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## REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

### To Encourage Flax Industry In This State

### 1915 FAIR COMMISSION HOLDS MEETING

### Three Railroad Systems Now Connect Portland With Upper Willamette Valley

PORTLAND, ORE., Sept. 8.—The hop season started last week with an army of over 10,000 people who will garner the crop this year. The crop this year will amount to about 130,000 bales which is valued at \$5,000,000, this placing Oregon first amongst all the hop producing states in the Union, averaging about 40 per cent of the total output of the United States. The crop is of better quality than for years past, according to prominent growers. Growers are expecting big prices for their crops this year, quite a number having contracted their output for 20 cents a pound. Last weeks rains, while temporarily embarrassing the pickers, greatly benefitted the hops in both quality and weight.

Three railroad systems now connect Portland with the upper Willamette Valley, for President Robert Strahorn, of Portland, Eugene & Eastern drove the golden spike at Monroe last Wednesday noon, near the boundary of Lane and Benton counties, thereby completing the west side link of that line from Portland to Eugene. Over 1000 visitors journeyed to Monroe for the occasion which goes into history as the beginning of a new era in development of the country that is adjacent to the new line.

Each of Oregon's varied industries was represented at a meeting of the 1915 Fair Commission held at the Portland Commercial Club last Friday. The meeting lasted all afternoon, and the commissioners secured much enlightenment upon how to show off the state to the best advantage at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. Sentiment expressed seemed to favor appealing to each of the several counties of the state for exhibits at the Fair; to use the best and most representative exhibits, not in the Oregon building, but in the buildings set aside for special purposes, where the state's products will come into competition with those of other states and other countries; to present as much life and animation in the Oregon building exhibits as possible, and to offer moving picture exhibits of the various industries of the state, so that visitors to the fair may be attracted and entertained there; to serve continuously light lunches made of Oregon products, and to emphasize those advantages most likely to induce the plain people to establish their future homes in the state. One of the representatives present, gave assurance that Union county was willing to furnish a complete display of its products free of charge.

The Salem Commercial Club has appointed a committee to en-

courage the flax industry in this state. Simultaneously with this announcement comes that of H. A. Brewer, manager of the Portland Linseed Oil Company, that the Willamette Valley flax crop is exceedingly gratifying, and that it has been proved by actual demonstration that flax can be grown profitably for seed, as for fibre. There are about 300 acres of flax grown at the present time in the Willamette Valley. The farmers in Eastern Oregon and Western Idaho, also are beginning to raise flax again. Agricultural experts are now agreed that the flax crop does not really exhaust the soil as once supposed. The Portland market guarantees the flax grower \$1.25 a bushel, but the farmer will get as much over that price for his crop as current quotations call for. Last year a Portland company gave every grower who ask for it a 14 pound sample of flaxseed, and this gave the industry quite a boost.

### SMITH-JACKSON

On Wednesday, Sept. 3, 1913, Mr. Benjamin Trueblood Smith and Miss Meldora Jackson were united in marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mahr, of Corvallis, Mrs. Mahr being a sister of the bride. The parlor was beautifully decorated in white and pink roses, carnations and ferns. The bride wore white and carried a shower bouquet of white carnations, sweet peas and fern. The groom wore a Prince Albert. After the ring ceremony, performed by Rev. L. M. Boozer, of Portland, a four-course dinner was served.

Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. L. Henkle, Mrs. Aldrich and son, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Mahr, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mahr and son, all of Corvallis, Rev. and Mrs. L. M. Boozer, of Portland, Mr. Jackson and Leona Jackson, of Monmouth.

The groom is well known in Corvallis, having been a student at O. A. C. He afterwards entered the Theological Seminary at San Francisco, where he graduated in April. He was then elected pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Clatskanie, Oregon.

The bride is a well known lady in Corvallis and Monmouth, having graduated from O. A. C., afterwards teaching in both Corvallis and Monmouth.

They have many friends who wish them success in their new work.

### Force of Habit

Force of habit grows so strongly some times upon persons that it seems to cling to them to an extent to cause forgetfulness of circumstances.

The V. F. Daniel Store got an order to ship a certain firm a crate of eggs. Manager Cole shipped all he had, the case lacking five dozen of being full, of which he notified the firm by letter, but imagine his surprise on getting returns from the shipment with the statement that there were so many rots, cracks, seconds, and one half dozen short, in the case, which when summed up amounted to just 6 cents more for the eggs than they were billed for. It looks as though the clerk had the habit and was so methodical in his work that he forgot all about the five dozen shortage.

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOL NOTES

### School Will Start On Next Monday, September 15

### FIRST FACULTY MEETING SATURDAY

### Everything Ready For Opening Of Dining Room At Dormitory Saturday

The President reports that everything is now in readiness for the opening next Monday. The buildings have been put in repair, thoroughly renovated and equipped. The members of the faculty are arriving. Mr. Ostien, Miss Butler and Miss Brenton returned this week, and Miss Todd and Miss Dunsmore a week ago, all looking as though the vacation had thoroughly agreed with them.

The students are already beginning to arrive, and scheduling will begin at 8:30 next Monday morning. No pupil will be scheduled before that time.

The first faculty meeting of the year will be held at two o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Practically every room in the dormitory is taken, the cooks have arrived, and everything is ready for the opening of the dining room on Saturday.

Miss Todd and Miss West spent Tuesday in Salem, and President Ackerman spent Thursday in Portland.

Mr. Gilmore has rented the Goodman house and will move in shortly.

Mr. Evenden's bungalow is progressing rapidly, and he hopes to be able to move in within a few weeks.

Mr. Pittman is at Vale this week in attendance at the county Institute.

Mr. McClellan, who had the contract for grading the grounds about the dormitory, has completed his work, and Mr. Gilmore has taken charge of the seeding and planting of the same.

The training school will open September 22, and it is hoped that all students will be on hand at the opening.

From the Columbia Post, of Indiana, we copy the following in regard to Miss Mary Hoham who has been chosen as musical instructor for the Normal to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Miss Minnette E. Harlan:

Miss Mary Hoham, instructor of music in the public schools of this city for the past six years, has been released from her contract with the local school authorities to accept a position as instructor of music in the state normal school, located at Monmouth, Oregon.

The announcement that Miss Hoham would not be back, was not made known publicly until Monday evening, when her successor was secured, but a week ago Sunday, Miss Hoham was in this city, consulting with Supt. J. C. Sanders and with the members of the board of school trustees. She stated that she had received a telegram from the school in the west offering her a very substantial advance in salary

## PERFECT SANITARY SYSTEM

### City Council Of Dallas Proposes To Build A Modern Septic Tank

The following article is taken from the Dallas Observer as it treats of a problem which Monmouth must soon cope with. A city, in order to afford health and give its citizens a chance to prosper, should be kept sanitary. Our environment is such that the septic tank system becomes of interest to us. The article follows.

To build a modern septic tank to take care of the sewer refuse of Dallas and thereby establish a perfectly sanitary system, is the purpose of the city council.

At a special meeting of the council Tuesday night, D. Calvin S. White, of the state board of health was present and the matter was thoroughly gone over. D. White in a brief talk explained the necessity of more sanitary sewer conditions and explained that a tank could be constructed at a cost not to exceed \$2,800 which would be ample to provide for the needs of Dallas for years to come.

In a large number of cities the size of Dallas the modern septic tank is in use and they are said to operate very successfully. It is proposed to erect two tanks at the present outlet of the sewer. The sewerage flow will enter the first tank and after passing through a number of coils, enters the second tank. There it passes through the same process. The tanks will be so arranged that the flow can go back and forth from tank to tank until it is well filtered. It then flows into the first gravel bed where it again goes through a process of filtering. The last treatment of the sewerage is in a second gravel bed and when it comes from this bed, it is as near pure as possible. Demonstrators of the tank have drunk water coming from the last gravel bed.

It is hardly probable that any action will be taken in the direction of providing a tank before next spring, as the council considers that it would be impossible to erect the tank during the winter season. Every member of the body, however, is in sympathy with persons living along the LaCreole creek and find them thoroughly justified in making their complaints.

over the amount paid here and in every way, the position offered her was a promotion. The local officers regretted greatly to see Miss Hoham go, but they felt that it would not be right to ask her to stay when she had another position offered to her such as the one she has accepted.

During her residence in this city, Miss Hoham has gained an extensive acquaintance, and news of her leaving is received with universal regret. Her work in the school has been of the highest order and the effect of her efforts will be felt in this city for years to come.

HAIR SWITCHES made from combings. Enquire at this office.

## THE CITY COUNCIL IN SESSION

### All Members Present Except White And Sturkin

### CLAIMS AGAINST CITY WERE ALLOWED

### Bill to Make Monmouth Separate Road District Introduced and Passed to Third Reading

The city council met Tuesday evening in regular session, all members present except J. W. White and Marshal Sturkin. Claims against the city as listed following were audited and ordered to be paid:

ON WATER FUND	
John V Webber, labor	\$ 57.25
Fairbanks, Morse & Co., pipe and fixtures	113.96
Oregon Power Co., power	172.00
Graham & Son, freight advanced and draying	10.98
D. C. McNeil, blacksmithing	7.25
S. W. Jackson, labor	1.25
Ind. Tel. Co., long distance service	.85
Total	\$363.54

ON GENERAL FUND	
Graham & Son, hauling gravel	\$45.10
Oregon Power Co., light	28.60
Total	\$73.70

After passing on claims against the city, a bill, preparatory to making of the city of Monmouth a separate road district, was introduced, read, and passed to the third reading and laid over to be read at the next meeting.

The city marshal was instructed to clear the principal street corners of weeds and grass.

A resolution was then passed to improve parts of Main, Clay and Ecols streets as proposed at the former meeting.

The council meets again in regular session September 23.

### Hunting Party Travels Far In Automobiles

GOLDENDALE, Wash., Sept. 10.—A party of North Yakima people passed through Goldendale yesterday in automobiles on a deer-hunting trip in Harney County, Oregon. The party is making the trip with three machines, one being loaded with firearms, ammunition and a camping outfit, and the hunters expect to cover about 1000 miles before they get back to North Yakima. Members of the party are: W. W. Robertson and son, newspaper men; W. L. Lemon, postmaster; J. H. Harold, capitalist; Henry Nole, merchant; Fred Chandler, automobile dealer.

### Monmouth High School

It has been planned that some or all of the high school teachers will be in the High School on the afternoons of Friday, the 19th, and Saturday, the 20th, to meet any pupils who may wish to plan work, or to get lists of text books required.

All pupils who can possibly do so are urged to register on Monday, the 22d. If there should be any who cannot attend regularly the first week, they should, if possible, come to register on the first morning. It is very important to teachers, since the course of study is a new one this year, and since new texts are to be used, that the registration be complete on the first day.