

REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

"Better Farms Will Build the State"

SPECIAL PROGRAMS IN SCHOOLS FEB. 12

Parades Will be Held by School Children in Many Towns and Villages.

PORTLAND, ORE., Jan. 28.—Further expression to the sentiment in favor of "earth education" that is so strong throughout Oregon today, will be given February 12, which has been made children's day in the Country Life movement. At that time schools of the state are expected to pay special attention to the subject of the development of Oregon's soil, the improvement of our farms and the betterment of country life generally.

Special programs will be arranged in the various schools, and in many towns and villages parades will be held by school children. The slogan decided on for the occasion will be: "Better Farms Will Build the State."

The idea to be worked out everywhere is that the movement to make better farms and to improve the farm homes of Oregon is a step that makes for the prosperity of all the people. Life on the farm, if made more profitable, will become more attractive and happier homes mean more contented people and an increased country population.

It is desired that Senate Bill No. 72, a measure before the Legislature to provide for extension work by the Oregon Agricultural College, be discussed by the pupils of the schools on February 12 and teachers and school boards are urged to make the necessary preparations. A copy of this bill will be sent them in time for this event.

This measure plans to extend the benefits of the Oregon Agricultural College to every county in Oregon. Co-operative demonstration farms will be one of the chief means used. Each county or district of the state will be supplied with these institutions and the experts from the O. A. C. in charge will go into partnership with the farmers in solving soil problems and in exploiting agriculture to the limit of its possibilities.

Senate Bill 72 asks that the state this year appropriate a sufficient amount to start this work on a satisfactory basis, the counties to share in the benefits also being expected to set aside funds to carry the project along. The Federal Government, too, will be drawn upon for money, it having made provisions for extension work of the various states.

It is only by such an arrangement that the government funds can be obtained to further demonstration farm work in this state. To get what it is entitled to in this direction, the state must show its interest by taking this movement up in earnest and all those who favor the development of Oregon's agricultural possibilities, its biggest asset, are behind the proposed measure.

At a recent meeting held in Portland, the Central Oregon Development League, which drafted the bill, the Oregon Development League, the State Bankers' Association, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Oregon Agricultural College, the livestock interests, the railroads and the business men of Portland were all represented and agreed that the need of the hour is agri-

cultural extension work that shall reach to every part of the state. All present pledged their support to the bill now before the Legislature and pointed to the widespread benefits that will follow its passage.

With the Churches

Christian Church.

By J. M. ORRICK

Everybody was delighted with the attendance of the class in Normal Bible study last Sunday. There were twenty-two present. The young men and young ladies will welcome you next Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

One of the surprising things which has happened in the religious world is our knowledge of a large body of Christians in the Russian Empire who occupy the same position that we do. They have read the Bible for themselves. The Bible makes Christians only.

The writer of these notes had the pleasure last Friday evening of attending the revival services being held in the Christian church at Dallas. E. V. Stivers, of McMinnville, is the evangelist. He is a most excellent young preacher. He and C. C. Curtis, of the Dallas church, and the writer were classmates at Eugene.

Owing to the Baccalaureate services at the O. S. N., there will be no preaching service at 11 o'clock next Sunday morning. Sunday school will be held as usual and will be dismissed at 10:45. The evening services at 6:30 and 7:30 will be held as usual. The C. E. subject is "Christian Endeavor Principles and How to Uphold Them." The sermon will be about "Sampson's Riddle."

The president of the missionary class requests that the meeting be held this Friday evening instead of February 7th. We hope that all will be present and help start this work in an enthusiastic spirit.

We wish to congratulate the O. S. N. graduating class and wish each one of them a most happy and useful career in their life's work.

The increased attendance at the preaching services shows the influence and opportunity of the church. Every one will rejoice when we have out grown our old clothes.

Let everybody smile and shake hands. It will do you good.

Baptist Church.

By J. K. P. CARSON

At the Baptist church last Sunday there were two excellent services, Rev. G. A. Pollard preaching both morning and evening. Everybody seemed well pleased with his clear and lucid expositions. We give a brief synopsis of the evening discourse, which was from PROV. XI: 1.

1. Man was created in the image of God and was in harmony with the Creator, but sin destroyed that harmony; therefore, we are out of balance with God. Being spiritually unbalanced, our perceptions are warped and we misunderstand God.

2. The merely moral man is unhappy because he is spiritually unbalanced. He lacks spiritual adjustment; he is unjust to God; he has a false balance. This is an abomination to God.

3. How can we be rightly adjusted to God? Jesus Christ, our substitute, is the true adjustment. He separates our sin and guilt from us "as far as the east is from the west."

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He will fill our lives; giving us the correct balance. God will then take delight in us and we will serve him acceptably.

Sunday, February 2, there will be no preaching service in the morning. We will go to the college to hear the Baccalaureate discourse. Rev. Pollard will preach in the evening; text, PROV. XI: 7. The theme will be "When a Wicked Man Dieth." Sunday school promptly at 10 a. m. Will adjourn 10 minutes before 11 o'clock. The doors of the church "Swing inward, not outward," and everybody will have a cordial welcome.

Evangelical Church.

By W. A. GUEFFROY

Because of the Baccalaureate Services at the College Chapel next Sunday morning there will be no preaching at the Evangelical Church. The Sunday school will meet 15 minutes earlier, at 9:45.

Regular services in the evening, young peoples meeting at 6:30 and preaching at 7:30. Subject, "The Bow in the Cloud."

The attendance last Sunday was excellent, both for the Sunday school and preaching services, while the young peoples meeting reached high water mark in attendance and interest. We, in an especial way, invite our Methodist friends of the student body to come and worship with us for we are your spiritual kin-folks.

Let this be the "Is-er" church, for the "Is-er" will succeed where the "Has-beens" and the "Going-to Bes" are making failures. Be an "Is-er."

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No. 61.	Independence to Airlie,	6:40 A. M.
No. 62.	Airlie to Independence and Salem,	8:00 A. M.
No. 65.	Dallas to Independence and Corvallis,	8:55 A. M.
No. 68.	Independence to Dallas,	11:20 A. M.
No. 69.	Dallas to Independence and Portland,	1:25 P. M.
No. 66.	Independence to Dallas,	2:15 P. M.
No. 125.	Independence to Monmouth and return to Independence and Salem,	3:55 P. M.
No. 73.	Dallas to Airlie,	3:45 P. M.
No. 72.	Airlie to Independence,	5:35 P. M.
No. 70.	Independence to Dallas,	6:40 P. M.
No. 126.	Independence to Monmouth and return to Independence,	7:25 P. M.
No. 71.	Dallas to Independence,	7:45 P. M.