

POLK COUNTY BLUE RIBBON

In a contest for superiority of products and resources among several counties, only one can win. In Oregon, that one is Polk. Not once but twice in succession has Polk been awarded the premium over the other counties of the state by competent judges at the Oregon State Fair. A certificate over the signature of W. H. Downing, president of the Oregon State Fair Board, contains the official declaration that Polk is the "Blue Ribbon county" of Oregon. Polk is situated in the heart of the famous Willamette valley bordering on the Willamette river. It has rich soil, level, undulating, hilly or mountainous as one may select, and it is well watered. It is noted for the production of hops, mohair, wool, and for its fine standing timber. Its soil grows wheat, oats, barley, rye, the various grasses indigenous to the valley, fine apples, pears, strawberries, raspberries, prune peaches, currants, loganberries, cherries, English walnuts and vegetables to perfection. Polk is adapted to stock raising and the breeding up of stock has been going on until fine stock for breeding purposes has come to be a money-making industry in this county. Especially is this true of Angora goats, Lincoln and Cotswold sheep, Berkshire and Poland China hogs. Bucks costing \$200 and upwards are to be seen on the farm of J.B. Stump, J. H. Hawley and Wm. Riddell, and on the latter's place are Billy Goats valued at \$500. T. W. Brunk a breeder of Poland China hogs, has one bred on his farm for which he paid \$825. Polk county has also a good class of horses and cattle.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

B. F. Jones was a Dallas visitor Monday.

Clarence and Claud Ireland of Portland returned home Tuesday.

R. L. Gaines was in this city the first of the week on business.

Word Butler as "Mose" the colored gentleman, opera house March, 16.

Mrs. C. W. Butler and children were Salem visitors last Saturday.

Willis Dugger returned Wednesday from a short visit in Oregon City.

Mrs. E. M. Young returned Monday from a few days visit in Portland.

Miss Imo Lehman was an Independence visitor the first of the week.

Mrs. M. E. Chapell is visiting in Portland the latter part of this week.

See "Dinah," the funny negro lady at the opera house Tuesday March 16.

C. N. Tharp of Portland was an Independence visitor the first of the week.

Mrs. T. House returned to Portland Monday where she will spend the summer.

J. M. Staats, Bob Strong and Walter Dalton of Airlie were in this city Tuesday.

Miss Bertha Bohannon left Sunday to accept a position in a store in Corvallis.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Taylor returned Wednesday from a few days visit in Corvallis.

C. W. Barnes of Marcellus, Mich., is one of the new arrivals of Independence.

J. W. Carmen and Chas. Gettigs of Eugene were in this city Tuesday looking for a location.

Mrs. W. R. Allin and little son, left Saturday for a few days visit with Mrs. Allin's parents in Portland.

C. J. Pue, jeweler, and Dr. Tompson of Falls City were transacting business in Independence Tuesday.

Mrs. Walter Maxfield of King's Valley is visiting for a few days with her sister, Mrs. H. C. Lehman.

Wm. McAdams spent Sunday with his mother in Corvallis, returning Monday through this city on his way to Salem.

Services at M. E. church for Sunday, March 14, 1909. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Twenty men are wanted in Prof. Kirk's Bible class. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. led by Elizabeth Janson. Preaching at 7:30 by the pastor, Harry McCain, pastor.

Mrs. Lotta Dorris Hedge was a Salem visitor Thursday.

K. C. Eldridge was a Salem visitor Tuesday.

D. H. Simpson of Airlie was in this city on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. McCreedy of McMinnville was visiting in this city Monday.

Carl Percival and Sam Irvine visited in Portland a few days last week.

Elsie Richards of Corvallis was visiting relatives in this city Sunday.

Chas. Gregory, an insurance man of Dallas was in this city Wednesday.

H. E. Guthrie and wife of Monmouth were in this city on business Monday.

Misses Bertie and Clara Bentley were Portland visitors the first of the week.

Miss Cordia Gonch, R. M. Wades book keeper, spent Sunday with her parents in Dallas.

Mrs. G. A. Wilcox left Tuesday for Portland to undergo an operation at the hospital in that city.

Rev. I. N. Mulkey will preach at the Christain church Sunday March 14, both morning and evening.

Mr. H. J. Hirschberg, B. F. Jones and K. C. Eldridge were Salem business visitors last Saturday.

Miss Marie Church and Miss Lena Spangle, two of our public school teachers were Salem visitors Saturday.

Miss Mary Scollard and Miss Margaret Pomeroy entertained the Konjockey Club at the home of the latter Thursday evening of last week. The decorations were red, white and blue. Progressive Whist was played, after which a delicious lunch was served. The visitors were the Misses Iva Burton and Miss Bessie Strout.

Albin Becker, who is attending school at the National Telegraphy School at Davenport, Iowa, is progressing nicely with his studies in that institution due to the excellent training of his instructor. He is so well pleased with his progress in that institution that he urges any of his friends who desire to make a study of telegraphy to enter that school.

Dr. Allin, Dentist, Cooper Bldg. if

Wanted—100 cords of wood cut, apply to this office.

The famous Lipton teas at Conkey, Walker & Lehman's.

For sale—Good rubber-tire buggy inquire at this office. if

Dr. Duganne, Dentist, over Independence National Bank. if

Wanted—Cream separator. Second hand. Call on this office.

A good pair of reading glasses \$1.00 at Kramer's. if

For Sale—Mammoth blackberry sets; \$3 per 100. Perry Wells, Buena Vista, Oregon. 41-2

J. H. Dixon now rides in a new "Michigan" buggy, purchased of R. M. Wade & Co.

For sale one 3 1/4 inch wagon almost new. For information call on John Robbins, Independence. 40tf

Attend the millinery opening of Mrs. O. C. Locke at Stockton's store, Salem, Saturday, March 13.

Four horse power upright gasoline engines for sale by S. Muhleman. Phone 665, Independence. 33tf.

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Every man or woman here who feels that the kidneys are not strong or acting in a healthy manner should mix this prescription at home and give it a trial, as it is said to do wonders for many persons.

Hop Prospects Are Brighter

There is renewed inquiry for one and three-year contracts in the hop market. A number of buyers are out trying to do business in this line, but they find some difficulty in executing their orders. The Independence section in the past few days has been flooded with offers of 10 1/2 cents for the 1909 crop and 11 1/2 cents has been offered for three-year terms. A 50,000 pound one year contract was closed with an Independence grower at 10 1/2 c. There are also rumors that 10 1/2 cents was offered in this section and, in fact, one or two contracts, though not of large size, have been written at that figure.

In the spot market the only recent sale reported was the Oswald West lot of 122 bales, at Corvallis, which T. A. Livesley & Co. paid 8 cents for.

California advices are of a firm, but not active, market there. In New York State, the unsold stock has been reduced to 2000 bales, according to all authorities. Of the market the Water-ville Times says:

The conditions reported last week still continue in this place—a good demand without any goods to supply the demand. Holders of the few remaining hops left in this town are still firm in refusing 13 cents for their crops. Offers to contract hops at 15 cents for the next three years have been made to growers here, but we have heard no acceptance of these offers. There is little that can be reported on this market for the rest of the season, for the crop is practically sold out.

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