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Newport

This has been a busy time for Newport. The public school is closing up its work for the year. "The Merry Milkmaids," a play put on at the Midway Theatre on the evening of the 14th by the Eighth Grade pupils was one of the best entertainments of the season. The class was under the direction and training of Miss Harkleroad. The play represented the beauty and happiness of farm life. The girls, with their plain calico dresses, sun bonnets and milk buckets and stools to sit on while milking, and at the same time keeping cheerful and happy. In this country where it rains so much in winter the boys and men do the milking as well as to do the farm work. The boys came on the stage with their farm clothes and farm utensils for work—hoes, spades, shovels and axes. These boys were also happy, showing they were well pleased with their chosen occupation. If more people owned their homes and as much land as they need there would be less poverty and suffering in the world. Stay on the farm is good advice.

The High School gave an entertainment in the auditorium of the new building. The stage was beautifully decorated with evergreens. The exercises were begun by a vocal solo by Miss Harkleroad. Salutatory by Mr. Fred Boylton. Class Prophecy by Walter Belt. Valedictory by Madeline Ryan. The High School graduates showed by the able manner with which they delivered these addresses that they had been trained in their school work, especially in clear expression and forceable delivery. Miss Ryan's address made a good impression. The graduating address by W. E. Gwynn, in his usual able and eloquent manner. His address rose to the dignity of an oration. Prof. Dawkins also made a very plain, sensible talk to the class and if remembered will do each one great good in all their future lives.

The Grand Lodge of Oregon I. O. O. F. is holding its sixth annual session at Newport this year. About fifteen hundred of Rebecas and Oddfellows, six hundred delegates are attending the lodge and three hundred delegates are attending the Rebekeh assembly. The Rebekeh hold their meeting in the Oddfellows Temple and the Grand Lodge hold their meeting in the skating rink. On Tuesday evening the Portland team exemplified the degree work of the Encampment in the skating rink. This work was splendidly done and it is said to be the best team in the state. The McMinnville team also put on the floor work in the rink Wednesday evening, exemplifying the Rebekeh Degree. The Salem team put on the joint installation work. This was very interesting as new features were added. After the installation was over ice cream was served. This was a general exercise and all had a good time. The Muskavites gave one of their fine side-splitting street parades Wednesday evening. This is a fun-making exhibition and all enjoy it. On Thursday an exhibition of the life saving drill was given by the crew of the Yaquina Bay Station, Capt. Stuart in charge. Also a clam bake will be given on Newport beach the same evening. The Oddfellows, Rebecas and other visitors are provided for and all seem to enjoy themselves to the fullest extent. It would have been much better had it not rained.

Little Elk

These fine rains are making crops grow.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Matthews returned from Corvallis Saturday night, bringing with them a new stove.

W. F. Wakefield made a trip to Nortons and Nashville Saturday.

Irvin Magee is having some painting done by O. Matthews.

Miss Irene Magee has returned home from Mrs. Robbins' where she had been studying for the Eighth Grade examination.

Some work has been done on the new road around the school house hill.

Mr. Wehnert bought a horse Tuesday.

Miss Rena Aldrich visited Irene Magee Saturday. Roger Loudon also called up that way.

Messrs. Clifford and Brown Wakefield, Virgil Loudon and George Carran were over at Ona the other day.

Walter Standard and Asa Chaptman are slashing brush for Mr. Stockdale.

Mrs. Vance Cline went to Nashville for a visit with her folks.

Yaquina

S. J. Brown received the sad news of the death of his sister, Mrs. Dobson, at Independence Saturday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Brown left Sunday evening to attend the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Bain of Bellfountain spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Dowling.

Mrs. J. H. Sugg of Winant Sundayed at the home of Mr. Whitney's.

Mrs. L. E. Casteel left for Portland Wednesday morning, called there by the death of her brother in law.

Mrs. Sid Nickleson and children spent Wednesday at Newport.

A large sea lion that had been killed, floated in on the beach Tuesday night and has been the attraction of quite a number of people at this place.

Ona

Quite a number of the young men of this vicinity went to the beach Sunday.

Clifford Phelps and Lloyd Parks were visitors at the H. H. Cook & Co.' sawmill Monday.

Fay Selby went to Newport Friday, returning home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Commons visited at the Phelps home Sunday.

Chas. North of Newport and Mr. Bowerman of Salem were in this vicinity one day last week.

Glen

We are having winter weather.

Mrs. Birdie Wiley and Miss Clare Moore spent Monday night in Elk City.

J. W. Davenport and daughter, Miss Edith, went to Elk City Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Davenport spent last Saturday with friends at Harlan.

Elizabeth Swank of Aumsville is at present visiting with her aunt, Mrs. Birdie Wiley.

Messrs. Lucy Martin and Clare Moore and Vance Daniels and Lige Grant spent last Sunday on Table Mountain. They got a trifle bit damp.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Davenport were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Brown's Sunday.

Alvah Moore went to Harlan Saturday.

Messrs. John Davenport and Everett and Ray Brown went to Toledo last week.

West Yaquina

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kurth and son of Portland are spending a week or two with Mrs. Kurth's sister, Mrs. Bert Miller, and family.

Mrs. G. B. Ryan of Ona spent

a few days with her brother, Ed Hanlon, and family here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hanlon moved over to their home at Ona Sunday.

Ed Hanlon and brother, John, are attending Grand Lodge at Newport this week.

While trying to pass the grader, which is standing on the bridge, George Ryan's wagon broke a rotten board, falling off the bridge and spilling some cream.

Upper Beaver

J. M. Bowers made a business trip to Toledo Wednesday.

Henry Rhoades, Jesse Clifford and Peter Peterson made a trip to Oysterville Thursday.

Mrs. J. M. Bowers visited at the T. Huntsucker ranch Thursday.

William Peterson of the C. & E. bridge crew, spent Sunday and Monday visiting at the A. Peterson home.

K. D. Martin and Geo. Emerson went to Toledo Friday.

Geo. Emerson was planting potatoes on Mrs. McKenny's homestead Wednesday.

K. D. Martin and I. N. Huyett delivered a beef and veal to Toledo Monday.

Charlie Woodin and Willard Huntsucker of Wright's creek visited the former's brother, T. Huntsucker, and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pery Vancil were guests at the Lewis home Sunday.

Mrs. J. M. Bowers visited Mrs. H. Rhoades Monday.

Mrs. I. N. Huyett visited Mrs. A. Peterson Wednesday afternoon.

Gordon Emerson of Oyster City visited at the Peterson ranch Monday evening.

Mrs. H. Rhoades visited with Mrs. A. Peterson Thursday.

Gordon and Jean Emerson of Oyster City were in this vicinity Friday.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT TAFT

The children around Siletz Bay had their day May 14th. Though the rain spoiled the plan for a dinner in the grove and a picnic on the beach, the program was held in the hall at Taft. This consisted of songs, recitations, dialogues and readings by the pupils of districts 50, 51, 54 and 60. All expressed themselves as well pleased with the entertainment and many suggested that it be made an annual event.

SEVEN TO SEVEN TIE

The Toledo-Siletz ball game had to be called in the twelfth inning last Sunday on account of rain, the score standing 7 to 7. At the end of the ninth inning the score was 4 and 4. In the tenth Siletz made a score and so did Toledo. In the 11th Siletz made two and so did Toledo. Along about the eighth frame one of the Siletz boys knocked one that looked good for a home run, the ball landing in the middle of the slough way out behind left field, but Clyde McMillan, our left fielder, seeing the runner was going to score, plunged into the water, got the ball, and threw the man out.

Center pitched the entire 11 innings for Toledo and was in good shape when the game ended.

Here is the lineup:
Toledo
A. McMillan 2b Al Lane
Hammond 1b Goodell
Carson c Art Lane
Plank ss P. Washington
Groth 3b Casey-Reed
Edwards cf Watts
Center p Reed-Casey
C. McMillan lf Felix
Mills rf A. Washington
Umpire, Andy Goodell.

A return game will be played at Siletz Sunday, May 30th.

Rev. Allen returned last evening from a two weeks' stay in the Valley.

Willie Clausius of Siletz was in the city Wednesday evening.

T. F. Travers, the Siletz blacksmith, was over to the ball game Sunday.

Marriage license was issued Wednesday to William Cochell and Ovella Davis.

Mrs. C. Mackey returned last Saturday evening from a visit to the Valley.

J. G. Plank brought to market several days ago a lot of ripe raspberries.

Mrs. Lena Jones is up from Otter Rock visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ball.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Enos have moved back to Elk City, where Mr. Enos can look after the saw mill at that place.

Leonard Newkirk of Milwaukie visited the first of the week with his sister, Mrs. F. Riebhoff, near this city, returning home yesterday morning.

J. D. Hamaker claims that he is the first in the market with green peas and new potatoes, having brought some of each to town last Saturday.

W. C. Fischer closed a term of school in the Yaquina district last Friday. Mr. Fischer has been retained for the next term, thus making three consecutive years for him in that school.

Mrs. M. Espy had the misfortune to slip on the wet walk Tuesday morning, causing her to fall and dislocate her shoulder. Dr. Sharp is attending her and says she is getting along nicely.

Johnny Yasek brought an egg to this office this week, laid by a Black Minorca hen, which is certainly one of the "whoppers." The egg measures 6 1/2 inches by 8 1/2 inches in circumference and weighs a trifle over four ounces. Can you beat it?

The Grammar grades are preparing for a closing day program to be held at the "Dime" May 28th, at 8 p. m. Incidentally this will be the time of awarding the Eighth Grade diplomas.

C. K. Crosno informs us that the coal mine out north of town is now getting out coal in quantities and will soon be in a position to fill your wants in the coal line. The coal will be hauled to Toledo by team and loaded on the cars and shipped to Valley points. Mr. Crosno will be agent for Toledo.

Prof. S. B. Ports, principal of the Toledo Grammar school, entertained the members of the Eighth Grade at his home last Tuesday evening. Ten members of the class were present. The evening was spent in various games and contests until a late hour when refreshments were served. All those present report a "dandy" time.

The annual conventions of grand lodges of Oddfellows and Rebekeh are in session at Newport this week. Representatives from every nook and corner of the state are in attendance. These delegates went down on a special train which left Portland last Monday morning, and on the regular passenger train that evening. The weather has been disagreeable but evidently all are having a most enjoyable time.

The minstrel show given by the pupils of the Newport High School at the Dime in this city last Saturday night was one of the best entertainments ever given in the city. The house was crowded and the people were very responsive to the efforts of the youthful performers, who all acted like professionals. The songs, jokes, etc., were all good and displayed considerable talent among those young people. The Business Mens' Quartet and Mr. Baynard greatly assisted with several songs, and Mr. and Mrs. Gwynn gave several good readings. The people of Toledo will certainly extend the glad hand to these young folks should they decide at any future date to return to entertain us.

CLEAN UP; PAINT UP CAMPAIGN

There lives in St. Louis a man named Allen W. Clark. He conceived the idea of instituting a country-wide clean up and paint up campaign. This was in 1912, and now in 1915 the development of this movement is really one of the remarkable phenomena of the time. The Clean-Up Paint-Up idea has become national, indeed it has become inter national. This is an All-Year-Around-Campaign. The women of the Civic Improvement Club of Toledo have committed themselves to this campaign and earnestly ask every man, woman and child to help in the work.

Let us declare war on the fly. Trap it—swat it vigorously. The first thing necessary to make a community flyless is to acquaint the people with the dangers of the fly, to remove and clean up the breeding places of the fly, to keep filth covered until removed, to kill all Wintered-over flies and now, eventually, and eternally to keep up the fight. The fly census takers have estimated that every two flies killed now means 5,746,679,500 fewer flies August 1st.

The campaign against the fly will be paralleled in Toledo with the campaign for Clean Streets. Waste paper cans will receive all waste paper and fruit skins. Tin cans will retreat into hiding until brought out in boxes and sacks for removal. Let everyone consider himself a committee of one, on the job, to help make Toledo a clean and beautiful city.

Come out and see our "Civic Friends and Foes" given under the patronage of the Woman's Civic Club, at the Dime Theater Friday evening, May 28th. Remember the time and place.

TWENTY TWO YEARS AGO TODAY

Dr. Carter and family of Elk City spent Memorial Day in Toledo.

The school closed its spring term by giving an entertainment last Saturday evening. The following pupils took part in the program: Effie Crosno, Mamie McCluskey, Sada Chambers, Ivy Hooker, Chapin Wadsworth, Emma Brooks, Jessie Alexander, Hattie Reeder, Fred Chambers, Maudie King, Ruth Gaither, Geo. Chambers, Belle Butler, George McCluskey, Emery Bridgman, Minnie Smith, Anna Chambers, Eli Gaither.

Harry Fant, Frank Wadsworth and Fred Chambers expect to go to California on the steamer.

Mrs. J. F. Stewart and little daughter, Faith, went to Woodburn to visit the former's parents.

Thos. Robertson of Chitwood was in town the first of the week.

R. F. Collamore went to the Agency to lay some cement foundations for a new building.

M. T. Whitney of Chitwood was in the city Monday.

Newt Center returned to O.A. C. Monday morning after a short visit with his parents. Newt helped the boys out in the ball game Sunday, occupying the mound.

G. B. McCluskey sold his farm on the Siletz this week to M. Hollister of Salem, consideration \$7500. Mr. Hollister and family will take possession the first of June.

Thomas Thomas of Roseburg, one of the old time engineers on the C. & E., and brother are in the city today making preparations to spend a month on the former's claim on the Siletz.

Roy Walker has just received his commission as dredger leverman, and has been assigned to government dredge Oregon. The Oregon is now stationed at Aberdeen, Washington, and Roy expects to leave for that place in a few days. This is a civil service job, and is certainly a good one for Roy.

HIGH SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

The following is the program to be rendered at the entertainment to be given by the pupils of the High School at the Dime next Wednesday evening:

PROGRAM
Invocation Rev. Allen Salutory, Willard Carson
Piano Solo—"Dawn" by C. R. Moore Frances Avery
Oration—"Whence the Reward" Borgny Romtvedt
Piano Solo—"Star of Hope" Genevieve Tillotson
Oration—"Americanism" Maude Miller
Piano Solo—"The Palms" Myrtle Paine
Valedictory Elizabeth Mackey
Class Address Prof. Reed
Presentation of Class Prof. Blough
Presentation of Diplomas W. E. Ball
Class Roll
Borgny Romtvedt Frances Avery
Elizabeth Mackey
Maude Miller Genevieve Tillotson
Myrtle Paine Willard Carson

MARRIED

In the parlors of the Merchants hotel in Toledo, Oregon, Wednesday, May 19th, 1915, Mr. William Cochell and Miss Ovella Davis, of Nashville, were united in marriage, R. E. Collins, Justice of the Peace, officiating.

The bride is the beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Davis of Nashville, and has been a resident of Lincoln county all her life. The groom is a member of a C. & E. bridge crew, and is an industrious, worthy young man.

The Leader joins the many friends of this popular young couple in wishing them a life of happiness.

HUCKLEBERRY FINN LIVING IN OREGON

Huckleberry Finn, the famous character in Mark Twain's stories of Mississippi river travel, has celebrated his 90th birthday on his turpentine farm near Eugene.

Robust and toughened by his hard out-door life, he is as active today as in the old days when he and Mark Twain and Tom Sawyer manned the Grey Eagle, the fastest steamboat on the Mississippi in the days of long ago. For forty-five years Huckleberry has been a character of the McKenzie river.

To his intimate friends he tells of his boyhood days on the Mississippi farm, near that of Clemens', of his rough life on the river before and during the war, and how he finally crossed the plains and the Rockies to find himself on the McKenzie river without money and looking for a place to winter.

In telling how he got the name "Huckleberry," he relates to a racket on the Grey Eagle, on which he was first mate. "You see, if everything didn't go right, I was the 'huckleberry.' That's what we called a man who gets in between a fight. I jumped down from the quarter deck and knocked them apart." Here the old man held up two mutilated hands. According to his story, Clemens, Sawyer and himself bought the Grey Eagle and fitted her up. In a race on the river, Clemens piloted the craft to victory.

Finally the government bought the boat, according to his story, and the owners drifted westward. Clemens stopped at Denver, he said, to write books. Sawyer went up to St. Paul, but Finn kept on toward the Northwest. He was accompanied by his wife and six children, and the outfit included two mules, two horses but no money. Finn was the first settler on the McKenzie, according to his story.

We understand the Phelps ranch at Ona was sold this week, the consideration being \$2800.

Peter Beyer has sold his residence property on Grove street to H. H. Pratt. Mr. and Mrs. Pratt have taken possession.