

How to Detect the Alum Baking Powder

"Which are the alum baking powders; how can I avoid them unless they are named?" asks a housekeeper.

Here is one way: take the can of a low-priced powder in your hand and read the ingredient clause upon the back label. The law requires that if the powder contains alum that fact must be there stated. If you find one of the ingredients named alum, or sulphate of aluminum, you have found an alum baking powder.

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Will Revive Memories.

For a whole state to join in singing the good old songs, to devote a sunny spring day to recalling the words of "Annie Laurie" and "The Old Folks at Home," is a conception that may be realized in Kansas, May 1. On that day the board of educational administration and W. D. Ross, state superintendent of schools would have the men, women and children of the state gather in and sing the immortal tunes together.

AN EXPENSIVE VICTORY

President Wilson is going to win in his desire to have the Panama Canal tolls exemption of American ships repealed, but the cost of his victory to himself is going to be very great because the cost of his victory to American commerce is going to be very great and no man can do the thing he is doing without paying a penalty, because the thing he is doing is wrong. He is the servant of the American people and he is standing by British interests rather than American interests in a broad sense. The real beneficiaries of his position will be the special interests which own the transcontinental railroads in America and Canada.

Will Entertain the Editors.

The members of the Willamette Valley Editorial Association will hold their next meeting in this city, word having been received that the invitation that was given them at the last meeting at Salem to meet at Dallas has been accepted. This will be of great benefit to Dallas and Polk County, as the newspaper men who are members of this organization are live wires and will say many good words. We know that the boys will not regret their choice and we also guarantee that a warm welcome will be extended, and everything that can be done for their comfort will be part of the program. The latter part of July we understand will be the date. There will be something doing when the boys are hustling copy and Dallas will furnish plenty of ink, and in case it is split, the Devil will hustle more. Yamhill County editors can now commence to arrange their work as the way the trains run, every newspaper man in that county ought to attend.

PREACHERS NOT TO BLAME

Much has been written regarding the lack of attendance at the churches. It has been said that the preachers do not deliver the right sort of sermons; that they confine themselves too closely to the Bible when they should address their congregations on topics of the day, and that they are too dogmatic. Many other reasons have been advanced. Not one of the reasons mentioned in all of the discussions have proven to be the correct solution of the question.

John Converse, president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works of Philadelphia, in presenting his report as chairman of the committee on evangelistic work to the Presbyterian General Assembly, said that the church had been altogether too dignified to go out after the sinner, and had been content to rest in state awaiting the approach of the seeker for solace. He advocates less "stately treading" and more democracy in the church. It is not the preacher who is to blame because more people do not attend church, it is the members of the church who do not do their duty. There are too many members who are not democratic. They are cold as ice,

are aristocratic, give the impression to the chance visitor that they own the entire place and have a monopoly on salvation.

It isn't the preacher who keeps people away from church. It is the human icicle who gives the impression that he owns the church and carries about with him the "holier than thou" expression. A very few such goldplated refrigerators who make themselves obnoxious can undo more in church work in a day than a good, hustling, big-hearted, generous, God-fearing minister can accomplish in a year.

POLK COUNTY NEWS

AS GLEANED BY OBSERVER CORRESPONDENTS

MONMOUTH

G. T. Gilbert of Independence spent Sunday in town and was the guest of D. M. Hampton.

Howard Bush of Airlie was in town on business Saturday.

J. Simpson of Luckiamute spent Saturday in town.

Born to the wife of J. S. Prime, an 8½ pound boy, March 27th. All doing well.

Harvey Miller of Corvallis was the guest of A. N. Halleck Saturday and Sunday.

L. M. Hall is on the sick list, but will recover.

Mrs. W. T. Sellers left for her home at Hermiston, Umatilla County, Oregon, after about three weeks' visit with the family of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Halleck, and her sister, Mrs. A. N. Poole and family.

E. Bedwell has rented the Hembre house near the creamery and moved into the same.

Leonard Bedwell of Portland was in town Monday looking after his interests.

Mr. Miller expects to move into his new concrete dwelling this week.

The farmers are jubilant over the present rains, as some of the hill land was getting pretty dry.

Mrs. C. Huntley of Talmage was the guest of A. N. Halleck and family Tuesday.

Mrs. Rachel Waller is in poor health at this time, but is hoped she may soon recover.

Registration is going on at a good rate, there being over two hundred registered. The Republicans are considerably in the lead.

C. Huntley is in town assessing this week.

Died, Mrs. Caroline C. Halley of Portland, formerly of Monmouth, March 27th. She was born October 9th, 1845, being 68 years, 5 months and 18 days. She leaves a husband, four sons and one daughter, and a host of friends to mourn her loss. The funeral services were very fine, the floral decorations were very fine, the funeral was held at the Christian Church, interment in the K. and C. cemetery, south of town. Rev. Wigmore of Eugene delivered the sermon and officiated at the grave.

Mrs. M. J. Coleman and sister, Mrs. Mary Bryan left yesterday for Shedd, Linn County on receipt of word that their niece was seriously ill.

After being instructed by the principal to make all April jokes original, students of Monmouth High left school at 10:30 that morning, quickly prepared dinner and walked to Lucas Grove, two miles northwest of this city, where a big feast was held.

McCOY

McCoy is on the map. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Harry were in Amity last week.

Henry Christensen and sister went to McMinnville Saturday.

Mr. Johnson is in Hillsboro on business.

Mr. Jourdan, our merchant, is a proud possessor of a Chalmers car.

Mr. Joe Grable was down from Amity looking after some building work.

Mr. Will Warner of Amity, has the contract of building a new bungalow for Clyde Kilty.

Mr. Mekkers was a business caller in Amity the first of the week.

Mrs. Clyde Kilty has returned home after a two weeks' visit in Vancouver.

Mr. Ore Rodes and Mr. Wells were in Dallas Saturday.

Henry Domes reports the sale of two Auburn cars, placed in Salem last week. We wish him success in his new business.

Mr. S. L. Hawley is making rapid preparation for his new home.

Mr. S. L. Stewart is quite busy now surfacing and fixing all bad places in our road district.

Mrs. Bert Munkers, who is on the sick list is improving rapidly.

Harley Shields, Vernon Romig and Clarence Booth from O. A. C. came down Friday eve to attend the Literary.

Mrs. Winfred Elliott of Portland our music teacher will give a musical entertainment, Friday evening, April 10th. One and all invited to attend.

The Bethel Literary Society held their last meeting Friday evening. A large crowd enjoyed hearing one of the best programs given by the society of this year, after which they were all treated to ice cream, the balance of the evening being spent in social chat and amusing games.

OAK GROVE

Rev. Dunsmore of Independence delivered a very interesting lecture at the church Saturday evening and a good instructive sermon Sunday morning. A very good attendance at both meetings.

Hurbert Fawk in trying to milk a heifer, received such a kick as to break his nose. A doctor was called to set the fracture.

The Vincent girls quit school and moved to the Holmes' place Monday.

Mr. Davidson attended Rieckrell church Sunday.

Our Sunday school teacher, Miss Riggs went to Portland to hear the lecture given by the deaf and blind girl, Helen Keller.

Thad Stevens has quite a patch of spuds up six inches high.

Otto Hansen motored out to look after business last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stevens while in Dallas shopping, called at the court house to register and pay taxes.

Mrs. Davidson was shopping in Dallas Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Halgamott spent Sunday afternoon at Hansen's.

Tom Smith and sister and family are with their parents, as the logging camp in Washington at which they worked has shut down. They will stay here until it starts again.

Pete Hansen has traded his racer for another racer.

Supervisor Macken visited our school Monday.

OAK DALE

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Murphy are going to move to Falls City.

Mrs. Roy McDonald and children have just returned from an extended visit to her parents at Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Ellingworth have moved to Floyd Smith's ranch.

Thos Card is building a fence.

Mr. and Mrs. Card spent Sunday at Bridgeport, visiting his mother, Mrs. D. Shepherd.

Newman Dennis spent Sunday in Dallas.

J. D. Southworth has moved his family to the Stroud ranch.

Miss Edith Southworth is staying at Melvin Green's, attending the Dallas high school.

Mr. Hepner's family spent Sunday in Dallas.

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