

PASSING OF PIONEERS

Two Aged Polk Residents Answer Final Summons During Week; Oldest Resident of County Passes.

Death has claimed two Polk pioneers during the week, both of whom were well known all over the county, especially among the older residents. Jacob J. Burch died at his home at Rickreall on Friday, May 2, of kidney trouble, and John Martin Rhodes, probably the oldest man in Polk county, died at the home of his daughter in Bridgeport precinct, on Sunday.

John Martin Rhodes.
Was born in Burk county, Pennsylvania, April 12, 1817, and was therefore aged 97 years and 23 days. He was married May 23, 1844, to Miss Susan Elliott and came to Oregon in 1866 and settled on a farm near Lewisville, Polk county, where he resided until a few years ago when he took up his home with his daughter, Mrs. L. N. Bilyeu, where funeral services will be conducted tomorrow by Rev. V. Tarnage, of the Old Salem Baptist church, interment taking place in the I. O. O. F. cemetery near Dallas. There are eight surviving children as follows: R. F. Rhodes, of LaGrande, Ore.; J. E. Rhodes, Drexley, Oregon; S. E. and P. E. Rhodes, of Salem; D. E. Rhodes and Mrs. Jane Woods, of Echo, Ore.; Mrs. Rhoda Locke and Mrs. Sarah Bilyeu, of Bridgeport. Twenty-eight grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren are also living.

Jacob J. Burch.
Funeral services over the remains of Jacob J. Burch, were conducted at Rickreall on Sunday, May 5, at 11 o'clock and interment took place in the Burch cemetery. Deceased was born in Sheridan county, Mo. January 11, 1838, and was therefore aged 75 years, three months and 21 days. He had been in poor health for a year previous to his death. He came to Oregon in 1847 with his parents who settled near Rickreall where he has since resided. He was married December 19, 1869, to Angelina Nance and five children survive the death of their father. They are Alice, Nora, Grace, Warren and Lee. One brother, Samuel T. Burch, and one sister, Mrs. Louisa Foster, are also living. There are also seven grandchildren.

LIBRARY REPORT FOR APRIL

New Books Added and Callers are Many for the Month.

Children's fiction loaned, 351; children's non-fiction loaned, 54; adult fiction loaned 540. Total 1008. Number of callers during the month, 2288.

New borrowers' cards issued, 15.

New books—"A Cry in the Wilderness," Waller; "Passing of the Third Floor Back," Jerome; "Man and Superman," Shaw; "White Fang," London; "The Autobiography of a Clown," Marescaux; "The Romance of Billy Goat Hill," Rice; "Andrew the Glad," Davies; "The Heart of the Hills," John Fox Jr.; "Boy Scouts of America," "The Honor of the Big Snows," Curwood; "The Perfect Tribute," Andrews; "Old Mother West Wind," Burgess.

TO FILL GOOD POSITION

Son of Polk Lands Educational Job in Philippines

George M. White, who left for the Philippine Island Sunday, to take up his duties there as supervisor in educational work, a position offered him by the Bureau of Insular Affairs, is a Portland young man. He is a graduate of the Hill Military Academy and of the University of Oregon. He is a popular member of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. Mr. White is a son of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. White, 810 Borthwick street, Oregonian.

Mr. White is a nephew of W. H. McDaniel of this city, and is well known in Polk county, having been born at Rickreall where his father was connected with the flouring mill there.

Improves Store.
A new and nifty arrangement of the Fidler store on Main street made during the past week in order that the salesman might save time and also give customers a better service appealed to the eye of an Observer man yesterday. The store has recently added a new stock of novelties which encroached upon the space of the establishment and the proprietor has arranged a space in the center of the main saleroom where the customer is able to view the display without walking over the entire store, the salesman being able to attend to the wants of several customers at the same time. Recent additional improvements and decorations of the exterior were also noted at the Fidler place, being an evidence of prosperity and good taste, as well.

Spraying Kills Bees.
Fruit districts of the state might take a tip from Hood River bee keepers who have asked that orchardists do not spray their trees during the time the blossoms are fully open. This results in killing large numbers of bees, which are the most valuable helpers the orchardists have. Their aid is invaluable in spreading pollen from tree to tree.

More Speakers For Congress.
Added speakers have been secured for the Conservation of Human Life conference, Reed college, Portland, May 9, 10, 11. To all interested in betterment work along the lines the conference includes, this gathering will be of great value. Special low round-trip rates have been offered by the railroads from all points in the Pacific Northwest.

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