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Monmouth is Located in the Best Section of the Best Valley of the Best State in the Union.

COUNCIL ASKS FOR STREET PAVING BIDS

Plans and Specifications Drawn up by Himes Bros. are Accepted. Bids to be in Recorder's Hands May 16

The city fathers took a definite stand on the paving proposition at their meeting last Tuesday night and decided to pave the business section of Main street in harmony with a petition presented to the council four weeks ago.

The Himes Engineering company of Dallas had prepared specifications which were presented to the council Tuesday evening and unanimously adopted. A resolution had also been prepared calling for bids for a hard surface pavement of the street, with proper excavations, filling and curbing. This resolution was ordered read, following which it was unanimously adopted. All of the councilmen, Jas. Goodman, H. C. Ostien, J. A. Riddell and D. M. Hampton, were present with Mayor Murdoch presiding.

The resolution, as framed, does not specify the kind of paving except that it is to be a hard surface paving. The contractors who bid for the work are expected to name prices on different kinds of paving and when they are assembled the council will accept such as is deemed most suitable. The bids are to be in May 16th and it is likely the work will be let at the council meeting following that date.

The annual clean-up day also engaged the notice of the council. May 3rd was specified as the date when the city will engage teams to haul away free of charge rubbish as may be collected by citizens of Monmouth. Remember the date therefore and have your premises cleaned and the rubbish collected that the city may present a refreshed appearance at the May Day celebration.

The council also instructed City Attorney B. F. Swope to draw up an amendment to the city charter of Monmouth to the effect that all property within the city limits be subject to taxation for municipal purposes.

A resolution was presented to the council providing for the creation of a street improvement fund and was given its first reading.

A resolution was unanimously adopted ordering a walk built on the west side of Craven street.

The following bills were audited and allowed:

ON GENERAL FUND

J. F. Moreland, marshal's salary for April.....	\$15.00
E. T. White, constructing cross walk.....	27.65
M. W. Jones, labor on streets.....	12.00
Walter G. Brown, recorder's fees.....	19.05
Total.....	\$73.70

ON WATER FUND

National Meter Co., one two-inch meter.....	\$ 54.00
C. G. Griffa, pipe fixtures and supplies.....	14.45
J. F. Moreland, water	

supt.'s salary and freight charges paid on meters.....	47.76
Walter G. Brown, collecting water rents.....	7.50
Total.....	\$123.71

Financial statements of different funds:

GENERAL FUND

Allowed this session.....	\$ 73.70
Carried forward.....	642.88
Total amount allowed this year to date.....	\$716.58

Debit balance.....\$4780.59

WATER FUND

Allowed this session.....	\$ 123.71
Carried forward.....	1189.80
Total.....	\$1313.51

Credit balance.....\$ 426.32

ROAD FUND

Allowed this year to date.....	\$66.88
Credit balance.....	\$ 1.51

Clean Up Next Monday

The May Day program is recognized as one of the institutions of the Willamette valley. Every body in Monmouth is planning to attend the events and a large crowd of visitors is annually attracted to the city to take in the festivities.

That the city may present as agreeable a front as possible the council has appointed next Monday, May 3rd, as a clean up day. Gather up all the old cans and rubbish about the place and the city will provide a wagon to cart the same away. Let all work for the common good and help to give Monmouth a spring house cleaning.

Old Mill Going Down

The old mill which was recently acquired by the Oregon Milling & Warehouse company is being torn down this week and the lumber thereof will be used in the construction of a barn and warehouse on the farm of the company located a couple of miles north of the city. The old mill is a landmark that will be missed by many who live in the part of the city where it was located.

The meetings at the Evangelical church last week were intensely interesting and helpful. The two churches, the Evangelical and Christian, united in the services. Revs. Ritchey and Fisher each gave three Bible studies in which the people were led with Jesus of Nazareth through the events of the last week of the life of his earthly life. There was a fair attendance, and the people expressed themselves as highly pleased with the results of the meeting. The people were surely better prepared for the exultant note of Easter by these studies during the week.

Miss Ida Strong, Jennings Lorraine and Clarence Daniel were home from O. A. C. for the week-end.

Child Welfare Exhibit

From May 8 to May 11 there is to be held in Monmouth a Child Welfare Exhibit which will be of great interest to the whole community. This exhibit, which will be held under the auspices of the Monmouth Civic Club, is free to the public. Many towns in Oregon have profited by this fine exhibit and the people of Monmouth will certainly be interested in having an equal opportunity. Later announcements will be made concerning the place where this exhibit is to be held.

Easter Services

Fine Program Presented at The Christian Church

Easter Sunday in Monmouth was observed in the regulation style. The weather man was in his most gracious mood and presented a hand turned and polished day that was nice enough for any one. The usual number of Easter bonnets and gowns and special programs were presented in the churches.

An especially excellent program was presented at the Christian church as follows:

Address of Welcome—R. H. Sickafoose

Responsive Reading
Invocation

Song—Cheerful Workers Class
Reading—Grace Parker

Solo—Dove McGee
Recitation—Velma Connor

Duet—Grace Graham, Wilna Dobell

Reading—Sara VanMeter
Solo—Thyra Staats

Recitation—Dorothy Quinn
Song—Primary Department

Recitation—El Louise Ritchey
Song—Miss Bengston's Class

Address—Rev. Ritchey
Recitation—Dorothy Clark

Closing Song.

Rev. Ritchey Resigns

The many friends of Rev. Geo. C. Ritchey will be sorry to hear that he is to leave the local Christian church to accept a flattering offer in Los Angeles, Cal. Although he has been here before, Mr. Ritchey's last engagement began last July and when his year is out he expects to go south to take charge of the Boyle Heights church in Los Angeles. A strong effort was made by the local congregation to retain Mr. Ritchey for another year but the California call proved the strongest. Mr. Ritchey's people live at Orange, which is not far from Los Angeles, and which is another inducement to him to make the change.

The Odd Fellows of Monmouth will celebrate the 97th anniversary of the founding of the order in America with social doings, Thursday night. A program is being prepared, a large attendance is expected and the celebration will be in every way fitting to the occasion.

David S. North of Alsea was shaking hands with old friends in this city Saturday and Sunday.

NORMAL STUDENTS PLAN FOR MAY DAY

Big Annual Event to be Held Friday, May 5th. High School Track Meet with Dayton Team May 6th

Preparations are being made for May Day exercises which will be held on Normal campus on May 5. The several events lead up to the contest for the President's cup, and it bids fair to be very interesting. The public is cordially invited to be present at these exercises which will begin at 9:00 A. M. The judges will be Miss Cornelia Marvin, Supt. H. A. Churchill, and Prof. Robert Krohn, Physical Director of the Portland schools.

Work was resumed last Tuesday with scarcely a break, practically every student being present, and all reporting a very pleasant vacation.

An excursion train is being planned to leave Monmouth at 7:30 Saturday evening to attend the University of Oregon Women's Glee Club entertainment at Independence. Much interest is being manifested in the entertainment, and without doubt a large number of students will attend. The invitation is extended to citizens of Monmouth to join in the excursion.

The Wednesday preceeding Easter vacation Rabbi Jonah B. Wise of Portland was the chapel speaker. Rabbi Wise presented the subject of teaching in its noblest aspect. The true teacher, Rabbi Wise said, is not a mere retailer of facts, a dispenser of information, but a guide, morally and spiritually, who will stand as the ideal of his pupils. This thought was repeatedly emphasized by examples from the speaker's own life experience. This intensely interesting address with its fine flavor of philosophy and humor, was a fitting close to the pre-vacation days for it gave every member of the audience a big thought to carry away with him. Rabbi Wise may be assured of perpetual welcome at the Oregon Normal School.

Miss Etta Huffman was the Senior speaker for Wednesday morning. Her talk on "Danish Rural Education" was very well given and especially timely since it outlined a plan of rural education which may be adopted in the United States.

High School Track Meet

While May 5th will be a big day in Monmouth, the day following, May 6th is also one that must be marked with a red pencil on the calendar. The Monmouth high school and the Dayton high school will hold a track meet on the ground of the locals and an unusually good program may be looked forward to.

Monmouth has the only high school track team in Polk county while Dayton ranks with McMinnville as having the two best teams in Yamhill county. Monmouth has the state record for javelin throwing, and the 2nd man for the broad jump. Dayton

has a good shot putter, an extra good sprinter and several other good ones that are expected to be sprung at the meet next Saturday week.

The program will include everything from a 100 yards dash to a mile relay.

Dayton will be accompanied by Joseph Dodson, principal and coach of the school. Monmouth is busy preparing for the event under the direction of Principal Keezel who is coach of the team, Don Portwood, manager, and W. J. Mulkey, captain.

University Girls' Glee Club To Sing at Independence

The citizens of Monmouth and the students of the Normal are looking forward to the concert to be given by the Girls Glee Club of the University of Oregon in Independence Saturday, April 29. This concert is given to raise funds for the proposed Woman's Building at the University, a project in which all loyal Oregonians are interested. Whatever sum results from the sale of tickets in Monmouth is to be credited to the Civic Club and the Normal school as their contributions toward the new building which will represent every part of the state. The tickets which are fifty cents for Monmouth people and thirty-five cents for Normal students may be had at Morlan's Book Store up to Saturday night. These tickets include train fare so that the concert will be no more expensive than if it were given in Monmouth. It is expected that large numbers of people will take advantage of this unusual opportunity to hear good music and help their state university. The numbers consist of the latest music and classic selections in ensemble, solo and quartet, varied by an amusing skit of unusual cleverness.

W. D. Peaslee, of the engineering department of the Oregon Agricultural College was a visitor in Monmouth Monday. He looked over the new track which the high school boys have prepared and helped the boys with their plans and practice in track athletics. In the evening something like a dozen of the boys and Prof. Keezel sat down to dinner with the O. A. C. man at the hotel and held an impromptu banquet. A very pleasant time is reported.

Parent-Teachers' Meeting is Postponed

Because of our inability to secure the speaker for the regular date of the Parent-Teachers' meeting we are obliged to postpone the same one week. The meeting will therefore occur on the evening of May 9.

MRS. THOS. H. GENTLE,
President.