

POLK COUNTY TOWN ENJOYS SEASON OF PROSPEROUS GROWTH

Business for 1913 Shows Expansion; Number of New Homes Built.

(Special to The Journal.) Monmouth, Or., Nov. 15.—During the past season Monmouth has seen a period of uninterrupted growth. From the beginning of the year business has been remarkably revived, with the addition of several new industries. All houses are occupied and new ones were erected last summer.

Several years ago the farmers and dairymen in the surrounding farming district met here and promoted plans for a creamery, which was built. This was the second to be erected in Polk county, the first one having been built only a short time before in Independence. The concern is owned by farmers and dairymen today and has twice paid substantial dividends.

Not long after the meeting for a creamery was held, the fruitgrowers met and formed the Monmouth Evaporating and Canning company with J. H. Hawley as president. A cannery and drier were immediately built and the growing of all kinds of fruit was encouraged. Many acres were set out to various kinds of fruit trees, and the cannery had a full run the first year.

Each year since the drier was erected, a large quantity of prunes has been handled. Both plants of the company are operated by Monmouth capital. Considerable wealth has come to this district as a result of extensive grain raising by the farmers. In addition to the regular grain crops, hundreds of acres have been planted to clover during the past two years. This crop gives excellent pasture to sheep, produces good hay crop each year, and a valuable seed crop yearly in September. Several varieties of barley were secured from the government and tried out this year. The greater number of the successful fruit raising warehouses are now in Monmouth to care for the large grain crops. One, four stories high, was built by G. H. Stone two years ago, and has machinery located there for manufacturing the well known Monmouth brand flour.

Oil Well Is Sought. One project, which is receiving much attention, is the oil well prospect, two miles north of this city on the Whiteaker farm. The well has been extended to a depth of over 1500 feet, and gases were evident during the last part of the drilling. Three derricks have been erected, 80 feet high, and the drillers are confident that successful results will be accomplished when the operation of the drilling is placed upon a substantial financial basis.

In addition to numerous street and sidewalk improvements in Monmouth, the past three years have seen built a new \$21,000 high school building and a \$22,000 gravity water system, the latter having a pressure of 46 pounds. A new garage and brick building are nearly completed now on Main street. Over four miles of cement walks have been laid and the work is being continued. At present Monmouth is quite heavily bonded, but it is believed that the next work to be accomplished is the paving of the principal streets.

As the result of a complaint filed by the people of the city and adjacent country to the Oregon Railway company against the station here, the Southern Pacific company has erected a new depot at the intersection of the Dallas, Independence, and Airlie tracks in this city. The new structure, which was first occupied a short time ago, is modern in every detail, and fully adequate to handle the increased business. The old building is in use as a freight depot. The fare between Monmouth and Dallas—a distance of about eight miles—has been cut from 30 to 25 cents, and the railroad service in all its branches is greatly improved.

Monmouth has a good water system. The reservoir is located on Cupid's Knoll, just outside the western limits of the city, and has a capacity of 252,000 gallons. Its height above the city is 110 feet and the pressure is sufficient for all purposes. Meters have been established and the system placed on a successful economic basis.

Normal School Is Growing.

In the midst of favorable surroundings is situated the Oregon Normal school, the only Oregon state institution for the training of students for teachers. This school has received a \$50,000 girls' dormitory, and a new \$8000 gymnasium is now in course of construction. The attendance is constantly growing and the various departments are enlarged. The school is one cause of the city's population increase this year. The public grade school, located in a separate building, is used as a training school for the Oregon Normal school, where the students get practice in teaching under the best critics. The Monmouth high school, situated one block east of the Normal building, is an independent school. Its attendance is increased this year and the new course of study has proven to be attractive. With the work carried on in these schools, Monmouth is known to have an excellent educational system.

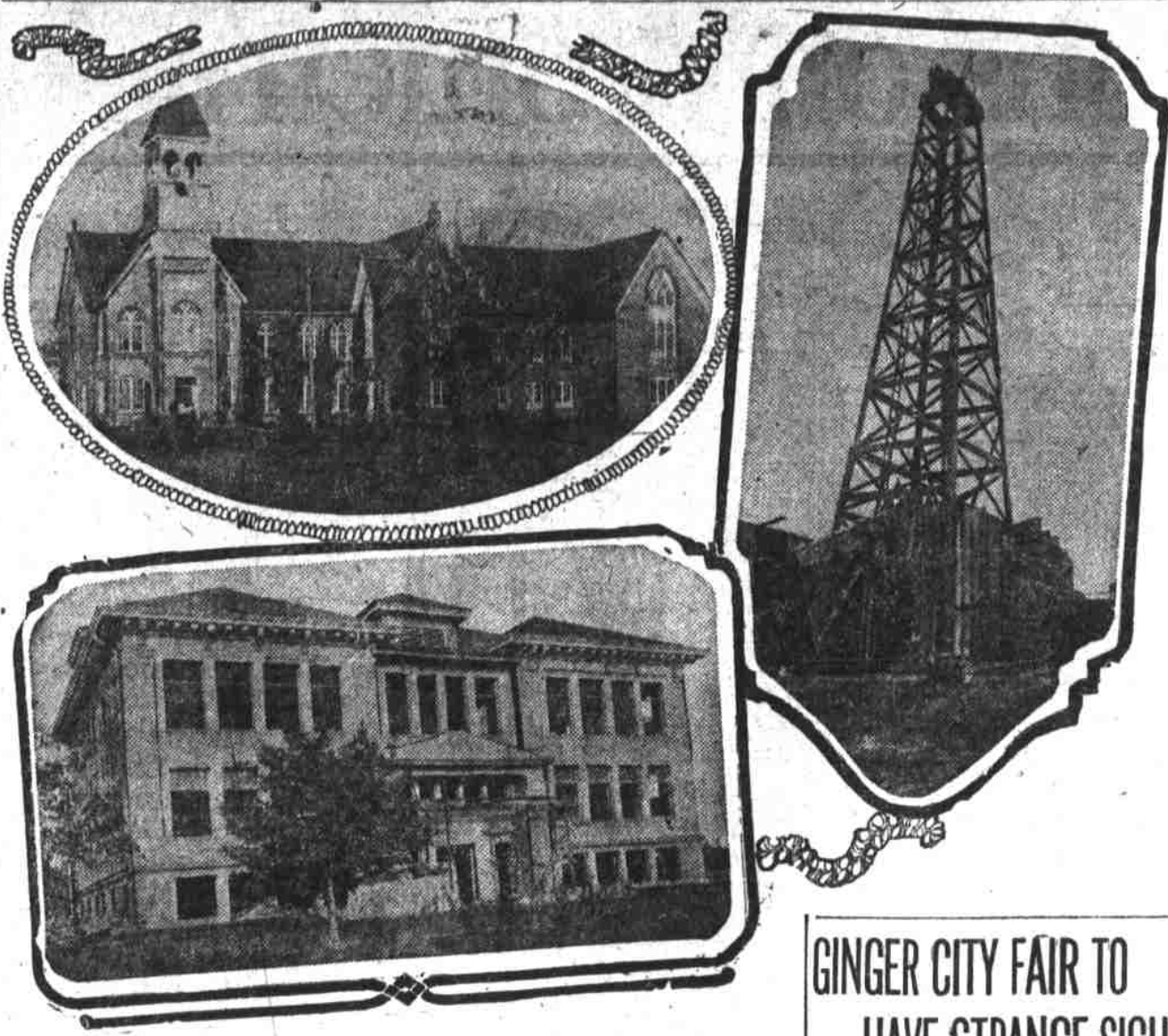
Famous throughout the United States and South America are the sheep and Angora goats of the Monmouth farming district. The stock has won wherever exhibited and shipments are frequently made to other countries. Monmouth's reputation as the center of the livestock industry in Polk county is now becoming well established.

Look for a sweet-faced girl in a calico gown if you want to see a real angel in disguise.

RUPTURE IS CURABLE SEELEY'S SPERMATIC SHIELD TRUSS

Advertisement for Seeley's Spermatic Shield Truss, including text about the product and contact information for Laue-Davis-Drug-Co.

SCENES IN AND NEAR MONMOUTH, CENTER FOR LARGE AREA OF POLK CO.



Left, top—Monmouth normal school. Bottom—Monmouth high school. Right—Polk county oil well, near Monmouth.

WOMAN JUROR JUST HAD TO "HOLD OUT"

Satisfied That Miller Was Guilty and Couldn't Say He Was Not.

(Special to The Journal.) Seattle, Wash., Nov. 15.—"I couldn't help it. It is what I believe; and I will be acquitted when the operation of the jury is placed upon a substantial financial basis."

That is how Mrs. Gertrude Crossett, whose single vote hung the jury in the trial of Peter Miller for the murder of Hugh McMahon, explained her action today. Mrs. Crossett lives at 415 First avenue north.

SPECIAL TRAIN BRINGING BIG RAILROAD CHIEFS

Headed by Colonel W. P. Clough, chairman of the board of directors of the Northern Pacific railway, another party of high railroad officials will arrive in Portland, probably tomorrow, according to advices from the east.

MUST SEEK DAMAGES FROM COMMISSION FIRST

Spokane, Wash., Nov. 15.—Holding that before coming into court injured workmen must seek damages before the state industrial insurance commission, Judge Humeke threw out the suits of Reynolds against the Hercules Mining company for \$36,000, and Jennie King against the Panhandle Lumber company for \$15,200.

FIXING UP TIGHT LID FOR CITY OF SPOKANE

Spokane, Wash., Nov. 15.—An ordinance compelling restaurants selling liquor to partition a room from the main part, prohibiting boys and girls under 21 from entering the liquor room, and compelling restaurants serving liquor to pay \$600 a year license is being drafted at the instance of Commissioner D. C. Coates.

ROGUE RIVER FRUIT SHIPMENTS ARE HEAVY

Season's Output Exceeds Estimates and Establishes New High Record.

(Special to The Journal.) Medford, Or., Nov. 15.—Nine hundred and three cars of fruit have been shipped from the Rogue river valley to date, and the total will amount to 1200 cars, which will not only be the largest fruit shipment ever made in the history of the valley, but which will exceed the estimate by 200 cars.

"Baby Day" at Woodstock

"Baby day" of the Woodstock W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. E. H. Ingham, 1381 Harold avenue, Tuesday, November 18, at 2:30 p. m.

Piedmont Dances

Piedmont society recently announced that it would give a series of monthly dances. The committee in charge is composed of the Misses Nina Leader, Hannah and Margaret Donnerberg, Frances Keating, Francis Scheueller, Mary Clancy and Maude Littlejohn.

PORTLAND LOSES ANOTHER PIONEER



Frank Bode.

In the death of Frank Bode, who passed away last Thursday morning, Portland loses one of her oldest pioneers, well remembered by oldtimers who located here 40 years ago.

After his retirement he made a trip to his boyhood home in Germany. He was born in Hanover, Germany, February 15, 1835, came to Portland in 1870. He leaves a widow, Rachel L. Bode and four children: Mrs. M. M. Rasmus, Mrs. W. T. Barker, Fred C. Bode, Victor P. Bode, besides two grandchildren.

GINGER CITY FAIR TO HAVE STRANGE SIGHTS

Exhibitions Both Weird and Startling Will Be Magnets.

Attendants at the Prosper County fair, to be held at Ginger City next Saturday night, will stand to see all the weird sights and spend all the spare change they wish. Following Sheriff George L. Baker's pronouncement that the lid was to be on, followed by Mayor W. G. Hofmann's edict that it was to be off, numerous minor clashes of officialdom have taken place, not the least of which has arisen from the granting to J. A. Curry, president of the Rose Festival association, of the "piker" concession.

LECTURE WILL BE FREE TO GENERAL PUBLIC

Miss Bonnie M. Benton, by special request, will repeat the illustrated lecture recently given at the Y. M. C. A. and the Portland Press club, on the scenery of our State.

DIES WHILE TAKING CARE OF SICK WIFE

While doing housework for his wife, who is a cripple with rheumatism, Oliver Wiley, aged 65, was suddenly attacked by valvular heart disease and dropped dead at 10 a. m. Friday.

Y. W. C. A. CLASS WILL STUDY FOLK DANCES

Such unusual interest in folk dancing has developed of late that a class for the study of the simpler folk dances and singing games will begin work in the Y. W. C. A. gymnasium at 7 p. m. Saturday, Nov. 22.

WELL KNOWN PHYSICIAN TO BECOME BENEDICT

Dr. A. C. Panton, a well known local physician who resides at the Commercial club, yesterday afternoon took out a license to wed Florence Melges Carlock, who lives at the Trinity Place apartments. The marriage license taken out by the doctor was a surprise to his friends, as the matter had been kept a profound secret.

HUSBAND IS FATALLY SHOT BY AN INTRUDER IN HIS CABIN HOME

Assailant Flees in Sagebrush Country; Posse Is Searching for Him.

(Special to The Journal.) Bend, Or., Nov. 15.—Shot in the stomach by Alec Hall who was found in a homesteader's cabin with Mrs. Dickinson, John B. Dickinson is near death here tonight, while the country is being searched for the fleeing Hall.

The tragedy occurred in the Bear Creek Butte homestead country about 60 miles east of Bend last night at 11 o'clock and the wounded man was brought to Bend in Sheriff Elkins' automobile.

MEETING AT KERN'S SCHOOL ON TUESDAY

The Parent-Teacher association of Kern's school will meet next Tuesday at 3 o'clock. Mrs. F. S. Myers will give an interesting talk on matters of vital interest to parents.

LINNEA WILL CELEBRATE ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

The Swedish Society Linnea will celebrate its 25th anniversary Saturday evening, November 23, in Linnea hall, Twenty-first and Irving streets.

To Discuss Army Bill. Miles Poindexter's "Industrial Army Bill" now before congress, is the subject that will be discussed by all interested at 227 Yamhill street, Socialist hall, this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

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Meier & Frank Co. Will Deliver Famous "Skookum" Apples

To New York at Following Prices: Jonathan—brilliant red. A splendid family sort—juicy, rich and vinous. F. O. B. New York—\$3.25

Spitzenberg—Bright red. The Aristocrat of Apples. Crisp, juicy, deliciously rich and fragrant. F. O. B. New York—Box—\$3.65

Stayman—Rich red. An improved Wine-Sap. Very tender with rich sub-acid. F. O. B. New York—\$3.00

Rome Beauty—Red striped. The Champion Baker. Sprightly and pleasant. F. O. B. New York—\$3.30

FOR DELIVERY TO OTHER EASTERN CITIES Buffalo Delivery—Extra per box—50¢

Advertisement for Meier & Frank Co., 'The Quality Store of Portland', featuring a logo and address information.

Large advertisement for stoves and heaters, featuring an illustration of a stove and text describing various models like 'Perfection Oil Heaters' and 'Reznor Gas Heaters'.