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THE RACES NEXT WEEK PROSPECTS FOR MEET

Good Races and Good Attendance Expected; Many Fast Horses in Stables

The annual spring races under the auspices of the Independence Driving Club, which occur next week, apparently are going to be the "best ever." Indications point to a large attendance and better financial returns than for several years past. The horses that have already arrived and will enter in the trotting, pacing and running races assure many speedy and close events.

Here are a few of the horses already here: Duke Crown, Sally Mint, Clohaven, Midget, Miss Sovereign, Eastman, Ethel P., Red Pine, Sterling, Maxwell, Lon Sawyer, Judge Blue, Sea Fowl, Boner Scappos, Boaz, Dorris and Paddy Button. This list does not include the horses owned by Independence men.

Other than the races there will be an automobile parade on the first day and a ladies' driving and riding contest on the second day for prizes. There will also be a number of minor attractions which go to make a race meet a carnival.

COMMENCEMENT

The commencement exercises of the Independence High School were held at the opera house Wednesday night. All chairs were occupied and many stood up. There was a beautiful display and presentation of flowers. After a piano solo by Mrs. Mabel Johnson and the invocation by Rev. W. C. Stewart, Dr. C. J. Bushnell, president of Pacific University, delivered an address to the class. His remarks were followed by a vocal solo by Mrs. E. E. Paddock, then M. W. Mix, chairman of the Board of Education, presented the diplomas to the nineteen graduates. A violin solo by Miss Katherine Gentile completed the program.

SCHOOL ELECTION MONDAY

Term of M. W. Mix Expires And He Probably Will Be Re-Elected

Next Monday night, June 21, occurs the annual meeting and election in all the school districts. More people should attend these school meetings than do, but in most districts, a competent and trustworthy school board is in office and the public seems willing to let it do as it pleases. Members of the board assume considerable responsibility and give up a portion of their time in the public interest without pay and it is a wonder that we are able to get as good ones as we do.

In the Independence district, M. W. Mix, who has been a member of the board for a number of years and who thru such service has acquired much knowledge of school ways and wants, will step down and out this year unless re-elected. If he will accept the place again, he will be re-elected Monday night.

One hears some criticism of the school board relative to the indebtedness on the school buildings. The dear people contracted the debt and will have to pay it in taxes. If the people want the indebtedness paid off any faster than at present, they must provide the money to do it with. The school board can only use such money as it receives and in the Independence district it has been spent economically and well.

BOY DELEGATES

At the request of the National Top Notch Farmers' Club, Governor Withycombe has appointed three boys from each county in Oregon as delegates to the Universal Corn Convention which will be held in San Francisco August 5 and 6. Those selected to represent Polk county are Paul Scott of Independence, Edwin Brown of Dallas and Frank Tubandt of Airlie.

BATH TUB CENSUS

The rural sociology class of the Normal is taking a bath tub census of the state for the purpose of ascertaining the "social condition." Freak ideas and actions like this is the cause of the much criticism of our public schools and colleges.

NEW BRIDGE CONSIDERED OVER RIVER AT SALEM

Courts of Two Counties Meet and Discuss Matter; People Must Petition

"Preparation for incorporating in the county budget an appropriation to build a new bridge between Salem and Polk county will have to be commenced soon if such action is to be taken," said County Judge Bushey yesterday. "As yet," he added, "the county court has received no petition asking that a new bridge be built and until this is done the court is powerless, according to law, to do anything toward its erection."

The legal requirements concerning the petition are simple as any one in either county is eligible to make the petition, which to be strictly legal need be signed by only one person, but may be signed by any number. Following the receipt of the petition the county court is authorized to appoint a board of three viewers which has power to select a site, prepare plans for the size, type and all details of construction, and to make an estimate of the cost. The amount is then put in the county budget and acted upon at the annual taxpayers' meeting. This meeting is held in December each year.

George A. Wells and C. W. Beckett, county commissioners of Polk county, were recently in Salem to take up the matter of the inter-county bridge and spoke favorably of putting Polk county's share of the expense in its next annual budget. County Judge Bushey and County Commissioners Goulet and Beckwith are in favor of erecting a new bridge as the one which now spans the river at the foot of Center street is considered unsafe.

A new plank floor was laid on the bridge last year and since then there have been fewer complaints made to the county court about the structure but previous to that time there was constant agitation about its condition. The matter came up for consideration during preparation of the last annual county budget for Marion county, but the amount of the expense to be paid by Marion and Polk counties respectfully was not agreed upon and the appropriation failed to be put in the budget—Salem Statesman.

20 GRADUATES

Among this year's graduates at the State Normal were Crislie Bramberg, Levey Hamilton, Lola Shaffer of Independence, and Ranie Burkhead, Arthur Burkhead, D. E. Cooper, Mildred Force, Mary Jackson, Mabel Johnson, Charles McCarthy, Lida McCarthy, Marie Smith, Marjorie Speed, Carrie Steinberg and Byron White of Monmouth. The February graduates included Ella and Bessie Kennard of Independence and Stella Haan, Margaret Rice and Mrs. N. Skinner of Monmouth.

STEALS JEWELRY

The O. E. agent at East Independence was robbed of considerable jewelry last Friday by a half-witted youth, who was afterwards arrested at Albany. As the boy was irresponsible, he was released.

REVIVAL COMMENCES SUNDAY

Churches Combine in Evangelical Work With J. Bruce Evans as Leader

The Union Revival Meetings of the Protestant churches of this city will begin next Sunday night in the Baptist church. Rev. J. Bruce Evans, the evangelist who is to have charge of the campaign, will not be with us until Tuesday night of the coming week. At the present time Rev. Evans is conducting meetings in Ashland, Or. Last Sunday night 35 took a stand for Christ, and the big tabernacle was so packed that many were turned away. These meetings in Ashland are going so well that he will stay in Ashland through next Sunday night. He will start for Independence on Monday night, reaching here Tuesday forenoon.

Rev. Evans told the pastors of this city over the wire yesterday not to wait for him, but to begin the meetings as planned next Sunday. There will be special music Sunday night, and the singing will be led by the four choirs. Rev. W. S. Stewart, pastor of the Baptist church, will preach the sermon. Monday evening has been set aside as Young People's night. There will be a lively song service conducted by Rev. W. C. Stewart. The sermon on Monday night will be preached by Rev. G. C. Birtchet, pastor of the Presbyterian church. All are invited and all will be made welcome. (Contributed.)

PRaise PRESIDENT

The student body of the Normal School has sent the following letter to President Wilson:

"To Our President: As students of the Oregon Normal School, we for many weeks have been following daily the grave events and crises that have come before our country, and as future teachers we have been able to appreciate something of the heartbreaking responsibility that rests upon our Nation's chief. This message will try to convey to him a little of the deep love and admiration and respect our student body feels for him in these difficult times.

"Through the help and wisdom of a world, not a party, of mankind, not men; of service, not being served; and along with him in our more limited way we are striving to help bear the burdens of our Nation, that tomorrow's world may be better than today's.

"To him, then, our own beloved President, with sincere appreciation and confidence, and heartfelt sympathy in his heavy and often thankless labor, we give our small tribute, happy if it erase from his brow even one line of care. By the committee, Emma L. Haroun, Gladys Merle Horn, Susie E. Crapson."

MARRIED

Kersey C. Eldridge, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Eldridge of this city, was married in Portland this week to Miss Lucile May Berry. Mr. Eldridge, who is a popular young man in Independence where he spent a number of years before going to Portland, has the well wishes of many friends here.

E. A. Dunckel of Independence and Miss Stella Bagley of Airlie were married Wednesday. They will reside in Independence where Mr. Dunckel is manager of the laundry. Miss Bagley is a highly esteemed and well known young lady and will be a popular addition to the social set of this city.

MAD DOG RUNS AMUCK BITES DOGS AND STOCK

His Mad Career Ended By Bullet; Authorities Taking Extra Precautions

NOTICE: For the reason that a dog suffering from rabies of the most malignant and dangerous type has been in this city and bitten a number of other dogs, it is absolutely necessary that all dogs in the city must be tied up with a chain—not a rope—at all times. No exceptions whatever and any dog seen running at large or loose will be promptly shot.

By order of the State, County and City authorities.
F. O. Parker, Marshal.

A mad dog entered this section on Tuesday or Wednesday of last week and before killed Saturday morning not only bit a number of dogs but some stock as well.

The dog came from the north, biting at least three dogs along the Salem-Independence road, evidently stayed in Independence until Friday, then started south. Three sheep and two cows were bitten before it reached the Buckner farm where its mad career was ended with a bullet. The dog attempted to bite Mr. Buckner and his son but they kept out of its way. The younger Buckner shot it several times that night but it was not until the next morning that a bullet reached a vital spot. Dr. Butler, health officer, was notified, went to the Buckner farm, cut off the dog's head and took it to Portland where an examination proved that the dog had rabies in its most malignant form.

As a consequence of the mad dog, city and county authorities are taking vigorous steps to prevent a spread of the disease. It has been ordered that all dogs be chained and watched closely. Should a dog or any other animal show signs of becoming mad or act in a strange manner, it should be killed or a health officer notified if the animal is confined or tied.

Unless due precaution is taken at this time, more drastic measures will be resorted to and should any other dogs contract the disease and run amuck, it undoubtedly would be necessary to kill all dogs in the community.

SYMPTOMS OF RABIES

Incubation period from seven days to seven months but usually from two to six weeks.

The old belief that a mad animal travels in a straight line is erroneous.

A rabid dog does not always froth at the mouth or have fits and in the early stages can drink water.

General symptoms: Change in disposition, usually sullen. Restlessness with a tendency to wander. Snaps or bites anything that moves. Refusal of food and usually water, but may attempt to eat stones, dirt, etc. Change of voice which becomes hoarse, high pitched, sort of a half bark and half howl. A tendency to tremor with possible blindness in right eye; gradually increasing paralysis in left hind leg. In dumb rabies the lower jaw becomes paralyzed and the animal acts as though it had something in its throat. The

IMPORTANT BUSINESS CHANGE

Sam Finkelstein, late of New York City Buys Store of Drexler & Alexander

An important business change took place in Independence business circles the first of the week when Sam Finkelstein, for a number of years engaged in the general merchandise business in New York City, purchased the store of Drexler & Alexander. Mr. Finkelstein says that he intends to offer many bargains to the people of this community and starts in by offering a discount on shoes and dry goods. A successful business man in New York, he is sure to do well here.

It is much regretted that Drexler & Alexander have elected to quit business in Independence. They have been wide-awake business men, enjoyed a large trade and were well liked by every one. However, we have been informed that they do not intend to leave the community which is a welcome announcement. Mr. Alexander will remain with Mr. Finkelstein for some time while Mr. Drexler will spend the next few weeks collecting and settling up the affairs of the old firm.

G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT

The State Encampment of the G. A. R. was held at McMinnville on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Independence had a delegation present including Mesdames Morgan, Ewing, Fetzer and Parker and Miss Laura Ewing who represent the Relief Corps.

There was a registration of 728 visitors and 488 veterans. George A. Harding of Oregon City was elected Commander for the ensuing year and Eugene chosen for the 1916 meeting. Comrades Hampton, Bingman, Butler, Jones, Treat, Brown, Bascoe and Fryer of the local Post attended.

CLUB MEETS AGAIN

The Monitor was misinformed in regard to the Civic League's closing meeting for the season. There will be another meeting at the Moose parlors next Tuesday, June 22, which will be very important and it is desired that all members be present.

symptoms in other animals are somewhat similar.

WANTS SIDING AT LEYFORD

WOULD BENEFIT MANY

Sam McElmurry and Others Petition Railway Commission For Switch and Spur

S. H. McElmurry and others have petitioned the State Railway Commission to require the Southern Pacific railroad to put in a switch and siding at Leyford, a few miles south of Independence. The commission has replied that it will give a hearing to the petitioners in Independence soon. The building of the side track at Leyford would greatly facilitate shipping and be of much benefit to the farmers living near.

DIED

G. E. Waldron, father of Mrs. A. G. Knapp, died in Salem Monday night. The funeral and burial took place at Baker City. The quartette that sang at the funeral consisted of the same people that sang at his wife's funeral eight years ago. Besides Mrs. Knapp, there is another daughter, Mrs. Ingalls, of Eugene.

James E. Marks, of Independence, died at the Dallas hospital June 12th, following a short illness with typhoid-pneumonia. He was a native of Oregon, 52 years old, and unmarried. Interment was made in the Smith cemetery at Lewisville.—Dallas Itemizer.

BARN BURNS

A large barn on the farm of Abram Green, near Independence, burned to the ground one day last week but fortunately it was well insured.

SMALL CHANGE

The mad dog must have been going some. From reports received it was in six places at the same time.

The city schools closed Wednesday and glad vacation days are here.

The city council meets in adjourned session tonight.

WAITING.



—Harding in Brooklyn Eagle

MUZZLE HIM!



—Taylor in Los Angeles Times