

# The Monmouth Herald

## OREGON STATE NORMAL NEWS

### Continued By Our Corps Of College Reporters

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Chester Day, '08 is teaching in Touchet, Washington.

Miss Ellen Laurance, February '08, has the position of primary teacher in her home town, Prairie City, Oregon.

A. L. Briggs, instructor in mathematics spent Saturday and Sunday with his family in Albany. Mr. Briggs reports a most delightful trip.

Miss Alvie Galbraith, who was a student in Monmouth during the winter '06-'07, is spending the winter at her home in Grant county, Oregon.

H. Zophar Tharp and wife were visitors in the Normal on Friday of last week. All old students will remember Mr. Tharp was instructor in Physical Training in our school for several years.

Pupils in the Training Department are now furnished with music while marching. Both teachers and pupils find this a great pleasure and help. Miss Alene Hosner presides at the piano.

Miss Sarah B. Gray, June, '04, is again a fourth grade teacher in Pendleton. She writes her work is very interesting and we feel sure she is adding laurels to the old Normal's already well filled crown.

President Ressler was one of the principal instructors at the county institute which was held during the first part of the week in Hillsboro. From there he went to Dallas to continue his institute work on Thursday and Friday.

Principal Traver has been away from the city several days the past week assisting in institute work in The Dalles, Oregon. He reports that he saw about thirty-five of our old students while there. Is that not a good record for Wasco county?

Mrs. Rachel Shatto, who when one of our students was Miss Rachel H. Doremus, has recently been appointed chief nurse for the city schools in Portland. It is her duty to assist or provide assistance for cases of contagious diseases discovered by the city inspector.

We are proud to say that one of the most important schools in one of the most prosperous counties in our state is provided wholly with teachers from our ranks. The city is North Yamhill, the county is Yamhill and the teachers are, Wm. Wiest, Principal, with Misses Freda Gist, Frances Helmick and Otta Mayfield as assistants.

Steps have been taken toward the organization of an athletic association. Elaborate plans are being formed for purchasing basket ball suits, shoes, etc. It is to be hoped all the well laid

plans will mature for on the success of these, depends the number, kind and time of our inter-collegiate games during the season 1908-09. The business men of the town as well as the student body are being canvassed for financial support, as we have no coach provided for and no funds for meeting other expenses incidental to athletics. The idea is to make the organization self-sustaining one and to make it firmly established.

T. C. Allen, who was a member of the Normal faculty several years ago is now in Grangeville California. This is the beginning of the third year in this place for Mr. and Mrs. Allen where both are employed as teachers. Mr. Allen is also a member of the County Board of Examiners, and this official duty together with his school work keeps him very busy. He writes that Jennie Neal, June '06 is one of his very able assistants. He also sends news of two more of our old students; of Nell Stockman who is also teaching in California and of Sam Lacy who is attending medical college in Los Angeles.

### NORMAL SOCIETY ITEMS

A most exciting and harrowing initiation was experienced by the eleven new members who entered the Society last Friday evening. However, all came out alive and able to tell the tale.

With the addition of these new members and application of membership of others, the coming year of Society has a very bright prospect for success.

The meeting Friday evening consisted solely in the initiation, which lasted until a late hour.

### VESPERTINE

The following program was rendered by the Vespertine Society last Friday evening:

- Song Society
- Quotations from Longfellow
- Reading Gertrude Shepard Solo
- Recitation Mrs. Stroud
- Funnygrams Anna C. Troedsen
- Trio Misses Hathaway, Goyne and Twinerstet
- Reading Ora Williams
- Current Events Louise Huber
- Reading Miss Baker
- Song Society

The following officers were elected.

- President Miss Galbreath
- Vice President Mrs. Stroud
- Secretary Miss Williams
- Treasurer Miss Scott
- Critic Miss Shearer
- Organist Miss Spencer
- Chorister Miss Twinerstet

The society has the quality and prospects are bright for a successful year's work. It can also boast of its bravery. While the first song was being sung a little innocent mouse found a comfortable sleeping place in a cozy corner of the radiator but only to be disturbed from his peaceful slumbers by some of the active members and at length murdered by the heroic Effie May Galbreath. Some of the members displayed their skill for climbing; namely Misses Shearer, White and others for they actually found themselves upon chairs after the little victim lay lifeless upon the floor.

We think it fair to say that the prospects have never been better than this year for the best work in the Society. Abiding interest is manifested in the programs and the various committees are all working in the spirit of real harmony. It seems to be the determination of all to keep the proud name the Vespertine and the recognition given them in the past as well worthy now as ever.

## INDEPENDENCE NEWS BUDGET

### From Our Budget Column

### W. G. Sharman and Wife

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A. L. Hester spent Sunday in Portland.

F. E. Kasper, of Independence, was in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitcomb, of Salem, were visitors Monday.

J. M. Butler made a business trip to Dallas Tuesday.

Fred Hooper and wife were Salem visitors Tuesday.

Cleye Robinson made a business trip to Portland Sunday.

Mrs. H. D. Kresler was a Salem visitor one day last week.

J. S. Cooper and wife were Dallas visitors Wednesday.

Lief Finseth, of Dallas, spent Sunday with friends in this city.

Mrs. Geo. Conkey spent Sunday with her parents in Dallas.

J. P. Morgan, of Portland, the government engineer is in this city.

W. G. Sharman and wife returned Wednesday to their home at the Siletz.

C. G. Long and family spent Sunday in Albany with Mr. Long's parents.

John Belt of Willamina, came Monday to spend a few days with his family in this city.

Miss Opal McDevitt, went to Dallas last week to spend a few days with her parents.

Robert Minde was a passenger to Portland last Saturday, he returned Sunday evening.

Mrs. Corinne Townsend of Seattle Washington is visiting relatives here this week.

Miss Bertie Bentley went to Portland Saturday for a few days visit, returning Monday.

Travis McDevitt, of Corvallis, spent a few hours here Monday with his sister, Mrs. Conkey.

Mrs. E. J. Hosler came Tuesday morning to visit with friends. She was formerly of this city.

Dr. Duganne returned Monday evening from Portland where he had been spending a few days.

Mrs. Lynn Davidson left Sunday afternoon for Portland, where she will spend the winter.

John Scott, of Portland, was visiting at the home of M. Mervin and family one day last week.

John Hastings, of eastern Oregon spent a few days of last week with his sister, Mrs. Pearl Hedges.

Helen D. Harford, of Newberg is visiting this week with her brother, Prof. P. W. Kirk, of this city.

Mrs. W. Earhearts sister, Mrs. J. Strubble left Wednesday morning for southern Oregon where she will make her home.

Mrs. F. A. Munsell, of Prosser, Washington, who has been visiting her brother, E. E. Paddock,

for a month, returned home last week.

Mr. L. J. Tenney, C. Tenney and family returned from Portland, after a few days visit with friends in that city.

Charles Strebbling and wife, of Vancouver, Washington, are visiting relatives here this week. Mr. Strebbling was formerly of this city.

Wm. H. Taylor, who has been out of the city with the exception of a few days from the West, returned Monday for a visit with his family.

F. F. Hayes, of Portland, a former agent of the Gas Station, passed through this city Monday on his way to Monmouth to estimate the loss by the fire in that place.

Mr. R. D. Taylor left Sunday for a visit with his family in Portland and parts of eastern Oregon. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Willard Ireland, who has been visiting here for several weeks.

### Falls City

Charles Palmer went to Portland last week on a land case.

Mrs. Fred Crowley who has been seriously ill, is rapidly convalescing.

Mrs. J. D. Williams, of Salem, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Wm. Blinn, of this city.

G. F. Brenten & Son who have bought P. M. Boyles store have taken charge of it.

Diphtheria at Powells camp has caused the county health officer to quarantine the camp.

Mrs. Jas. Chamberlain has returned from Brownsville, where she went to visit her sister.

Miss Edith Montgomery began her school at Oakhurst Monday with 40 pupils in attendance.

Dr. Crowley, of Monmouth, has been in town several times the past week on professional business.

H. Fugate has moved his family into a house near the school house. Mr. Fugate was until recently the proprietor of the Tavern hotel.

Mrs. Charles Palmer and Miss Hammond have returned from Portland where they went to attend the state convention of the W. C. T. U. They report a pleasant and interesting meeting.

Geo. Vick, Warren Frink, Leland Murphy, Mr. Donahue and their respective families, all of Falls City have moved to Lake county to make their homes. Falls City's loss is Lake county's gain.

School opened October 5, with 150 pupils enrolled and following teachers present, Principal, F. D. Crowley; Assistants, Adrian Owens, Misses Gertrude Cobb, Hallie Norrison, and Mrs. S. D. Meyer.

Jesse Gilliam and family, of eastern Washington, visited at the home of Rev. LaDow and other friends. Mr. Gilliam was raised near this place and had not visited it for over thirty years. He has sold his farm in Washington and is moving to Roseburg. Success attend them.

Jesse Zook returned the first of the week from Portland.

## A DISASTROUS FIRE RAGES

### Radek of Radek & Smith

### THE BURNING BAKERY DOES GOOD WORK

### Loss About \$2700

Friday night about twelve o'clock the building in the Radek of Radek & Smith and the whole was turned in. A large crowd of people were soon on the street and an effort was made to save the stock and fixtures in the saleroom. The building being very old and dry burned like tinder and it was but a few minutes until it was all aflame and it was impossible to get inside. There being no fire protection here a bucket brigade was formed and water got from the wells in the vicinity. A number of young men promptly ascended to the roof of the Graham dwelling adjoining the bakery and by dint of almost superhuman endeavor saved the building although it was badly scorched. Several men also kept water on the sides and roof of the livery barn and saved it. The absence of any wind saved the larger part of the town from destruction, for had the wind been blowing in any direction nothing could have been done, but stand aside and see it burn.

The fire was a severe blow to Radek & Smith, who were doing a nice business, but with commendable enterprise they have gone to work to rebuild and make another start. They will erect a brick structure 30x60 with brick partition wall inside and plate glass front; making it the most modern structure in the city.

Four years ago Joseph Radek came here and started in a very modest way a little bakery. It was thought by many at the time that he would not make a living at it, but he prospered and last April he sold a half interest to Roy Smith. The firm had on hands a large stock of goods for the fall and early winter trade and did not carry very heavy insurance, consequently their loss is heavy. But little stock was saved and the fixtures that were saved will have to be rebuilt costing nearly as much as new. The total loss is estimated to be \$5000 with \$2700 insurance. Among other things lost are 1300 phonograph records upon which no insurance could be had. One box of these records was saved, but the heat was so intense that they were melted, although they were nearly 100 feet from the fire.

Special mention of the many deeds that can be considered heroic is impossible, for they were too numerous, sufficient it is to say that we have some of the best fire fighting material on the coast and it is a pity that they have nothing to fight with; however we are hopeful that before another year goes by we will have as good as any city of our population.