

MANY INQUIRIES MADE**PROMOTION DEPARTMENT OF CLUB IS BUSY.****Contemplating Settlers Seek Information Concerning Resources of Polk.**

Notwithstanding the fact that this is the dull season for inquiries, Secretary Miles of the Commercial club is receiving many letters from all sections of the country asking for information about Polk county, to which prompt replies are made. The Observer, in order to promote settlement, is sending copies of its publication to all inquirers. During the present week letters have been received from C. E. Barnett of Xenia, Ohio; C. L. Harrell of Flagstaff, Arizona; J. L. Woodrum of Mattoon, Illinois; B. F. Hamilton of Cornish, Oklahoma; Raymond F. Goodenough of Hollister, California; E. W. Lindholm of Sidney, Iowa; F. S. Turner of Corpus Christi, Texas; Dr. J. S. Leachman of Vici, Oklahoma; Wm. H. Grignon of Spokane, Washington, and John Gerardi of Jerseyville, Illinois.

The increasing demand for lands in Polk county is a harbinger of an assured progress. It is a fact susceptible of demonstration that no other section of the state offers such opportunities to the settler, when land prices are taken into consideration, and it only requires removing the bushel that our light may shine abroad to bring this favored locality into its own. Unembellished facts and figures placed into the hands of contemplating home-makers on the coast for comparison will have its effect. Land of equal fertility may be had here cheaper than in any other Willamette Valley county, but persistent effort is necessary to bring this fact to the notice of the Middle Westerner.

OAKDALE.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Clitwood of Boring, Clackamas county visited Oakdale this week after an absence of twenty-three years. About forty years ago they settled on the place now owned by James Wilson, Mr. MacGregor, George Stroud and John Southworth. Six of their eight children were born here. They moved to Tillamook County about twenty-three years ago and from there to Boring about nine years ago. One coincidence was that Mrs. Dennis went to bid them farewell the morning they left for Tillamook, so many years ago, and on Monday she visited the old home with them, the first time they had been back in all those years. They think the changes at Oakdale and Dallas are truly wonderful.

John Dennis has a very fine crop of strawberries. Chas. Graham had

the first crate of strawberries in Oakdale.

Little Harry Robinson is quite sick. Mr. and Mrs. Newton Gay of Dallas came out in their auto and visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Douglas last week.

Mrs. N. Hughes has been quite sick with la grippe.

Fred Hughes has just finished cultivating his big orchard.

Charley Bird says he is working on the road whenever the spirit moves him.

FUNSTON SEIZES VESSEL.**Nearly Two Million Rounds of Ammunition Landed.**

The German steamer Bavaria has been held at Vera Cruz on her arrival without manifest at Brigadier-General Funston's order. The Bavaria recently landed a large quantity of ammunition on Mexican soil.

It is estimated that the Bavaria put ashore 1,800,000 rounds of ammunition. The cargo was destined for Vera Cruz, but was delivered to Puerto Mexico. The steamer reached at Vera Cruz Sunday. The captain could not produce a manifest, declaring to the captain of the port that it had been taken away from him by the American authorities. Later he admitted landing the cargo, which included also 3000 rolls of barbed wire.

GENERAL ORDER NO. 2.

Headquarters U. S. Grant Post, No. 18, Grand Army of the Republic—Dallas, Oregon, May 25, 1914.

Gen. orders No. 2:
In obedience to orders from the Department Commander, U. S. Grant Post No. 18, G. A. R., will assemble at this headquarters at 8 o'clock a. m., May 30, next, and under direction of the quartermaster proceed to the city cemetery and there, with Oregon's beautiful roses, cover the graves of our departed comrades who gave their lives for this our united country. After which you will meet at 10 o'clock a. m. at the Armory, and in songs, music and addresses, recount their deeds of valor and re-obligate ourselves to emulate their example in giving us one country and one flag.

P. S. GREENWOOD,
Commander.

By B. LOVELACE, Adjt.

BOWERSVILLE.

Mr. William Platt arrived home last week from Kansas, where he had been visiting the last month.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobe Graves spent a few days in Dallas this week.

Harley Watkins is working for H. L. Crider.

David Remple worked for G. E. Kliever last Wednesday and Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. D. G. Remple visited C. B. Friesen last Wednesday night.

ENTERTAINS ELOPING PAIR.

Forgiveness for an erring wife and payment by the husband of the hotel bills incurred by her man companion was the unusual ending to a runaway romance in Jackson county. But this wasn't all. After the husband had secured the release of his wife and her friend from jail the three repaired to a Jacksonville hostelry and a right jolly reunion ensued. Principals in this unique drama were Mrs. R. J. Norris, age 26 and pretty; Ben Kennedy, age 36, unmarried, and Mr. Norris, husband, all of Camas.

Mrs. Norris and Kennedy disappeared early in the week. Enlisting the services of Sheriff Singler, the husband and officer located the runaways in a room in the hotel in Ashland Friday night. A dramatic scene ensued when the wife and husband met. Kennedy and Mrs. Norris spent the rest of the night in jail. Twenty-four hours later the wife had repented, the husband relented and peace reigned.

OAK GROVE.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huntley of Independence were here looking after their interests the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent took a load of strawberries to Salem Wednesday.

Mr. Davidson were at Dallas on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thadd Stevens and Miss Martha Allen were in Salem shopping on Thursday.

Misters Ray Fawk, Fred Schuelki, George, Alfred and Russell Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Huntley, Grandma Pugh, Kenneth Pugh and Harry Bennett called at the Stevens' home Sunday afternoon.

Grandma Pugh and daughter-in-law, Florence Pugh, spent a week here looking after the interest of Walter Pugh during his absence.

Mrs. Rolland is in Portland visiting her cousin.

It's one thing to convince a man that he is wrong, but quite another thing to convince him that you are right.

A purse snatcher has a mean disposition, and works for poor pay.

CONCERT

—BY—

High School Orchestra

Tuesday, June 2,

For Benefit of Annual

SATURDAY FROM 1 to 10

Our store will be closed all Saturday morning in honor of Decoration Day. However, we will open our doors to the public at one o'clock and remain open until 10 o'clock Saturday night, affording the people of Polk County an opportunity to take advantage of the exceptional bargains we are offering.

We realize that in closing our store for half a day many of our customers will be disappointed. However, on this day we place sentiment above business and we feel that a proper observance of the day should be maintained, even though the day be Saturday.

As a special inducement to customers to visit our store Saturday afternoon and evening, we are making **SPECIAL REDUCTIONS IN EVERY DEPARTMENT.** We have tried to impress upon you the necessity of our having to dispose of this entire stock. A visit to our store will convince you. **EVERYTHING IS REDUCED. NOTHING RESERVED. EVERYTHING MUST GO.**

Saturday will be the gala day of our month-end sale—your last opportunity to buy seasonable merchandise at less than ever before offered in this community. Our loss is your gain. Our sacrifice, your opportunity. Everything goes. Ladies and men's suits, underwear, shoes, dry goods, hosiery, notions—in fact everything. After visiting our store and examining the various bargains and exceptional values we offer, if you feel that the reductions are not genuine, tell us about it. **WE WANT YOU TO BUY AND WE MUST SELL.**

REMEMBER—THAT IN THE TWO WEEKS THIS SALE HAS BEEN CONDUCTED, WE HAVE NOT HAD A DISSATISFIED CUSTOMER. OUR FIFTEEN YEARS OF HONEST MERCHANDISING IN POLK COUNTY STANDS AS SECURITY FOR ANY DEALINGS YOU MIGHT HAVE WITH US. THIS IS AN HONEST SALE. NO FAKE. NO HUMBUG.

THE BEE HIVE STORE

DALLAS, OREGON

The Pioneer Store of Polk County

Closing Out at Actual Cost

ALL OUR MUSICAL MERCHANDISE

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

GUITARS, MANDOLINS, BANJOS, VIOLINS, ACCORDEONS, AND ALL OTHER MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS IN OUR STORE AT 50 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR.

STATIONERY

INCLUDING TABLETS, ENVELOPES, INKS, GLUE, MUSCILAGE, BOX STATIONERY, PASTE, PENCILS, POST CARDS, POST CARD ALBUMS, ETC. AT 50 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR.

TOILET SETS

WE HAVE A NUMBER OF HANDSOME TOILET SETS GOING AT JUST HALF PRICE—50 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR.

GLASSWARE AND CHINAWARE

A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT TO CHOOSE FROM. IT WON'T LAST LONG AT THE PRICE WE OFFER IT, SO COME EARLY AND GET YOUR PICK. HALF PRICE—50 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR.

FIXTURES FOR SALE

SHOW CASES AND FIXTURES FOR SALE. IF YOU WANT A REAL BARGAIN CALL AND GET OUR PRICES.

OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK.

MERCHANTS DESIRING TO BUY IN QUANTITIES CALL AT FORENOONS BETWEEN 8 AND 10 O'CLOCK.

SEWING MACHINES

New Singers, drop head, latest model, at greatly reduced prices.

Sewing machine supplies also reduced.

Three second hand sewing machines at \$5 each.

SEWING MACHINE OIL AT HALF PRICE.

**MUSICAL MERCHANDISE**

WE ARE GOING TO CLOSE OUT OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS AND MUSICAL MERCHANDISE AT RIDICULOUSLY LOW PRICES IN ORDER TO CLEAN UP THE STOCK QUICKLY. MUSIC ROLLS, SHEET MUSIC, HARMONICAS, VIOLINS, GUITARS, AND BANJO STRINGS AT WHOLE-SALE COST. LOOK AT THESE PRICES:

SHEET MUSIC, PER COPY FROM.....3c. to 10c.

EDISON 2 MINUTE RECORDS, 12 for.....\$1.00

EDISON 4 MINUTE RECORDS, 6 for.....\$1.00

BLUE AMBEROL RECORDS, 3 for.....\$1.00

EDISON PHONOGRAPH WITH 50 RECORDS, \$25.00

COLUMBIA PHONOGRAPH WITH 40 RECORDS, \$20.00

VICTOR PHONOGRAPH WITH 40 RECORDS, \$25.00

SECOND HAND ESTEY ORGAN.....\$15.00

PIANO CASE ORGAN.....\$35.00

SECOND HAND EMERSON PIANO.....\$75.00

IF YOU EVER EXPECT TO BUY A PIANO NOW IS THE TIME TO MAKE THE PURCHASE.

HIGH GRADE PIANOS

WE HAVE THE FINEST LINE OF HIGH GRADE PIANOS THAT HAS EVER BEEN SOLD IN DALLAS. WE ARE CLOSING THEM OUT AT THE FOLLOWING PRICES:

KERTZMAN PIANO, RETAIL PRICE.....\$400.00

OUR CLOSING OUT PRICE.....\$186.00

OTHER HIGH GRADE PIANOS IN BEAUTIFUL BURL WALNUT, OAK AND MAHOGANY FINISH.

RETAIL PRICES FROM.....\$375 TO \$450

OUR CLOSING OUT PRICES FROM.....\$218 TO \$265

WILLIAMS MUSIC HOUSE

500 Court Street, Dallas