

THE WEST SIDE.

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NORMAL SCHOOL GRADUATIONS—

last week finished what is known as an examination in the State Normal school, at Monmouth. Twenty-five young ladies and gentlemen underwent written examination in all but one of the studies of the course—twenty-six in all. The questions were prepared by the State Board of Education. Of the twenty-five who were examined, six failed to obtain the required standard of 80 per cent. The names of successful students are: Misses Anna Swell, Maggie Riddell, Ida Scofield, Lee Savage, L. Carothers, Laura Higg, and Messers. Charles Simonton, W. Wann, C. Webster, C. A. Allman, L. Briggs, E. E. Edmonds, W. A. Moore, J. B. V. Hughes, Dale Ireland and S. Howe. The prospects for a large attendance at the school the coming year are very flattering.

EXCURSION—The Ladies' Aid Society

of the Christian church will give an excursion to Smith's Grove, about two miles above Corvallis, on Saturday, May 23, the steamer Hoag having been chartered for the occasion. The month band will be on board, and entertain the occasion by its excellent music. Refreshments will be served by the ladies, and no pains will be spared to make it an enjoyable excursion. Tickets, one dollar, on sale at First National Bank, Shelby & Vanduyne, Buster & Locke, Patterson Bros., Shelby & Vanduyne, Monmouth, leaves 7 a. m. and returns at 8 p. m. On the return trip stops of one hour will be made at Corvallis and Albany. The boat will also make a stop at Buena Vista, to accommodate those who wish to go.

CIRCUIT COURT—The motor to Monmouth

is crowded each morning with persons from Independence going to court at Dallas. The important cases which draw so many up that way are State vs R. C. Dice, L. Bentley vs Hirschburg, H. Merchant vs Trustees Normal school, and Mrs. Dice vs Macaulay. A great many witnesses are required in all these cases. It is quite a convenience to catch the train at Monmouth, go to Dallas, then take the stage to Derry at 10 o'clock and get back to Independence by a little after that morning.

AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY—Oregon

farmers send out thousands of dollars annually to other states for wood iron and which is shipped here in the shape of machinery of different kinds. Oregon has the water power, the iron mines, the timber, and every other requisite for manufacturing her machinery at home. Why is it not manufactured here at home? Some of those who question it will be answered, for it offers a profitable field for investment of capital, to have our plows, rations, threshers, etc., manufactured here.

CITY POLICE—W. W. Williams was

selected as night watch last Friday night at a salary of \$40 a month and expenses. T. Fennell, the city marshal goes to work at 6 a. m. and remains till 7 p. m. The night watch commences work at 7 p. m. and watches until 7 a. m. Three watchmen's clocks are talked of, one at Jones's livery stable, one at City hotel and the other at City stables.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH SERVICES—

There will be services in the Christian church next Sunday, May 17, both morning and evening. There will be special music on both occasions. Rev. Poling will sing, by request, the solo entitled "Pass Under the Rod." Miss Alta Estes will sing a solo in an anthem in the evening. You are cordially invited. D. V. Poling, pastor.

COLONEL BAIN'S LECTURE—Colonel

Bain, the eloquent temperance orator, lectured to a packed opera house here last week. At least 600 persons were present, and his remarks were received with enthusiasm, and at many points his flights of eloquence carried his hearers with him. The ladies of the W. C. T. U. are much pleased with their selection.

WATER WORKS—The new mains

for the city water works will arrive here the 20th of this month. The city council has taken no action yet regarding fire protection, but will do so soon as word is received from the insurance union. A reduction in rates is promised on insurance, but the percent is not yet named.

LAWNS SOCIAL—There will be a

strawberry festival held on the lawn at the Baptist parsonage Thursday, May 21, for the benefit of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. All are cordially invited to attend.

NO DELIVERY—Messrs Damon &

Hubbard announces that from date they will not run the delivery wagon between the hours of 11 a. m. and 2 p. m. on account of having to carry mail and express to and from the trains. 5 14 t

FOR SALE—State and county rights

for the Pacific washing machine. You do not need to be a talker to sell this—show the ladies what it will do, and it is sold. Call and see Alley & Fisher.

MARRIAGE LICENSES—C. E. Heron,

of Buena Vista, to Anna Hall of Monmouth, May 8. C. E. Taylor of Corvallis, to Hattie Davis, May 12.

CHURCH SERVICES—There will be

services at the Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

SEEKING IS BELIEVING—If you don't

think the "Pacific" will do all that is claimed for it, stop and see it operate.

LOCALS.

If you have a bit of news don't be afraid to send it to this newspaper. If friends from a distance are in town, let us know it. If you are about to make improvements of any kind let us hear about it. If a former resident writes to you any news about himself, not of a private nature, it will also interest many others if made known in these columns. If you have a suggestion to make, or see a public evil, or opportunity to benefit the people or town, we will give you space to make it known. But don't send any item to which you have not been asked to sign your name. Don't try to mix us up in any of your quarrels. Don't send us family affairs or troubles which should not concern outsiders. And don't get angry when we condense your items, or leave some of them out entirely. If we were to publish everything which reaches us, we would soon appear in court defendants in a libel suit, so you must let us use our discretion as to what is available and what is not.

The heavy rains of last week failed to wash all the moss off the backs of some of our citizens. We still have remnants of antiquity who refuse to buy their wives a "Pacific," claiming they can't spare the money, or that it won't help her any. The man who will let his wife break down her health and drive away the roses from her cheeks, by rubbing over an old washboard, for the sake of saving ten dollars, is a good companion for the man in the little grocery with the dust of ages on all his goods, who can't afford to waste money in advertising.

Mrs. Taylor, nee Hattie Davis, left on Wednesday for her future home in Corvallis. Col. O. Summers, of Portland, is visiting the G. A. R. post here this week. The city will soon have a cow and horse pound in the rear of the city jail. Mr. Cannon, of the Occidental hotel, Corvallis, died suddenly Tuesday night. W. R. Bevens, of Buena Vista, was doing business in town last Friday. Mr. J. Bagley, of Airfie, left on Tuesday for a business trip to Portland. Miss Lena Krump, of Salem, is visiting Mrs. J. A. Morris, of this city. Rev. Mrs. Hunsaker was visiting friends at McMinnville this week. Mr. Jarves' little girl, who has been very sick, is slowly recovering. Miss Ella Dicus, of Portland, is visiting her parents at Monmouth. Damon & Hubbard are building an addition to their livery stable.

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The paper which the West Side is now printed was manufactured at Oregon City, and it is possible that the wood which enters into its composition was cut near this city, as it is known that loggers are here at work for the pulp mills at that place.

Farmers of Polk county, it will pay you to enter into a contract for delivery of sugar beets at Independence. Call on the secretary of the board of trade and get particulars. Beets can be planted until June 1 and this year probably later.

The new firm of Patterson Bros. is a large dealer in watches, clocks and jewelry. They have received a quantity of ladies' watches in silver and gold. Lady school teachers should consult them, as they offer extra inducements.

Host Glikson, of the City hotel, is already making a success of his venture in business and we may look for a conservative and yet progressive method of conducting a hotel, which is what the public demands.

From all parts of Polk county we hear of splendid prospects for fruit and grain. If the present prices prevail and present prospects of crops are realized our farmers will have money to throw at the dogs.

There will be a coat show in Independence June 13. Several prizes are to be offered. It will be a great day for the lovers of fine stock.

Mr. J. M. Staats, who raised and is the present owner of Jay M., a thorough-bred horse, a son of the celebrated Atamout, will be in Independence Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week.

Remember when in Salem to call in at Strong's restaurant, 10 Westcott & Irwin, and get a meal not to be excelled on the Pacific coast for 25 cents, at 271 Commercial-street.

Good sidewalks are needed in every town, and our city council should personally examine those in this city and have repairs made the sooner the better.

Last week Messrs. Skinner & Wilson, of the Independence roller mills, shipped to Salem 55 barrels of flour and one ton each of bran and shorts.

Mr. F. P. Myers, recently of Illinois, is soon to locate among us, having negotiated for some building lots in Hill's addition.

Those dainty suits of Jersey cloth at Shelby & Vanduyne's store, and tennis cloth for summer wear attracts ladies by the score.

Miles Porterfield is having the framing done for a barn 52x70 feet. He will haul the finished timbers only from town.

J. N. Vokes, the shoemaker of Tillamook county formerly of Independence has returned to this city, looking as of yore.

It is rumored that the town of Whitson at the Narrow Gauge crossing, has been bonded for \$100,000 to a syndicate.

Owen & Gither returned from Portland Saturday where they had been to lay in their stock for the new season.

Orders for slab wood can be left at Damon & Hubbard's. All orders must be accompanied with cash. 5 8 t

Blais Miller, who has been clerking

for W. H. Wheeler for the past year, is clerk at the City hotel.

Evangelical church choir meets at Mrs. Williams residence this (Friday) evening for practice.

Mrs. R. J. Grant, of Dallas, who has been quite ill for some time past, is slowly recovering.

The Willamette river at this point was higher last week than at any time during the winter.

Strawberries and cherries, with a decided silvery taste, are for sale in our market this week.

With four licensed saloons, it would seem that taxes in Independence would be light this year.

W. M. Davidson, of Buena Vista, is now able to be about once more since his recent illness.

The Independence brass band has been engaged to play at Newport on the fourth of July.

The steamboat company should build a wharf here for the accommodation of the public.

D. Stanley came up from Portland last Tuesday to be in attendance at circuit court.

J. H. Carpenter, with Goodman & Douty, moved his family from Albany last Monday.

Old papers twenty cents a pack for sale at this office or W. H. Wheeler's book store.

Wanted—A women cook and a dining room girl in a restaurant. Call at this office.

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Mrs. Irvine, mother of Mrs. J. T. Ford, is quite sick.

On Tuesday the wife of D. Guthrie died near Dallas.

F. T. Durham and wife left for Walla Walla Tuesday.

Remember the lawn social Thursday, May 21. Get your job printing done at home.

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