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Items of Interest At Oregon Normal

The program given in the chapel on Memorial Day in honor of the G. A. R. was an enjoyable one. Judge L. T. Harris gave the address, the chief feature of the program. He thoughtfully summarized the meaning and history of Memorial Day. Musical selections by the Normal School Glee Club and by a mixed quartet were given.

Superintendent-Elect Howard of Marshfield visited at the Normal Monday looking for teachers for his school next year.

Mrs. Collins, Critic at the Oak Point Rural Center, gave an instructive talk on rural education at the chapel hour on last Friday morning.

President Ackerman has authorized the fitting up of a tennis court on the playground of the Training School.

Miss Schuette announces that the combined children's orchestra of Independence and Monmouth will play in the chapel Friday morning on the occasion of the eighth grade commencement.

Commencement preparations are absorbing the attention of most of the Seniors and of some Juniors nowadays. Announcement of the interclass tennis tournament to be held on the afternoon of Alumni Day, June 15, has greatly stimulated the interest in tennis.

The lower courts have been put into shape and all are almost continually occupied.

An extension of the Summer School, to be held at Pendleton this year has recently been announced. This session will begin at the regular time and will continue for six weeks. The Monmouth Summer School has been lengthened from a six weeks' to a twelve weeks' term. The last half of this term will be held particularly for those who are required to take twelve week of training in order to secure a certificate by examination.

M. M. Harvey has been busy recently regrading and enlarging the tennis court space on the Normal campus. There are to be five courts instead of the three at present. A tennis court is also being established on the training school grounds between the school building and Winegar's. A number of other things are being done there including a sandbox and sand pit for the primary children and athletic apparatus for the older pupils. This is partly done as a recognition of the valiant work done by the training school children in helping to pass the millage bill.

A second motion picture machine has been added to the Normal equipment and this week Messrs. Hulbert and Nelson of Independence are rewiring the machine room in the rear of the chapel making the room one of the most up to date in this part of the state. The wiring has been concealed and fire extinguishers provided.

J. H. Mulkey and Albert Sacre are busy this week grading Monmouth avenue from Main street to conform to the curbs which are now complete. B. L. Johnson and assistants of Independence who have been putting in the curbs now have moved their outfit to Main street and plan to do that next.

Work was started this week on the job of moving the Baptist church to its new location on the corner of Main street and Monmouth avenue. An Independence man has the contract with \$225 as the contract price and he expects to have the building moved by Saturday.

Bankers in Independence

Ira C. Powell of this city, made the response to the address of welcome at the banker's convention in Independence last week Friday, following R. M. Walker of the Independence business men's association who greeted the banker guests. The convention was held in the Isis theater and a feature was an illustrated lecture by O. M. Plummer of the Pacific Live Stock Exposition on "Livestock Industry of the Northwest". Luncheon was served at the Beaver Hotel. David Ayer of the U. S. National Bank of Salem was elected president of the association for the ensuing year.

Red Cross Service For Ex-Service Men

Willamette Chapter of the American Red Cross, Salem, Oregon, is in receipt of the following bulletin from headquarters and would like for every ex-service man affected by the bulletin to call at the local headquarters for further information.

"All soldiers having any form of disability incurred while in the service, which is not sufficiently marked to entitle them to compensation, should receive a certificate from the government showing that such disability has been incurred.

"After July 1, ex-service men cannot apply for compensation unless such certificate has been granted by the government. Hence, all men are urged to send in to Washington, the information that they were injured in some way, and may, later, claim the right to compensation."

The following questionnaire accompanies the bulletin.

1. Mileage (a) Did you receive 5 cents a mile when discharged? (b) Were you paid to your bona fide home at the time of your discharge?
2. Bonus Did you receive the \$60 bonus?
3. Back pay (a) Did you get all the money due you on discharge? (b) Were all allotments and allowances made by you received by the allottee? (c) Did you receive your clothing allowance? (d) Service pay? (e) Liberty Bonds?
4. Insurance (a) Has it lapsed? (b) Is it converted?
5. Compensation (a) Are you suffering from the effects of disease or injury received while in the service? (b) Is your claim filed? (c) Has an award been made? (d) Are you receiving the checks regularly? (e) Are you in need of medical treatment? (f) Are you receiving medical treatment?
6. Vocational training (a) Are you vocationally handicapped? (b) Have you applied for training? (c) Has it been approved?
7. Employment (a) Are you permanently employed? (b) Are you doing the work you are fitted for?
8. Are you of the opinion that you have something due from the Government? Is so, for what reason?
9. Do you know any service man entitled to government aid who is not getting it? If so, give name and address.

Falls City contemplates a new school building, the present school house being greatly overcrowded.

Graduation exercises of the Dallas high school are to be held on Friday of next week. Dean Straub of the state university will be commencement orator.

James McLaughlin of Spring Valley was arrested this week by the sheriff on the charge of having intoxicating liquor in his possession. Cider with a kick in it was the confiscated article.

Rumored, Reported Concocted, Collected

For the first time in the history of the Monmouth Rebekah Lodge a grand office has been given one of its members. Miss Alice Butler was appointed Grand Marshal for the ensuing year at the assembly which met at Baker last week.

Dr. Bowersox attended the reunion held in Portland Thursday, of his former classmates in the medical department of Willamette university. There were six in the class. All are alive, but as one is in the Philippines, not all of their number were at the reunion.

While strolling on the streets of Corvallis last week Herbert Evans ran across a familiar face. It turned out to be Russel Huntr, a companion of Bert's when the latter left Seattle on the boat Westbrook, bound for the seat of war in the Atlantic. Mr. Hunter who is, an assistant instructor in Artillery at the Agricultural College, was a guest at the Evans' home Sunday and Memorial day.

Mrs. D. E. Stitt and daughter, Mrs. Frank Lenhart of Springfield were visitors in Monmouth last week end, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Riddell. While here they called on many old friends and incidental to the visit, Mrs. Stitt completed the sale of her small house on Broad street to Carl Polan, consideration \$600. This house which was formerly the Herald office, has recently been occupied by Mrs. Haggard.

H. C. Winters leaves this week for Girard, Kansas on a ninety day trip. He takes his family along and plans to work in the harvest fields this summer, returning to Monmouth in the fall. Girard is the former home of the Winters and it is Mrs. Winters first trip back there in 10 years.

Officers elected for Normal Lodge, I. O. O. F. for the ensuing six months are: Braxton Powell, N. G.; G. T. Boothby, V. G.; Paul Tacheron, Secy.; Herbert Evans, Treas. Installation will be in July.

A man named Casey was hit with a chain on one of the logging roads near Hoskins Tuesday. The whole side of his face was caved in. Dr. Butler, company physician, was called and the injured man taken to the Dallas hospital where it was reported the chances were against his recovery.

Miss Mary Purvinte and Edward O Brown were married at the home of the bride's parents north of Independence Saturday. Dr. Dunsmore officiated.

Mrs. Ingals, a cook employed in the lumber camp at Hoskins, was badly burned last Friday. Her dress caught fire from the cook stove and she ran out doors where the fresh air fanned the flames and her clothing was burned from her. Suffering intensely, she was taken to Portland where at the latest reports she was recovering.

E. E. Paddock of Independence leaves for Chicago this week where he has received appointment as a sergeant at arms in the Republican National convention, an appointment secured through National Committeeman R. E. Williams of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lee of Perrydale have moved here for the next school year. Mr. Lee was a student at the Normal last year and now expects to finish the course. Mr. Morrison of Perrydale was a visitor with the Lees Sunday.

Commencement For Sixteen Graduates

As the end of the year draws close, we are finding a variety of activities which keep us busy both in school hours and out of them. Tennis and baseball hold the center of the athletic stage at present. The interclass tennis tournament being over, we looked about for fresh fields to conquer. We did not succeed in those endeavors for we lost the girl's singles and boys' doubles to the alumni. On Thursday of this week we lost the boys' doubles to Independence in a slow and rather uninteresting game. Bob Craven and Delos Eldridge played for Independence, Manly Arant and Philip Partridge for Monmouth. The boy's singles have yet to be played.

In baseball we have been much more successful. On Friday, May 28, Elkins school suffered defeat at our hands with a score of 25 to 4. On Monday, May 31, a second game was played with Dallas at that town. The result was a 10 to 6 score in our favor.

Thursday June 3, a game between Monmouth and Dallas is scheduled, on the Independence field.

Next Monday ends the regular class work. Exams begin Tuesday and the year will close with the commencement exercises on Friday evening.

The Baccalaureate sermon will be preached by the Rev. Victor Morris at the Christian church on Sunday evening, June 6, at 7:30. On Wednesday afternoon at the High School building will be held the Senior Class Day Exercises. Each class is prepared to put on a stunt and read a class history. The Seniors will make, also, their class prophecy and will.

Thursday afternoon and evening the grove at the Luckiamute will be the scene of the annual school picnic.

Friday evening the Commencement program will be held in the High School Auditorium. Dr. James H. Gilbert of the University of Oregon will be the speaker of the evening. Mr. O. A. Wolverton, president of the school Board will present diplomas to: Alma Bliss, Glen Turner, Ralph Cox, Fannie Steinberge, Dorris Lee, Gladys Canterbury, Charles Moser, Eunice Andrews, Lucy Bowman, Jessie Webber, Wendell Van Loan, Margaret Seymore, Beth Ostrom, Claire Winegar, Dorcas Conklin, Arizona Sawyers.

Large Turnout at Funeral

It is seldom that a larger assemblage crowds itself into the Christian church than the one which attended the funeral services of W. H. Mack held there Sunday afternoon. Mr. Mack's circle of acquaintances and friends was large. There was a full representation from Monmouth Heights, Antioch and the Mistletoe district, as well as people from Dallas, Independence, Corvallis and other places. Rev. Morris paid a strong tribute to the personal character of the deceased. The loss came to him especially close, he said, as he had had Mr. Mack as a guest in his home in Eugene the day before he was fatally stricken. He had known Mr. Mack during his ministry of the past three years here and had never heard anyone speak anything ill of him.

Burial was in the I. O. O. F. cemetery, south of Independence.

Miss Arbuthnot has determined that she will not be asked to move again in Independence and has purchased the Mitchell house on C. street and will occupy the same.

Mrs. A. N. Halleck is quite poorly at this time.

How Long, Good Sirs!

Not even microscopic examination will yield much satisfaction for Polk county in the 180 miles of surfacing provided for by the state highway commission in its meeting Wednesday. If the Dallas-Independence entente awaits action on the road between Monmouth and Corvallis in order to show its teeth it appears as if the wait will be of the "watchful" variety. Had the county court expressed the least bit of consideration for this project last winter it is quite likely that a great deal of the grading would have been done and that now the commission would have been ready to proceed with it as well as the Rickreall-Dallas road. But the court was not so inclined. The result is chaos; self styled leaders of sections of the county, circulating petitions that will get them nowhere, exemplifying the old adage of "cutting off the nose to spite the face." How long will the tax payers of the county continue to grin and bear it?

Shortage of Gasoline Alarms Motorists

Monmouth is experiencing its share of the gasoline shortage and it has reached the point where motorists are able to swap stories in the way of achievement. A gallon here and a gallon there is the way it is obtained and the price ranges all the way from 30 cents to \$1 per gallon. The truck from the Independence station brought 150 gallons over to the garage on Wednesday with the announcement that it would have to last until Saturday. Automobiles lined the street on both sides waiting for a chance to get a bit of that precious gas. And the supply was scarcely here before the consumers were after it so closely is the watch kept. The Independence station normally has 40,000 gallons a month at this season of the year and now must make 16,000 fill the needs of its patrons.

There are many ways being tried for getting around the gas shortage, although not all of them are successful. Dean Baughman of the Telephone company has a scheme for using kerosene and ether and is often called on to describe the manner of mixing to others. Several local instances are reported where the scarcity of gas has tempted the unscrupulous to tap idle cars standing unattended on the street at night. A gallon of gasoline is a precious substance when it is impossible to get more of it and the ire of a man who has just enough to get home in his car, can be imagined when he finds that some one has drained it all out.

WOMAN ATTORNEY TO PROSECUTE DEMPSEY



Mrs. Arnette Abbott Adams of San Francisco, the only woman U. S. district attorney in the country, is in charge of the prosecution of heavyweight champ, Jack Dempsey, who is charged with having evaded the draft. The trial is set for May

Memorial Oration by Justice L. T. Harris

The Normal observed Memorial Day as usual with exercises in the chapel Monday afternoon. The exercises were attended by the G. A. R. and W. R. C. organizations of Independence and by Company L of the National Guard. It took a little special effort to get a representative attendance of the guard but the boys enjoy drumming up a quorum. The guests were greeted by the Normal students and pupils from the training school who escorted them to the chapel where the program was rendered.

Judge Lawrence T. Harris of Salem delivered the oration which breathed the fire of a fervent patriotism and referred feelingly to the deeds of valor in the wars of our country and of the heroic dead in whose honor the day is dedicated. He denounced any tendency that would divide allegiance to the nation, one flag and one language he proclaimed to be the ideal of all and he expressed the hope that citizenship might be built on the high plane as expressed in the self sacrifice of those who gave up their lives for their country.

There were special musical numbers, chorus singing led by Miss Schuette, a song by the Normal Glee club and another song by male quartet.

The Council Meets

A petition numerously signed was presented at the meeting of the common council Tuesday night, praying for the enforcement of the weed and grass ordinance, by G. T. Boothby. The petition was favorably received by the council which was not sure that such an ordinance existed but promised to look it up and if there was nothing in the regulations, a special ordinance would be adopted.

The following claims were allowed: General Fund—Power Company, \$73.23, Hartley and Myrl Mulkey, \$2.50 for helping wash street; Polan Bros., hauling, \$21.50; R. B. Swenson, \$8.52; J. F. Moreland, \$25.

Water Fund—Power Co., \$84.62; R. B. Swenson \$10; J. F. Moreland, \$65; C. McBeth, \$1.56.

An adjournment was taken subject to the call of the mayor when some important matters are up for consideration.

It was decided to condemn the R. M. Smith buildings on Main street and ask for their removal and the city attorney will be asked to draw up necessary papers to this end. The buildings are considered a fire menace to the surrounding property.

Organize for Business

A meeting of the signers for the Monmouth Chautauqua was held in Johnson's store last Friday morning and an organization formed. M. J. Butler who has attended to much of the detail work thus far, was named chairman and manager and J. S. Prime was named as secretary, with O. A. Wolverton, treasurer. The management has already secured the poles and part of the seating equipment used in the Independence Chautauqua to have in readiness when the tent for the Monmouth program appears.

The fifth and sixth grades of the Training School under the direction of their critic teacher, Miss Senaka, took a trip to Salem yesterday to observe the sights at the state capital. There was a truck load of them in the party and those who stayed at home, under the direction of Mrs. Crofoot, had a picnic on Cupid's knoll. The third and fourth grades and the seventh and eighth grades are having picnics today.