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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

Announcements for the Normal Summer School are being prepared in the president's office. The summer term will begin June 27, continuing six weeks until August 5, 1921. Two summer schools will be held, one at Monmouth and one at Pendleton. Should a sufficient number of students desire it a twelve weeks' course will be given to which only students in the Elementary Teachers' Training Course will be admitted.

Dr. Carl G. Doney of Willamette University will speak at the chapel hour Friday morning of this week. The public is welcome to this chapel exercise which will begin at 9:30 a. m.

Mrs. Blashfield has resigned her position in the Hood River schools and has come to Monmouth to complete her work for her Normal diploma.

The Delphians will give the first literary society program of the new term Friday evening at 7:30 in the chapel. Townspeople are invited to this program.

Miss Marvin, president of the board of regents of the Normal, spent some time in Monmouth Sunday to inspect the house and furnishing recently purchased to provide for the overflow from the dormitory.

President Ackerman gave an interesting talk Monday on "Thrifty Week", January 17-22, using as a basis the ten points selected for emphasis during the week by the Y. M. C. A.

A moving picture entitled "While New York Sleeps" will be shown in the chapel Saturday evening at 8:15. This is one of the most talked of pictures of the year, said to be crammed with thrills and adventures. It has just completed a two weeks' showing at the Columbia in Portland, a fact which promises well for it.

A Salem orchestra will furnish music at the show. The orchestra consists of cello, violin and piano.

An exciting basket ball game was played in the gymnasium last Thursday evening resulting in a score of 25 to 24 in favor of the Juniors.

Mr. J. H. Williamson of the reference department of the New York Public Library, visited the Normal Library with Miss Marvin last Sunday. Mr. Williamson is a member of the committee on library training appointed by the American Library Association and is visiting many libraries in his investigations.

The Juniors and Seniors held enjoyable, informal parties last Saturday evening. The first part of the evening was devoted to the members of each class getting acquainted with one another. At nine o'clock the Juniors joined the Senior in the gymnasium for an informal dance.

Why the state of Oregon should be compelled to sell its bonds at a heavy discount, while the little state of Rhode Island disposes of its securities to local banking institutions at prices ranging above par, was the question directed to the money interests of the state in a statement given out by Governor Olcott last week.

With alarming divorce statistics facing them and the uncontradicted assertion that Oregon has more divorces per capita than any state in the union, district attorneys of Oregon, in convention in Portland, recommended the amendment of existing divorce laws so that interlocutory decrees only may be granted at the conclusion of a hearing, and cannot be made final until three months later, after the fashion of the California law.

Sold Farm and Buys Home

Sam Carmack who sold his farm northeast of town last week, this week bought Chas. Nott's place in the northeast part of the city. The place includes a good house and an acre and a quarter of land. Mr. Carmack's farm consists of 100 acres and was sold for \$15,000 to John Schnebeck of Salem. The latter's son-in-law, Mr. Story of Salem will live on the place and Mr. Carmack gives possession 30 days after date of sale.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

A late opening season at Crater Lake for 1921 is forecast by a report received by Alexander Sparrow, superintendent of the park, that the snow is now 91-2 feet deep at the rim. Last year at this time, the depth was only 51-2 feet.

Threshing is still in progress in Lake county and it is possible that it will be finished before spring work forces a stop. Bound grain that was stacked properly is turning out well, while headed grain has been injured more or less.

When a carrier upon which he was riding gave way with the result that he fell 36 feet with 12,000 feet of lumber on top of him, Ed Dempsey, a mill employe at Mabel, suffered concussion of the brain and many other serious injuries.

The Portland city council has passed a stringent ordinance governing the manufacture and sale of "soft" drinks, including elder in all its various guises and aliases. The ordinance is aimed to prevent the marketing of fermented and intoxicating "soft" drinks.

The seal sale for Oregon during the 1920 holidays will surpass that of 1919 by \$5000 is the report given to the executive committee of the Oregon Tuberculosis association. The Portland sale amounted to over \$20,000 and the state sale will total \$37,000.

The largest sale of Clatsop county timber land reported for many months was made last week, when the Minnesota & Oregon Land & Timber company of Minnesota sold to the Crossett Timber company of Iowa a tract of 7698.35 acres of fir timber for a consideration of \$1,200,000.

To determine just how great is the health menace from the increased consumption of moonshine liquor, the state board of health has decided to analyze a number of samples from the stocks seized by the authorities and determine to what extent the beverages are poisonous.

There were two fatalities in Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ended January 13, according to report prepared by the state industrial accident commission. The victims are W. R. Plumlee, engineer, St. Helens; Thomas Dunsmore, laborer, Salem. A total of 433 accidents were reported.

The Oregon Agricultural College Radio club has been negotiating with the radio club at the University of Washington for the establishment of a system of wireless communication between the two schools, eventually to include stations at the University of Oregon, Leland Stanford and the University of California.

MARSHALL FIELD III INTO NEW FIELD



The name Marshall Field is known in every hamlet in the land as the merchant prince. Now it is to try for other honors. Marshall Field III—now heard of the famous Chicago fortune—is going to try to make a name for himself in the bond business—joining a Chicago firm. He was a captain during the late war.

Rumored, Reported Concocted, Collected

Deputy Collectors of Internal Revenue, J. J. Collins and O. V. Roberts will be at Independence, February 3rd to 5th inclusive, to assist the people in making and filing their income tax returns for the year 1920.

C. I. Lewis, manager of the organization department of the Oregon Growers Cooperative Association, is still strong for prunes, notwithstanding present conditions. He says that ultimately, prunes will prove as they have in the past, a good investment.

In the planting of cherries, he calls attention to the fact that the Royal Anne, Bing and Lamberts are not only self-sterile, but iter-sterile and that with these varieties must be planted the Long Stemmed Waterhouse or some other good pollinizer.

The Spitzenberg apple is likely to come into its own within a few years, Mr. Lewis says. He believes the time is coming when this apple will sell at a premium at the acreage has been greatly reduced, due to collar rot in the Inland Empire and winter injury in the Hood River country. He is of the opinion that next year will be a good year for apple growers in Western Oregon, as the east is not likely to have a bumper crop next season as it did last year.

Independence people are not going to allow Dallas to get ahead of them in the way of free delivery of mail in the city. Our neighbor cities are both investigating the prospects in this direction and it will be of interest to note which is the first to get actual results.

With their contention based upon an old treaty, Jeff Riddle, Joe Ball and Clayton Kirk, members of the Klamath Tribal council, have gone to Washington, D. C. where they will appear before the secretary of the Interior and endeavor to relocate the boundary of the Klamath reservation as now recognized by the government. The Indians assert the boundary should be four miles south of the present line. About 700,000 acres are involved and the value of this land is estimated at \$10,000,000.

Co-operative non-profit associations of farmers, for the marketing of the wheat crop of the state, and the wool and mohair produced in western Oregon, were definitely launched at the session of the Oregon Farm Bureau federation in Portland last week. A meeting for perfecting the organization of the proposed association for the marketing of wheat will be held at The Dalles as soon as plans for the contract can be perfected. In the case of the wool and mohair growers, a meeting will be held at Albany on January 21, at which the plans will be definitely outlined and presented for adoption.

H. H. Corey, member of the Oregon public service commission, has been appointed on the service, accommodations and claims committee of the National Association of Railway and Public Utilities Commissioners.

Oregon apples won five first prizes in the fruit show conducted in Louisiana, Mo., by the Mississippi Valley Apple Growers' association, according to a notice received by A. Johnson, of the Seven Oaks Orchard company, in Ashland.

The Booth-Kelly Lumber company mills at Springfield, employing seventy-five men, closed down last week. Manager A. C. Dixon announces the mill will not be reopened until the conditions of the lumber market are changed.

Heavy rains of the last few days have cost the state highway department between \$75,000 and \$100,000 as a result of damage to roads and bridges, according to Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer.

The establishment of camping and recreation grounds at the summit of Clatsop crest on the Columbia river highway is among the improvement projects planned by Clatsop county for the coming summer.

Grist About Ready For The Recall Mill

The petitions for the recall of the county judge have now acquired the requisite number of signatures and will be filed shortly if the filing has not already been accomplished when this paper is issued. Over a thousand signatures have been obtained and discarding the number who have signed incorrectly, the legal number has been secured.

Messrs. Rempel and McBee of Dallas were in this city Monday securing signatures for the nomination of Mr. Ulrich as the recall candidate and in a short time secured something like sixty signatures, one third of the required number.

To secure the recall, twenty five per cent of the voters is required but for nomination only three per cent is required. People who are pushing the recall express every confidence that the same will carry.

Mr. Kadle of Rickreall and Messrs. Rempel and McBee were in an attendance of citizens here Tuesday night and a number of matters in connection with the work were gone over. Citizens of the territory to the south of Monmouth who recently interviewed the commission, the highway engineer and others in Salem, report the engineer as saying that unless some sort of practical interest is taken in the work by citizens of Polk county, the highway will not be completed through the county inside of four years. To the rest of the state it looks as if Polk county is in the mud and does not have enough pep to care whether it gets out or not.

Elkins News Items

The Elkins basket ball team, Saturday night, lost to Quinaby by a score of 18 to 10. In the first half Quinaby made the high score of 12 to 2. Elkins came back in the last half and made eight points to Quinaby's six. The game was played at Airlie and quite a crowd turned out.

Marjorie Tedrow has been absent from high school for some time with scarlet fever. So far this is the only case at Elkins.

Frank McEldowney, star guard for the Elkins high school team, has had his eye lamed and attends the doctor's office regularly these days. His eye was deeply gashed in the Quinaby game Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Loughary are in Portland this week end. I. H. Loughary, who is secretary of the Oregon Jersey Cattle Club, is attending a meeting for the organization of the Jersey Breeders of the Pacific Northwest. Representatives of every Jersey Cattle Club in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California and Nevada will be present at this meeting.

Elkins high school wants games of basket ball to be played away from home, both league and non-league teams. Call Elkins School through Monmouth, phone 2203.

Elkins now has only two student teachers instead of the usual three. The one beginning her teaching this week is Miss Ruth Proebstel of Pendleton.

Two new Alladin hanging lamps have been ordered for the school and it is hoped that they will prove more successful than the old gasoline lamp.

It might be stated that Mr. Ulrich has many loyal supporters in the Elkins Community. In fact the whole Community is almost unanimously in favor of his election.

The fourth, fifth, seventh and eighth grades are enthusiastic over the Curtis tests in Arithmetic. Mildred Tetherow was able to com

Triumph of the Juniors

The Normal boys played at basket ball last Thursday night. In what turned out to be one of the most exciting games played on the local floor in years the Juniors came from hopelessly behind and in the last half minute of the game won from the Seniors 25 to 24.

The first half was one sided, favoring the Seniors with Guy Lee starring; the score at the end of this half being 15-14. During the second half, the repeated onslaughts of the Juniors, Mulkey in particular, wore down the heavy artillery of the opponents and in the most spectacular finish swept the Juniors on to victory.

Chute played a strong game at guard for the Seniors, while Captain Stover and Turner shared honors for the Juniors. Referee was Fetzer of Cleveland Tech. Timekeepers were Moreland and Ward. Official scorer, L. P. Gilmore.

Tuesday's fire has led to the usual reorganization of our fire department and for the past day or two Arthur Miller has been busy signing up recruits for the service. He has something like twenty eight and says he will have enough material for three shifts. He plans to start practice at once.

The monthly visit of the county Odd Fellow's society was held with the lodge in Independence last night. With a fine night, there was a large attendance of the fraternity from this city.

For the Pomona Grange to be held here this Saturday, Monmouth member of the order are requested to bring full baskets. There will be a large number of guests present and additional food, more than usual, especially meat is desired.

Mrs. Jesse Johnson and son Raymond of Elkins called on her sister, Miss Ina Fishback, Thursday afternoon.

High School Notes

On January 19 there occurred a student body meeting for the purpose of raising or appropriating from the funds, money to fix up the old Star picture show building to serve as a place to play basket ball. After considerable debate a motion to appropriate the money from the funds was carried by a large majority.

On January 13 there was a student body meeting to secure money for the debating team. The matter was left in the hands of a committee for arrangement.

The school board paid the school a visit on Wednesday and Thursday.

The Freshmen put on a very clever and amusing stunt on Thursday morning. The other classes will have to hustle to do better.

plete the first test on the first day that the tests were tried.

HOME-RUN KING A BASKET SHOOTER



Life for Babe Rath, home-run king of baseball, is just one ball after another. Now that snow is on the ground in New York he is starring at basketball—playing and captaining the Passaic team.

House With History Goes Up In Smoke

The first serious fire that Monmouth has had in a number of years occurred Tuesday morning. About an hour before early risers stir themselves, the fire alarm rang out. The rooming house owned by J. D. Stevens of Independence on the north corner of Jackson and Broad streets was the place demanding attention. Before the fire hose was unlimbered and ready for action the whole roof was a sheet of flames and a part of it had fallen in. The flames were on the inside of the structure and apparently started in the upper story.

Two strong streams of water soon checked the conflagration on the outside of the building but inside the flames were firmly entrenched. The roof had fallen in and most of the upper floors and in some places the fire had eaten through the seams of the rustic. The heavy ornamental cornices made approaching too near the building, dangerous so the water was withheld and the outer shell allowed to go with the rest. The weather conditions were ideal for a safety first fire. Barely a breath of air was stirring; all the adjacent buildings were wet down with the winter rains. The sides of the building had been so thoroughly soaked with water that when they fell in the heat was not great, scarcely hot enough to keep the spectators comfortably warm. A cedar tree that stood close to the front of the building was not singed.

The burned building was one of the expensive houses in the city. It was three stories high, including the basement, was fitted with a furnace, plastered, of good material, thoroughly built. It was 26 years old and was built by a man named Heacock, of a Newberg Quaker family. While it was not reared upon the sands but on a substantial foundation, it was built on nerve. The man who built it did not put a dollar into it and never lived in it. When the first consignment of material arrived for its construction he did not have the money to pay for the freight. He had a shoestring story of funds about to be received through which he obtained credit for material and labor but in the final show down never expected to get anything but borrowed money and didn't get that.

The building was finally sold for liens and has had numerous owners. For some time it was known as the best house in Monmouth. It could not be replaced for less than \$5,000. Almost every carpenter in Monmouth had a share in its building. However, it was not convenient for present needs and has had a hard task to retain tenants. It was insured for \$2500.

Mrs. Grimes has been entertaining her mother from Salem during the past week.

Pertinent Remarks On Important Topic

We take the following from a communication published in the Polk County Observer.

Not more than seven years ago Polk county had the best, today it has the worst roads in the state. If last year the winter had been as wet as this year we would not have had any roads left for repairing. We would have to build them all anew. Is the county judge not responsible, especially as he did not appoint another commissioner as it was his duty and especially as he took the road work under his own supervision.

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