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Monmouth Meditations

If enterprise and liberality will land another Normal for the eastern part of the state Pendleton is prepared to pick the plum.

This is the season when the summer resort proprietor pulls down the cot with a broken back from the garret and gives it sufficient repairs to last another season.

The prune grower is looking with considerable complacency upon the outlook. The crop will be a big one and the price one that will return profit for his work.

The annual shift of the householder is here in which each seeks to find a niche better suited to his particular requirements. And the shifting again serves to call attention to the fact that Monmouth is short of suitable residences.

This appears to be a year for the suffragettes. Mr. Hughes has declared his opinions favorable to votes for women and Mr. Wilson is about to follow suit. The states of Illinois and California constitute opening wedges and the votes of the women may be deemed worthy of cultivation.

Mr. Hughes did not appear to have been so thoroughly taken by surprise when notified of his nomination but that he recovered sufficiently to make a long speech of acceptance. And his reference to the Mexican situation was plum full of pertinent points.

Some of the border correspondents appear to be hard put for interesting matter with which to fill their home letters and are drawing on their imaginations. One such correspondent says that at Calexico the thermometer never goes below 90 degrees. Notwithstanding which there are many nights in that country when an overcoat feels fairly comfortable.

The council appears to have gone ahead with the paving matter just as if they didn't know that our neighbors had said the work had been halted. But when you come to think about it the council is only following the law. It is merely a body of agents, selected to perform public service, who have been legally requested to make this improvement and are proceeding to perform it as a matter of official duty.

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We wonder if there is not as good land in Eastern Oregon for the homesteader that can be secured without any strings, as in the Colville Indian reservation, the drawings of which, like a colossal lottery, are announced from time to time. We all like to be humbugged and it is these little trimmings that attract the throng. It is said that many ex-citizens of the country who became British subjects to gain free land in Canada, have again become Americans in order to participate in Uncle Sam's lottery.

If Pendleton bases its campaign for a state normal on the ground that it is not a small town it will dig a pitfall into which it may later stumble. The size fact should be kept in the background. The influential normals of the country are in small towns where the school spirit is best developed. Parents hesitate to send their daughters to the larger towns where they are subjected to the large town influences and temptations. A town where the school is the whole thing and there are no distracting influences, is ideal.

The price of print paper has been given another liberal boost within the past week or two which reminds us that we Americans are a good natured people. The raw materials do not cost any more than they did a short time ago and like the raise in gasoline the graft is in a commercial sense to be compared with the highway robberies of the barons of the middle ages who exacted toll from people who passed by them. We take the extortion good naturedly and pass it on to the next man in the progress to the ultimate consumer.

The rural credits bill which is to become a law provides that the farmer shall lend to himself. Farm loan associations are to be formed to be controlled by twelve

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federal land banks. Each man who borrows is expected to invest \$5 for each hundred dollars borrowed. The \$5 constitutes a share but the owner can only vote on ten shares. The borrowing capacity of a farm is sixty per cent of the value of the land. The government is to act as a sort of agent in the matter which is expected to make the investment attractive to people with money.

The submarine freighter that left Baltimore Tuesday is notable for its spectacular features but that it will revolutionize any thing remains to be proven. When the Monitor appeared and checked the Merrimac it was heralded as a revolution in naval warfare. The turret idea has been adopted on modern gunboats but the hull of the Monitor was found to be impractical in sea travel. A few submarine freighters may slip through but should they appear in numbers sufficient to give them importance as freight carriers they are bound to be potted by the powers that rule the surface of the seas.

Miss Rosa B. Parrott is spending a part of her vacation at Roseburg.

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