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The Times Not so Political

The general run of newspapers are having a hard time to create interest in the political issues. There seems to be an apathy among the people. They seem to think that the corporations have a pretty strong hold in every party and in every faction and that there is but little difference between the whole kit and poodle of them. There was a time when the issues were a big feature and all candidates and orators were speaking to packed houses. Now an orator gets about a dozen of the faithful few and the rest pass him up as if he was a corporate tool of some kind and they don't seem to care much either way. History repeats itself and there is always a period of apathy before a revolution in politics. The papers generally are printing but little original matter and are using almost exclusively the plate service and prepared editorials of the politicians managing the different party campaigns. In county affairs party lines have never been so nearly obliterated. The Roosevelt party is proving a great disappointment to the old admirers of the ex-president and the many who have been reading the exposes shown up by the investigations see no bright light in that direction. In fact there seems to be a tendency to disregard all party lines and vote for the man. Hiram Johnson, the Bull Moose Republican candidate for Vice President finds himself and his party opposed by his father, a life long Republican, who states the only method he sees for defeating the Bull moosers is to vote for Wilson. The Democrats unwittingly, now and then spring their tariff for revenue only policy as an issue but it does not seem to effect the public. There seems to be a general idea prevalent that the best plan is to put the tariff issue out of politics and in the hands of experts and then get busy with cleaning up the trust control and money panic issues. But the great trouble is to find a Moses who will lead them that is not tarred with trust money and Wall street control.

Things Busy In Pendleton

The Let or Buck round up was a big one and there was a big time ahead for those who stayed to see it out. Pendleton has worked out a time unequalled in the west and never experienced in the east. They gather at Pendleton during the round up days the best vaqueros there are to be found and get the most unruly outlaws they can find and the best riders try to tame the worst horses. A year ago the round up attracted a great deal of attention and the town was crowded to its fullest capacity. This year it was a great deal worse and every accommodation possible was made to take care of the crowd. The railroads took in cars and left them for the benefit of the public and pullmans were held there continually for the round up so as to accommodate the people. The Pendleton Live Wire came out this week with a front headline displaying their broncho busters as part of the heading of the paper and the paper was well devoted to boosting the features to be made prominent.

They Should Attend School

The laws of Oregon are very strict regarding the attendance of all boys and girls of school age in the state and every child between six and twenty should be in school. Friday morning and afternoon, while in different parts of town, we were surprised to find quite a few children of school age who were not in school. In one home we saw a youngster, that a birch stick and father's toe would have helped considerably, and we thought that the little sprout needed some good advice and a few years education. Parents make a serious mistake by allowing lazy boys, and girls too for that, to lounge around home and not learn the first rudiments of school education. It is stated that the largest percent of our criminals are those who do not get education, but pilfer and potter their younger days away at nothing.

A Clearing House Needed

What Independence needs worse than any thing else is a clearing house for their fruits, vegetables and surplus products. The farmers who raise products for the home market usually have a quantity that does not find a ready market. Until a cannery is in operation there is no method of disposing of the extra fruit, beans and other products that can be canned, but there should be some arrangements made to handle the total surplus of this class of material. While it would be impossible to get top prices, yet it would be better to get a fair price for the material raised than it would be to let it go to decay on the ground where it does no one any good. The editor last week was surprised to see how much was going to waste that should be marketed and which will sell readily if placed in the right hands for disposition.

The County Fair

The Polk county fair starts today. Dallas will be in

gay attire and the people of the county will have the opportunity to help make the occasion a success. Independence should go en masse, take the band over and show Dallas the Independence spirit is a live one and spells success. Where ever we go people know we ship a mile of hops every year.

SOME LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. W. T. Johnson left Saturday to return to Iowa after visiting a little over a month with John Turner and wife of this city. Mrs. George Mahary was with Mrs. Johnson and came from the same state; Mrs. Turner accompanied them as far as Amity on their return trip home.

L. M. Butler, living between Independence and Monmouth has been doing a little improvement work on his property during the last few weeks. A new porch has been built to the residence making it look more homelike and comfortable.

Hal Hibbs, C. E. Carlos and Elmer Davis left the latter part of the week on a hunting expedition. We are informed they expect to bring back elk, deer and a buffalo or two. The Monitor man has been promised a big piece of jerked venison on their return.

The hops in the Peedee country have been saved in most every section although losses from mould were reported by Lacey who lost about 150 boxes and Newton who lost probably 450 boxes.

A party found 30 acres of government land surrounded by good farms near the Newton place on the Peedee a short time ago and has just completed filing on the tract for a homestead.

J. N. Jones attended the Round Up at Pendleton this year and saw the best bucking he ever heard tell of in his life.

Miss Loraine Johnson, who is attending the Normal this year, spent Monday evening in Independence visiting with her friends Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Taylor.

Mrs. Carlos left Saturday for Portland to spend a few days visiting. The children accompanied her while C. E. goes to the mountains hunting.

The Yaquina Bay News states, "Hon. J. K. Weatherford and a party of Southern Pacific railroad officials passed through this city Sunday from a trip through the Siletz. They went over to the Siletz river from Toledo Friday and came down the coast from the Siletz bay Saturday. The object of their trip was not made public but rumor has it that a road into the Siletz timber is under consideration and may materialize at no far distant date.

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MONMOUTH NEWS ITEMS

Considerable Building, Business Changes, Band Music Again

Normal School Making Better Progress This Year Than Ever Before in Its History. Opinion of Monmouth People

The editor of the Monitor spent a few hours in Monmouth this paper week and was surprised to see so many new houses building and such an air of prosperity evident everywhere. He saw several new bungalows, late style buildings and roomy homes in all sections of the town. At the school grounds preparations were being made to start the new dormitory building as soon as the plans and specifications had been accepted and work could be commenced. The new Domestic Science room was completely outfitted for that work and an increased attendance in the school was reported. For the present year the students were being taken care of by the residents and almost every home had from one to five students rooming and boarding in it. We also saw several little houses occupied by students who were holding bachelor headquarters and we judged from appearances that they were enjoying it.

C. V. Mc Neil of the Monmouth Bakery states that he would leave this week for Cove, Oregon and his brother would assume charge of the bakery as its sole owner, hereafter. Mr. Mc Neil states he expects to go back to the farm and simple life again.

P. E. Chase of the Normal Variety Store, has decided to close out his stock and leave for Lake county where he took up an enlarged homestead entry of 320 acres which he will dry farm. He claims there is water to be secured by boring down from 10 to 12 feet over his land and that he hopes ultimately to irrigate the tract.

The Monmouth Band will start its regular practice again on October, 20. They have been having a vacation during the hop picking season but start in earnest again this month. There are now about 20 instruments in the band and all the players are local townspeople with lots of vim and vigor and will give Monmouth a fine band.

Rev. Siskafoose is having an addition built onto his residence property just north of the Normal school buildings. Haley and Son are doing the carpenter work.

We noticed several fine new cement walks in different sections of the town, one of which was not yet opened up for travel. We also saw grade stakes in certain sections where new walks were to be built. This improve-

ment work speaks well for the town and lends a much more cosmopolitan appearance to the city.

C. G. Griffla, who recently purchased the Charley Leonard property on Main street has just had a new cement walk built in front of the property and will keep the place for renting purposes.

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