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

Normal Notes

Items of Interest Concerning Oregon State School

Plans are being perfected for the student body picnic at Rick-reall next Saturday. All sorts of petitions are going up to the weather man. It seems that the students have taken the matter as to weather into their own hands as they have lost confidence in the President to secure good weather. May success attend them.

The Normal was honored by the presence of the Banker's Association last Wednesday. Special assembly was called at 11:15. The students welcomed the association with songs, and the training school orchestra gave two selections. President Ackerman gave the address of welcome, and the response was made by Mr. Schmitt, of Albany. After the assembly the association visited the buildings and grounds, and all expressed themselves as well pleased with conditions at the Normal. It is hoped that this will not be the last time that the association will visit us.

Mr. Butler gave the commencement address to the Wasco high school last Friday evening, and he reports the educational situation at Wasco under the guidance of Supt. J. O. Russell in most splendid condition.

Mr. Pittman was in Aumesville last Saturday and spoke to the parent-teacher association.

Miss Kennon's father of Baker was visiting here on Sunday and Monday and spent Monday forenoon visiting the Normal. We were all glad to welcome him, and hope that it will not be his last visit to Monmouth.

Supt. Clyde T. Bonney, of Wasco county, spent the whole of Monday visiting the Normal, and interviewing teachers for rural school positions in Wasco county. Mr. Bonney is one of the County Superintendents who hopes to have every teacher in his county a Normal trained teacher. His interest in the work of the Normal was enthusiastic, and we trust that what he saw meets with his approval. We hope that he may make it an annual occasion.

The Oregon Normal School had as its guests of honor last Friday, Mrs. Ida Kidder, librarian of the Oregon Agricultural College and Miss Cornelia Marvin, State Librarian and Regent of the School, at chapel time. Mrs. Kidder gave a most human and stirring talk on "Some Fundamentals." She emphasized the value of proper self-confidence, determination, will and sincerity in a way that will never be forgotten by any of her hearers. Mrs. Kidder had a real message of humanity which was backed by her wonderful personality. From her own experience of life she drew to help younger teachers, although as she so aptly said, there were few to take the advice and counsel so willingly given since all must ex-

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CONTRACT LET FOR STREET PAVING

Hoskins and Hobson of McMinnville are Given Monmouth's First Street Paving Job

Another step in the direction of paving the business section of Main street was taken at the council meeting Tuesday night. By a unanimous vote that body decided to eliminate all sewer bids and accept the paving bid of Hoskins & Hobson of McMinnville.

This is for five inch concrete base with asphaltic top and the whole bid as originally placed before the council was estimated at \$9,285.67, including sewers. With the storm sewers eliminated the figures stand \$7,917.67. The estimate for the sewers was \$1,367.80.

As soon as the notice of intention to pave is posted, objecting property owners will have ten days in which to file a remonstrance, after which time remonstrance will be too late.

While, doubtless, the exact detail of the plans are pleasing to few, some wanting more expensive work and some wanting cheaper work, still the action of the council appears to be a reasonable compromise and will serve to test the progressiveness of the city.

It has been experience that paving, more than any one thing forwards the development of a city. It is the forerunner of improvements on which a town must depend for any material growth. The paving of these blocks would be a distinct step towards a greater and better city

and would add to the value of the property affected, every cent that it costs.

Many contractors have been interested in the paving and doubtless much of the interest among them was due to the fact that it was a first paving. The inference is that, once started, paving will become more general and the company which was able to do the first job, if it was done in a satisfactory manner, would have preference on additional paving.

Monmouth has asked for improvements for some time and now that the opportunity is offered the result will be watched with interest not only by citizens of this community but by those of neighboring communities who will profit by our city's lack of enterprise.

"Putting down a pavement without a sewer would be poor policy under general conditions but in the case of Main street it would be all right" said Engineer Bill Himes Tuesday. "The street can depend on parallel streets for sewer service. In the case of Monmouth a survey would show that the trunk sewers should run north and south and cross Main street. A pavement with a concrete base can be cut crosswise and replaced as good as new. But it can not be cut lengthwise. This because a lengthwise cut would ruin the arch, whereas a cross cut can be

replaced just as it originally laid"

Engineer Himes thought several of the bids submitted were very reasonable when it came to considering the expense involved in moving paving outfits for so small a job.

Councilman Hampton was absent when the roll was called Tuesday night. Councilman present were H. C. Ostien, J. A. Riddel and James Goodman, Mayor J. L. Murdock, Marshal J. F. Moreland, Recorder Walter Brown.

The following bills were audited and allowed.

GENERAL FUND	
W. G. Brown, Rec. fees, ..	\$7.45
Himes Eng. Co. surveying and office work	73.25
W. Newman, blacksmithing ..	2.00
Oregon Power Co.	
Street lights for May, ..	66.00
M. W. Jones, 6 yds gravel ..	7.50
Marshal's May salary	15.00
Total	\$170.90
Carried forward	782.58
Total this year to date	953.48
Debit balance	5,017.49
WATER FUND	
Oregon Power Co. Payment on motor and power ..	\$65.40
W. Brown, collecting water rent and expenses	7.90
J. F. Moreland, freight on meters and salary	46.14
Total	\$119.44
Carried forward	1381.51
Total this year	1500.95

Banker Special

Over I. & M. Road Brings Visitors from Independence

It isn't every rural banker who is able to take visitors out for a spin on his own railroad, but that is what Banker H. Hirschberg of Independence did for the visiting bankers of Groupe Two when they met in his home city last Wednesday.

Groupe Two comprises the counties of Lincoln, Benton, Marion, Linn and Polk and something like a hundred representatives of the business that handles the purse strings of the communities thereof met at Independence for a fraternal conference Wednesday.

The event of the forenoon was the visit of the association to Monmouth, when Mr. Hirschberg ordered his hired men to get out the cars and engine and two coaches filled with passengers came over to Monmouth for a visit to the Normal, an account of their visit being included in the Normal notes.

Returning to Independence in time for a banquet at 1:00 at the Hotel Beaver the guests were dined in royal style. The afternoon entertainment which followed consisted of oratory and discussion staged in the Isis theater.

J. B. V. Butler, vice president of the First National bank of Monmouth, delivered the address of welcome, an effort that is reported to have been both witty and eloquent and he was responded to in behalf of the association by W. P. Elmore, a banker of Brownsville.

The speaker of the afternoon was Mr. Sensennich of Portland who spoke at some length and brought out numerous things of interest to bankers. The discussion that followed was along the line of his remarks and dealt with law points in regard to notes, checks, etc.

Ira C. Powell, president of the Monmouth bank, was chosen the new president of the groupe for the coming year and J. C. Irving of Albany was retained as secretary. Groupe Two is one of the parts of the state bankers organization and is directly connected therewith.

Credit balance

Acceptance of bid of Hobson & Hoskins was made subject to remonstrance by abutting property owners and the city attorney was instructed to draw up an ordinance for the awarding of the contract.

A Farewell reception to Rev. and Mrs. Geo Ritchey will take place Saturday night in the basement of the Christian church, tendered by admirers and friends and to which all are invited.

The Civic club meets at 2:30 today in the high school building. A full attendance is desired.

There will be a special Children's Day program at the Christian church a week from Sunday evening.

Monmouth High School Wins From Dayton

The contest at track athletics between the representatives of the Monmouth and Dayton high schools, originally planned for May 6th, was held last Saturday, May 20th. Rain caused the postponement but the second date met with more favorable conditions and the meet was a pronounced success.

The events were close and there was a chance for Dayton to tie or go to the front up to the last race and the interest to the spectators was kept up all through the afternoon. The final one mile run gave the victory for the day to Monmouth by 56 to 48 points. Legally, this last run belonged to Monmouth entirely, as Chapman of Dayton, who was leading, stopped before the goal was reached. But it was represented that his trainer had told him to stop where he did and by agreement first place was allowed him which shoved Ted McKenzie out of a place in this race, second and third going to Van Loan and Skeen respectively.

Of course W. J. Mulkey was the biggest figure in the meet. He was first in five events; the 100 yard, 220 yard, 440 yard, javelin and broad jump and also had a share in the relay run. He performed all of these feats easily and had he been crowded might have made an even better record.

Detmering led in the work for Dayton and was largely responsible for the good showing which

that team made. He was winner in the high jump and pole vaulting and had a place among the winners of six other contests. His high jumping and vaulting were pretty exhibitions and the opinion was freely expressed that he could with training make a high class athlete.

Ellis Fisher received many compliments for his work in the pole vaulting. His competitors stood, in height, head and shoulders above him but he followed them as the bar kept steadily rising and was awarded second place. The higher the bar was raised the better he cleared it and at ten feet he must have gone twice his height of stature.

Ted McKenzie was another athlete to receive special notice. He was in numerous events and although his strength and endurance were sorely tried had grit to stick to the events in which he entered until the program was completed.

The day, while cloudy, was admirable for the sport. The track was a little gummy but not enough to interfere with speed.

Much credit for the success of the meet is due to Prof. Keazel who has worked hard to have the thing come off properly and the direction of their captain, Donald Portwood, made an excellent showing for their home school.

The attendance was large and there was much interest mani-

fested in the work of the young athletes.

Following is a list of the events and winners:

100 yard dash—Time, 10.4; W. J. Mulkey, McKenzie, Monmouth; Ditmering, Dayton.

220 yard dash—Time, 25.1; W. J. Mulkey, Monmouth; Ditmering, Dayton; M. Mulkey, Monmouth.

440 yard dash—Time, 60 seconds; W. J. Mulkey, Portwood, McKenzie, all Monmouth.

Javelin—W. J. Mulkey, Monmouth, 145 feet; Ditmering, Dayton, 131.3 feet; McKenzie, Monmouth, 113.3 feet.

High jump—5 feet; Ditmering, Dodson, Dayton; M. Mulkey.

Pole Vault—10 feet; Ditmering, Dayton; Fisher; Lewis, Dayton.

880 yard relay—Won by Monmouth in 1 minute, 41.6 seconds.

Mile marathon—Time, 6 minutes, 43.6 seconds; Chapman, Dayton; Van Loan, Skeen.

Half mile—Time, 2 min., 24 sec.; Skeen, Portwood; Williams, Dayton.

Broad jump—W. J. Mulkey, 20.3 ft.; Ditmering, Dayton, 20 ft.; M. Mulkey, 18.6 ft.

Shot put—Lewis, 39.5 ft.; Foster, 38.5 ft.; Ditmering, 37 ft.; all Dayton.

Discus—Peffer, 113.6 ft.; F. Foster, 98.8 ft.; Ditmering, 92.2 ft.; all Dayton.

W. D. Peasley of O. A. C. acted as referee of the meet.