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## REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

PORTLAND, ORE., July 2.—Instead of an apple show, Portland will hold a land products show this Winter that will be the first of its kind in the Pacific Northwest. It is hoped to make it an annual event rivaling in interest the big land shows of the East and Middle West.

November and December will probably be the time of holding the show and it is planned to have it last two weeks. In scope it will cover the entire Pacific Northwest and all the states included in this territory will be asked to co-operate and send exhibits.

It is desired to have every product of the soil assembled here at that time. Commercial bodies will be interested and it is hoped to develop this event into an annual attraction that will appeal to people throughout the whole country who may be attracted to the vacant lands of the Northwest states. The land show project has the support of the Oregon Development League and the chief organizations of Portland and the state.

A thorough survey of the agricultural districts of the state is now being made under the direction of the Oregon Statistical Bureau of the state Immigration Commission and the Oregon Agricultural College. Representative farms in each locality will be investigated and careful statistics collected showing production, cost of raising crops, social conditions, etc. The results of the inquiry will be used in attracting immigrants and it is expected the survey will be useful in giving valuable information to settlers and in helping to solve many problems of the farm.

A gridiron of electric roads throughout the most fertile parts of the Willamette Valley, costing \$8,000,000, is announced by the Southern Pacific. Yamhill, McMinnville, Corvallis, Alesia, Albany, Eugene, Molalla, Salem, Falls City, Canby, Aurora, Lebanon and many other points are to be reached by this new system of roads, which will develop the country reached as nothing else can. With these big improvements going on and the biggest crop in its history to be harvested, the state has nothing to fear from the usual blighting effects on business of Presidential year.

Eugenics may be expected to have a prominent place at the Salem State Fair. A plan is now under way to show in each town boys and girls under one year, under two years and under three years. The prizes will be awarded on points rather than that of doll-like beauty, and the best children will then be taken to the State Fair and entered in a state-wide contest.

Managers of the Pendleton Roundup expect an attendance this year of 50,000 visitors. The show will be bigger and better than ever before, with more varied attractions than last year. The dates are September 23-28.

Salem's Cherry Fair promises

to be highly successful this year. The dates are July 11, 12 and 13. Cherry exhibits and entertainment features will, it is expected, be more extensive than ever before.

### Social Hour Club Meeting.

The Social Hour Club met on Wednesday of last week, June 26, 1912, at the home of Mrs. Remington to elect officers for the ensuing year. Miss Maggie Butler was re-elected president, Mrs. Mary Stine vice president and Mrs. Nettie Boche, secretary. The president appointed a committee of three to select lists of books for next year, the committee to consist of Mrs. Portland, Mrs. Boche and Miss P. Dougherty.

The next meeting of the club will be July 17th at the home of Mrs. Boche. Members are requested to come and bring needlework.

### Straws Will Show.

Saturday afternoon three of our old soldiers happened to be together and got to talking over the national disgrace that had been in session at Chicago during the week. They were all of one accord in pronouncing it such, although all of them had been voting the republican ticket all their lives. They then and there concluded they would throw off the bondage, and pledged themselves to never again vote or register as republicans.—Dallas Itemizer.

### Held Election of Officers.

The Endeavor Society, of the Christian church, held their regular business meeting last Friday evening, at the church. The regular business was disposed of and the election of officers was held, the following being elected for the coming six months: President, J. W. Leask; vice-president, Anna Wood; secretary, Mrs. J. W. Leask; treasurer, Joe Clark; organist, Gladys Parker; chorister, Emma Parker.

### Free Demonstration.

A free demonstration of the famous Wear-Ever Aluminum Cooking Utensils will be given in the sample room near the meat market, Monmouth, Tuesday, at 2 o'clock p. m., July 9.

Acordial invitation is extended to all. Lunch will be served.  
A. E. MYERS, Salesman.

### Buys Wool and Mohair

I will be in the market for wool and mohair, stronger this year than ever, always paying the highest market price. Mohair sacks on hand.

Allen T. Clark.

Mrs. L. K. Page and Misses Olive Smith and Ida Platt, who have been attending summer school at the Normal for the past two weeks, will leave tomorrow for their home at Springfield.

## POLK COUNTY PIONEER DEAD

### John L. Murphy Passed Away After Lingered Illness.

John L. Murphy, a pioneer of Oregon and for many years a resident of Monmouth, died here last Saturday after an illness covering several years, at the age of 69 years, eight months and two days.

He was born in Knox County, Illinois, October 27, 1843, and moved with his parents to Oregon in 1852, where he has since made his home.

He was married to Ruth Rohrer and to this union seven children were born, all of whom survive him. They are as follows: Chester, Santa Cruz, Calif.; George, Charles, William, Inez and Mary, of Waldport, Ore., and Mrs. Lenna Guthrie, of Corvallis. His wife also survives him.

Mr. Murphy was a sturdy pioneer, a kind and helpful friend and neighbor, being ready at all times to assist those in need, and took a very active part in public matters.

For the past two years he has lived at Yachats, returning here two months ago. The funeral was held Sunday, at the Christian church, at 2 o'clock p. m., and was conducted by Rev. W. A. Wood, interment being made in the cemetery south of town.

The family have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

### Harriman Lines Buy Valuable Properties.

EUGENE, ORE., July 2.—The Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway Company yesterday made the last payment on a quarter of a block of land owned by the Methodist Church at the corner of Tenth and Willamette streets and a deed to the property was delivered. The purchase price was \$40,000. This land, together with the remainder of the block, will be used by the Southern Pacific Company for the electric railway depot. The block is 320 feet square, and the railway company has acquired all of it except the lot on which the Y. M. C. A.'s handsome three-story home is located. Negotiations have been opened for its purchase, and it is expected that the deal will be closed within a month. The trustees of the Y. M. C. A. have asked \$90,000 for the lot and building. The lot four years ago cost \$10,000 and the building \$50,000.

### Big Sawmill Will Be Built At Florence.

EUGENE, OR., July 2.—The Tidewater Lumber Company has been organized among a number of heavy timber owners on the lower Siuslaw River, and a huge sawmill, probably with a capacity of 250,000 or 300,000 feet of lumber every day, will be erected at Florence. The company has taken over the mill of the Oregon & California Lumber Co. there, but it will either be dis-

mantled or operated separately from the new plant. Extensive wharves will be built, and the company will operate a big fleet of tugs and schooners.

### Special Offer.

To introduce the Sunset Magazine into new homes we will make the following offer: For \$1.00 we will send Sunset Magazine for 6 months and will send post paid either of the following: Hammonds Latest Atlas containing new maps of each State and Territory in the United States, as well as every Country in the World, also latest Census figures and Statistics, or a Standard Webster Pocket Dictionary, bound in Leather, Indexed, and containing 20,000 words. State which premium you want and send your order to Fred Lockley, Northwest Manager, Sunset Magazine, Portland, Oregon.

### Automobile Accident.

Just as we were going to press news reached us of an accident which occurred in Dallas at 8 o'clock this morning, when a man from Salem, whose name we were unable to learn, was driving his wife and three children to Falls City in an auto, and when turning a corner the machine upset, throwing the occupants out, and injuring the man so severely that he died at 12 o'clock, while the woman is not expected to live. One boy is quite badly hurt but the other two children escaped without serious injury.

### I. O. O. F. Installation.

Monday night the I. O. O. F. Lodge met in regular session and the following officers were installed by Paul Tacheron, District Deputy Grand Master: N. G., H. K. Sickafosse; V. G., Jacob Smith; Sec., W. A. Bressler; Treas., A. J. Haley. After the installation the members enjoyed ice cream and a social time.

### Silverton Lets Big Contract for Paving.

SILVERTON, OR., July 2.—At the regular meeting of the City Council held last evening, contracts were let to Clarke, Henry & Co. for laying approximately 31,000 yards of asphalt concrete, on a macadam base, at a cost of \$63,454.72. The work is to be started immediately.

### An Unnecessary Question.

The office boy, with his legs curled lovingly around those of the chair, was tilted back in the corner, gloating over "The Mysterious Milkman; or, The Murder at Muddy Ford," when a caller entered the office.

"Is the boss in?" asked the gentlemanly visitor courteously.

The lad looked over him with a contemptuous expression.

"You must be a Rube or you'd know he ain't," he drawled. "Ain't you got no power of deduckshun? Would I be settin' like this an' readin' a book like this if the boss was in? Not hardly. Come tomorrow. An' then I'll lend you this here sinetiffic work, an' maybe you can get next to a little wisdom. Good-by!"—Exchange.

## NORMAL SCHOOL NOTES

A number of new students have registered for summer school during the past week, bringing the total enrollment to date to one hundred and thirty eight.

On Wednesday afternoon the Normal school was honored by a visit from the County Superintendents of Oregon. Special assembly exercises were held at 1:15 at which time Supt. Bragg, of Union County and Supt. Gary, of Clackamas County, gave very interesting and helpful talks. These men represent the educational circles of Oregon and come in closer touch with the teacher than any other body of men. They are intensely interested in the progress of the Normal School, for they realize that only by having trained teachers can the standard of the schools be raised. We hope this is but one of such visits.

Thursday being the 4th the students of the Normal enjoyed a holiday. Some spent the day in Albany, some in Falls City, and others spent a quiet day at home. In the evening the students were guests of the faculty at an informal party in the grove. Various forms of amusements were enjoyed and all joined in voting it a most pleasant evening.

President Ackerman returned home Tuesday evening from a trip to La Grande where he addressed the Chautauqua held at that place.

Miss West left Tuesday afternoon for Eugene where she spoke before the Library Association.

### Want a Life-Saving Station.

Some things are needed and other things are not needed, but our informant wants a life-saving station established in the vicinity of the second turn of the road north of town, and gives as a reason that while a couple of Monmouth citizens were driving home from Dallas a few evenings ago an incident occurred that warrants the expenditure which he proposes.

It was this way; the parties had for safe delivery some thirty loaves of bread, and thinking their task nearly completed were seized with consternation when a couple of persons arose up from the wayside and cried, "Hold on!"

Thoughts—terrible, affrightening, and visions of departing treasure—well a hurry-up order was given the horse and a turn, too quickly executed, landed the outfit in the ditch hard by and there was a general mixture of men, bread and water—soup if you please, to the consternation of the participants and destruction of the bread.

The parties who innocently caused all the muss, only wanted to ride home.

Our informant suggests a life-saving station for that locality and that the A. Cs petition for it.

Abstracts promptly made by Brown & Sibley, attorneys and abstracters.