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## MESSRS CHUTE AND MERWIN

### Chosen to Act as Contest Judges and Declare Winners

Prof. Chute, Superintendent of the public schools and M. Merwin Postmaster of Independence have been chosen to act as judges in the thousand dollar prize voting contest. Promptly at 9 o'clock Saturday night March 29, they will commence to count the votes. Candidates and their friends are invited to be present.

The last count and publishing of the standing of the Candidates by the Contest Manager will be made at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, March 25. The boxes will then be locked and the keys turned over to the judges, so every one will be in total darkness as to how the Candidates stand after that time until the judges make the count and declare the winners.

Now Candidates only about two more weeks remain until the close of the contest and it behooves each and everyone of you to make every moment count from now on. If you lose through neglecting your campaign at the last moment it will be your fault and not misfortune, if your name is not included with the winners. You may have lots of votes in reserve; so may your competitors; "a word to the wise is sufficient."

A rumor has reached the contest manager to the effect that the piano to be given away in the contest had been purchased by some one. We presume some one started this story in a vain effort to do the Monitor and the contest in general, injury. The statement, however, is absolutely false. The piano to be given away is and always has been at the Red Cross Pharmacy and candidates and their friends are invited to call and inspect it.

The Diamond rings to be given as prizes (one in each district) are on display at Rowe's Jewelry Store and every one interested is invited to examine them. They are guaranteed by Rowe's Jewelry Store to be perfect stones and worth \$75 each.

## THE STAKE BUSINESS

There are several thousand acres of hops in the Independence district. They are getting out the stakes now and use one stake to each hill and it is estimated that over 3,000,000 stakes will be used in the hop yards near here.

## DAIRYING PAYS WELL

The Jersey cow is "as good as gold" to the farmer here, most of whom operating a dairy in connection with grain farming. The fine dairy herd of 11 cows belonging to E. E. Hiltbrand brought him in for the last month a check for \$158.16, making an average of \$14.37 for each cow. The success of this is attributed to the abundance of the soil in the lowlands. Buena Vista correspondent to the Oregonian.

## STATE ORATORICAL CONTEST IN NEWBERG THIS YEAR

The Normal school will send a contestant to the state college meeting at Newberg, March 14. The colleges taking part are Oregon Agricultural College, University of Oregon, Albany College, Willamette University, Pacific University, Oregon Normal school, McMinnville College and Pacific College. A large delegation will probably go from Mon-

mouth to the contest. Miss Loraine Johnson was chosen to represent the Normal in this contest at a local contest at the Normal about one month ago.

## GRANGE DEPUTY AT MONMOUTH

B. F. Leedy, of Corvallis, district deputy of the state grange, was in Monmouth Saturday. A meeting of the grange was held and plans for reviving enthusiasm, increasing membership and improving the local work was discussed.

## LECTURE FOR BAND BENEFIT

Arthur L. Peck, landscape architect of the O. A. C., delivered an illustrated lecture at the Star Theatre in Monmouth, Friday. The occasion was for a band concert given by the Monmouth band in that city.

## DIES AT MONMOUTH

Mrs. A. B. Westfall, of Monmouth died at the family home, Friday, March 7, at 2 P. M. The funeral services were conducted from the Baptist church, Sunday at 11 A. M. by Rev. W. A. Ward. The interment was in the K. of P. cemetery. Mrs. Westfall had resided at Monmouth for several years, had many friends, and leaves a husband living.

## STANDING OF CANDIDATES MARCH 13

AT 2 P. M.

### DISTRICT NUMBER ONE

Mrs. Elwood Hartman	Independence	188,090
Miss Grace Laliberte	"	134,825
Mrs. J. R. Simonton	"	117,735
Mrs. Homer Wood	"	78,880
Mrs. D. O. Taylor	"	70,885
Miss Nona Saunders	"	65,470
Lola Morgan	"	61,585
Mrs. Robt. Mills	"	57,365
Mrs. I. E. Hooker	"	52,740
Miss Grace Girard	"	47,325
Miss Gaye Buchanan	"	47,310
Retta Cuthbert	"	45,335
Miss Emma Montgomery	"	37,345
Miss Florence Sawyers	"	36,480
Miss Elsie Lamaster	"	33,620
Mrs. E. L. Baker	"	17,630
Vivian Whitaker	"	12,680
Mrs. Clint Moore	"	12,140
Lavilla Cooper	"	10,480
Vale Hiltbrand	"	9,505

### DISTRICT NUMBER TWO

Tennie Chaney	Monmouth	71,280
Miss Francis Quisenberry	Monmouth	64,860
Tea a Brown	Monmouth	61,370
Bertha Hamann	R. F. D. No. 2	57,415
Nellie Keyt	Perrydale	42,670
Miss Francis Harrington	Monmouth	41,875
Beatrice Wells	Buena Vista	35,460
Vinnie Ballard	R. F. D. No. 2	34,680
Edna Conn	Airlie	32,375
Etta Edgar	"	28,610
Mrs. J. O. Anderson	R. F. D. No. 1	26,735
Ruby Fream	Monmouth	22,855
Mrs. B. I. Ferguson	Eola	22,460
Lela Erickson	"	21,365
Miss Mable Johnston	Monmouth	19,430
Leonilla Smith	Buena Vista	21,365
Ina Fishback	Monmouth	17,680
Addie Riggs	Rickreall	17,635
Bertha Stapleton	R. F. D. No. 2	13,325
Mamie Atwater	Airlie	10,750
Flora Grice	Mountain View	10,360
Gladys Hatcher	Suver	10,345
Buela Smith	Rickreall	10,100
Katheryn Fox	"	9,230
Blanch Fawk	"	8,105
Mrs. L. L. Buckner	Wigrich Ranch	5,625

## IMPROVEMENTS AT MONMOUTH

### The Normal is Making a Better Appearance as new Buildings go up

The new girl's dormitory at the Normal is now nearing completion. The building is large and commodious; three stories high and amply equipped for taking care of the students. The new heating plant 23x74, comprises a building by itself, lying west of the main Normal building, with a boiler room with a large boiler heating plant for all the main buildings, also a large laundry room 23x45 which will be equipped with machinery to take care of the dormitory laundry and the washing of the students in the dormitory. The new building is of brick, with cement floors.

The grounds have been platted for the future of the Normal by an expert landscape gardenist from the O. A. C., making arrangements for all the buildings that will be built at later dates on the present tract of land.

## Car Of Hogs To Portland

The Polk county farmer is learning the advisability of raising hogs for the market. Wm. Bloch on Thursday shipped from the Independence station 81 head of fine market hogs, to the Union Meat Company. He said to a Monitor representative "hogs are now \$9.15 per hundred pounds on foot, 5c per hundred pounds high-

er than they have ever been." It certainly pays to raise hogs when the market is up like the above.

## GASOLINE SHEARING PLANT

McElmurry and Ground started Monday with their shearing outfit in the Rickreall section. They have a gasoline power outfit, can shear about 100 goats in a day to the man and some days can do as well as 150 head. They started Monday on the Farmer place but have contracts to handle most of the goats in the Rickreall section of the county.

## PLANTING LOGAN BERRIES

McElmurry Brothers have made arrangements to increase their acreage of logan berries and strawberries this year. They informed the editor of the Monitor that they would add 1 1/2 acres of logan berries and three acres of strawberries to their farm south of Independence this spring.

## SCHOOL RALLY AT SUVER

The rally held at Suver, Saturday, March 8, was a decided success in every way. The weather was good, the attendance was good, the program by the school children was one of the best for a small school, and, after the noon hour which of course was enjoyed by all, Supt. Seymour, Mr. Parson and Mr. Meyers of Dallas, aided by other teachers and the patrons of the school, held the usual discussion on school questions which brought up and made clear many good points pertaining to the conditions of school.

## FORMER POLK ATTORNEY WILLING

The Oregonian of March 9, states B. F. Jones, register of the Roseburg Land Office, announces he would aspire for the seat of W. C. Hawley in congress. Mr. Jones was a former resident of Lincoln county, later moving to Independence where he practiced law for several years. He is a capable man and a booster.

## Former Polk Resident Dies

Word was received here last week of the death of Mrs. Henry Cackle, at Wilbur, Washington, at the family home, Monday, Mar. 3rd. Mrs. Cackle formerly lived in Polk county, on the Cackle farm south of Monmouth, which they left about six years ago, when removing to Washington. Mrs. Cackle left a family of five children besides her husband. Wm. Cackle of this city a brother of Henry Cackle, left Monday of last week to be present at the funeral.

Independence came, saw, but unlike Caesar, did not conquer. Twenty three to fifteen tells the story of the best high school game ever witnessed in Dallas. With a supplied team, playing on a foreign floor, and a hostile crowd, the Independence high school basket ball boys held the Dallas crack team to 23 to 15. If Independence had experienced even fair luck at throwing fowls they would have, despite the handicap with which they went into the game, scored a victory. Independence secured six field baskets against five for Dallas, but Dallas threw 15 fouls while Independence could throw but three out of fourteen. Mix for Independence and Herzog for Dallas did some pretty work for their respective teams.

The next games will be in McMinnville when Independence hopes to have its regular team in good condition and the prophets think Dallas will find the game more like the first game between the two towns.

## NEW BUILDING STARTED

### P. M. Kirkland is making room for his tenants

The Conkey & Walker store is being enlarged by a 25 x 60 foot brick addition being placed to the rear of their grocery department, which will be used for storage purposes and as a ware room for their grocery department. The room is needed by the firm. Joining this is a 27 x 90 brick room being added to the old Zed Rosendorf building, which has been leased by Frank Matomi & Co. which will be used for the quasi chip factory to be put in there. It is not known what other business Mr. Matomi will conduct, but it is reported he will add other features of importance to the business.

P. M. Kirkland is erecting the new buildings for his tenants. The foundation was started the first of the week and the building will be rushed to completion.

## County School Athletics

In the absence of W. I. Ford, the meeting was called to order by H. E. Barnhart. W. A. Johnson was elected president pro tem. The report of the committee on athletics was received. The report on constitution was amended and adopted as follows:

NAME  
The name of this association shall be Polk County High school Athletic Association.

OBJECT  
It shall be the object of this association to promote interest in amateur athletics and a closer friendly relation between the schools of Polk county.

MEMBERSHIP  
Any pupil of the high school or of the eighth grades, who meets the qualifications of scholarship determined upon by the principals' club, shall be eligible to membership in this association.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING  
The time and place for the meets of this association shall be determined by the principals' club.

EVENTS  
The events of the field meet shall be:  
Broad jump, running standing  
High jump running standing  
Low hurdles, 120 yd.  
Dash 880 yd.  
" 440 "  
" 220 "  
" 100 "  
" 50 "

Pole vault.  
Hammer throw, 12' lb.  
Shot put 12 lb.  
Relay race, 1/4 mile, 4 men.  
Tug o' war, 6 men on a side

In base ball, each school may have the privilege of substituting from any persons who may have been in attendance upon school during this year, two players; or, if the team cannot be made up in this way, two players who have not been in attendance may be chosen, provided that they shall not be more than twenty one years old. It is provided that players substituted in this way shall not play in the battery. This privilege shall be for this year only. The schools that desire to enter the association for base ball shall make written application for the same to the principals' club not later than March 20; and each school so making application shall submit the names of the players so that the names may be passed upon by the athletic committee.

POINTS  
In the athletics contest all first prizes shall count three points; second prizes two points; third prizes one point; the winning base ball team nine points; the winning side in tug o' war six points. The school receiving the highest number of points shall be considered the winning school of Polk county. The winners of individual events in the field meet shall represent Polk county in

the field meet with Yamhill county. In each event of the field meet in which schools may be represented by teams, each school may have not more than three men.

## RULES

The rules governing the events shall be the National Amateur Athletic rules. In case any team fails or refuses to meet its opposing team according to the provisions made by the Athletic committee, the points for that event shall go to the opposing team. Any school found guilty of any unprofessional act, through either its principal or any of its contesting pupils, shall be barred from the association for the period of three years, or, if on the part of the principal, until the school changes principal. The two winning base ball teams shall meet each other on the day of the general meet. The foregoing constitution was adopted unanimously. The matter of entertaining the meet was taken up and discussed, and it was determined to put the matter before the different commercial clubs of the county that may care to consider it. In putting the matter before the clubs it should be asked that the town taking the meet should guarantee the expenses and provide good grounds for the events. The secretary was instructed to take the matter up with representatives of the different towns, and report to the next meeting. The time for the meet was set for May 10. The time set for the next meeting of the club was March 22; the meeting is to be held at Independence. The debates for this year were discontinued and the disposition of the cup was left to the will of Supt. Seymour. The making of a schedule for the base ball games of the Athletic Association was referred to Supt. Seymour. The meeting was adjourned to meet at Independence, March 22.

Don't Cut Trees  
It has been ordered by the County Court to have several of the big maple trees on the Salem road just below the old school house cut down. As understood by the writer these trees are supposed to be in the road, therefore they are a public nuisance. If close and careful investigation were made by the officials in charge, I think they would readily and quickly agree that these trees are at one side of the road and in no way interfere with travel except on a hot day when a weary traveler loiters in the shade of these giants. These grand old trees are one of the remaining land marks in this Western land of ours. One by one they have disappeared with the departing years. Have these trees, placed by our ancestors, those sturdy pioneers, ceased to be of value? Have they not lived a life of usefulness that cannot be measured? You boys, who are now gray haired men, remember how when released from school you scrambled to the inviting shade of those maples, how you scaled the topmost branches and how with your favorite jack-knife carved your initials in the friendly trunk. For scores of years this spot has been a favorite stopping place for the traveler and his team on a hot summer day. And as he lay on his back on the load of hay and gazed through the maze of leaves at the hazy sky, the breeze sang a song of rest and peace and gladness that reached his tired heart.

has the onward tread of civilization so narrowed us, so hampered us that we have no time for the beauties of nature? These living monuments that rise in stately grandeur robed by Spring in shining emerald and by Autumn in red and gold-splendor, once removed can never be replaced. Oh! why tear away the last vestige of tradition that was left by our forefathers? —Rickreall Cor.

## TRACK LAYERS ARE COMING

### Due Here About Saturday to Lay Rails for Electric

The P. E. & E. rail laying crew now putting in the new heavy steel rails on the west side Southern Pacific line is expected to reach Independence Saturday with their track laying outfit. The Independence yard is filled with extra steel rails the use of which is not known although it is thought these rails will be used to build the branch lines out of this place to Salem and Albany. It is stated the S. P. lines on the Airlie—Portland division will also be electrified, which may include the motor line from this place to Monmouth.

The present service of the S. P. gives Independence connections across the Salem bridge to Portland, leaving Independence for Salem at 8:20 A. M. connecting at Salem with the S. P. for Portland, returning from Portland reaching Salem in time to connect for Independence at 6:15 P. M.

Saturday the celebration of the completing of the new P. E. & E. bridge will be held in Salem and both counties are expected to take part. The motor will take a crowd over on their morning trip from Independence.

## FORMER POLK WOMAN

Mrs. Irene Hayden Reese died at her home near Gates, Oregon, Saturday, March 8, and was buried the 10, in the City View Cemetery. The funeral services were held from Cloughs undertaking parlors, Rev. Errett of the Christian church officiating. She left a husband and two little girls and a mother, Mrs. H. H. Hayden, three sisters and many friends to mourn her loss. Her father and one sister preceded her to the great beyond. The flowers were many and beautiful.

## HOME CREDIT WORK IS A SUCCESS

### REPORTS MONITOR CORRESPONDENT FROM SUVER

At the parent-teachers meeting held in Suver, Saturday the citizens praised the home credit plan and spoke very highly of the good results produced.

Representatives from the Buena Vista and Fairview schools were present and also told of the good work accomplished through this system.

A resident of Eola in the person of George Mitty has condensed the home credit system and says that the large amount of failures last year among eighth grade pupils was due to the above credit plan for work done outside of school. He forgets that there was only one school in the state of Oregon last year that had the home credit plan and that every pupil in that school passed the examination.

Among those present at the meeting were H. C. Seymore, Geo. Myres, H. H. Parson and Prof. Reynolds. A parent club was organized and will meet every month in Suver Oregon. Correspondent.

It is said that the Wilson-Marshall administration will be a "white-ribbon" affair, with no wines or liquors served at any entertainment. Not only do the President and Mrs. Wilson and their daughters bar the sparkling cup, but also do Vice-President and Mrs. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan and other members of the Cabinet.