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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

The new term at the Normal opened Tuesday morning with at least fifty new students in attendance. A particularly gratifying fact about this is that there are several young men among the number.

President Ackerman left Tuesday afternoon to attend the Inland Empire Teachers' Association in session this week at Spokane, Washington.

An interesting exhibit of handwork has been placed in the new case in the main corridor of the Normal building. It represents some of the things done by the class in handwork last term and has attracted much commendation.

Students and faculty members returned Tuesday with many evidences of a pleasant Easter vacation, but also with renewed energy and enthusiasm for the work of the last term of the regular school year.

Miss Ragon is entertaining her sister, Miss Alta Ragon, this week. The latter has just returned on furlough from a seven years' sojourn in India as a missionary.

Several members of the faculty spent the Easter vacation in Portland, Miss Taylor went to her home in Tacoma, Mrs. Rychar to Eugene and others to various places.

A very unusual motion picture will be shown in the chapel Saturday evening, April 2, at 8:15. This is Maurice Tourneur's picturization of "The Last of the Mohicans" by James Fenimore Cooper. This classic is too well known to need repetition, though it may be said that no member of the family can afford to miss it. Every American in whose veins flows the blood of our forefathers, wants to see this thrilling picture. One could go on for an hour in telling of the wonderful scenic beauties, splendid acting, stage setting and photography.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

The Grants Pass post of the American Legion is making plans for a spacious home.

Business men of Hood River have gone on record unanimously as opposed to the closed shop.

Settlers of the central Oregon irrigation district will vote on a \$250,000 issue at a special election to be held April 15.

The state convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution was held in Salem Friday and Saturday with more than 350 delegates in attendance.

Members of the board of control of Baker public schools have decided to establish a nutrition class for undernourished pupils attending schools in that city.

Several streams in the Willamette valley are running bank-full as a result of the heavy rains of the past few days. Some smaller streams are beyond their banks.

Reports reaching the adjutant-general's office in Salem from the war department show that Oregon's national guard is ahead of all states west of the Mississippi river.

Albany will be the convention city in 1924 for the Oregon state camp of the Royal Neighbors of America. This was decided at the triennial session held in Astoria last week.

Mrs. Adam Setera, 45, was shot three times and probably fatally injured at Oregon City by her son, Adam Setera, Jr., 17, who is believed by the authorities to be insane.

A voluntary wage cut of \$1 a day, made in the hope that the action will stimulate building activity in Bend, was announced by officers of the bricklayers', masons' and plasterers' union.

J. W. Miller of Shelburn was appointed county school superintendent of Linn county by the county court this afternoon to succeed Ida Maxwell Cummings, who resigned recently.

Bids for \$1,000,000 of state highway bonds, the issuance of which was approved by the state board of control,

Which Way Out?

Now that the highway commission announces speedy action on the highway south from Monmouth there is some local speculation as to where the highway will leave the city. It may be by way of several routes. One is to go straight south on Monmouth avenue and angle off to the south road after leaving the city limits, which route would most likely be adopted were it not for the fill necessary to cross the railroad track. They may also turn from Monmouth avenue to Warren street at two different places. The road may turn on Warren street at the post office, or it may turn on Knox street past the Newman blacksmith shop, cutting across A. Parker's land to the south road near the old gymnasium. At any rate there is apt to be little heat displayed locally over the matter and the decision of the commission will be received without comment.

Miss Hester Keeney, who is teaching at Guthrie, spent Easter with home folks in Monmouth.

T. T. Parker made a business trip to Portland Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fishback spent Sunday afternoon with her parents in Independence.

C. G. Griffa was here from Independence Tuesday visiting with friends.

P. O. Powell expects to spend the next month in Portland in the interest of the state Farm Bureau.

will be opened in Salem April 9, according to announcement made in Salem.

Ralph Hoerber, senior in economics at the University of Oregon, won the state intercollegiate oratorical contest at Eugene. There were eight other speakers, representing the same number of schools.

Mayor Hamilton of Coos County and the board of councilmen believe there is a great amount of gambling going on at the county seat of Coos county and measures are to be taken to eliminate the nuisance.

The Medford chamber of commerce has called upon the city council to purchase the Pacific & Eastern railroad terminal property, including 19 acres of land near Bear creek, for use as a tourists' camping ground.

The state board of control has authorized the issuance and sale of \$1,000,000 of short-term post road bonds under an amendment to the Bean-Barrett act approved at the recent session of the legislature.

The state land board has authorized loans to farmers of Oregon in the amount of \$164,000. This money was derived from the sale of school district bonds out of funds belonging to the state industrial accident commission.

Wool from about 300,000 sheep on the farms of western Oregon will be assembled and graded and marketed in Portland, according to plans of the Western Oregon Wool and Mohair association, which has recently been formed.

Electrical dealers and contractors from all parts of the northern and central Willamette valley attended the convention at Albany of the first and second districts of the Oregon Electrical Contractors' and Dealers' association.

The public service commission will be asked by the Eugene chamber of commerce to reopen the telephone rate case as it applies to rural telephones and hold a meeting in Eugene in the near future to hear the farmers' side of the affair.

The state highway commission at a meeting to be held in Portland April 5 will consider proposals for the grading and graveling of approximately 85 miles of road, laying 31 miles of pavement and constructing three bridges and one overhead crossing.

If the state highway commissioner will advance the money to pay for Multnomah county's share, to be repaid later, it is possible that work can start on the Mount Hood loop this year. The \$85,000, which the county set aside for this undertaking last year, was not acted on by the highway commission, so the money reverted to the general fund on December 31. No item for the loop was placed in the 1921 budget, so the county has no available funds to co-operate.

Merely a Suggestion.
Bridget—Do come and look at the beautiful sunset out by the kitchen window, ma'am.

Miss—That's nothing, Bridget. You ought to see it rise some morning.

Red Letter Event For Odd Fellows

Monday, March 28, will be marked with red letters in the records of Normal lodge, Number 204 of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Only once or twice has a greater number of guests assembled in the local lodge rooms than came Monday night, to attend the meeting of the Polk County Odd Fellows visiting association. Four rows of seats running the length of the hall had been arranged to accommodate the visitors and all were occupied. The street in front of the hall on both sides for the length of a block was lined with the parked cars of the visitors. Among those who came, Dallas, Independence and Salem were numerously represented. The Ballston lodge and the lodge in Carlton were represented and there were members of the order present from Washington, Idaho and other points.

By way of entertainment the local lodge team put on the initiatory with F. E. Chambers as the candidate and some very nice compliments were bestowed on them by the visitors by way of appreciation of their skill in the work.

A chicken dinner was served in the basement of the Community House which demonstrated its convenience and capacity by seating and serving about 140 guests at a time with a minimum of effort to the cooks and waiters. The tables were tastefully decorated, and the chicken pies which had been advertised considerably in advance, were deserving of all the good things that had been said about them. The guests were given opportunity to inspect and admire the many useful features of the community house.

Returning to the hall a special program was presented. The Barber Shop Quartet sang two or three original songs, which were vociferously received. The Hungry Five Orchestra was warmly encored as was the Ozark Orchestra of Independence when it dispensed some lively tunes. The Saxophone trio of Independence was also persuaded to display its talent. Samuel McElmurry of Independence gave his celebrated dramatic impersonation beginning "You'd scarce expect one of my age," etc. Mr. Pace expressed the pleasure of the local brethren for their honors as hosts and W. J. Stockholm related a personal experience in the Philippines when he found a pot of money and lost it in the caprice of fortune. It was after one o'clock when the meeting dispersed.

E. R. Peterson, a graduate of the Normal, but who for some years has been engaged in work in California, was a visitor here this week. When he graduated he was for four and a half years supervisor in Jackson county and was active in industrial club work. He concluded an experimental school near Chico, California, partially under the direction of the Chico Normal. As a result of his experiences he was offered a position in the Chico Normal and later was called to the faculty of a New York college. He declined both positions. He is now gathering material for a book on rural education. When this is completed he expects to retire to a farm he owns in Coos county.

Mr. Conklin returned Wednesday from the Salem hospital and is greatly improved as a result of his treatment there. It will be necessary for him to go back for treatment occasionally for some time.

Mrs. Clara Derby, who is visiting at Oliver Dodson's in the Mistletoe district, was a caller in Monmouth Monday. Mrs. Derby is from Los Angeles, California.

At the next Odd Fellows Grand lodge to be held in May in Albany, George LaFrance, Braxton Powell and E. B. Pace will represent the local lodge as delegates.

The Social Hour Club will meet next Wednesday with Mrs. Campbell and Miss Stump. Mrs. Lora Butler will assist in entertaining.

Mrs. Frenah, formerly Miss Eggleston, a Normal graduate now located in Portland, was a week end visitor in Monmouth.

Court and Commission Agree on Highway

We are promised that work is to be resumed on the Pacific Highway in Polk county and that the whole line is to receive attention with the prospect that the section through Polk county will be finished by 1922. This is the result of an agreement reached with the county court by which the latter agrees to the commissions plan for the direct route through the county and the completion of the Dallas-Salem Road. The agreement was signed last Saturday. The agreement of Dallas to the proposition was published last week and Independence came into camp at a meeting held last Wednesday.

Here is the text of the Commission's proposal as well as the acceptance by the court.

"Gentlemen: In the matter of the location of the Pacific highway and other roads through Polk county, the commission have had the matter under consideration for some time past and especially today, as we viewed the situation on the premises, and we are unanimously of the opinion that the location of the Pacific highway through Polk county as made under the compromise agreement with the commission and the court and citizens of Polk county; namely, from a point near Amity through Holmes Gap to Rickreall, Monmouth and thence directly south to the Benton County line, is the best location, considering the general interests of the state, that could have been or can be made.

"The location of the Pacific highway through Polk county, as thus outlined, is the most direct line that can be laid through the county and, therefore, will best serve the state at large and the traveling public that pass through the county on the Pacific highway.

"The location of the spurs from a main line thus located, reaching from Rickreall to Dallas and from Monmouth to Independence, connect the principal towns of your county with the Pacific highway and with each other, and the additional line offered the county as a compromise namely, from Dallas to Salem, connects the most populous part of your county with the state capitol and the east side highway and taken in connection with the Pacific highway through your county and the spurs mentioned above, gives you the best paved road system of any county in the Willamette valley.

"In reaching this conclusion the commission tried to consider not only the general interest of the state, but also the best interest of the county, and being of the unanimous opinion that their decision is the proper one, we again propose to you to construct the line as above outlined, provided the county will do the grading. We earnestly desire that you accept this proposition and cooperate with us in carrying it out, and if you will do so, we will give orders immediately to complete the paving on the Salem-Dallas road and will let the contracts for grading the entire distance thru the county at the next regular or a called meeting, as may appear to best serve the interest of your county and the state.

"Forgetting the discussions and the controversies that have heretofore hindered the work in your county, and with the utmost good will, we earnestly beg that you now join us in completing this important link in the state system. If you will do so, in return we will promise you prompt and careful action, with a view of building you a substantial and satisfactory road, and will undertake to complete the whole by the end of 1922.

"Yours truly,
Oregon State Highway Com."

On last Saturday the court accepted the above proposal by the state highway commission and an order of their acceptance was placed on record as follows.

"Now on this day, March 26, 1921, this matter comes on for hearing upon the communication from the state highway commission dated March 15, 1921, proposing to complete the paving of the Salem-Dallas road and the Pacific highway and to let the contract for grading the Holmes Gap and Rickreall section and the section between Monmouth and the Benton county line to be paid for by Polk county. The court being fully advised in the

premises it is ordered that the terms of said proposition by the highway commission be and the same are hereby accepted.

"Polk County Court."

Sampler Attracts Notice

Many Monmouth people have within the past year called at the home of Mrs. Thomas Boulden to see a family heirloom which she has recently received from England. It is an old fashioned "sampler" made by Mrs. Boulden's sister, Anna Craddock in 1846 when the latter was ten years old. On the sampler appears the names of Mrs. Boulden's parents, John and Anna Craddock, with the dates of their births, being respectively in 1792 and 1800. A list of their twelve children is also given with their different birth dates. Enclosing the names is a pretty floral wreath. The whole is embroidered in needle work and the silk used is apparently as bright in colors as on the day it was finished. The Craduucks lived in Boughton, Kent County, England. Mr. Craddock was a blacksmith by trade, starting as an apprentice in 1804 when 12 years of age and continuing to work in the same shop for over seventy years.

Dedicate Airlie Church

The following program has been arranged for the dedication of the new church at Airlie, Oregon on April 10. On Thursday evening April 7, Rev. A. P. Layton of Corvallis will speak. On Friday evening, April 8, Rev. W. Kantner, D.D. of the First Congregational Church of Salem will give an address, and on Saturday evening, April 9, Bishop M. T. Maye of Le Mars, Iowa, will have the service in charge.

Sunday morning, April 10, at 10:30 Bishop Maye will preach and the church will be dedicated. At 2:00 Sunday afternoon, a fellowship service will be held in which a number of visiting ministers will have part. Bishop Maye will speak again in the evening. Special music at each service. Basket dinner. Everybody cordially invited.

Victor A. Ballantyne, Pastor.

J. A. Larson was here from Marshfield this week to spend Easter with his family. Mr. Larson has charge of a cooperative creamery in the Coos county metropolis and finds his job a busy one.

Barney Parker returned home Monday from Arkansas and California where he spent most of the winter.

Miss Mildred Force who is teaching in one of the Portland schools, spent Easter with home folks.

Christian Church Notes

Sunday morning sermon subject will be: "The Communion".

The evening subject will be: "The Story of Jonah or is the Book of Jonah Inspired". Don't fail to hear this address.

Senior and Junior C. E. at 6:30.

Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:00 p. m. Subject, Review of the Pre-Easter campaign.

There was a very pleasing Easter program at the Christian church last Sunday morning which called out a large attendance.

Sunday morning was also the last Sunday in the contest between the men and boys and the women and girls in the Sunday School and brought out a record attendance of 228. The men and boys lost so provided a banquet for the School on Wednesday evening which was a credit to the men cooks and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

About 60 people arose early last Sunday morning to attend the Sunrise Prayer Meeting and breakfast given by the Senior and Junior Endeavor Societies of the Christian church. A short prayer service was conducted by Mrs. Rossell after which everyone adjourned to the basement where breakfast was served. True to custom the Easter egg was in evidence and all had opportunity to eat their quota of eggs.

The Dorcas Society of the Christian Church will meet at Mrs. H. E. Rossell's Tuesday, afternoon April 5. Bring thimble and scissors and apron patterns of any kind with you when you come.

Today, April 1, the Missionary Society meets with Mrs. Meek at 2:30. All members come or you will be "fooled".

Rumored, Reported Concocted, Collected

Mr. Kaufman who departed recently to investigate the prospects of Alberta, did not get any farther than northwestern Washington. There he began to realize that the Willamette valley is a good country and is now back, planning to stay longer in our midst.

Miss A. O. Ragon, a sister of Miss Ragon of the art department of the Normal, arrived Monday to spend the remainder of her school year in Oregon. Miss Ragon is a missionary in India, representing the Baptist denomination and has been stationed at Toungoo in Burma.

The Easter meeting of the Y's and Other Y's Club was held Friday evening in the Community House living room. A good majority of members was present, and a very pleasant and profitable meeting was thoroughly enjoyed. During the evening delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses Misses Tena Brown and Margaret Rice and Mrs. Alva Craven.

Bill Harvey spent a few days of last week with relatives and friends in Corvallis. He returned Saturday accompanied by Hugh Bell of Benton County State Bank, Ranie Burkhead, Paul Sayre and Birchard Van Loan of Eugene who are attending U. of O. Bill reports the roads not as good as they might be but are passable.

The Oregon Wool and Mohair Growers Cooperative Marketing Association has been recently formed along the lines of the Dairy League and the Fruit Growers Association and Wm. Riddell, Jr. is one of the directors of the association. R. A. Ward, formerly in the banking business in Bend is general manager and J. B. Cornett of Shedd is president of the organization. A meeting of interest to the growers in Polk county has been called in the office of the county agent in Dallas, Saturday afternoon at one o'clock.

J. B. Hill has invented a vegetable Hamburg which is growing popular with patrons of the market. It is made out of meat, onions, carrots, celery, etc., and those who have eaten it say they hold themselves more erectly, step higher and tackle their jobs with more zest.

Work on the addition to the dormitory started this week. The excavating is being done and the concrete men are preparing for the foundation.

Mrs. H. M. Smith and son of Myton, Idaho, arrived here this week to start Normal school. They will live at Mrs. Mack's. Mrs. Smith is a cousin of K. L. Kilen and the latter came over from Salem for a visit Wednesday.

Marshal Stewart and Councilman Chesbro journeyed to Brownsville Tuesday where the city has a good prospect to dispose of the large pump for city water development which Brownsville is instituting at present.

Mrs. Rhodes of Brooks was a visitor last week at P. M. Switzer's.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Hinkle and the latter's mother, Mrs. Stribling, spent the Easter week end visiting with relatives in Aumsville.

Baptist Church Notes

Services at the usual hours Sunday morning and night. The Pastor is to begin a series of special sermons on the general theme: "The Fundamentals of the Christian Faith". Some of the subjects to be presented will be: "The Fatherhood of God"; "The Brotherhood of Man"; "The Saviourhood and Leadership of Jesus"; "The Stewardship of Life"; and "The Final Triumph of Truth and Right". These topics will be discussed from the modern point of view, and will be an attempt to present the heart of the Old Gospel in such a way as to appeal to the modern man.

Any and all not having other local church home or not regular attendants elsewhere are heartily invited to work and worship with us.