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## REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

### Crop Prospects In Oregon Are Good

SALEM CHERRY FAIR JUNE 25-27

### The Dates For The Portland Rose Festival Are June 9 To 12 Inclusive

PORTLAND, Ore., May 12.—Reports from nearly every section of Oregon indicate that the grain crop for 1914 will be the largest in the history of the state. Not only has the grain acreage been greatly increased, but weather conditions have been unusually favorable and in nearly all districts the yield per acre will be larger than usual.

Fruit reports from some sections are not quite as encouraging as grain estimates, but in most cases the loss from frost has not exceeded the annual thinning of fruit. A large acreage of new orchards will produce the first commercial crop this year and it is estimated the total fruit yield will be far beyond that of last year.

J. W. Brewer, special agent for the State Immigration Commission has just returned from a careful survey of the lands included in the area recently eliminated from the forest reserve in Central Oregon and his report to state Immigration Agent C. C. Chapman carries with it a note of warning to intending settlers on such lands. Already there is a great number of home-seekers in the eliminated district and it is expected there will be more applicants than there are claims. Of the 236,680 acres actually open for entry, at least 182,000 acres are non-tillable, leaving but 54,000 acres of a character which will support settlers. The elevation of a large part of this section is from 4,200 to 4,500 and there is danger of killing frost at all times of the year. Distance from the railroad varies from 75 to 100 miles, making it extremely difficult to get produce to market. Prospects for grazing are fairly encouraging and Mr. Brewer advises new settlers to turn their attention mainly to stock raising.

Don't forget Portland Rose Festival dates—June 9 to 12 inclusive. The only change of importance in the program has been the complete elimination of Rex Oregonus and the substitution of a "Queen of Rosaria" who will be the sole reigning monarch during Festival week. The election of Her Majesty and her maids of honor is now on and the polls will be open until the night of Saturday, May 16. The queen and her court will be given a grand tour of all the principal coast cities prior to the opening of the Rose Festival.

The combined commercial bodies of Coos County have decided to erect a building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. The lumber mills of the county have agreed to furnish all needed wooden material, the railroads will transport it to California free of charge, and the County

Court and citizens are expected to provide the necessary funds, about \$15,000, to pay for collecting and installing the exhibit.

The Salem Cherry Fair will be held June 25-27 inclusive. It has been decided to hold the show on the court house grounds, and that in addition to cherries, there will be exhibits of small fruits.

### Birthday Dinner

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hall, on May the 12th, a social family gathering was held, the occasion being the 70th birthday of Mrs. Hall.

At noon all sat down to a delightful dinner prepared by Miss Dora Hall, the children and grand children all being present, but one daughter, Mrs. Clara Stover, and family, of Weiser, Idaho.

The children present were Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Herren, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Skinner, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Wither and Miss Dora Hall. The grand children present were Harold Herren, Mrs. Ernest Riddell, Kathleen and Alice Skinner and John Wither.

### State Grange Next Week

Monmouth will have the privilege of entertaining the State Grange which will convene next Tuesday at 10 o'clock. It has been customary for the commercial club of the city where the Grange meets to give a banquet and evening's entertainment. Here it has been decided to have a Grange Picnic on Tuesday at 5 o'clock in the Normal grove (if weather unfavorable, in the gymnasium) As about 300 to 400 delegates and visitors are expected it is desired that all the citizens of town and county will come with lunch baskets and assist in making the occasion one long to be remembered and a state wide demonstration of the Monmouth spirit.

This is a big occasion and the Monmouth Grange needs the help of the whole community to make it what it should be.

Almost every member of the local Grange is on some one of the many committees and all are determined to make the delegates feel that they are well cared for.

As delegates are allowed \$1.00 per day for expenses we are not ask to entertain free of charge. All, therefore, ought to feel like helping to make the picnic a great success.

Business men and others who have autos are requested to make them available on Monday and Tuesday to conduct the visitors on their arrival to their lodgings.

### High School Teachers Re-elected

At a meeting held on Tuesday evening, the School Board re-elected the teachers of the High School to their present positions for the next year. E. L. Keezel was re-elected as principal, Miss Armilda Doughty and Miss Margaret McCoskey, assistants.

Miss McCoskey has declined the position to which she was elected, owing to plans made to spend the next year in the East. She will go to Illinois early in September. The vacancy caused by Miss McCoskey's C resignation has not yet been filled.

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOL NOTES

### Tuesday Evening, May 19, "Trial By Jury"

### A COMIC OPERA WILL BE GIVEN

### In The Normal Chapel By The Glee Clubs. It Will Be Preceded By An Orchestral

program by the Training and Normal School orchestras. Every one is cordially invited to attend. An admission of twenty-five cents will be charged to all but Grange delegates with an additional fee of ten cents to have a seat reserved.

Mr. Pittman, together with his classes in Rural School Supervision, Management and Methods, numbering forty-four, visited the Cochran and Elkins schools during the week. These classes are getting into real or intimate contact with the problems of the rural school as they are, by means of these observation schools, and the practical work which is being done in the training school to assist. All members will see very different ideas of the problems as they are.

The Normal is looking forward with genuine pleasure to the visit of the Portland teachers next Saturday. Miss Todd has plans perfected by which luncheon will be served in the dormitory dining room to our visitors, and Miss Butler's Domestic Science class is planning to entertain the girls from the dormitory in the domestic science rooms during the noon hour.

Mr. Gentle went to Rickreall Friday evening of last week, where he delivered the address to the graduating class.

### DELPHIAN

The Delphian program for Friday was a Story-Telling Contest, for a prize of five dollars offered by the critic of the society, Miss Parrott. After the musical program, in which Miss Hoham represented the Delphian's by a vocal solo which was greatly enjoyed by all, the roll was called and answered by quotations from Oregon writers. Then came the contest in which each of the three upper classes were represented by two members. Misses Mitchell and De Vore upheld the reputation of the Senior class, Miss Mitchell winning the prize with the popular folk-tale "East o' the Sun and West o' the Moon," and with Miss De Vore's assistance won the honors of the contest for the Seniors. Misses Loudon and Smith were worthy representatives of the Junior class as were Misses Jackson and Marvel of the Sophomores. The costumes in which the stories were told added greatly to the interest. This is the first Story-Telling Contest to be held in the society. Since story-telling is becoming so popular in school work, we are hoping this is the first of many such interesting contests.

### VESPERTINE

The Vespertine's gave their last separate program of the semester on Friday evening, May the eighth. Roll call was responded to by "What I wish to become." Mr. Bixby, of the Normals, kindly consented to read his chapel talk on "The Place of the Bible in the School." Following this, a farce entitled "The Unburied Woman" was cleverly enacted by the Misses Lillie, Eilertson and Hanson. The Seniors of the Vespertines gave a parliamentary drill, after which Miss Kennon spoke on the society work of the past semester. A vote of thanks was extended to Miss Kennon and to Miss Henderson, the president, in appreciation of their untiring efforts in behalf of the society, and to whom much of the success of the society has been due.

Last Friday morning Mr. Pittman spoke very interestingly on the subject "Our Kind of Teachers." Mr. Pittman summed up all the other kinds, disposing of them half humorously, half pityingly, so that his audience felt there was really only one kind—our kind. He left with the students the final impression of an ideal teacher. Mr. Pittman spoke with his characteristic humor and interest on a vital subject.

Mr. Haig Aitlon, a traveling artist, exhibited copies of some masterpieces in paintings of his own copying Friday morning at eleven o'clock. In addition he spoke a few minutes concerning each picture. A large number of the students enjoyed his talk.

May 12, Miss Iza Constable, president of the Senior class represented that class in chapel with a splendid talk on "The Place of Play in the Child's Development." Her talk was a clear exposition, showing the necessity for unhampered play.

Saturday, May 9, the Senior class gave its annual entertainment to the faculty and students. The guests assembled in the chapel where they were seated to listen to some splendid interpretations of scenes from "King Lear," "Romeo and Juliet" and "Macbeth," given by Mrs. Allen Todd, president of the Shakespeare Club of Portland. Mrs. Todd's readings were a source of real pleasure to the guests who listened most attentively. Between Mrs. Todd's numbers Miss Elda McDaniel played various selections on the violin which added materially to the enjoyment of the program.

After the program in the chapel the guests went to Miss Parrott's room where they were each given a slip of paper on which was a line of a familiar song. By singing this they found that there were groups of eight who had the same song. These groups gave individual and artistic interpretations of these songs in the chapel before the other guests and the judges. Mrs. Todd, President Ackerman and Mr. Butler. At the close of the contest, Mr. Butler, in a thrilling speech, bestowed mock laurel wreaths upon the victors.

Again the groups went to Miss Parrott's room where ices and cakes were served. The whole evening was characterized by a fine spirit of genuine enjoyment upon which the Seniors can congratulate themselves.

## Star Theater

Saturday Evening,

MAY 16

ORIGINAL WHITE SLAVE PHOTO-DRAMA

# TRAFFIC IN SOULS

DIRECT FROM BELASCO'S THEATRE NEW YORK

600 People—700 Scenes  
SIX BIG REELS SHOW

## ADMISSION

25 CENTS

### "TRAFFIC IN SOULS"

"Traffic in Souls" will be seen at the Star Theater on Saturday evening.

May 16, at 8:15.

There will be one show only. "Traffic in Souls" is given in six reels, 700 scenes and 600 people were employed in the making of it.

Wherever this picture is shown, numerous letters from prominent patrons of the theatres are received by the management endorsing it in the highest possible terms, mainly for the great moral lesson it shows and without question, it is doing a great good in all cities that it is presented. There are quite a number of thrilling scenes enacted, which at times creates loud and frequent applause, plainly showing the favor with which it is received by the audience. Briefly, admirers of moving pictures and more especially, fathers and mothers of young people, should not fail to bring their sons and daughters to see it, for it is bound in many cases to teach them to lead a just and upright life. It has the endorsement of leading societies for the suppression of vice, among which are the Rockefeller Investigating Committee, District Attorney Whitman, Greenwich Rouse, Camp Fire Girls, the Police Department, Traveller's Aid Society and many other similar great and good institutions and no less than fifteen companies are now touring the country and in a moral way, are doing good that must assert itself sooner or later.

### Any Seat 25 cents.

### Mrs. Senith M. Fuller Passes

Mrs. Senith M. Fuller, an old and respected resident of Monmouth, died very suddenly, Wednesday afternoon of heart failure. She had been in failing health for three years, but it was not thought that the end was so near. The funeral will take place at 10 o'clock this morning.

The obituary will appear next week.