

DOINGS IN POLK COUNTY

STORIES BY THE OBSERVER'S CORRESPONDENTS.

Personal Paragraphs Pertaining to Movements of People Whom You All Know.

BALISTON.

Mr. Yocum's house east of town was destroyed by fire Wednesday evening, the fire catching from the flue. Most of the household goods were saved.

Rev. Hixon will preach his farewell sermon here Sunday night.

Quite a number from here went to Gopher valley after strawberries during the week.

Mark Sears has been up from Hillsboro visiting his children.

Margaret Kinderman has been visiting Leona Agee during the week.

Mrs. McEldowney was a McMinnville visitor Saturday.

The Apostolic Faith people of Dallas will hold services at the W. O. W. hall Monday night.

W. L. Hull was on the sick list during the week.

Quite a number from here attended the Rose festival.

Norman Tafford has gone to California with Battery A. O. N. G.

Cassie Sears was in Amity on business Saturday.

R. E. Silvis left Wednesday for his home in Pennsylvania.

R. H. Brooks was in Portland on business during the week.

Mrs. H. C. Thomas has been quite poorly.

Mrs. Vandalla Green, daughter and grandson of McMinnville visited relatives here during the week.

Dell Clark was married last week to a young lady from McMinnville.

J. W. Butler was down from the mill on business Monday.

Gladys McCauley is visiting relatives at Albany.

Mrs. W. A. Brooks returned Monday evening from a several days' visit with relatives at Vancouver.

S. V. Husum is working for W. H. Morris at Broadmead.

BRIDGEPORT.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Trueax rejoice over the arrival of a daughter, which was born to them last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lee have a new son in their family, born to them one day last week.

Word has been received from Miss Audre Stone, who taught school here last term, stating that she had arrived safely at her former home in Kansas. She will not return to Oregon.

Mrs. Robinson, mother of Mrs. W. M. Brown, who has been an invalid for about a year, is now recovering from her malady. She is now partially paralyzed.

R. R. Riggs was in Dallas on Wednesday, accompanied by Mrs. Riggs, they going thither to meet the body of the late G. M. King, who died in Portland, and whose remains were buried in the Hart cemetery near here.

WILDWOOD.

Misses Francis, Inez and Eva Hull visited at the home of Frank Smith last Sunday.

Mr. J. F. Leigh has gone to Silverton. He expects to be gone a week. When he returns, Mrs. Leigh, who has been visiting her mother and other relatives there, will come home with him.

J. Warner Clark and wife of Jefferson have been visiting in this vicinity for the past week.

A few interested citizens got busy last Saturday and did some clearing on the school ground. The ladies served lunch at noon. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Fry, J. E. Crosby, Friend Riker, Ed. Hull, Jr., and son John, Elmer and Clyde Fry.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Olemann visited Samuel Riker's one day last week.

Roy Price and family have moved back on the Lacklamute.

POLK STATION.

Mrs. Lola Dunn returned to Portland last Saturday.

P. F. Friesen returned from Portland Sunday evening.

Miss Quiring, who has been in Idaho for the past year, is visiting at her home.

Bert and Fred Teats spent the past week at the home of their grandparents in Dallas.

Miss Alma Light is working for Mrs. Taylor Dunn.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Teats took in the Rose festival, returning last Sunday.

Mr. Reddekopp has some very choice strawberries, which he is marketing now.

The Rickreall picnic was well represented from here.

Mrs. Ralph Adams and children of Falls City are visiting at the home of C. B. Teats.

OAKDALE.

Little Jay Green has been sick, but is improving.

Loren Butler is home from the State university for his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hubbard have been on a camping expedition to Rock creek. While there they were visited by Douglas Hubbard, who lives in that country.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Stanton attended a dance at Joe Gage's at Bridgeport last Saturday night.

Misses Nellie and Edith Southworth are visiting their parents.

According to custom the Oak Dale people picnicked at dinner time Saturday at the Dixie gathering. C. Nelson was on hand as usual. "Here's where I shine, morning, noon and night," he said, with a satisfied smile as he spied the well filled table. Then he "fell to" and broke all his previous records as champion eater. Some may doubt this as being impossible, but there were plenty of eye witnesses to prove it.

Roy Bird and children, Darrel and Ada of Pioneer and Mrs. and Mrs. Joe Murphy and sons also spent the day there.

Wood place, the Dennis home. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bird and children, Darrel and Ada, of Pioneer and Mr. and

MAD DOG KILLED NEAR INDEPENDENCE.

After having fired twenty-seven shots at the animal a mad dog was finally killed by farmers near Independence the other day. The dog had been running at large, biting stock in the neighborhood where it was killed. The stock attacked is confined for observation, hydrophobia in such cases making its appearance in twenty-one days. Dr. Butler of Independence sent the dog's head to Portland, where the State Board of Health pronounced it a severe case of rabies. Numerous canines of the neighborhood have been shot and killed, while others are under observation.

Mrs. Joe Murphy and sons also spent the day there.

Mrs. Manson Crowley and son Dee of Airle, and Mrs. John Bebeau of Whiteson, have been visiting O. E. Dennis.

A short time ago J. W. Robinson caught a queer looking animal in a steel trap on the Sandberg place. He is grubbing there for Mr. Sundberg and planting a large patch of potatoes. Something had been bothering them and he set a trap and caught the animal mentioned. It looked like a gopher, but was larger and darker in color, and has a very short tail. It somewhat resembled a beaver. It was probably a mountain beaver. Mr. Robinson positively should be protected, as his life has been threatened by deer, bear and all sorts of vermin up there.

Harlo Conlee of Salt Creek and his daughters visited his daughter, Mrs. Lert Muller, over Sunday. Will Shewey also spent the day there.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Miller visited their daughter, Mrs. H. A. Lee of Perrydale last week.

Bert Illingworth is building a kitchen to his house. He also has new potatoes to use.

Mrs. J. S. McDonald of Salem and her daughter, Mrs. William Busie, are visiting her son, Roy McDonald.

CROWLEY.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Valliere were Dallas visitors the middle of last week.

C. H. Farmer was in McCoy on business the latter part of last week.

R. J. Williamson hauled wood for Millard White last week.

Mrs. Dennett and daughter, Miss Ruth, were Dallas visitors last week.

Mr. Holmes was a Rickreall caller the middle of last week.

U. S. Grant of Dallas was a caller in the neighborhood last week.

Mr. Valliere and family returned home from Portland on Thursday of last week.

Miss Alice Riggs, who has been staying at the Lewis home in Oak Grove returned home last week.

Henry White and Hugh Farmer motored to Dallas Friday.

R. J. Williamson and family and C. H. Farmer motored to Dallas Monday as the two gentlemen were to serve on the jury.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Butler motored up from Portland Saturday to attend the picnic at Rickreall and to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Edgar and other relatives.

Most everyone from here attended the picnic at Rickreall.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sherwood and baby of Canby are visiting here since Friday.

Smiley Purvine of Salem is visiting relatives and friends here.

OAK GROVE.

Hugh Farmer called here one day last week.

There will be preaching here next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts have returned home from Adventist camp meeting.

Frank Munro was a Dallas caller one day last week.

Mrs. Frank Farmer spent a few days here with her mother last week while Mr. Farmer went on a fishing trip.

John Shaffer was a Rickreall caller one day last week.

Helen Lewis has the chicken pox. Mrs. Webb Lewis and infant son came home from Dallas the middle of last week and are doing nicely.

PEDEE.

Bianche and Florence Lacey visited at Parker's the first of the week.

Children's day exercises were held at the Ward schoolhouse, Sunday, June 13. Several from here attended.

Mr. Shively and son are slushing for Fred Johnson.

Frank Gilliam went to Dallas on Tuesday.

A miscellaneous shower was given Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ostrander, Saturday afternoon at the home of his parents.

There was a barn raising at P. M. Ritner's Monday. Several of the neighbors were invited to help.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Turner, Misses Lulu and Edith Aggiegate spent Sunday at the home of Ren Womer.

Mr. and Mrs. John Yost have returned home from Portland. They attended the Rose carnival while there.

Our road supervisor has finished grading the roads in this district. Gravel hauling will soon commence.

Mrs. Lacey is having her farm repaired.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dyer have returned from Windling, where he has been at work in camp.

Mr. Frank K. Hubbard from Falls City was in this vicinity the first of the week selling strawberries.

Several members of the Rebekah lodge at Kings Valley autoed to Dallas Tuesday night.

While working on a farm, Mr. Robertson fell and broke his collar bone. Dr. Hewitt of Independence was called.

Card of Thanks.

Dallas, Oregon, June 14, 1915.—We desire to extend our thanks to all friends and neighbors who so generously assisted during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father, Warren E. Allen.—Mrs. Fernie Allen and family.

123 STUDENTS FINISH

NORMAL SENDS OUT LARGEST CLASS IN ITS HISTORY.

Dr. Foster of Reed College Addresses Class—Each Graduate Pledged to Teach School.

After a four days' program in which the graduates pledged themselves to service in the public schools of the state, 123 students, the largest class in the thirty-two years of the school's existence, received diplomas from the Oregon Normal on Wednesday. William Truman Foster, president of Reed college, delivered the address to the class. President Ackerman made the presentation of diplomas. Both the February and June classes were in attendance. Twenty-seven students finished at mid-year, but the exercises at that time were postponed by the faculty. Ninety-six are numbered in the June class.

To establish a precedent the girls wore gowns costing not more than \$5. Simplicity and economy have been the keynote throughout the year. In the body thirty-four counties and fifty-eight towns of Oregon are represented, as well as cities in Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wisconsin and California. Teachers of experience and high school graduates desiring to enter the profession are included. The attendance today was the largest since the reinstatement of the Oregon Normal school in 1911.

All students enrolled were required to be in attendance, and members of the alumni and visitors packed the auditorium. Seven hundred witnessed the ceremonies, many of the visitors being from Dallas. Sixty per cent of the graduates have positions for next year, and many signed contracts before their courses were completed. A large percentage of the positions are in the rural schools since emphasis now is placed upon rural instruction. A creed was unanimously adopted by the class as follows:

"We believe in professional teaching and in the professional teacher. We believe the boys and girls of Oregon should have the best of training in order to prepare them for the great work which awaits every citizen of our rapidly developing state. We believe that knowledge gained from books is insignificant in comparison with the knowledge gained from contact with a great teacher, such as the standard and ideal of our Alma Mater develop. We believe that the school should be a place of culture and refinement as well as discipline and instruction. We believe in the parent-teacher association, which is uniting the home and school."

OBITUARY

Warren E. Allen.

The funeral services over the remains of Warren E. Allen, who died at his home east of Falls City last Friday, were held at the family residence on Sunday afternoon. Rev. Bates of Forest Grove delivering the address over the body. Deceased was twenty-eight years of age, and succumbed to heart trouble, leaving a widow and three children. Mr. Allen had been a resident of Polk county only a short time, coming here from Washington county.

James Ezra Marks.

James Ezra Marks, who had been living with his brother, C. C. Marks of near Monmouth, died at the Dallas hospital last Friday night of pneumonia. Burial took place at the Smith cemetery at Lewisville on Sunday, the Rev. Plowman officiating. Deceased was 52 years of age. He leaves several brothers to mourn his loss.

G. M. King.

The body of G. M. King, who died suddenly in Portland on Monday, arrived here Wednesday forenoon for interment in the Hart cemetery near Bridgeport. Deceased was an uncle of Mrs. R. R. Riggs of Bridgeport.

GROWERS OF HOPS UNITE.

Sheridan Association Decides to Pay Pickers by Pound, Not Box.

The Sheridan Hopgrowers' association was formed at a meeting at that place on Saturday. The association will include Sheridan, Ballston, Buell, Williams and Gopher valley and takes in about fifty hop yards, covering 200 acres. F. K. Helder was elected president and J. M. Shipley secretary. It was decided to regulate picking next fall according to the pound and not the box. Heretofore pickers have received \$1 a box, which weighed from 80 to 100 pounds. Next fall pickers will be paid at the rate of 50 cents an 100 pounds. Clean picking will be demanded and pickers will not be allowed to float from one yard to another. Women will not be allowed in the yards more than eight hours.

Graduate at Independence.

The Independence high school graduated the largest class this year in the history of the school. The baccalaureate sermon was given to the students Sunday night by Rev. Mr. Birchett of the Presbyterian church. Graduation exercises were held Wednesday night, when nineteen received diplomas. Many of the graduates will enter the Normal school next year, while others will go to University of Oregon and Corvallis.

Hop Crop Looks Fine.

Favorable reports concerning the hop crop are coming from all sections of Polk county, and the prospects for a bountiful harvest are good. The yards are looking fine, but continued warm weather is needed.

New Department Commander.

George A. Harding, a prominent business man of Oregon City, was elected commander of the Department of Oregon of the Grand Army of the Republic at the grand camp-

ment held at McMinnville. The gathering is the 34th annual one of the Grand Army and the Woman's Auxiliary organization. It began yesterday. Mr. Harding has been quartermaster of Meade Post No. 2, of Oregon City for many years. He was a member of the Oregon Volunteers during the Civil war, and has a son who was a member of the Second Oregon Infantry during the Spanish-American war. His wife was formerly president of the Woman's Relief corps for the department of Oregon.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATRIX.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the county of Polk, as administratrix of the estate of C. F. Littlefield, deceased, and that she has duly qualified as such administratrix. All persons having claims against the estate of said decedent are hereby notified to present the same, duly itemized and verified, to me at my home near McCoy, in Polk County, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated at McCoy, Oregon, June 10, 1915. MARTHA M. LITTLEFIELD, Administratrix of the estate of C. F. Littlefield, deceased. 6-14-7-12

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