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Monmouth Meditations

County fair time draws on apace.

The only bath that the boy takes willingly is the one he enjoys rain or shine these days in the swimming holes of the vicinity.

From the way they keep pounding at it the European warriors seem anxious to clean up their little difficulties before snow falls and we hope they may be accommodated.

Some of our cherries have tried these moist days to emulate the frog that set out to be as large as the ox, with the same sad results. Their coats have ripped in the seams through the bulging process.

Three Independence restaurants changed owners one day last week. Whether the retiring owners will all use their accumulated profits to embark in the banking business was not made known at the time of the transfers.

The past thirty days have been the wettest of any in the same season in forty-five years which is the length of time when the weather bureau has recorded its observations. For lack of something else to blame it to we can always fall back on the European war.

The naming of one's landed estate is an aristocratic privilege in Europe, but a luxury every one can indulge in in this land of the free. Name your farm and enjoy the pride that comes from the possession of such a distinctive feature.

Miss Almeda Fuller, the only woman candidate for office in Polk county, has resigned her job as teacher in the Independence high school and now proceeds to roll up her sleeves preparatory to rolling up that substantial majority at the polls in November.

The rains of the past week put a damper on the hopes of many a rancher in this vicinity. Offers were being made of \$10 per ton for cured hay in the field and in the face of this the unfavorable weather for the haymaker is peculiarly irritating.

Prof. H. C. Ostien is one of the Monmouth home makers who utilizes flowers to beautify

his abode. He has something like two hundred rose plants growing on the land surrounding his house and from appearances they are all in blossom at this time.

The Southern Pacific is perhaps Oregon's greatest booster. It spends thousands of dollars annually in bringing the attractions of the state to the attention of the public. Its field of publicity extends all the way from information for the homesteader to descriptions of the scenic features of the mountains and attractions of its sea side resorts. One of its publications for the present year describes the growing prospects for English walnuts in Oregon. Another is devoted to that famous mountain playground, Crater lake. "Oregon For the Settler" is perhaps the most practical of all the books as a state booster and it is a notable one. It contains articles on each of the counties in Western Oregon as well as on the different industries of the state.

Here are a few of the remarks Chas. Zueblin made to Corvallis in a recent Chautauqua in that town according to the Gazette-Times:

Zueblin flayed the City of Corvallis for its high school, its lighting system, its dual telephone system, its rail-road tracks in the streets, its dilapidated wooden buildings up town, its over-hanging trees, its weeds and potatoes in the parkings, its wasteful method of sewage disposal, and its county jail. He recommended a dental infirmary, public baths, a civic center, open air class rooms, scientific school lunches, no school work at home, manual training, sterilization of criminals, the paying of fines by installments while the sentenced man worked, public dancing, public moving pictures, a city manager system, a beautiful river front, and said that the best thing that could happen to Corvallis would be a big first class fire in the proper places.

There are a great many people in Oregon who would like to have seen our present liquor law given a fair trial for a long enough time to establish its merits or lack of the same. It was recognized that the usual instance where prohibition does not prohibit comes from the class of people who are confirmed in the habit and would get intoxicants anyway. Under our present law these could have a chance to satisfy their appetites legally but the temptation would not be as readily put before boys with unformed appetites or men honestly trying to reform. But the liquor men would not have it so and now aim to make a right out of what was given them as a concession. They are asking for the privilege to manufacture beer in the state. The prohibitionists are coming back at them with a resolution to do away with liquor in the state entirely. And they are more likely to win their ends than the liquor men are. Still, we would have liked to have seen the present law given a fair trial.

Difference in teaching methods of today and a hundred years ago may be conceived by the man who compares text books in use in the different periods. The mediator of this column has a reader once used by a maternal ancestor in New York state that bears the date of 1815. It is a small leather bound volume that would not crowd any coat pocket, and the book plate indicates that it cost 75 cents. No illustrations were used and the title page of the book is copiously explanatory, not only of the nature of the volume but of the purpose for which it is designed. The title page reads as follows:

"The English Reader, or Pieces in Prose and Poetry, selected from the best writers, designed to assist young persons to read with propriety and effect, to improve their language and sentiments and to inculcate some of the most important Principles of Piety and Virtue, with a few Preliminary Observations on the Principles of Good Reading, by Lindley Murray, author of 'English Grammar Adapted to the Different Classes of Learners,' etc. From the latest English Edition. Lansingburg Printed and Sold by Tracy & Bliss at the Lansingburg Book store, 1815.

A glance at the table of contents reveals that the selections are grouped under various classifications, such as: narrative pieces, didactic pieces, argumentative pieces, descriptive pieces, pathetic pieces, dialogues, public speeches, promiscuous pieces. These for prose selections with similar groupings for poetry. The one classification that is conspicuously absent is humor. If there is anything in the book that would cause an urchin to crack a smile a more or less thorough examination of its contents fails to reveal it. On the contrary, death bed scenes seem to have been numerous chosen for contemplation by the student and such themes as "Elegy to Pity," "A Man Perishing in the Snow, from Whence Reflections are Raised on the Miseries of Life," "The Clemency and Amiable Character of the Patriarch Joseph," "Description of Candour," "The Pleasures Resulting from a Proper Use of our Faculties" are typical specimens.

All of which leads us to the conclusion that the modern school boys and girls should appreciate their blessings.

Kaffirs Like Cherries

Through the courtesy of Dr. Mark Hayter, the Kaffir boys, who were here on the Chautauqua program Tuesday night, were given their fill of cherries right off the trees. The boys were taken out to Dr. Hayter's orchard Wednesday morning by W. L. Soehren and C. B. Sundberg and they sure did enjoy the treat. —Itemizer.

Chas. Black, a young farmer, living near Buena Vista was killed in a runaway, July 8th. He was born in Oklahoma in 1894 and came to Oregon in 1902.

The new addition to the Baptist church in Independence will be dedicated during the week commencing August 3rd.

An 8 lb son was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Rowe of Independence, July 8th.

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