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Monmouth is Located in the Best Section of the Best Valley of the Best State in the Nation

## Items of Interest At Oregon Normal

An electrical self-winding clock has been installed in the office of the Normal during the past week. It is planned that this clock will ring all bells and will regulate the secondary clocks in the training school, the dormitory, the chapel and the library.

Only two members of the faculty are doing institute work this week: Mr. Beattie, who is at Bend, and President Ackerman, who plans to be at Tillamook on Friday.

Tentative plans for enlarging the dormitory are ready to be submitted to the building and executive committees.

The Normal was honored to have as guests on Monday, Mrs. George H. Gerlinger, Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett, Mrs. E. R. Corbett, and Mrs. Lee Hoffman, all of Portland; and Mrs. A. M. Bush and Miss Cornelia Marvin of Salem. Mrs. Gerlinger gave a brief, interesting talk at the chapel hour.

Miss West is entertaining Miss Green, formerly of the Art Department this week.

The candy sale last Saturday evening before the picture was a complete financial success, netting the Juniors the money requisite for their dancing party on November 20.

A free picture show will be given in the chapel Tuesday evening, November 16. The film selected for the evening is "Jenny Be Good", a Realart picture, with Mary Miles Minter as the central character, supported by an all-star cast. As the Realart company makes some of the most artistic pictures put out at the present time, this is certain to be an enjoyable entertainment. A "community sing" to begin at eight o'clock will precede the picture. The public is cordially invited to this program.

The Children's Orchestra, under the direction of Miss Schuette, gave two well-rendered selections at the chapel hour on Monday.

A program with the American Legion as guests of honor was given in the chapel on Armistice Day, Thursday at ten o'clock. The Reverend Mr. Elvin of Salem gave the principal address.

The committee in charge is glad to announce that "Humoresque", perhaps the most popular picture of the year, is to be shown in the chapel Saturday evening, November 13. "Humoresque" needs no praise, it is like life, intensely human and appealing. While mother love is the dominant theme, love of country, too, plays a vital part in the romance. More than a picture of Jewish life "Humoresque" is a picture of human life—a picture made to an eternal harmony to which the world beats time.

The local Odd Fellows have work in the initiatory next Monday night and the work will be put on by the team with Claud Boothby as captain and Albert Sacre as conductor. Members and sojourning brethren are invited to be present.

Miss Dora Hall has bought the Dawson house on Main street, just east of the Misses Butler. This house has been occupied by E. L. Comstock and family and they expect to occupy the house Rev. Pace and wife live in when the latter move into their new quarters at the church.

Thomas Boulden is once more back on Main street as a merchant as may be noted in his advertisement in another column. He will deal in poultry and poultry supplies, buying for cash.

## ENTERS COLLEGE AT AGE OF TWELVE



Edward R. Hardy, the 12-year-old prodigy, son of Prof. and Mrs. Edward R. Hardy, is the youngest scholar to ever enter Columbia University, and very likely the youngest student to enter any college. He speaks 12 languages and expects to study Chinese this year.

## Rumored, Reported Concocted, Collected

Dallas camp of Modern Woodmen of America, of which Floyd D. Moore is one of the dynamos, held an open session last Friday night which one hundred members of the order attended, with visitors from Salem, Monmouth and Independence as well as a number of guests who were not members of the order. Rev. Benney of the Dallas Christian church was speaker of the evening and he was followed by J. G. Tates, district deputy. A feature of the program was a vocal number by the Monmouth quartette, consisting of Denzel Moore, Fred Hill, Clay Moreland and Joe Staats.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Miller are once more located in Salem. They sold their farm this week to a Quaker minister. Mr. Pendleton and sons. There are 196 acres in the farm which is located in the Luckiamute valley on the rural route out of Suver and consideration was \$16,000. In the deal Mr. Miller took in a house and several lots in Salem.

**Baptist Church Notes**  
Bible School and Morning worship at the usual hours. Rev. Geo. H. Young, D. D., Young People's and Bible School Director for Oregon and Idaho is expected to speak at the morning service and he or some other visitor at the Young People's service at night.

6:30 P. M. Vesper Service conducted by the young people with brief address by the Pastor or a visitor.

The finishing touches are being put upon the building this week. Some plumbing, and finishing touches in the way of cleaning, staining, varnishing, waxing, etc., will be about all work left after this week. Expect next week to announce program for dedication and formal opening.

Pastor and Mrs. Pace moved into the upstairs apartments of the new building Wednesday. The Pastor's library and office outfit were moved into the new quarters Tuesday and the State Library will be moved Friday (today).

**Evangelical Church Notes**  
Sunday, November 14. Morning worship at 11. Subject: "Memory and Imagination". No evening services, congregation joining in the Union services at the Christian church.

Sunday School at 10. Prayer services Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Ladies' Aid Thursday p. m.

There is to be an interesting Sunday School Convention in Dallas next Monday and Tuesday, November 15 and 16. Norman Johnson, the new State secretary is expected to be present and take part in the meeting.

## Recalled Humorous Side of Soldiering

Armistice Day, November 11, was generally observed in Monmouth. The stores closed for the day and a special program for the benefit of the public, the G. A. R., the American Legion and the National Guard, was given at the Normal in the morning. By special invitation all three of the Independence organizations named attended the program and at the close were treated to a luncheon in the Domestic Science quarters in the Training School. At the luncheon they were the guests of the Normal faculty and students and citizens of Monmouth and vicinity.

Prof. Ostien presided at the meeting, giving a few reminiscences on his own behalf, and special music for the occasion was rendered by the Normal Orchestra and Glee Club under the able direction of Miss Schuette, who also led the audience in chorus singing. A Normal student, Miss Mary K. Wilson, gave a timely talk on the celebrated compact in the cabin of the Mayflower, the signing of which occurred November 11, 1720, exactly three hundred years ago.

The bugler of Company K gave a number of bugle calls for the entertainment of the audience, and Miss Alberta Greene, formerly of the art department of the Normal and who was for a time in war work in the east, gave a most pertinent talk on "My Oregon". In the East she found that some people had the idea that Jackson, Michigan is "west" and an instructor in Columbia had seriously asked her if it was possible to go by rail from Seattle to San Francisco. She did not believe that people had any reason for apologizing for the state or its institutions and thought it time Oregon did a little advertising for itself.

Rev. James Elvin, Congregational minister of Salem, was speaker of the day and took as his subject the "Humor of the American Soldier." The humor of the soldier especially of the overseas men had not only been always in evidence but it had helped him to endure hardships and overcome obstacles in doing his part to win the war. One story followed another and Mr. Elvin kept the audience in good humored attention for three quarters of an hour. The war now has reached the reminiscence stage, he said, and his stories were the fruit of his experience in Y work in France during the closing year of the war. Although his stories were droll, the attentive listener was able to see behind them the real scenes and incidents that thrilled him with their seriousness, the closeness to death that made men joke of it and the torture of mind in stress and trial that made even a rat seem a companion. Standing among the graves at Belleau Wood he said there was no soldier but must catch an inspiration and a seriousness of purpose for when he returned he must cherish higher ideals of justice and right and must represent not only himself but the boys left behind on the field of battle.

**An Enthusiast.**  
"Cleanliness can be carried too far."  
"Impossible."  
"It can. If I don't stop her, my wife would scour the lettuce with soap."

**Method in His Madness.**  
Carter—Why do you have so many shoes?  
Coning—It's a great relief; no two of them hurt in the same place.

**One Assurance.**  
"Do you think the tale Miss Flirty told you was made up on the face of it?"  
"Maybe not, but she was."

## Farm Conditions Ripe For Change

There was a gratifying amount of interest in the proposal to nationalize the Farm Bureau movement meeting held in this city in the Commercial club rooms Wednesday night. People were present from Dallas, Airile, Rickreal, the Luckiamute country and elsewhere and among others who came was C. L. Hawley of McCoy, recently elected state dairy and food commissioner. P. O. Powell presided introducing the speakers, Paul V. Maris of the Agricultural college farm extension department, George A. Mansfield of Jackson county, president of the temporary Oregon State Farm Bureau Federation and Chester H. Gray of Missouri, member of the executive committee of the American Farm Bureau Federation, all of whom made addresses intensely interesting to those who heard them.

All united in the view that the time is ripe for united action, that the farmer with his lack of union with his fellows always suffers financially when the reconstruction problem reaches the point of lowering prices. It has been the custom for him to take what is given to him in the way of prices for his product and to pay what is asked for goods he buys. The farm bureau is helping to bring farming to the same basis other business ventures rest upon with the prospect that the greatest business of the country may offer to people who undertake it, the same inducements they may hope for in other trades or callings.

At the close of the addresses it was moved that Polk county endorse the move for a state organization but as the meeting was a special one a move of this kind was ruled out of order and the matter will be taken up at the next regular meeting of the county bureau.

**Often in One.**  
Heck—My wife has a great fondness for pets; has yours?  
Peck—That depends on whether you refer to animals or the mood.

**Its Financial State.**  
"That couple have just come back from their wedding trip dead broke."  
"Ah! So the honeymoon has got to its last quarter."

**Exact Locality.**  
Lawyer—Officer, did you catch the prisoner in flagrante delicto?  
Policeman—No, sir; I caught him in the back alley.

**Answered.**  
"Why do they always have to get angels for plays?"  
"Because there is the devil to pay if they don't."

## Annual Roll Call

The Annual Roll Call of the Red Cross is now on, the work being dated from Armistice Day, November 11 to November 20. A house to house canvas will not be made but our people are urged to keep up their memberships which can be done at the rate of \$1 per year. The money can be paid and receipts and buttons secured at the bank, Morlan & Son's and at the office of the Monmouth Herald. Let us see that Monmouth does not fall down in the matter of renewing memberships to this great benevolent undertaking. Miss Maggie Butler, Mrs. T. J. Edwards and Ira C. Powell are the local committee for the roll call.

## Would Violate Franchise

At the regular meeting of the commercial club held Tuesday night the proposal of the telephone company to unite the Monmouth switch board with the Independence exchange was considered and the following committee was appointed to investigate: E. M. Ebbert, Walter Brown and W. R. Graham. In the franchise given the telephone company in September 1911 it was stipulated the company was obligated to maintain a service station and switch board for the benefit of Monmouth patrons. The franchise is for 25 years.

## Relieved

Because the weather is so favorable to farm work and because of unfavorable conditions earlier in the fall that put the work back and also because men are necessary at the next Grange meeting, having the dinner to prepare, it has been thought best to postpone the regular monthly meeting of the order to a week from Saturday, November 20, when arrangements as scheduled will take place.

## C. E. Convention

The Christian Endeavor convention will open with a banquet in the basement of the Christian church on Saturday evening at 6 o'clock. Everyone is invited to come. Tickets 25 cents. Following the banquet will be a talk by a state Endeavor officer and a social good time. Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock there will be a Rally meeting with talks by State Endeavor officers. In the evening a union service of the Christian and Evangelical churches will be held.

Miss Faye Steinmetz of Portland, Union C. E. President will be present at the sessions.

Prof. Walter L. Meyers of Eugene will have charge of the regular services in the Christian church on Sunday.

## Lady Checks Visits Monmouth

The fact that our population is constantly shifting makes our merchants comparatively easy marks for a certain type of sharper. A Mrs. Snider who might just as well have spelled her name without the final "r" visited Monmouth last week and cashed two checks in two of the local stores, for \$5 and \$10 respectively, which turned out to be fraudulent. The checks were on a bank in Vancouver and later were returned with a notice of "no funds". The lady had a ten year old girl with her and explained they were related to certain Normal students and were here to visit.

Later in Portland the lady cashed a check on the First National Bank of Monmouth which was returned with the statement that she had never had any account here of any kind.

Cashier Chambers of the local bank investigated the Vancouver bank checks and this week received information that the lady had had a small account there but promptly checked it out and since had left a trail in Washington and British Columbia of small no fund checks aggregating over three hundred dollars.

## Incorporated

The local tile plant was recently incorporated under the name of the Central Clay Products Co. with R. U. Steelquist as president and G. H. Partridge as secretary and treasurer. They aim to manufacture tile, building tile and brick next year and will add a second kiln to their equipment and increased drying shed room. They planned to have a switch with a spur track put into the yard but when they found this would cost \$1,600 in addition to work and material, thought it cheaper to buy a truck.

Both parties in the divorce suit of Verd Hill vs. Frances Hill were denied divorce by Judge Bingham in Albany last week. Mrs. Hill sued for \$20,000 and custody of their one child and one third of valuable real property and alleged cruel and inhuman treatment. Mr. Hill filed a cross bill making the same allegations.

Rev. H. E. Rossell of The Dalles, who occupied the Christian church pulpit last Sunday morning and evening, has been elected regular minister for the local congregation. Rev. Rossell has for the past six years been at The Dalles and has also supplied at Dufur. He is originally from Michigan and comes highly recommended.

### FARM BUREAU PREXY HUSKS CORN AND TALKS MARKETING

"Jim" R. Howard, aside from being national president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, is first and last a farmer. On his 480-acre farm in Marshall, Iowa, near Clemons, he paused long enough recently from husking 80 to 90 bushels of corn to an acre in a big 200-acre field, to tell how his organization with its million and a half members—every one a practical and active farmer—planned to solve the farmers' distribution problems through commodity marketing. Their plans are for even distribution of all foodstuffs over the 12 months of the year by holding it in farmer-owned storage, instead of harvest time glutting of the market as at present. "The farmer wants only the cost of production plus a reasonable profit," says Howard.