

ROOMS OFFERED FOR UNION HIGH SCHOOL

Oregon City Directors Will Give Free Use of Two Grades

PREPARING PETITIONS

Voters Will Soon Have Opportunity to Decide—City School Census Shows But Small Increase.

At the meeting of the directors of the Oregon City school district, Monday night, the board voted to offer the two rooms in the Barclay building now occupied by the ninth and tenth grades, for free use for a year by the Union high school if one is decreed by the voters at the coming election.

The law requires the location of the building in which the proposed Union high school is to be held, to be named in the petitions calling for an election. These petitions are being prepared and this offer by the board will simplify matters. That will give the new district a year in which to provide a building.

It is believed three rooms will take care of the Union high school the first year though it is likely to have more than the 90 students that are anticipated. Superintendent McKee says that 20 of the 23 members of this year's graduating class would probably return. There are 40 pupils in the eighth grade at the Eastham and 17 in the ninth. The West side will furnish one pupil for the tenth and two for the ninth grade, while Willamette will send eight or nine pupils, a remarkable number, size of school considered. Then there are Canemah, Mount Pleasant and Parkplace districts to add their quota.

Select Teachers June 12.
The board decided to elect teachers June 12. There is a great number of applications on file with the clerk, many from the East, but none of this year's teachers has yet put in a request for a place.

Dates to Remember.
Last day of school is June 7, graduating exercises June 11, selection of teachers June 12, election of director to succeed George A. Harding, June 17.

New Sidewalk.
The board is having a new sidewalk built to the Eastham school on Seventh street, from Harrison to Polk.

School Census.
Clerk Brodie reports an increase of about 20 in the school enumeration this year over a year ago when the number was 1247. Another census will be taken in November to comply with the new law.

Superintendent's Report.
Superintendent McKee presented his monthly report from which the following figures are taken:

Grade	Enrolled	Per cent.
Miss Myers	43	.96
Miss Williams	46	.94
Miss Stevens	41	.97
Miss Cochran	43	.94
Miss Schmidt	48	.96
Miss Walden	43	.92
Miss Pope	34	.96
Mrs. Carlidge	40	.92
Miss Carter	43	.92
Miss Koerner	34	.94
Miss Nefzger	44	.93
Miss Smith	37	.96
Miss Brobst	32	.96
Mrs. Shaw	40	.98
Mrs. Godfrey	17	.94
W. C. McKee	23	.98

The total number of days absence in all the grades, 460; cases of tardiness 8; suspensions 0; pupils neither absent nor tardy 352.

REV. E. A. SMITH ARRIVES.

Rev. Erastus A. Smith arrived in Oregon City from Rochester, N. Y., Monday evening, and will occupy the pulpit of the First Baptist church both morning and evening next Sunday. Rev. Smith's brother, Thomas Smith of the West Side, who has been in poor health all winter, is not improving with the bright spring days and more on his account than for any other reason. Rev. Smith has returned to Oregon City. He is visiting his brother now.

MUSTERED IN AND OFFICERS ELECTED.

Oregon City now boasts of a militia company, and also hopes that with a few weeks' training Separate Company G. will be one of the best drilled companies in the state. Captain Knapp, quartermaster of the Third regiment, mustered the men in the service at the Armory hall Monday night. Several of the men failed to appear in answer to the orders issued, but enough were present to make the required 50.

After the mustering, Franklin A. Loomis was chosen captain of the company. He selected William R. Logus as first lieutenant and Charles E. Burns as second lieutenant. The non-commissioned officers will be appointed at the next meeting, which takes place at 8 o'clock next Monday night in the same hall.

FOUR MORE DIVORCE SUITS.

The Good German frau, Mary Janz of Portland, recites enough causes in her complaint to secure 20 divorces from real men, let alone one "lazy and worthless" "vagabond and hobo" as she charges Frederick Janz with being. They were long years, nearly 37, in the fatherland, at Graudenz near Berlin, but she has resided in Portland since May, 1902. All their children are over 21 years of age except one son named Andrew who is 16.

She says her husband is an habitual gross drunkard, has been cruel and beat her and the boy Andrew, permanently injuring the latter. The old man frequently left home to live as a hobo and would return clothed in rags and covered with vermin, and

she would be compelled to buy new clothes for him. She and the children always had to support him when he was at home. In November, 1904, he went to Tacoma, hasn't been home since, which fact has caused her no tears, and she doesn't care if he never comes back, for all she wants is absolute divorce and custody of the boy Andrew.

Lena Schinniman has filed suit for divorce from John Schinniman to whom she was married Sept. 28, 1895, and from whom she separated in January, 1902, being unable to continue living together because, she says, of his jealous disposition, violent and uncontrollable temper, which, in the words of her complaint, "utterly destroyed the legitimate ends and objects of matrimony." He went to the home of his parents and she struck out for herself. He is now confined in the state insane asylum, and she has been informed he is incurably insane. She resides in Clackamas county, and requests the custody of their minor child, Letha Schinniman.

Clara Dahl says she was compelled to leave her husband Elias Dahl on the first of last March because of his disposition to quarrel with her, and to accuse her of matters "too mean to be" set forth in the complaint. She also declares he caused her to be in failing health through his actions. She asks for divorce, for custody of their two children, aged ten and six years respectively, and that he be required to pay her \$30 a month for support of the children. They were married in Portland, April 18, 1896.

V. Vincent Jones desires a legal separation, full and complete, from his wife, Sallye W. Jones from whom he has been separated in fact for over three years, as he declares she deserted him at Leadville, Col., Feb. 14, 1904, after accusing him of adultery with one Mrs. Wm. Conklyn, which accusation he says was false and rendered his life burdensome. They were married in Detroit, Mich., June 29, 1901.

VICE PRESIDENT WANTS TO COME

Secretary Cross of the Willamette Chautauqua has a letter from Vice President Fairbanks saying if he can arrange to spend a day at Gladstone park it will give him the greatest possible pleasure, but he cannot yet say whether he can or not.

The four Portland teams in the Tri-City league have asked to enter the Chautauqua base-ball tourney. They are the Frakes, the Trunkmakers, the Brainard Cubs and the North Pacific. They with the Chemawas would complete the number.

NEW MAIL SERVICE FOR WILLAMETTE

The new mail service to Willamette was inaugurated Monday and went smoothly from the start. Time of arrival and departure of Willamette mail in the local office is as follows: Depart 10:15 a. m. and 5 p. m. Arrive 9:55 a. m. and 4:40 p. m. Sundays and holidays—arrive 9:15, depart 10:00 a. m. Mails depart from Willamette at 8:30 a. m. and 4:15 p. m. Mails closed at the postoffice in Oregon City or Willamette about 20 minutes before above dates of departure.

BEATEN AND CHOKED BY HER HUSBAND

Ethel Sexty asks for a divorce from George Sexty because of alleged cruel and inhuman treatment. They were married July 30, 1901, in Portland, and she says that seven months after in Astoria he choked her and struck her head against a partition. Later he came home drunk and choked her and beat her severely. She has to work in a laundry to gain a livelihood, he spending all his wages for drink. He also accused her falsely of immoral conduct. She asks for custody of their one child, a boy aged four years.

SOCIAL AT MONITOR.

A very successful and profitable ice cream social and entertainment was given at Monitor, Saturday night by the Monte Christo school and patrons. An interesting program was given by the pupils and young people of the district. After the program ice cream and cake were served in the hall, but owing to the large crowd present many had to leave without being served. The proceeds which amounted to quite a sum will go toward buying an organ for the school. Miss Estella Criswell has about three weeks more of school, having taught a successful winter term.

PREACHES FAREWELL

Baptist Church Crowded Sunday Night To Hear Rev. Robins' Sermon

OTHER PASTORS ASSIST

Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian Members Join in Last Service Conducted by Popular Minister.

The First Baptist church was crowded with people Sunday evening listening to the farewell sermon of the retiring pastor, Rev. Henry B. Robins. The rostrum was beautifully decorated in roses, snowballs, dogwood blossoms and lilacs.

A quartet composed of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Shank and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Loder rendered several harmonious anthems and Mrs. Loder feelingly sang "How Sweet The Name of Jesus." The scriptural lesson was read by Rev. E. Clarence Oakley of the First Congregational church. The opening prayer was offered by Rev. R. C. Blackwell of the Methodist Episcopal church and the benediction pronounced by Rev. J. R. Landsborough of the First Presbyterian church.

Rev. Robins delivered an excellent discourse and left thoughts in the minds of his hearers to carry with them in their everyday life, thoughts that acted upon cannot fail in being productive of good.

Rev. Robins with his wife and baby leave, Wednesday, for their new home at Dixon, Cal., and will carry with them the well wishes of the entire community.

The charge here has not been filled yet, but as there are several applicants under consideration, the pulpit will not be left vacant before a permanent pastor is hired. The church hopes to have Rev. Erastus A. Smith, who has just been graduated at Rochester, N. Y., with them next Sunday. Rev. Smith has many friends in Oregon City, his boyhood home. His only surviving relative now here is a brother, Thomas Smith of West Oregon City. It has not been definitely learned yet whether Rev. Smith can be here Sunday.

Rev. E. S. Bollinger, former pastor of the local Congregational church, preached the first of a series of sermons, Sunday night in the Highland church at Portland, on the "Wreckage of Life," the theme of the first series being, "Fair Havens." Rev. John Bentzien at the White Temple, answering the question, "Is there any harm in dancing," said the "waltz is of hell," and that "men will no more dance with their wives than split wood all night for fun."

The new Evangelical church that is being completed in Milwaukie will be dedicated Sunday, May 26. Rev. F. M. Fisher is the pastor. The church will be completed next week. The cost will be about \$2500. It is of unique design, being octagonal in shape, surmounted with a dome instead of a tower.

ENLARGING CLEAR CREEK CREAMERY

INCREASING BUSINESS MAKES PURCHASE OF NEW RIPENER VATS NECESSARY.

Logan, May 15.—The few days' rain was greatly appreciated by the farmers.

Mr. and Mrs. John McCubbin of Lostine, who have been visiting in Logan, for a month, returned to their home, last week.

Mrs. A. M. Kirchem of Redlands visited relatives on the Prairie, Sunday. F. Riebhoff invested in an Edison phonograph this week.

Mr. Scott of Milwaukie was touring this place this week in quest of fat mutton, beef, etc., for his butcher shop.

Miss Christine Hamilton of the Lower Logan school, whose term expires the 24th inst., will have a school pic-

nic Saturday, May 25, on the river bank at W. P. Kirchem's place.

Monday night was the monthly meeting of the Clear Creek Creamery company. They have decided to get new ripener vats for the cream as the cream as the old ones are wholly inadequate for the large amount of cream they receive. On Monday the cream received at the creamery exceeded 3500 pounds. For the last month they pay off at 27c per pound for butter fat (April) and the month previous, (March), paid off at 38c per pound. New patrons are being added to the already large list almost daily. During April, they made over six tons of butter and averaged over \$600 pounds per week. However May and June will be the record months for butter making, as then everyone will have an abundance of green feed.

W. P. Kirchem went to Portland to see about getting the necessary apparatus Tuesday. At the rate cream is increasing something has to be done "mighty quick."

F. Gerber is doing some bridge repairing now, but it seems to be difficult to get a full crew out on road work as farmers have been so busy with farm work at home.

F. S. Hutchins has been afflicted with a number of "Job's comforters." As soon as one disappears another one comes. As they are now on the eyelids it is a very painful situation.

COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES.

A. M. Groshong of Wilhoit, clerk of District No. 65 consulted with Superintendent Zinsler regarding school matters Wednesday. Mr. Groshong says that a new school will be built in his district this summer.

The state examinations for the eighth grade will be held in Clackamas county, Thursday and Friday. Over 225 students will take the test.

L. N. Vallen of Ellwood made a business trip to Oregon City, Friday.

METHODS OF BOSS REED

Amazing Condition of Affairs Disclosed in City Government of Estacada

GRAFTING IS CHARGED

Citizens in Revolt and Nominate Anti-Reed Ticket—Town Divided into Two Hostile Camps.

Estacada, May 15.—The municipal campaign in Estacada is growing very warm. At a caucus held by the present city officers a few nights ago it was decided that it was best for their interests to run again. Mayor J. W. Reed, convicted of a felony in debauching the ballot at Sellwood, has announced his candidacy for re-election. He says that he wants the citizens of Estacada to vindicate his character. All the old officers will run again. It is necessary for them to do so to save their faces.

Dr. Wm. K. Haviland is the anti-Reed candidate for mayor and E. F. Surface an anti-Reed candidate for councilman. The town has divided itself on Reed and anti-Reed lines and a bitter fight will be waged till close of the campaign. Wednesday evening a citizen's nominating convention will

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