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The way to build up Dallas is to patronize Dallas people.



The managers of the State Normal School at Monmouth are not discouraged in the least by the conditions brought about by the referendum, and are planning to make the year 1905-06 better than any year in the history of the school. With the new six years' course, the institution will be as strong as the best Normals of California, and the attendance of students will be largely increased. The Monmouth school will demonstrate the fact that it is filling a position of usefulness and importance in the educational field, and that the funds heretofore voted to it by the state have been wisely and honestly used in building up a real Normal school, and not an institution for the education of primary pupils at enormous expense to the taxpayers. The attendance of young men and young women who are earnest in their desire to perfect themselves in the teaching profession, and the good work that will be done by the school during the next year in the face of existing conditions, will prove that the Monmouth Normal has been true to its name all these years, and that it has been worthy of every cent of state aid that it has received.

Contrary to the impression which appears to be held by some persons in inland towns, the exhibits palaces at the Lewis and Clark Exposition are open free to the public. The fifty-cent admission fee includes admission to every building on the Exposition grounds, except, of course, the shows on the Trail. Toilet arrangements are also free. The exhibit buildings are open from eight in the morning until seven in the evening, except on Sunday, when the Exposition does not open until one o'clock in the afternoon. The Trail attractions are closed on Sunday, but the exhibits may be viewed on that day as on other days, with the exception of those in the Government building.

Good progress is being made in the case of the United States against Senator John H. Mitchell, the trial of which was commenced in Judge De Haven's court, Tuesday. It was generally believed that great difficulty would be experienced in selecting a jury, and no little surprised was caused when the necessary twelve men were secured out of the first twenty-five jurors summoned. All but two of the jurymen are farmers. J. A. Baxter, of Dallas, is one of the men chosen to try the aged Senator.

W. W. Cotton, of Portland, has been appointed by President Roosevelt to succeed the late Judge Bellingier as United States district judge for Oregon. Inasmuch as Mr. Cotton has stated that he would be unable to enter upon his new duties until September 1, the appointment is to take effect at that time. He is an able lawyer and a clean man, and his appointment is satisfactory to the people of Oregon.

The East Oregonian advises Pendleton people to have all the fun they can in Portland, but to trade at home. That is good advice for any Oregon town, remarks the Roseburg Review.

Help Wanted.
Party with bicycle, or horse and buggy, to work in country territory on a proposition that is a sure money-maker. Exclusive territory. It costs nothing to investigate. Give address in first letter, and I will call and explain the proposition.
L. A. MATTHEWS,
Dallas, Oregon.

S. P. Kimball, of Salem, was in Dallas, Tuesday.

Frederick Boals, of Nebraska, is visiting his uncle, Councilman H. Boals, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boyer came out from their mountain ranch on the headwaters of Salmon River yesterday.

C. B. Mayhugh, of Mansfield, Ohio, is in Dallas on a business visit. He is a practical clay worker, and is seeking a location for a brick and tile factory.

Miss Ora Daniel has been out from Illinois, visiting her cousin, L. D. Daniel. Mr. Daniel will leave for Garnet, Kansas, Sunday morning, to visit his aged mother, who is rapidly falling in health.

What are Humors?

They are vitiated or morbid fluids coursing the veins and affecting the tissues. They are commonly due to defective digestion but are sometimes inherited.
How do they manifest themselves?
In many forms of cutaneous eruption, salt rheum or eczema, pimples and boils, and in weakness, languor, general debility.
How are they expelled? By
Hood's Sarsaparilla
which also builds up the system that has suffered from them.
It is the best medicine for all humors.

INDEPENDENCE NOTES.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., June 22—Mrs. Susan Jones has returned from Portland, where she visited for several days.

Miss Bortha Davis, of Corvallis, visited Mrs. O. D. Butler the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. U. L. Frazer spent the past week in Portland at the Fair and visiting relatives.

Raymond Henke, of Southern California, visited relatives here Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. John Johnson, of Portland, is visiting relatives in Monmouth and Independence.

Miss Pearl Cooper of Portland, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cooper.

Miss Helen Calbreath, of Salem, is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. A. M. Hurley, and family.

W. H. Patterson, of North Yakima, Wash., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Patterson, during the week.

There will be races on the Independence race track Saturday afternoon. Several good races have been arranged for and some tempting prizes offered. This will be the dedication of the new race course.

The Lewis and Clark Club has elected Miss Garlin Hill as their representative on "Sacaajewa Day" at the Lewis and Clark Fair. At this time, Miss Hill will receive on behalf of the club, the flag which veils the Sacaajewa statue. This flag becomes the property of the local club through the winning of a contest several months ago. Miss Hill is the daughter of the late Henry Hill, the pioneer and founder of Independence.

Independence sent a large delegation of her citizens to Portland on Corvallis-Independence Day at the Lewis and Clark Fair. An excursion train from Corvallis, in two sections, took large crowds. A number of ladies from Monmouth and Independence held informal receptions in the afternoon. Punch was served by the Corvallis ladies, while quantities of fine cherries were given out by Independence ladies.

COMMENCEMENT AT NORMAL.

Large Crowds Attend the Closing Exercises at Monmouth.

The twenty-fourth annual commencement of the Oregon State Normal School, at Monmouth, began Saturday evening with the opera, "Bells of Corneville," by the students of the school. About thirty young people took part, and a smooth and finished performance was given. On Sunday, the baccalaureate sermon was preached by Dr. E. C. Oakley, of Eugene, the text being "The Five Loaves and Two Fishes." A fine program of sacred music was given by the Normal chorus.

The closing Student Assembly was held Monday morning, and the tennis tournament took place at 2 p. m. In the evening, the literary societies held a joint session, at which time there was a good literary and musical program, followed by a reunion of old students.

The Class Day exercises were held Tuesday morning, and consisted of vocal and instrumental music, address of welcome, class history, orations, prophecy, class poem, etc. Following the exercises, the graduates planted the class vine, and, with appropriate ceremony, came the burning of records, with the farewell song as a conclusion.

On Tuesday evening a concert of classical selections was given by Prof. William Graham, of Portland; Mrs. May Babbitt and Miss Florence Bowden, of Monmouth, and Miss Myrtle Lee, of Portland.

The graduating exercises were held in the chapel Wednesday morning. The program was good throughout, and as a whole is considered the best ever given by a Normal graduating class. The Alumni program was given Wednesday evening and Thursday morning, ending with the banquet Thursday noon. The Alumni dance at the Auditorium Thursday night concluded the week's exercises.

The Lewis and Clark Exposition is now wide open. Hit the Trail!

Falls City Notes

Miss Mary Quick has moved to Pendleton, where she is to teach next year.

Mrs. E. E. Gilliam, of Salem, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moyer.

Many people from Falls City attended the picnic at Rieckreall last Saturday.

Bert Teats, of Dallas, has been working in our town the last week, in behalf of a Portland firm.

Newt Guy, of the firm of Guy Brothers, of Dallas, has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Wm. Ellis.

Mrs. Susan Bryant is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mamie Hogue in Portland, and will also visit her son Will, at Moro.

Misses Alberta and Samantha Hart, who have been attending and teaching school here, have returned to their home near Philomath.

Hon. G. W. Myer and wife, of Smithfield, visited their daughter, Mrs. H. C. Seymour, during commencement week.

The graduating exercises of the Class of 1905 passed off without a hitch, there being eleven graduates from the eighth grade and two, Nellie Ross and Clara Montgomery, from the tenth grade.

The board of directors has hired Mrs. Jessie Moyer, Miss Hallie Morrison, Miss Ruby Reese and H. C. Seymour, as teachers for the ensuing year. They have raised the salaries of the grade teachers to \$45 per month, and the Principal from \$65 to \$80 per month.

The annual election of school officers last Monday was well attended. The reports show that the district is financially in the best condition it has ever been, and is almost out of debt. George M. Tice was elected director for 3 years and Ira Mehrling for one year. Josh Tjohott was elected clerk. The vote for consolidation with district No. 60 was very close, but resulted in a majority for consolidation. District No. 60 did not vote upon this matter, so there will be no consolidation.

PRETTY HOME WEDDING

Miss Sena Lynch Becomes the Bride of Charles Bilyeu.

Mr. Charles Bilyeu and Miss Sena Lynch were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Lynch, in Dallas, Sunday afternoon, June 18, 1905, Eld. G. L. Lobbell, pastor of the Christian church, officiating. The wedding took place at 2 o'clock, and was witnessed by a few near relatives and intimate friends of the contracting parties. After the ceremony, delicious refreshments were served. The beautiful wedding presents were greatly admired by the guests, many gifts having been received by the bride at the shower party given her by the ladies of the Christian church a few days prior to the wedding.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynch, and was one of Dallas' most popular young women. Her amiable manners made her a favorite with all, and she has a wide circle of friends. The groom is an honest and industrious young man, and is well known in Polk and Linn counties. Mr. and Mrs. Bilyeu will visit his relatives in Linn county for a few days, and will then go to Newport to make their home. The best wishes of many friends go with them in their new life.

Those present at the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Stiles, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Dimick, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Madison, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Lynch, Mrs. J. Viggers, Miss Grounds, Miss Effie Brown, Miss Minnie Roy, Miss Lewis, Miss Neta Morrison, Miss Sena Morrison, Messrs. Lot Shreve, Aure Ford, and Masters Herman Hawkins and Harry Madison.

Wanted to Pasture.

Goats wanted to pasture. Charges reasonable. P. H. GIBSON, Dallas, Or.

W. R. BIRKS COMMITS SUICIDE

Former Polk County Farmer Ends His Life in Temporary Fit of Despondency.

In a fit of despondency caused by ill health, W. R. Birks, a former Polk county farmer, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head and left breast with a revolver, at his home in Albany, Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Birks formerly lived near Ballston, and moved to Albany after the death of his wife about one year ago. The Albany Herald gives the following account of the sad affair:

"W. R. Birks, for the past year a resident of Albany, where he conducted a dray business until last Saturday, committed suicide Tuesday afternoon, by shooting himself in the head and left breast with a revolver, and died after several hours during which time he was unconscious. Mr. Birks was in his usual good spirits during the forenoon, and was engaged in trying to perfect a deal for the Walker & Snyder store, and with the deal unperfected he went home about 1:30 o'clock. He spoke pleasantly to some of his children as he entered the house, then passed upstairs, sat down on the side of the bed and shot himself. His oldest son, a youth of 20, was down town at the time; another son, aged 18 years, had gone to Yamhill county earlier in the day and the daughters and smaller sons were in the house when the father shot himself. Medical assistance was at once secured but nothing could be done to save the man's life.

"The wife of Mr. Birks died a year ago, when the family resided on their farm near Amity. At the same time a sister of Mr. Birks died, and a short time before a daughter had passed away. When Mrs. Birks died, the family moved to Albany, where Mr. Birks bought the dray business. This he conducted until last week, when he sold to Eliff & Snow, retiring from the business with a view to begin merchandising.

"When Mr. Birks entered the house he seemed to be in a pleasant mood. He spoke kindly to the daughters, as he went to his room where the deed was committed immediately. In an unconscious condition the man lingered until 5 o'clock Tuesday evening when he passed away. Deceased was 45 years old. He leaves four sons and two daughters.

"Mr. Birks had been in poor health for some time, and this with grief for his loved ones who had passed away, and a general disposition to worry over business affairs, is supposed to be responsible for his rash act, which was committed in a fit of despondency.

THE BIG FAIR IS NOW OPEN

If you are thinking of going--and of course you are--everybody is going to the Fair, it will pay you to buy all your wearing apparel

AT THE BIG STORE

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'PHONE 246.

MAIN STREET

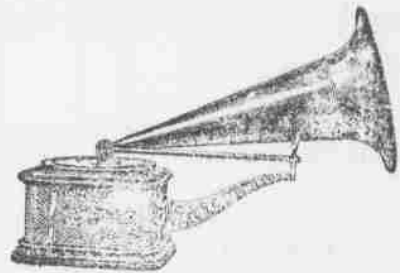
He was a member of the Woodmen of the World and the Women of Woodcraft, carrying in the two orders \$5000 insurance in favor of his children. In addition he leaves them the farm in Yamhill county and other property in all valued at fully \$12,000.

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Team Breeching \$3 to \$15.			Buggy Harness, complete \$4.50 to \$30.
Double Buggy Harness \$15 to \$50.			Buggy Whips 5c up.
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