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CORRESPONDENCE

MONMOUTH.

Charles S. Tozier, of Gladstone, is a visitor in this city this week.

Doctor J. M. Crowley, of Portland, is a visitor in Monmouth this week.

Messrs. Graham & Taylor are employed in the construction of new crosswalks for the city.

Mrs. F. Bournemon and daughter left Wednesday for Tillamook, where they will spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Barnett and son, of Independence, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Poole, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Shepard, of North Yamhill, attended the commencement exercises Tuesday.

E. Haley and family, of LaCamas, Washington, visited relatives and friends in Monmouth this week.

Hubert and May Goode, of Portland, were visitors in this city this week. They are members of the Normal alumni.

Professor A. Hampton, of Pendleton, is visiting relatives in Monmouth. Mr. Hampton is a graduate of the normal school.

Many people from different parts of Oregon were in Monmouth this week attending the last commencement at the normal school.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, of Jackson, Michigan, are visiting his brother, James Hunter. They will make their future home in Oregon.

B. H. Hathaway, of Tillamook, I. Isaacson, of Hubbard, and Frank S. Groshong, of Corvallis, were among the out-of-town visitors in Monmouth this week.

The concrete foundation for the flooring mill is laid and the material for the superstructure is being placed on the ground as fast as teams can haul it in.

BUENA VISTA.

Mrs. J. E. Wells has been severely ill.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McClain, a son.

Mrs. Grace E. Milner is visiting in Corvallis.

Mrs. Cleve Prather has returned from a visit in Salem.

Miss Minnie Knighton returned from Dallas, Saturday.

Miss M. J. Lee, of Junction City, is visiting in Buena Vista.

Hon. and Mrs. W. L. Wells returned to their home in Halsey, Sunday.

Harvey Cole is expected to go to Seattle soon to attend the Exposition.

Mrs. R. L. Hall returned from the Rose Festival in Portland, Saturday.

Haying will soon be on. It will be on much earlier than last year in this locality.

G. W. McLaughlin has returned from Portland, where he attended the Pioneer's reunion.

A. J. Richardson attended the meeting of the Scottish Rite Masons in Portland, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hall and daughter, of Corvallis, visited relatives in Buena Vista, Sunday.

Buena Vista and Suer crossed bats here Sunday and it took eleven innings to decide the game 9 to 10 in favor of the home team.

The hop crop will be very short in this locality this year. William Murphy has an excellent prospect, however, being the best in this locality.

INDEPENDENCE.

John Johnson was a Portland visitor last week.

Mrs. L. Damon returned Saturday from a visit in Portland.

Miss Lois Osborn was a passenger to Portland, Wednesday.

Miss Beattie Butler was an over Sunday visitor in Portland.

J. P. Irvine, of McMinnville, is an Independence visitor this week.

Miss Bertha Bohannon is down from Corvallis for a few days' stay.

Mrs. E. Allin, of Corvallis, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charles Shenfield.

Mrs. E. E. Paddock entertained the Ladies' 500 Club, Wednesday evening at her home.

Mrs. P. M. Kirkland is attending the Eastern Star Grand Lodge in Portland this week.

J. W. Richardson and son, Frank, of Portland, came up Wednesday for a visit in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ruef and two children left Wednesday for a visit with relatives in Seattle.

President P. L. Campbell, of the U. of O., passed through here Wednesday, on his way to Monmouth.

Miss Hazel Bohannon and Miss Emma Henkle were members of the graduating class from the Monmouth Normal School this year.

FALLS CITY.

Alma Huseby visited Portland last week.

The mess house up at mill 1 was damaged by fire Monday.

Mrs. Arthur Vassall visited friends in Portland and Newberg last week.

Mrs. Cochran is visiting her mother in Salem this week.

Mr. Buell has sold his property above the old planer to Justin Hunter, who will move into it at once.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Aurland and daughters, Margaret and Helen, are here from Minot, North Dakota, visiting his brother, O. Aurland.

Parties from Shedd's have purchased F. K. Hubbard's threshing machine and took it up there the last of the week. This leaves this section of the country without a machine.

Supervisor Sampson has had a crew at work on the Rock Creek road this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Krebs left here Monday morning for a long ride on their ponies. They are headed for the wheatfields of Idaho now, and after harvest there they expect to ride on to Michigan and spend the winter there and then ride back to Oregon next year.

A birthday party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Seymour last Friday evening for their daughter, Edna. The evening's entertainment consisted of music and games. At a late hour refreshments were served. Twenty-five young people were present. Miss Seymour was the recipient of a number of beautiful presents.

The Tabernacle meetings out at Bridgeport are being well attended considering that it is the busy season of the year. Phelps Brothers have charge of the meetings.

BRIDGEPORT.

Mrs. William Burns is much improved after a severe illness.

Mrs. Murray is reported to be much improved since her trip East.

The hop yards are much improved since the recent weather and warm weather.

A large tent has been stretched at Bridgeport and a camp meeting is being held in it.

County Surveyor B. F. Beezley has lately been employed making the survey for platting the Strong property into small tracts.

T. A. Riggs, of Monmouth, was out in this neighborhood last week looking after the hopyards in which he is interested. He reports prospects for a good crop and a high price excellent. He will harvest about 100,000 pounds this year.

POLK.

G. D. Braun and John Rempel have returned from a trip to California.

Mr. Peterson, of California, visited at the home of G. D. Braun last week.

J. H. Rempel has gone to Menno, Washington, where he will attend the Mennonite Conference.

Lack of rain during the past two months is drying the pastures up earlier than usual, and the keepers of dairy cows may soon find it necessary to begin feeding their cattle.

P. G. Rempel and Miss Lenora Wenger were married Wednesday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Wenger, in Silverton. They will make their home at this place.

Haying has just begun in this section and the crop will be fairly good in spite of the unfavorable weather. Several farmers near here have already cut the greater part of their clover.

R. M. Ewing, one of the proprietors of the old Boydston ranch, returned Sunday from a visit in Portland. The Messrs. Ewing are expecting some friends and relatives from the East in a short time who will make their homes here if the country suits them.

Two Picnics Saturday.

Two picnics in Polk county tomorrow, one at Falls City and one at Oak Grove, will divide the interest and attendance of the people of this locality.

Excellent programs for both occasions have been prepared and it is certain that, whichever place the amusement seeker decides to go, he will be sure to spend an enjoyable day.

The Chemawa Indian band will be at the Knights of Pythias' picnic in Falls City and an exciting game of baseball between Dallas and Chemawa will be among the various features of sporting entertainment that will be met with.

Hon. J. H. Ackerman, state superintendent of public instruction, will be speaker of the day. A big social dance will be given in the evening at Wagner's Hall, music to be furnished by the Independence orchestra.

Music will be furnished at the Oak Grove picnic by the Dallas band and the Willamette Glee Club. Of Salem, will give several interesting numbers. Races and various athletic contests, for which liberal prizes are offered, will be held during the afternoon.

Will Give Opinion.

Next Tuesday, Judge Galloway will give an opinion in the suit brought by J. K. Sears to enjoin State Treasurer Steele from paying over any part of the \$100,000 appropriation to aid in the construction of the Orator Lake road. The case was on trial before Judge Galloway in the Circuit Court, Tuesday afternoon and has been submitted and taken under advisement by the court.—Salem Statesman.

BANNER CLASS PASSES

Graduates From Dallas Public School Hold Commencement Exercises Wednesday Night.

The graduating class from the eighth grade of the Dallas Public School held its final exercises at the Woodman Hall, Wednesday night, and its members received from the hands of Professor R. R. Hill the diplomas to which their work had entitled them.

The audience in attendance overflowed the hall and the young graduates were the recipients, from their many friends, of a large number of presents and beautiful bouquets, which, banked about the front of the stage, rose from the floor in almost a solid mass to the level of the footlights.

The program was opened with the invocation by the Rev. N. S. Reeves, of the Presbyterian Church. The greater part of the numbers were furnished by members of the graduating class, a humorous reading by Herman Hawkins, a beautiful instrumental solo by Miss Ada Longnecker and a song by Miss Georgia Martin, being the supplementary features, all of which were greeted with well deserved applause.

A piano solo by Miss Ruth Campbell followed the invocation, after which essays and orations on the following subjects were given by other members of the class: "A Review of Roosevelt's Administration," Alfred May; "Elements of Success," Jennie Plessinger; "Progress of the Oregon Country," Jessie Howard; "A Nation's Peril," Pearl Phillips; "The Value of Education," Gladys Smith. A vocal solo by Claudia Brown and the class prophecy by Clark VanOrsdel were also among the entertaining contributions of the young students to the evening's exercises.

After the program by the students, Dr. C. A. Mock, president of Dallas College, delivered the address to the class, speaking on the subject of "Success and the Means of Attaining It." Simply worded and full of sound advice, his speech was such as will be long remembered by all who heard it.

The work of the young graduates as shown in their parts in the program has been highly creditable, both to themselves and to the ability of Professor W. I. Ford, who has been their instructor during the past year.

Two medals, one of gold and one of silver, offered for the highest averages in scholarship for the entire year, were awarded to Miss Gladys Smith and to Alfred May respectively. The rivalry between these two for first place was keen throughout the year and their final averages, 95 and 94.8, show how closely the contest was decided. A scholarship in Dallas College, for the highest average for the year in any school in Polk county has also been offered, but the returns of all of the grades is still incomplete and the award has not yet been made. It is hoped and believed however by many, that this honor will likewise fall to the Dallas school.

The grading of the Dallas graduating class in the final examinations was exceptionally high. Four received general averages of more than 95 per cent, twelve ranked above 90 and the remainder above 85. Its membership of 25 makes it the largest class graduated in Polk county this year and it bears likewise the distinction of being the only class in which not a single failure in the final examinations was recorded.

The membership of the class follows: Arthur Bennett, Jessie Plessinger, Glen Brock, Jessie Howard, Alfred May, Roy Boydston, Lorin Butler, Frank Campbell, Eddie Stratton, Fay Percival, Frank Wilson, Gladys Smith, Ruth Campbell, Abigail Walker, Clark VanOrsdel, Harold Stouffer, Irene Hutchins, Frances Holmes, Carolyn Ghorke, Claudia Brown, Louise Rasmussen, Edith Griffith, Pearl Phillips, Ruth Shaw and Maurice Dalton.

Victim of Quick Consumption.

Miss Alpha Hooker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hooker, died at her home in Falls City, Tuesday, June 15, from an attack of quick consumption, aged 19 years. She was born in Polk County in 1890, where she resided continuously until the time of her death. Besides her parents, four brothers, W. J. Hooker, of Brownsville; J. E. Hooker, of Airle; T. B. Hooker and Walter Hooker, of Falls City, survive her. The funeral was held yesterday, the remains being laid to rest in the old Williams' cemetery near Airle. The deceased was a grand-daughter of J. J. Williams, of this city.

Boys' Company Will Parade.

One of the features of the parade on the Fourth of July will be Cornelius Hughes' company of boys, ranging in ages from 8 to 12 years. The boys are taking great interest in the military work which Mr. Hughes is giving them and master out in full force each evening for the drill. On the day of the celebration all of the members of the juvenile company will be arrayed in fine new blue uniforms secured by them especially for the occasion.

NEEDLEWORK GUILD MEETS

Members Hold Business Meeting at VanOrsdel Residence—Big Assembly in October.

A meeting of the Dallas Needlework Guild was held on the lawn at the residence of J. G. VanOrsdel, Tuesday afternoon, about 30 members being present.

Since its organization a short time ago, the growth of the association has been rapid and sure and there is every indication of a thoroughly successful first year. A total membership of 125 was reported Tuesday and efforts are being made continually, with good success, to increase the membership to a still greater figure.

Mrs. W. V. Fuller offered her resignation as secretary of the Guild at the meeting Tuesday and Mrs. Oscar Hayter was elected to succeed her. The names of Mrs. E. C. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. I. N. Woods were added to the list of directors, swelling the number from 12 to fourteen. After the close of the business session, light refreshments were served and a pleasant social hour was spent before adjournment.

Tuesday's meeting will be the last until next October, when the most important assembly of the year will be held. At that time the work of gathering up the contributions and distributing them in a suitable manner, will be attended to.

Until the time of the October meeting, the campaign for new members will be prosecuted with all energy. It is the hope and the intention of the Needlework Guild to increase its forces until at that time it may boast an enrollment of between 200 and 250 active members.

New Books For Library.

Nine new books have just been received and placed on the rental list at the Dallas Free Library. Following is the list:

The Message—Tracy
The Wayfarers—Cutting
Little Gols—Thomas
The Other Side Door—Chamberlain
The Ring and the Man—Brady
The Warrens in Virginia—Eggleston
The Colonel of the Red Hussars—Scott
The Story of Thyra—Brown
Mr. Opp—Rice

The following list of new books for the general circulation have also been received and placed in the library this week:

William Shakespeare—Mable
History of English Literature (3 vols.)—Taine
Standard Opera Glass—Annesley
The Seven Lamps of Architecture—Ruskin
The Young Mechanic—Lukin
The Wandering Jew—Sue
Paola and Francesca—Phillips
The Baby; His Care and Training—Wheeler
English Synonyms and Antonyms—Fernald
Physics for High School Students—Carhart & Chute
After Prison—What?—Booth
Moral Instruction of Children—Adler
Electric Toymaking for Amateurs—Sloane
Primer of Parliamentary Law—Roberts
The Story of the Railroad—Appleton
Boys' Workshop—Craiglin
Domestic Electrical Work—Wittebecker
The Art of Debate—Alden
Book of Plays and Operettes
Romance of Industry and Invention—Cochrane
What A Girl Can Make and Do—Beard
Wonder Book of Horses—Baldwin
School of Hygiene—Shaw
What Is Good Music—Henderson
How Music Developed—Henderson
How Two Boys Can Make Their Own Electrical Apparatus—St. John
Bookkeeping for Retail Stores—Dean
Psychology and Life—Munsterberg
Our Home Pets—Miller
Problems of Philosophy—Hibben
How to Attract Birds—Blanchon
American Natural History—Hornaday

Dallas to Play Independence.

After a period of nearly a month without a game, the Dallas baseball park will be opened again on Sunday afternoon, when the Dallas Grays will line up against the hitherto undefeated team from Independence. Bowen, of Woodburn, whose work has in several games been a star feature on the local diamond, will pitch for Dallas and Charles Boydston will be behind the bat. Admission to the grandstand will be 35 cents and to the bleachers, 25 cents. Both of the competing teams will appear in Dallas during the big two days' celebration and may possibly be matched against each other for a second time then. Sunday's game offers a fine opportunity for fans to get an idea of the strength of both of the teams and the record of each during the season thus far shows that neither is by any means a weak aggregation.

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