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Sadie will parade tomorrow,
Such is the plan she's laying,
Her mount will be a gentle one,
But rather long on braying;
So save a place for Sadie sure,
Anywhere you need her,
She will go
And make a show
If Larry F. will lead her.

Old Man Grunt, so he declares,
At his home each night,
Has a private roundup,
One that's out of sight;
"Maw rounds up seven urchins,
The little sleepy heads,
Croons them all
From large to small,
And puts them in their beds."

This is a roundup feature
That beats any other kind,
And to be once more in it,
We're sure you wouldn't mind;
The kids as they ride the merry,
Enjoying the pleasures that's rife,
Of course don't know
But really tis so,
Are never more happy in life.

A boy is a boy only once
But a man is a man for life,
A girl is a girl till she marries,
Then the rest of the time she's a wife;
So the kiddies who frolic about us,
Will ne'er be as happy "agen",
Now they're in clover
But those days are over
When they get to be women and men.

SCHOOL BOARD ACTS

By the signing of a contract by which the Independence public schools become a training school of the Normal, the acceptance of President Ackerman's recommendations for instructors, and by the election of Prof. H. H. Dunkleberger of Dallas as principal of the High School, the board of education solved in one evening several problems that have caused some contention and by its action has assured a harmonious and successful coming term of school.

Prof. Dunkleberger, who has taught in Dallas for several years with remarkable success, was not an applicant for the position. He was drafted for the place because of his well known ability as an instructor. It is presumed that he will accept.

The other teachers selected for the High School some time ago are Earl W. Heckett, manual training; Madaline Rawlings, domestic science; Beryl Holt, history and mathematics, and Mabel Stevens, English.

That the training school will be in the hands of competent teachers there is no doubt and Independence is to be congratulated upon the fact that Prof. T. H. Gentle will guide the destinies of the institution. The instructors will be Katharine Arbuthnot, seventh and eighth grades; Grace Williams, fifth and sixth; Kate Houx, third and fourth; and Emily De Vore, first and second. All these young ladies have the necessary ability and experience.

Mrs. Ruth Conkey was highly honored by President Ackerman when he recommended her for the place given Miss Arbuthnot but after consideration and consultation with her friends declined to accept it.

CIVIC LEAGUE ELECTS

At the annual election of the Civic League, Mrs. K. C. Eldridge was elected president, Mrs. O. D. Butler, first vice president, Mrs. A. L. Thomas, second vice president, Mrs. Clyde Ecker, secretary, Mrs. J. S. Cooper, financial secretary, and Mrs. D. D. Davis, treasurer. All the officers were re-elected except the secretary, Mrs. L. Crane, who is now living quite a distance from town and found it quite impossible to be present at all the meetings as the secretary should. The annual report of the president is published elsewhere in this Monitor.

SCHOOL MEETING

Next Monday night is the annual school meeting at which time a director and clerk will be elected. All residents over 21 years of age can vote under the new law.

E. E. Paddock is the retiring director. While the Monitor has disagreed with Mr. Paddock on one or two important school questions, we have always felt sure that he acted and voted for what he deemed was for the best interests of the public. Mr. Paddock as a member of the school board has never been swayed by personalities and he has always stood like a stone wall for efficiency and economy.

BAPTIST CONVENTION

Next week is Baptist week in Independence. The keys to the city hall, jail and other public buildings will be turned over to them and they will be told to do their darnest. A complete program is published on page two of this Monitor.

RED CARS HERE

The red cars of the Southern Pacific arrived in Independence Tuesday noon. So, June 12, 1917, can be set down in the history of Independence as the day that electric cars first entered the city. The run was made thru to Corvallis and was for the purpose of testing the wires and current. The private car of John M. Scott, general passenger agent, was attached and a number of railroad officials made the initial trip.

Official announcement was made today that electric service will be installed from Whiteson to Corvallis for sure on next Sunday, June 17. Two thousand feet of side track will be built in Independence on the east side of the main track for "passing" purposes.



A pretty wedding took place in the city of Salem on the afternoon of June 14, uniting Wm. Campbell of Independence, and Miss Edith West of Salem. Only a few invited guests were present beside the immediate family. Rev. T. D. Yarnes of Independence performed the ceremony.

The wedding march was played by Miss Freda Campbell as the happy couple slowly descended the staircase and marched to the altar to hear the solemn words which should make them husband and wife.

After the ceremony light refreshments were served and a delightful hour was spent in social intercourse.

Everybody in Independence knows "Billy" Campbell. He has lived in Independence for many years. Mrs. Campbell at one time taught in the local schools and is a young lady whom it is a pleasure to know.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell will make their home in Independence for the summer, but will probably spend the coming winter in Salem.

A host of friends wish them a long, happy, prosperous and useful married life.

MAY QUIT

It is practically a foregone conclusion that the Oregon Hop Growers Association will be dissolved and the members comprising it shift for themselves in the future. This was the sentiment of the meeting held in the Commercial club auditorium Tuesday afternoon when a number of the members met to discuss the situation.—Salem Capital Journal.

12 GRADUATE

The 1917 class of the Independence High School, twelve in number, received their diplomas at the opera house last Friday night. Dr. Carl S. Doney, president of the Willamette University, delivered a very instructive and interesting address to the class. A large crowd attended the exercises.

The graduates were Hazel Calbreath, Edith Dawes, Ruby Gentry, Helen Gillespie, Madeline Kreamer, Eva Mills, Hazel Porterfield, Gertrude Ruch, Wendell Denlinger, Wayne Hanna, Keith Roberts and Buren Smiley.

"COME THRU" FOR THE RED CROSS

Right now is the time for everybody to assist the Red Cross financially. In this greatest crisis of the world's history, the Red Cross MUST have millions lest thousands die. And it may be your dollar that saves some Independence boy wounded next winter in the trenches of Europe. So go your limit and come thru whenever your bit will add that bit more to the Red Cross funds.

Independence and south Polk county has been assessed four thousand dollars. We MUST give it.

REPORT OF CIVIC LEAGUE PRESIDENT

Independence, Or., June 12, 1917.—Officers and members of Civic League—I will not attempt to give a flowery report of my six months' service as president of this body for the work has been all practical. The first matter that engaged our attention was caring for the poor and needy at Christmas time. We expected to have the help of the Business Men's Club, but for some reason they gave us no assistance. However, the stores were very generous to us. Conkey & Walker gave a liberal discount on goods purchased. Calbreath & Jones provided entirely for six families. Fluke & Johnson placed twenty-five 50-lb., or fifty 25-lb. sacks of flour at our disposal to be called for when wanted. We provided for sixteen families, using \$28.99 of the League's money.

The club has been a real live one, meetings having been well attended.

As early as February 13, the boys' and girls' Industrial Club was discussed and a committee appointed to see what could be done. Had I realized in the beginning the amount of hard work and worry this entailed, I fear I would have weakened, but it affords me great satisfaction

now to report this movement a complete success and it places this League on record as having accomplished something worth while.

The mayor gave your committee the privilege of securing and planting Boston Ivy on the east and west sides of the city hall, the city paying for the same.

The League ladies also prepared a box of cooked food and other things and sent them to the Independence boys in Co. L at Vancouver.

We sent our bit, \$2.10, to the state president's traveling fund, and other small things that have helped to keep us busy.

The card party given in Moose hall on February 22 was well attended and netted us \$15.00. The Pioneer reception at the residence of J. S. Cooper was enjoyed by all and I trust this will be an annual event. We have added eleven new members to our club and I am pleased to state there are no delinquents.

I have enjoyed the work and associations of the past six months and I want to thank the officers and members for their hearty support.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth A. Eldridge.

NEBRASKA'S CONVICTS MAY GO TO THE FRONT

They Are to Be Drilled in Tactics by the Warden in the State Penitentiary.

Lincoln, Neb.—The state penitentiary is to be turned into a military garrison for a part of each day, and the state's prisoners will become soldiers if necessary. Warden Fenton has decided on military drill for practically all the convicts as soon as sham wooden guns can be made. Prison Secretary O'Connell, a member of the First Nebraska regiment in the Spanish-American war, will be drillmaster in chief.

Should the war with Germany reach such a stage as to become a drain on the citizens of the country Warden Fenton believes the younger prison inmates may be called to the front. He says he is adopting the military drill as one of preparedness.

The warden will himself take the training with his charges, and if the convicts are summoned to war he will offer his services. He is popular with the men, and they say they would want no better leader. Many have expressed their eagerness to enlist—three-quarters of them—the prison authorities say. There are about twenty former soldiers and sailors in the prison, and these are expected to act as aids to Secretary O'Connell in teaching the war game. The warden says he will see to it that the men lack nothing in knowledge.

He has issued a call to the three cooks in the prison that they show their patriotism by complying with the request of President Wilson with respect to wasting of foods. The penitentiary farm is to be enlarged materially.

LETTER FROM CO. L

Clackamas, Jan. 17—Company L marched in the parade at the Rose Festival yesterday. All those having a clean record have a day off to see the festival. Armin Young, Ernest Smith, Harry Stalnaker, Neal Buchanan and Roy Whitesker were Independence visitors Sunday. All those caught leaving without a permit are now in the guard house. They will have their trial soon, so it pays to obey orders. Charley Atwater of Airlie has a shoemaker's shop here. Business is fine, he says. R. W.

ROUND-UP ON

Independence's first round-up is on with a large crowd present. The cowboy, including several cowgirls, and the baby and doll parade was the feature this morning. It was very pretty. Mrs. Whitehead and Mrs. Glen Newton received first and second prizes for their kiddies and daughters of Mrs. L. W. Wann and Mrs. Chas. Kurre were likewise favored in the doll division. This afternoon the cowboy stunts take place at the fair grounds. The Independence band is playing continually and is receiving much praise for its work.

Tomorrow morning at ten o'clock there will be another big parade and in the afternoon more stunts by the cowboys and cowgirls.

The Monmouth Herald and Dallas Observer last week kicked the Independence dog around.

HIS LAST WORDS



DETECTIVE was praising the truthfulness of women.

"If war bulletins were as truthful as women," he said, "we'd have a better idea of how this world struggle is really going."

"I remember a case the other day—it's interesting in its revelation of woman's truthfulness—the case of a husband who had disappeared."

"Questioning the wife, I said to her: 'And now, madam, tell me—this is very important—tell me what your husband's very last words were when he left.'"

"His last words," the truthful creature answered with a blush, "were, 'For heaven's sake, shut up!'"—Washington Star.

It Pays to Advertise

THE man who didn't advertise
Was dead—extremely dead.
His widow placed (of mammoth size)
A stone above his head.

She put his name upon the same
In letters large and fair
To tell the eye of passerby
Her man was sleeping there.

FOLKS thought her sorrow must
be great
To raise this monument.
They did not know (she did not
state)
Her actual intent.

One day there came a former flame.
He read; then soothed her sighs;
And, as she wept, she softly said,
"It pays to advertise!"
—Havana Times.

No More Pot Luck

THE ways we used to like
Are getting out of style.
A friendly house we'd strike
And linger there awhile.

WE used to take pot luck
And find it good, I vow.
But homes I've lately struck
Have fireless cookers now.
—Louisville Courier-Journal

Raising the Rent

I wish I were a landlord gay.
My life would be content.
For no one knows an easier way
To go and raise the rent.
—Detroit Free Press.

The Monitor always leads.