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Monmouth Meditations

A check for sixty-eight cents is a small item to the owner who sets it aside and forgets it until the weeks multiply into months and the months into years but it is just as big an item in the eyes of the bank bookkeeper as though it were multiplied by a hundred or a thousand.

In Europe they are saving an hour of daylight by setting their clocks back an hour and therefore arising an hour earlier in the morning. Perhaps the weatherman may be working on a similar plan this year and has all along planned to start May on the first of June.

It is now fifty-five years ago since the civil war began and the ranks of the old soldiers who march to the cemeteries on the 30th of May each year grow fewer in number. While hesitating at nothing to honor the nation's defenders we can all unite in the hope that no cause will arise to swell their columns and fill in the gaps of the veteran brigade.

Backed by Delaware with its delegation six strong, the Hon. Coleman du Pont, nemours, etc., is moving on Chicago, expecting the business interests of the country to demand his nomination in the name of the salvation of prosperity. If the Hon. Coleman desires a suitable running mate we suggest that he effect an alliance with Wm. Grant Webster, Oregon's candidate for the vice presidency.

Notwithstanding assertions to the contrary, a business man of the east, in Monmouth last week asserted that business was not up to normal on the other side of the Rockies. Beyond concerns affected by the demand for war munitions, the demand for goods is unhealthy and unsteady. Retailers are afraid to buy stocks at the abnormal prices demanded and market foundations are very insecure.

Manufacturers of shoes are irritated by the fact that just now when the demand for leather is not only large but the source of supply of many kinds of leather has been shut off entirely, the styles for young women call for high boots which call for much more leather than the former styles. While the price demanded for these shoes is very much higher in proportion than for the lower shoes, still the manufacturers are worried and at their

wits end to secure a supply of leather to meet this increased demand.

Dairy Commissioner Mickle talks like a man with a mission and with a manner that carries conviction of personal sincerity with him. He appears of the proper timber for a governor two years hence.

It must be irritating to the rural citizen who has to wallow for several months in the mud to contemplate the money being spent at Independence, but the fat is in the pan now and only the lawyers would profit by spilling it.

Although the peace talk steadily grows stronger the leaders on both sides declare they do not want peace. Also they declare it with the manner of a man who has endured an enforced fast and who is confronted with the sight of a well filled dining table.

The success of the creamery and the enlarging of its circle of patrons are matters of close interest to Monmouth merchants and no effort should be spared to boost the project.

Reports are that several cottages will go up during the summer to help supply the increasing demand for living quarters. Let the good work go on.

The sore loser and the thin skinned man have no business in politics. A grinch might be a successful business man but he stands a poor chance on a popular vote.

The death of Jas. J. Hill, builder of the Great Northern and sometimes known as the empire builder, is universally considered a loss to Oregon, which state has profited through his benefactions and enterprises. Hill's railroad policy was the exact opposite of that of many railroad directors, with whom it is too commonly the case that monopoly of transportation is laid hard on a growing community, the aim being to collect all that the traffic can stand and a little more. Hill believed in building up communities gaining his profit through the increase in business that followed. He had vision far beyond the average railroad man and his death is a loss to the great Northwest with the development of which he was intimately connected.

The season of college commencements is here and the editor acknowledges receipt of invitations to attend the exercises at Corvallis and Eugene. The latter event is to be notable as it is the fortieth anniversary of the founding of the state university.

Headed for Butte

Fred Steinberg who has been in the employ of E. M. Ebbert for some time past, has concluded to tear violently asunder the ties that attach him to our fair city. It is his unalterable purpose and fixed determination to pass the intervening leagues in some sumptuous palace car and take up his abode in that city sitting among the hills of a far countree, otherwise known as Butte, Montana. Butte is famed

as the place where nothing green grows but instead where the trees have as foliage, coins of proper mintage ranging from copper cents to gold doubloons, which Mr. Steinberg purposes to pluck as soon as he arrives near enough to take off his coat and start the harvest. It does not rain at Butte and the most available substance for irrigation, human and geographical, is the product of Schlitz and Anhauser Busch. Mr. Steinberg has promised to keep us informed of the various turns of fortune that befall him in the rip roaring Rockies, of which more anon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ireland of Corvallis who were former residents of Monmouth and vicinity were visitors here over Decoration day with the former's daughter, Mrs. Columbus Tetherow as well as friends in this neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. David Foulks and Mr. and Mrs. T. Zieber of Portland were in Monmouth Sunday helping Mr. and Mrs. L. Grounds prepare for removal to Portland. The two women are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Grounds and the latter will live near them in the city. Mr. and Mrs. Grounds left for Portland Monday.

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stick to the co-operative concern and in the end he would profit.

Another point was that he produce a good article of cream and bring it to the creamery in a sanitary state. A better product was the slogan which he wanted impressed upon the butter producers. Good butter is always in demand. There is never enough of it. As for second-grade butter it can be sold if disposed of cheaply enough when the market is short of good butter but it is an unsatisfactory product all around. To make the co-operative creamery a success, insisted Mr. Mickle, it must produce good butter, and its patrons must hang together for the common good of all.

Prof. Fitts of the Agricultural college followed with remarks along a similar line. He also said a few words for the work of the cow testing association. The work of the association tester is enabling the patrons who employ him to determine which of their cows are paying and which are not. Often the farmer will point out certain cows as the banner producers of his herd. This may be a cow which yields largely when fresh and the test and regular weighing may show that this cow's milk is deficient in butter fat or she may give all her milk at the beginning of the season while a cow which gives a smaller amount when fresh may hold up the yield on through the year and in the end show a greater yield than the star performer at the beginning of the season.

The cow testing association employs a tester. Mr. Opsted, a graduate of the Agricultural college. He spends one day each month with each member of the association. Where the herd is registered he spends two days. His work is to weigh up the milk of each cow, test it and put the resulting figures on record. He also figures out the cost of feed and maintenance and shows for each cow whether or not she is making money for her owner. He also prepares schedules of rations if such are asked for.

Mr. Dixon of Shedd, Oregon, next followed with a few words in commendation of the Jersey as a dairy cow.

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Annual Floral Pageant at 2 P. M.
Friday, June 9th
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Costume Parade, Mardi Gras features in evening.
Many other attractions not mentioned above

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