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## THE MONITOR CONTEST CLOSES SATURDAY AT NINE O'CLOCK SHARP

When The Fine \$350.00 Piano Goes to the One who Wins and Other Prizes Go to Willing Monitor Workers  
Chute and Merwin Open the Boxes and Count the Ballots at the Monitor Office Saturday, Tomorrow Night at Nine

### THE MONITOR AGAIN LEADS

First Information of the Siletz Railroad

LAST WEEKS REPORT VERIFIED

Camps are now Located and Permanent Survey Work is Under way

Last week we reported in the Monitor that a surveyers permanent location camp would be placed on the valley and Siletz survey from Independence in the near future. This week the exclusive report has been verified. We have been reliably informed that Mr. Donald, head engineer for the Valley and Siletz road is now located at the Link place, about two miles above Airle, with a crew of about twelve men, doing permanent survey work, establishing the exact grade and road bed for the new line to the timber belt belonging to the Cobb-Mitchell lumber and which the Falls City Lumber Company contemplate cutting and using a mill to be erected at this point for that purpose.

We are also informed that the options for right of way are being taken up and the right of way purchased according to the option contracts here-to-fore made.

The Monitor is pleased to be able to give this good news to the public and believes more of a similar nature will be announced in a few weeks.

### OPPOSES SCHOOL POLICIES OF PRESENT TIME

In another column of the Monitor can be found a letter from Mr. Mitty in opposition to the home credit system in the schools as well as to contest waging as carried on through the efforts of State Supt. Alderman.

The Monitor published this article as its columns are open to discussion of all questions of a public nature.

We wish to state though that we request in all instances the refraining from the use of personalities when discussing these questions, as we hold the individuality of the person is of no consequence and that the subject matter alone is the only question worthy of consideration. The Monitor believes in every good plan that will bring forth the faculties of the growing mind and body to a more complete realization of their powers, whether in mathematics, history, literature, science, manual training, athletics, or the raising of better crops and stock.

### INDEPENDENCE BOY TAKES IN RACES

Frank Kirkland of this place made an excellent showing in the college athletics at Columbia University. The Oregonian reports the event as follows:

The Administration Hall carried away first honors in the first annual Columbia University inter hall indoor track and field meet yesterday in the Coliseum, with 51½ points against 4½ points made by the Christie Hall teams, its nearest opponents. The Day Scholars were third with 11 points.

Kirkland, who was a point getter in the 1912 Portland Inter-scholastic meet, proved to be the

best all-around athlete in yesterday's competition, making 31 of the points scored by the winning team. The following are the events in which Kirkland won first honors: Fifty-yard high hurdles, 50-yard low hurdles, 440-yard run, broad jump and high jump. The fact that Murihead was unable to compete owing to an injury sustained at practice is given as the reason for the poor showing of the Day Scholars.

The athletes grew tired towards the end of the meet and poor time was the result. The Columbia University alumni donated a silver cup to the team winning three meets. The following were the winners of the events:

- 50-yard dash—Goreczky (Christie), 5 4-5 seconds.
- 50-yard high hurdles—Kirkland (Administration), seven seconds.
- 50-yard low hurdles—Kirkland (Administration), 63-5 seconds.
- 440-yard run—Kirkland (Administration), 56 1-5 seconds.
- 12-pound shot put—Philbin (Scholars), 41 feet 7½ inches.
- One-mile run—Driscoll (Administration), 5 minutes 21-5 seconds.
- 220-yard run—Goreczky (Christie), 24-4-5 seconds.
- Broad jump—Kirkland (Administration), 17 feet 4½ inches.
- High jump—Kirkland (Administration), 5 feet 5 inches.
- Pole vault—Murphy (Scholars), 8 feet 3 inches.

### GOVERNMENT EXPERT ON SCHOOLS

Makes Headquarters at Salem and Visits in Dallas

J. C. Muerman, a specialist on rural schools from the bureau of education at Washington, D. C., was in Dallas last week, taking part in the Polk county teachers institute.

Mr. Muerman is making his headquarters at Salem, in the office of State Superintendent Alderman.

### GLEE CLUB COMING

The Independence High School has secured the Willamette University Glee Club to appear in Independence Friday, April 18. The University has a fine musical aggregation this year.

### A BIRD SPECIALIST

Wm. Lord, a bird specialist and writer of authority on birds, speaks before the students of the Independence High School at the high school building Friday, April 11. Mr. Lord is now on a lecture tour, being assigned places at which to speak from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction office in Salem.

### Dollar Returns After Decade

Monmouth, Ore., March 21.—Z. A. French of Airle, Ore., received last week in change a silver dollar which he had marked and spent in Earlham, Iowa, 11 years ago.

In 1902, while celebrating his son's 17th birthday, Mr. French noticed a dollar dated 1885, the date of his son's birth. He marked it with the lads initials and then spent it. It will now be retained as a keepsake. Spokesman Review.

Just received beautiful line of lingerie waists some with high neck and long sleeves, some with low neck and short sleeves. At Cary's.

### AT RACE TRACK

Putting in Condition for Races this Summer

Several Good Horses Now at Grounds for Training

Mart Graves has his mules at work putting the race track in condition for the Independence Riding and Driving Club Association. The track is a good one and quite a number of local people are interested in the association. W. W. Percival, C. A. McLaughlin, Claud South, Mr. Willis and several others have thoroughbred horses here at the barns on the track which will be put into condition as soon as possible.

It is stated that plans may be made for a few matched races some time in May and a race meet planned for local interest prior to the regular annual racing meet.

### PEG KING OF POLK

J. M. Jentry is the hop peg king of Polk county and as Polk county is the hop center of Oregon, he becomes the hop peg king of the world. He comes into town every few days with a hay rack loaded with these bundles of pegs. His "crop" this year will aggregate several million pegs.

### SILVERTON IS DEFEATED AT BASKET BALL

Independence Wins With Decisive Score

The fastest game ever played on the Independence floor by the home team was the game Saturday between Silverton and Independence, when the home team scored a victory with a result of 65 to 14.

In one and one half minutes the home team made eight points, throwing four baskets, which is the fastest exhibition of work ever recorded by a valley team. Earnest Williams made 23 points, mostly by throwing fowls.

The Silverton team played Vernon Walcott and Willis Cooley two of the crack town team that played the Armory team at Dallas. The balance of the Silverton team were Clair Jarvis, Oral Palmateur, Earl Hartman, and Fred Cauereider.

Cary's will show you the latest in new wash goods, laces, embroideries, lingerie tape and stickerei.

### Edwards & Ball Sell Big Auto

W. H. Walker became the purchaser of a Mighty Michigan Forty automobile this week. The sale was made through Edwards & Ball who have the agency for this machine in this section.

### BIG TIME AT RICKREALL

Band and Basket Social April 12th

Down in the town of Rickreall where the spirit of energy and activity is well developed a fine band of about twenty five pieces is organized with John Orr as band master, John is a hustler and has one of the best bands in

the valley in trim for all occasion.

On April 12 they have decided to give a big supper, a basket supper, and the ladies of the Rickreall country are known to be the best cooks in the valley, so that assures the social being a decided success.

Besides the supper and the band music there is to be a literary program and some special music so everybody will get their money's worth. A big crowd should go from Independence.

### LOGAN BERRY CULTURE PROFITABLE BUSINESS

Big Acreage Should Be Planted in Polk County, Oregon

Two hundred six dollars off from one half an acre of logan berries is the result reported to the Monitor by a raiser of the fruit this year. This return shows a fine profit on the investment.

Light clay soil, well cultivated, and in open country is the best to be secured for this berry. Plant the slips in six foot rows, and about 12 feet between vines to get best results. This will require about 605 plants to the acre and it is estimated that 2½ is a reasonable figure at which to get the plant.

This industry is a new one in Polk county, the first large acreage planted being that north of Independence near Derry, which is being made into a logan berry farm.

Friedman-Shroy shoes oxfords and pumps for ladies, misses and children. At Cary's.

### CYCLONE KILLS IN NEBRASKA

Monday's report gives the kill at several hundred in Omaha alone from a cyclone. We recommend Oregon to those who wish to get out of the blizzards and bad weather. Just a few flakes of snow in the worst we can report.

### DALLAS BEATS INDEPENDENCE

Out-played, out-passed and out-fought but not out-gamed, Independence was defeated by Dallas in the deciding game of the series by a score of 15 to 10 and truth compels the fact that Dallas had even ordinary luck in shooting baskets, the score would have been much larger.

The game was played in the Willamette University Gym. at Salem in the presence of wildly cheering, howling, yelling crowd estimated at four hundred.

Independence has no excuses to offer for their defeat but the fact remains that the local boys were decidedly off color that night.

Sealey and Reeves played the best ball for Independence, Sealey getting one and Reeves two field baskets. Mix threw fouls in good form, connecting four out of seven. Russell played a hard, snappy game at guard. McKinney was substituted for Williams in the last part of the second half and though he infused the team with new energy, it was to late.

The local boys were considerably handicapped by the slick floor. Although the entire Dallas team played fine, the credit for the victory must go to "Dukes" Herzog, the smallest man on the floor, he scored two baskets and his all-around work was the feature of the game.

Summary baskets: Reeves 2, Sealey 1, Barham 2, Herzog 2, Boydsen 1, fouls, Mix 4, Boydsen 3.

### WHO WILL WIN PRIZES?

Candidates Alert With Excitement--Each Is Confident.

Voting Ceases Promptly at 9 O'Clock Saturday Night.

### NOTICE

Votes mailed must be received before 9:00 o'clock Saturday night to be counted, and we assume no responsibility for mail not delivered to our post-office box at Independence by that hour.

Forty eight hours or less after you read this article the Grand Thousand Dollar Prize Voting Contest will be brought to a close. Who the winners will be, not even the Contest Manager himself could hazard a guess with any degree of certainty, for the ballot boxes were locked last Tuesday and the keys turned over to Prof. Chute who will act as one of the judges. No one knows who is in the lead at this time, and no one will know until the judges make the count and declare the winners.

The three leading candidates in each district are so evenly matched that any of them can head the list in their district the closing night and any one saying that this candidate or that candidate is going to win, are putting themselves in a position to make an awful blunder. In fact any candidate in the race might capture the first Grand Capital Prize. TO THE VICTOR BELONG THE SPOILS AND MAY THE DESERVING ONE WIN.

Candidates and their friends are invited to be present and witness the counting of the votes. Promptly at 9 o'clock Saturday night the judges will open the boxes and commence count. No one will be permitted to cast a vote after this time so be sure and have all your votes in the boxes before 9 o'clock Saturday night.

### BUSY TIME HERE ON SATURDAY

Big Crowd Trading and Seeing Things

The editor of the Monitor made a little trip through the lively stables, feed yards and stores, Saturday to see what was doing in business circles and how many country people were in town.

He found 642 people on the streets and 73 rigs in town and the great percentage were here from the immediate territory surrounding the city.

### A Fine Banquet Given

The members of the I. H. S. faculty with the help of the advanced Domestic Science Department served a magnificent banquet to the H. S. Basket Ball team and lady friends at the H. S. building Thursday evening, March 20. The dinner was a seven course affair of the finest arrangement and was greatly enjoyed by all present. The basket ball team feels grateful to all who helped with this fine dinner in their honor.

Prof. F. G. Chute was toast master for the evening.

R. T. McIntire gave a toast to "the success of the team and why." "A toast to our coach," by Captain Mix. "To our high school," by Ivy Burton. "To the team," by Prof. Ridgeway and "To Captain Mix," by Ernest Williams. After the dinner all were entertained by several song selections by the Rev. Crow and Dr. R. T. McIntire and a piano selection by Willard Reeves. The evening broke up about 10 o'clock and every one went home happy.

Those attending were: Prof. Chute and wife, Miss Ivy Burton, Kora Browne, Jean Ketchum, Cora Smith, Beth Ketchum, Irene Grover, Phyllis Bush, Vivian Whiteaker, Messrs Ridgeway, Rev. Crow, Dr. McIntire, Ira Mix, Willard Reeves, Ernest Williams, Elmer Addison, Ray Russel, Rollo McKinney and Victor Sealey.

### Mrs. Minnie Kincaid Macy

DIED—At the home of her parents at Springbrook, Friday, at about noon, Minnie Kincaid Macy wife of O. A. Macy of this city. Mrs. Macy was married to Mr. Macy about fifteen months ago, and for the last seven months had been sick with a hip disease. Every medical assistance possible was given her.

The funeral services were conducted from the Friends Church by Dr. Dunsmore of this city, the burial being in the cemetery at Newberg. There was a large attendance at the funeral, which showed the high respect and love felt in her home community for her. She was well and favorably known in Independence, where she made her residence for several months after her marriage, and where a new home had been built according to her plans and ideas. The husband has the sympathy of this whole community.

### Selling Autos Says Mr. Long

Last week we mentioned several automobiles that had been purchased through C. G. Long, and this week Mr. Long states he sold a five passenger Ford to Mr. Ingermanson and a 7 passenger Cadillac to K. C. Eldredge. Ingermanson has commenced building a new garage to house his new machine and Mr. Cooper has also secured the lumber for a garage at his country home.

### LERONA CHANGES OWNERS

Moss Walker Sells to W. F. Stine

An important business deal was consummated Thursday, when W. T. Stine, who recently purchased the Hotel Lerona building from A. L. Sperling, also purchased the furniture, lease and business of the hotel from Moss Walker.

This hotel since it was opened up for business last summer, has been one of the leading hotels of the valley under the popular management of Mr. Walker. Mr. Stine is a man of good business ability and will be sure to maintain the excellent reputation now enjoyed by the hotel among the traveling public.

### CYCLONE AND FLOOD COME

Loss by Death Thousands Property Hundreds of Millions

Dayton, Ohio has 2000 to Perish and Possibly Many More

The first of the week the report of the cyclone throughout Nebraska, Indiana, Iowa, Illinois and Michigan was received, stating that about 228 were dead and about 700 were injured as a result of the cyclone, the largest report coming from Omaha, where 152 were counted as dead. The property loss was reported to be over \$1,000,000.

Wednesday morning word was flashed across the continent of the worst flood in the history of the country. Dayton, Ohio, streets were a seething river from eight to twenty feet deep, and several thousand people were known to have drowned. Indiana also experienced the flood and Terre Haute went through both the cyclone and the flood, the cyclone claiming a toll of 20 lives with 250 injured and a property loss of a million. On Tuesday the Wabash river left its banks and spread destruction along its course.

A top estimate of the total death loss is reported at 5,000 and the property loss at \$25,000,000, the great rail road systems loosing heavily. The Indiana & Ohio section reports its loss from the flood \$100,000,000. Probably 500,000 people have been made homeless by the flood, one report. The government has been called on to aid the homeless and has already sent twenty freight cars loaded with 4,000 tents and 11,000 cots. Medical assistance has been sent and every effort is being made to minimize the suffering.

### DIED

ROBERTSON, Mrs. Ellen Robertson, at the age of 64 years, widow of the late M. A. C. Robertson and mother of Mrs. Claud Pingra, Mrs. F. A. Douty, Oris B., and G. A. Robertson, at Kirksville, Missouri, March 12th. Funeral services were conducted from Portland, Friday, March 21, interment Saturday, March 23, in the forenoon at Turner.

Mrs. Robertson had gone east for a short visit and for her health, when the news of her death came from her daughter, Mrs. Pengra, who lived at Missouri.

The family have the sympathy of their many friends in Independence where they made their home for many years. Mrs. Robertson was a woman of high ideals and excellent character.

Miss Chaney of Monmouth was seen on our streets Wednesday afternoon.