

# Several Hundred Dollars

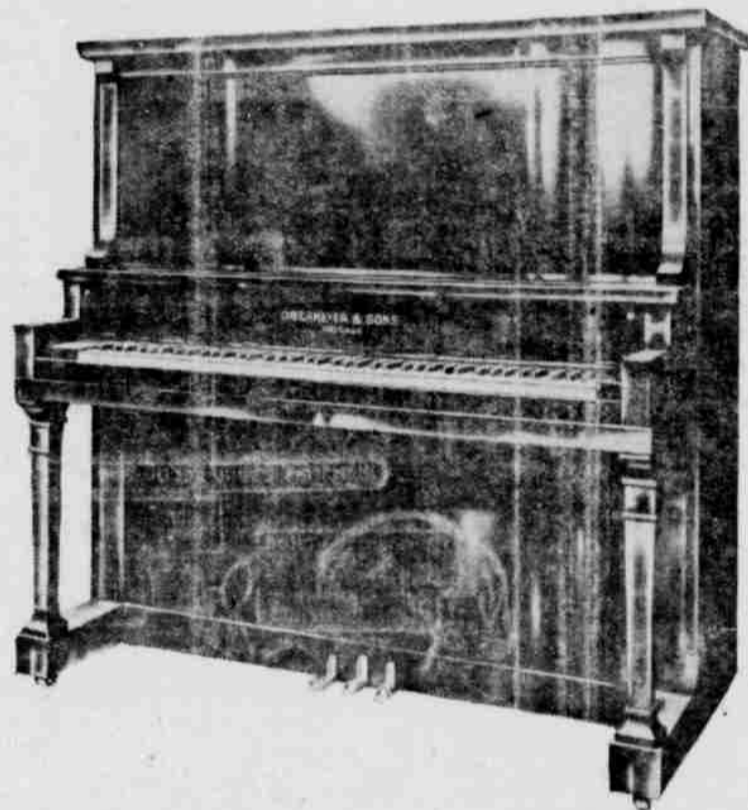
In Prizes to be distributed in a

## Piano Contest

By the Independence Merchants and The Monitor

**The Capital Prize**  
Which will be given by The Monitor  
will be an elegant  
**\$400 Obermeyer & Son Piano**

Several Merchants of Independence  
have contributed valuable  
**PRIZES**  
and will give local vote coupons with  
each \$1.00 cash purchase



### Rules and Regulations Governing Contest are as follows:

**ANNOUNCEMENT**—This Piano and Popular Voting Contest will be conducted fairly and honestly on business principles, strictly with justice and fairness to all concerned. With the above principles it will be a success.

**PRIZES**—The Capital prize will be an Obermeyer & Son Piano. Also other valuable prizes to the amount of many dollars which are announced below.

Young ladies in the adjoining towns are eligible to enter this contest, and the party receiving the largest number of votes will receive the beautiful \$400 Obermeyer & Son's Piano and other premiums will be awarded in accordance with the contestants' standing at the final count.

Votes will be issued in the following denominations: New subscriptions, 600 votes, \$1.50. Renewals, 500 votes, \$1.50. Renewals more than one year, 600, \$1.50. Five year renewals, 5000 votes, \$7.50. Ten years, 12,000, \$15.00. Twenty years, 30,000 votes, \$30.00.

Results to standing votes will be announced after 30 days. No votes accepted at less than regular price of the paper. No member of the Monitor family or any of immediate relatives of the merchants co-operating will be permitted to become a candidate in this contest or work for contestants.

Votes cannot be transferred after being voted. The contest will close April 3, 1916. Ten days prior to closing the judges will seal the box and have same in charge until the contest closes when they will announce the result.

#### LADIES SUIT, VALUE \$25.00

Donated by EDDY & ELLIOTT,  
Dry Goods, Clothing, Furnishings, Shoes.  
We give a 25 vote coupon free with each  
\$1.00 cash purchase. Ask for coupon.

#### KODAK, VALUE \$10.00

Donated by WILLIAMS DRUG CO.  
We give a 12½ vote coupon free with each  
50c cash purchase. Ask for coupon.

#### Hand Painted Tea Set, Value \$10.00

Donated by CALBREATH & JONES,  
Staple and Fancy Groceries.  
We give a 12½ vote coupon free with each  
50c cash purchase. Ask for coupon.

#### PRIZE, VALUE \$8.00

Donated by ROWE'S JEWELRY STORE.  
I give a 25 vote coupon free with each  
\$1.00 cash purchase. Ask for coupon.

#### HAT, VALUE \$8.00

Donated by MRS. BASCUE,  
MILLINERY.  
I give a 25 vote coupon free with each \$1.00  
cash purchase. Ask for coupon.

#### FREE OFFER

To every new subscriber secured by the  
contestants during the months of January  
and February, The Monitor will give one  
year's subscription to Woman's World,  
Housewife and Home Life free.

Call for and save your tickets, beginning Next Monday. It will help some  
one win a prize.

## Nominate Your Favorite Lady— Help Her Win Grand Prize

Address all communications and subscriptions to  
the Contest Manager of The Independence Monitor.

## THE SOCIAL WORLD BY VIRGINIA SOUTHERN

What matter how the night behaved?  
What matter how the north wind  
raved?  
Blow high, blow low, not all its snow,  
Could quench our hearth-fires' ruddy  
glow.

—Whittier.

Thus far 1916 has afforded a  
delightful opportunity for the  
discussion of a most beloved  
American author, John Green-  
leaf Whittier, and the picture of  
his childhood home which he  
sketches with exquisite skill in  
"Snow-Bound," which is always  
read with increasing admiration,  
especially when before us lies so  
beautiful a demonstration, and  
surely the "Gripettes" are—  
Content to let the north-wind roar  
In baffled rage at pane and door,  
While the red logs before us beat  
The frost-line back with tropic heat."

But the more fortunate ele-  
ment has seized every opportu-  
nity to enjoy the marvelous  
pleasures offered by the "Snow-  
Storm."  
The past week has been rather  
quiet as snow sports, coasting  
and sleighing parties and gath-  
erings of a most informal nature  
have almost entirely submerged  
other social functions, and those  
who were never familiar with  
"bobbing" are now found snugly  
wrapped waiting for the rare op-  
portunity to go "bobbing," after  
which the gay parties return to  
various homes for a hot supper  
or an impromptu luncheon.

#### LEAP YEAR

The fact that "Old Father  
Time" in all his wisdom again  
announces "Leap Year" does not  
necessarily mean that American  
femininity will display any  
greater alertness to "leap" and  
the chances are that cherished  
singleness will not be endangered  
because the calendar proclaims  
"Leap Year," but the resolute  
bachelor will continue to revel in  
all the freedom of his bachelor-  
hood-dom.

The truly American young  
woman is to be won and does  
not think of doing the winning.

An interesting conversation  
between two charming Independ-  
ence belles was heard since the  
beginning of 1916. Miss Bru-  
nette said to Miss Blonde, "Isn't  
it just to startling, why, Miss  
Nom De Plume is wearing a  
magnificent solitaire already and  
she's only had two weeks in  
which to propose, Te-he-he!"  
Miss Blonde replied, "Why,  
Nom-de would certainly never  
do such a thing, you can wager  
Mr. Blank did every bit of the  
seeking and he'll be mighty glad  
to win her, too, even tho' he has  
tried a long time."

#### CLUB RECEPTION

The most elaborate club event  
of the week was the reception  
given by Mrs. W. H. Craven at  
her pretty Moxmouth St. home,  
for the members of the Wednes-  
day Afternoon Club, honorees  
being Mrs. R. H. Knox and  
Misses Pearl Knox and Eva  
Robertson of Seattle.

Mrs. Knox and daughter Pearl  
will leave soon for Springfield  
their future home, to the regret  
of a wide circle of friends who  
deplore their departure.

Miss Robertson, who has been  
spending the winter with her  
sister Mrs. Craven, left Thurs-  
day for her Washington home.  
She has many warm friends,  
who will miss her socially, hav-  
ing contributed delightfully to  
the social calendar during her  
visit.

The Craven home on this oc-  
casion presented a festive ap-  
pearance, pink and white, the  
club colors being developed  
throughout the charming recep-  
tion suite.

Merry conversation, sewing  
and an elaborate luncheon made  
up one of the most pleasant af-

ternoons of the new year and  
the honorees received many  
heartly wishes that they be most  
pleasantly surrounded in their  
new abodes.

#### BUENA VISTA

G. A. Wells made a business  
trip to Salem Monday.

Mrs. R. C. Hall and children  
are visiting her mother, Mrs.  
Nichols, in Oregon City, for a  
couple of weeks.

There have been several merr-  
y sleighing and coasting parties  
in the vicinity lately.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bevens  
visited Roy Elkins and wife in  
Hopville one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Snyder and  
Mr. and Mrs. J. Tann, from the  
Wigrieh ranch, were pleasant  
visitors over Sunday.

Mrs. Harley Prather very  
pleasantly entertained the Rural  
Club, at her home Thursday af-  
ternoon.

The I. O. O. F. lodge held in-  
stallation and had big eats on  
Wednesday evening, Jan. 12.  
The following officers were in-  
stalled: N. G., Chas. Myers; V.  
G., J. D. Whitman, Sec., W. S.,  
McClain, Treas., J. E. Wells.

The R. M. S. Society of about  
twenty members met in their  
hall Tuesday evening. This so-  
ciety is recently organized and  
is composed entirely of men and  
as it is very secretive very little  
can be learned, but after much  
labor we have heard from good  
authority, they are very busily  
preparing a play which will be  
staged on the evening of Feb. 11,  
and which will far exceed any-  
thing in that line ever heard in  
Buena. So everyone please re-  
member the date, and come pre-  
pared to have the time of your  
life.

#### DON'T FORGET

Don't forget this, Mr. Plain  
Citizen: The fellows who are  
shouting the loudest for war and  
whose hearts are bleeding to  
death for the national honor,  
have no idea of doing any real  
fighting themselves—not if they  
know it! It's YOU for the  
bloody fray and the human om-  
elette business, while those wise  
patriots will go on safely publish-  
ing newspapers or cutting cou-  
pons in Wall street. Militarism  
is all right—it depends upon the  
end of it you get!—The Phoenix.

Big Sunders.  
The South American bird eating bird  
is as big as a house, and its fur-  
rowed bill is as long as its body.  
It is found in the tropics.  
Telegraph.  
Don't forget to buy your  
Shoepicker—The  
Customer—in the bread today.

#### Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that the un-  
designed has been duly appointed ad-  
ministrator of the estate of Mary M.  
Fryer, deceased, by the County Court  
of the State of Oregon for Polk  
County, and has qualified.

All persons having claims against  
said estate are hereby notified to  
present the same duly verified, togeth-  
er with proper vouchers therefor, to  
the undersigned administrator at his  
residence in the City of Independence,  
Polk County, Oregon, within six  
months from the date of this notice.  
Dated and first published December  
31st, 1915.

Thomas J. Fryer,  
Administrator of the estate of Mary  
M. Fryer, deceased.  
B. F. Swape, Attorney.

#### PILL BOX ANNEX

down hill so fast that Miss  
Bright concluded to get off.  
She did. Miss Bright was  
not able to teach Tuesday,  
Wednesday and Thursday.

## A MID-WINTER CONCERT

will be given at the

Oregon Normal School  
Thursday Evening, Jan. 27th

The Glee Club will sing a  
Cantata composed by Alfred  
Gant, entitled

**"RUTH"**

and the orchestra will play.

All are invited to attend. Tickets, 25 and 35c.

## Calbreath & Jones GROCERS

12-2 Votes in the Merchants-  
Monitor Piano Contest,  
with every 50c purchase,  
beginning Monday.

Help some girl win the piano.



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