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## Buy Liberty Bonds, Purchase Thrift Stamps, Plant War Gardens, Help Win the World War

### GOVERNOR CANDIDATE

#### Visits in Polk County and Talks on Patriotism at Lodge

Gus C. Moser Visits Independence and Monmouth This Week

Gus C. Moser of Portland, Republican candidate for governor, was in the city, Monmouth and Dallas the first of the week, meeting friends and making acquaintances. While in the city he visited the Knights of Pythias lodge and made a very patriotic address to the members in session, being asked by the Chancellor Commander to give the lodge a talk on the subject of Pythian War Service.

He spoke at considerable length on the duty of the Pythian and other lodge members in upholding the spirit of Americanism in this time of war. He told of the work the Pythian lodge is doing over the state and nation to help in this war work. He then took up the subject of patriotism and spoke of our duty to support and sustain to the limit the cause of democracy and freedom in this world contest against the autocracy of the allied powers of Germany, stating that if we did not do our duty now, we would later be forced to fight the battle alone. That we could not afford to allow our allies to suffer for want and the necessities for war. That we must speed up our labors in every community and keep down the menace from the foreigners and Americans who sympathize with and help the cause of the Kaiser. That our willing dollars now would mean saving of thousands later if the French and English mean the bringing back to American soil of thousands of men who would be killed or wounded if we do not now do our full duty.

His address was an eloquent appeal to the manhood of America and was received with a round of applause that showed the Knights of Independence were not lagging in patriotism.

After visiting the people in Independence Mr. Moser made a trip to Monmouth, visiting the people there in their places of business and from there went to Dallas where he was favorably received.

Mr. Moser is gaining strength in his candidacy and we believe he has the best opportunity to finish first in the contest of any of the candidates now in the field. He is the only candidate from Portland and is gaining strength in that city each day the contest goes on. He will get a good vote in Eastern Oregon and will be a close contestant in Southern Oregon. He has many friends working for him in Polk county and we believe he will get a good vote in this county.

#### Knights of Pythias Will Have a Big Meeting Soon.

Grand Chancellor Leslie E. Crouch and Grand Keeper of Records Walter Gleson, promised Homer Lodge Number 45 that when the boys here secured ten new members they would come and make a visit to the local lodge. At the meeting in Salem recently they were informed that Independence had passed the ten notch and they were officially notified to come and keep their promise. They responded that they would be here. An official announcement came from these officers last week that they would be here on April 29 and plans are in the making for a big time. This meeting

will probably be a semi-public affair and as these men make intensely patriotic talks it will be a treat that Independence people will enjoy.

Miss Holt was absent several days from school to visit her sister, Virginia, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia at Salem.

Mr. L. J. Simpson, one of the Republican candidates for governor was in this city Thursday for a short time on his tour through the west side of the Willamette valley. Mr. Simpson is a very pleasant man and is making many acquaintances and friends. From this city he went to Albany where he took part in the big celebration they held there Thursday evening.

The Honor flag for Independence district arrived Wednesday and will be flown from the flag-staffs of the various school districts of the Independence district.

### BUENA VISTA

#### Red Cross Doing Much Good Work

The Red Cross here is sure doing its share. At the last social in which the Independence people helped by attending something over \$100 was taken in, including the quilt which brought \$1.

The home guard is being organized and beginning in earnest. They are contemplating drilling every Saturday evening.

Pete Seymour has taken a trip over on the coast on business.

P. Hanson is building a new barn on his little farm.

Perry and Marvin Wells motored to Portland Saturday and from there to Vancouver Barracks.

John Lacy who is the driver of a Velle Six, is now in business in Salem.

#### Butter, Butter Everywhere and Some Shipped Away.

Three tons in one day is a common thing for the Independence creamery. Tuesday we were at the depot and they were sending away that amount in one shipment. Independence butter stands at the head of the butter market and Mr. Eldridge is paying much every month to the dairymen and is helping to build up the country. More Polk County Boys Have More Polk County Boys Have

#### Horst Brothers Evaporating Plant is a Busy Place.

The big evaporating plant at the

### BANK BUYS A BUILDING

#### Kirkland Building Purchased for New Home

New Bank Building to be Made of New Purchase.

The Farmers State Bank purchased the Kirkland building on Main street, just south of the O. A. Kreamer store, this week, and plan tearing out the front and making a new, modern banking home of the building.

The new building will give the bank more room, better quarters and a more central location.

Mr. Irvine states that the change will be made in a short time and that everything will be modern and up-to-date. This will be quite an addition to the town.

J. S. Cooper returned Monday from a little fishing excursion in Lincoln county. We did not get to interview him, but suppose he got the limit and at least a four-foot trout in the list.

### ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

I. O. O. F. Lodge Will Have Big Public Meeting April 25

The ninety-ninth anniversary of the founding of the Odd Fellows Lodge in America will be celebrated in this city on the evening of April 25. The meeting will be public and every one is invited to be present and enjoy the hospitality of the fraternity in this city. A program has been arranged as follows:

Song, Independence male quartette; violin solo, Prof. Smith of Portland; address on patriotism, Dr. H. Chas. Dunsmore; music, ladies quartette of Monmouth; address, "History of Odd Fellowship," B. F. Swope; solo, Mrs. C. W. Irvine.

Following the program refreshments will be served.

### STATION AGENT

#### Change Made at Hoskins Williams Goes to War

Some News From the Valley and Siletz of General Interest to Our Readers.

Ernest E. Williams, who has been in charge of the Commissary and station at Hoskins has resigned his position there and will leave today from Portland to enlist in the army. He plans going into the signal service department and will probably be sent to California for training. Mr. Williams has two brothers now in the service and although he is classified in the third class he feels that his country needs him and so he has gone to fight the Huns.

E. J. Overholzer has been appointed to take charge of station and Commissary at Hoskins and

has arrived and is on hand doing the work of that office.

Monday the surveyors of the Valley and Siletz railroad were busy in Independence surveying the line into the depot from the line of their railroad.

Much satisfaction is reported from the Valley and Siletz country with the new service established, and the people of that section can now come to Independence and transact what business they have here and return home the same evening.

#### Monmouth Case is in Court This Week.

B. F. Swope and Oscar Hayter appeared for Mr. Miller in the delinquent assessment suit for street improvement case between Wills and Miller. Wills is bringing action to recover property sold by the city of Monmouth for delinquent taxes to Mr. Miller. The case was on trial this week.

### HONOR FLAG

#### Arrives in Independence and Goes to Others

Honor Flag Arrives in Independence For This District

San Francisco, Cal., Apr. 15. Chairman Liberty Loan Com., Independence, Oregon.

Heartiest congratulations on magnificent work in winning honor flag. May you be equally successful in doubling your quota which will entitle you to a blue honor star. Flag goes forward by mail today. Letter follows.

Lunch Chairman General Executive Board 12th Dist.

Honor flag has been received and is up over postoffice. After Wednesday, April 17, this flag will be given out to the different districts for a few days use. These different districts with their fine work made it possible for us to get this flag and they are entitled to all the credit that we can give them.

#### Landed Over Seas is Telegraphic Report.

A telegraphic report was received from J. S. Cooper, Jr., on Monday, that the Independence boys and company with which he sailed have arrived in some port in England safely and would soon be on the French front. It has been stated that no ships carrying soldiers that were being convoyed by American naval boats had ever been sunk, which speaks well for the efficiency of the American navy.

### EAST POLK GOES STRONG

#### More Yet to be Subscribed in the District

This District Still Going Above the Top.

Standing of the 19 school districts in the Independence territory Wednesday evening, April 18, 1918, with campaign to be closed May 4. All district chairmen report more coming.

Dist. No 1	Zena	\$1,300
4	Eola	1,250
11	Parker	950
17	Bethel	4,550
19	Oak Grove	750
27	Oakpoint	1,250
29	Independence	18,250
31	Brush College	2,250
32	West Salem	5,100
33	Buena Vista	4,250
35	Spring Valley	350
36	Popcorn	500
40	Lincoln	450
43	Suver	1,500
47	Greenwood	3,400
52	Lone Star	
61	Mountain View	1,400
63	Hopville	2,400
64	Highland	1,750
Total		\$51,650

There are a number of applications in the banks being held for checks. These are not taken into account.

Chairman has been promised several good applications from outside parties

### AUTO-TRUCK DRIVERS

Following is an extract from telegram received from Washington by the Military Training Camps Association, 802 Consumers Building, Chicago:

"Pressing need for one hundred and fifty heavy auto truck drivers and four hundred gasoline tractor drivers period. These men needed for new tank corps unit for early overseas work period. All names submitted should be men willing to be inducted if within the draft age comma or enlisted if outside period. Proficient men may win early non-commissioned grades in most interesting work.

Men experienced only in driving pleasure cars cannot qualify as truck drivers.

Still another special draft call, the third in little more than one month, has been made by the War Department.

Under this third call, Oregon is to furnish 251 men for service in the National army, in addition to the 369 called out by the order of March 11, who have already reported at Camp Lewis; and the 927 who are to report to Camp Lewis in the five-day period beginning April 26.

The 251 men to be taken in the new special call are ordered to report to Fort McDowell, Cal., in the five-day period beginning May 1. As this is an artillery training post, the supposition is that these men are to be put into the artillery though no official announcement has been made to that effect. These 251 men constitute 3.4 per cent of Oregon's first special draft quota.

In this call, as in the two special calls previously made, men actively, completely and assiduously engaged in the planting and cultivation of crops will not be called until the end of the quota.

Polk county will be called to give five men for this quota of the list.

FOR SALE: Two trucks with iron wheels. Geo. L. Rose.

**Clubbing Offer: Two for Price of One**

In order to place the Monitor on a strictly Cash in Advance system, we have decided to club our two papers for a limited time at the price of one. Two weekly papers for \$1.50

**The Monitor      The Western Youth**

A home paper with County News      A strictly boys' and girls' newspaper

Regular Price      Regular Price  
\$1.50      \$1.50

Horst Brothers ranch is running in full force and they are drying potatoes for the market. The product, when completely evaporated, looks much like a chip of dry wood and has all the qualities necessary for food. With night and day shifts on duty the company expects to put out a good quantity of their product.

We understand that it is planned to close the plant to inspection and from visitors, as the work is in the interest of the government and every effort is to be made to keep the plant clean from any acts that might be pro-German and do damage to the product.

Every day sees a truck load of

Independence people going out to the plant to help in the work of food conservation.



Gus C. Moser, Candidate for Governor

#### Robert Dickson Made Visit to Toledo This Week

Mr. Dickson, who is giving the Western Youth a series of articles on war life in the navy, made a trip home to see his parents at Toledo the first of the week. While there he spoke to a crowded house at the picture show and told of the navy and the army in France. Mr. Dickson tells the story from an American viewpoint and his talks are interesting and instructive. He expects to leave here soon to join the army service so he can be in the army that goes to Berlin.

The entertainment by the Needlecraft society of the Presbyterian church Thursday evening was given to a capacity house and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. The patriotic solos by Mrs. Richardson, and also the solos by Mrs. Smith and Miss Elizabeth Mixer were well received, each one responding to a

hearty encore. The mandolin solo by Miss Florence Burton as well rendered showing unusual talent. Dorothy Wood and Elizabeth Bickely delighted the audience with a beautiful violin duet and Miss Kathleen Skinner gave a monologue in a very pleasing manner. The opening number was a beautiful soprano duet by Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Richardson. It was a financial success and the Ladies of the Needlecraft are to be congratulated upon the novel and interesting way in which they presented the play, "The Old Peabody Pew." The old-fashioned costumes worn by the actresses were very becoming and brought forth a general round of applause.

**THE BALANCE OF POWER**

**OVER THE TOP**

**are you here or over there?**

Liberty bond Bonds for sale here