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## REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

### Tempting Donations to Portland Excursionists

### ROSE FESTIVAL UNIVESALLY RECOGNIZED

### Central Oregon Will Hold a Series of Development Meetings

Portland, Ore., Tuesday, May 3rd.—The Portland business men returned from their visit to thirty Oregon points intensely enthused. Aside from the splendid welcome extended to them everywhere, some of the more homely features appealed to them specially—for instance the luscious asparagus, toothsome new potatoes and strawberries which were sent to the excursion diner by different communities. The aesthetic side was not overlooked, either, and at several points the excursionists found upon returning to their train that it had been converted into a bower of rose or other blossoms.

Business had little attention in Portland Friday and Saturday of last week, for the census was the engrossing subject. Large business interests volunteered their best men as special enumerators to assist in the work without compensation, and every effort was made to get a fair count, the whole to be carefully checked over for accuracy.

Never was the Rose Festival so universally recognized as this year. Various railroads have issued wonderfully attractive booklets and are devoting all their advertising to the advent. Roses promise just as heavy a crop as the more substantial products such as fruit and grain.

Development meetings are scheduled this week at Bend and Prineville, the following Monday at Burns. Each meeting will be held by the commercial organization and draw attendance from miles around.

Oregon advertising in metropolitan eastern papers has brought a flood of inquiry which all but swamped the head office of the Oregon Development League. Probably the record-breaking freeze throughout the Middle West and East, which occurred at the time this advertising appeared, had a great effect upon the number of enquiries.

The Pacific Coast Ad Men's League will meet in San Francisco from June 22nd to 24th, and the Portland Ad Club will entertain several delegations of advertising men from Washington cities, enroute to this convention, including a specially large representation from Spokane. President Whitmore and Secretary Campbell of the Portland Ad Club will go South with their brothers for the convention.

Harold Davis, of Monmouth, has been in Brownsville this week circulating a petition for a vote on the question of re-establishing the state normal at Monmouth. Mr. Davis resided here when quite small, being a son of W. W. Davis, at one time pastor of the local Baptist church.—Brownsville Times.

## L. W. Hill Offers Land in the Northwest to St. Louis Philanthropist.

Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern Ry. in a telegram spirit of humor last night sent a to George T. Jackson of St. Louis, who is working on the enterprise of providing free lands to be settled by the poor, announcing that 64,000,000 acres of free government land lie in the Northwest territory tributary to St. Paul, ready for any people who will settle and develop them.

Mr. Jackson has announced that he will give 4,000 acres of Arkansas farm land to the unemployed of St. Louis and vicinity. Since making his announcement he has received nearly 1,000 letters from other wealthy philanthropists offering in all about 50,000 acres from Manitoba to Texas for this enterprise. This land is to be divided in small farms to be worked on the community plan. The enterprise is being conducted by the St. Louis Welfare association, organized by James Eads Howe.

Mr. Hill's telegram to Mr. Jackson reads as follows:

"We have always been interested in getting people upon farms. We are much interested in the newspaper report that you have been able to find 50,000 acres of free land available for this purpose extending from Manitoba to Texas. We have for many years been locating persons on the free government lands of the West and herewith submit you 64,000,000 acres of free government land available for your purpose. For tables as to counties and classification, see government report, department of the interior, on the unappropriated lands of the United States, last issue, showing Minnesota, one one-half million acres; Montana, forty million; North Dakota, one and one-half million; Oregon, eighteen million; Washington state, three million."—St. Paul Pioneer Press, April 19.

New advs. and changes watch for bargains.

William Mulkey gave Salem a business call yesterday and in his absence A. B. Morlan had charge of the bakery store.

Miss Ethel McDonald of McMinnville has been elected to finish out the unfinished term of Miss Mary Scollard who recently resigned her position. Miss McDonald is a strong teacher and is doing good work. She is a normal graduate and comes with good recommendations as a teacher.—Enterprise.

J. R. N. Bell returned yesterday from Independence. He was more than surprised at the great changes being wrought in the northern town. A fine new depot has just been completed, sewers are being put in, the streets are being macadamized, first-class sidewalks are being laid, and many are the new buildings. A \$20,000 high school is to be put up at once. Dr. Bell says Independence looks "good" and is booming.—Corvallis-Gazette-Times.

## NEWS FROM COUNTY SEAT

### Court House Notes.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSE

Cora B Snell and hd to Sanford Snyder, lots in Independence, \$225.

Leroy K Irving and Dessie M Miller; Fred Hornshuh and Beulah Fern Calkins.

#### PROBATE

Estate of Thomas H Denny, deceased—objections to costs overruled.

Estate of Hannah Eames, deceased—R J Taylor, F S Wilson and C McBeth appointed appraisers.

Estate of Anna Grow, deceased—bond filed and approved.

#### HOP CONTRACTS.

W L Murphy to T A Riggs, 15,000 pounds 1910 crop, at 15 cents.

#### REAL ESTATE

Paul Wessinger et al to J A Kaeppler, 667.70 acres, t 9 and 10 s, r 6 w, \$3500.

Emerson E Black et ux to George O Harshman, 13 acres, t 7 and 8 s, r 5 w, \$4000.

Horace M Reeves to Emily Bascue, lots in Independence, \$1.

State of Oregon to Heirs of Frank L Brown, 680 acres, t 9 s, r 6 w, \$7700.

M Merwin et ux to Homer Laliberty, 14 acres, t 8 s, r 4 w, and lots in Independence, \$650.

G W Johnson et ux to F W Waters, lots in West Salem, \$1.

F W Waters et ux to A B Wood et ux, lots in West Salem, \$700.

D C Hamilton and hd to Spaulding Logging Co, 80 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$10.

Joseph H Moser et ux to E B McFarland, 146 acres, t 8 s, r 5 w, \$4380.

J W Benson et ux to E Van Zandt, one-half int 163 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$10.

Sophronia Gibson to George D Gibson et al, land in t 7 s, r 4 w, \$1.

John R Robbins et ux to J H Keller, 270.64 acres, t 7 s, r 6 w, \$1.

Aaron Maybee to Cora Maybee land in Dallas, \$1.

Frank Fuchs to S L Burk, 21.45 acres, t 8 s, r 5 w, \$2450.

Peter Springer et ux to W H Smith and William Townsend, 205.95 acres, t 9 s, r 6 w, \$8000.

J L Hanna et ux to Charles E Hicks, land in Independence, \$1.

J F Smith et ux to George Niggli, 28.36 acres, t 8 s, r 5 w, \$2000.

Moses Manston et al to Frederick Gerlinger, land in Dallas, \$1700.

W L Skeels to S R Skeels, 1 acre, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$1.

Valentine Fisher et ux to Z M Knight, lots in Dallas, \$1.

J. W. Wardrip left Independence Wednesday with his family for Winnipeg, Canada. He is interested in a large track of land near that place and will spend some time in looking after business matters connected with it. Mr. Wardrip does not know where he will make his future home but for the present he will reside at Winnipeg. Independence loses a good citizen in Mr. Wardrip.—Enterprise.

A. G. Jones of Dallas was in town Saturday.

J. O. Smith of Luckiamute was in town Monday.

Superintendent Seymour visited the public school here Monday.

W. P. McGee and Thos. Krinchin of Arlie had business in town Saturday.

E. C. Van Meer of Seattle, a former resident of this section was here Monday on his way to visit California.

Something of more than ordinary interest drew D. J. Bolton and Ralph L. Davidson to Monmouth Saturday evening.

The Oregon Conference of the Evangelical Church convened yesterday with a large attendance of the ministry and delegates. There was church service Tuesday and Wednesday evenings preceeding conference with good attendance. Services will continue over Sunday.

A fire in the engine room of the McKean motor car, owned and operated by the Dallas, Salem & Falls City Railway Company damaged the car to the extent of probably \$200 a few minutes after midnight yesterday morning. The loss is fully covered by insurance, and the car will probably not be tied up more than two or three days for repairs. The origin of the fire is unknown.—Observer.

### Report of Schools

Report of the schools of Polk County for the school month ending April 23, 1910.

Number of schools reporting correctly and on time	61
Names of schools and teachers failing to report on time—Cochran	
Number of pupils remaining at last report	2303
Number of pupils registered new during month	26
Number of pupils registered secondary during month	36
Number of pupils readmitted during month	203
Total number pupils on register during month	2467
Number of pupils dropped during month	392
Number of pupils remaining at time of report	2075
Number of days taught during month	17
Whole number of days attendance	37451
Whole number of times late	426
Number of pupils neither absent nor tardy	1066
Average number of pupils belonging	2560
Average daily attendance	2203
Per cent of attendance	93
Number of visits by parents	75
Number of visits by members of the school board	16

The following schools are placed on the roll of honor for the county for having made a percent of attendance of 95 or more;—Smithfield, Red Prairie, Monmouth, Arlie, Oak Point, Elkins, Brush College, Buell (100), Spring Valley, Harmony, Lincoln, North Dallas, Etna (100), McTimmonds Valley, Concord, Falls City, Pioneer, Highland.

The following schools are placed on the roll of honor for the county for not having any tardies during the month—Sena, Red Prairie, Parkers, Fairview, Butler, Oak Point, Elkins, Buell, Spring Valley, Pop Corn, Lincoln, Suver, McTimmonds Valley, Greenwood, Sunny Slope, Concord, Oakdale, McCoy, Liberty, Blach Rock, Highland and Mistletoe.

The attendance this month was one per cent better than last month and as we only have two more months of this school year we must all do our best to keep the attendance up to the 90 per cent in order to win for the entire year.

Yours Respectfully  
H. C. SEYMOUR.

## INDEPENDENCE NEWS BUDGET

### From Our Regular Correspondent.

### DAILY HAPPENINGS IN OUR SISTER CITY

### Scan This Column For News on Importance From the Riverside.

Guy Walker visited Salem last week.

Mr. Orvit was a Portland visitor last week.

Rev. Webber visited in Portland this week.

Mrs. Kate Walker spent the week in Portland.

Ed. Owen spent Sunday with his family of this city.

Charles Irvin and wife of Summit visited relatives here last week.

Eph Yound has returned from Carson Springs much improved in health.

Mrs. Lemons of Eugene is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Barnett of this city.

Pearl Lock and wife of Portland visited friends and relatives in this city Sunday.

Miss Hazel Bohannon has finished her term of school at Polk Station and returned home.

Miss Mabel Ellis has completed her term of school at Parker and returned home for the summer.

Prof. McIntosh returned Sunday evening from visiting his wife in Portland and reports her much improved.

Floyd Williams has given up the purpose of returning to the army and has bought Frank Cox' confectionery.

On May 1st the City Meat Market changed hands, Newton Brothers having sold to Spurling and Heck who will run the business from now on.

The W. O. W. and Circle held their joint meeting Friday evening in the W. O. W. Hall. After the playing of games, ice cream and cake were served and it was a late hour when all left for their homes.

The steam laundry caught fire last week. The roof was ablaze when first discovered, and it was only the prompt action of the fire company that saved the building. There was no damage except that of the roof.

The Medford Tribune says: "The highest price ever paid in the Rogue River valley for unplanted orchard land was paid Thursday, when the John Cox place, a mile southwest of the city, was sold for \$428 an acre, or \$12,000 for the track, which consists of 280 acres. The place is considered one of the best in the valley which has not yet been planted to orchard, and the new owners plan to start work soon getting the land in condition for planting orchard."

The new carpet in the Evangelical church gives a pleasing appearance.

Mrs. C. V. Clodfelter of Jefferson, of whom mention was made last week, is improving rapidly.