

## Local and Personal MONMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

Dallas may issue bonds to buy the waterworks.

N. E. Foster was among the visitors to Monmouth last Saturday.

E. H. Hendrick of Grain registered at Hotel Monmouth last Wednesday.

Brown & Sibley, attorneys and abstractors, 610 Mill Street, Dallas, Oregon.

D. H. Simpson and Neal McGirk of Airle were Monmouth visitors Sunday.

Mrs. W. P. Fisher has been very ill for a week past and has not yet taken a change for the better.

T. J. Edwards was in town last Saturday and took out a lot of lumber for improvements around his barn.

The Polk County Sunday school convention will be held at Monmouth Saturday and Sunday, February 13 and 14 in the Christian church.

The Oregon Power Company has about finished installing the new lighting system, and if the transforming board gets here, the lights will be turned on today or tomorrow.

Barber C. E. Force reports a product of 27 dozen eggs from 20 hens during the month of January, and that 19 of the lot produced 16 eggs on the 5 of this month which is very gratifying to the owner.

Principal Arpke of the Airle High school attended the basketball game in the Normal gymnasium last Friday night and spent the night the guest of Nelson Rogers, manager of the Normal basketball team.

It is rumored that Mrs. G. T. McKinney, a former resident, will return here to live in the near future. Mr. McKinney has had charge of a store in Washington for C. A. Riggs, and as Mr. Riggs has disposed of his store Mr. McKinney will travel as salesman again.

### DEAKIN-O'NEAL

C. E. Deakin, who has been station agent here for some time, went to Portland the fore part of last week and on Thursday at seven o'clock P. M. was married to Miss O'Neal of that city, the wedding having taken place at the home of the bride's sister. Mr. Deakin returned here Monday with his wife, having stopped off at Carlton over night to visit his brother. Mr. and Mrs. Deakin will make Monmouth their home.

### Telephone Changes

O. F. Cosper, owner of the Independence Telephone called at the HERALD office this week and reported some changes he contemplates making to improve the service he is giving to his patrons and the rates charged for the use of phones.

In the course of a couple of weeks he expects to place a new up-to-date switch board in the Monmouth telephone office which will permit of the best of service for patrons on his lines and then he intends making a reduction of fifty cents per month on phones used in places of business and where patrons who have phones in their residences with eight persons on the line the rate will be one dollar per month while the rate on individual lines will be dropped from three to two and one-half dollars.

Mr. Cosper reported differences with the farmers line as having been amicably adjusted.

### Interest in Athletics Increasing— Total Enrollment Has Reached Sixty-five

The Senior class had a party at the home of Clara Powell last Friday night. The guests amused themselves by playing games till a late hour, then refreshments were served. Everybody declared it was the best "feed" they had had this year.

### Chorus Work Includes Large Number

The class in chorus is the largest in the High. All students taking it are more than ever determined to have a new piano to assist the instructor. The beginning has been very interesting.

The executive committee of the High school met in the principal's office Monday night to discuss plans for purchasing a new piano for the High school. Plans for raising money were adopted and will be put into effect next week. The student body already has thirty-five dollars for this purpose.

Several of the track men have been getting into form this week. As soon as some new equipment is obtained the work will begin in earnest.

The total enrollment has reached sixty-five. Mr. Augsbury was the last one to enroll.

Six new members have been enrolled in the typewriting class this semester.

### High School Attends Lecture

Several classes were adjourned to attend a lecture given at the Normal chapel Monday afternoon by Mr. Benson, better known as "Benson," who is the head of the National Industrial club work. Almost all the students went and found the lecture very interesting and instructive. The girls were especially interested in the canning project, and the boys in the gardening project. The faculty also attended.

### Societies

The Athena (girls) society met on the evening of February 4, and had a very enjoyable program and an interesting business meeting. The Y. N. O. A. met the afternoon of the same day and postponed their regular business session. They did not meet again until Thursday, February 11, at the joint meeting, which was held then. The time for this meeting was set by the two committees of the societies for February 11. At assembly Tuesday the boys drew the names of the girls they were to take to the meeting. It caused much fun. The boys appeared on the scene in the evening with their partners as they agreed and a most delightful program was given. The "Social Committees" of the two societies then took charge. Refreshments were served and the remainder of the evening was spent in playing games.

### RESUME OF WORK OF STATE LEGISLATURE

#### Prohibiting Bill, Passed By House. Most Important Measure to Date.

Thirty Bills, None of Important, Become Laws by End of Fourth Week—Appropriation Bills Total \$3,563,854—House Amends Workmen's Compensation—Would Reorganize Naval Militia—Homicide Bill Passes Senate—\$3 Bounty on Coyotes.

Salem.—The most important work accomplished during the fourth week of the present session of the legislature was the passage by the house of the prohibition bill. With only two dissenting votes, those of Kuhn and Lewis, the bill of the Committee of One Hundred, as amended by the

house committee on alcoholic traffic passed the house. As it passed the house the bill permits the importation for home consumption of two quarts of spirituous liquor or 34 quarts of malt liquor in each successive 28 days.

Perhaps the next act in importance, viewing the situation from the angle of economy, was the killing by the house of the bill for appropriating \$450,000 for irrigation and reclamation purposes. A few minor amendments to the irrigation interests were granted this week, however. Four irrigation bills were passed. One gives irrigation districts the right to sell surplus electrical power, and another makes state lands subject to irrigation assessments, another gives irrigation districts the power of municipalities for bonding purposes and the fourth empowers the state to buy approved irrigation bonds.

In the last week the house rules limiting the time for introduction of bills has been suspended several times, and 455 is the total number filed with the clerk to date. In the senate 215 bills have been introduced. The governor has signed nine senate and 21 house bills. Many have been withdrawn and others laid on the table.

### Legislators Pass 30 Acts in 27 Days

During the first twenty-seven legislative days 30 bills have become laws—a little better than one bill a day.

That is the record of the legislature at the close of the fourth week. Governor Withycombe has signed precisely 30 measures, although five others are before him. He has vetoed none.

Nine of the measures to which the governor has attached his signature are senate bills and 21 are house bills. The five unsigned measures are house bills. Twelve additional house bills have gone through the senate and three additional senate bills have gone through the house.

As a matter of fact none of the bills that the governor so far has signed is important, compared with some of the measures that yet are before the legislature.

A big rush of bills is expected in the governor's office this week. Both the house and the senate are prepared to turn out laws by the score almost every day. Already the house has passed more than 100 bills in addition to those acted on by the senate and the governor. The senate also has sent nearly two-score of its own productions over to the house.

### Bills Pending Ask for \$3,563,854.

Appropriation bills before the house and senate total \$3,563,854. This includes recommendations of the joint ways and means committee, which probably will be adopted without change, but the same cannot be said for several of the other measures. Already bills carrying appropriations aggregating almost \$500,000 have been consigned to the wastebasket.

The joint ways and means committee has labored more industriously at this session than ever before, with the result that it has reported on a large number of appropriation bills and is expected to act on virtually all others next week. In compliance with the general demand, it is setting a record for economy, although appropriations must necessarily appear large because it costs much money to conduct the state government and its various institutions.

### House Acts on Compensation Law.

The house also acted on the subject of workmen's compensation. The bill passed provides a series of amendments to the present law, reclassifying the industries and graduating the rates in proportion to the risk. It also is intended to prevent accidents by offering rewards to employers who install safety devices and providing punishment for those who do not. The almost unanimous vote on this measure is taken to indicate that the house will not act favorably on the Bingham bill in the senate, which is said to resemble the Michigan law and which would permit casualty companies to compete with the state. If the senate does not concur in the measure set over by the house it is probable that no workmen's compensation law will be enacted by this legislature.

Although the senate has passed a bill abolishing the Oregon Naval Militia it seems now barely possible that the organization may be permitted to live in a changed form, for a bill was introduced in the house by the committee on military affairs, providing for its reorganization, and considerable sentiment exists in favor of it. Since the passage of the senate bill abolishing the organization, Governor Withycombe has announced that he doubts whether it is wise to abolish the organization. This attitude of the governor, and appeals made by the

navy department for the retention of the organization, are powerful factors in favor of the new bill. It provides for the abolition of the present naval board and substitutes for it a naval staff to consist of the adjutant-general and two commissioned naval officers to be appointed by the commander-in-chief. It carries an appropriation of \$15,000 which is \$11,000 less than was asked for originally by the organization.

### County May Build Bridges.

Senator Garland's bill, providing that county courts be permitted to reject all bids for bridges costing more than \$500 and build them themselves was passed by the senate. It is provided that the courts must obtain estimates of the cost before letting the contracts, but the estimates must be kept secret. When the bill was first argued several senators insisted that if a bid came within the estimate it must be accepted, but it was not included in the bill as passed. Senator Garland believes the law will save the counties a great deal of money that now goes to bridge construction companies.

### Homicide Penalty Bill Passes.

Senator Langguth's bill making the penalty for homicide in the second degree imprisonment in the penitentiary of from 20 to 30 years was passed by the senate. It has a saving clause relating to persons already convicted of second degree murder. In a bill introduced by the same senator which was passed, the punishment for first-degree homicide is life imprisonment. The changes were necessary because of the amendment passed by the people abolishing capital punishment.

### Coyote Bounty Bill Passes Senate.

Under suspension of the rules, the senate passed house bill 13, which provides for a bounty of \$3 on coyotes during the remainder of this year. The state is to pay half the bounty and the counties the other half. The bill was passed with an emergency clause, as it is reported that conditions in the eastern Oregon counties are serious on account of rabies among the animals.

It is probable that an appropriation of \$100,000 will be asked to pay the state's share of the bounty. Two years ago \$40,000 was appropriated for the bounty. A deficiency of \$20,000 was incurred. An appropriation will have to be made also to take care of this deficiency.

### Insanity Divorce Basis in Bill.

Permanent insanity is made ground for divorce by a bill introduced by Senator Langguth. It is provided that before a divorce shall be granted, insanity being the allegation, it shall be proved that the defendant has been adjudged of unsound mind by a court of this or another state five years or more before the suit is filed. It also must be proved to the court in which the divorce is asked that the patient is incurable.

### Legislative Brevities.

The senate passed house bill repealing a law providing that dogs caught pursuing deer be shot.

A joint resolution authorizing the superintendent of public instruction to annotate and publish the school laws of the state was adopted by the senate.

What is regarded by many as one of the most important new laws enacted is that repealing the free textbook enactment of the last session. By passing this measure the legislature has saved itself a controversy.

Dan Kellaher introduced a bill in the senate providing for weekly payments of various employees, which is said to have the support of certain labor interests and unquestionably will fill the halls of legislation with lobbyists.

To facilitate the operation of the constitutional amendment passed by the people at the last election which provides that only citizens of the United States shall vote in this state, Senator Moser introduced a bill empowering county clerks to strike from the register the names of all aliens.

After several days Representative E. J. Moser introduced a special bill to the effect that all special taxes levied by the county and fees collected by the county clerk and range commissioner constitute an appropriation for that purpose. The house passed the measure by a vote of 53 to 5, two members being absent.

To give farmers power to arrest hunters who trespass upon their property is the object of a bill passed by the house. Under the present law a trespassing hunter is subject to arrest, but the owner must obtain a warrant. Representative Fenwick, author of the measure, pointed out that by the time a farmer procures a warrant the damage is done and the hunter is gone.

## Local Time Card

### Of the Independence And Monmouth Railway---Effective December 15, 1914

Train No. 1 leaves Independence 7:00 A. M., arrives at Monmouth 7:10 A. M., connects with train for Airle.

Train No. 3 leaves Independence 7:35 A. M. after connecting with S. P. train No. 354 from Corvallis, arrives at Monmouth 7:45 A. M.

Train No. 5 leaves Independence 8:45 A. M., arrives at Monmouth 8:55 A. M., connects with train for Dallas.

Train No. 7 leaves Independence 11:15 A. M. after connecting with S. P. train No. 101 from Portland, arrives at Monmouth 11:25 A. M., connects with No. 351 for Airle.

Train No. 9 leaves Independence 1:10 P. M., arrives at Monmouth 1:20 P. M., connects with No. 352 for Dallas.

Train No. 11 leaves Independence 2:30 P. M. after connecting with S. P. train No. 102 from Corvallis, arrives at Monmouth 2:30 P. M.

Train No. 15 leaves Independence 3:50 P. M., arrives at Monmouth 4:00 P. M.

Train No. 17 leaves Independence 4:30 P. M. after connecting with Motor Car from Salem, arrives at Monmouth 4:40 P. M.

Train No. 19 leaves Independence 7:30 P. M. after connecting with S. P. train No. 353 from Portland, arrives at Monmouth 7:40 P. M.

Train No. 2 leaves Monmouth 7:15 A. M., arrives at Independence 7:25 A. M., connects with S. P. train No. 354 for Portland.

Train No. 4 leaves Monmouth 8:15 A. M., arrives at Independence 8:25 A. M., connects with train from Dallas arriving at Monmouth 7:25.

Train No. 6 leaves Monmouth 9:05 A. M., arrives at Independence 9:15 A. M., connects with train from Airle.

Train No. 8 leaves Monmouth 11:35 A. M., arrives at Independence 11:45 A. M., connects with train No. 351 from Dallas.

Train No. 10 leaves Monmouth 1:30 P. M., arrives at Independence 1:40 P. M., connects with S. P. train No. 352 from Airle, also S. P. train No. 102 for Portland.

Train No. 12 leaves Monmouth 2:35 P. M., arrives at Independence 2:45 P. M.

Train No. 14 leaves Monmouth 4:05 P. M., arrives at Independence 4:15 P. M., connects with Motor Car for Salem and Dallas.

Train No. 16 leaves Monmouth 4:50 P. M., arrives at Independence 5:00 P. M.

Train No. 18 leaves Monmouth 7:45 P. M., arrives at Independence 7:55 P. M.

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