

**TERSE TALES OF TOWN**

**LOCAL NEWS OF DALLAS AND THIS NEIGHBORHOOD.**

**Personal Paragraphs Pertaining to People and Their Movements, Gleaned by Observer.**

Miss Dora Elkins is entertaining her mother from Falls City this week. Mrs. Theo. Farrington and Mrs. Oscar Holman spent Monday in Salem. The subject selected for the Christian Science lesson sermon Sunday, October 10, is: "Are Sin, Disease and Death Real?"

C. F. Ellison was a Portland visitor over the week-end.

The trip to California planned by E. A. Gwinn and family was delayed and they now expect to leave for southern climes within a week. They will make an extended visit with friends and relatives in California and Arizona.

Mrs. Jesse Barham and children and Mrs. Barham's mother, Mrs. Ida Ullery left Saturday for California, where they will spend the winter. Mr. Barham will follow his family a little later.

Lieutenant Kenneth P. Williams and Sergeant Hathaway of the United States army were in Dallas on Wednesday. They were looking after the progress of the local national guard company and inspected the armory.

Mrs. F. A. Wolf of Falls City has the Observer's thanks for a beautiful bouquet of dahlias.

Fred Morgan of McMinnville was a visitor in the city on Tuesday.

The sudden illness of Mrs. Ralph Morrison on Tuesday evening made it necessary for J. E. Sibley to make a trip into the mountains in search of Mr. Morrison, who was enjoying a hunting trip. After some trouble Mr. Sibley found Mr. Morrison and returned with him to his wife's bedside on Wednesday. Mrs. Morrison had recovered somewhat by that time and is now much better.

Mrs. C. E. Snyder, who has enjoyed a visit at Roseburg during the past few weeks, returned to her home here yesterday.

Floyd Smith, who has made a name for himself as a keeper of fancy bees and a producer of excellent honey, was re-elected secretary of the Oregon Bee Keepers' association, at the meeting held in Salem last week.

Mrs. Harold Hansen, who has been visiting in Portland, returned to her home in Dallas early in the week.

R. D. Osborn, who has purchased the stock of the Walker store at Buell, engaged Fred Holman and Paul Runk to make an inventory of the establishment before he takes possession and the gentlemen left early in the week to undertake the task.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Young are entertaining their daughter, Mrs. James Leach, and her husband and family, this week.

L. J. Chapin, county agriculturist of Marion county, with his family, was a Dallas visitor early in the week. Mrs. Chapin is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Mosecott.

Mrs. Richard Leighton is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Caines at Crawfordsville. Miss Anna Caines, as sister, who has spent several weeks here, returned to Crawfordsville with Mrs. Leighton.

The Rev. G. H. Bennett is at home after spending a week in Southern Oregon, where he attended the conference of the Methodist church, and spent several days at hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kolb of Gates visited in Dallas on Wednesday.

Mrs. H. H. Belt has been entertaining her friend, Mrs. George Burnett of Salem, who was here this week.

Cooper Brothers of this city took first prize on Ancona cock, second and third on cockerel, second on pullet and second on pen at the state fair. Dr. L. A. Bollman also brought home several winnings.

Prof. Johnson, who was here during several months last summer giving bible lectures under the auspices of the Adventist society, will lecture at the church of that denomination tonight.

Mrs. Ernest A. Miller of Corvallis, who, with her husband, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Martin on their recent trip to San Francisco, was a visitor at the Martin home yesterday.

**MRS. HUNNICUTT GETS FINE.**

**For Stealing Cream She Will Pay \$50 and Costs.**

A half gallon of cream will cost Mrs. Ellen Hunnicutt \$50 and court costs, according to the findings of a jury in Judge Belt's court yesterday afternoon. The unfortunate woman made away with a jar of cream from the McLaughlin ranch south of Independence, in which vicinity the Hunnicutt family is more or less notorious for its lawlessness. It took Judge N. L. Butler for the defendant and J. E. Sibley for the state only a short time to present their cases and the jury was out several hours in finding a verdict. It is probable and has until one o'clock to pay the amount. She was given until 1 o'clock today to raise the money. Her son Harry was sentenced earlier in the week to a term in the penitentiary and another son Emzie was paroled from that institution more than a month ago. The latter is also under indictment at this term of court. Mrs. Hunnicutt is a frail little woman, rather old considering the

age at which light fingered persons are usually prosecuted, and as she sat in the witness chair and disclaimed any intention of stealing the cream, valued, at the maximum, at 80 cents, she made an almost pitiful sight.

**GERMAN WAR FILMS COMING.**

**By Special Arrangement The Grand Secures Pictures.**

The German war pictures, which will be shown at The Grand theater Wednesday, are close-range views of the actual fighting in the eastern and western theaters of war in Europe. They were taken by a moving picture operator, who was allowed to go on the firing line under the sanction of the German government, and at the risk of his life. That his perils were manifold the pictures prove and the fact that he brought back with him, a roll of films taken by an operator on the French firing line, attests the close proximity in which he placed himself. Vivid portrayals of trench building and fighting; close views of the barbed wire entanglements which figure so much in the infantry fighting, and the work of the heavy and light artillery are among the interesting parts of the pictures. The operator explored the forts taken by the Germans after many days' siege in Belgium, and he was actually in Louvain and Liege when the German shells riddled buildings and fortifications crumbling and walls of fine buildings tumbling. His pictures of the burning of Antwerp are masterpieces.

For a number of days he was with the kaiser on the frontier and he obtained many close views of the German war lord and the popular German idol, Field Marshal von Hindenburg. One of the most spectacular films is that of the German and Bavarian cavalry in a charge. To witness these highly trained men and horses in an attack is thrilling and hair-raising.

**WHEAT PRICE GOING UP.**

**Local Mills Have Supplied All Demands—Recent Price Increase.**

Although most of the flour mills in the county are pretty well supplied with wheat for the winter there is still considerable being sold by the farmers in this vicinity. Many, as is usually the case, are holding their crop for the top price and expect the increased demand to make that price a high one. Portland buyers have taken their share of wheat from the county and local mills have taken more than in previous years, but the demand is still fairly good with the price ranging, at the mills, close to 75 cents. Not only has wheat been purchased by Polk county mills, but Portland and California mills as well as several eastern companies have entered the field. In the larger markets the price of wheat has advanced since the first of the present month almost eight cents. The outside buying, together with the increased price is causing the farmers not only to hold back the best of their crop, but to demand higher prices. Cereal manufacturers in the east have practically filled their wants from the crop of the Pacific northwest, and Polk county has contributed its share to the 500 or 600 carloads that have been shipped from northwestern states. Foreign grain markets have noted the price advance, but because of the increase in ocean freight rates growers in this section of the country find it difficult to participate in the trading.

**POLK HAS MUCH COMPANY.**

**Twenty Counties in Big Portland Show.**

"When I say that the coming Manufacturers' and Land Products show will surpass the exposition of Oregon's products made at the Lewis and Clarke fair, I have data at hand to support my statement," said A. P. Bateman, who visited at the State fair last week and talked with Mrs. Winnie Braden. More than 20 counties have already taken space for representation, and it is apparent that long before the opening of the show, October 25, all of the exhibit space will have been reserved. Yesterday's meeting of the Members' council dealt with the Manufacturers' and Land Products show.

**Imperial Dining Room Closed.**

After having conducted the Imperial hotel for the past six months, C. E. Hoyt, proprietor, closed the dining room last night and left this morning with his family and personal effects for Portland. He has left the hotel to his successor, whoever that may be. The owner of the lease and furnishings, a Portland man, is expected to arrive here within a day or two to make arrangements to continue the hostelry. It is not probable that the hotel will be closed permanently.

**Searching for Escaped Prisoners.**

Sheriff Orr has sent descriptions of Lee McGinnis and L. W. Carson to all police officials on the coast and will prosecute a vigilant search until they are located, if that is possible. McGinnis and Carson are the two county prisoners who made their escape from the county jail on Monday.

**Visitor Sprains Ankle.**

A severely sprained ankle is the result of a ride on a motorcycle for Mrs. Ethel Hadley of Dayton, Oregon. Mrs. Hadley was riding behind her brother, L. S. Ballantyne, when she caught her heel in the wheel of the machine. The wheel lost several spokes and Mrs. Hadley's shoe is minus a heel.

**KILLING WAS JUSTIFIED**

**CORONER'S JURY REVERENDS VERDICT IN CASE HOMICIDE.**

**Nevertheless Perpetrator of Deed Is Held to Grand Jury for Second Degree Murder.**

"That death was caused by gunshot wounds inflicted by Sam Case, and in the mind of the coroner's jury it was a case of self-defense and a justifiable homicide," was the verdict rendered by the coroner's jury at Oregon City on Tuesday, at the inquest held over the body of Ernest Case, killed Sunday night near his home in Park Place. Sam Case appeared with his counsel, George C. Brownell, before Justice of the Peace Sievers for the preliminary examination and was bound over to the grand jury on a charge of second degree murder. He waived examination. The grand jury will meet next Monday. The brothers were formerly residents of Polk county.

The trouble between Ernest, on one side, and the rest of the Case family of seven girls and four boys, began during the childhood of the boys. Ernest was the youngest of the boys and, Cassius declared, was always taking advantage of his brothers and sisters. "Sam and I stayed on the farm and worked so that Ernest could go to school," he said. "Sam was a good boy and we were willing to sacrifice our own time so that our brother could get a schooling. We believed that after Ernest had gone through school he would help us with his education. That was all we expected for reward. But when Ernest came from school he used the learning we had helped him secure to get the best of us. He has cheated us time and time again."

Labon Case, an early pioneer of Polk county, was their father. He took up a donation land claim of 640 acres and a timber claim of 300 acres in early days, which, Cassius said, rapidly increased in value when the county was settled. "Ernest wanted to leave the farm as soon as he was of age and go to town. When he was 21 years old he married against the wishes of my parents. Ernest later was divorced, opened a restaurant in Corvallis and finally married one of his waitresses. A year after his second wife died, he married again. This time a sister of Sam's wife." For the last five years the illfeeling between Sam and Ernest has been steadily growing stronger. Even their wives were forbidden to speak to each other, Cassius said, although they were sisters.

The Polk county estate of his parents and the estate of Samuel Nealy, an uncle, were taken by Ernest from his brothers, Cassius said. The long series of injuries and insults added to the feeling between Sam and Ernest, Cassius explained, until about a year ago Ernest is said to have threatened his brother's life. Of the 12 children of Mr. and Mrs. Labon Case, only six are now living. They are George Case, in the east; Tom Case of Lebanon, Cassius and Sam Case of Park Place, Mrs. Bell Booth of Salem, and Mrs. Jenny Belt of Lebanon.

**OREGON DAY OCTOBER THIRTY.**

**Extensive Plans Making for Big Celebration at 'Frisco Fair.**

Oregon State day at the Panama exposition has been set for Monday, October 30. This is an exhibition arrangement and on that day all the honors that can be heaped upon the Beaver state by the exposition officials will be forthcoming. This means that the chief dignitaries, as well as the lesser luminaries, of this greatest of all fairs will don silk ties and other prescribed paraphernalia, gather themselves into automobiles and with Governor Withycombe in the front car, will follow the exposition and marine bands to the Oregon building, and there in the shadow of the modern Parthenon wax eloquent over the glorious achievements of the state to the northward. Governor Withycombe, whose business in life it has been to make two blades of grass grow where but one has grown before, will probably be asked to plant a tree where none has grown before, and in the name of the great state of Oregon he may receive a plaque, or, more aristocratically speaking, a "commemorative medal."

The guns at the big forts will probably boom, the battleship Oregon may let loose some six inch salutes, flags will fly, Oregon cider will flow and at no time, before or since, will the Oregon building be in such gala attire. After the parade—which the people at the Oregon building and the Oregon Society of California will endeavor to make the largest and most memorable in exposition history, and all the orating has been done to the delight of the assembled multitudes, Governor Withycombe and the chosen few will be carried away to the California building and there wined and dined until their stomachs as well as their hearts are filled to overflowing.

**Holstein Cow Wins First.**

Cascade Marie, a Holstein cow, owned by W. M. Bishop, won first prize, \$40, in the dairy cow contest at the state fair. Maves Beatty, a Jersey, owned by E. D. Cary, won second prize, \$30; Vive La France, a Jersey, owned by Piekard's, third, \$20; Model Bonnie Echo, owned by J. L. Smith, fourth, \$15, and Kadie

F., a Jersey, owned by N. H. Smith, \$10. In the Jersey special futurity stake, \$40, divided into three prizes, Vive La France, won first; Old Man's Darling, second, and St. Maves Susis Oigo, third.

**POLK'S DISPLAY A BEAUTY.**

**Varied Resources of County Shown at the State Fair.**

Polk county, winner of the blue ribbon at the State fair last week, featured hops and prunes, the name of the county having been worked with 3800 hop burs and 216 prunes. Mohair and wool were also shown as important products of the county. Forty-seven varieties of grasses were shown, six varieties of forage crops, five of wild grasses and seven of medicinal herbs, ten of clover, two of them wild or native varieties; nine varieties of peas, seven of nuts, 78 jars of processed fruits and vegetables and 25 varieties of garden seeds. In the display were excellent showings of apples, dried prunes, loganberries, peaches, pears, tomatoes, grapes, corn, onions, butter, honey, cheese and peanuts. The grains of the county were shown in 48 samples threshed. Two varieties of native peas were shown along with alsike, vetch and flax. In all 60 varieties of vegetables were displayed. J. E. French, Mrs. Winnie Braden and C. C. Gardner and wife were in charge of the exhibit. This display will now go to the Land Products show in Portland and will be in charge of Mrs. Braden.

**BLODGETT COUPLE ELOPES.**

**After Attending Sunday School Lovers Head for Canada.**

Corvallis Gazette: Edwin Johnson, aged 28, eloped yesterday from Blodgett with fifteen-year-old Ruth Thompson, daughter of J. A. Thompson, of that place. Johnson met the girl at the Sunday school hour yesterday and they went to Sunday school, but left shortly before the school was dismissed. They were seen to go over the hill from the church where it is believed Johnson had an automobile waiting, and that they came to Corvallis or Albany and took the Oregon Electric for Portland. The father of the girl was away from home for the day, returning late in the evening. Learning of the elopement of his daughter, Mr. Thompson boarded the excursion train last night, came to Corvallis, where he was met at the train by Sheriff Gellatly and the two went to Portland in search of the elopers. They are reported to have started for British Columbia. The girl is under age of consent, and the parents objected to her keeping company with Johnson. Johnson is a Blodgett man.

**STAGE SET FOR BIG GAMES.**

**Philadelphia and Boston Nines Clash in World's Series Today.**

Philadelphia is the universal magnet today. There, on a smooth and much trodden diamond, the lines of battle in the world's championship baseball series have been drawn and the opposing forces will meet for the first battle this afternoon. The Quaker City nine has closed its season at the top of the National league ladder and likewise the Boston Americans are supreme in the American league. By a peculiar coincidence the same cities will see the national series this year as last, but it was the Philadelphia Americans last year and the Nationals this year. Boston took four straight games a year ago, and thousands of fans are anxiously awaiting the possibility of duplication of the great performance. The first two games are to be played at Philadelphia and the last two at Boston. If a fifth game is necessary to decide the title it will be played at Philadelphia.

**CORVALLIS COMMITTEE HERE.**

**Mayor Porter Heads Party That Inspects Local Library.**

A committee of Corvallis citizens visited in Dallas yesterday and inspected the local Carnegie library with a view to recommending such a structure for their own city. Mayor J. M. Porter and Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Dr. Fara and Mrs. Charles Baker formed the committee. They spent part of the morning at the library, discussing the plan under which it was secured and announced their intention of recommending the erection of a larger building for Corvallis. The Carnegie Foundation fund will probably be requested to contribute \$30,000 for a building there, and that will make it necessary for the city to post a guarantee of an annual maintenance fund of 10 per cent of that amount, or \$3,000. The visitors were entertained at luncheon by Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Martin, former residents of Corvallis, and were accompanied to Salem by the hosts, when they went to see the Salem library and visit the state penitentiary.

**Many Pheasants In Polk.**

Unusually good shooting by pheasant and duck hunters was reported to Carl Shoemaker, state game warden, this week from various sections of Western Oregon invaded during the week by shooters. Pheasants seem more plentiful this year than in former seasons, a fact that Mr. Shoemaker attributes largely to the liberation of 4000 pheasants this year by the state. The normal increase in these birds would be 20,000, he said, and from Polk, Marion, Linn and Benton counties particularly reports of many birds and good hunting seem to bear out the belief that the liberated birds have thriven amazingly.

**THE CITY IN BRIEF**

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**NATIONAL GUARD SCHOOL.**

**Correspondence School for Local Guardsmen this Winter.**

Captain Staffin has received word from the adjutant general's office that a school for national guard officers will be conducted by correspondence this winter. The school will open November 1 and will continue until March 31. The relative standing of all officers at the end of the course will be sent to the war department at Washington, D. C. All student officers will be required to prepare papers on some military subject. The school and the correspondence department will be conducted under the direction of Lieutenant Kenneth P. Williams.

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