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CHAUTAUQUA A SUCCESS

Not a Certainty That It Will Be Secured Next Year.

TO CALL MASS MEET

Chairman Cockle May Call Meeting Soon to Secure Chautauqua.

The 1921 Chautauqua of Independence has passed into history and at this date it is not quite sure that "history will repeat itself", at least next year. Not enough guarantors were secured before the superintendent, Miss Lane, went away Wednesday to assure its return. Chairman Cockle, who rendered faithful service for the Chautauqua just over, expects to call a mass meeting very soon and instead of securing forty guarantors or boosters he hopes at this time to have the backing and support of the entire community. This will not only mean a bigger and better Chautauqua but it will also mean the arousing of community spirit which we want and must have to make these events what they should be. In fact he hopes there will be sufficient enthusiasm to organize a Chautauqua association.

The committee in charge of the community dinner which was a pleasant feature of the Chautauqua desires to thank Conkey & Walker for donating the coffee.

"Country Fair" at Oak Point

There's nothing "countrified" about Oak Point but just the same it's to have a "country fair" June 10, beginning at 6 p. m. and lasting until (?)

There will be a stock show, a wild woman, "hot dog" sandwiches, doughnuts made by Mrs. E. M. Young. They're so good you wish the hole wasn't there. A good program 'n everything to make you want to stay until morning—June 11.

LOCAL REALTOR SIDESTEPS MISHAP

O. L. Foster, of the Independence Realty Co., while driving in the country Wednesday had a narrow escape from death. He was driving at a rapid rate and his attention was called to a field of hops. Along this yard was a deep ditch which was not noticed by Mr. Foster until almost too late to avert a serious disaster. The front wheel struck the side of the ditch and went over, but a hard quick pull of the steering wheel forced the car to the right and almost by a miracle saved the occupants from at least a bad snaking up. People can not be too careful when driving cars.

Baptist Young People To Eat "Hot Dog"

If J. Pluvius holds off a little longer and does not decide to sprinkle old mother earth, the Baptist Young People's Society will leave the church at 7 o'clock Friday (tonight) for their destination in the country where they will gather around bonfires and roast weenies and eat "hot dogs". For some time a contest has been going on between the girls and boys. The boys had a big lead at first but the girls by faithful plodding are rapidly overtaking them, the boys now being only 12 points ahead. It begins to look as if the boys had better take a few lessons in the culinary art from their mothers. For if they lose they will have to treat the young ladies to eats. It is up to the boys to choose one course or another; either win or learn the art of kitchen work as there are only 4 Sundays left until the contest closes. Who will win? Ask Paul Scott or Misses Florence Hartman or Gladys Storey; they know.

Camping Party Enjoyed

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Kullander, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kullander, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Williams and baby of Airlie formed a camping party that enjoyed an outing in the mountains near Airlie the week end vacation.

DECORATION DAY OBSERVED FITTINGLY

In commemoration of heroes of two great wars which mark a stretch of years from Lexington to the Argonne, Independence people like those throughout the United States, held appropriate ceremonies. Ceremonies which will fan the flame of patriotism and keep alive in the hearts of the coming generation the appreciation now felt for those who fell on the battlefield.

Promptly at the appointed time the line of march began. There were members of Company K, the G. A. R., the W. R. C., the American Legion and the Auxiliary. At the school

building an appropriate program was rendered to a large audience. The address of the day was offered by Dr. H. C. Dunsmore who paid a befitting tribute to those who made the supreme sacrifice. Following this, in memory of the naval heroes, the "water service" was held at the river.

At the G. A. R. hall a basket luncheon was served to the American Legion, Veterans of the Spanish and Civil wars and their families.

The members of the G. A. R. were guests of the Monmouth Normal in the afternoon.

First June Bride.

The first of June brides to appear at the Dallas court house was Leona M. Downing of Independence, who has been employed in the telephone office at that place. Miss Downing is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Downing of Independence. She was married to Ernest E. Lincoln of Independence, who is employed as a logger. The young couple were married by Rev. D. A. McKenzie of the Presbyterian church in the county clerk's office at high noon in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Downing. They will reside in Independence immediately after their honeymoon on which they departed shortly after the ceremony.—Dallas Observer.

Harry Miller is here from O. A. C. where he has just finished a pharmaceutical course. Mr. Miller has accepted a splendid position with a drug firm in Spokane and will leave for that city soon.

Dr. L. A. Barrick was here from Salem this week.

Mrs. H. M. Roop of Albany visited Mrs. Nellie Barnett last week end.

WOODEN GODS OF IBOS



Ikengas, or wooden gods of the Ibo, who inhabit southern Nigeria in Africa. No house may be without one. The Ikenga at the left is "inhabited by a spirit" while the one at the right is spiritless. The two long horns curving backward are the symbols of strength and power. The Ibo, 4,000,000 in number, are semi-civilized.

BUILDERS DID WORK WELL

Roof of Westminster Hall, London, is a Wonderful Piece of Expert Carpentering.

A party of members of the Royal Institute of British Architects recently inspected the renovation of Westminster hall roof.

Sir Frank Baines of the office of works explained the progress of the renovation and pointed out the glories of the old roof, which he described as wonderful carpentry, agreeing with others who have written of the roof as remarkable alike for the beauty and the ingenuity of its construction, says the London Times. Apparently there was not a single nail used, nor a metal plate nor a bolt.

The ravages of the minute parasite called zestobium were explained. Such was the care exercised by the old builders, said Sir F. Baines, and the excellent quality of the oak selected that dry rot was practically nil, although there was much decay. Only the marvelous accuracy of the design in every detail enabled the enormous pressures to be resisted and saved the roof from falling.

For the benefit of posterity, it was added, many water-color drawings to scale have been made of the details of the roof. It was only natural that there should be requests for some of the old wood to be made into snuff boxes and other souvenirs. For various reasons these could not be gratified. The wood will be sent to great museums all over the world.

WOMAN'S CLUB IN CHINA.

In Shanghai, China, the American Woman's club recently celebrated its twenty-second birthday at the Carlton cafe in that city. The club includes five departments—literary, musical, social, mothers' and social service.

It's a Real Shame to Treat 'Em in This Way

Genoa.—The chief of police of this city has received a letter signed "The Tramways Pickpockets' Association" complaining that the persons from whom they abstract pocketbooks have "the dishonest habit" of invariably declaring to the police a much larger financial loss than they have really suffered.

They cite specific cases where one man claiming to have been robbed of 2,500 lire only lost 50, and another one reporting a loss of 1,800 lire when his pocketbook contained less than 200.

The letter argues that such exaggerations are likely to cause unfortunate consequences and strained relations among the pickpocket fraternity, as when a member of the association turns in a few hundred lire when the loser claims to have lost thousands, the pickpocket is suspected by his colleagues of having retained the difference.

"Alleged honest people should be more delicate," the letter ends.

GRADUATION TIME IS NOW HERE

The sweet girl graduate will soon come into her own. She will vie with the June brides for a share of adoration to be bestowed the month of brides, roses and graduates.

Among the Oregon U. graduates the name of Miss Leota Rogers appears.

Among the Normal graduates are Misses Norma Calbreath and Leota Rogers.

Independence Hi has a large class this year, the members including Helen Turnbull Marjorie Reynolds, Edna Burch, Muriel Wilson, Kathleen Skinner, Faye Walker, Sec.; Edith Plessinger, Melvin Ray, Glenn Burright, president; Robt. Craven, Julius Jorgensen, Gerald Hewitt, Erma Boughey, Lulu Grigsby, treasurer; Cyril Reynolds, Alice Ruch, vice president.

Salem Elks Stage Free Show Wednesday

A number of Salem Elks accompanied by several ladies were here Wednesday and put on a free show at Isis which was attended by a large number of local people. The program consisted of songs, dances, sketches and skits and offered plenty of delightful fun for the crowd. During the evening a talk was made in favor of the bonus bill.

Women Raise \$160 In First Day Pulmotor Drive

The committee from the Woman's Club on the drive to secure a pulmotor reports splendid success. Everoone seems to heartily endorse the movement and to respond generously with substantial aid, \$160 being raised the first day.

DEATH OF MRS. GRIFFA

Aged Woman Succumbs To Grim Reaper.

Mrs. C. G. Griffa, a well known resident of this section, who has lived in Oregon for 31 years, passed at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. McBeth in Independence on Saturday, May 28 at the age of 73. She had been ill for over two years and tho her children and friends knew that she could not survive, her passing caused much sorrow among them. Mrs. Griffa lived a beautiful Christian life, having been a member of the Baptist church since she was 12 years old.

The funeral services, directed by A. L. Keeney, were held from her chosen church Tuesday afternoon. Rev. H. L. Proppe, pastor paid a loving tribute to the useful life.

The pall bearers were Peter Kurre, W. A. Scott, G. W. Werline, J. L. Murdock, John Scott and Joe McClellan.

Interment was made at Odd Fellow's cemetery.

The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

Mrs. Griffa was born in Germany and came to America when 12 years old. She was married to Mr. Moose and four children were born to them—Mesdames Emily Broberg of Manhattan, Kan., Lydia Dehler of Sylvan Grove, Kan., Sarah Fechter of Calistoga, Cal. and Mattie McBeth of Independence. Mr. Moose died a few years after their marriage. In 1878 she married C. G. Griffa of Lincoln, Kan., and one daughter, Mrs. C. V. Clodfelter of Jefferson, was born to them. In addition to the four daughters named, there are three step-children.

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WEEK END SPECIALS

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