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

## NEWS ITEMS OF NORMAL

### Salem School Supt. Speaker at Chapel Friday Morning

Tentative plans are being made for the State Oratorical contest, with the ambition to win first place this time.

On Thursday President Ackerman spoke to the Teachers' Institute at Salem, taking for his subject, "Some Planks in a Teacher's Ethical Platform."

Last Monday President Ackerman met with the Committee in Portland for the purpose of considering the features of a bill covering a teachers' retirement fund for Oregon.

By invitation President Ackerman spoke to the Ad Club of Portland last Wednesday noon at the luncheon hour, setting forth the Normal School conditions of the State.

Last Friday morning Mr. John W. Todd, superintendent of the Salem schools, spoke during the chapel period on "What a Superintendent Expects of a Teacher." Mr. Todd's address was eminently practical and dealt with concrete problems of application, references, and many valuable points for the teacher who is just beginning her work. Although Mr. Todd is new in the educational work of the state he is making a decided impression, an impression which was deepened by his address to the students and faculty of the Oregon Normal. Later in the day Mr. Todd spent much time in the training school and various classrooms observing the work. It will be a pleasure to have Mr. Todd as our guest again either as a chapel speaker or as a casual visitor.

Monmouth people as well as the students and faculty of the Normal School are fortunate in having the opportunity of hearing "The Melting Pot" as it is presented by finished actors. Mr. Doucet, who plays the part of David, a most exacting one, won very high praise in the title role. Mr. Keighly, who plays the part of Quincy Davenport, Jr., was formerly with the Ben Greet players. Miss Jean Brae appeared with Richard Mansfield and in such plays as "Within the Law" and "The Ghost Breaker." Other members of the company are equally recognized as worth while players. "The Melting Pot" is a real drama of thoughts that are seething in the brains of thinking men and women. Everyone will wish to share in this prophetic vision of America's future as seen by Zangwill. Tickets may be had at Morlan's Store after October 9th for fifty cents. The date of the play is October 14th.

While the 1915 county fair lacked \$500 of paying expenses, the fair of 1916 appears in a fair way to break even. The gate receipts were \$547 and the concessions paid \$147 making a total of \$694.

### New Herald Home

The Dora Chase property, formerly occupied by Mrs. Andrus as a dressmaking establishment, passed this week into the possession of the Herald proprietor and will, in the near future, be used as a home for the Herald print shop and job office. The upper floor is occupied by Messrs. Connell and Bowman, two Normal students, and the lower floor will be occupied by the Herald. Harry Judd put in a concrete floor under a part of it Wednesday and last week Mr. Rowe of the Independence Electrical Co. wired the building.

### Tax Measure Wins Election

The special election Tuesday, while it seemed to awaken no interest at all on the surface, had quite an undercurrent as was evidenced by the heavy vote cast. 151 votes were polled which is the largest total but one that Monmouth ever achieved. The voting in the afternoon was particularly active and the officials were kept busy handing out ballots and recording the voters. The division appeared to be largely on self interest and the small real estate owners predominated, the amendment carrying by a vote of 106 for, to 44 against.

The amendment changes the regulations by which acreage within the city limits, in excess of one acre, was exempted from city taxes, and adds this exempted land to the tax list.

### Street Improving

Grading has been in progress on Main street, preparatory to paving, and a number of teams with scrapers are hauling away the filling and depositing it on the streets of the city. The plowing is done with a special, heavy plow, drawn by a large tractor. The cross walks were one of the problems to be contended with and the plow was not sufficient to move them all although in places it cut through and pulverized them. The remaining walks had to be cut through with drills and hauled away in sections.

The paving is to extend to the property line and the cross walks parallel with the streets have to be taken up also.

### To Moisten up Again

J. D. Stevens is a recent acquisition to the resident population of Monmouth and in his place the city will lose Ed Pagenkopf and family who will move to Bend. The moves are the result of a trade by which Pagenkopf secures a farm in Crook county and turns over to Stevens his house and five lots in Monmouth. The farm is in the dry section 45 miles from Bend and Mr. Pagenkopf will get a chance to dry out while Mr. Stevens will enjoy an opportunity to moisten up his anatomy. Mr. Stevens was for several years a resident of Independence, settling there something like 29 years ago. He moved from Portland to Crook county and secured the farm by homestead.

### YOUTH WINS MANY PRIZES

#### Johnnie Stump's Winnings Aggregate \$100 in Value

As an all-around prize winner Johnnie Stump appears to have made a dent at the Salem state fair. His record is something remarkable. He won first prize in the industrial club pig raising for the best Berkshire, \$10, given by the Berkshire association.

He won first prize for the best Berkshire sow and litter, two weeks and all expenses at O. A. C. With Hugh Bell he entered in the pig judging contest and picked fifteen winners out of sixteen chances, winning first place. The prize was a pure bred pig, valued at \$50. He took his pigs and entered in the class against the men, winning six prizes, \$60 in cash. He took firsts in sow pig, get of sire and produce of dam, 2nd in herd, 4th in boar, and 5th with sow. In addition he rode a pony in the pony race and won 2nd and 3rd.

Beth Ostrom won first prize in canning in the state, being the first time in recent years that a Monmouth girl has taken the blue ribbon. This prize carries with it two weeks at O. A. C. summer school.

Hugh Bell won first prize for Duroc pigs, boy's class, \$10 given by the Duroc association.

The girl's canning team was nosed out of first place by a narrow margin, a Douglas county team taking the honors. Had they been up in team work they would have taken the prize. They did not decide to enter the contest until Monday and had only three day's practice before the test day, which was Thursday.

### A Tillamook Wild Man

That there are other things beside fish and game in the Tillamook woods, near which Byron White lives, may be evidenced by the following from the Tillamook Herald:

"Mr. and Mrs. F. B. McKinley and Oscar Myers have just returned from a hunting trip on the head waters of the Trask and Nestucca rivers. While in the mountains they caught a fleeting glimpse of what they took to be a 'back to nature man.' He was large, wore long hair and flowing beard. Clinging to him was what perhaps at one time had been an undershirt though little is left of it now. He also wore the remnants of a pair of trousers. Some of the people of that locality have reported catching glimpses of him but as he never travels the trails they have been unable to make his acquaintance."

This is the same river on which Howard Morlan and Joe Clark were fishing two weeks since.

A company of the faithful journeyed to Independence last night to hear Milt Miller, U. S. internal revenue collector, otherwise known as the Sage of Lebanon, enlarge upon the importance of retaining Mr. Wilson in the presidency.

### Pittman to Talk

The first meeting of the year of the Parent-Teacher association will be held in the high school auditorium next Friday evening at 8 o'clock, October 6.

A feature of the evening will be an address on Industrial Education by Prof. M. S. Pittman. Mr. Pittman is specializing on this lecture this year and those who have heard it say it is the best yet. The subject is of vital interest to all parents and no one who can attend should miss the opportunity.

Prof. Gilmore was to have presented his slide illustrative of youthful work in agriculture and domestic science but because the stereopticon can not be operated with the wiring in the high school building and the Normal buildings are engaged for that night, the pictures will have to be postponed to a more convenient night.

### Normal Student Body Officers

The following officers were elected at the student body election held at the Oregon Normal School Wednesday of last week:

President, A. C. Ingram of Cove; Vice President, Clara Rutherford of Canby; Treasurer, Gertrude Nielson of Hood River; Secretary, Bessie Davidson of Portland; Sergeant-at-Arms, Herman Lund of Cove; Athletic Manager, Paul Brown of Amity; Editor of The Norm, Lois Cowgill of Portland; Business Manager of The Norm, Marian Butler of Independence; Executive Committee, Florence Kerr of Oregon City, Flora Allen of Wallowa, and Julia Hedlund of Portland.

Social Committee, Alice Wilson of Astoria, Frances Gardiner of Baker, Dena Lund of Cove, Mrs. Maggie Hamm of Monmouth, and Harold Haley of Monmouth. Lyceum Course Committee, Margaret Nielson of The Dalles, Florence Hill of Sherwood, and Jennie Strachan of Dufur.

Student Body Council, February seniors, Florence Pierce, Rosa Meyer, Ray Baker, Lloyd Enlund; June seniors, R. W. Dobell, Prudence Bayley, Irene Haskins; juniors, Gertrude Hargreaves, Thelma Selling, Eloise Watson, Oak D. Wood, Marie Powell; sophomore, Reta Olson.

There was a very modest attendance at the meeting of the Hughes alliance at the Norm last Monday night. The temporary officers were made permanent and four delegates were selected to attend a meeting of the state alliance in Portland Friday evening. The delegates are L. Macken, D. M. Hampton, H. K. Sickafoose, and D. L. Keyt.

C. S. Marks moves today to his new home in Clackamas county. He has traded his 50-acre farm six miles south of Monmouth with A. N. Arneson for an 80-acre tract near Canby. He gave some money in addition to his land but is well satisfied with the deal.

### ALL AFTER THE \$70,000

#### Meeting to Be Held at Dallas to Consider Highway

A call has been sent out to all interested in good roads in three counties, Polk, Benton and Yamhill to assemble at Dallas Saturday for the purpose of considering road improvement. They hope to agree on a definite program if possible, to operate at the proper time for the location of the national highway.

Monmouth people are interested in this, for the home of the state normal will be an item in the eyes of both state and national authorities and it is felt that if the subject is presented in the right way Monmouth has a good chance of being placed on the route.

The old Oregon and California road passed directly through Monmouth and it is a road of natural advantages and good grades. There has been a great deal of politics already indulged relative to through highway location a most tempting bait being \$70,000 in federal money to be available next year. It is certain that all cannot be indulged and the road can not be located to suit every locality. Worked down to the fundamentals it is felt that the old road will be given due consideration on its merits by the powers in control.

A meeting of the Commercial club is called to be held at the Norm tonight, Friday, at 7:30 when the Dallas meeting will be taken up and arrangements made to attend the meeting. A large attendance of all interested is desired.

### County Institute Next Week

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week the Polk County Annual Teachers' Institute will be in session at Dallas. Miss Alice McIntosh and Miss Katherine Arbuthnot of the training school will be among the main conductors of the institute, both having classes all three days of the session.

President Ackerman will speak on Wednesday afternoon and Prof. T. H. Gentle will speak on Monday. Prof. M. S. Pittman will hold forth on the topic of Industrial Education Wednesday morning. Prof. E. H. Hedrick of the local high school is on the program for Wednesday morning with a discussion of high school records.

President P. L. Campbell of the University of Oregon will open the Institute Monday morning with an address on "The Larger Motives in Education."

Prof. H. C. Seymour of Corvallis and Supt. J. A. Churchill of the State department are also on the program. The Institute is in charge of Floyd D. Moore, supervisor, and Supt. J. A. Reynolds.

The streets have been used by wagons and automobiles which work their way through although most of the traffic goes around.