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REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Optimism Prevails Throughout Oregon's Business Life

R. R. CO. STIMULATING CORN CULTURE

Mazama Mountain Climbers are Good Boosters for State of Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore., May 27.—Despite its unlucky final figures, the year 1913 promises to set a high record for business and industrial progress. A report just made by a leading commercial agency states that prospects for a good year were never better throughout the Pacific Northwest territory. Sales and collections are good, manufacturing is going ahead well and, best of all, the prospects for good crops are excellent. An indication of the confidence felt in the future is shown in the announced expenditure of about \$75,000,000 by the various corporations in and about Portland during the current year on improvements, extensions and betterments. Bank clearings show a gain every month over the corresponding months of former years and 1913 looks like a big year for the whole Oregon country.

Enroute to Portland's Rose Festival, June 9-14, the Royal Oaks, of Oakland, Cal., will visit many cities of the state on their way north, making their first stop at Ashland. As the Oaks will travel by special train, they will be able to stop as often as seems desirable and will bring a message of good fellowship to their northern neighbors.

From the interest shown in the O-W. R. & N. Co's. corn contest, it appears that Oregon will become a big corn producing state. More than 5 tons of selected seed corn, enough to plant 1,000 acres, has been distributed free of charge by the company, while the Southern Pacific has distributed more than two tons additional. This seed will be planted throughout the Pacific Northwest and means the corn acreage of this year will be twice as large as last.

A splendid start has been made by the State Immigration in the work of attracting immigrants from Northern Europe. A German hearing, held recently, was productive of valuable suggestions and many districts will co-operate in bringing settlers here, as well as in aiding them on their arrival. Swedish, Norwegian, Danish and Dutch conferences along the same line will be held by the Commission.

The Battleship Oregon will not be used as a target by the Navy Department if this state can help it. Resolutions strongly protesting against this action have been adopted by many organizations and a petition, as long as the famous battleship itself, has been signed and forwarded to President Wilson by school children asking that the Oregon lead the naval parade through the Panama Canal.

The Mazamas, a society of mountaineers of Portland, are

among the best boosters the state has. They are constantly exploring some interesting region and telling about the attractions for the traveler. They are all apostles of the "See Oregon First" movement and their healthful outdoor activities might well be imitated by many of our people. This week the Mazamas are visiting the Josephine County caves. The Grants Pass Commercial Club is aiding to make the trip pleasant.

Eugene has another celebration in sight. When the Portland, Eugene & Eastern interurban electric line completes its road from Corvallis to that point, hats will be thrown in the air and a general jollification will be held. Western Oregon cities have been rather busy of late welcoming new railroads.

Lecture to Farmers

By PROF. THOMAS SHAW

Saturday, May 31, 1913,

Independence, at 11, a. m.

Salem, Armory, 2:00 p. m.

Woodburn, 8:00 p. m.

Professor Shaw is a high authority in the science of Agriculture and Agricultural Development.

Formerly he was a Professor in the Agricultural Department of the University of Minnesota, and for years has been the agricultural expert of the Great Northern Railway, in which position he has been pre-eminently successful in experimental work and practical farm development.

His talks will prove of practical benefit to those who are interested in the greater yields of crops, better farming methods, the introduction of new crops, the raising of stock, etc.

Questions will be answered gladly.

All who are interested in the greater agricultural development of the country are invited to attend these meetings. Admission free.

CLEAN-UP DAY

Let Us Have a Clean Town.

Saturday, May 31st has been designated by the city council as clean-up day. Property owners are requested to make a thorough clean up of their premises, and cut the grass and briars in front of their property. All rubbish should be placed in sacks or boxes and set out on the street and it will be hauled away free of charge by teams provided by the city. The co-operation of all civic and other organizations is requested.

IRA C. POWELL,
Mayor.

To-morrow Night

at the

Star Theater

Feature,

"The Money Kings"

A dandy three-reeler.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL NOTES

7th and 8th Grades Training School Entertained

NORMAL MEMORIAL SERVICES TO-DAY

Outlook for Large Attendance at Summer School is Encouraging

The seventh and eighth grades of the training school, under the direction of Miss McIntosh, gave a delightful entertainment in the chapel Thursday evening. The play was "Jack and the Beanstalk" and was well rendered and most thoroughly enjoyed by every one. The proceeds are to go with the proceeds of the Art Exhibit for the purchase of pictures for the seventh and eighth grade room in the training school. Much credit is due Miss Harlan, Miss Davis, Miss Todd and Miss McIntosh for the excellent training as evidenced in the preparation of the different scenes.

The Normal holds this afternoon appropriate exercises for Memorial Day. The following program will be rendered: Salute to the Flag, School Music, School Scripture Reading, Chaplain of G. A. R.; Music, School Address, Dr. H. Chas. Dunsmore; Music, School. The citizens of Monmouth are cordially invited to be present. The exercises will begin at 2:30.

The architect says that he thinks the dormitory will be ready to turn over to the state by June 1, and many of the contracts for furnishing have already been let, and in all probability the remainder will be by the close of the week. It is not planned to open up the kitchen and dining room of the dormitory during the summer school but it might be possible if necessary to use some of the rooms.

The Registrar reports that the outlook for a large attendance at the summer school is most encouraging as indicated by the correspondence.

On Thursday evening, May 22, the Vespertine Society delightfully entertained the student body, faculty and friends with a "Festival of Nations," under the direction of Miss Fridd, society critic, and Miss Sarah Haseltine, one of the members. The program, the last one of the year, consisted of folk songs and dances of European peasants and the graceful Minuet and Aesthetic dances of the Courts. The Scottish Highland Fling was creditably given in costume by Miss Degermark and Miss Haseltine. The appreciation of the whole was increased by the talks given by Miss Fridd preceding each group of dances, explaining the origin of the dance and telling how each expressed some emotion of joy or sadness aroused in the people. After the dances, a bevy of Japanese maidens served tea and wafers to the guests. The combined effect of the brilliant costuming and the picturesque, electric-lighted grove made a most pleasing and attractive picture and one which will long be remembered.

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The Delphian Society finished the work of the year with a Declamatory Contest last Friday evening. Each class had two representatives to compete for the prize of five dollars offered by Miss Parrott. The first place was won by Miss Helen Peery of the Senior class, and the second place by Miss Noreine Hershey of the Sophomore class.

One of the unique events of the year occurred last Saturday evening when the Delphian Society entertained the remainder of the school and invited guests. The first part of the evening was devoted to a cotillion, which was enjoyed by everyone, and the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing.

City Council Doings.

The city council met Tuesday evening, all members being present except E. H. Lorence.

The following list of claims was examined and allowed.

ON GENERAL FUND

Graham & Son, cartage,	\$1.75
James Goodman, hauling,	2.25
Telephone Co. long dist.	.85
J. A. Sturkin, marshal's sal.	15.00
D. E. Stitt, Recorder's fees and money paid out,	18.85

ON WATER WORKS FUND

Graham & Son, ft. adv.	\$6.70
Clares Powell, labor & fixt.	2.05
E. T. White, labor,	50.50
J. A. Sturkin, marshal's sal.	15.00
J. W. Leask, labor,	6.25

A resolution to make the cost of construction of the sidewalks in front of the Mrs. C. Wills estate, a lien upon the property, was then passed and the city recorder ordered to post notices of same.

A petition was received and read asking the vacation of part of Jackson street between Warren and Knox street, and was laid over for action at the proper time.

The city recorder was authorized to purchase a lien docket for the use of the city.

Adjournment was then taken until June 3, at 7:30 p. m.

Last Sunday evening a beautiful and impressive ordination service was held in the Christian church at Independence, at the close of the regular preaching services, which were conducted by Rev. C. H. Hilton, of Forest Grove. Mr. Benjamin C. Crow, who has been acting pastor for a few months past, was ordained to the ministry, by Rev. Hilton. Mr. Crow is doing a grand work in Independence, as he is also a musician of rare ability, and at present has under his direction a large choir of the most talented singers in the city. Mr. Crow is held in high esteem by all, and his future work in Independence looks extremely bright and hopeful.

WILL SAW WOOD

Pierce Bros. will operate a first-class wood saw in and around Monmouth and Independence, beginning July 1st. For information, telephone Brown 4, Dallas, Oregon.

Zook, the paper hanger, will do your painting for you.

PUMP CASING IN BOTTOM WELL

Further Delay in Securing Water Supply

THE UNEXPECTED HAS NOW TAKEN PLACE

Work of Fishing out Casing Will be Prosecuted Without Delay

The unexpected did happen at the new well and still the water scarcity maintains. On Friday morning when A. T. Walker, Fairbanks, Morse & Co's employee, undertook to draw up the casing of the deep well pump the rope broke and let the casing drop to the bottom of the well. Fairbanks, Morse & Co. was communicated with and G. K. Towers, a representative of the company, came down Monday to look the situation over, and to confer with the town council.

An agreement was reached that the company proceed to remove the casing from the well without delay, the adjustment of proportion of cost to be met by each party interested to be left to a board of arbitration, the cost of removal not to exceed the sum of \$600, unless mutually agreed to by both parties.

Mr. Towers returned to Portland Monday evening to make such preparation as he found necessary and to send an experienced well driller with apparatus to prosecute the work. Just the amount of damage done the casing and what time it will take to remedy the accident remains to be seen as conjecture does not prove anything and actual results are necessary to determine the damage done and the time required to repair it. Two or three day's work will throw light upon the problem.

Mr. Beck, an experienced well-driller, from Portland, arrived here yesterday and has gone to work to remove the casing, but the work has not advanced far enough, as we go to press, to give any idea of the time it will take to pull the casing.

Baccalaureate Sermon.

The Baccalaureate sermon of the Senior class of the High school will be delivered by Rev. J. M. Orrick at the Christian church, next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

The general public is invited to attend the service.

A large shipment of screen doors just in. Buy them at the Monmouth Lumber Yard.

TO - NIGHT

at the

STAR THEATER

The Royal Amusement Company

"Five Persons Featuring the Three Marvelous Mystery Illusions."

Guaranteed only show of its kind ever on here.

Admission 10 and 20 Cents