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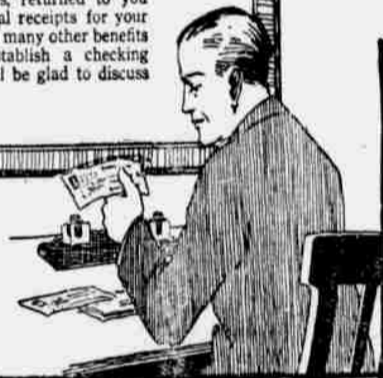
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Your Money
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Your Money Safe

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For any thing you want or don't

want try our bargain column. It will buy or sell for you.



GOOD
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For the Cozy Home

Life in the home revolves about the living room. It is the meeting place and resting place of the family. It is the heart of the home. For furniture in keeping with this duty of the living room we have chosen carefully from the best work of the best manufacturers. Call and see our

Furniture for Comfort

The easiest of easy chairs—Morris chairs of generous size—all await your inspection. There are rockers here for mother when she sews and larger rockers for mother when she rests. We have also a full line of the many pieces, some decorative and some useful, that help to give the homelike individual touches. Be among the first to select from this collection.

Good Furniture Is Our Pledge to You
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Monmouth
Meditations

It may have occurred to many people that the fact that the power was off from 4:30 until 9:00 Tuesday evening might make an appreciable sized hole in the revenues of the power company for those are the hours when everyone uses electricity and hundreds of meters through the country cheerfully click away their registration of the amount of juice used. But it was not all loss for some of our merchants went home at closing up time in the dark, forgetting their lights were on and so when the streets were deserted and the power came back again the lights blazed and twinkled away through the night. Some residents of the city also went to bed and to sleep before nine and awoke at various stages of the night to wonder if burglars were in the house and why the interiors of their homes were brilliantly lighted.

It is a truth that only when we have to do without it do we realize what a part electricity has in modern life, and what a wonderful thing it is. Something happens: someone throws a lever several miles away and instantly the effect is felt. Lights flicker and go out; with a gasp, the type setter ceases to respond to the key board. The churn at the creamery stops, the ice machine takes a vacation; the lady with the electric hair curler postpones her work of improving on nature to a more favorable moment. The heat under the biscuits in the oven of the electric range suddenly takes wing; the trip hammer in the blacksmith shop; the rolls in the mill; the clay mixer in the tile yard, all stop—until some one several miles away pushes the lever back into place once more. Quiet, wireless, clean, the mysterious current takes up its work and we stop thinking about it, accept it as commonplace, until something happens to interrupt the regular routine again.

It is said of the late M. M. Jones that he had a smile for everyone. Conversation with him usually left the party of the second part in a more contented frame of mind. Some men insist on sharing their grouches with their neighbors; there are people you remember because of some petty, mean trick they have played on you. Some are so engrossed with their own affairs that they do not take enough interest in anyone outside the beaten track to smile with him; some surround themselves with such a narrow bound of social, political or religious preferences that they can not tolerate an open mind. We bring nothing into the world with us, we take nothing away. A man whom you can remember because of the pleasure he has given you has surely not lived in vain.

Oregon Exchanges, published by the School of Journalism at the state university criticizes the habit of placing "The" before the name of a newspaper as, The Monmouth Herald, The Salem Swashbuckler. May we not suggest that the "The" helps to distinguish between the inanimate and the animate. Thus we could say, The Review of Reviews and Harper's Weekly. The same way with a ship which

some people are accustomed to refer to without the "the" and say "Grace Dollar" instead of "The Grace Dollar". Some ship captains are accustomed to name their ships with their own names. Thus if we read, The Captain Christopherson was washed ashore and Captain Christopherson rescued, we know which was which without further inquiry. Language is the vehicle of thought, the means of publishing information and newspaper publishers should oppose a fad that tends to cripple its usefulness.

We trust that Herald readers will not fail to read the serial story "Pieces of Eight" soon to commence publication in these columns. It is a story by Richard LeGallienne, one of the foremost literary men of the day, but there is in it no pretense at fine writing. It is a plainly told tale, charmingly preposterous, winding along from one entertaining situation to another. Don't miss it.

Monmouth Heights

Dick Lefever was in Salem on business Wednesday.

George Swearingen and daughter Jennie were Wednesday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Roth of Independence.

P. L. Fishback attended the Polk County Corn Show in Independence last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Heck were guests of Mrs. DeWitt of Monmouth Wednesday.

Herman Wunder was trading in Monmouth last Monday.

Paul Riley and family and Ed Rogers and family spent Thanksgiving day in Monmouth.

Wm. and C. C. Fishback of Salem and Miss Ina Fishback of Monmouth spent Sunday afternoon at their home here.

Milt Bosley and Clare Egleston of Monmouth were in our midst Monday afternoon.

Roy Smith of Monmouth was out to his farm here the first of the week.

Miss Golda Egleston of Monmouth was a guest of Mrs. J. B. Stump Monday.

Neah Heffley was in Monmouth on business Monday.

V. A. Fishback and family and Pearl Fishback attended the funeral of M. M. Jones in Monmouth Sunday.

Mrs. J. E. Allen was shopping in Monmouth Saturday.

Teachers' Examinations

Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Polk County, Oregon, will hold the regular examination of applicants for State Certificates at the County Court House as follows: Commencing Wednesday, December 15th, 1920, at 9:00 o'clock A. M., and continuing until Saturday, December 18th, 1920, at 4:00 o'clock P. M.

Wednesday Forenoon—U. S. History, Writing (Penmanship), Music, Drawing.

Wednesday Afternoon—Physiology, Reading, Manual Training, Composition, Domestic Science, Methods in Reading, Course of Study for Drawing, Methods in 2:10 "Literature Through the Grades and Up" Mrs. Chole Seymour

2:40 "Art" Miss A. Brenton

3:20 Question Box

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian Church will serve a dinner during the Noon hour.

The Annual Polk County School Officers' Convention will be held at the County Court House in the Circuit Court Room, on December 11 beginning at 10:00 o'clock a. m. and continuing until 3:00 o'clock p. m.: Several things will be taken up at this meeting which are of interest to teachers. Therefore you are requested to attend this meeting if convenient.

Josiah Wills
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11:00 A. M.	1:00 P. M.	1:15 P. M.
5:00 P. M.	6:15 P. M.	6:30 P. M.

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