the recent trip was made. The present show was a revelation to the most and to everyone else who made the trip. It is declared to be the greatest stock exhibition ever held in the Northwest, both in the number of entries and in the quality of stock displayed. Sections of the city, Washington and even Montana were represented in the displays and the membership in the association embraces breeders from all these states.

Cattle and Swine Excel.

It is somewhat difficult to arrive at a just conclusion as to whether the local branch of the live stock industry holds the upper hand at Lewiston, but it is probably true that blooded cattle and fine swine are shown in largest numbers. The display of cattle especially is commendable and extensive, exhibitors being on hand from all sections of four states. There is a noticeable dearth in the display of dairy animals however, most of the exhibits consisting exclusively of beef stock. One lot of 16 three-year old steers shown by August Schroeder, of Cottonwood, Idaho, excited the admiration of all who saw them. The lot averaged more than 1500 pounds each. Mr. Schroeder won a prize of \$500 on his carload. He afterwards disposed of the 16 head at more than \$125 each, realizing \$2,000 for the bunch.

The showing of swine was flattering.

and comprised offerings from nearly all of the principal strains, Poland Chinas and Jersey Reds being dominating, although the showing of Berkshires was noteworthy.

Fine Horses Shown.

Practically all of the principal breeders of high-class horseflesh in the Northwest have some fine offerings on display in this section alone comprising some of the finest entries ever seen on the Pacific coast. There were so many more entries in all classes than was expected, that the judges found their duties so crowded that it was not expected that all the prizes would be awarded before the show closed. There is also a fine showing of sheep.

The show has attracted big crowds.

especially from the Idaho Empire and the Western Idaho sections, and several special trains have been run into Lewiston from the populous centers of these states.

Dallas is Advertised.

The writer lost an opportunity to advertise Dallas, Polk county, and its favored Willamette valley, but he found it necessary, on divers occasions, to impress upon his hearers that Dallas isn't "The Dallas," but an entirely different town situated in an entirely different section of the coun-

WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN SOON

100 Years Must Elapse Before Day, Month and Year Can be Written As Yesterday.

When you wrote 12-12-12 yesterday in dating your letter did you realize that that was the last time you or anybody else will be privileged to duplicate the performance until Dec. 12, 2012? Last year in November, you could write it "11-11-11" and in 1910 in October you had the privilege of dating your letters "10-10-10," but its all off now, for a while.

COUNTY JAIL NOW IS EMPTY

LAST TWO PRISONERS TAKEN TO PENITENTIARY WEDNESDAY.

Rockwell goes up on Intermediate Sentence of From One to Five Years; Baker Gets Sentence on Larceny Conviction.

Q. A. Rockwell who pleaded guilty the first of the week before Judge Kelley in department No. 1, of the Polk county circuit court, when arraigned on a charge of defrauding a Monmouth bank, was sentenced on Tuesday night by Judge Kelley to an indeterminate sentence of from one to five years in the state penitentiary. Sheriff Grant and Deputy Henry Savary made a trip to Salem Wednesday and delivered Rockwell and T. Baker, who was sent up on a sentence of from one to seven years for larceny from a dwelling, to the penitentiary officials.

It's Lonesome Now.

For the first time in more than a year the classic and ornamental county jail is empty and the yawning steel cells stand with doors wide open awaiting the arrival of the next lodger. Setting "slaunchies" with the world, this quaint architectural pile is now void of life and its stern and forbidding barred windows no longer reflect the silhouetted outlines of the exiles who once held high carnival within its hallowed walls. No more may be seen the smiling and efficient landlord of this hostelry with tin dinner buckets attached, ambling down the street, followed by "King" with a bone held firmly between his teeth, and life in Dallas doesn't seem the same. But perhaps a boarder will come and dwell amongst us again and the world will once more wag on as usual.

"TOOTERS" REHEARSE

First Practice Meeting Wednesday Night Agurs Success of Band; Coming Concert Promised.

At the first regular rehearsal of the Dallas band last night at the court room the anxiety of the "boys" to "work out" their lips and wind occupied the larger portion of the time and the business meeting was necessarily short. The attendance was large. The matter of securing a place for rehearsals during the winter was undecided, the Army having been offered for this purpose. It has been practically decided to hold Wednesday evening practices under the direction of H. J. Grant, who has been the leading spirit in the maintenance of the band. An effort is being made by the members of the organization to put on a concert at the Armory late in the winter or early in the spring for the purpose of raising funds for the support of the band and it is expected that committees will soon be named by the band for the purpose of arranging the details. The first appearance of the band for the season will be made in concert at the Armory on Thursday night when they will assist in entertaining visitors to the poultry show. Several new members are expected soon to balance up the alto section which has fallen off during the closing of the last season.

TEATS GOES TO SHERIDAN

Local High School Principal Accepts Position in Yamhill City.

B. A. Teats, for several years principal of the Dallas High schools, has resigned his position here and will take the principalship of the Sheridan schools. He will leave about January 1.

Shopping in Dallas.

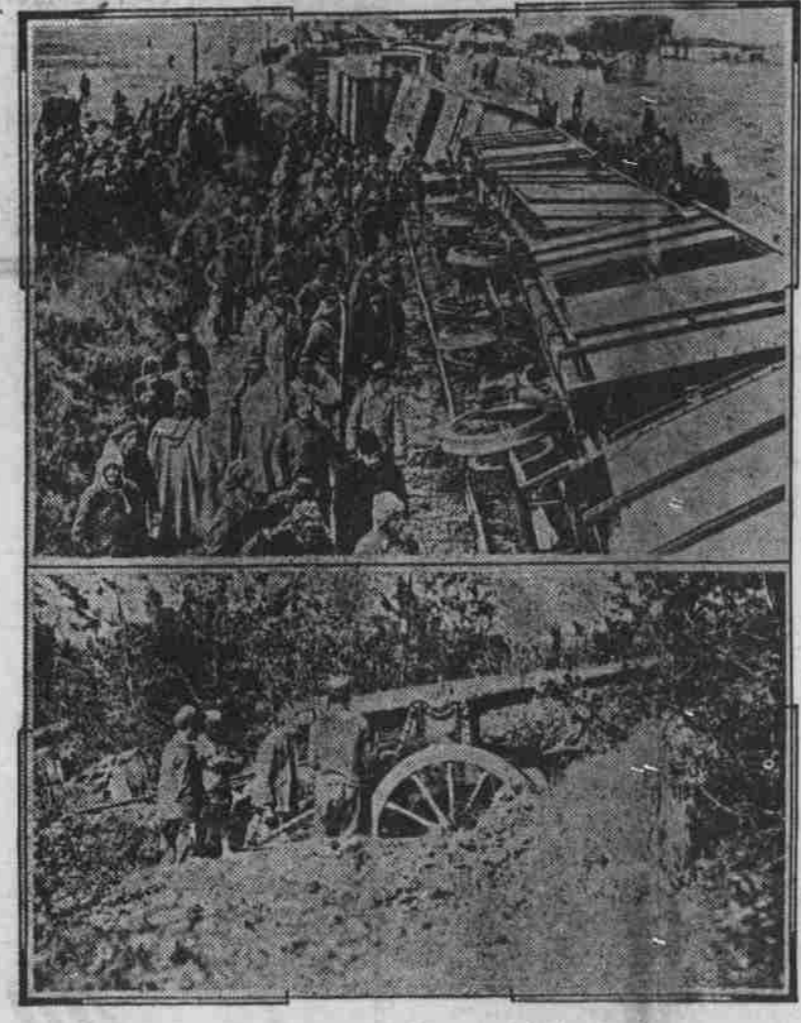
F. C. Probst, a prosperous farmer of the Perrydale section, and wife were shopping in Dallas Thursday.

According to advice from Postmaster General Hitchcock.

postmasters are authorized to deliver letters addressed to "Santa Claus" to such charitable institutions as the postmaster may choose in the city or town where such letters are received. If the letters fail to be stamped it will be necessary under the law for the postmaster to forward them to the division of head letters, but, in that event, he is authorized by today's order to submit the names and addresses to charitable institutions that are willing in worthy causes to look after the wants of the writers.

All of which ought to help some.

Interesting Pictures From The Front in Balkan War



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THE Balkan war in action and at a standstill might fittingly describe these actual pictures from the front. At the top the war is halted, as it were, by the wreck of a train conveying Turkish soldiers and newspaper correspondents to Chorti. Notice the type of the derailed car—small box affairs, with light wheels and poor equipment. At the bottom the war is on a Montenegrin battery is in action.

Notice to Contestants.

Those who have submitted answers in the Knowledge Contest appearing in The Observer last week and today, are asked to wait until next Tuesday before receiving the announcement of the outcome. This office has been so overcrowded with work that we simply have not found time to check over the answers. This will be attended to however, and the result of the contest, with the winners names will appear in this paper next Tuesday.

MARRIED LIFE SHATTERED BY LANGUAGE OF SPOUSE.

Marion County Woman Wants Divorce; She Also Wants \$20 a Month Alimony and \$250 Worth of Clothes

Declaring that her husband has treated her cruelly, and in an inhuman manner, and that she isn't a "gold brick" M. A. Lillehand, of Marion county has filed an action in department No. 2, of the Polk county circuit court asking for a divorce from H. U. Lillehand, \$250 worth of clothes and \$20.00 per month permanent alimony.

The complaint relates that the couple were married in Marion county in July, 1911 and that everything went smoothly on the bright sea of matrimony for several months, but that finally defendant developed an "ungovernable temper" and forgetting his marriage vows "treated plaintiff in a cruel and inhuman manner," and that, to cap the climax, he called her a "gold brick," which false accusation grieved plaintiff and caused her to suffer extreme mental anguish.

The plaintiff further alleges that "defendant has in his possession clothes and furniture to the amount of \$250 which is in reality the property of plaintiff." She asks the court to give her an absolute bill of divorce, \$20 per month permanent alimony and require defendant to return the clothing and furniture. C. L. McNary of Salem, appears for the plaintiff.

Action for Money.

Walter L. Toose, of Salem, but formerly of Falls City, has brought an action in department No. 1 of the Polk court against W. D. Bancroft and Sarah E. Bancroft to secure the payment of a sum of money alleged to be due on a merchandise bill for \$101.52 and interest. Walter L. Toose, Jr., represents the plaintiff.

TO HAVE BIG SESSION

Local Pythians Plan Enjoyable Occasion at Meeting Tonight; Salem Lodge Coming Over 30 Strong.

With the probable attendance of members of the order from Salem, McMinnville, Independence and Falls City and with plenty of work in the rank of Knight and a "freed" to mark the close of the proceedings tonight's session of Marmion lodge Knights of Pythias in this city promises to be one of the most interesting of the year. The local organization is now forging rapidly to the front and has recently enjoyed a substantial increase in membership. Tonight there will be three candidates for the rank of Knight and the occasion has been made the excuse for sending invitations to other lodges. Keeper of Records and Seal J. T. Ford has already received notice from Salem that from 25 to 30 members will be present from that city and while no word has officially been received from the other lodges invited, it is understood that they will be represented by substantial delegations. All local members of the order are urged to attend tonight.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS WILL BE DELIVERED.

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POULTRY EXHIBIT TO BE GLASSY AFFAIR

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE BY PROF. LUNN WEDNESDAY EVENING TO BE LEADING FEATURE.

OUTSIDE FANCIERS COMING

Local Exhibitors to Enter Contest in Large Numbers; Band Concert Thursday Night; Entries From Outside Districts Indicate Lively Interest in Annual Show.

- Officers.
- President, H. A. Woods.
- Vice-president, Arthur Moore.
- Secy.-Treas., Winnie Braden.
- Executive Board.
- C. S. Graves, B. I. Ferguson.
- A. G. Rempel, H. A. Woods.
- Winnie Braden.
- W. M. Coats, Judge.
- H. A. Woods, Superintendent.

At 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Secretary Braden reports 75 entries outside of Polk county in the race for honors at the sixth annual meet of Polk county poultry breeders.

Every indication points to a most successful meeting of poultry fanciers at the sixth annual exhibition of the Polk county poultry association that opens at the Armory on next Tuesday and closes on Friday. The secretary anticipates a large number of entries from outside the county by breeders who will have birds on exhibition. Inquiries are pouring in from other counties adjoining Polk from breeders who will either attend or have exhibits, or both, and the coming show promises to eclipse all past records according to the officers in charge.

Local fanciers are grooming their birds with the expectation of carrying off their share of the "perambulations" and the inclination of those in other parts of the county to do likewise is plainly manifest in the number of inquiries reaching the secretary's desk.

Besides the regular program as printed, the officers have engaged the services of the Dallas Band which will add enthusiasm to the occasion on Thursday night, the concert beginning at 8 o'clock.

Illustrated Lecture.

On Wednesday evening, December 18th, Prof. Arthur C. Lunn, of O. A. C., Corvallis, Oregon, will give an illustrated lecture. No admission will be charged and all are most cordially invited to attend.

Sixty per cent of all entrance fees will be returned on cash prizes; 30 per cent on first; 20 per cent on seconds and 10 per cent on thirds.

Rules and Regulations.

The association will furnish without charge, feed and care for all poultry on exhibition. The association will furnish regulation coops, but those who have suitable coops for exhibition are requested to bring them. A breeding pen shall consist of one male and four females. Birds entered in single classes can compete in pens, and birds in pens are special eligible for competition for entries and premiums and collections.

Special Prizes.

Specimens of breeds not in the Standard which are deemed worthy by the judge shall be given prizes according to merit, without scoring. No one shall be allowed to converse with the judge, during the scoring, except the attendants. Immediately after the awards of the judge have been supervised and approved, a card or judge stating the premium will be placed upon each winning coop where it must remain until the close of the show. The judge is strictly prohibited from making known his awards except through the executive committee. Any person attempting to interfere with the judge in his decision, by letter or otherwise, will be excluded from competition and exhibition. All protests against awards must be made in writing and delivered to secretary within 12 hours after awards have been announced. That class and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$5.00 and if after the matter has been thoroughly investigated, it proves to be without foundation the forfeit will be forfeited.

During the continuance of the exhibition all specimens are to be under the control of the superintendent and cannot be removed except by his consent, which consent will be given when required for sanitary reasons only. Any exhibitor desiring to decorate his coops may do so, providing decorations conform to ideas of superintendent, after the awards are posted.

The latest edition of the American Standard of Perfection will be the guide of the judges in awarding the prizes on all the varieties recognized therein. Other varieties will be judged by their club standards or comparison.

A bird to win first prize must score not less than 90 points; second prize, 85 points; third prize, 80 points. Pen must score 150 points for first prize; the male bird must score not less than 85 points and no female not less than 80.

Solid colored fowls will be handicapped one and one-half points when competing with parti-colored. Fowls

SCHOOL LEVY SIX MILLS

Dallas District School Board Finds It Necessary to Increase Over Last Year.

At an adjourned meeting of the Dallas school board held this week it was voted to increase the annual school district levy to six mills which is one mill in excess of the amount levied last year. This will produce an income of about \$10,000 from the taxable property of the district for school purposes. It has been found necessary to increase the levy owing to the decreased assessed valuation as returned by the board of equalization.

CO. G COMPLETES NEW ROSTER

NEW ORGANIZATION SECURES NECESSARY MEMBERS.

Former Officers Stated For Appointment at Next Regular Inspection to Be Held This Month.

This week Captain Staffin of Co. G, O. N. G., finally completed the enlistment of the new organization which recently was threatened with an attack of innocuous desuetude, as it were.

The captain is greatly pleased with his efforts in obtaining the required number to complete the roster and those who have so ably assisted in obtaining the necessary quota share with him in the elation.

Others may be added to the list of enlisted men at the pleasure of the captain, but now that enough members have been procured the drills on Tuesday nights will no doubt be attended with greater interest.

It is expected that regular inspection will occur late this month and at this time it is expected that Peter L. Greenwood will be chosen first lieutenant, and that Wayne E. Greenwood will be given the second lieutenantcy. Both were members of the old organization and will prove valuable assistants to Captain Staffin.

Enlisted Men of Company.

- Bennett, Andrew W.
- Ballantyne, Walter E.
- Ballantyne, Virgil R.
- Burke, Uda R.
- Brown, Lott D.
- Campbell, Thos. E.
- Comstock, Elmer E.
- Caldwell, Wm. T.
- Cadle, Allen R.
- Dennis, Linza M.
- Dennis, Newman G.
- Elliot, Fred R.
- Ellis, Harry H.
- Fineth, Roy W.
- Fairbanks, Fred W.
- Forster, Judson J.
- Greenwood, Wayne E.
- Greenwood, Peter S.
- Gaten, Joseph N.
- Gohrke, L. H.
- Gohrke, Geo. R.
- Gardner, Wiley G.
- Hayes, Jack
- Hayes, Linn E.
- Helstead, Clayton H.
- Hatfield, Charles D.
- Harris, Newton
- Klefaber, John G.
- Kneige, Vernon
- Lewis, Don
- Miles, Edgar W.
- Miller, John E.
- Mesall, Jerry F.
- Matheny, Lynn E.
- McBee, John J.
- Ostrand, William J.
- Odom, Foster L.
- Plaster, Louis
- Plessenger, Chauncey
- Petre, Samuel H.
- Thine, Herschel E.
- Ritch, Harold H.
- Sibby, John R.
- Smith, Floyd E.
- Schoel, William A.
- Shaw, Edward E.
- Shaw, Leonard G.
- Syron, Frank
- Schultz, Earl B.
- Staffin, Eddie H.
- Stone, Claude B.
- Smith, Clifford F.
- Teats, Bert A.
- Tyant, James C.
- VanOrdel, Thomas C.
- Williams, Carl B.
- White, William J.
- Zeller, Fred W.

Back From Eastern Visit.

Miss Dese Ridgway arrived home Thursday forenoon from an extended visit with relatives and friends at various points in West Virginia, Pennsylvania and other Eastern states. She was accompanied by her aunt, Mrs. C. J. Cline, of Pennsboro, West Virginia, who came to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Sweeney, of this city. They were met in Portland by Mr. J. L. Sweeney.

Mayor Hubbard Here.

Mayor F. K. Hubbard of Falls City, was in town yesterday on business bent. He says work on the new saw mill is being pushed with vigor and that the business of the town is looking up.

not subject to weight clause will be handicapped, white, two points each; black, one and one-half points; buff, one point, when competing with breeds subject to standard weights. All coops and crates must be addressed. "Polk County Poultry Association, Dallas, Oregon," and must be in the show room by 8 p. m., December 16, 1912, all charges prepaid. Birds received after that hour will not be considered in competition.

LATE POLK COUNTY NEWS TOLD IN BRIEFS

HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST IN VARIOUS NEIGHBORHOODS RELATED IN ENTERTAINING MANNER.

OBSERVER SPECIAL SERVICE

Observer Representatives Keep in Touch With All Matters of Importance in Their Part of the Famous "Blue Ribbon" District of State of Oregon.

FALLS CITY

E. C. Kirkpatrick, of Dallas, was in the city on business Wednesday.

Prof. Barnhart visited the Dallas and Independence schools last week. C. B. Sundberg transacted business here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trimble have moved back to their home in this city, and Charles will be at his old stand with the Falls City Lumber company.

J. C. Talbot was a passenger to Portland Sunday. Work was commenced on the addition to the M. E. church last Friday. R. M. Wondery has charge of the work.

Violet Pfandhoefer visited in Falls City Sunday. A special school meeting was held in the school house Saturday afternoon, for the purpose of levying the tax for the coming year. A 4-mill tax was decided upon, being the same as last year.

Will and Cyril Spinney went to Portland Monday, where they have secured employment.

Miss Leta March visited at the home of her brother, George March, this week. Several finishing touches were added to the postoffice fixtures Saturday, thus making it one of the most up-to-date offices in the county.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Nichols were visitors in Salem Monday. A new pile-driver was constructed for the Falls City Lumber company by A. L. Porter, of this city. It was taken to the company's camp above Black Rock, where it will be used in building railroad.

Mrs. C. F. Vick visited in Salem last week. O. Auiland has resigned as a member of the city building committee, and E. W. Robinson was elected to fill the vacancy.

Rec. L. T. Prose was a business caller in Salem, Monday. The women of Falls City will have their first chance to exercise their right of franchise on December 30, on which date a special city election will be held to change some of the county roads to city streets.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church are preparing to hold a bazaar in the old postoffice building, Friday and Saturday of this week. Articles of every description have been contributed by friends of the church, and will be sold at a bargain on the above dates.

Mrs. G. T. West was a passenger to Salem Friday. Mrs. Delana Bell returned home from Salem Monday, where she has been visiting for several days.

A. F. Courter was a business visitor in town last Thursday. A party has rented the Matthews building, near the photograh gallery, and will put in a laundry. This is something that is needed in Falls City.

The planing plant was shut down Saturday night, and all the men are at work tearing down the boilers and other apparatus preparatory to a general rearrangement of affairs. When the wheels turn again it will be in the new plant.

The city council met in the News office Monday night. Among other things done was to levy a 10-mill tax to meet the expenses of the coming year. Last year the city tax was 15 mills on the dollar.

J. O. Chamberlain returned from a business visit in Portland Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Young and children moved to Eugene last week. T. W. Wyatt of Black Rock, was in Falls City Friday.

Mrs. Gertrude Meyer went to Lafayette to visit relatives last week. Eva Chapman returned to her school Sunday, after being absent several weeks on account of small-pox.

MONMOUTH

Tuesday we received a message from Corvallis that our sister, Mrs. J. R. Harlan, the lady who has been sleeping so long, was dying. So we went to Corvallis Wednesday. It seems her case has baffled all the doctors of the state. None could tell the exact cause, or what to do for her.

Mr. Chaney, just west of town, lost a valuable mare this week, which is quite a loss to him, as he had a good team, and it is hard to replace her. S. Walker is improving nicely, and is able to be out all the time. Grandma Haines is quite poorly at present.

Work on the dormitory has been delayed on account of the brick not being sent. It seems it takes four days to get brick from Salem, when

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