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## Monmouth Meditations

County Clerk Moore's story of pearls found at Netarts will doubtless stimulate interest in that resort and increase its patronage. It is not so very long ago that pearls were first discovered in the fresh water mussels in the rivers tributary to the north Mississippi. Large crowds took to pearl hunting. Men, women and children waded in the water picking up the "clams" and searching for the elusive pearls. But the excitement was soon over. Thousands of dollars worth of pearls are taken annually from the upper Mississippi and its tributaries but they are found by comparatively few men. Traveling along the rivers you may occasionally see a man in a small boat. Behind him in the water he pulls a drag of wood. From it hang numerous lines each baited with a bit of iron. As the bits of iron drag along the bottom of the stream they occasionally tickle the face of an open clam. The clam immediately closes on the irritation and is hauled up from its resting place. The pearls found are usually worth a few cents. Occasionally one worth fifty or a hundred dollars may be found, but very infrequently. It is not every one who has the patience to be a pearl fisher and the rewards of the most patient are not great.

It seem the baseball players charged with throwing game in the big league rejoiced a little too soon when they assumed their reputations were cleared when the Chicago jury acquitted them. Judge Landis thinks there are still quite a few spots to be cleaned up and puts them outside of organized baseball. Doubtless the men have learned their lessons but again is exemplified the fact that is the commission of a crime the public has rights that are paramount and baseball without public confidence would be a weak thing at best.

Of course it is possible for a teacher to do good work with her pupils and not mix at all in the activities of the community that supports the school and keeps it in operation. A teacher possibly may give wise direction to a pupil's progress on the pathway of instruction and not even know by name a dozen people in the district with whom she does not come in positive contact through the operation of actual school duties. We surmise

## Uncle John's Ash

GOOD TIMES FOLLOW  
BAD TIMES AND BAD  
TIMES THE GOOD.  
NOW IS THE TIME  
TO BE AN  
OPTIMIST



that wherever Prof. Gilmore goes he will not be content with a perfunctory performance of the bare requirements of his job. Aside from what he may have been at the Normal, he has been a live wire in the social and industrial activities of Monmouth and we will all miss him.

It is reported the recent state editorial convention at Bend went on record as favoring a code of ethics among newspaper men, one item of which frowns upon the time honored editorial custom of referring to a contemporary as a red headed burglar and character assassin, etc., according to the style set by the "Arizona Kicker" of blessed memory. Doubtless another item put on the blacklist of professional printorial etiquette is reference to that hoary old poverty wheeze which frequently was too pathetically true to be comical. The observant reader has, however, long since noted that these sins are not practiced with anything like the gay and reckless abandon characteristic of yore. Resolutions and concerted action are not needed to achieve something that has already been achieved. As the excelsior biscuit man says: "There's a reason." This state of affairs has come with improved machinery, especially typesetting and casting machines. It costs more to get into the printing game than it formerly did. The time when any blatherskite with an unquenchable thirst and a nose like the danger signal in "The Midnight Express", can acquire an army press and a few fonts of type and set out on a career of libels and abuse, has gone by. Using a newspaper as one would use a dishrag or a garbage can may lead to a strenuous life while it lasts but it is bound to be a short one. When a man has equipped a modern printing office he begins to realize that the safest and sanest procedure is to live and let live. The newspaper business has made some giant strides in recent years and as its influence spreads it is bound to become more decent.

**Evangelical Church**  
Sunday, August 7. No services in the morning. August 7 is camp meeting Sunday and many will be at Jennings Lodge.

In the evening the congregation will join in the Union service at the Baptist church. Rev. Rossell of the Christian church will deliver the sermon.

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L. W. Waller, Manager.