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SUVER IS IMPROVING

School District Buys New Seats for School

Teacher for Coming Year Has Been Secured

School district No. 43, at Suver has just ordered 30 new individual seats for the school and will install them before the fall term of school opens. They also have purchased a new blackboard and have the schools now in first class shape. Last year the building was repaired and improved and this year the money available was used to improve the furniture and fixtures.

Miss Olive Lembke, of Portland has been selected to teach the school in this district and comes well recommended.

About eight of the young boys and girls of Suver are preparing to take some of the leading prizes at the county fair and are specializing on White and Banded Rock and White Leghorn chickens, Indian Runner ducks and on vegetables. They hope not only to make a creditable showing in the county fair but to be entered in the winning exhibits at the state fair.

PLEASANT AFTERNOON PARTY

Friday afternoon, August 22, Mrs. W. H. Walker entertained a number of the ladies of Independence at Five Hundred at her home, corner of Monmouth and Fifth streets.

The prize winners were Mrs. McDewitt first prize and Mrs. M. C. Williams second prize.

Dainty refreshments were served and the event was one of much social pleasure.

The guests were the Mesdames A. L. Thomas, P. H. Drexler, L. Damon, J. E. Hubbard, R. E. DeArmond, A. Nelson, O. D. Butler, G. W. Conkey, J. J. McKinnon, H. Mathison, W. M. Huff, S. B. Walker, M. C. Williams, I. L. Smith, G. G. Walker, G. W. Henkle, E. T. Henkle, C. G. Skinner and M. Merwin, of Independence, and A. M. Hurley of Vale, Laura Miller of Portland and Mrs. McDewitt of Corvallis, and the Misses Florence Burton, Emma Henkle and Ora Henkle.

Miss Ora Fenton was hostess Saturday evening to the P. D. C. at her home, the occasion being a lawn party. Among the games were ten step, run, sheep, run; come, come, pull away; Ruth and Jacob. Dainty refreshments were served consisting of ice cream and cake.

Those present were the Misses Lucile Craven, Hazel Porterfield, Vera McKinney, Marie Shinn, Beryl Robinson, Beatie Swope, and Phillis Bush and Messrs. Beldon Owens, Ernest Hartman, Ralph Floyd, Dutch Williams, Cecil Swope, Elmer Addison, Isles Sandifur and Bliss Byers.

A pretty wedding took place at Sunny Slope, Sunday, August 24, at 3 o'clock at the home of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lafe Johnson when Robert Fishback and Miss Hazel Johnson were united in marriage by Rev. W. A. Wood of Monmouth. Only relatives were present. A delicious lunch was served following the ceremony which was very much enjoyed by all. They received many useful presents.

DIED

Mrs. Anna Barbara Muhleman born in Switzerland on the 4th day of April, 1831, died at the home of Sam Muhleman of Independence, Aug. 22 at 1:25 a. m. aged 82 years, 4 months and 18 days.

She came to America in 1887. She has been a widow for the last 42 years living with her children, Mrs. Rosa Waldespeil of

Salem and Sam Muhleman of this city for the last twenty five years. She had four children two girls died aged three and five. She was a devoted christian woman and was a member of the German Methodist church at Salem. The funeral was held at the Muhleman home Sunday afternoon, Aug. 24. She was laid to rest in the I. O. O. F. Cemetery.

DIRECTORS NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there will be held at the public school building on Monday evening, September 1, 1913, a meeting of the legal voters of school District No. 29 to determine whether it is the wish of the people to pave C street at the school grounds.

By order of the Board,

E. L. Ketchum, Clerk.

Announcements were received in Independence this week of the marriage of Minnie E. Chambers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Chambers of Eugene, to Austin F. Flegel Jr. Friday evening, September 5, at the First M. E. church at Eugene. This will be the first wedding solemnized in the new church, which is reported to be the finest building owned by the M. E. church in Oregon. Mr. Flegel is a young attorney, now associated with his father in the practice of law. The bride is well known in this city, having spent her childhood days in Independence.

E. E. Tripp reports the sale of the 60 acre W. B. Hopson farm located between Independence and Corvallis, to G. N. Cox of Corvallis. Part of the above ranch last year produced eleven bushels of clover seed per acre, besides a hay crop and pasturing stock on the land between crops.

MAURY I. DIGGS



Maury I. Diggs, one of the defendants in the famous California white phosphorus case who was convicted.

A very pleasant party was given at the beautiful home of Mrs. John Dickison Thursday afternoon. About forty ladies were present and the party was one of the most pleasant of the season. Many new and novel features of entertainment were introduced to enliven the afternoon's pleasures.

Chas. McAuley and George Graves have just returned from a two-weeks fishing and hunting trip and report fishing and hunting good but caught nothing larger than an elk.

Dr. and Mrs. R. T. McIntyre were visitors in Salem Wednesday.

RIVER TO BE IMPROVED

Work on Revetment Starts First of Next Month

Survey of Project Completed and Passed Favorably By Engineers is Report

The Monitor is reliably informed that the government engineers have passed favorably on the revetment work north of this city on the Willamette river, where there is grave danger of the river current making a new channel through the Burton hop yard and thus hindering navigation on the river.

Engineer Fisher was in this section a few weeks ago and surveyed the river at this point with a view of improving the river at this point.

One of the difficulties he encountered was the matter of getting the right kind of rock for this work and at a price to make the improvement permanent with the appropriation available, but this we understand has been worked out by the engineers in charge.

Several months ago an appropriation of \$10,000 was made by the Government for the river work at this point and it is this work the engineers intend to complete at once, commencing about September 1st.

It is the policy of the government to do this work at low water and consequently work will be rushed through as fast as possible.

On Monday night of this week some burglars broke into the post office at Monmouth and evidently succeeded in securing all they planned on getting. Two hundred dollars worth of stamps and three hundred dollars in money were taken. This was undoubtedly a bold but successful attempt. The strength of the nitro glycerin was of such force as to completely demolish the safe.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gertson is expected home this week from Hartline, Washington, where they have been visiting Mr. Gertson's parents.

Wesley Buffin is home from Black Rock and reports the fishing fine in the mountains.

Maurice Butler will have charge of a store at the Rose hop yard. Allen T. Clark is associated with Maurice in the same.

CORVALLIS CANNERY Wants Fruit and Vegetables

The Corvallis cannery wants pears and it wants apples, in any quantity and from anywhere. The demand for pears is far beyond the supply and at prices that are tip-top. The last report of the Northwest Pacific Fruit Distributing Association, in comparison with the 1912 crop, shows the pear crop to be but 60 per cent, pears 65, apples 70, and Alberta peaches 80 per cent.

Last year the California people buying pears in this section paid but \$15 per ton. They paid that in cash, of course, but the Corvallis Co-operative Cannery, which takes any fruit only on consignment, finally paid the grower \$20 per ton. This was in the cannery's first year. The cannery will be able to pay much better than \$20 this year.

The Corvallis Cannery is ready to accept pears and apples in any quantity from all sections of Benton and the four counties adjoining.

HOP PICKING NEAR AT HAND

Special Trains With Pickers Coming

Independence to be the Livest City in Oregon for a Month

The stores have been preparing for the rush of the hop picking season and cars of merchandise have arrived to take care of the needs of the 15,000 extra pickers that will be camped in the six mile radius of Independence by the last of next week.

Not only in grocery lines is the increased supply but in all lines of general merchandise. The stores are buying in quantities so that they can sell at bargain prices and will give the hop pickers the benefits of these prices during this season. Many are coming from sections of the state where they cannot get the advantage of good, up-to-date stocks of merchandise at the right prices, and it will pay these people to look up the Independence stores and supply themselves for the season, while they can get the goods they want at the prices they want.

Tuesday, Mr. Hirschberg announced two trips daily over the railroad from Independence to the Wigrich hop ranch, the first to leave at 10 in the morning, the second train at 12 in the afternoon.

Arrangements have been made at the different camping grounds to have stores established where the hop yard necessities can be secured and several dance pavilions are being arranged to help along the amusement feature.

In the city the skating rink is to be kept open every evening and extra skates have been secured to take care of the crowds. The Isis Theatre will give special during the carnival of hop picking at different times, besides having a good line of moving pictures every night.

The city council failed to have a meeting Wednesday evening, a quorum not being present. Several important matters are up for consideration, among them being the matter of paving C street. We understand this will be before the next council meeting.

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The Dove Lake correspondent has been especially delegated as scout by Mr. Wilson to investigate and report on all inquiries.

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O. A. C. SESSION INTERESTS ALL

Good Attendance at All Meetings Here

Evening Lectures Especially Interest and Please. College Does Good Work

The sessions of the traveling General Welfare school of the Oregon Agricultural College held in this city Monday and Tuesday were largely attended and much enjoyed by all. Nearly 400 people altogether were present. Four sessions were held. The domestic science talks and practical demonstrations given each afternoon by Mrs. Robbins and Miss Groves were greatly appreciated by the feminine population and doubtless will be by the male portion as soon as the ladies have had a chance to try out the new and appetizing dishes the manufacture of which was so graphically shown.

The Social Hygiene exhibit from the State Society is both extensive and well arranged and well worth a visit. Mr. E. J. Cummins of Portland, the lecturer in charge, gave talks the last evening to young men. He distributed to those interested literature consisting of circulars of interest to young men, girls working in factories, and to the parents. The plan being to teach the effect of sex diseases upon future generations and to show the work the Hygiene Society is doing in this state. Chemistry, preservation and adulteration of goods was discussed ably and in a very practical manner by J. D. Mickle, State Commissioner and Prof. R. K. Brodie of the Department of Chemistry of the O. A. C. Prof. Reed's introductory remarks at each session were lively and full of wit. His lecture on Mark Twain Monday evening was very interesting and enjoyed by several relatives and acquaintances of the great humorist. Tuesday evening Prof. Reed gave his lecture on Longfellow illustrating the different scenes that were the cause of the different literary poems of this great American poet.

Every member of the visiting party wishes to thank the people of Independence for the interest taken in the school at this busy time of the year. They hope to come to us again and we certainly hope they will.

B. Tarter of Atrille was a Monitor office called the first of the week.

The little word "Honey Bunch" has a powerful meaning when a "Miss" wants to know a "Man."

Our new society editor has been busy stamping hop tickets and we are just a little shy of small news this week.

Mrs. E. E. Paddock and children are spending their summer vacation near Ballston on the Yamhill with Prof. and Mrs. T. J. Newbill.

Frank Whiteaker was in town Saturday from Albany. Visiting cards—none better than those printed by the Monitor.

Mrs. W. Buffin and children took in the circus last week at Salem.

NOTICE

A black boar, weight about 250 lbs, 4 white feet and white stripe down forehead, came to my place at Talmage Monday night. Owner can have same by paying cost of keep and this notice. C. J. Micholson.

FOR SALE—A fine 3-year old Red Polled bull, a fresh cow, several high-grade Holstein bull calves and some beef cattle.

GEO. I. ROWE, MICKREALL, OREGON, McArthur Farm

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