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REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Outside Cities Help Portland Entertain Elks

DAHLIA SHOW AT SEASIDE, AUGUST 24-25

International Dry Farming Congress to be Held at Lethbridge, Alberta, October 21-26.

PORTLAND, ORE., July 16.—Community spirit was demonstrated to a remarkable extent by Oregon cities at the recent Elks convention in this city. This was one of the most noticeable features of the gathering. The various places where Elks lodges exist made a surprisingly good showing in the big Elks parade that opened wide the eyes of Portlanders and of visitors.

Those who have believed Oregon to be a state with one city changed their minds when they saw the parade and the long column of Elks from the four corners of the state sweep along Portland's streets. The active support of the state cities made the parade the big success it proved. The occasion further proved how much Portland relies on its friends in the interior in accomplishing any really big thing.

Tillman Reuter, who makes grain grow on the semi-arid lands of Central Oregon where none grew before, does not want any one to overlook the forthcoming International Dry Farming Congress to be held at Lethbridge, Alberta, October 21-26. He is collecting exhibits of the products Oregon grows by dry-farming, and, as usual, expects to win the leading prizes with products of Oregon dry farms. He has got into the habit of winning firsts for this state and expects to repeat his success this year.

Seaside, which grows prize dahlias, will have a dahlia show August 24 and 25. There is a movement on foot to make Seaside known as the "Dahlia City." It is claimed that nowhere else do the flowers reach such perfection.

Scouring Interior Oregon, picking out the best routes for a flying squadron of automobiles that will make the run to Lakeview late in August for the convention of the Central Oregon Development League, is a party of men interested, headed by C. C. Chapman, secretary of the Oregon Development League. This path-finding trip is occupying two weeks of strenuous road-finding and map-making.

Preliminary plans are going forward for making the Pacific Northwest Land Products Show, to be held in Portland November 18-23, the biggest and most successful land show ever given west of the Rocky Mountains. The management is getting in touch with commercial bodies and individual exhibitors of the territory to be represented and promises of liberal support are being received. Every district of the Northwest states has an opportunity in this "dirt show" for

valuable exploitation.

Oregon and Washington nurserymen, at their meeting just held, determined to wage a vigorous campaign for members during the coming year, so that when the American Association of Nurserymen meets in Portland next June, the visitors will be met by strong delegations from the two Northwest states. It is hoped to swell the enrollment of the Oregon-Washington Association of Nurserymen to 500 by next June.

Mrs. Wilson Still Lives.

Last week, in mentioning the accident wherein Marion Wilson, of Liberty, was killed, we made the statement that Mrs. Wilson had since died, but our information was incorrect, as the following from the Dallas Observer makes plain. It says:

After days of insistent entreaty and pleading to be allowed to go to her husband, whom she believed living, Mrs. Wilson, who was seriously injured in the fatal auto accident near Dallas on July 4, was finally informed at the Dallas Hospital a few days ago, that Mr. Wilson had been killed. This knowledge had been kept from her as long as possible in order that she might improve sufficiently to endure the shock, but she grew so insistent that it was thought best to tell her the truth. She was overcome and her condition has grown worse although it is believed that she will recover. Her case is said to be a peculiar one. She is in possession of her mental faculties but the muscles of her right eye are paralyzed but otherwise she does not appear to be seriously affected.

County Prohibition Meeting at Dallas.

The attention of all prohibitionists and those interested in the work are called to the county convention of the Prohibition party, which will be held Friday, July 26th. Sessions will convene at 10:00 a. m. and 2:00 p. m. Several local men will speak and Mr. A. E. Hedine, of Portland, of the state committee, and O. A. Stillman, candidate for Congress of this district, will speak. In the evening there will be a big rally, with Mr. Stillman as the speaker. DAVID H. GILL, Organizer for Polk County.

Meat Market Changed.

The Monmouth Meat Market has again changed hands, Mr. A. Nelson having sold his interests to Allen T. Clark. Mr. Clark has been in the butchers' business before, hence is no novice. He intends enlarging the business and will carry everything found in his trade. George W. Sullivan will cut meat for him.

The Postal Bank Service.

From Postmaster Wolverton we learned that deposits in the Postal Saving Bank since starting, February last, had amounted to \$756. There have been 15 depositors, making an average deposit of \$50.40. There have been two withdrawals.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL NOTES

More Students Arriving for Summer Term

PUBLIC INVITED TO VISIT THE SCHOOL

Excursion Being Planned for Next Saturday, to Salem, to Inspect Tuberculosis Exhibit.

During the past week four new students have enrolled in the summer school, making a total of one hundred and fifty one, and up to date but ten have withdrawn, which is a most remarkable record for summer school attendance.

President Ackerman addressed the summer school at the O. A. C. last Saturday, and Prof. Ressler has promised to address the Oregon Normal summer school before its close. We are also hoping to have Pres. Campbell address us as well.

Miss Cornelia Marvin, a member of the Board of Regents and Secretary of the Library Commission, will deliver an address to the Normal School students and people of the city at 9:30 A. M., July 29. A cordial invitation is extended to the people of Monmouth to hear her, as she will give us something that is worth while. It is hoped that a large audience will greet her.

An excursion is being planned to Salem for next Saturday for the purpose of inspecting the Tuberculosis exhibit and listening to the address on Tuberculosis in the armory. Addresses will be given at 3 P. M. Tickets will be good for Saturday and Sunday; Round trip seventy five cents. The party will leave on the 8 o'clock train Saturday morning, and an invitation is extended to the people of Monmouth to join in the excursion. It is felt by all that the crusade against consumption, or tuberculosis, should not be confined to those who have had it, nor to the medical profession. There should be a general interest in the subject for several reasons; in the first place, tuberculosis is a general disease. No other disease except pneumonia has a death rate like it. The mortality from tuberculosis equals that from peritonitis, appendicitis, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, diphtheria, grippe, cancer and smallpox combined. In this country one person in nine dies from it; and of the deaths which occur between the ages of fifteen and forty-five one-third are due to tuberculosis. In Germany, between the ages of twenty and twenty-five almost half of the deaths are from tuberculosis. This exhibit is from New York City and is making a tour of the cities of the United States. It is hoped that a large attendance will be had from Monmouth and vicinity.

The student body is preparing a literary program, which probably will be rendered some time during the week beginning July 29. A rare treat is anticipated.

Miss Brenton, head of the Art Department, gave a most instructive and interesting talk on

"Illustration" Wednesday morning. The length of time assigned for the time was only too short, and the student body would have been pleased if more time could have been given her. Perhaps she will favor us with another talk at some future time.

The public is invited to visit the summer school, and especially during the chapel periods.

Announcement.

Having purchased the Monmouth Meat Market business, I am preparing to bring the establishment up to a first-class condition and carry all kinds of the best meats, and everything to be found in a first-class market of this kind.

However, as I have to pay cash for supplies and meats I will carry on a strictly cash business, and consequently give you meats at a price that can only be maintained upon a cash basis.

Hoping to merit your patronage I remain, Yours Respectfully,

ALLEN T. CLARK.

A Series of Calamities.

Monday's press reports brought news of death and disaster in various places caused by heat and other calamitous visitations. Denver, Colorado, had two dead, five injured, 500 persons homeless and \$2,000,000 worth of property destroyed by a cloud-burst.

Alton, Illinois, had four persons drowned, two miles of streets wrecked, and manufacturing plants destroyed to the amount of \$250,000 loss.

Pittsburg had ten dead from drowning, lightning and suicide from heat.

Washington, D. C., had a two mile trail of devastation from wind and a rainfall of two and a half inches, in 45 minutes, causing much damage.

Report comes from Mexico that a cloud-burst wrecked two cities and many small towns, with the probable loss of 1,000 lives, and, \$20,000,000 in property. Famine follows.

A railroad wreck in the suburbs of Chicago, resulting in 13 deaths and 50 other persons injured adds its quota to the calamitous visitations.

Most too Costly to Pay.

A native of Japan, by name Charley Sug, who resides at Pendleton, Ore., collected a debt of \$3.20 by presenting a revolver as an inducement for payment.

The debt was promptly paid and the Japanese was arrested just as promptly and taken before a judge who fined the Jap \$50 for his method of collecting accounts.

We have calls for all sizes of small farms so if you wish to sell your place send us a description of it and we will get the buyer. MCINTOSH & WILTSE, Independence, Ore.

Eggs For Sale

Cornish Indian Games, eggs; \$1.50 per setting of 15.

P. E. CHASE, Monmouth.

Zook the Painter, will hang your paper for you.

TYPHOID LURKS IN WELLS

United States Geological Survey Issues Reprint of Report on "Underground Waters for Farm Use."

The rural sections, long considered ideal so far as concerns the health of their inhabitants, have been dealt a blow by physician investigators who maintain that two-thirds of the cases of typhoid fever in the city owe their origin to insanitary conditions in the country and to polluted water supplies.

Farms, which are generally remote from towns, cities, or other areas of congested population, would seem to be almost ideally situated for obtaining pure and wholesome water, but in reality polluted water is exceedingly common on them and typhoid-fever rates are usually greater in country districts than in cities. Typhoid fever is now almost universally believed to be transmitted solely through drink or food taken into the stomach, and is especially liable to be communicated by polluted waters obtained from shallow wells near spots where the discharges of typhoid patients have been thrown upon the ground and subsequently carried down through the soil and to the wells, and it is doubtless principally this fact that accounts for the disease being so common in farming regions.

On a great many farms the well is located at a point that may be convenient to the dwelling, without any regard for the possibility of the pollution of the well water through seepage from barn or cesspool or through the circulation of water underground. Information relating to the underground movement of water is particularly valuable, and on this account the United States Geological Survey is distributing a report on the subject—Water-Supply Paper 255—"Underground Waters for Farm Use," by Myron L. Fuller. The demand for this publication has necessitated a third reprint. A copy of the report may be obtained by addressing the Director of the Survey at Washington, D. C.

Prof. A. L. Clark Dead.

The Portland Oregonian of Wednesday announced the death of Prof. A. L. Clark, one of the Portland teachers.

Mr. Clark was principal of the high school here from September 1909 to its close the following June and made many friends during his stay in Monmouth.

The cause of death was from stomach trouble.

Freight Train Ditched.

GRANTS PASS, Ore. July 16.—Southern Pacific freight train 221, was wrecked two miles west of Three Pines late last night. Sixteen cars were ditched. A brakeman was seriously injured.

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