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Monmouth Meditations

Charity begins at home and usually it is not much of a traveler.

In this war the grandeur that was Rome seems to be leading the glory that was Greece by several laps.

There probably isn't an editor in Germany now who isn't an authority on the inside appearance of jails.

County fair time is here again and the champion rooster and the big squash are beginning to feel chummy.

There seems to be an attraction for some of our young men in the hops they have in the hop yards.

It is a sober fact that not all the newspaper stories of wonderful inventions and discoveries are true.

Having had a late Spring that eternal law of compensation in Nature suggests that we should have a late Autumn.

It is rather tough on New York and those striking street car men that there is no way of passing a special law to accommodate them.

The man who is surprised when Maine goes to the united Republicans will probably have heart failure when Texas goes Democratic.

Getting acquainted with all the new faces to be met on the street these days is some task but the job appears to be a pleasant one.

Busy Bert Cross was hard put last week to accommodate all who wished to greet the beginning of the Normal year arrayed in clean purple and fine linen.

Now that LaFollette and Hiram Johnson have been given nominations that are equivalent to election, the scouting parties might as well be called in and the heavy artillery ordered up.

The conscientious voter will now occupy his spare moments by studying over the proposed constitutional amendments and the arguments for and against the same.

The indications are that Monmouth has caught up to the demand to accommodate Normal

students. What she wants now is to develop her share of fresh business on the side.

Bumping the bumps is what automobilists do when they attempt to speed over the cross walks of some of our streets.

Now that we are to have a colored gentleman to keep our shoes white or black or red or whatever the color is, Monmouth naturally holds its head a little bit higher.

Having given us an unexpected prosperity and pumped money into this country by the million the Allies can not be blamed if they expect a few favors in return; like examining our mails and disciplining our tradesmen.

M. M. Jones cleaned up his own cider press the last time it was used and brought a couple of quarts of the sweet cider to the Herald office. If you see anything amiss with this issue of the Herald blame M. M. Jones for it.

Prineville is the latest town to vote bonds with which to build railways, joining the large family of Oregon municipalities which have already done so. The prospects are that there will be considerable railroad building in this state within the next few years.

The common council of Bandon has determined to do away with water meters in that city. They have found it impossible to equalize the meter rate and the flat rate and as it would bankrupt the city to provide meters for all, they will do away with all meters.

For a bit of exhilarating reading the reader is recommended to the proposed single tax law to be voted on this fall. Anything you can't understand, dilute with a little imagination and swallow it and you will find the resulting sensation to be very cheering.

While the European war deals with large numbers of people its area is only a fragment on the earth. Belgium is about as large as the Willamette valley and the part occupied by the Germans in France compares to that nation as the rind to one side of an orange.

One of the prettiest sights imaginable is a silver prune tree loaded with ripening fruit. The color of the prunes would delight the eye of an artist. Some of the largest of these prunes we ever saw were brought in this week by George Niggli. They were as large as big hen's eggs and weighed in the neighborhood of two ounces each.

A wierd and uncanny shriek smote the air last Tuesday morning and we said "Here it is at last. The relief party has returned from oblivion with full particulars as to the whereabouts of that long lost statesman and patriot, the Hon. Coleman du Pont, Nemours, Etc". But it was another disappointment. Just somebody starting up a threshing outfit.

"Monkey sees; monkey does,"

a trite old saw that suggests itself in the numerous "round-ups" which are the feature of fall entertainment this year. If some little originality was displayed the thing would not be so bad. They all have to adopt slogans and some of these indicate that ideas were pretty scarce when they were being considered.

"If the lumber yard wants to buy the city property, I am in favor of selling it to them," said a Monmouth business man to the Mediator one day this week. "If the lumber yard will put their offices on the Main street side it will add to the business appearance of the street as well as to the appearance of Monmouth. It will look immensely better than some of the property on the north side of the street. If the city sells it, it should get what the property is worth and with the money it can buy land a little farther away for a park and have it in a more convenient shape. Also it would have money enough left to fit up the park in a becoming manner. I favor selling the property".

Should you meet J. W. Howell this week and notice a distraught expression on his face you may account for it when you realize that he is out of a job. For some time past he has been secretary of state and minister of war for a young gentleman who has now left him and is speeding for the sunrise side of the Rockies. Robert Nichols, Jr., was the young man's name and when he left for Omaha the latter part of last week he took with him a generous section of our Oregon sunshine, in the opinion of Mr. Howell. During his month's visit, Robert got very well acquainted with Monmouth. There were a number of things he liked in the bank, although he would not exchange any of his curls for them. Likewise, the garage man offered him an automobile if he would stay and learn to crank up Fords. But he preferred to return to his father at Omaha. A pencil sharpener at Clark's grocery also caught his eye and he kept all the pencils obtainable sharpened to a needle point. He had a way of dumping the shavings into a box of pears or tomatoes which the grocery man thought reprehensible, but it was all in the game. Likewise he helped his grandfather to chop wood, in which he was of material assistance, and he was a master hand at turning on the water at whatever faucets were convenient. This created a diversion in the wood chopping in order to prevent the premises from being transformed to a seaside resort, which was Robert's abiding ambition. He also yearned intensely to be a soldier and there is a real shot gun in the upper region of the Howell home which the young man is going to shoulder just as soon as he is large enough to do so. Yes, Robert is gone, but he is missed, and when in due season he returns there is one house in Monmouth where he will receive a fitting welcome.

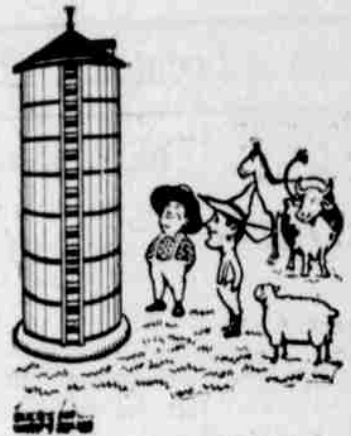
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L've Portland 7:15, a m.	Gerlinger 10:33, Independence 11, Monmouth 11:10
" Salem 9:45, "	" " " " " " " "
" " 1:40, p m.	Dallas 2:55 " " 3:20
" " 4:00, "	Gerlinger 4:38, Independence 4:55, Monmouth 5:05
" " 6:15, "	" " 7:00, " 7:20, " 7:30
" Portland 3:20, Connects with above	
" Corvallis 6:45, a m	Independence 7:35, Arrive Monmouth 7:45
" " 1:15, p m	" " 2:20 " 2:30
" Dallas 7:00, a m.	Arrive Monmouth 7:25
" Airlie 8:30, a m and 3:55, p m.	Arrives Monmouth 9:05 a m and 4:30 p m
Leave Independence, 7, a m, 7:35, 8:45, 11, p m	1:30, 2:20, 3, 4:15, 4:55, 7:20

Trains out of Monmouth

L've Monmouth 7:15 a m.	Independence 7:35, Gerlinger 7:49, Ar Salem 8:30
" Same as above	Portland 11:10
" Monmouth 1:50, p m,	" 2:14, " 2:27, Salem 3:15
" Same as above	Portland 5:55
" Monmouth 4:35,	" 4:55, " 5:10, Salem 6:00
" " 9:05, a m.	Dallas 10:10 " 11:10
" " 4:30, p m	" 4:55, " 6:00
" " 9:05, a m, Independence 10:50, Corvallis 11:50	
" " 5:10, p m,	" 7:15, " 8:15
" " 7:25 a m and 3:20 p m.	Arrives Airlie 8 a m and 3:50 pm
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