

High School News

Superintendent Seymour Visited The High School Tuesday

County Superintendent Seymour spent Tuesday afternoon in the high school, inspecting attendance, school work, and points for standardization. As soon as the library is put under locked doors and catalogued the high school will be a standard school. Superintendent Seymour is making plans for the Industrial Club work soon to be organized throughout the State. Already forty schools in Polk county have organized Industrial Clubs. He will assist in the organization of a Club in the high school next Monday. These Industrial Clubs are organized for the purpose of adding greater educational value to the industrial contests carried on in the state. By a well planned organization, consisting of the State Superintendent, the Extension Service of the Oregon Agricultural College, County School Superintendents, Teachers, and, most important of all, the Industrial Clubs of students. It is planned to encourage more thought to be given to the methods of producing the highest types of products in the several lines of endeavor. Ten Industrial Club Contests are to be carried on this year.

Registrations for courses of the second semester began last Thursday. Eighteen courses were offered this semester and an equal number will be offered this next semester. There have been several insistent demands for additional courses which can not be had unless the teaching force be increased. Especially insistent are the demands for courses in sciences, manual arts, and domestic arts, and modern languages. The second semester will begin on February 9, following the final examinations which will be held on the 4th and 5th.

A chorus class will be organized on the first day of the second semester, February 9, under the direction of Mrs. Goodwin. Mrs. Goodwin was secured to do this work through the efforts of the faculty to present a course in vocal music. The old piano was overhauled this week and tuned, and will be ready to use when the chorus work begins.

On a dimly lighted floor, wet and partly covered with sawdust, Monmouth lost to Independence second team, score 16-12, at Independence, Saturday night. Poor light, wet floor, and an off week of irregular practice are directly responsible for the loss of the game. Two weeks ago, Monmouth won from the winners of this last game on the home floor, easily, and by a very one-sided score. This is the last of a series of three games. The attendance was small; only four rooters from Monmouth were on the side lines, and a small crowd to cheer for the winners. The game was clean and hard fought, but slow and uncertain on account of the poor light and wet floor. Thompson went in at forward in the last of the second half, relieving the fast but lighter forward, Strong. Craven refereed.

Delmer Heighton, Secretary of the Student Body, who has been unable to attend classes for ten days on account of illness, an injured heel and complications, returned to his desk Monday, ready for work but forced to walk on crutches.

Stanley Evans received a painful injury in knee and leg in the

game with Independence Saturday night, by a fall, and was taken ill on Monday afternoon, and obliged to go home. He was reported to be much better Wednesday morning. During his enforced absence this week, the basket ball team will not do regular practice work.

It is gratifying to know that while a very lively interest has been taken by the students of the high school in financing, equipping and maintaining a gymnasium, yet the very common criticism that scholarship and studies suffer on that account does not apply to Monmouth High School. In the debate tryouts, forty of the forty-five students have entered the preliminary tryouts, and nearly half that number will enter the semi-finals which will begin soon after the opening of the second semester. A manual of debate is being prepared for this work by Miss McCoskey, and will be the basis of the preparatory work. In the finals, two teams, affirmative and negative, will be selected to represent the school.

THE CITY COUNCIL IN SESSION

Audit And Order Payment Of Claims As Listed Below

The common council of the city of Monmouth met Tuesday evening, all members being present. The first business was to audit and order payment of claims as listed below:

ON WATER FUND	
Independence Garage, work	\$ 3.50
Telephone Co., message	.80
J. A. Sturkin, bal. Supt. salary	51.00
D. E. Stitt, col. water rents	5.00
J. V. Webber, labor	2.50
Total	\$62.80
ON GENERAL FUND	
D. E. Stitt, recorder fees	\$16.25
J. A. Sturkin, bal. marshal salary	2.50
Total	\$18.75

Street Committee reported recommending the installation of a light at the corner of Powell and Warren streets, and the relocation of the light west of the depot on Jackson street. The petition for a light at Powell and East streets was laid over for report of street committee at next meeting.

The city recorder was requested to invite Albert R. Sweetser, of the department of Botany and Bacteriology, of the University of Oregon, to deliver an address here in the near future on city sanitation. Next meeting of the council will be Tuesday, February 10, at 7:30.

Home Products Exhibit in Cars

A state-wide campaign in the interests of Oregon manufactured products will be conducted soon from special cars which will visit almost all the cities in Oregon having a population of 400 or more. At a meeting held recently at a Commercial Club, a group of Oregon manufacturers indorsed a plan set forth by R. S. Hurd. One or two cars will be filled with exhibits of products made in Oregon. The exhibit will remain from a half day to two days in all the cities with a population of 400 or more on the lines of the Southern Pacific and O.-W. R. & N. The territory to be covered will extend as far south as Ashland, and eastward to Baker City. Mr. Hurd will make an advance trip to complete arrangements. Addresses and an elaborate

catalogue will be prepared, describing the exhibition and the need of patronizing home industries. The catalogue will contain prices of the products. A list of visitors to the exhibition cars will be given to the exhibiting manufacturers.

S. P. Sack Purchase

How the small items in a large organization run into large sums is well illustrated by the amount the Southern Pacific has expended for empty sacks to hold sand used in protecting levees along the right of way. L. O. Rhoades, general purchasing agent of the railroad, the other day placed a single order for a quarter of a million of them, for which he paid almost ten thousand dollars. It can only be estimated how much more it would cost to fill them with sand, after distributing, and to place them where they might be needed.

The Southern Pacific is always prepared in advance for stormy weather. Steam shovels, track material, timbers, and section gangs are kept at convenient points to be rushed out in a case of emergency. The efficiency of this arrangement was evident during the last runs, when the tracks were amply protected and trains kept running with a minimum of delay. It is during rainy seasons that one realizes the economy of the Southern Pacific's having spent millions in rock ballast, heavy steel rails and steel bridges. These are some of the factors that won for the company the Harriman Memorial Medal for Safety.

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BLIND SPOTS IN THE BRAIN.

How and Why It is Some Persons Go Temporarily Insane.

Everybody knows that the brain is a mass of gray matter made up of bunches of cells, each bunch representing an inclination or feeling such as bravery, reverence or love of animals.

The cells situated on the outside of each bunch are large and shapeless, but it is found that the nearer to the center they are situated, so they become smaller and more shapely. In the very center there is a core or small spot of gray matter devoid of cellular growth. This core varies in size from a pea to a pin's head.

The large imshapely cells on the outside and farthest away from the core or "blind spot" are used for the storing of impressions and for everyday thoughts, while the finer cells situated nearer to the blind spot are for more difficult thought.

As the thought becomes deeper, more delicate and subtle, so the very finest cells are brought into use until thought can go no further because there are no more cells to supply it. At this point the brain becomes tired, and brain fag conveys a warning that the subject should be changed.

As a rule we accept the warning given by the fatigued brain and pursue a different line of thought. But not always. There are a hundred and one emotions that will goad a person to persist in thinking on one single subject.

By concentrating on a particular line of thought all the cells, even the minutest and most recently formed, are used up. Either the cells must be refreshed by sleep or the brain must be occupied on another matter. Very often, however, some other influence, such as worry or excitement, forces the thoughts to dwell on one subject. The cells are full up, there is no accommodation for them, and the warning of the brain has been unheeded.

There is nothing for it now but to switch the thoughts into that blind core of matter. Immediately that is done a person loses control

over mental and physical actions and is not a responsible being. The thoughts wander about in that little vacant spot of matter like a mouse in a trap.

As the brain is trapped, so is the body. The victim is conscious of doing things, still knows how to do them, and very often in this mental stress becomes remarkably cunning, but is not in the least responsible for his actions.

It is all according to the inherent character of the person who is afflicted with this loss of self control what exact form the complaint will take. It is in itself temporary insanity, and generally the stress is manifested in physical violence, "blind" passion, hysteria and loss of memory.

It is when a person has been goaded and urged by the little devil we call worry that the danger of committing suicide is greatest.—Pearson's Weekly.

The Retort Courteous.

A young man in a hurry went through the left side of a pair of swinging doors in the senate wing of the capitol at Washington last session and almost knocked over a senator who was about to push through the right side.

The young man apologized profusely. "I'm very sorry—I didn't know I was—I am in a great hurry."

"That's all right, son," said the senator. "But let me give you a piece of advice about going through doors like these. Always go through on the right side and turn to the right. Then if you meet anybody coming through and bump into him you needn't apologize. He'll be a damned fool, and it won't be necessary. Good mornin'." — Saturday Evening Post.

Local Time Table

Of the Independence and Monmouth Railway.

Leaves Independence 6:15 A. M.; 7:15 A. M.; 11:05 A. M. (After connecting with S. P. Train No. 1 from Portland); 1:10 P. M.; 2:20 P. M.; 4:00 P. M.; 7:20 P. M.

Arrives in Monmouth 6:25 A. M. (Connects with S. P. train from Astoria); 7:25 A. M. (Connects with Motor Car from Dallas 8:15); 11:15 A. M. (Connects with S. P. train for Astoria); 1:20 P. M. (Connects with S. P. train from Astoria); 2:30 P. M. (Connects with S. P. train for Astoria); 4:10 P. M.; 7:30 P. M. (Connects with Motor Car for Dallas 7:55).

Leaves Monmouth 6:40 A. M.; 8:20 A. M.; 11:35 A. M.; 1:40 P. M.; 2:35 P. M.; 4:15 P. M.; 8:00 P. M.

Arrive in Independence 6:50 A. M. (Connects with S. P. train from Corvallis to Portland); 8:30 A. M.; 11:45 A. M.; 1:50 P. M.; 2:45 P. M.; 4:25 P. M. (Connects with Motor Car for Salem); 8:10 P. M.

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NOTICE OF SALE

City Marshal's Notice of Sale of Real Property for Delinquent Street Assessments.

Notice is hereby given that the Recorder of the city of Monmouth, Oregon, has placed in my hands a warrant for the collection of the delinquent street assessments for the improvement of Broad street, by building a concrete sidewalk thereon upon the West and East sides thereof, and abutting the hereinafter described premises, which assessment amounted to the sum of \$53.15, and cost of entering same in the lien docket of said City was and is \$1.00, and said Recorder has transmitted to me a list of said delinquent assessment for said street improvement as aforesaid; Now, therefore, pursuant to said warrant, the charter and ordinances and resolutions of the City of Monmouth, Oregon, I will on Monday, the 16th day of February, 1914, at the hour of one o'clock P. M. thereof, at the front door of the City Hall in said City of Monmouth (the same being the building in which the Common Council holds its sessions), offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption, the following described parcels of real property, to-wit: Lot described as follows: Beginning at a point 250 feet East and 150 feet South of the Northwest corner of Out Lot No. 12, in Monmouth, thence 30 feet South, more or less to the corner of Alderman's lot, thence 100 feet West, thence 20 feet North more or less to Hewitt's line, thence 100 feet East to the place of beginning containing 3000 square feet more or less in the City of Monmouth, Oregon, and assessed to the heirs of the estate of Mrs. C. Will, deceased, viz: John Will, grandson; Enoch Will, grandson; Christina Will-Moore, granddaughter; Clark Will, grandson; Charles Will, grandson; Julius J. Miller, grandson; E. G. Miller, grandson; Ottilia Wolfer, daughter; Alfred H. Will, son; Geo. C. Will, son; E. U. Will, son; in the sum of \$19.28, interest and cost to date hereof \$0.55, cost of advertising \$7.40, owned by the heirs of Mrs. C. Will, deceased.

Lot described as follows: Beginning at a point 254 feet West and 280 feet South of the Northeast corner of Out Lot No. 12 in Monmouth, thence East 2.38 chains, thence South 50 feet, thence West 2.38 chains, thence North 50 feet to the place of beginning, in the City of Monmouth, and assessed to the heirs of the estate of Mrs. C. Will, deceased, viz: John Will, grandson; Enoch Will, grandson; Christina Will-Moore, granddaughter; Charles Will, grandson; Clark Will, grandson; Julius J. Miller, grandson; E. G. Miller, grandson; Ottilia Wolfer, daughter; Alfred H. Will, son; Geo. C. Will, son; E. U. Will, son; in the sum of \$23.87, interest and cost to date hereof \$1.00, cost of advertising \$7.40, owned by the heirs of Mrs. C. Will, deceased, and that said tracts of land will be then and there sold to satisfy said assessments, interest and costs due upon each as aforesaid.

Each piece or parcel of land will be sold separately or otherwise as is likely to bring the highest price, and for a sum not less than the unpaid assessment thereon and interest and cost of advertising and sale, and cost of entering same in said lien docket.
Dated January 16, 1914.

J. F. MORELAND,
City Marshal.

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W. A. GUEFFROY, Pastor.
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Evening service at 7:30 o'clock
Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.
Y. P. A. Meeting at 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening.

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H. F. JONES, Pastor.
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Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
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Prayer Meeting Wednesday 8:00 p. m.

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