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## PROPERTY IS SELLING HERE

New Houses to be Built  
in Independence

### BUILDING CLAUSE IN EFFECT

Every Lot Sold on Main  
Must Have House on  
it, or Started Inside  
of One Year

Mrs. Martha A. Hill has placed a proviso in the two blocks on Main street which have been platted for sale, that every lot purchased shall have a house built upon it inside of one year. The result is that this property takes an added value because every purchaser realizes that the property adjoining is not to be kept for speculation but must be improved. In the last few weeks considerable land has been sold in this addition and other additions owned by Mrs. Hill.

Mrs. Miles Porterfield purchased a desirable lot on the corner of this building restricted district on south Main street and will build a fine residence there at once. Dane J. Purvine purchased one of these lots, just opposite the city water system, and has the new residence he expects to occupy already under way. He is placing a full basement under the property and the plans and specifications show it to be a modern bungalow with six rooms, hot air furnace, toilet, bath and all modern conveniences. The building when complete will represent an outlay of about \$1800.

Other property sold by Mrs. Hill are one lot just east of the high school to Mrs. Vena Goff-Wood, who will build a new residence on the property; a lot adjoining the present home of Burres Estes which Mr. Estes expects to build on this summer or fall, and a lot sold to a Portland party near the high school building on which a residence is to be built this summer.

All of the new residences being erected in the Hill addition are late style property and will be ornamentals to the town.

### NEW PRODUCTS RAISED

Rev. Dunsmore Brings Home  
Seeds from the Holy  
Land Planting them

Rev. Dunsmore, who made an extended trip through the holy land last year, brought back with him some mementos of his trip, and among his belongings were a few pods of Egyptian and Palestine peas. These he secured through his guide, a camel caravan coming along with one of the varieties for market, he asked the guide to get him a few. He brought them back to Oregon and this spring planted them in his garden at the Presbyterian parsonage. He has two rows of them there and they are strong healthy, thrifty plants and the pea pods are now well matured. They probably produce better in Oregon, especially in this rich Independence soil, than they do in their native country. They are worth looking at and we would suggest that when you have a few hours off just walk around that way to see the new plant. Rev. Dunsmore also has six beech trees and six hickory trees growing in his yard, and is much interested in them.

Eggs go as far as cash for groceries at Fluke & Johnsons.

### IS MARRIED IN BOISE

Wright Porterfield Brings Home  
Wife Thursday

Wright Porterfield slipped out

## OLD PIONEERS IN A REUNION

Honoring Old Time Polk  
County Resident

### PRES. CAMPBELL PRESIDES

Maggie and Allie Butler as  
Hostesses Surpass All  
Expectations as all  
Reports Tell

Maggie and Allie Butler entertained about twenty-seven of the old pioneers of Monmouth and vicinity on their lawn in Monmouth, on Thursday the occasion being the return of Mary Roher Rusk and husband from Indianapolis, Indiana, after an absence of twenty-two years.

Mrs. Linnie Garrett Carl, a dramatic interpreter and humorous impersonator will be in Independence Friday evening to give an entertainment. She will give her entertainment in the M. E. church and will be assisted by local talent. She is reported by the press to be very good and it would pay those who wish to have a good evenings entertainment to hear her. An admission of 25 cents will be charged.

## BUSY BALING

W. F. Campbell Doing  
Much Work, Has  
Big Crew

W. F. Campbell started out about two weeks ago with his hay baler and has about two weeks run ahead of him. He was in the first of the week and in a conversation with the editor of the Monitor stated "The quality of the hay this year is fine, practically all has been saved and the quantity is larger than in an average year." He commenced Saturday for McLaughlin on the Hirschberg farm north of town, where they have about 400 ton to put up. The best he had baled up to Monday produced about two and a quarter tons to the acre, and this hay he stated was extra quality and would probably bring close to \$10 to the ton. It was vetch, oats and wheat combined. Saturday forenoon they baled 25 ton of hay. Their outfit consists of 19 men including the cooks. They have five teams with the outfit. There is an increasing yield of hay planted around Independence each year and the result is that the farms are being enriched from this class of farming.

### Baptist Social a Success

Ice cream and cake was served at Mrs. Bascue's millinery parlors on C street last Saturday by the aid society of the Baptist church. The editor of the Monitor is informed the ladies did fairly well in a financial way.

### To Build at Peedee

A. G. Byers expects to leave in a few days to do some carpenter work out on the Peedee. G. N. Newton, who has a farm in that section, is preparing to have a fine new home built there and Mr. Byers stated to the editor of the Monitor that the building when complete would have eight rooms and would be a well arranged and comfortable dwelling, making a very attractive appearance from his farm. Harry Lay will have his hop houses overhauled, remodeled and repaired during the time Mr. Byers is out on the Peedee.

Mrs. Schaffer, while coming to Independence Monday evening on the motor, had the door to close in some manner so as to fasten on one of her fingers, entirely severing it. Only the fore part of the finger was taken off, it not severing the bone. Dr. McIntire was called to dress the wound.

### Chas. M. Winant, Dead

Albany Or., July 26.—The

fast run of a special train from Yaquina to Albany last night to bring Chas. M. Winant, of Newport, to this city for an operation for appendicitis, failed to save Winant's life, for he died in St. Mary's Hospital early this morning. The train reached Albany at 9:45 last night, but Winant's condition was such that an operation could not be attempted, and he died soon after midnight.

Winant had been a resident of Newport for 30 years. He is survived by a widow and three children.

Winant had been a member of the Albany lodge of Elks for several years, and the lodge will attend the funeral at Newport in a body, having secured several special cars to be attached to the regular excursion train.—Oregonian.—Mr. Wiant was known to many living at Independence and the death came as a surprise here.

## A FINE BUILDING

Jones & Weatherbee are  
to Occupy Same  
September 1

This week sees the marble front being placed in the new Hirschberg building on Main street. This building when completed will be one of the most attractive and well built structures in the valley. While it is but one story high, the foundation was laid to build three stories on this building and the property on the corner of Main and Monmouth streets back to the alley, when the occasion demanded the improvement.

The new building is to be occupied September 1st, with a full line of ladies' and gentlemen's clothing, dry goods and furnishings, and the stock has been ordered and is expected to be ready to open as soon as the carpenters and masons have their part of the work out of the way.

Mr. Weatherbee has already arrived in Independence from Eugene, where he formerly was in the same line of business, and the new building is being built by Mr. Hirschberg according to the plans and specifications desired by the tenants who will occupy the same. Misses Kate and Grace Jones, who are associated with Mr. Weatherbee in the business, are old time Independence people, and will have an acquaintance when the store opens that will be invaluable to the new firm.

A large balcony is being placed in the building so as to give plenty of room for the suit and cloak department of the store, and large, deep, modern windows are being built for decoration and display purposes. The building will be furnished throughout with the very best material and in the very best manner, and Independence will receive much benefit as a result of this new firm coming here to locate.

### IT'S A HEALTHY TOWN

Visitors Come Here Sick  
and Leave Well

Henry Van Wert and Ira Howard and family of South Dakota, who were camped on the Hill property in the north part of town for about two months, left last week for Newport for a summer vacation at the sea shore, and from there they will go to California for the winter, expecting to spend a year before returning to South Dakota. While here they became great friends of the Dickisons, and stated on leaving that they liked it around Independence better than in any part of the country they had visited.

They came here in very poor health and left perfectly well and consequently feel that this climate is a kind of a fountain of youth to them.

## FINE BUSINESS BLOCKS HERE

Now Under Construction  
on Main and C Sts.

### ALL CEMENT AND BRICK TOO

Independence Needs Every  
Building Now Under  
Way and Could use  
a Few More

Asa Taylor has the walls of his new 33 by 90-foot store building on C street about up. This building is to be of cement and will be well furnished so as to make a model store for general mercantile business or any purpose desired. The property will be for rent when completed.

The Independence Seed & Feed Company have their new warehouse on Main street completed and ready for the receiving of the hay. This warehouse is large enough to hold a large quantity of baled hay and has a cement floor and is made dark so as to protect the hay from bleaching.

During the last few weeks considerable has been done preparatory to establishing a new boiler at the creamery. The new engine room is up nearer the street and a cement foundation was made in which to put the new machine. The old boiler has been abandoned. It was a ten-horse proposition and their increased business has forced them to get a boiler of larger capacity and better make, so the new one was established a few days ago and commenced being used about the first of the week. Mr. Eldredge has built up a magnificent business at his creamery and will probably have to make arrangements to enlarge the plant in the course of a short time.

The new fifteen foot building on C street of J. S. Cooper's for Nelson's Meat market is nearing completion and the market will be moved into the building in a few days. This building will make an up to date location for the C street meat market and is quite an improvement to the town.

### NEW PROFESSOR BUILDS

He Has Faith in the Future of  
Independence

Prof. F. G. Chute, the new teacher, who will have charge of the Independence schools the coming year, after looking over the own decided to build and become one of us. He started on a new modern bungalow close to the school house and with the assistance of J. E. Caldwell is doing some fine carpenter work on the building. They secured the plans from California and are following the plans to the letter. The building will be roomy inside, the main building being 27 by 28, with an addition 12 by 14, and an extended porch in the front. It will be furnished with all modern conveniences. Mrs. Chute is staying in Salem, but will move to Independence to make her home as soon as the new building is completed and ready for occupancy.

The Jungles Opened

Mrs. D. M. Duvall has just opened a boarding house on Monmouth street in the old location used by Mrs. D. M. Hodgins years ago for the same purpose. This place formerly was the drummer's resort in Independence and was continually kept full of boarders and lodgers. Mrs. Duvall has had the place refitted and remodeled quite exten-

sively, the grass, weeds, and shrubbery cut out and the place made very attractive. The property belongs to the Denlinger heirs, and Verd Hill, who is guardian of the boy, made arrangements to have the place painted up, porches added and the building raised. The Monitor prophesies that Mrs. Duvall will make the place as much sought after as it was in the former days.

J. S. Cooper has the plans and specifications all completed and contractors are now figuring on a new residence on his property on C street. The present building will be removed to other property and Mr. Cooper will erect an eleven room residence to cost in the neighborhood of \$5000. The building will be one of the best in this part of the valley and a great credit to Independence. All modern conveniences will be added to make the building all that is desired. Mr. Cooper has a choice location facing the north and east on C street, and the president of the Commercial Club feels that he cannot afford to let others do all the improving.

Dr. Clarence True Wilson, formerly pastor of one of the Portland churches, preached in the M. E. Church in this city last Sunday morning. In the evening he gave his temperance lecture. Rev. Wilson is a pleasing talker, a man of fine address and appearance and holds his audience with his logical thought and reasoning powers.

## STUNT PARTY

CITIZENS ENTERTAIN  
STUDENTS AT  
NORMAL

The citizens of the town of Monmouth and the students at the Summer Normal came together and had a very successful evening at a Stunt party, Thursday. The reception was held in the Normal Assembly Room and was given by the citizens to the students. After the reception, the Stunt program was made the main feature of the evening. The state was divided off according to counties and each county had a representative to give some feature entertainment. These features were all impromptu affairs and very interesting.

One of the students in reporting the party to the editor of the Monitor stated, "the party was the one great social feature of the Normal session and all reported a real enjoyable time."

The Monmouth Band furnished lively music for the occasion.

### OILING STREETS HERE

Crude Oil Makes Dustless  
Streets in Independence

Independence is taking on quite a decided better appearance as a result of the oiling of several of the streets of the town this week. The big auto oiling machine arrived in the city Monday and the first street to be given a coat of the crude petroleum was Monmouth street, which was oiled from the Merwin Mix property west of town to the pavement on Railroad street; then followed C street which received a coating for the entire length; Main street was next visited, and from the pavement at the corner of the feed store south to the city water works the dust was laid.

Several side streets were sprinkled for short distances. This oil lays the dust for the whole season and is an inexpensive method of keeping the town clean.

Many local items and several news notes of interests were omitted this week owing to the lack of space.

## THE SUMMER NORMAL OUT

Work Finishes Friday for  
Summer's Term

### ATTENDANCE RECORD BREAKER

Full Corps of Teachers Employed and a Complete Course of Instruction Outlined

The Oregon State Normal at Monmouth finishes its first Summer Normal course for teachers tomorrow under the new organization. The work has been very successful, so successful in fact that many of those who came for the summer institution have decided to enter the fall and winter course of instruction. There were 153 enrolled during the summer, most of whom were teachers of the schools of Oregon.

The regular school work was given and credits applied for the work done. This enabled those who planned on taking the regular course to get credit for the work done at the summer session. Outside of the teaching work the Summer course was just as complete in detail as the regular course during any term. The training school could not be kept up as the young children could not be kept in school during the summer months with any degree of success.

The work was conceded to be the most successful summer term ever held at Monmouth and it is believed compares favorably with the work of any Summer Normal course in the State. In numbers there were just a few less than the combined attendance at the O. A. C. and University of Oregon this year.

It is believed that the Summer work will have a very decided effect in bringing a larger attendance to the school at the opening of the fall term. The regular Normal faculty was in charge of the work and the teachers were J. H. Ackerman, Pres., J. B. V. Butler, V. P. Misses Parrot, Benton, Fridd, Shearer, Harlan, and West, Profs. Ostein, A. B. Bonant, T. H. Gentle, E. S. Even-

### FELL WITH PLATFORM

Charles Durrell Hurt Seriously  
at Krebs Yards

Charles Durrell, who was employed at the Carmichael hop yard, generally known as the Krebs yards, was working on the platform leading from the hop houses to the warehouse, when a section of the platform 8 by 10 feet gave way and fell with him to the ground a distance of 22 feet. He received several bad bruises and for a time it was feared some broken bones but is reported mending. The accident happened Tuesday, July 23. Dr. Ketchum was called to attend to him and reports him getting along nicely.

### Young Man Dies

Erwin Pease, a young man who formerly lived between Independence and Monmouth, died last Thursday of tuberculosis. Mr. Pease had worked at the newspaper business for several years, giving it up last March when he returned to his home in such bad health that he was compelled to abandon the profession for the time being. The remains were taken to Newberg and the funeral services conducted from the M. E. Church of that place.

He was a young man of good habits, excellent character, good education and ability and had many friends.