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REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Whole Northwest is Interested in Land Products Show

BENTON COUNTY WINS FIRST PRIZE AT FAIR

Oregon Editors to Visit Pendleton Round-up in a Body This Year.

PORTLAND, ORE., Sept. 10.—Assurances of co-operation are being received by the management of the Pacific Northwest Land Products Show from all sections of the north coast country. A letter has just come from Idaho promising that each county in that state will have an exhibit.

Twenty-two different districts in the Northwest states are ready to sign contracts and make a splendid showing and there is every indication that the land show in late November will be a remarkable exposition of soil products. Coupled with it, and held at the same time in Portland, will be the biggest dairy show ever held in the West.

These exhibitions are bound to be of permanent benefit to the whole state and to neighboring states which, like Oregon, find their greatest asset in the soil and its varied wealth. The show will do much to encourage agricultural development.

Benton County came to the State Fair with flying colors, capturing the first prize for the best county exhibit in competition with all sections of Oregon. This is the fifth time Benton has scored such a triumph and speaks well for the resources of that part of the state. The county exhibits at the fair were particularly good this year.

Editors of the state will visit the Pendleton Round-up in a body. A special excursion is being organized by the State Editorial Association that is calculated to bring together a very representative assembly of publishers. Special entertainment will be provided for the newspaper men.

Summer and Abert lakes in Central Oregon are to be made to yield up the wealth of salts in their waters. A Los Angeles company with very large capital has secured a long lease on 88,000 acres about these lakes and is building a refining plant for evaporating the water. It is estimated that not less than 100,000 tons of products will be secured annually.

Plans are well along to plant a large Polish colony in Oregon. The Polish Society, of Philadelphia, is seeking from 5,000 to 10,000 acres of good land in a body suited for this purpose and hopes to bring about 250 Polish families here within the coming year. The society is in correspondence with Oregon people with a view to securing such a tract.

Uncle Sam proposes to be the big brother of the Oregon farmer. A movement has just been started whereby the Department of Agriculture, the Salem Board of

Trade and the Oregon Agricultural College will co-operate to maintain an agricultural specialist in Marion County and others will soon be placed. The expense is distributed between the various interests and farmers are advised as to best methods.

Oregon wheat growers hope to capture the \$5,000 traction engine and plows offered as the prize for the best five bushels of wheat grown in the American Northwest this year by the Northwest Products Exposition, at Minneapolis, November 12-23. There will be sharp competition for first place. All who enter should ship their five bushels of grain to Will A. Campbell, Minneapolis, in time to reach him by November 1.

THE WATER WORKS SITUATION

There is an unavoidable delay in testing the water system and getting it ready for the use of consumers on account of shortness in the water supply.

Early in the spring when trying out the well, those who pumped it out, the city council and the city engineer were strongly of the opinion that the supply would be ample, but in excluding the surface water the greater part of the supply has been cut off and now the city council finds that it will be necessary to sink a 10-inch hole in order to accommodate a pump with sufficient capacity to test out the system, as under present conditions it requires the output of the north well and part of that of the south one to supply those using water.

It would have been better to have had the larger hole put down in the first place, but there appeared an opportunity which looked very bright for the saving of two to four thousand dollars, hence the delay.

The work is to be pushed as fast as expedient and in all probability the delay will not exceed more than six weeks, hence the city council asks that the public have patients as there is no doubt but that there is plenty of water to be had as soon as a hole is sunk sufficiently large to obtain it.

Public Sale

There will be a Public Sale at the Helmick Place, near the Luckiamute bridge, 5 miles South of Monmouth, commencing at 10 o'clock, a. m., on

Monday, September 16, 1912.

There will be 10 head of good horses sold; 2 teams, the rest young stock.

Also 40 head of shoats, weight from 50 to 150 pounds, and all kinds of farm machinery and implements in good condition.

GUST FREDERICSSON,
Owner.

Extra Show To-Night

(Friday, Sept. 13th)

at the Star Theater

3 good reels, 5 and 10 cents.

MONMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

Will Open for Winter Term Monday, September 23

GOOD ATTENDANCE EXPECTED THIS YEAR

J. W. Livingston, High School Principal, Writes Splendid Letter.

The city of Monmouth proves an ideal home town. The location and the climate are healthful. On every side the broad, fertile plains and valleys, with their rich farms, grassy meadows, fair orchards, and fine homes. Beyond them rise the green hills, backed by the rock-ribbed mountains, whose snow-clad peaks rise far into the azure blue. From the beginning, a clean, strong, upright people have rigidly excluded the saloon and all like places of evil influence. They grant generous support to the public school, the churches, and every other institution that works for good. Civic enterprise has provided the city an abundant supply of pure water, and both homes and streets are lighted by electricity. Daily trains make prompt and direct connection with the metropolis, with the state capital, with the seat of the Oregon Agricultural College, and the State University. A brief carriage ride may take one up into the heart of the mountains. A short train ride will carry a person to the Ocean, or make for him connection with the great arteries of trade and travel by river or by railway. In Monmouth, Oregon has permanently planted the New State Normal to train teachers for each city and every county, and has placed at the head a man who for twelve years guided wisely and well the educational forces of the entire state. Around him he has gathered a corps of well-trained teachers drawn from many different states. This beneficial influence affects favorably the entire community. A happy union has been made between the public school of Monmouth and the Normal. The first eight grades are supervised by a strong man in the Normal faculty. The state and the district unite in securing and paying an experienced, trained teacher for every grade; while special teachers in the Normal for music, gymnastics, and drawing help direct the work along these broad cultural lines. Such training continued for eight years affords an excellent preparation for strong high school work. Last June the full eighth grade creditably passed the state examination, and all are now well prepared to begin high school work.

All these excellent advantages make Monmouth an ideal location for a large and vigorous high school. Realizing these superior privileges, the city and the community have jointly erected a handsome and roomy modern high school building, that is well-lighted, comfortably warmed, properly ventilated, abundantly supplied with pure water, and fully equipped with electric lights for evening gatherings. The high

school attendance during the first year in the new building far surpassed what was anticipated, but there is room for a much larger number. Additional new furniture has recently been purchased. The latest editions of the finest encyclopedia for high school use and of the best dictionaries have just been added to the library. A full list of well-mounted recent maps, a globe, and sets of scientific charts have been secured. Apparatus for experimental and illustrative work in natural science includes a good microscope, an air-pump, an electrical machine, and several other useful instruments.

The able teacher retained from last year's corps has had wide experience in both high school and Normal school work. The board has chosen another assistant, whose character, college training, and successful experience in another high school insure effective work. The newly chosen principal has had many years of experience as a high school principal, an institute conductor, and a Normal school president. He thoroughly enjoys working with wide-awake young people, and helping them toward a stronger manhood or a worthier womanhood.

The coming year ought to prove the best and most helpful year in the history of the Monmouth High School. Every boy and every girl living within the city or in the vicinity of Monmouth, that is ready to undertake high school work should be on hand for the opening day. The teachers of the high school and the district board will gladly welcome from other sections of the country and from other parts of the state every young man and each young woman that seeks the privilege to attend a strong and progressive high school. A high school diploma counts as a credential for admission to the college, to the university, and to the profession-school. Best of all, a solid four-year course followed in the high school makes a good foundation on which to build an intelligent and useful life. The highest aim of all concerned is to make the Monmouth High School worthy to be called "a college of the common people."

Letters of inquiry concerning the school and its courses of study will receive prompt attention. On the Saturday preceding the opening, the principal will be at the high school building for consultation concerning enrollment and studies. The opening day is Monday, September 23.

Young people, make ready your belongings, pack your satchels, and board this High School Train for the new-year trip.

J. W. LIVINGSTON,
High School Principal.

When father drove old Dobbin,
he sat upon his load
And frowned on every chauffeur
who wanted half the road;
When father got an auto, his feelings
seemed to switch;
He glared at every horse he met
until it took the ditch.

—September Lippincott's.
Everybody does it.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL NOTES

Students Arriving for Winter Semester

GOOD WEATHER ORDERED BY PRESIDENT

List of Graduates of Standard Course and Places They Are to Teach Given.

Several students have already arrived and engaged board for the ensuing year, and many more are expected Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Davis, Critic teacher in the third and fourth grades, arrived Tuesday night. She brought with her a friend who is to be a student in school for the ensuing year.

Mr. Evenden and bride arrived last Monday evening and were received with the customary honors at the hands of the citizens of Monmouth. We are glad to welcome Mrs. Evenden as one of us, and we are sure that the social side of the Normal will be greatly favored by having her as a Monmouth citizen during the ensuing year.

President Ackerman was in Portland Thursday checking up the dormitory plans with the architect, and reports that they are practically completed, and will be ready for advertising in the near future.

Mr. Willman has completed the interior of the building and is now painting the outside of the building, which makes the old Normal building fresh and clean.

Miss Dunsmore spent last Saturday and Sunday in Salem visiting the fair and attractions. She reports a most enjoyable time.

Mr. Butler is chairman of the committee for securing rooms and boarding places for students, and all interested parties may communicate with him or with the president.

President Ackerman reports that he has ordered good weather for the opening, and it is confidently believed that his order has been favorably acted upon.

Following is a list of the graduates of the Standard Course and the places they are to teach this winter:

Emma Knutsen, Astoria; Esther Ryan, Newberg; Lela Scott, Albany; Lexie Strachan, Joseph; Jessie M. Hyde, Seattle; Esther Copeland, Toledo; Sara Mickelson, Ontario; Mabel Temple, Salem; Mabel Ellis, Wasco; Hazel Bohannon, Independence; Queen C. Lynn, Toledo; Otto Ben Kraus, Cornelius; Albert Sacre, Pendleton; Louise McAlpin, Portland; Alice Morrison, Corvallis; Inez Stark, McMinnville; Charles D. Cook, Halfway; Selma Norberg, Astoria; Viola Gwynne, Bessie Foster, Portland; Meta Watson, Oregon City; Iva Cox, Heppner.

Tomorrow Night

"Colleen Bawn,"

a 3 reel Irish Drama, by the Kalem Co. Pictures made and acted in Ireland.

At the
STAR THEATER.