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Items of Interest At Oregon Normal

A great deal of interest in tennis is being manifested lately at the Normal. The three courts are being rapidly put into shape and Normal players will soon be in a position to challenge players from other schools.

Students and faculty members are busy just now on schedules for the Spring Term which begins on March 29, the week after Easter.

Several of the graduates for this term have secured positions, though it is not the best time of the year for so doing. Among these are Mary K. Wilson, Irene Bartlett, Gladys Evans, Mrs. Helen Gibbs, Ruth Mills, Ellen Madsen.

The Junior play on last Saturday evening was a decided success in every respect. "Green Stockings" is an entertaining play with sufficient characerization to prevent its bethe whole performance was, as was treasurer. said before, an unqualified success. Music between acts by the Normal School Orchestra was also greatly enjoyed.

instructive one in charge of Miss Taylor and Miss Hales, the memters enjoyed refreshments and a social hour.

Much interest is manifest this week in the State Oratorical Contest to be held Friday evening in Eugene. Several delegates will accompany Miss Jennie Carroll, the orator, and help to represent O. N. S. worthily.

A motion picture made from the play called "Miss Hobbs" by 18 at 8:15. The drama has always comedy.

The student body will give a St. Patrick's Day dancing party in the gymnasium Saturday evening, March 19. Local friends of the Normal on the social list are invited to be present.

Pearl Fishback has taken the came from. agency of the Salem Nursery Company for the south half of Polk county and the whole of Benton. He plans to get a Ford and engage a private secretary and go after the business in an aggressive fashion.

A Month at the Creamery

During February 7368 gallons of cream were received in the local Co-perative creamery. It was churned into 22,109 pounds of butter which sold for \$10,812.15. The total cost of operating was \$1,525,-74. The amount divided among the patrons was \$9,275.24, at an average of 52 cents per pound for butter fat. The plant is run on a co operative basis with the patrons receiving the balance after opererating expenses are deducted.

WHAT'S DIFFERENT? CAN YOU TELL?



Pasqualle Di Pietro's photo wa found among 60,000 in the De-troit identification Bureau Look at his hands Six digits on each and all perfectly proportioned Pietro boasts that he is the only person whose extra fingers do not take the nature of a troublesome deforming.

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ing a farce. The parts were all ad- Monmouth graced the columns of sitions on technical or business mirably done-it would be imposs- the Oregonian Sunday with the an- journals. ible, in fact, to pick out any person nouncement that when the Oregon as better than the others, for all Dairy Council had been re-organizwere skillful and interesting. in ed, Mr. Powell was chosen vice their interpretation and presenta- president with J. E. Dunn of the very small attendance at the meettion. The stage settings were ap- Hazelwood Ice Cream company as ing of the Community Club last propriate and well chosen. Indeed president and C. L. Hawley as Tuesday night. However, those

Names of children to be examined at the March clinic of the Marion County Children's Bureau should be registered with Mrs. R. L. Mat-The Faculty Club met Monday thews, Fairview Ave., Salem. The evening with Mr. and Mrs. Butler. clinic will be held in the Salem After the program, which was an Commercial club, on the afternoon of the 31st.

> The grange program Saturday afternoon took the form of an exchange of information among the members relative to schemes by which various individuals had met the pests and troubles of garden and flower culture. Among those present at the dinner at noon were H. Hirschberg and Mr. Walker of Independence.

As steps in the preliminary pro-Jerome K. Jerome will be shown in gram of getting a new road north- California. the chapel Friday evening, March west of town, three viewers appointed by the county court went been considered one of Jerome's over the route last week. They greatest successes Miss Hobbs, were County Surveyor E. J. Howe the feminine reformer, is young, and M. U. Prather and F. H. pretty, and magnetic, and the Fawk. A petition for this road bachelor who attempts to outwit which crosses the Riddell farm her has a lively sense of humor, so where a private road now exists, many amusing situations result. was signed by 32 residents of the the Normal, which was suspended No one should miss this sparkling Mistletoe and Antioch districts. The undertaking was fled with Clarence E. McCaleb as principal and F. P. Lefever as surety in the had during the past one or two years. sum of \$200 to be paid for viewing and reviewing the road if the court does not accept the same.

The equinoctial storm arrived a The Normal will be glad to hear little early this year but on Tuesday from the householders who will and Wednesday showed us what liams and Marlie barber shop in Intake girls this summer, with com- Western Oregon can do in the way dependence and Mr. Williams will plete information regarding rooms, of a gentle rain. There must be retire. quite a depression in the southwest seas where our winter rain clouds

> A row of Caroline Testout roses has been planted on both sides of Monmouth avenue in front of the Normal property. In addition a formal garden with a variety of flowers will be cultivated as soon as conditions permit.

> Three young men, claiming to be sailors from the ship Artica, on a farlough, were visitors in Monmouth last Friday They were peddling furs made up into various articles of apparel and claimed to have obtained the furs at different parts where their ship stopped The Artica, they said, was out from Liverpool and many of their furs had been obtained at Archangel although they had one "spotted leopard" pelt from Africa.

Students Practice in Actual Journalism

Hazel Bursell of Monmouth, a copy reader on the industrial edition of the Benton County Courier which was edited and published entirely by students in industrial journalism last week. The entire work of getting out this one issue was handled by the young reporters, even to the headwriting, copyreading, getting advertisements and making up the sheet. Local news was handled by student reporters, who met the trains and scoured the town for items. A number of the staff members have had practical newspaper experience, having worked as "cub" reporters or proofreaders. The object of the edition was to offer practical experience to the students in industrial journalism at the college. A group of the students are studying to make journalism their The picture of P. O. Powell of life work, and are preparing for po-

Next Tuesday Evening

Because of the storm there was a present proceeded to organize by electing R. B. Swenson, president; Mrs. G. T. Boothby, vice president; and Miss Ida Mae Smith, secretarytreasurer. They then adjourned until next Tuesday evening when the matter of more buildings will be discussed. The operation of building and loan societies is to be explained and other matters of a kindred nature taken up.

Dr. Bowersox received a telegram this week announcing the birth of a son last Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Glas in Davis, Cal. Since leaving the employ of the local creamery Mr. Glas has been attending the California Agricultural college at Davis, but has graduated and expects to take the management of a creamery in Siskiyou county,

Arthur L. Moore, deputy assessor, is busy in our midst these days checking up on local values of the uates from 70 universities throughout purpose of tax collecting for another the United States. year. He reports the county financial pulse as somewhat feverish.

The institut on of May Day at during the war years, is to be revived this year and Junior day will not receive the same stress it has

H. L. McKinney and Miss Grace P. Fox of Independence were married by Rev. E. B. Pace recently.

James Calleson of Wayne, Neb., has bought an interest in the Wil-

Sudden Death of Oscar McCollum

The sudden death of Oscar Mcjunior in home economics, was head Collum, owner of the Dunton apartments, was announced yesterday morning. He was taken severely sick the day before with diabetes, and his death followed Thursday morning at 5 o'clock. Mr. McCollum was born May 12, 1886 and lived in Portland up to a year ago. He was a machinist by trade, working in the O. W. R. & N. shops. He is survivied by a widow and a small

William A. Butler, a son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Butler who reside about midway between Independênce and Monmouth, died in Portland Wednesday, March 9, after quite an extended illness. The funaerl was held from the Baptist church in Independence, Thursday afternoon with Rev. Proppe officiating. The services were in charge of Lyon Lodge A. F. & A. M., in has acquired the plant of the Mcraised several years ago. Burial was made in the Odd Fellows cem-

making his stay on earth 35 years and continue in the manufacture of 2 months and 7 days. He is sur- tile and building blocks. vived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Butler, four brothers and four sisters: M. J. Butler of Scappose, Ore., M. A. Butler of Independence, Ore., J. H. Butler of Everett, Wash., Mrs. Allen Short of Snohomish, Wash. Mrs. J. N. Armstrong of Lake Stevens,, Wash. and Mrs. G. L. Archibald of Wheel-

Father Leipsig of Sheridan, who has had charge of the Catholic church in Independence, has taken a position with the bishop in Portland and Father Curley of Monroe has been named as his successor.

Dallas this year will build its pavements of six inch concrete 24 feet with the curbs 34 feet apart.

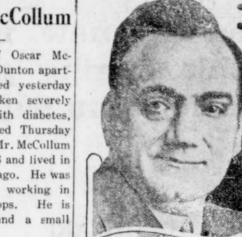
A chapter of the Collegiate Alumnae association has been formed at Oregon Agricultural college. The as-

Much road work has begun in the Medford section and, weather permitting, large crews will be at work on the Pacific highway and tributary roads within a short time.

The Lane county court has decreased wages for road laborers to \$3.50 a day, as compared with \$4 last year, and \$7 a day for man and team instead of \$8 previously paid.

The state fair board has completed arrangements for the construction of a new poultry pavilion and agricultural and implement building, the two structures to cost \$45,000.

The Oregon Dairymen's league has whey and buttermilk of its factories under contract, the contracts to be awarded to the highest bidders.



The serious illness of the great tenor. Caruso, brought out one fact—and that is that the rank and file of the whole musical world acknowledge him the greatest singer of all time-either man

GREATEST SONG BIRD

Tile Company Spreads Out

It is reported that the Central Tile Company has branched out and which lodge the young man was Minrvilllle Brick and Tile Company and expect shortly to begin the manufacture of bricks on a big scale there. They plan also to improve Mr. Butler was born in Asotin the local yards with an increase of County, Wash., December 28, 1885, dryer room and additional machinery

High School Notes The basket ball season ended

last Friday evening with the annual ty Sportsmen's association. game with Independence. The contest was a close fight from start to of Dayton, Wash, Mrs. J. W. Beals finish, neither side leading by more than a few points. By luck 1918, although to date the affliction on a couple of long shots Independence won by 17 to 13. The results of the season are as follows: Total score of opponents, 122; Games lost, 3. Total score of M. H. S., 108; Games won, 3. Percentage 500. The letter men of this season are: Powell, Neal Edwards, guards; Graham, Egleston, Stump, forwards; Leonard Kaup, center; Kildee, utility. Our conclusion is: What would we have done with a gym and practice?

> A student body meeting was held Monday afternoon at one o'clock to consider athletics. The question of purchasing two and one half acres of ground from J. E. Winegar, north of Butler's house, for foot ball, base ball and track, was considered. His terms were five hundred dollars an acre and a five in the hands of a committee as the price was not considered favorable. The meeting also took up the matter of purchasing base tall suits.

The Country Gentleman contest ended Monday at noon. Final scores were: Juniors 21, Freshmen 20, Sophomores 9, Seniors 3. The boy having secured the highest number decided to dispose of the skimmilk, of subscriptions was Carl Dodson with 12. The student body share of receipts was \$27. The Seniors being the lowest will pay the forfeit and entertain the rest of the classes in the near future.

> The annual has been officially named "The Royal Purple" by the student body. The editorial staff reports that it is progressing rapidly and according to present plans will go to press by April 1.

The tennis courts have been put in condition but the wet weather has stopped the game. As soon as things dry up a bit, the tennis committee has plans for an inter-class tournament with a view to turning out a winning team.

James Partridge, athletic manager, has announced that C. E. Stewart will coach the base ball squad this year and that practice will start this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Riddell were Portland visitors last Saturday. Mr. Riddell was looking up tractor parts.

No Scenery Aids Junior Class Play

The play "Green Stockings" given by the Junior class at the Normal last Saturday night, gave the local public the first chance to see the new scenery recently added to the stage in the Normal auditorium. This not only included the wall sets for an interior scene, but an overhead curtain as well. A change was also made in the footlights which added to the finish of the production. As for the play itself, it demonstrated that young men are getting the better of their war time slump in the student attendance and are becoming more frequent in student affairs. Out of the twelve characters of the cast seven were taken by young men and in talent displayed they were part of a harmonious whole. The direction of the play was by Miss Taylor of the department of Physical Education and Miss Godbold of the department of Public Speaking.

Japanese are taking large stocks of Oregon white cedar for the construction of airplanes, according to Andy P. Davis, resident inspector of the Pacific coast lumber inspection bureau at Marshfield.

Five crates of Mongolian pheasants from the state game farm at Eugene have been liberated at Klamath Falls during the past few days. The birds were imported by the Klamath Coun-

Dr. Phil Keizer of North Bend found influenza in 16 families at Lakeside, and declares there is an epidemic almost equal to that of has not resulted in any deaths.

Formal incorporation of the Atlantic-Pacific Highways and Electrical exposition, to be held in Portland during 1925, was completed at the first meeting of the newly appointed executive board held in Portland last week.

Rather than close down entirely and throw its force out of employment, the Hammond Lumber company is operating its Mill City plant three days a week, thus affording each employe sufficient wages to support himself and family.

A jury in the Jackson county circult court acquitted Lark Evans, charged with robbery. The net proceeds of the crime which Evans was charged with were a tw knife and \$27.15, and his two trials cost the county \$7500.

Twelve hundred farmers joined the Washington county farm bureau, at results of the recent membership drive, according to reports of Charles J. Herb, the campaign manager. Seventyyear contract. The matter was left five per cent of the farmers solicited signed membership agreements.

> The worst Astoria fire in several months for a time threatened to de velop into a serious conflagration and, before it was brought under control. had destroyed the Hawes business block at Eleventh and Bond streets. causing a loss of approximately \$30,

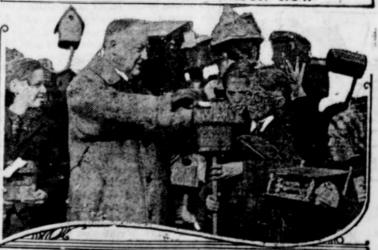
> The hatching of salmon at the South Coos and North Coquille river batcheries this season has been of importance to the district, as over 5,000,000 fry are now being fed in the ponds and all of them are doing nicely. They will be turned out during the spring and

> The re-appointment of State Game Warden Burghduff, the appointment of M. L. Rickman as superintendent of trout hatcheries, and the general discussion of policies marked the first session of the newly appointed state game and fish commission, held in Portland last week!

Governor Olcott has issued a proclamation recommending to the next legislature the payment of \$1000 by special appropriation to the person or persons instrumental in bringing about the arrest and conviction of the murderer or murderers of Simon J. Yoder, Woodburn garage operator.

As a result of arrangements made by O. P. Hoff, state treasurer, with Governor Olcott and William Marshall, members of the newly created state bond commission, acting in an advisory capacity, there will be available for loans to Oregon farmers approximately \$164,000 of the irreducible school fund. This sum is in addition to \$60,000 in school funds recently allotted to 12 counties of the state. This money will draw 6 per cent in-

IT IS BIRD-HOUSE SEASON NOW



Boys and girls living in the eastern part of the nation are now ready to dispute the assertion that any other than the birds are "man's best friends." Through study of the tree an treework and a voting for the most popular tree they have been taught about birds by the American Forestry Association. That is that were it not for the unceasing work of the birds in destroying insects we would have very few crops. So build a bird house. This picture shows Washington boys who won bine ribbons for their various designs.