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### EXPERIMENTAL ROAD WORK.

The Oregon Road Club, of Portland, should seek to make its work of practical benefit to all parts of Oregon, and no better way could be devised than to have sections of road built in different parts of the state, in order to test its adaptability to the varied climate of the state. The Club has an engineer, under whose superintendence and direction these samples of road building, with the very best available materials, could be carried out. Let the club co-operate with a community and share the expense of say, 1000 feet of roadway. If, for example, the cost of such a road is \$3000 a mile, the cost of 1000 feet would be about \$600. Let the community pay \$400 and the Road Club \$200. Let materials used be those found in the vicinity, as much as possible. Let there be a detailed statement kept of every item of expense and let those items be published in the county where the experiment is made. After one year let the road be examined, and a report published showing its permanence. It might be found advantageous to build several different kinds of road in the same section, and test their comparative merits and cost. The club might limit their experiments to one in each county, the first city applying to be given the preference, and provided that the one appropriating the most money shall be given as much additional roadway as the added money will purchase. No doubt our county courts would render some assistance and a permit by the county court for the experiment could be readily obtained. If the section of road should prove a success there is a possibility that county courts would purchase it and thus refund the sums of money paid out by individuals. It seems to us there is a grand work for the Oregon Road Club in this direction. Its practical value as an educator would become at once apparent.

The voting contest which is commenced in this paper this week may appear to some persons to be of a trifling nature. There may be those whose judgement is excellent regarding a proper subject for a half-tone engraving, who will neglect to avail themselves of this opportunity until it is too late. It is to be considered that a complexion however fair, or hair however golden, cannot be made to show to advantage in a photograph; but that regularity of features, grace of form, or pleasing expression of countenance will show to advantage. It is again to be remembered that only one vote is given each postoffice, for a representative, and the time of voting having passed there will be no chance given for remedying any wrong selection. This paper will do all possible to have the selection made, be one to reflect credit on the locality where selected, and photographs of the three highest candidates will be placed on exhibition at the end of the third week, if possible to secure the pictures in time. This paper will pay the photographer for the photographs. The supplement will be a work of art, and will contain additional features to make it valuable for preservation and the supplements alone will be worth the price of subscription to the paper.

Bowler is too small to waste an impeachment trial upon. A double-sized Presidential boot would just about fit his case, but it will not be applied as long as he merely carries out Mr. Cleveland's orders.

If Col. Watterson should "swear off" on another Ky. product, as well as on politics, his paper would lose the grotesque paragraphs which have made its success.

There are indications that the Bill Morrison boom is being used by certain New York democrats as a cloak to hide a scheme for the nomination of somebody else.

Senator Smith of N.J., doubtless meant to be sarcastic when he referred to Mr. Cleveland as the "Mighty Statesman."

If the Cuban revolutionists never succeed until they receive recognition from Mr. Cleveland they will never succeed.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

### MONMOUTH.

Mr. J. W. Mast, of Lee, this state, returned on Monday to resume his work in the Normal. He is a member of the senior class.

R. M. Sloan returned to Monmouth last week from Murray, Idaho, where he has been engaged at his trade, of which he is master. He was accompanied home from Portland by his wife, who has been visiting the metropolis.

There are now 151 students enrolled in the O. S. N. S., and there will undoubtedly be many more at the close of hop picking, which is fast approaching.

The Y. P. S. C. E., of this place gave an informal reception in the Christian church on the 28th inst., at which many of our young people were present. Refreshments were served and an enjoyable time was had by all present.

The public school was opened on the 23d, with the seniors of the Normal as teachers, under the direction of W. H. Allen and Miss Edith Cassavant. The students are enthusiastic with the work in the training department and thus far there has been no complaint from any one concerned with the school. Nor do we anticipate any as Prof. Allen and Miss Cassavant are laboring hard for the success of this department and they will be assisted by the anxious sub-teachers, who know that the success of the training department means much to them.

Quite a number of the young ladies and gentlemen availed themselves of the opportunity and took in the state fair on Saturday, as also did several on Sunday. All seemed well pleased with what they heard and saw.

Pres. Campbell, instructed the pupils that they must take eight hours of sleep, and now some of the young ladies think if he would give them a prescription to limit their sleep to that number of hours, he would then hit the mark.

Mr. Paul Hillbrand was taken suddenly ill on Friday and died on Saturday; remains were interred Monday. His son John Hillbrand, who was imported last week, is gaining consciousness slowly, but he was not informed of his father's death.

Mr. William Percival, aged 80, who has long been afflicted, departed from this world of care, Sunday night. A wife and six children have the sympathy of their many friends. The funeral services, at the residence on Tuesday at 10 a. m., was attended by a large circle of friends.

Mrs. Fontaine, of California, while on a visit to her sister, Mrs. W. P. Fisher, of this place, for a few weeks, was taken ill and died Saturday evening, and the remains were buried here on Monday.

Spray & Ebert have dressed up their butcher shop with new paper and paint.

Dr. Parrish and wife left Monday to attend the State Fair until it closes.

Dr. Thomas made a trip to Ferrydale Monday.

Mr. Veness, of Independence, was in town a few days since.

Mr. Frank Cook has exchanged his house for the one formerly owned by Mr. Bristow, and is now at home there.

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Because there are more chances for profitable investment of capital than elsewhere in this country.

Because for healthfulness this season is unequalled on the face of the globe.

Because you have no long winter months to encounter, with no excessive dry heat in summer.

Because the climate is more uniform than elsewhere, no extremes of heat and cold.

Because you will find as orderly communities as anywhere on this continent.

Because you will find the most open-hearted people on the globe.

Vengeance—Who is that sour-looking man who is always sitting on that stove-box doing nothing? asked the drummer. "He's the man that knows all about how to settle every trouble that the country gets into," replied the native, with an admiring glance. "But why doesn't he get up and hustle then?" "He's mad," was the awestricken whisper. "He's told congress and the president and everybody how to do things, and they didn't pay no 'tention to 'im, an' now he's jes' settin' in silence an' lettin' the country go to pot."—Washington Star.

Whenever you write to any advertiser whose card is seen in this paper, always mention the West Side. It is a courtesy due to the paper. If a personal reply is needed, enclose stamped and addressed envelope. It assures a careful reply, indicates to the firm to which you write that you are in earnest and are a reliable and responsible person.

Will some of the cuckoo organs kindly explain when and where the people forfeited their right to criticize incompetent management of national finances.

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

### The G. A. R. Opening.

Last Thursday was an important day in Independence. On the morning train there arrived Dept. Com. E. W. Allen, who was received by the brass band and escorted to the hotel by a delegation of Gibson Post members. In the afternoon E. Hofer, of Salem, came over and mustered in a camp of Sons of Veterans and W. P. Conaway was elected captain, Ira Chidister, 1st lieutenant and F. M. Brown 2nd lieutenant, the membership being twenty-four.

In the evening the Auditorium was opened to the public, the admission being 25 and 50 cents to witness the formal opening of the hall and hear the program, which had been prepared. The room was gaily festooned with bunting, and the stage ornamented with bunting and small flags.

In the center of the hall hung a 2000 candle power arch electric light and incandescent lights were on the stage the whole brilliantly lighting the interior. On the stage were seated members of the Post, the Independence brass band, officers of the evening and those who were to take part in the program. Although the hall will seat 1000, the audience of 500 made it look comfortably full. W. H. Hawley acted as leader in the opening song "America," and Mrs. Irvine presided at the piano. The song was well sung. Rev. A. B. Crawford, of the Presbyterian church, then offered a patriotic and fervent prayer. The Novello Club, consisting of Messrs. Epley, Glan, Doughty and Powell, then sang one of their popular songs and responded to an encore. Miss Josie French looked very sweet as she rendered a difficult violin solo; her sister Ella accompanied her on the piano. The applauders were hearty.

Post Commander J. L. Stockton made a short, but pleasant speech, stating that when in January, 1895, the Gibson Post was organized in Independence, it had but little idea of so soon having the pleasure of sitting beneath such a structure as the present Auditorium. It was an agreeable surprise when the delegates succeeded in getting the next G. A. R. encampment here. There was no money in the treasury with which to build, but the boys in blue determined to have a suitable meeting place for next year. The citizens of Independence subscribed \$314.15 in money and material, and the old soldiers and their friends donated 275 days work. The present building contains 3000 brick 1200 pounds of nails, 80 M shingles, 56,000 feet of lumber. As it stands there is a debt of less than \$600 and the proceeds of the opening would reduce that to less than \$500. The benefits to the town are already becoming apparent as movements are on foot to secure large gatherings such as teachers' associations, Christian union meetings, etc.

Dept. Com. Elihu W. Allen, was introduced, and cheered by his comrades. He spoke of the pride which Gibson Post will take in the Auditorium, the only Post in Oregon owning its own building. He then referred to various incidents in the late war and the heroism of the soldiers. He spoke of the disbandment of the army and the responsible positions which have been filled by the ex-soldiers.

He spoke of the noble work of the Woman's Relief Corps, also of the sacrifice of the Memorial day. His address ended by the reading of a poem illustrating the reunion of the Northern and Southern as witnessed at the late national encampment at Louisville. The Dallas Club, consisting of Messrs. Saunders, Mulkey, Cooper, and Morrison then sang and were cheered and sung again.

Mrs. J. P. Lyvine, of McMinnville, then recited, "The Dandy Fifth," and her voice was heard in every part of the large room showing the clearness of her enunciation and the excellent acoustical properties of the building.

Mrs. Walter Rabbits then rendered a splendid selection on the piano, which called forth prolonged applause, but Mrs. Rabbits simply bowed her acknowledgments.

Mrs. Nettie Ungersman, of McMinnville, spoke very pleasantly about the work of the Woman's Relief Corps, both in Oregon and on the Pacific Coast.

It now came the time of the Novello Club to sing again and not until they had given four songs would the audience let them quit. The Novello's are a whole school in themselves.

Prof. W. Wetzel, of Salem, showed delicacy of touch and much skill in his piano solo, but he too failed to respond to an encore.

E. Hofer, of Salem, then addressed the audience, dwelling for a few minutes on the importance of the results achieved by the old soldiers, and then gave much excellent advice to young men, advising them to lead temperate and useful lives.

The singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" ended the program.

The Independence Brass Band then invited all who desired to remain and try the Auditorium floor for dancing and quite a number remained and danced.

Every feature of the program was a success, and much credit is due all who took part and those who so ably have managed this whole affair.

### County Exchanges.

Independence is not a dry town on Sunday. We have been there and know.

Dame humor has it that our genial friend Chas. Nickel, editor of the Jacksonville Times, will soon lead to the hymeneal altar one of Eugene's fairest daughters.

Polk county's fruit crop is immense. What's the matter with Polk county? She needs a new court house. What's the matter with Dallas? She should start the woolen mill.

The Dallas Glee Club, consisting of Messrs. A. M. Saunders, E. F. Mulkey, O. J. Cooper and F. H. Morrison attended the opening of the new G. A. R. Auditorium at Independence, Thursday evening.

Mr. Geo. Gottsburg, of Luckiamute, was arrested Wednesday by Constable Hubbard, charged with riding a bank check. Mr. Gottsburg is a young man, 20 years old, and it does seem bad that he should have allowed himself to get into so serious trouble.

Geo. Christensen, confined in the county jail for stealing a horse and buggy, was adjudged insane and taken to the asylum by Sheriff Plummer last Saturday.

It does seem that there is nothing more ridiculous in the hog business than to allow every Tom, Dick and Harry that comes along representing himself as a hog buyer to take about four samples out of a bale to sell a man's crop.

### Why Some Strikes Fail.

Friend—How's business, now, old boy? Bad as ever?

Manufacture—N-o; doing better than we were.

"Glad to hear that. You told me, some weeks ago, that your mills were running at a loss."

"No more now; not a cent."

"Prices gone up?"

"No. Men are on a strike."—N. Y. Weekly.

AUSTIN, Tex., Oct. 5.—There will be no prizefight at Dallas October 31 between Corbett and Fitzsimmons. This fact was settled today by the Texas legislature in exactly three hours by the watch.



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EDITOR WEST SIDE:

DEAR SIR:—Owing to the extreme low water and short days it will be impossible to continue our regular trips to Independence longer than this week. After Monday, August 11th we will make but one trip per week to Independence, which will be Sunday, arriving in the afternoon and leaving Monday morning at 6 a. m. Please change time table to that effect during low water—trips to Salem will be as usual, except that we will leave 7 a. m., instead of 7:35.

CAPT. A. W. GRAHAM.

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Independence, Oregon.

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