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THE INDEPENDENCE CREAMERY IS GROWING

In the words of some past "master" of the English language, the Independence Creamery Co. has "grown some." From its plant in Independence, it now has a large modern creamery at Medford, a cheese factory at Harrisburg, is building a creamery at Etna Mills, Cal., and may add a cheese factory to the creamery in Independence. There are also ten sub-stations in Oregon and California.

The growth and prosperity of the Independence Creamery Co. is mainly due to the good judgment, business shrewdness and perseverance of K. C. Eldridge, the president. Starting from nothing, he has built up a business that employs or will employ over fifty people.

TAPS SOUND FOR CIVIL WAR VETERAN

James Scrafford died in a Salem hospital Sunday and was buried in the I. O. O. F. cemetery near Independence Tuesday morning after funeral services had been conducted in the Presbyterian church, Dr. H. C. Dunsmore officiating. Members of General Gibson Post G. A. R. and W. R. C. attended in a body as the deceased was a member of the post.

After having fought for the Union in the Civil war, a few years after peace was declared Mr. Scrafford came to Oregon and had been a resident of Polk county almost continually since. During the many years he spent here, he became widely acquainted. He took great interest in the G. A. R. and will be greatly missed by the members of the local post. Of a happy, congenial disposition, his comrades often referred to him as "Sunny Jim." Besides his widow, he leaves three sons and a daughter.

TUBERCULOSIS TAKES YOUNG MAN

Albert Wilson, age 23, a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson of Independence, died at the sanitarium in Salem March 29 of tuberculosis. He had been ill for several months. Funeral services were held at the grave in the I. O. O. F. cemetery, March 21, Dr. H. C. Dunsmore saying the last sad rites.

Besides his parents, the young man leaves several sisters and brothers to mourn his departure.

Told by the Bank Book

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WHY WE ADVERTISE

THERE are two reasons why we are endeavoring to fully acquaint the public with the Farmers State Bank.

The first reason is—that persons, firms and families may more fully make use of the conveniences we afford. The second is—that WE may have the pleasure of serving your individual, household or business banking needs.

C. W. Irvine

President



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WEDNESDAY MARCH 26

WALLACE REID in "THE MAN FROM FUNERAL RANGE." If you are an admirer of the drama-history of the West-Frontier, see this picture. It has the punch and "pep." In addition there will be a two-reel MARK SENNETT COMEDY entitled "HIS FRIEND'S WIFE." A corker for laughs.

FRIDAY MARCH 28

Jerome K. Jerome's great story, "PASSING OF THE THIRD FLOOR BACK" with JOHNSTON FORBES-ROBERTSON in the stellar role. You liked the story, but you will like the picture better. "Passing of the Third Floor Back" is one of the most popular productions ever appearing on the American stage. Mark the date on your calendar.

The Best Pictures--10-20c.

CLUB AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Butler entertained a few Independence friends with an after-theater supper party at their Monmouth "Little Gray Home in the West" last Sunday night.

Misses Helen and Grace Butler entertained with an informal dancing party at their home last Friday evening. Several beaux and belles of the sub-debutante set enjoyed the hospitality until a late hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Skinner were very hospitable hosts to the Owls last Monday evening. Seven tables were placed for whist and many spirited games occupied the evening. The hostess closed the pleasures with an excellent luncheon. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Irvine and Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Pengra were guests of the club.

The members of the Monday Afternoon Tatting Club were most delightfully entertained by Mrs. A. L. Thomas on Monday of this week. The several congenial ladies enjoyed pleasant conversation intermingled with handwork for a time, and then a tempting luncheon was served. Later the club called at the Library Tea.

One of the most pleasant evenings the members of the Kill Kare Klub have enjoyed this season was spent at the very hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Swope last Friday evening. After a number of the club's favorite game, whist, Mrs. Swope served a prettily appointed luncheon. Mrs. Hattie Henkle will entertain the club this evening.

Miss Arbuthnot, who is exceedingly popular with her pupils, was invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Kreamer last Friday night where a surprise was awaiting her. The A division of the eighth grade had gone en masse to receive her. Many merry games were indulged in until the youngsters with Miss Helen Kreamer as hostess served a well prepared luncheon.

"THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS"

Do you or do you not "favor a league of nations to prevent future wars, such as President Wilson and Former President Taft are working for?" The Portland Journal, in order to ascertain the sentiment of the people of Oregon, is conducting a referendum and you are urged to vote. At the present time, it is about 200 to 1 in the affirmative. The Post has a number of blank ballots, taken from the Journal, and if you have not already sent your vote to Portland, you are welcome to come to the office of The Post before 4 p. m. Saturday and vote and it will be mailed to the Journal without expense to you.

WAIT FOR THE WAGON AND ALL TAKE A RIDE

The Post has been favored with some good "mill" stories in the last fortnight, but none were for "publication." Next Fall comes in September.

JOY! REAL SPRING IS AMONGST US AT LAST

The warm sunny days of this week have been gladly welcomed, breaking the "late Spring." The rains and cold weather of the past two weeks had proven a menace to the cultivation and planting of grains and gardens. It also retarded work in the hop fields. Now, if the weather doesn't change for the worst, farming and gardening can be started and the soil of old Mother Earth put into germinating condition.

Fruit has been kept back and can now bloom forth in all its beauty without danger of being nipped by frost or sleet. Everything points to a record yield this year.

The harvest of 1919 should be a bountiful one. It is not surmised that there will be a drought this Summer—three in succession would be unlikely—and the destructive enemy of last year, the aphid, is not expected to be as bothersome. So taking it all together, it looks fine—mighty fine.

Prices on all farm produce will remain high. The government guarantee on wheat naturally tends to keep all other grains up and also beef, pork and mutton. Thus it is that the farmer in the beginning of this season of his labor, can look forward to very satisfactory financial returns. 1919 will be a prosperous year for the rural communities.

With the people of the rural districts prosperous, the towns which they support, of course, share in the blessings of the Golden Harvest.

MANY ATTEND THE SHAMROCK TEA

Despite the terrific down pour of rain Monday afternoon, a steady stream of callers dropped in at the Library to sip tea and leave an offering for the Library funds. Honoring Erin's patron saint, the green and gold of the Emerald Isle was much in evidence. Ivy with long streamers of Irish green draped the arches while an Irish flag was displayed here and there. Shamrocks, too, were used profusely. The committee on decorations included Miss Florence Burton, Mrs. G. G. Walker and Mrs. Fitchard. Other committees responsible for the success of the event were: Publicity, Mrs. C. D. Calbreath and Mrs. S. B. Walker; general arrangement, Mrs. J. S. Cooper, Mrs. F. A. Spurr and Mrs. A. L. Thomas; refreshments, Mrs. Chas. Irvine and Mrs. P. M. Kirkland. The past presidents of the library board were asked to pour and numbered Mrs. P. M. Kirkland, Mrs. G. W. Conkey, Mrs. K. C. Eldridge, Mrs. O. D. Butler, Mrs. J. S. Cooper and Mrs. S. B. Walker. Seven pretty little girls from the public school assisted in serving and also sang a number of songs which delighted the callers, and added much festivity to the afternoon. These dainty misses were Geraldine Cook, Dorothy Ruef, Nellie Busch, Lydia Becker, Nellie Carmack, Helen Kreamer and Ida Arrell. Besides the neat little sum contributed eight volumes of Electrical and Steam Engineering were presented to the library by Mrs. Oliver Smith. The gift is a valuable one and will prove very beneficial to many a youth as the books are the latest and most practical methods. Thus the Independence Library passes into its eleventh year.

WHERE SPRING AWAKES THE GERMS OF LIFE.

One of the most interesting places in town one may visit just now is Mrs. Nellie Barnett's green house. Many vegetables in their beds of green peeped forth days ago and will soon be ready for transplanting. Plants are being repotted and a variety of posies will soon be ready to pluck.

DICKSON'S MARKET

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