

# The Monmouth Herald

## REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

### Railroads Spend Millions on New Oregon Lines

### ASHLAND WILL HOLD MINING CONGRESS

### Portland Bodies Of Commerce Urge Building Road Thro' Mt. Hood Reserve

Portland, Oregon, January 10—The Hill system of railroads has extended during the past four years in Oregon and Washington no less than \$80,000,000, according to compilations just made, in extensions, betterments, acquisitions of holdings and equipment, exclusive of fixed charges and operating expenses. The North Bank Road alone cost nearly \$53,000,000 and \$27,000,000 was spent on Hill properties in this state, over half during the past year.

Construction work mapped out for properties in Oregon for 1911 involves the expenditure of \$15,000,000. Coupled with the big expenditures the Harriman system is making in building new lines and extensions and the effort both big railroads are putting into exploitation work to advertise the state. Oregon has a great asset in its railroads.

Ashland will hold a mining congress on January 17. The rich mining region extending from Grants Pass to Yreka, Cal., will be represented by delegates and it is expected to form a permanent organization that will assist in the development of the mineral resources of this district.

Oregon found a brick in its Christmas stocking when the reclamation apportionment was announced, giving this state but \$925,000 to carry on uncompleted irrigation projects out of the appropriation of \$20,000,000, despite the large contribution of Oregon to the reclamation fund. The Oregon Development League and Portland Commercial Club have taken joint action to secure a re-appointment, so that this state may secure its just share to continue reclamation work.

Albany took considerable pride in the opening of its new armory, which was marked by the attendance of leading military men of the state. The Armory is a handsome building and will be the home of Company G, Fourth Regiment, O. N. G.

Portland commercial bodies are urging the building of a road through the forest reserve surrounding Mt. Hood. The Oregon delegation in Congress will be asked to use their influence to secure an appropriation of \$150,000 for the purpose. The building of this road is planned to take the place of the national park originally sought for the slopes of Mt. Hood.

Astoria is busily at work on its proposed centennial next summer and tentative plans now include a military pageant. Detachments of the Oregon and Washington National Guards and the regular army are expected to participate. John Jacob Astor, Jr., descendant of the original foun-

der of Astoria, will be invited to attend as guest of honor and honorary chairman of the exposition, which will be held from August 10 to September 10.

Oregon and Washington are again trying to agree upon the ownership of Sand Island. A joint commission is tracing an arbitrary boundary line between the two states for ratification by the legislatures. It is expected the long disputed question will be settled at last.

### The Basket Ball Game

Saturday night witnessed one of the best ball games of the season at this place when the first and second teams from the Dallas high school met their peers from the high school here on the home floor in the Normal gymnasium.

The second teams of the two schools met as a preliminary arrangement to the evening's sport and fought valiantly for first honors. The game was well-contested, the two teams being almost equal and when time was called in the last half the score stood 10 to 9, the Dallas lads being in the lead.

The second game was between the first teams of two schools contesting and was very interesting as the teams were quite evenly matched as shown by the result of the contest. During the first half of the game the Dallas boys had the better of the game as the score was 3 to 4 when time was called in the first half, but in the latter part of the game the Monmouth boys pulled ahead and the game closed with the score standing 8 to 7 in favor of the home team.

The Monmouth High School has a good team as is evidenced by the results of the several games they have played this season. They have played the High School teams of Independence, Corvallis and Dallas and have been successful in defeating their opponents in each game.

### Monmouth Heights.

Rufus Smith of Monmouth was out to his place here Saturday.

Clem Fishback returned to Carlton Wednesday to resume his work.

Mrs. Elda Raika visited with Mrs. Belle Sullivan of Monmouth Wednesday and Thursday.

Elmer Raika and Jay Clark returned from Salem Thursday, where they went on business.

Grandma Marks and son, Albert, of near Rickreall were in our vicinity one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pern Lewis of Lewisville, visited their cousins, the Fishback children Sunday and Monday.

Miss Susie Whitcomb of Talmage was a guest of her uncle and aunt, M. and Mrs. Will Mack Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Hazel Johnson, after spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Vernie Ogle and family of near Independence returned home Saturday.

Dr. Allin, dentist, Cooper Building Independence Oregon. Both phones. 19-tf.

# Captain Racket

## 3-Act Drama "TURN HIM OUT" Laughable Farce, at Normal Chapel, Saturday Night, Jan. 21

### CAST OF CHARACTERS

CAPT. ROBERT RACKET,.....Glen Work.  
Obadiah Dawson,.....Artie Burkhead.  
Timothy Tolman,.....Charles McCarthy.  
Mr. Dalroy,.....Rainie Burkhead.  
Hobson,.....Dwight Quisenberry.  
Clarice,.....Leto Wolverton.  
Mrs. Tolman,.....Lorraine Johnson.  
Raty,.....Olea Shore.  
Tootsy,.....The "Kid."

### CAST OF FARCE

NICODEMUS NOBBS, Earnest Riddell; Mr. Mackintosh Moke, Rainie Burkhead; Mr. Eglantine Roseleag, Lester Lindsay; Julia, (Mokes Wife) Agnes Clark; Susan, (the maid) Olea Shore

It is the hope of the students of the High School that the good people of Monmouth will all turn out to help swell the number of those present at this entertainment. The money taken in is to be used in paying for the books and magazines with which the High School Library has been supplied by the student body pledging the amount needed.

**Reserved Seats can be had at Johnson's Book Store on and after Tues., Jan. 17, 1911.**

## Independence News

Mrs. Fritz Weber left for Portland last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Patton have purchased a new piano.

C. W. Sloan left for Cornelius Saturday to visit his parents.

Mrs. Jason Byers visited with relatives in Rickreall last week.

Quite a heavy wind storm visited this vicinity Sunday evening.

A social was held in the Presbyterian church Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. Leon J. Myers, of Dallas was in Independence on business Monday.

Mrs. Emma Lee visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. Claggett last week.

Mrs. Nannie Marcum is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. Dornsife.

The first snow of the season fell in this city Monday evening, Jan. 9, about 7 o'clock.

Ted Irvine is learning to manipulate the linotype machine in the Enterprise office.

Mrs. O. A. Kreamer left for Springfield Oregon, last Saturday, to visit her mother, who is quite ill.

J. G. McIntosh has retired from the tailoring business recently and Mr. Compton, his former partner, has assumed full charge.

Miss Erma Brown, head telephone operator of the Bell telephone has retired and Miss Bertha Collins has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

A number of High School boys of this city attended the basket ball games between the Independence and Dallas teams played in Dallas Friday evening.

Dallas came off victorious in both games, it is reported.

Rev. Morton H. Wood, of Portland, visited in Independence Monday.

J. R. Bellman, of San Francisco, has organized a dancing class in this city.

Prof. Orin Byers, of Dallas visited with his parents in this city over Sunday.

The revival meetings are still in progress at the Methodist church and much interest is being manifested.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Roberts entertained a few of their friends at their home in this city last Friday night. A delightful evening was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stockton, of Salem, came to Independence Friday, to attend the funeral of their brother-in-law, Mr. Rogers. Mr. and Mrs. Stockton were residents of this city several years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Burt arrived here from Portland last week. It is understood that Mr. Burt has accepted a position as foreman of the Enterprise office, hence they will make Independence their home.

A Literary Society was organized at the high school last week. The following officers were elected: President, Dean Baughman, Vice President, Ernest Williams, Secretary, Marie Jones, Sargeant-at-arms, Ralph Morrison. Their debates will be held every Friday afternoon, when anyone outside of the school who wishes to do so, may attend.

Mr. George Rogers, an old time resident of Polk County, died in Portland, January 4, 1911. His remains were brought to Independence Friday, where the funeral was held from the Evan-

## OSWALD WEST IS GOVERNOR

### Points Of Interest Taken From Governor's Message

Tuesday afternoon Governor Oswald West took the oath of office and assumed the governor's chair. The following points are from his message to the legislature:

A constitutional amendment providing adequate protection for depositors against crooked banks, frequent examination of banks limit of loans to individuals, banks to limit themselves to legitimate banking, and making stockholders liable for double the amount of their stock.

Reduction in the amount of printing sent to the State Printer, the purchase of a state printing plant and placing the printer on a flat salary.

State purchasing board to buy all supplies for all the various state institutions, with a chief clerk thoroughly fitted for the position.

A better system of auditing accounts, so that no state official will be called upon to audit his own books. Also a system of auditing county accounts and a uniform system of keeping records in all counties of the state.

Abolition of capital punishment.

Better care of the insane wards of the state, in accordance with recommendations of the Asylum Superintendent.

Relief of congestion in Captiol, by removing printing and heating plants.

Co-operation with city of Salem to secure pure water supply for state institutions.

Conservation of states resources consistent with development.

Forest protection with trained forester to prevent forest fires, and a liberal appropriation for the conservation commission's work.

Better labor laws, shorter hours and branding of prison made goods as such when shipped in from other states for sale in Oregon.

Industrial insurance modeled on the plan of that in some of the European countries.

Good road building, as urged by the Oregon Good Road Association.

The state board to be given authority to co-operate with the Federal Government in working for free locks at Oregon City.

A revision of the judicial system.

Payment of out standing bills against the closed state normal schools.

Needed amendments to the Railroad Commission law.

A public service commission. Co-operation with the Federal authorities in stamping out white slavery.

Adoption of the income tax amendment to the Federal Constitution.

Edical church, Rev. Goode a former resident of Monmouth officiating. Mr. Rogers was well and favorably known in this vicinity, and leaves a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.