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CHAUTAUQUA IS A SUCCESS EACH WAY

Independence has just completed a very successful Chautauqua. Coming at a time when it was more apt to rain than do anything else, fortunately luck was with us and the nights were fair, yet a trifle cold for real comfort. The guarantee of season tickets was disposed of before the opening afternoon and it was absolutely certain that the receipts from single admissions would be sufficient to cover local expenses. As it turned out the local committee received approximately \$75 from this source which more than paid expenses.

The numbers were all good—some of course better than others, depending upon one's taste and ear. It seems to be the general opinion that the Overseas orchestra was the headliner. Josephine Martino, the prima dona, charmed all good lovers of high-class music by her selections. She would have made a bigger hit, however, if she had sung everything in English. The entire week's program taken as a whole was not as good as the one here last winter. Miss Lau, the director, proved very popular with every one.

The community was so well pleased that no difficulty was encountered in securing a sufficient number to guarantee the attraction for another summer. At least seventy-five offered to back it up and the contract so far exceeds fifty names.

Many worked faithfully that the 1920 Chautauqua be made a success and they are happy to realize that their labor was not in vain. Perhaps of all of them, A. G. Williams proved the most industrious. To him a great deal of the success is due. He was on the job constantly and kept everything moving forward to the winning goal.

MISS FRANCES TOWNSEND IS A JUNE BRIDE

One of the most beautiful Independence girls was lost to this city on Wednesday night, June 2, when Miss Frances Townsend became the bride of Albert F. Clauss at her mother's apartment, 57 Trinity Place, Portland. Dr. H. C. Dunsmore of this city was called upon to unite this happy young couple who are now spending their honeymoon on a houseboat on the Willamette river.

Mr. Clauss is associated with his father in the manufacture of jewelry in Portland and he and his bride will reside in that city.

Frances is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Townsend of Independence, was raised to womanhood here and is a graduate of the Independence schools. She was very popular with everyone, and certainly has the best wishes of everybody.

BROWN-PURVINE NUPTIALS PRETTY HOME WEDDING

On Saturday evening, May 29, occurred a very pretty wedding at the C. W. Purvine home, north of Independence, when Miss Mary E. Purvine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Purvine, was given in marriage to Edward O. Brown. Dr. H. C. Dunsmore performed the ceremony. The home was very tastefully decorated for the event, which was attended by near relatives of the bride and groom.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Brown are well known in the community with many friends who knowing them so well are quite sure that the union will prove happy and never be regretted. Mr. Brown is an industrious young man and with the aid of a good helpmate such as he has won there will be no cause to worry about the future.

MISS CHRISTIE L. BROWN AND JAMES L. NORMAN WED

Miss Christie L. Brown, second daughter of A. O. and E. M. Brown, well known residents of Polk county living north of Independence, became the bride of James L. Norman of Salem on Friday, May 28. The ceremony was performed in Dallas at ten a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman have the best wishes of a large circle of friends for a happy and prosperous journey thru life together.

MICKIE SAYS

A TYPE IS A LIL THING, BUT A LOT OF THEM TOGETHER ARE A MIGHTY BIG THING AROUND THIS HERE NEWSPAPER OFFICE! AND ITS JEST TH' SAME WAY WITH A TWO DOLLAR BILL!!



H. S. WOOD RE-APPOINTED NOMINATION IN SENATE

The nomination of Homer S. Wood for re-appointment as postmaster at Independence was sent to the U. S. Senate the first of the week by President Wilson.

There was no opposition to Mr. Wood's re-appointment. His services have been very satisfactory to the public and the affairs of the office have been conducted in a very accommodating manner.

MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES ARE VERY IMPRESSIVE

Memorial Day exercises here were carried out as planned. Escorted by Co. K, members of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. marched to the training school where the pupils rendered a program of merit in harmony with the occasion. From the school grounds the body moved to the Willamette river where members of the W. R. C. participated in the water ceremony for the sailors.

In the afternoon, the G. A. R. and W. R. C. were the guests of the Normal at Monmouth as were also the Co. K boys. A program was given in the chapel, the leading feature being an address by Judge Lawrence T. Harris of the Oregon supreme court.

For the first time in a number of years, Comrades Bingham and Bascue did not drum. Both were indisposed so George Grover furnished the marching time on a snare drum. Comrade Kelly carried the flag proudly.

BIG COMMUNITY DINNER CHAUTAUQUA EVENT

The Community dinner Sunday was a most enjoyable event. Everybody entered into the spirit of the occasion and it was a real merry mixer. The tables were laden with choicest viands, and the ladies of the Civic Club provided and served good hot coffee to everyone. The ladies also arranged the dinner in cafeteria style. The committee having direct charge was Mrs. C. O. Sloper, Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. O. A. Kreamer, Mrs. Jas. Robbie, Mrs. F. G. Hewett. They were assisted by a number of others. Buena Vista and Oak Point joined in helping and certainly provided a generous amount of the delicious food. They never do anything by halves.

CHIEF OF POLICE HERDS A BAND OF SHEEP

As a part of his duties, Chief of Police Morgan was herding sheep last week. Discovering a band of lambs grazing on the village green, contrary to law, he was obliged to put the whole bunch under arrest and shepherd them for several days until the owner showed up and reclaimed them.

NOT A VERY PLEASANT FUTURE IN PROSPECT

Some unknown person has tacked up the following sign on the city hall beside the posted notices of the primary results: "Education, Transportation, Taxation, Ruination Hell & Damnation." The future certainly doesn't look very rosy to someone and evidently it is going to be real warm, too.

SUNDAY, JUNE 6—(Afternoon and Evening)

ALICE BRADY

in "THE ORDEAL OF ROSETTA"

A thrilling tale of twin sisters—totally different—physically, mentally, morally and Miss Brady in the dual role makes each one live.

Jeff and Mutt Comedy and Fox News

MONDAY AND TUESDAY, JUNE 7-8

"Erstwhile Susan"

A story of a Pennsylvania Dutch settlement—of a modern Cinderella, a scullery maid, the unwilling slave of a widower father and his two loutish sons. It tells of powerful contrasts—of false love and true love—of the unfolding of the bright flower of innocent girlhood triumphant even in a sombre environment of selfishness, sordidness and Satanic cruelty.

Also the sixth episode of the great serial,

'Smashing Barriers'

DOWNWARD TO DOOM

A smashing melodrama of risk and romance in the great outdoors, in the lumber camps, the football field and the mountains. 15 weeks of adventure!

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, JUNE 9-10

WILLIAM FARNUM

AS

"The Lone Star Ranger"

IN

"THE LAST OF THE DUANES"

A vivid, palpitating romance of Texas from Zane Grey's famous novel. He never drew first—but when he drew it meant death. Outlawed and hunted for his life "Buck" Duane rises to supreme heights. A photoplay replete with electrifying thrills of the man-hunt, intertwined with a charming love story.

Rollin Comedy and Pathe News

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

MITCHELL LEWIS

in "CHILDREN OF BANISHMENT"

A powerful and mighty drama of the North Woods. He sacrificed to the limit for the happiness of the woman he loved.

Comedy and International News

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

BRYANT WASHBURN

in "KIDDER & KO."

A Business Bromide in One Dose. It tells the story of a young son of a business man who is accounted worthless as can be by his father. But the ambition that comes with the love for (and of) a mighty pretty girl makes him sit up nights thinking how to prove he's got the sand to make a success of his life.

Herold Lloyd Comedy and Ford Weekly

ISIS THEATRE INDEPENDENCE

CAN YOU BEAT IT?

(Contributed) Independence is likely to lose its company of National Guard. "K" Company will be a memory to the people of Independence in the near future. The officers and some of the men of the Company have been waiting for more than a year now striving to keep the conditions such that Independence could rightly claim and maintain a Unit of the new Fifth Regiment of Infantry N. G. O. The Company has been established here and should remain but will not. There has been such poor attendance at drills and so little interest shown of the part of some of the members, and so many of the (Continued on last page.)

THE GAS SHORTAGE

If we get it right, it is proposed to conserve enough of the present gasoline supply in Oregon to show convention visitors in Portland a good time and permit them to joy ride to their hearts' content, and then what gas remains will be parcelled out to the various towns of the state. No immediate relief is in sight. Independence has no gasoline today.

GOVERNOR CALLED ON BY POLK COUNTY DELEGATION

A delegation of Independence and Dallas citizens, headed by Oscar Hayter, called upon Governor Olcott yesterday, presented a petition containing several thousand names, and asked the executive to use his influence to induce the state highway commission to put Independence and Dallas on the Pacific highway as provided by law. The petition in full appeared in last week's Post and concludes with the wish that the governor "take such action as may be necessary to compel the state highway commission to keep faith with the people of this county with respect to the construction of the Pacific Highway. Mr. Hayter presented the matter to the governor and Mr. Olcott announced that he would take it up with the commission and attempt to adjust the controversy. Then should the commission fail to take favorable action, resort to the courts is very probable.

SHERIDAN IS DEFEATED BY INDEPENDENCE TEAM

Independence defeated Sheridan at Sheridan Sunday afternoon by a score of 7 to 3. At first Independence refused to play alleging that the Sheridan pitcher was illegally using the spit ball. After some delay the game proceeded under protest, but as Independence knocked the spit ball artist out of the box, the protest did not matter. Stoltenberg for Independence was in good form and pitched bang-up ball.

Sunday afternoon Dallas plays in Independence and the game ought to prove fast and interesting.

INDEPENDENCE DELEGATE STARTS FUN ON TRAIN

ENTERPRISE, Ore.—That they were here for fun right from the start, was the sentiment expressed by the delegates to the 20th annual convention of the Oregon Federation of Woman's Clubs, assembled in Enterprise, as they sang in a jolly community sing aboard the special. The fun started when Mrs. Clyde Ecker of Independence, backed by a valley delegation, stole the Portland Woman's Club banner, which finally was rescued by Mrs. A. C. Jackson and Nettie Greer Taylor.

ZAIDEE PUTNAM KELLOGG PASSED AWAY SUNDAY

Zaidee Winnifred Putnam, wife of Dr. J. L. Kellogg and a daughter of W. N. Putnam, died Sunday. Dr. H. C. Dunsmore conducted the funeral services and interment was made at Salem.

Mrs. Kellogg was 28 years of age and was married to Dr. Kellogg less than a year ago.

MOTORCYCLIST IS KILLED WHEN STRUCK BY AUTO

Everett Gray of Corvallis was killed on the public highway between Independence and Corvallis Tuesday night. He was riding a motorcycle and collided with an automobile driven by Bert Pilkington, a Benton county farmer.

THIS WEEK FIVE YEARS AGO IN SOUTH POLK COUNTY

(From the Independence Monitor June 4, 1915)

June 2, Miss Ella Muhleman and Arch Justin married.

Among the eighth grade graduates were Arnold Finch, Melvin Ray, Ulla Dickinson, Charley Calbreath, George Cooper, Dorothy Padlock, Frances Townsend and Velma Whiteaker.

BASEBALL Dallas vs. Independence

SUNDAY, JUNE 6 High School Grounds at 3

COMING OF MEXICANS TO BE CONTESTED

Independence is confronted with a race problem. The ire of many citizens has been aroused and there's liable to be something doing if the Southern Pacific lodges a gang of Mexican laborers within the city, as it is reported will be done.

According to reports, twenty Mexican men, a number of women and such children as a prolific race can multiply, will be harbored in what is known as the McHenry shack, corner Fourth and G streets. What cannot be packed in this place will be given accommodations across the street south in a small house there. In these two houses, an indefinite number will eat, sleep and be merry.

Aroused to wrath by this threatened invasion of foreigners, A. M. Bingham, Mike Wooley and Ray Sandblom, who live next to the McHenry house, visited the city council chamber Wednesday night and aided by B. F. Swope who will live closer to the Mexicans than anybody, and registered a mighty loud protest. They indignantly proclaimed that if the Mexicans were permitted to be harbored in the place proposed it would be an outrage and a menace to the health and peace of the city. The members of the council at once showed that they agreed with them and unanimously passed a resolution protesting against Mexican laborers being housed within the corporate limits and propose to take every legal means to keep them out. They also instructed the chief of police to notify the owners of the premises to be occupied to make certain sanitary improvements.

Naturally that portion of the city is pretty much alarmed and they have reasons for it. Packing more than a score of Mexicans, male and female, who never heard of old dutch cleanser and gold dust twins and whose morals can never be discerned, into two old houses like rats in a hole, commences to smell from the beginning and there's not a very rosy summer ahead for decent people with such a pest in their midst.

Other matters ordained by the city fathers was to grant a petition of Northsiders for changing a street light, authorizing the building of two "rest" rooms at the city park and instructing the street committee to go over the sidewalks of the city and report all defective walks found.

BUENA VISTA

M. V. Prather and son, Merlin, are the first to make clover hay.

Mrs. May Warren of Portland is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Reynolds, this week.

Mr. Black bought some beef cattle from M. N. Prather for the Independence butcher Thursday.

Mrs. Emma and Mrs. N. C. Anderson called on Aunt Lucinda and Louise Baldwin last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Muths of Portland visited Mrs. Muths' sister, Mrs. N. C. Anderson, this week.

Mrs. Ellen Snyder left the first of the week to make an extended visit with her daughter in Corvallis.

The spring grain and gardens are suffering for rain. Unless we soon have rain they will be a failure.

Grandma Harmon is suffering with leakage of the heart. Dr. Bowserox of Monmouth is doctoring her.

Our store is having a closing out sale which commenced Monday and will continue until the last of the month.

Mrs. R. E. Prather, son Leland, and daughter, Ruth and Mrs. Harley Prather were shopping in Albany Tuesday.

There were quite a number from here attended the Chautauqua at Independence last week and all were well pleased.

Mrs. Charles Kaw and daughter, Vivian, of Amity were here for Decoration Day and visiting friends and relatives the week end.

Mrs. Mell Baldwin and Mrs. Muary, after spending a week with friends and relatives returned to (Continued on last page.)