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

ROOM LIST LAST CALL

Roll Closes This Week.
Normal to Start Sept. 11th

Mr. and Mrs. Ostien and Mr. Tom Ostien returned last Monday from a very enjoyable trip up the Deschutes River. It is very interesting to hear them tell of the numerous and large fish they caught while on the trip, but there has been no visible evidence of the same appear at Monmouth.

Contractors Snook & Traver have now completed the repairs at the Dormitory and are well along with the repairs on the main building. Mr. Brown, who has the contract for cleaning the buildings, is well along with his work, so that there is no question but that everything will be in ship-shape at the opening of school September 11th.

The President is making this his last appeal to householders to list their rooms with him. From the list already in, he is satisfied that many have not yet listed their rooms, and as the list is to be printed next Monday, it is absolutely necessary that rooms be listed at once, if they are to appear upon the official list.

There seems to be a question as to just when the Normal will open. This is to say to all interested that the Normal will open September 11th; school work will begin September 12th, and all who wish full credit should be on hand at the opening of school.

The Registrar figures that, taking into consideration the fact that the Freshman year will be eliminated, that the Normal enrollment for the year 1916-17 will probably be about the same as for the year 1915-16, or 500. That is to say, the increased enrollment will be offset by the decrease caused by the dropping of the Freshman year.

Vacation Reports

Prof. and Mrs. H. C. Ostien returned last week from their trip to the Deschutes valley. Their son Tom who accompanied them industriously during the interval cultivated some genuine frontier whiskers, which did not last long after the return to Monmouth. The Ostien party camped on Fall river, a short distance south of Bend, and found fish so plentiful there that they caught several fifteen-inch trout from the bank on which they had built their camp fire. Some of the trout they caught were over fifteen inches in length. They carried their own quarters with them with the automobile as an important feature and a canvas fly stretched from it as further protection. They admired the immense bodies of yellow pine in the vicinity of Bend and say the activities of the workers in this timber is giving to Bend a prosperity beyond any thing they saw elsewhere in the state. Five

business blocks are in course of erection in Bend and very many residences. The Ostiens made the trip in their automobile, going by way of The Dalles, and on the going and return trips traveling different sides of the river valley. On the return trip they camped at Tigh valley and made the return from there in one day. They found the outing one that took them through fine scenery and gave them royal fishing and recommend it to others.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Halleck returned last week from their overland trip to Newport. On the trip over they found the road over Pioneer mountain had not been opened as had been reported. The return trip however gave them the use of this new road which will be much appreciated by all travelers to Newport. It reduces the grade very much from that which has been encountered on the mountain. Just at present Newport is working up enthusiasm for another railroad. A promoter has been among them soliciting subscriptions for a railroad from that city to Portland. The subscriptions are with a guarantee that if the work is not done as agreed the money will be refunded. The city has set about the raising of \$100,000 which is the sum asked as a bonus. \$25,000 has been raised and a celebration was held in the resort city recently to celebrate the fact. When \$25,000 is raised the promoters are to build 10 miles of road and when that is done they will await another subscription of \$25,000, receiving which they will build another ten miles. No one in the city seems to know a great deal about the destination of the road.

The Daniel auto party returned the latter part of last week from their auto trip up the northern coast and report a splendid time. They visited in Portland and also Woodland, Wash., and in Seattle where they spent a week. On the return trip they spent a few days in the Mt. Rainier national park. They expect to start out again Monday for Eastern Oregon and Washington. They will go to Milton, Oregon, where Miss Luella will teach, and to Walla Walla, Wash., where Miss Lorena is engaged for the coming year.

Schumann-Heink at Dallas

Madame Schumann-Heink, the famous contralto, was a visitor in Dallas Sunday. She visited at the farm of Ralph Nickum on Mill creek, a few miles northwest of the county seat and citizens of Dallas went out in automobiles and escorted her to their city. Mayor E. C. Kirkpatrick drove the car that brought the singer to Dallas. The children who were congregated at the courthouse plaza greeted her with "America". In return the contralto sang "Swanee River". Schumann-Heink, it is reported, thinks well of Oregon and plans some to buy a ranch in Polk county with the aim to retire here between seasons and when her singing days are ended.

DIED AFTER OPERATION

Former Local Minister Passes On Sunday, at Eugene

Rev. E. C. Wigmore, former minister of the Monmouth Christian church died in Eugene last Sunday. Since he left Monmouth for Eugene 13 years ago Mr. Wigmore has held a professorship in the Eugene Bible University where he was instructor in Hebrew and Biblical subjects.

Mr. Wigmore was born at Madlan, near London, England. On Sunday, August 13th he preached to his congregation on his 52nd birthday. A boy of nine when his parents emigrated to America, he graduated from Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa and he received an M. A. degree from the U. of O. Shortly after his removal to Eugene he took a pastorate at Springfield. Of the circumstances of his death the Springfield News says:

"Mr. Wigmore had assisted A. E. Senseney in his blacksmith shop Friday and spent that evening with friends in Springfield before going to his home in Eugene. At 3 o'clock, Saturday morning he was taken violently ill and was taken to the Eugene hospital. The doctors operated on Mr. Wigmore for appendicitis and gave little hopes for his recovery. He sank slowly until 9:23 Sunday morning when he died.

"He is survived by a widow and three children, Harold, La Grande and Fronda. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon."

State Supt. for New Normal

Salem, Ore., Aug. 22.—J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction, is asking the voters of the state to support the initiative measure on the ballot this fall providing for the establishment of a standard Normal school at Pendleton. The state superintendent's last report shows that only thirteen per cent of the grade teachers of the state are Normal school graduates and he, more than any other one man, appreciates the need for more competent instruction, particularly in the rural schools.

"Oregon's greatest need for its rural schools is the teacher who has had full preparation to do her work," he said in making public his indorsement of the measure. "Such preparation can best come through Normal school training."

Everybody is getting into the "Roundup" game now days. Philomath, Albany, Ashland are contenders as well as Pendleton and even as far east as Chicago they are to have a roundup. Monmouth had one Wednesday when a couple of cattle on the way to the slaughter house in Independence took a notion to circle about a dozen times around the editorial residence. The cattle became in time quite expert and dodged under clothes lines and jumped sidewalks as though it was a stunt they were used to.

FELL FORTY FEET

Monday evening an auto from Independence containing Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Eldridge of the Independence creamery went over a forty-foot embankment near Eola. The car remained bottom side up and the occupants were not injured although an eight-inch fir tree which was encountered and broken on the way down broke the force of the fall.

John Lowe Missing

During Tuesday and Wednesday of this week many Monmouth people joined with others in the vicinity to hunt for a lost man. The missing gentleman, John Lowe, left his farm home three miles north of this city on the Rickreall road Monday afternoon and has not since been accounted for. Clad in his working clothes Lowe left the house where he and his brother Robert live Monday afternoon. A neighbor who was near at hand, accosted him and asked him where he was going. Lowe replied, "To water the colts". The colts were in a forty-acre field a short distance to the west. He has not been positively accounted for since. Apparently he visited the pasture and pumped some water for the trough indicates this. A man hauling water for Lorence's also tells of meeting a man who passed for his description but did not know Mr. Lowe and can not say positively that it was he. The water is taken from the creek that flows to the north of the city.

Constable John Moran of this city organized a search for the missing Mr. Lowe. The fields surrounding the farm were searched as far as the Willamette and out to the hills to the west but no trace of the missing man was to be found. It is not believed he had any money upon his person. His accounts have been checked up and there is nothing to indicate that he had more than some small change in his pockets. The search was kept up but by Wednesday evening the spirits of the workers had flagged and they were about ready to give up.

The Falls City News reports Herschel Lewis, recently deprived of an eye by the explosion of a dynamite cap, as able to be out and on the road to recovery.

Mrs. R. C. Craven of Dallas, a sister of Mrs. J. E. Winegar of this city, died at her home in Dallas Tuesday from cancer of the liver. The dead woman was 36 years of age and beside her husband she is survived by four small children. She was taken sick last fall and was operated on without benefit. The maiden name of the deceased was Grace Hodge and she was raised in the neighborhood of McMinnville. Her funeral occurred Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Sarah Boots returned Wednesday from Washington county where she has been visiting friends and relatives for the past two weeks.

CITY DADS PAY DEBTS

Little Else to Do at Regular Session Tuesday Night

The council met in regular session Tuesday night but did nothing but pass on and approve bills as follows:

GENERAL FUND

Harry Judd, cross walks \$28.85
R. B. Swenson, legal advertising, 2.00
Himes Engineering Co. 26.00
J. F. Moreland, August salary, .. 15.00
Monmouth Lumber yard 35.25

WATER FUND

Winegar & Lorence, supplies, .. \$11.00
R. Swenson 1000 postals & ptg. 12.00
National Meter Co., 10 meters, .. 96.00
J. F. Moreland, August salary, .. 45.00
W. G. Brown, August collecting .. 7.50

ROAD FUND

C. H. Gwin, digging ditch, \$2.50
A. McLeod, ditch and culvert work 8.50
Winegar & Lorence 32 ft culvert and freight, 50.39

STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND

Harry Judd, constructing walks \$469.40

In the absence of the mayor, Recorder Walter G. Brown presided and councilmen present were Hampton, Ostien and Lorence.

The recorder was instructed to order ten more water meters.

An adjournment was taken to Tuesday, August 29th, when such matters as may come up will be considered.

Hens Attract Mulkey

C. C. Mulkey, Monmouth's baker, is planning to dispose of his business here and move to a chicken ranch he owns near Eugene. His son, W. J. Mulkey, Jr., starts school in Eugene this Fall. Mr. Mulkey does not plan to move until next spring and in the meantime he is posting up on chicken raising. Last Sunday he visited the Hansen ranch west of Corvallis where eggs are produced by wholesale and was much interested in the way the business is conducted there. Mr. Hansen cleared \$3800 on 30 acres of land in 20 months by the help of his chickens and paid \$500 rent beside.

Why the Farmer Smiles

The hum of the thresher is heard in the vicinity of Monmouth this week and the harvest is on. The warm weather of the week has been of great benefit to the farmer, ripening the oats and not interfering with work. Had there been rain much of the grain would have been lost. The yield is good, some farmers claiming they have the largest yield since they have been in this section. Prices for grain are also high which, although hard on the consumer, brings a smile to the face of the man who has grain to sell. If he wants to feed it he will profit also for pork is soaring and a carload of hogs is worth a mint of money.

A number of Monmouth young teachers plan to leave the first of next week for their duties in Eastern Oregon. Ranie Burkhead and Miss Rice go to Shaniko, Ivan Wood to Union and Glen Work to Columbia.