

The Herald

RICHARD B. SWENSON
Editor & Publisher

Entered as second-class matter September 8, 1908,
at the post office at Monmouth, Oregon, under the
Act of March 3, 1879.

ISSUED EVERY FRIDAY

Subscription Rates

One year - - - \$1.50
Six months - - - 75 cts
Three months - - - 50 cts

Monmouth, Oregon.

FRIDAY, AUG. 11, 1916.



Monmouth Meditations

One week nearer a paved
Main street.

Poet who tried to rhyme "em-
bargo" with Chicago evidently
has swallowed a few western
burrs.

During their summer vaca-
tions more of our inventors
should discover substitutes for
gasoline.

There appears to be a short-
age in the American crisis out-
put. We have not had one for
several days.

What has become of the old-
fashioned horse that used to
show uneasiness when passing
an automobile?

Secretary Lansing having
gone on a vacation, it would be
a graceful act for the Mexican
crisis to do the same.

Probably 200 supersubmarines
of the Deutschland type could
carry one fair sized ship cargo.
It is not yet time to throw a fit.

The sugar trust has become so
accustomed to having its hand
in the public pocketbook that it
has begun to be at home there.

The man with the mountain
climbing auto is now in demand
to conduct the fishing party to
the home of the speckled trout.

For a man who has been
killed six times and who is even
now forced to go around on
crutches, Pancho Villa is singu-
larly hard to catch.

Milwaukee, it is said, is threat-
ened with a water famine, but it
is understood that the inhabi-
tants have long been prepared
for such an emergency.

Unfortunately the only way
to get "the boys out of the
trenches" thus far discovered is
to blow them out by shell fire or
dig them out with bayonets.

The cool year is good for the
apple orchard that was properly
sprayed in the spring and bumper
crops are reported in the sur-
rounding neighborhood.

Even the post office is having
a rest this vacation season and
our excellent P. M. has time to
get more thoroughly posted on
the sterling qualities of our effi-
cient executive, Mr. Wilson.

In proportion to its popula-
tion Monmouth has used less

imported liquor than any town
in the county since the first of
January. Another tribute to the
quality of our city water.

This is vacation time but
Monmouth is not going to sleep.
The sound of the hammer and
saw in various directions gives
evidence that the wants and
needs of the fall and winter are
being anticipated.

Again there is serious news
from the border. Watermelons
are forbidden the troopers be-
cause rinds which will not burn
attract swarms of flies. Of course
it would have spoiled another
story but—why not bury the
rinds?

Now that Explorer Shack-
leton is safely located, a relief
party might be organized to ex-
plore the dark depths of oblivion
for sight or sign of that heroic
ex-candidate, the Hon. Coleman
Du Pont, de Nemours, of Dela-
ware.

It is what might be called
"rubbing it in" to those unfor-
tunate editors compelled by
force of necessity to stay at home
when they read of the royal way
in which Medford and Ashland
entertained the fraternity at the
annual get together last week.

A farmer in the neighborhood
reports an apple tree in his or-
chard that has growing fruit
and blossoms on its branches at
the same time. With such a
summer as we are experiencing
it is asking a great deal of a con-
scientious tree to determine just
where the blossoming and har-
vest seasons are located.

If you will take the trouble to
read the stories of both sides in
the impending railroad contro-
versy you will discover that like
the European struggle God is on
both sides. Notwithstanding
which the railroads have rarely
had as just a cause and a strike
would do more than any one
thing to drive the country to
government ownership.

A conspicuous place on the
blue ribbon list of hens belongs
to a biddy in the possession of
Mrs. E. T. Ebbert of this city.
This hen, a white Wyandotte,
during the present week pro-
duced an egg that takes the
record so far as local annals are
concerned. It was one-fourth of
a pound in weight, 8 inches in
circumference the long ways
and 6 1-2 inches in circumfer-
ence the narrow way.

An anonymous but evidently
interested friend sends ye editor
this week a clipping in which
the words Roosevelt, Wilson,
Hughes, Republican, Democrat-
ic and Progressive appear fre-
quently. We imagine our opin-
ions on these topics are not of
general interest to the members
of our family circle but should
our anonymous friend desire en-
lightenment let him call around
any old time and he will be ac-
commodated.

John Bull never learns from
experience. To the long list of
Irish martyrs was added last
week, the name of Sir Roger
Casement, thus immortalizing
that gentleman. He and the
uprising of 1916 will go down in
Irish literature in red ink, the

theme of many a ballad and ro-
mance. Whereas had his case
received the action it warranted
he would have been incarcerated
in an insane asylum. It is hard
to grow romantic over a lunatic.

While this section has experi-
enced the coldest summer in
years it is amazing to read of
the torrid conditions at the same
time in the east. An item that
gives a side glance on conditions
experienced is the following,
clipped from the Waterford,
Wis., Post:

"During the intense heat of
last week and when the job de-
partment of the Post print shop
was most busy the rolls on the
large press melted. They are
composed of glue, molasses, gly-
cerine and other ingredients and
the summer rolls are made for
hot weather and supposed to
withstand any ordinary heat on
this mundane sphere but they
melted. Only printers know
what that means and probably
accounts for the odor of brim-
stone, sulphur and profanity
which such a catastrophe pro-
duced".

This also reminds us of an-
other valued exchange, the Bur-
lington Standard-Democrat,
which has the distinction of be-
ing the only out and out demo-
cratic paper in three populous
counties which gave space in its
last issue to a clipping from the
Wisconsin State Journal, enu-
merating certain reforms which
had been enacted through the
efforts of President Wilson IN
SPITE OF the Democratic
party.

The Herald print shop fin-
ished this week the printing of
the annual directory for the In-
dependence and Monmouth ex-
changes of the Independence
Telephone Co., which might also
be called a directory of the en-
terprising representative citi-
zens of the two communities.
The more people who use a tele-
phone service the more good
this great invention does to a
community. And, by the way,
more people in this community
should be using the telephone.
Living is not for the sake of
amassing a small sum of money
to leave for posterity to quarrel
over. It is for the sake of liv-
ing. The man who can afford
the comforts of life and does not
use them is cheating himself.

Just about the time when
many automobile manufacturers
were hinting that owing to the
increased cost of iron and steel
the price of the buz wagons
would have to be raised, came
the announcement that the pro-
duct of the peace loving Henry
Ford had dropped \$80. Since
the new century began the out-
put of automobiles has steadily
increased and there apparently
has been no limit to the capacity
of the country to absorb the
product of the factories. But
economic writers are figuring
that the limit of demand is in
sight. Either new avenues of
demand will have to be opened
or the output will have to be
limited. When the European
war ends with a halt in its de-
mand for various kinds of cars
there is bound to be a big slump
in the automobile business.

Cheer up. Prunes are ripening

Perfectly Matched Boards



are necessary if a
Perfect Floor
is expected. You
can always rely on
getting them in any
quantity in any stand-
ard width and finish.

Ceiling and Side Wall Lumber

of the same high grade also. Bear us in mind when
you plan repairs

Willamette Valley Lumber Co.

Phone Main 202. . . . Monmouth, Oregon

CITY MEAT MARKET

GEORGE SULLIVAN, Manager

Always on Hand: Fresh and Smoked Meats, Bologna, Mince
Hams, Boiled Hams, Ham and Bacon

Fresh Fish on Fridays

**The highest cash price paid for poultry, veal
and all kinds of hides.**

Free Delivery. . . . Phone Main 2302

Monmouth, Oregon

Send the Herald to your Eastern relatives or
friends. It will help out in that correspondence
you find so little time for. A weekly letter at less
than the cost of postage and stationery. For spe-
cial rates apply at this office.

Monmouth Transfer and Feed Stable

All Kinds of Transferring Done Promptly
and on Short Notice

GORDAN BOWMAN, Proprietor.

Monmouth, Oregon

First Class Laundry Service

Beginning Monday, July 10, we will
call for and deliver laundry in Monmouth.
Ours is strictly quality work and our prices
are reasonable

Capital City Steam Laundry

Independence Electric Co.

Lighting Fixtures and Supplies
Electric Wiring and Repairing

Estimates Cheerfully Furnished Free. All work
guaranteed to stand City Inspection. We do contract work.

in with Rowe's Jewelry Store. H. J. Rowe, Mgr.
Phone trouble and repair work, Main 6211. We will come

Read your own Herald \$1.50 per
year