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# INDEPENDENCE MONITOR

## NEW BUNGALOW THAT IS TO BE BUILT ON MAIN STREET BEST IN VALLEY

### THE SURVEY IS COMPLETED

**J. H. McClymonds Party Leaves Independence Wednesday**

**PERMANENT SURVEY MADE Salem-Independence Cut Off on Main Valley Electric Line of P. E. & E.**

The beginning of a net work of electric lines for the Willamette Valley by the Portland-Eugene and Eastern with Independence as one of the main line centers is well under way and the survey just completed Tuesday, by J. H. McClymonds chief engineer in charge of the company wherein they cut off 3 miles from Independence to Salem in but one of the many proposed changes outlined.

Mr. McClymonds and party consisting of seventeen men spent one full week on the survey, commencing the cut off near the Brown place north of town, and following direct line almost, keeping west of the main county road and coming into the Salem-Falls City line just a few hundred yards from the road at McNary. The distance of the route surveyed is about 4 miles and brings Salem within about 8 miles of Independence by electric line C. A. Richardson and Mr. Burke as draughtsman were also among the prominent figures on the work.

Before coming to Independence the McClymonds party made headquarters at Albany where they made a survey from Albany to Suver. Both surveys were reported practical and have been forwarded to Portland for their consideration.

The Wells-Albany line covers a distance of about 7 miles, the Suver-Albany line a distance of about 10 miles.

This party of surveyors has been at location work for the Portland, Eugene and Eastern Electric lines since June and before coming to Albany on the Wells-Albany and Suver-Albany surveys, completed the location of the permanent survey on the Canby-Silverton line of 26 miles, on which actual construction has already been begun.

Wednesday the party left for Oregon City where they will make their headquarters, in connection with the lines to be worked out from that point.

Mr. McClymonds in an interview with the editor of the Monitor, stated: "this electric line when completed will give independence the quickest time possible to be secured into Portland; that from Eugene over the Monroe-Eugene-Corvallis extension we would have a main Electric line service, while from Eugene, Albany and Wells or Suver we would have another main line service, that the main Electric travel for the valley would be on this main line; that from Salem the Electric would go to the new station of Fir, from Fir through Silverton to Woodburn, from Woodburn the line would parallel the main S. P. tracks to Hubbard, from Hubbard a direct line to Portland would be taken to Rocky Reef, where they would cross the Willamette river above New Era, going down the west side of the Willamette from Oswego on the west side main line track which is being reconstructed and also another route

to Portland would be when reaching Silverton to go by Marquam, and Canby, crossing the main line track near Canby." The survey notes and field maps of Mr. McClymonds are forwarded to R. T. Guppy, chief engineer at Portland, where everything is finally passed upon and then placed in the hands of Robert S. Strahorn, president of the company at Portland, when the final word is given.

Engineer McClymonds said, "you have a fine body of land around Independence, in fact the best there is to be found in the valley, and your transportation facilities will be the very best when the new service is finally established which is being surveyed and outlined at this time. "This new line" said he "will be a complete new road bed over much of the distance, and most of the right of way being secured will be 80 and 100 feet. The purpose of this is to accommodate the future business, while only a single track is being built now the company is planning for double trackage and four track service in the future." He said the Southern Pacific through their system in California are operating now 600 miles of two track Electric lines and their business has increased many times since the electrification had been established.

Distance is not measured so much in miles as in speed said he when considering the centers of trade. People with business interests in the city, will think nothing of 25 to 30 miles for residence homes, when the Electric lines are completed, while the express trains will pick up provisions along the line, at platforms, where no stations are maintained, thus giving the rural sections the benefit of the city markets. Independence will have passenger service every hour and oftener with every part of the valley." When asked about the electrification of the west side line, he said "yes the whole feeding system will be electrified and this valley will be a net work of electric rail roads with the best equipment that can be secured."

"This matter is no experiment with the company. They have already ordered much of their rolling stock and equipments and the whole system is being built upon a plan of the best service possible to be given."

The main East side line will be used almost exclusively for the through traffic to California, and for freight while the electric will be used for fast passenger traffic, local freight and express service, making a net work of electric lines from Eugene to Portland, the main artery line being the one from Eugene through Monroe, Corvallis, Independence, Salem, Fir, Silverton, Woodburn, Hubbard, Rocky Reef near New Era, Oswego, and Portland.

With this service completed we believe Independence could count on fully one hundred electric trains a day, when the branches are all electrified as planned.

### INDEPENDENCE MOTOR KILLS JAP AT EOLA

**Accident Happens Thursday Morning at Bridge Four**

Telephone message from our representative at Eola states that a Japanese laborer while trying to get a hand car off the track at Bridge 4, became excited and got between the track and car in such a manner that the Salem train from Independence ran into him killing him. There was a curve in the track at that place and the report received.

### BUNGALOW THEATRE

**Nelson & Henkle Advertise for Bids this Week for Building**

**FINE PRESS BRICK FRONT Building for Moving Picture Show to be made for Shows of all Kinds**

Nelson and Henkle who are advertising in the Monitor this week for the new moving picture house they are to build at the intersection of Monmouth with Main street on the east side of Main are planning on having the best south of Portland.

The new building is 40 by 81 feet with a seating capacity of 500. The building will have a full basement with 10 feet clear, to the ceiling.

The inside arrangement consisting of an auditorium space 40 by 81; a stage 16 by 40; a promenade 8 foot wide, with portiers separating the main entrance from the auditorium proper, dressing rooms below the stage; orchestra pit 7 x 12, 18 in. below the main floor; a machine room, above the promenade, which is to be made absolutely fire proof; above the entrances will be an office on the south side of the building and ladies waiting rooms and ladies lavatory over the north entrance. The floor will have a drop of one inch to the front, or a total drop of 5 1/2 feet. Opera chairs will be put in the building, the seating capacity being 500; the height to the ceiling in front 20 feet, in the back 26 feet.

The building will be brick with a modern white press brick front with a blaze of lights in front.

Commencing Dec. 18, the regular examination for teachers of the county is announced and Supt. Seymour is anxious to have the teachers all informed so they can prepare themselves for the examinations.

In another column of the paper this week full particulars of time and date of the different subjects is given for the benefit of those intending to take the examinations.

### TEACHERS EXAMINATION ON AGAIN

**County Supt. Seymour Announces Dates This Week**

The council appoints the Treasurer, Marshal, Night Watch and City Attorney.

The new council is made of business men of character and ability and the city will have a business administration for the coming year commensurate with the steady growth that is expected from the city.

Water, lights, paving, street improvement, more sewerage connections, etc. will be questions that will come before this council and will be settled by them during the year, in all likelihood, and everyone believes the newly elected council will be perfectly capable to handle these different matters.

### Chapter Elects Officers

Independence Chapter No. 25, R. A. M., at their regular meeting, Friday, November 29, elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: O. D. Butler, H. P., John Dickinson, S., H. Chas. Dunsmore, K., H. Hirschberg, Treas., C. W. Irvine, Sec., H. Mattison, C. H.

### Baptist Services Sunday

Rev. Wherry, of McMinnville, will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist church in Independence, both morning and evening Sunday. Mr. Wherry, is an able minister and will give the people of this city an interesting address at both services. Rev. McFarlane, who has been in charge of the work here for

Friday afternoon, Nov 22 the members of the Leisure Hour Reading Club assembled at the home of Mrs. O. D. Butler where Mrs. P. M. Kirklund and Mrs. A. Nelson assisted in entertaining. The club consists of twenty five ladies and was organized about twelve years ago. The ladies have decided to discontinue the Reading Club the final meeting being attended by appropriate ceremonials.

A large number of those who formerly constituted the Lewis and Clarke Club and which won the Sacajawea flag at the unveiling of the Monument of that name at the Lewis and Clarke Fair a few years since in Portland were present and as no disposition had been made of the beautiful flag it was decided to donate it to the Public Library. Accordingly Mrs. Butler having explained how the flag had been won by the Independence ladies presented it to Mrs. S. B. Walker, president of the Library Association who very gracefully received it. The large flag will be a feature of decoration in the library rooms.

A citizens meeting was called Friday evening for the purpose of nominating a ticket to be voted on at the election Monday, K. C. Eldridge was nominated for Mayor, C. W. Irvine, H. Laliberte, and W. L. Bise for councilmen, and B. F. Swope for Recorder. The following evening a meeting was held at which the above ticket was adopted excepting that W. H. Walker and P. H. Drexler were nominated in place of Laliberte and Bise.

When the polls were opened the women showed their interest in the election by turning out in the round number of 150 odd and casting their ballots, which was over one-third of the total vote at the election. There were 410 votes cast in all.

The vote for the candidates was as follows: For Mayor, K. C. Eldredge 310 and W. T. Hoffman 73.

For councilmen, C. W. Irvine 369, W. H. Walker 229, P. H. Drexler 201, W. L. Bise 189, H. Laliberte 180; W. E. Craven 12, W. H. Campbell 4.

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### MOUNTAIN VIEW

H. M. Webb and wife spent Thanksgiving with friends in Salem.

A surprise party was given Mabel Christiance last Friday night by several of her little friends.

Wm. Christiance is again able to be in school after having been absent for some time on account of sickness.

### NEW OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

**Women Vote Their Convictions and 151 Votes are cast by them**

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### THANKSGIVING NEIGHBORHOOD DINNER

A very pleasant affair Thanksgiving day was a neighborhood dinner at the Frank Wilson home. The people all brought baskets full of good things for the dinner which was served Cafeteria style. After the dinner the afternoon was spent visiting and making and filling baskets for the basket social in the evening.

A large crowd was present at both affairs. The baskets were sold about 8 o'clock at a set price and partners were found by drawing numbers. The rest of the evening was spent in playing games. A neat sum of \$22 was taken in which will go on the ministers salary.

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Tom Stewart spent Sunday evening at the Lynch home.

Mae Lynch is at her home the Falls City school being closed on account of the small pox.

Katheryn Stewart returned to her school in Silverton Sunday.

John Cavitt is working at Salem.

Turf Schneider was taken back to the hospital Friday afternoon having come home to spend Thanksgiving.

Mr. Rosenquest is having lumber hauled to build a barn on the place he recently bought from A. R. Southwick.

Mr. Doran is hauling lumber to build a house on the place he recently purchased from Mr. Vogel.

Bertha Cannoy is visiting her brother and wife of Brooks.

Arnold Schneider is doing some blasting on his fathers place.

Osie and Rosie Grice returned to Monmouth Sunday where they are attending school.

Beckie Best has been quite ill with neuralgia.

Jennie Best who is stenographer in the U. S. Nat'l. Bank of Salem spent Thanksgiving with her parents, E. Best and wife.

Ora Cavitt Olive and Esther Porter who are attending high school in Salem spent Thanksgiving with their parents.

All the farmers are very busy engaged in plowing now.

Velma White is suffering from a bad attack of poison oak.

Nathan Sumpter and wife of Liberty spent Thanksgiving with the latters parents.

Gladys Waite of Oak Grove has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. B. Southwick.

L. Grice and daughter, Flora, made a trip to Portland Saturday.

Messrs. Rosenquest and Southwick have material to build a wire life fence between the two farms.

The Mountain View school and Brush College have entered into a contest with each other in attendance and spelling.

Eli Best made a business trip to Salem Monday.

Arthur Koch spent Sunday with Ammon Grice.

Mrs. Jas. Smith who has taken a backset is slowly improving again.

Mrs. Edna Edgar of Brush College spent Thanksgiving with the Pearce and Smith families.

Amos Plummer of Salem spent Thursday with Robert Adams.

Don't forget to see the pretty things the Presbyterian ladies have on sale Friday afternoon and evening at the Opera House.

dependence schools, especially the manual training and domestic science departments and was well pleased with what he saw. This is the first large school in the county to add the manual training, and was now the only school that had the equipment and work under way, excepting Bethel, where the work was first started by Prof. Chute, principal of Independence schools. It is the plan of the Falls City school to add these departments at a later date and their value as an educational feature to the school work was recognized. Independence has excellent equipment, is in shape to do much good work in both the domestic science and manual training departments and the school is attracting much attention on account of its progressive movements along these lines.

### MORE CEMENT WALKS BUILT

**Walks to be Built on Main Street for Several Blocks**

**STARTS AT HILL'S RESIDENCE This will Give Cement Walks from the South West Section of Main to the Bridge**

Mrs. Martha Hill has decided to build walks of cement, with curbing, in front of three blocks of her property on main street, commencing at her residence property just outside the city limits and reaching the full length of the last tract platted by her. With the curbing this will mean about 750 feet of cement walk, five feet in width. This walk will bring a continuous walk with curbing to the John Dickinson property, who already has cement walks but who will also put in curbing in conformity to the grade and plans of Mrs. Hill.

This will make a continuous walk from the south part of the city to the bridge, leading from Independence to North Independence, excepting two pieces of board walk both of which will probably be made into cement walks in a very few weeks, one of which, the J. R. Cooper property, will be torn up and built just as soon as he gets the fine new residence completed that he is erecting opposite his old home property on the corner of Main and D street. South main street is making decided improvements among the new residences being the Dickinson property, the Porterfield home, the Purvine bungalow, and the two new residences to be built at once by Wm. Cogle and son.

Mrs. Dr. O. D. Butler celebrated her forty fourth birthday Thursday, Dec. 5, having a number of friends to call on her during the day. Light refreshments were served. Many expressions of good wishes for many happy returns of the day were extended.

Mrs. F. W. Fenton of McMinnville spent Thursday with Mrs. O. D. Butler.

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