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The Legislature. Now that the Oregon legislature is in session everybody will want to read a newspaper printed at Salem the capital. They will get a paper that gives all the news. The Statesman is just such a paper—bright, spicy, active, entertaining, well edited. It reports the proceedings in detail every day, overlooking a single item in any home. Your senators and representatives were elected on a platform, pledged to carry certain policies of reform. You want to watch their course in legislature and see whether or not they remained true to their pledges. The Statesman will give you this and more, too, for it is a newspaper in every sense of the word and every day of the year. The daily is 50c a month, the big 12-page Weekly is \$2 a month—three months, 50c. Address communications and make all payments to Statesman Publishing Co., Salem, Or.

ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS.

O. A. Kramer—Jeweler. Strong's bread at the Star Grocery. J. D. Kelly, of McCoy, was in the city Saturday.

W. G. Wright, Abstracts and Loans, Dallas, Oregon. The Sun 30 times for 65 cents, at Clodfelter Bros.

Mark Burch, the Rickreall merchant was in the city Tuesday. Clodfelter Bros. can save you money on subscription for any periodical.

G. W. Reed and H. H. Jaspersen visited the capital Monday, returning home Tuesday.

The City Restaurant serves meals at all hours of the day or night. Six meal tickets for \$1.

Miss Birdie Getchell, who has been visiting in this city, returned to McMinnville last Friday.

Prof. D. A. Hoag, of the Rickreall school, gave the ESTERFUNK office a pleasant call Saturday.

Several of the leading citizens of this city and Monmouth attended Governor Lord's inaugural Wednesday.

Mrs. Thomas Stowe, of Bellevue, who has been visiting in the city and vicinity the past week, returned home Saturday.

J. P. Irvine came up from McMinnville last Tuesday and will remain several days looking after his business interests here.

Hon. N. L. Butler, senator from this county, left here on the Altona Monday morning to assume his legislative duties at the capital.

D. R. Taylor will assist Mr. Locke in the store during Mr. Douthy's absence in the East. Brother Taylor knows how to sell groceries, and "don't you forget it."

We don't believe that any man in Polk County has the vote of the county in his vest pocket to deliver for Mr. Dolph, though he may think so ever so hard and may have made the promise.—Dallas Transcript.

Some good work is being done upon our streets in cleaning off the mud. It would be a good move on the part of the city council to pass an ordinance prohibiting the hitching of teams and horses along main street.

A young man at Monmouth by the name of Poole was accidentally shot in the hand while handling a small pocket pistol. The bullet passed through the palm of the hand, inflicting a painful but not serious wound.

The recent warm rains have caused the Willamette river to overflow his banks. The water was about two feet higher than the raise caused by the New Year's thaw. So far we have not heard of any damage being done by the overflow.

"Smith, of Polk," is continually bobbing up in the published proceedings of the legislature. We felt confident that our Ira S. would make the legislative assembly recognize the fact that Polk county had "a chief among them taking notes."

The traveling public will find the Little Palace hotel complete in all its appointments. The table is furnished with the best of the market affords, and the rooms are large, comfortable, and well furnished. The object of the proprietor is to please his guests.

The Transcript enumerates twenty republican newspapers in Oregon that favor silver legislation and three that oppose, and mentions Mitchell, Herman, Ellis, Fulton, Tongue, Thompson and Lord as being on the affirmative of the question and Dolph and Simon opposing.

We learn from Rev. K. H. Stekafouse that an unfortunate accident occurred at Bellevue on Jan. 9. Two little boys by the name of Conner were playing "shinny" when Roy Conner received a blow in the face which broke the lower jaw bone and knocked out a number of teeth.

Editor A. V. R. Snyder, of the Dallas Transcript, was elected journal clerk of the house without opposition. The ESTERFUNK feels gratified that our editorial contemporary was successful in getting a good legislative position. We are glad to see legislative courtesies extended to Polk county.

Mrs. J. C. Smith left here for Denver, Col., on last Friday's train, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Ferree, of Des Moines, Iowa. Mrs. Smith is afflicted with paralysis of the throat and has been an invalid for some time. She goes to Denver for the purpose of testing the benefit of a change of climate. She had been living in this city for several months with her daughter, Mrs. D. W. Stevens.

F. A. Douthy and E. E. Paddock, two of our most enterprising citizens, anticipate starting East next week to be absent some six weeks. They will visit Tacoma, Seattle, Spokane, Minneapolis, Chicago, Denver, etc. Mr. Douthy expects to visit his boyhood home at Boulder City, Col., and while he is taking the journey more for sight-seeing than otherwise. Mr. Paddock goes to attend to business matters. We wish the gentlemen a pleasant journey.

Rev. R. L. Shelley has been visiting Hillsboro for a week. He returned home last Tuesday and informs us that he has been employed to preach for the Christian church at that place. He may move his family to Hillsboro in the near future. We are sorry to lose Mr. Shelley and his estimable family from our midst, but what is this community's loss is Hillsboro's gain. Mr. Shelley is an intelligent, earnest and pleasant gentleman, and we are sure that his congregation will be pleased with his ministrations.

Dr. Epley, dentist, Monmouth. Additional locals on second page. Dr. Epley, the dentist, guarantees all his work.

Wanted.—Bacon and lard at the Star Grocery. All kinds of pure spices in bulk at the Star Grocery.

Hon. J. C. White, of Crowley, was in the city Monday. Dr. Epley, the dentist, Monmouth, does crown and bridge work.

If you want a good grade of tea or coffee buy it at the Star Grocery. Any one wanting good fancy dairy butter, will do well to see H. A. Clodfelter.

Take the daily Sun during legislative session; 65 cents a month at Clodfelter Bros. Sixty-two pupils enrolled at the Rickreall school—about 50 pupils belonging.

S. A. Riggs, of Salem, was in the city yesterday, visiting his daughter, Mrs. S. A. Mulkey.

Judge Chenoweth, of King's Valley, was in the city Saturday looking after some legal business before Justice Irvine's court.

The news reached here last night by telephone that Hon. J. N. Dolph had received the caucus nomination for senator. Of course this is equivalent to election.

Frank O'Brien, one of Polk county's leading citizens, starts for St. Louis, Mo., next Monday. He goes via the Northern Pacific railroad and expects to be absent several months.

Frank O'Neill, traveling passenger agent of the Northern Pacific railroad, was in the city this week in the interest of his company, and gave this office a pleasant call.

H. E. Anderson, book keeper of the firm of R. M. Wade & Co., of this city, starts for Minneapolis next Saturday. His people live in that city and he expects to be absent about six weeks. He goes by way of the Northern Pacific.

The publishers of Home Life, a family paper, will send free to any lady or girl a handsome American water-stem wind and seam set, (fully guaranteed) as payment for a few hours work. Send a two-cent stamp for full particulars and outfit, with tenimonials from many who have received and worn these watches, to Home Life Co., Care, Mich.

The special meetings at the M. E. church are being continued through this week with an increasing interest. While the congregations are not large the attendance is of the best. Next Sunday regular services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Epworth League at 6:45 p. m. Subject of evening sermon, "The Man that Keeps an Ox to Gore his Fellow Man." All are cordially invited. Come every night and bring a friend.

We quote the following from an exchange. Of course it doesn't apply to the young ladies of Independence, but it is a pen portrait of the girls in our neighboring towns: "Girls are of a few days and full of mischief, and whoever is deceived by them is not wise. When the fair girl chews her gum with much lustre and stampteh her pretty feet, then look out. She cometh forth in the evening in low neck and short sleeves, but in the morning she lieth in bed while her mother lulleth."

Dr. H. B. Stanley, formerly of Dallas, who is now located at Lakeport, California, tells a whopping best story in last week's Transcript. Hear him talk. "The largest beet I ever saw grew in the soil of Lake county." After being dug out of the ground it stood four feet, four inches in height, three feet four inches in circumference and weighed 67 pounds. If the doctor didn't hail from Polk county we should consider the story apocryphal, but we never question an Oregonian's veracity.

A Leading Pioneer Gone.—In the death of Hon. Ralph C. Greer, Marion County has lost one of her oldest and most influential pioneer citizens. Mr. Greer emigrated to Oregon in 1847. He was prominently associated with the pioneer history of Marion County, both socially and politically. He was a member of the legislature of 1850, which met at Oregon City, and was appointed a member on the state house board, it having been first voted that Salem should be the capital. He was also a member of the legislature of 1854. Bancroft's history of Oregon says: "Ralph C. Greer was the pioneer nurseryman of Marion County. He also taught the first public school in the section where he settled, having 30 pupils in 1848, all but four of whom were living 30 years afterward." The deceased died, of paralysis, on the 11th instant, and was 78 years of age. His death causes another vacancy in the broken ranks of the Oregon Pioneer association.

School Tax Levied.—Pursuant to published notice of the school board a large number of the taxpayers of District No. 29 met at the school house in this city on Wednesday evening. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dornis, and J. D. Irvin, school clerk, read the notice which stated the object of the meeting to be for the purpose of voting a tax to pay interest on the district bonds and for the maintenance of a free school during the remainder of the school year. After some discussion in regard to the legality of the proceedings of the board a motion prevailed that a tax of 4 mills be levied. The motion carried by an overwhelming majority. Director Stockton stated that the current expenses of the school district this year were over \$900 less than last year, and he also explained that 3 mills of the

organ; Susie Fennell played "Home, Sweet Home" on the violin in admirable style. The chapter presented H. B. Thielen, past high priest, with an easy chair. W. P. Conaway made the presentation speech in his usual happy manner. Mr. Thielen replied, with marked feeling, in a few appropriate words. Past High Priest Thielen acted as installing officer and W. T. Peet, of Corvallis, was grand marshal. The following officers were installed: W. P. Conaway, H. P.; J. H. Moran, K.; E. L. Ketchum, S.; G. L. Hawkins, C. H.; H. R. Patterson, R. A. C.; P. C. Patterson, P. S.; J. S. Cooper, treasurer; G. A. Smith, secretary; W. L. Hodgin, scribe; J. W. Kirkland, T. V.; J. B. V. Butler, S. V.; R. R. Parrish, F. V. After the installation ceremonies were over W. P. Conaway extended a cordial invitation in behalf of the chapter to all the guests present to partake of a supper "without money and without cost" at the Little Palace hotel. We are informed that 182 persons partook of the supper. The entertainment was a very pleasant and social affair.

An Untimely Death.—A Heppner dispatch announces the sad intelligence that young Attorney J. W. Dawson died in that city on the 12th of pneumonia, after a short illness of only a few days. Mr. Dawson was a Polk county boy, about 25 years of age and was a most promising young attorney. He was a graduate of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and was well equipped by education and study. His father, Judge Dawson, died several years ago at Monmouth, and his mother is now, we believe, a resident of McMinnville. Mr. Dawson's many friends in Polk county will be grieved to learn of his untimely death.

A New Dancing Club.—The amusement loving element among the young people of Independence has recently organized a new dancing club under the name of the Independence Junior Dancing Club. The Juniors will give their first entertainment—a grand ball—at the opera hall this evening (Thursday, Jan. 17.) G. W. Belt, J. D. Whiteaker and A. W. Dockstader are on the invitation committee, and Byron Atkins and J. S. Talbot will act as floor managers. Music will be furnished by Butler's orchestra, of Monmouth. The dance will begin at 8 o'clock p. m. Tickets are on sale at 50 cents each.

The County Printing Award.—The county printing for 1895 was awarded to the West Side by the county court last Thursday. The competitors were the West Side, Transcript, Itemizer and ESTERFUNK. The West Side's bid was as follows: Letter heads, per thousand, \$1.99; large size legal blanks, per hundred, \$1.99; small size legal blanks, per hundred, \$2.85; publishing bills allowed, 5cts per month; publishing legal notices, 9cts per square; twenty circuit court dockets, \$8.50.

Jurors.—The following persons were selected by the county court to serve as jurors from Independence precinct during the ensuing year: J. D. Atkins, R. D. Cooper, M. T. Crow, J. Dorasik, J. Goodman, G. W. Hinkle, L. R. Hill, H. H. Jaspersen, J. E. Kirkland, J. M. Vanduyne, S. B. Walker, J. L. Williams, John Young, H. Hirschberg, J. S. Cooper, T. B. Huntley, G. W. Whiteaker, A. Huston, L. Damon, M. P. Baldwin, W. O. Cook, H. R. Patterson, M. Merwin, G. W. Shinn, J. H. Collins.

BORN. RUSSELL.—In Independence, Ore., January 11, 1895, to the wife of Loyd Russell, a son.

\$100 Reward \$100. The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of Testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Beckler's Arnica Salve. The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Swabs, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Clapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per bottle. For Sale By Smith & Holt.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder. World's Fair Highest Award.

MONMOUTH. Quite a large number from here visited Salem Tuesday.

Miss Opal Hall is seriously ill with typhoid pneumonia.

Prof. W. A. Gunn visited Dallas Monday, returning Tuesday.

Mrs. W. H. Fulkerson was quite sick the fore part of the week.

Mrs. Dr. Epley of Salem visited her husband here Sunday and Monday.

T. L. Rash went to McMinnville Tuesday to attend the funeral of his brother J. W. Dawson.

Prof. Faulk is conducting a writing class at Dallas. We understand he is meeting with good success.

Miss Mattie Swann, of Crawfordville, Linn county, visited her brother and sister here the latter part of last week.

The entertainment given by the athletic association netted them

tax levy was to pay interest on bonds and 14 mills to defray school expenses.

G. A. R. Organized.—The G. A. R. post was duly mustered on last Saturday night by Post Commander J. C. Cooper. The post is named in honor of Gen. Wm. Gibson, of Ohio, who died during the month of December.

The following officers were elected: J. S. Smith, commander; M. A. Baker, senior vice commander; T. J. Fryer, junior vice commander; J. L. Stockton, quarter master; Eli Johnson, adjutant; F. Stansberry, chaplain; J. N. Voorhis, officer of the day; Joseph Winn, officer of guard; John Dugger, surgeon. A committee consisting of Comrades Stockton, Stansberry and Winn was appointed to secure the requisite number of names for a W. R. C. and the fee for charter membership was fixed at the minimum of \$1 for all ladies entering at the time of organization, provided 25 or more can be secured. At least 50 names should be secured at once.

A meeting was called at the Christian church Monday evening for the purpose of making up a car load of provisions for the Nebraska sufferers. Two committees were appointed one to solicit contributions in town and the other in the country. The former was composed of Mesdames Murphy, Davidson and Bently and the latter of F. S. Powell, Dr. Frazer and Hamilton Mulkey.

HECTOR. Dick Tom and family spent Sunday with Frank Brown.

Items, like money, are very scarce, but we mean well, if our letter is as uninteresting as a Chinese autopsy.

Ellis Davidson was in Independence having dental work done Monday.

Clinton Bradley has been suffering from a severe attack of erysipelas but is recovering.

There has been two high raises of the Luckiamute this winter with no damage that we can hear of.

Our only Wm. P. Kerr wishes it known that his lawful name is Wm. P. Peabody. The error arose from being an orphan and was raised by his grandparents.

SILAS B. DALLAS. Dallas is very dull this week.

The LaCroce was very high during the late rain.

J. B. Embree and several other persons are quite sick this week.

John Grant, our city marshal, visited Portland one day last week.

Oscar Haytel came home from Oregon City Wednesday, quite sick.

J. T. Ford, editor of the ESTERFUNK, was in Dallas last week on business.

Gen. Grant fell into the creek last week and came very near drowning.

The teachers of the Dallas public school held a meeting at the school house Tuesday evening.

Our city marshal arrested four boys for disturbing the writing school Wednesday evening.

Several Dallas men sold their hops lately, the price ranging from seven to eight cents per pound.

There were no services at the Christian church Sunday, on account of the absence of the pastor.

Dr. Morrow, of this city, left for Gaston, Or., Monday, where he expects to practice his profession.

Many of the relatives and friends of "Grandpa" Embree gathered at his residence last Friday, the occasion being his 89th birthday anniversary. A number of those present crossed the plains with him in 1844. A very pleasant social time was had, and the grand old gentlemen related many amusing as well as pathetic stories of early life in Oregon.

GROVER. W. E. Williams got in one day plowing last week.

J. D. Bevans and wife were given a surprise one night last week.

Ask Chas. M. if the late wind storm had any effect on any of his out-buildings.

Will Barker is doing some carpenter work on the house occupied by J. H. Cochran.

Mesdames T. B. and Wes Williams have been visiting relatives in Portland for a couple of weeks.

Sammy Tetherow and Bob Tarter have been making it quite tropical for the sly old fox and coyotes the past week.

A. N. Fulkerson, having closed a successful term of school the first of the year, has been engaged for another term.

The late snow storm did considerable damage to sheds and trees. Mr. Turner's machine shed fell in and damaged his machinery to some extent.

Several of the boys from here took in a dance at Hugh Williams' Friday night, and as the Luckiamute got on a rampage, they did not get home till Sunday.

The entertainment given by the athletic association netted them

Ed Williams and Guy Deming, of Independence, have been living on wild duck and goose tracks in this vicinity for several days.

That "wandering Jew" who was fired out of Falls City with his "chudings sheep for cash" had a hard time finding a place to put up for the night in these parts.

FAJAS CITY. I. C. McFarland talks of moving to Salem.

Falls City Cornet Band has new officers. F. C. Raymond is leader and there are fifteen pieces.

A special school meeting is called for Jan. 26. Its object is to authorize the school board to levy a tax.

Falls City Teacher's Reading circle meets every Wednesday evening. There are about twelve members, and good work is being done. J. N. Hart is President and W. C. Bryant Secretary.

Bert Dennis arrived at the age of twenty on last Friday, and the event was duly celebrated. The young gentleman's friends were invited in, and games, etc., were carried on until a late hour.

The Epworth League elected new officers last Sunday evening as follows: Miss Elsie Montgomery president; Rev. C. G. Harmon, first vice president; Mrs. McFarland, second vice president; Miss Sallie White, third vice president; Miss Maggie Travis, fourth vice president; Miss Vina C. Gilbert, secretary, and Miss Winnie Gilbert, treasurer.

We believe there is no town in the state that has improved more in proportion to population during the past twelve months than Falls City. In proof of this assertion witness the following new residences: Geo. M. Tice, C. J. Puckett, Wm. Ellis, Geo. M. Courter, Chas. Illingworth, John Caldwell, J. N. Hart, C. J. Hopkins, also E. E. Gilliam, an addition to residence, and J. S. Courter, an elegant new lawn and house completed. Other improvements in shape of sidewalks, barns, fencing and the like, numerous. We have two stores, a drug store, four saw-mills in the vicinity, one shingle-mill and a sash and door factory; two churches and a grog shop; also an elegant new school building, and one of the best schools in Polk county. Falls City has a bright future.

CLAO. D. M. Calbreath, of Parker was in town last week.

Mrs. Wm. Wells returned home from Portland last week.

Anybody wishing some fine stock hogs, English coach dogs or Brahma chickens will do well to call on Wm. Durrell of this place.

Rev. Ballantyne held meeting every evening last week at the United Evangelical church at this place but resulted in no conversions.

A terrible wind storm raged in our vicinity last Saturday night which blew down a good deal of fencing but did no damage to houses.

Farmers, do you know that rain rusts iron and steel? It would be a wise idea to place your implements under shelter, especially during winter.

Charles and Clarence Culver last week moved from here to near Albany. They have a small piece of ground which they will cultivate and raise garden truck for the Albany market.

There has been quite a lot of petty thieving going on in our community this winter. Although the thieves have been pretty quiet for awhile, they again visited the house of H. R. Hall last Friday night and made off with a quarter of beef. The people of this community ought to investigate such doings. If a man can not make a living without stealing he is what we commonly call lazy, but if he needs the necessities of life he should appeal to the people for help. If he had rather steal than to work or ask for help, hurt him down and punish him accordingly.

BRUXO. When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair. DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER. MOST PERFECT MADE. A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.