

Local and Personal.

Miss Chadwick was in town Tuesday, having come in from the Luckiamute country to do trading.

J. C. Clearwater of Salem gave Monmouth a visit last Monday, having come over to look after interests here.

The Town Marshall has started in to enforce the town ordinance against chickens running at large and has been posting notices to the effect that they must be kept up on and after April 1st.

Last week Dr. F. R. Bowersox performed a very successful surgical operation upon the six year old son of Grove A. Peterson, removing an adenoid growth of the throat. The child gave but little evidence of discomfort after the operation, and is getting along very nicely.

The mill employes at Sheridan went on a strike last week on account of some Dagoes the proprietor had shipped in. Just what the foreigners were to do has not come to light, but the men employed there objected to working with the alien class and as the sentiment of the citizens of Sheridan was with the old employes, the manager gave in and notified the Dagoes that their services were not needed.

Results of the High School Debates.

In the debates held in the county last Friday night in the different towns that are in the Polk County High School Debating League, the work by all teams was much better than the former debate and the interest of both teams and those interested in the debating work was much greater than before.

The teams handled their subjects in good style and several of the judges who have been judging debates in different parts of the state report that the work here was equal to any they have judged elsewhere, which speaks well for our league as several of the debaters were making their first try at the work, we expect much from the schools of the county in this work next year and those who have watched the young people prepare their work for these series of debates believe that the young people will not disappoint us in the debating work.

The question debated Friday night by all teams was, Resolved: "That further restriction of immigration should be restricted by an illiteracy test." All affirmative teams remained at home and negative teams traveled to some other school, there meeting the affirmative team of the school.

All the judges were from some place different from the teams where they were acting as judge, and several of them were from other counties, all were parties who thoroughly understood debating work and were capable of judging correctly the work done by each team.

The results of the different debates were as follows:

At Independence, Independence won over Falls City a 2 to 1 decision; at Monmouth, Monmouth won over Independence, a 3 to 0 decision; at Dallas, Dallas won over Perrydale, a 3 to 0 decision; at Perrydale, Perrydale won over Monmouth, a 2 to 1 decision; at Falls City, Falls City won over Ballston, a 3 to 0 decision; at Ballston, Dallas won over Ballston, a 3 to 0 decision.

The standings of the teams in the first series were as follows:

Falls City 8; Ballston 7; Independence 5; Dallas 4; Perrydale 0; Monmouth 0. As each vote of

a judge counts one point and a decision one point, the standings of the teams now are as follows:

Falls City 13; Dallas 12; Independence 8; Ballston 7; Monmouth 5; Perrydale 3. As this debate closes the work for the school year, the Falls City team wins first place, with the Dallas team a close second.

The Falls City school wins the cup offered by Supt. H. C. Seymour to the school in the county securing the most points, they retain the cup until after the work next year, it then goes to the school securing the most points, and if any school wins two years in succession they become the permanent owners of the cup.

The schools were represented by the following pupils:

Falls City, Miss Ella Mehrling, Miss Edna Seymour, Leslie and Lamar Tooze, Lavon and Dale Gottfried; Dallas, Pearl Phillips, Caroline Gorke, Ruth Campbell, Anna Garner, Roberta Ballard, and Clinton Heaton; Independence, Bessie Hartman, Marie Jones, Gretchen Kreamer, Clyde Dick, Vale Hilderbrand, and Marion Butler; Ballston, Carl Gregg, Clara Summers, Harry Bissell, Gerald Tillery, John Seuforth, and Warren Gould; Monmouth, Bessie Graham, Ray Chute, Lorane Johnson, Emma Parker, Ruby Lorence, and Sarah Hyde; Perrydale, Ed. Parker, Max Flannery, Carl Morrison, James Jones, Hazel Duignan, and Francis Kurtz.

Railroads Repaired.

Portland, Ore., March 9, 1910. Agents and all concerned:

The interruption of traffic by washouts on the Southern Pacific main line between Sacramento and Ogden, has been entirely repaired. Passenger train service was resumed under normal conditions this morning.

Agents will resume sale of tickets accordingly and will please give the information to their local newspapers and otherwise give the matter the widest publicity.

A Good Comparison

A man made his wife a present of a fine parlor lamp. She thanked him profusely, saying, "My dear, it reminds me so much of you."

The lamp being a costly one, the man's egotism led him to inquire in what way it was like him.

"Well," his better-half responded, "it is very handsome to look at; it requires a great deal of attention; has lots of brass about it; it is not very bright; it often flares up; is liable at any time to explode, especially when half full; it is unsteady on its legs; is always out at bed time, and it seems I can't make it quit smoking." Ex.

King's Valley

J. P. Logan went to Airlie Sunday.

Dan Ross left Sunday for Simpson's camp, where he will work.

Claud Lewis, of Lewisville, was in the valley last week buying hogs.

Lark Price was in Corvallis on business last week.

Elmer Archord, of Corvallis, was in the valley last week with a land buyer.

Jeff Wood, of Montgomery, was here last week listing farms for sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Senger, of Corvallis, are in the valley visiting relatives.

James West, of Hoskins, was in the valley Monday.

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