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INDEPENDENCE NEWS BUDGET

From Our Regular Correspondent.

DAILY HAPPENINGS IN OUR SISTER CITY.
Scan This Column For News on Importance From the Riverside.

Ralph Davidson of Parker was in town Monday.

J. S. Cooper is having a new roof put on his house.

Mr. and Mrs. Quasdorf spent a day in Salem last week.

D. B. Taylor and wife were Corvallis visitors this week.

Miss Lois Osborn spent Sunday in Albany visiting friends.

Mr. Bolem, a hop buyer from Salem passed through town last Saturday.

Mrs. Schaffer and her son Emerson, of Highland, was in town Saturday.

Fred Hooper left for Parker station last Tuesday to build a granary for Ralph Davidson.

Catterlain and Linn shipped one hundred bales of 1908 hops from the warehouse here Monday.

Miss Ella Robinson came up from McMinnville Saturday to visit her parents returning home Tuesday afternoon.

The saw mill started again on Thursday of last week. The mill gives employment to about 25 men and will run most of the winter.

Mrs. W. D. Moreland, accompanied by her two children, from Tacoma, Wash., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cooper of this place.

S. S. Roose, of Denver, Colorado, president of the Fraternal Lodge of America, paid a visit to the local lodge here Tuesday evening. After the usual routine of business a swell banquet was spread.

Jason Byers and sons started to Crook county to take up homesteads, but on journeying to Sweet Home they learned that father up in the mountains the roads were blocked, so they returned home.

Miss Montgomery of Salem, met with W. O. W. Circle No. 66, of this city, last Friday night and delivered an excellent address to the large crowd present. After lodge a lunch was served, all leaving for home at a late hour.

The city is having gravel hauled for the purpose of having concrete cross walks put in on Main street from the bank to R. M. Wade & Co's., on Monmouth street between the bank and P. H. Drexler's, and on C street between the Post Office and Hanna Brothers' store.

The following is from the Daily Free Press Tribune, of Waltham, Mass., "Rev. Wallace F. Chase, son of Probation Officer, Charles F. Chase of this city, has been extended a call to the pastorate of the Christian church of Auburn, N. Y., and the former Waltham boy will in all probability accept the call. Rev. Mr. Chase is now pastor of the Christian Church at East Aurora, N. Y.,

and the call to Auburn is to take charge of the largest Christian church in Central New York, and the third largest church in the state. Rev. Mr. Chase was ordained into the ministry eight years ago and his first call was to a church in the western part of the state. Soon afterwards Mr. Chase went to Montana and a few months ago was called back East to New York State." It will be remembered that Rev. Chase was pastor of the Christian church, of this place, for several months, and his many friends will congratulate him.

Merchant T. A. Riggs had business which called him to Portland yesterday afternoon.

Sheriff Grant and wife were down from the county seat yesterday visiting in the city.

Items from the Falls City News

Henry Wagner who was operated on for appendicitis at the Falls City hospital recently, is recovering rapidly and will soon be up and around again.

Friends of Mr. Stolten have recently received word from him that he was about to leave the Old Country and would perhaps be back here after reaching our shores.

Miss Edna Seymour has been very sick the last two weeks as a result of being poisoned by poison oak while out with the rest of the students of Dallas College on mountain day. She has had a very bad case of it, but expects to be able to be in school again soon.

M. F. Thompson told us the other day that he had just re-

ceived a letter from his brother, George, who recently left here for his home in Michigan, and he said that when he awoke the first morning after he got home he found several inches of snow on the ground and that it had been snowing ever since then. Now we know that Mr. Thompson did not take that snow back from here so there must be something climatically wrong with the country back there. Better come back Mr. Thompson and help us eat nice ripe strawberries.

Prof. Davis met with the citizens of Monmouth, young and older, in the Baptist church Monday night for the purpose of raising a class in vocal music. Eighteen scholars were enrolled with the prospect of more. Mr. Davis agrees to teach a term of twelve

REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Many Prizes are Offered for Articles Descriptive of Northwest.

Reduction in Grain Freight Rates.—Czar of Russia to have a Royal Orchard in Southern Oregon.

Portland, Or., Oct. 26.—Five thousand dollars will be given by the Portland Commercial Club in prizes for the best newspaper and magazine articles on Portland, the state, or the Pacific Northwest. The offer holds good during the coming year and the one writing the best article will be rewarded with a check for \$1000, second best will get \$500, and a gradually diminishing scale of prizes will reward 80 writers.

The contest is open to everyone. The conditions are that the articles must be printed in a newspaper or magazine of general circulation, printed anywhere outside of the states of Oregon and Washington, marked copy of the publication must then be sent to the Portland Commercial Club, where it will be turned over to three judges named by the Governor of Oregon. The articles may be printed between the dates of November 1, 1909, and December 31, 1910.

Almost any phase of the Northwest may be used as subject matter of the articles. The length and treatment is optional with the writer. The plan of the Commercial Club is not to have the Northwest "boomed" in the common meaning of the term so much as it is to have the people of the country become more familiar with this portion of the United States and give expression to their views in such articles as will be acceptable to papers throughout the entire continent.

The decision of the judges will be absolutely impartial. There are prizes for 80 writers and the chances for winning are so many that entries in the contest should be large. That the publicity resulting from the prize offer will be wide and that much good will be realized for the whole Pacific Northwest is assured.

Reductions in grain rates of about one-half percent. from the interior to tidewater will go into effect on the railroads of the Northwest on November 1st, and will effect a large saving to the wheat growers of the Inland Empire. The reduction was ordered on the O. R. & N. Lines by the Oregon Railroad Commission, and on the Washington railroads by the commission of that state.

Great preparations are being made for the annual Hood River apple fair, October 28, 29, 30.

That the Czar of Russia will have a royal orchard in Southern Oregon is the information given out by two nobles of his court, Anton Petroskovich and Peter Peterhof, who have just completed an inspection of the Pacific Northwest to locate such an orchard. They decided to recommend the Rogue River Valley and are expected to close negotiations just made for a tract near Medford.

The Fifth Annual Programme of the Polk County S. S. Convention

To be Held in the Christian Church at Falls City, Oregon, November 17th and 18th, 1909.

Programme.

WEDNESDAY MORNING NOV. 17, 1909, 10 A. M.

Praise Service, - Led by M. E. Minister, Falls City

Welcome Address, - Rev. La Dow

Response, - County Pres. J. G. Van Orsdell

Announcements, Appointments, Etc.

Round Table Conference

Special Music

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30

Praise Service, - Led by Rev. Sias, Christian Church, Dallas

"The New Graded Courses," - Rev. Phipps, State Field Worker

"Rural Problems," - Mrs. Bonnie Smith

Discussion

Round Table Conference

Reports from District Visiting Com'tees and Delegates

Roll Call of Officers, Schools and Registration

WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE, 7:30

Praise Service, - Led by Rev. Sparr, M. E. Church, Dallas

"Organized Bible Class Demonstration," - L. A. Matthews

Special Music

"Signs of Promise," - Rev. Phipps

Announcements

THURSDAY MORNING, 9:30

Praise Service, - Led by Rev. Dunsmore, Presbyterian Church, Independence

"The Relation of the Christian College to the Sunday School," Rev. A. A. Winter, Pres. Dallas College

Solo, - Fred Hooper

"The Open Door and What Lies Beyond," - Rev. Reeves, Presbyterian, Dallas

Round Table Conference

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30

Praise Service, - Led by N. A. Emmett

"The Home Department," - Mrs. H. H. Paget of Portland

Demonstration of Primary Work, Mrs. Mabel Courter

"Temperance," - Rev. Dodd, Falls City

Special Music

"An Up-to-Date S. S.," - Prof. Seymore

Paper, - Mrs. Blanche Paul

Reports of Officers and Committees.—Closing

THURSDAY EVENING, 7:30

Praise Service, - Led by Mrs. Wayne Henry

Address, Selected, - Rev. Hoover

Evangelical Monmouth

"Seven Devils in the S. S.," - Rev. Phipps

All will be most welcome if they can attend, at any and all services

President J. G. Van Orsdell

Secretary Bonnie Smith

Treasurer Fred. Hooper

Railroad Building

There has been no cessation by the Oregon Trunk in prosecution of the grading work in the Deschutes canyon, and it is a safe estimate to say that between seven and eight thousand men are employed by the Hill road from the mouth of the river to the mouth of Willow creek. T. J. Jolly, who came up that way last week, reports about four hundred men in the neighborhood of Sherars Bridge, with camps carrying from 20 to 50 men each scattered up and down along the river every half-mile.

Mr. Jolly reports that the work near the Columbia consists mainly of building good wagon roads so as to get supplies to the camps. The Deschutes canyon has been greatly handicapped in having no wagon roads during the railroad fight, although they were never needed before, and the railroad men find one absolutely indispensable to railroad construction. The camps are for the most part permanent, frame

houses with tar paper roofs, make things appear as if grading work will continue all through the coming winter.

Grass Valley is the main supply depot for both the Oregon Trunk and the Deschutes Company, being only a few miles from the canyon, and the town, already the best in Sherman county, is still enjoying its unprecedented boom. Men are quitting the railroad camps every few days and going out by Grass Valley, but others promptly take their places in the gap and so the work goes on.

In the canyon, hay is at a premium, twenty dollars a ton is the ruling price, and the railroad men seem to take all they can secure at that figure, paying cash. Sherman county is not a hay county, being devoted mainly to wheat growing, so that practically all the hay consumed there has to be hauled in by rail, and then transported to the camps in the canyon by wagons, making it expensive. In the upper reaches of the canyon, at the mouth of Trout creek, for instance, work is steady, and the blasts may be heard plainly from

lessons for \$60. The first lesson will be given next Monday night, the second and third following on Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Mr. Davis is an able teacher and is known to several residents of Monmouth, and guarantees satisfaction. Vocal music is an accomplishment that will prove of great pleasure to any person and now is the time to make the start. The larger the class the less will be the cost per scholar.

the north side of Grizzly mountain, sometimes seven and eight at once, showing that somebody is busy.

Below, crews are working on both sides of the river, indicating that the O. R. & N. has not given up its tactics even while it is hopelessly out of the race for Central Oregon.

The Oregon Trunk will prove an expensive piece of engineering and will probably cost nearly twice as much as the estimates indicated. A large part of the grade is through solid rock, which means tons of dynamite and other explosives.—Prineville Review.