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## RECALL TALK IS CURRENT

### FEEL PUBLIC OPINION

**Court and Surveyor Are Not Harmonizing To Any Great Extent At This Time**

Considerable complaint is heard regarding the conduct of affairs in Polk county and it would not be surprising if recall petitions were in circulation within a few weeks. At present "gumshoe" methods are fashionable and there are "feelers" being sent out to ascertain the state of public sentiment and if enough support can be pledged to make a respectable showing for recall.

The Monitor is not in a position at this time to express an opinion of the charges or complaints made. Somebody soon will have to make an explanation of the present financial condition of the county and the reason for it.

County Surveyor Canfield says that he favors the recall of certain county officers and don't care who knows it. Mr. Canfield has recently "crossed" with the county court over matters relative to his office and claims that the court is hiring outsiders to do work that should be done by himself, which of course gives him cause to complain if what he says is true.

Should the county court abandon its plan for the improvement of the much traveled Salem-Independence road and put the money into a thoroughfare for tourists in the west end, the people of this section would be aggravated to the point where they might look with favor upon the recall.

### ROAD OILED

The Salem-Independence road has been oiled which makes it very pleasant now. For the past few weeks the dust has been fierce and an auto would leave behind it in the air enough good soil to fertilize an acre in the cactus country.

## BRUCE EVANS CLOSES REVIVAL

But Another Will Start Next Sunday Evening At the Christian Church

J. Bruce Evans closed the union revival meetings in Independence Sunday evening by delivering his farewell message to the largest audience during the three weeks time.

The success of the meetings is evident by the number who were converted during the time. The pastors of the city, taking into consideration the handicaps against which they were obliged to work, are well pleased.

Commencing at the Baptist church Sunday night, union services will be held weekly for the remainder of the summer. The meetings will be held at the several churches in rotation. It will not be known until each service has commenced, which pastor will occupy the pulpit.

Beginning Sunday evening, July 18, Evangelist A. F. Bennett will commence a series of meetings in the Christian church at 7:45. The members of the Christian church are loyally backing up Rev. Bennett and believe that he will meet with startling success.

### BULL WHIPPED

Ross Nelson of Independence is the owner of some thoroughbred cattle, but he recently came near being minus the head of his herd through attacks of Guinea hens, which he keeps on the place. The bull was staked out, and the rope became wound around a stump, whereupon the Guineas began the pecking process until the animal bellowed loudly with pain, attracting the attention of farm hands, who went to the rescue. According to Mr. Nelson, had not assistance been at hand the hens would have killed the bull. —Dallas Observer.

### FIRE BLIGHT

J. S. Parker, fruit inspector, gives warning that fire blight may prevail in Polk county and any suspected cases should be called to his attention at once. He says "the most noticeable characteristic of the disease is the appearance of the leaves upon the afflicted portions of the trees. The leaves turn brown and have exactly the appearance of having been scorched by fire."

### THE DAWN OF A NEW TOMORROW.



—Chapin in St. Louis Republic.

## CITY TO BUILD MANY WALKS

### ADS IN FOR BIDDERS

**City Will Furnish Capital But Property Owners Must Pay It Back In Taxes**

The city is this week advertising for bids for the construction of numerous cement walks, most of which are in North Independence. These walks, while built at the expense of the city, will be charged to the property owners. In other words, the city is advancing the money and the property owners are given very reasonable terms for the payment thereof. The city proceeds to build the walks for two reasons—that the property owners have neglected or refused to build the walks or are not able financially to do so.

It has also been decided to grade Williams street in North Independence from Main to Log Cabin and gravel an 8-foot roadway thereon. The improvement is at the request of property owners on this street and Williams will soon be the model street in North Independence.

Now that the city is going to build walks in North Independence, it revives the old property line question in that part of the city. The walks will be built on the new line and if it is the intention of anybody to contest the question in the courts, they will soon have to get busy.

The county has not abandoned its plan to pave one or two miles of the Independence-Salem road from the bridge north. It is sought to avoid the half block jog in the road in some manner and two ways are possible. One is to buy two lots on the corner of Main and Oak and run the road through them. While this will not straighten the road, it will eliminate the two sharp turns. Business men of the town interested in getting the paving, have an option for the purchase of the two lots. The Goetz plan, and certainly the most desirable if it is possible, is to run the road straight north from the bridge. A lot or part of one would have to be purchased to do this.

### DEMANDS ROYALTY

The county court has received, through an attorney of Chicago, a demand for ten percent royalty on all the re-inforced concrete bridges in Polk county. The Chicago attorney claims that his client is the inventor and patentee of the process used in the construction of these bridges. The largest bridge of this kind in the county is the one at Independence, which cost about \$5,000, but there are numerous small ones, which would make the commissions, if allowed, run into several thousand dollars. The court has taken the claim under advisement. —Dallas Itemizer.

Washington reports that this country could raise 20,000,000 soldiers if it were forced to do so, and nobody hopes it will be.

## MANY SEE OLD LIBERTY BELL

Two Thousand Go From This Neighborhood Along Behold Country's Relic

"That old State House bell is silent, Hushed now its clamorous tongue, But the spirit it awakened Still is living—ever young; And when we greet the smiling sunlight On the Fourth of each July, We will ne'er forget the bellman Who, 'twixt the earth and sky, Rang out loudly 'Independence! Which, please God, shall never die."

Two thousand people from the Independence and Monmouth district saw the Liberty Bell yesterday afternoon. A special train of six coaches carried 500 Normal students. Jitney service was limited early in the day. 200 automobiles passed one place on the Salem-Independence road between one and one fifteen.

The triumphant tour of the old bell across the continent has been marvelous. It has raised the patriotism of the American people to the highest point. Once more back in its home in Philadelphia, the bell will never leave again.

### EXPOSITION NOTES

"The Willamette Valley representatives here are now engaged in another form of advertising that really promises great results. On two days of the week visitors are given a taste of Willamette valley prunes and on two days samples of loganberry juice are tasted by all willing to run the risk of a new drink. The public is taking to both like a duck takes to water. Invariably there is immediate inquiry as to where the Oregon prune can be bought, and scores of orders could be taken. From the way the tasters enthuse over the loganberry juice the representatives at all the booths in the building are agreed that there is every possibility of this drink becoming even more popular than the grape juice made famous by William Jennings Bryan. There are many demands for cases of this and it is sincerely believed that this little sampling is going to accomplish greatly in widening the market for both the prune and loganberry juice. This will help the entire valley."

"Oregonians are advised to bring heavy clothing or wraps when they come to the exposition. It is foggy and cold most of the time, with much wind."

### PRACTICAL HEALTH HINT.

Yawning as a Stimulant. Dr. Naegeli, professor of medicine at Liege university, commends the practice of yawning as a physical restiver. A good yawn, the professor maintains, is excellent for the lungs and for all the breathing organs as well. But there is an art in yawning, he says, just as there is an art in breathing. Every yawn should be as deep as possible, so as to bring all the muscles of the throat and chest into action, and also to fill the lungs with a current of fresh air. Dr. Naegeli has known of many cases in which a sore throat has been alleviated by persistent yawning.

### DEMONSTRATION

The special train for the purpose of demonstrating successful canning arrived in Independence Monday morning and a fair sized crowd of people witnessed the demonstration by Prof. Griffin of the O. A. C. The special was at Monmouth at two o'clock.

War as "made in Germany" calls for a bigger man than old Sherman to invent a fitting definition.

There is a large and growing job at rewriting international law looking for the right man.

## RABIES AGAIN THREATENS

### MILK COW GOES MAD

**State Authorities May Take Situation In Hand and Try More Drastic Measures**

Once more this community is facing a serious situation relative to an epidemic of rabies. The mad dog that trotted into Independence a few weeks ago and bit other dogs and stock before being killed, has started an epidemic in spite of all precautions that local authorities took at the time. Because of the indifference some people have displayed, more drastic measures will probably be resorted to.

This week a cow belonging to Newton Jones acted so queer and unnatural that she was killed. Her brains were sent to Portland for analysis and in the opinion of the State Board of Health, she was mad. The cow was kept at the Hubbard-Jones ranch south of Independence.

The State Veterinary was here this week for a few days and will return again next week. It is the intention of the state authorities to take the situation in hand, if conditions do not improve and there is not a better observance of the requirements deemed necessary for the prevention of the spreading of the disease.

A mad dog at Sheridan and another at Carlton within the past ten days, has added to the danger and has caused the state authorities to be more alert.

Ferguson, the man who was bitten at the Horst Bros.' ranch by the first mad dog, is now in Portland taking the Pasteur treatment.

A youngster by the name of Bullock was bitten by a dog on 7th street yesterday. The dog has never shown any peculiarities to indicate that it might have rabies.

Mr. Jones and H. Rafferty, who handled the mad cow considerably, went to Portland this morning for the purpose of taking the Pasteur treatment if it is deemed necessary. They do not propose to take any chances.

### BIG CROP LIKELY

Although the present weather conditions are not very promising for the harvest and many farmers are complaining that their grain crop is so heavy and approaching the stage of maturity which requires cutting in a very short time, that it is beginning to fall in many sections of the valley, the indications are for a record crop of wheat, barley, oats and rye for practically all of the Willamette valley, and particularly Marion and Polk counties, where the yields give promise of breaking all records of the past 20 years. —Salem Capital Journal.

Makes Aeroplanes Invisible. To make aeroplanes invisible is the object of a recent invention described by the Scientific American. The wings are covered with a transparent, non-inflammable celluloid, and the machine is said to be invisible when flying a few hundred feet in the air.

## HEZEKIAH'S MEMORY.

It Was Subjected to a Severe Test, but It Stood the Strain.

I once heard of an old negro named Hezekiah, who it was said, had the most wonderful memory ever known to man. Indeed, it was so great that the devil, it is said, was envious of it and often dreamed of how much better he could conduct the affairs of his dominion at home and abroad if he only had Hezekiah's memory.

Hezekiah had let it be known that if at any time anybody should ever catch him forgetting anything that somebody could have his power of memory. This is where the devil saw his chance and laid his plans. So one day the "old scratch" dressed himself in citizen's clothes and approached Hezekiah where he was plowing in his field. Each greeted the other and passed the compliments of the day; then presently the devil said:

"Hezekiah, of all the good things that there are in the world to eat, what one thing do you like best?"

After a moment of reflection Hezekiah replied, "Chicken." Without further words the devil turned and walked away. He stayed away from Hezekiah for twenty years. Then one morning somewhat as before he approached him as he was there at work in his field. He looked at him for a moment and said, "How?" Hezekiah looked up, scratched his head, smiled a little and replied, "Fried." —Birmingham News.

### FROM THE MONMOUTH HERALD

C. E. Force is going to quit barbering for a year and will rest up in Eastern Oregon. He has rented his business to E. M. Ebbert, his present helper.

Gordon Bowman drove to Portland Wednesday being accompanied by Mrs. Addie Shore and daughters, Mrs. Vernon Brown of Independence, and Gaynelle Shore, and Mrs. John Riddell. Mrs. Shore was on her way to Washington but the rest of the party returned home in the evening.

W. E. Smith received a letter from Hon. Ira C. Powell noting the arrival of himself and family at Napa, California, on Saturday evening. They were seven days on the road, were held up a day and a half on account of rain and drove down in five days, traveling 712 miles. Mr. Powell reported a good trip with grand scenery along the way, and remarked that their dog rode all the way down on the fender of the auto.

In not a few cases the only rule for "safety first" is to walk.

After all the ultimatum crop is still unharvested.

## FALL RESULTS IN DEATH

### SCAFFOLDING BREAKS

**Roy Patterson Is Fatally Injured At the Home of His Father-in-law, Peter Shafer**

Roy Patterson fell from a barn on the farm of his father-in-law, Peter Shafer, Tuesday, and sustained injuries from which he died. A hemorrhage of the lungs commenced at once and was the direct cause of his death. He also fractured a leg.

The young man was painting the barn at the time of the accident and the scaffolding gave way.

Mr. Patterson's home was at Sandy. With his wife he had been staying with his father-in-law and assisting in the work of the farm.

Wanted the Music.



Uncle—Here's a nickel, Bobbie. Bobbie—Haven't you got 5 pennies, Uncle Dick, something I could rattle all the way to the store? —New York Globe.

### POOLE GETS CONTRACT

A. N. Poole on Monmouth was the successful bidder for the contract to build the school house at Parker. Construction will be commenced at once so the building can be used for school purposes this fall. J. W. Leask on Monmouth will put in the basement.

What Followed Aughter. A July laugh given to laughter, such day her friends thought became daughter. But when she'd begin she could raise such a din a way reborn from laughter to laughter. —Newark (O.) Advocate.

### MORE HORRORS OF WAR.



—Taylor in Los Angeles Times.