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REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Good Roads Boosters Besiege State Legislature

1910 LUMBER CUT THE BIGGEST KNOWN

Twin Falls, Idaho, Takes Palm for the Greatest Yield of Potatoes

Portland, Or., Jan. 24—People of the state made a demonstration in favor of good roads legislation at Salem at the open session of the House and Senate Tuesday of this week when special trains were run to the capitol from Portland and many interested citizens attended. Pending bills providing for the permanent betterment of the roadways of the state were urged upon the legislators.

State and county automobile clubs, the state organization of threshermen, retail merchants and other interests were represented to do what they could to get the pending good roads bill passed. It is felt by those actively at work on this legislation that the measures proposed will accomplish a great deal in bringing about marked improvement in highway conditions throughout the state.

Flourville, although occupying an isolated position on the coast of Lane County will soon be allied closely with the other cities of the state, for it will organize a commercial club having common aims with the hundred and more kindred organizations of the Beaver commonwealth. The Oregon community without a commercial body nowadays is one exceptionally backward. There are only a few left and the ranks are thinning steadily.

The cut of timber by Oregon mills during 1910 was the biggest ever known and reached a total of 2,000,000,000 feet, according to the best estimates obtainable. This, too, despite the fact that trade conditions were conflicting. The current year sees a more favorable outlook and it is probable the cut of 1911 will greatly surpass that of 1910.

The Portland Fair and Livestock Association has decided upon the same dates used last year for the meet next fall and will open September 4. Large business interests of the city who are behind the project are supporting it generously and the coming show promises to be far more successful than any of the annual fairs so far held. It is expected to bring to Portland a large number of merchants and representative citizens from the entire country tributary to Portland at the time of the fair making it an attraction of wide interest.

Shorthorn cattle owned and exhibited by W. O. Minor, of Heppner, won prizes at the Western Stock Show held at Denver during the past week. This same stock won blue ribbons at the Chicago livestock exposition, while at shows nearer home Mr. Minor invariably captures honors.

Twin Falls Idaho, takes the

palm for the greatest yield of potatoes in competition with western states along the line of the Oregon Short Line, which offered a prize of \$500 for the best crop. Louis A. Snyder, living near Twin Fall, was awarded the prize, having grown 645 bushels on one acre. He irrigated his crop three times and planted and cultivated the tubers by machinery.

Monument dealers in Oregon, Washington and Idaho will meet in Portland in annual convention January 26 and 27, when the business of the organization will be transacted and ideas exchanged by the dealers in headstones.

School Teachers To Meet At Independence

Supt. H. C. Seymour has arranged for another of those successful meetings of teachers, this one to be held at Independence on Saturday, Feb. 4, 1911.

The meeting held at Falls City Jan. 7, was pronounced by all teachers present to be one of the best and most useful they had ever attended, and all agreed that the teacher who missed that meeting lost something that they should have had in their school work.

Prof. J. W. Livingston, who gave instruction at Falls City on "The Verb and the Pronoun" also "Learning To Read" was a success and the way he handled it, meant that all teachers present would return to their work stronger in those lines than when they came to the meeting.

State Supt. L. R. Alderman gave an instructive address on "Future of the Schools of Oregon" which was appreciated by all.

The lecture given in the evening by Prof. Livingston was considered one of the best ever given in the county along that line.

Now the meeting at Independence will be as good if not better than the Falls City meeting, every teacher in the county owes it to her school to attend as many of these meetings as possible.

On Friday evening Jan. 26, Prof. J. W. Livingston will give a lecture at the Independence High School on "The Challenge of the Twentieth Century," this lecture has been reported as one of his best and every teacher should hear it if possible.

On Saturday the following program will be given: Opening exercise, J. W. Livingston, "Mastering the Pronoun," J. W. Livingston, "Reading to Learn," J. W. Livingston, Question Box, "What We as Directors expect from Teachers," C. L. Sperling, Chairman Independence School Board.

Normal Repairs To Be Made.

The following appeared in the Portland Telegram purporting to have been sent from Monmouth, but we are inclined to think that a mistake was made and that it was sent from Salem:

As the funds for the Oregon State Normal Schools are available after February 1, preparations are being made for the repairing of the main building.

INDEPENDENCE NEWS BUDGET

Gathered by our Wide-awake Correspondent.

DAILY HAPPENINGS IN OUR SISTER TOWN

Scan This Column For News of Importance From the Riverside.

Mrs. Roy Collins has been quite ill at her home here.

F. E. Lynch of Dallas, visited friends in this city last week.

Rev. H. C. Clark, arrived in this city from Carlton Monday.

W. L. Bice returned Wednesday from his visit to Wisconsin.

Mr. Tice, of Seattle, is visiting his brother, Eli Tice, of this city.

Miss Serepta Richardson visited friends in Monmouth Tuesday.

Prof. Orin Byers of Dallas, visited with friends and relatives over Sunday.

B. Wilson, who has been seriously ill, is much better at the present writing.

Mr. Henry Cauthorn of Marion county was doing business in the city Wednesday.

Mrs. Simon, of Portland, will soon open up a millinery establishment in this city.

W. A. Messner, of McMinnville, came to Independence on business Wednesday.

Arthur Moore, who has been quite ill, is slowly recovering, but is still confined to his room.

John Hanna and family have moved from Independence to their ranch out on the Luckiamute.

Mr. Ladue Hill and Forest Brown have just returned from Mr. Hills ranch in Tillamook county.

"Childrens Day" will be observed with appropriate exercises at the Christian church in this city, Sunday, Jan. 29.

Rev. Abbott, of Eugene, was in Independence last Sunday and delivered an able address at the M. E. church in the evening.

The Independence Creamery is having an addition put on the East end of the building for the purpose of manufacturing ice.

Hector Gingrass, who was at one time associated with Cleave Robinson in the barber business, in this city, is here visiting friends.

Mrs. A. S. Holt, a sister of Mrs. J. Dornsife, and son, Burns, of Napavine, Wash., are here visiting her sister, also Mrs. Nannie Marcum, another sister

The shingle roof will be removed and a slate roof substituted. Many of the rooms will be remodeled and the heating system and electrical equipment improved. C. L. Starr, secretary of the Board of Regents for the Normal School, states that already over 500 applications have been received from those wishing to be instructors. Many of these applications have come from educational leaders in the Eastern states. Out of this number a faculty will be chosen.

here, and Mr. W. O. Cook, a brother arrived this week. A family reunion was held at the Dornsife home Thursday.

F. W. Masterson visited his sister, Mrs. Frank Wilson, this week, he being on his way to Medford where he will go into business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Richardson Sr., left for Portland Sunday morning, where they visited a few days with their daughter, Mrs. Rose L. McGrath.

Last Friday evening two basketball games were played here between the Dallas High School and Independence High School and Dallas public school and Independence public school. The score of the first stood 23 to 5, and the latter 15 to 14, both in favor of the Independence school.

Homer Lodge, No. 45 K. of P. held their installation ceremonies at their Castle Hall in this city last Monday night. The officers installed were as follows: C. C., C. W. Richardson; V. C., Sherman Hayes; Prelate, S. E. Bush; M. at A., E. E. Tripp; K. of R. and S., J. W. Richardson, Jr.; Inner Guard, M. Goetz; Outer Guard, A. C. Moore; M. of W., Arthur Moore. The two last named not being present, they were not installed.

First Debates of the Polk County High School Debating League, Friday, January 27th, 1911.

The first series of the debates of the Polk County High School Debating League will be held next Friday night, Jan. 27.

This is the first of a series of two debates and in case of a tie the teams tying will debate again to settle the tie.

Each school is represented by six debaters and these form a team of three Affirmative and three Negative debaters.

All Affirmative teams travels and the Negative teams remain at home meeting the visiting affirmative team.

All points won by the debaters from a school are counted for that school and at the close of the series the school having won the most points will be declared the winner of the league and will receive the cup given last year by Supt. H. C. Seymour to the team or school winning the greatest number of points the cup to remain the property of the school winning it two years in succession, Falls City school won last year.

All debates will be held on Friday night Jan. 27, excepting the one at Dallas, which owing to the Basketball game between Portage, Wisconsin, and Dallas, will not be held until Saturday night, Jan. 28.

The question is—"Excepting all reference to the last election Resolved; That the method of Single Taxation should be adopted.

The teams will meet each other as follows; Independence at Falls City; Falls City at Perrydale; Perrydale at Bethel; Bethel at Monmouth; Monmouth at Dallas; Dallas at Independence.

Every person interested in education and interested in the Tax question should attend some of these debates.

NEWS FROM COUNTY SEAT

Court House Notes.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Joseph O. Anderson and Lillie E. Alexander.

PROBATE

In the guardianship of John F. Leach, an incompetent; final account set for hearing February 18, at 10 a. m.

In the estate of John F. Leach, deceased; admitted to probate; D C Walker appointed administrator, on filing approved bond in sum of \$700, letters to issue.

In the estate of Elizabeth Fishback, deceased; final account filed. Set for hearing Saturday, February 18, at 10 o'clock a. m.

In the guardianship of Joseph Thorp, insane; Mary Alice Thorp appointed guardian; bond fixed at \$2600.

In the guardianship of Glen Whalen, a minor—first semi-annual account filed and approved.

In the guardianship of the minor heirs of Gust Peterson et ux, deceased—ninth annual account, with vouchers, filed; guardian released as to Emma Peterson and Amelia Peterson.

In regard to Cyrus Jones' estate—final discharge entered.

In the estate of Matilda Peterson, deceased—final charge entered.

In the estate of Eva Peterson, deceased—final discharge entered.

In the estate of John F. Leach, deceased—ordered, that bond be approved; T B Stone, Thomas J Merrick and E Hills appointed appraisers.

REAL ESTATE

Lavina Comegys to Ruth M Hull, 56.66 acres, t 6 s, r 5 w, and lots in Ballston, \$6800.

H G Campbell et ux to John M Farley, 22.88 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$685.

W R Allin et ux to Eliza Conneut, lot in Independence, \$1.

Charles E Applegate et ux to Ina M Kuns, 40 acres, t 9 s, r 6 w, \$1200.

Capital Trust Company to Helen C Flagg, lot in Kingswood Park, \$1.

Ollie F Howe to W R Howe, land in Dallas, \$10.

J H Davidson, et ux to William H Hill et ux, lots in Ballston, \$450.

Mary A Winn to J W Hays, 10 acres, t 7 s, r 5 w, \$10.

H T Cartmell et ux to J A Haines and wife, lots in Monmouth, \$2500.

C E Barney et al to Grant E Barney, 80 acres, t 9 s, r 6 w, \$600.

Grant E Barney et ux to Joseph H Nelson, same, \$1600.

Frank E Murdock to J H and Maud Chapin, 80 acres, t 9 s, r 4 w, \$5000.

J L Murdock et ux to J H and Maud Chapin, 68.73 acres, in t 9 s, r 4 w, \$4500.

Seth A Mills et ux to A E Chenoweth, 115 acres, t 6 s, r 3 w, \$9775.

Andrew H Homes et ux to L H Dornhecker, land in Dallas, \$365.

H G Hastings et ux to Owen Beam, 362.50 acres, t 6 s, r 6 w, \$9062.50.

Owen Bean et al to West & Wheeler, same, \$10.

C A Clark et ux to H J Adams, 8.24 acres, t 7 s, r 3 w, \$686.65.