

# W. A. MESSNER,

SUCCESSOR TO J. A. MILLS.

Since taking possession of this stock I have added several thousand dollars worth of new goods, making the line much more complete and are now in a position to supply all your wants. Call and see. It is a pleasure to show goods whether you buy or not.

### Ladies' Summer Underwear.

We have a nice line of Ladies Summer Underwear in sleeveless, short and long sleeves, in white, ecru and colors, in prices from 10c up.

### Shirtwaists.

We have an extra pretty line of ladies shirtwaists, in prices ranging from 50c to \$2.50. Call and see them.

### Men's Shirts.

We have the largest stock of Dress Shirts in town. In price from 50c to \$1.50.

### Summer Goods.

We have a very choice line of Summer Dress Goods, all new, in Picot Stripes, Dimities, Mercerized Gingham, Zephyr Cloths, Batiste, Silk Tissue, India Linens, Fancy Percales, Soizette, White Goods, etc.

### Groceries.

We carry a full line of Staple Groceries at bottom prices.

### Waisting.

We have some very choice waist patterns, new and up-to-date. Call early to see these as the number is limited.

### Plaids.

We have several very choice patterns of plaids in mill remnants. These are regular 50c goods, but having purchased them in remnants we are able to sell them for 25c.

### Men's Underwear.

We have some exceptional values in 25c and 50c grades.

**Bring in your Produce. We will pay top price for everything, Butter, Eggs, Lard, Chickens, Ducks, Geese, Turkeys, Meats.**

**Goods Delivered in the City - - - - - W. A. Messner.**

A. A. Kramer and M. C. Williams were mingling with the residents of the capital city Monday morning.

N. Halleck's Peerless Hair Cream will be sold by A. S. Locke, Independence, or A. N. Halleck, of Astoria.

Prof. Kantner and wife, of Dallas, Sundayed at the home of Mrs. Kantner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Whiteaker.

C. Williams and wife have returned from the Presbyterian parsonage to their own dwelling in Independence.

E. E. Paddock entertained his friends Friday evening at a game of ping pong. A delightful time was enjoyed by all present.

Elijah Johnson, who has been visiting relatives here for several weeks, returned to her home in Washington Wednesday.

J. B. Lister, a former Christian church pastor of Independence, was in the city last week. His home is in Eugene at present.

George Jargensen, who has been working at blacksmithing during the past few months for Thos. Fenwick, left Sunday for Dallas, where he will ply his trade.

Another large crowd came from Astoria Sunday afternoon, the occasion being the same as the one before—the observance of the ordinance of baptism at the Independence Baptist church.

The prohibition league oratorical contest in Dallas last Friday evening Dan Poling, representing this college, proved the victor. He will meet Washington and California representatives soon at Corvallis and the winner of the Contest will meet representatives from other states on the platform at St. Louis next year.

Miss Laurie Burnett was a passenger Sunday to Corvallis, where she thinks of spending the summer.

A. S. Locke is to leave within the next week or so for a several days' sojourn in Southern Oregon.

Mrs. A. J. Goodman, president of the Ladies Lewis & Clark Club, went to Portland Wednesday to attend a meeting with the committee on women's work for the exposition.

W. H. Wehrang, of Hillsboro, and M. D. Wisdom, of Portland, president and secretary, respectively, of the Oregon State Fair Association, were in the city Wednesday arranging for an exhibit from Polk county. They secured the services of Mrs. Wolf, of Falls City, which insures a splendid display of our resources. They left for Southern Oregon on the 11:00 A. M. train.

At the May day ball the W. R. C. netted over \$30, which sum when applied on the indebtedness reduces it to \$30. At the next entertainment they expect to wipe out the debt and then steps will be taken toward fixing the building in tip top shape.

Mrs. A. J. Goodman's portrait appeared in Saturday's Oregonian, as president of the new Lewis & Clark Club here. The new organization starts in with a great deal of energy in the endeavor to promote the best interests of the 1905 fair.

Several wagon loads of Gypsies passed through town last week. They sustained the reputation of their tribe by being filthy, thieving and willing to graft anything on which they could lay hands. They drove southward.

Pres. W. H. Lee, of Albany college, filled the pulpit at the Presbyterian church Sunday, both morning and evening. His discourses were of a scholarly nature.

The first quarterly conference of the United Evangelical church will occur next Saturday and Sunday. The order of services is as follows: Business meeting at the church in Independence Saturday at 3 P. M.; preaching at 8 P. M. Saturday and 11 A. M. Sunday. Services at Buena Vista at 7:30 P. M. Sunday. Rev. C. C. Poling will preach at all these services.

**FALLS CITY.**

Paul Hunter, of this place, who has been working in a confectionery store in Eastern Washington, has returned home for the summer.

W. O. McKown, who recently left here for Nebraska, has returned and expects to spend the summer in the valley.

Rev. T. H. Simms, of this place, will soon leave for Betheny, where he has a charge, and Rev. O. N. Blair will fill the pulpit which he vacates.

Hugh Black, book-keeper for the Bryan-Lucas Lumber Co., has gone to Dallas to assist in the closing out of the R. E. Bryan & Son store at that place. Miss Maud Graham will take charge of the books until his return.

At the last meeting of the city council the new officers were duly installed and we feel sure of the continuance of the good rule and management of affairs as in the past.

We regret that a "pie" at the last moment prevent us from publishing the rest of the excellent Falls City items, but they will appear next week.—Ed.

## TENTH Correspondents' Contest

On April 1st, we commenced our Tenth Correspondents' Contest and on Friday, July 31, 1903, at 6:00 P. M. we will close it. We offer as premiums the following articles, selected by the Correspondents' themselves:

FIRST PRIZE..... A handsome, well-upholstered, velvet Couch  
 SECOND PRIZE..... A lovely Picture  
 THIRD PRIZE..... A fine Students' Lamp  
 FOURTH PRIZE..... A good set of Ping Pong.  
 FIFTH PRIZE..... A Copyrighted Book  
 SIXTH PRIZE..... Ladies Home Journal  
 SEVENTH PRIZE..... INDEPENDENCE ENTERPRISE to any address for one year

### CONDITIONS.

We want all the news that happens in Polk county and we want the ENTERPRISE to visit every family in the county. We want to help you and we want you to help us. Our interests are mutual. We will give points as follows:

One point for every item of news worthy of publication. 25 points for every article worthy of a separate head. If an article be specially meritorious or startling in the sight of the manager of this department an extra 15 points will be given. For every new yearly subscription 85 points. For every yearly renewal 75 points. For a subscription three months 25 points; six months and less than a year 35 points. For every dollar's worth Advertisement or Job Work we give 50 points, and we will gladly furnish you prices on any kind of Ad or Job. We are going to make a campaign for some new correspondents, and we will announce at times the places in this column. Watch for them, as we will make it to your interest to secure representatives in the sections we want represented. Other features will be announced along.

### HOW YOU STAND.

Each week we will announce in this column your points. No article is credited until after it appears in the paper, although subscriptions and points secured in other ways will be announced as they come in. We want to keep everything fair and straight and if you think an error has occurred in your points write us within the week following and we will make thorough investigation.

Buena Vista, H.	1046
Airlie, P.	716
Monmouth, H.	621
Parker.	454
Suver	244
Antioch	172
Monmouth, B.	104
Lewisville	98
Highlands, D.	92
Rickreall, C.	60
Monmouth, A.	51
Ballston	39
Sunny Slope	24
Falls City	11

For Airlie's splendid account of the Blake accident last week, and for his efforts in getting it here before we went to press, we allow him 15 extra points. We believe it easily comes under the head of "special meritorious."