

There is No Land Like Oregon and Only One Willamette Valley

## Items of Interest At Oregon Normal

Mr. John Gill of Portland gave an interesting discussion of the Indians of the Columbia at the chapel hour on Monday morning. He illustrated his talk with drawings of implements, houses and clothing used by the Indians. Mr. Gill is especially well-informed in this subject and so told many unusual details about it.

Miss Virginia Hales, assistant in Physical Training, 1919-21, who has been spending this year at Wellesley College, writes from a girls' summer camp in Pennsylvania. Miss Hales has been teaching in this camp since receiving her second degree for graduate work in Wellesley the past year. She will spend the coming year teaching in the East.

Miss Schuette will leave Friday evening for her home in Green Bay, Wisconsin, to spend a few weeks with her mother, before going to New York for the winter. She plans to study at the Teachers' College this year.

Students and faculty greatly enjoyed Mrs. Landers' songs which she gave at the chapel hour on Thursday morning.

There will be a general exodus from the Normal on Friday when the work for the summer quarter closes. The autumn term will open September 25.

Miss Beth Godbold, who has been instructor in Public Speaking and English during the past two years, has been granted a year's leave of absence. Miss Godbold plans to spend the year in advanced study at the Cumnook School in Northwestern University. Friends will wish her a very pleasant year and assure her a most cordial welcome on her return.

The city of Coquille, Coos county, has launched a project for a municipal water system involving construction of Rink creek storage reservoir, which, together with Rink creek would furnish the necessary water for the city.

Advertising signs along the right-of-way of Oregon highways will be removed at once, and signs on private property removed whenever permission can be gained, according to a decision by the state highway commission.

R. H. Thomas, for fourteen years school clerk in Portland district and for fourteen years prior to that a principal in the schools of Portland, notified members of the school board that he will not be a candidate for re-election.

Triplets, the aggregate weight of which was eighteen and three-quarters pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Palmer of Cottage Grove at the home of Mrs. Palmer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Deer, 791 Grand Avenue, Portland.

The public service commission granted authority to E. G. Isham, operating the Isham transfer at Grants Pass and vicinity. A permit was granted to W. A. Cornell of Newberg, authorizing him to conduct a freight transportation business at Newberg and vicinity.

Cannerymen, fishermen and citizens of Astoria were jubilant over the announcement from the Washington state fisheries department that no purse seiners had been licensed to fish inside the three mile limit and that the fish commission would not take such action.

Reports of friction between the commercial fisheries bureaus of Oregon and Washington over operations of fishermen at the mouth of the Columbia river are without truth, according to Carl D. Shoemaker, master fish warden of the Oregon state fish commission.

The Marion-Polk County Realtors association, at a meeting in Salem decided to start an investigation to determine whether or not an oil project at St. Paul, several miles east of Salem, is being honestly conducted and the money of investors is being used in sinking the well.

## Vacation Time

J. S. Miller, now of Salem, but who at one time lived southwest of Monmouth, returned last week from an extended visit in the east. He went about as far as he could go, visiting relatives and friends in Maine, New Hampshire and New Brunswick. Mr. Miller was formerly from that section but it is twenty five years since he was there before and of course he saw many changes even in so conservative a land as is that portion of New England and Canada. He was gone since May 1st and Oregon never looked better to him than on his return.

Mr. and Mrs. Gooding spent last Friday in Portland. They planned to go on to the ocean but returned to this city Saturday because of Mrs. Gooding's illness.

Ted Graham, Wendell Van Loan and William Harvey are back from a six day trip to the south. They visited the Oregon caves and Crater Lake and went into California as far as Redding before returning. They report a splendid time.

Miss Hope MacDonald recently made a record as an automobile driver when on the return trip from Sebastopol, California she drove the family Ford from Hornbrook, Cal., to Monmouth in one day, a distance of 300 miles. She started at 4:30 in the morning and arrived at 6:30 in the evening, having driven the entire distance without relief or without a stop at noon. On the way are two bad detours with a total of fifteen miles over very bad roads. The MacDonalds visited in San Francisco and took in the sight there including Golden Gate Park, and also visited Luther Burbank's experiment farm at Santa Rosa.

Miss Neta Harvey returned home Wednesday from a three week's vacation which she spent visiting relatives and friends in Portland, St. Helens, Clatskanie, Seaside and Mist. The latter place is near her old home, which she had not seen for twelve years. She went all the way by bus and thinks the highway simply grand.

H. E. White, Chares Bennett and Mr. Kibbe returned this week from a two weeks trip through southwestern Oregon. They went by auto and visited Coos county and Curry where they investigated the hydraulic mining venture of the Inman Company on the Sixes River. This company was working in a pocket of rich material at the time the local people were there and were washing gravel that yielded a dollar's worth of ore to each shovel. It is rumored the Monmouth men bought a mining claim in that vicinity as a speculative venture. They stopped a day or two at Bandon enroute.

Mrs. Beckley has just returned from a trip of several weeks to Eastern Washington. While in Spokane she accompanied relatives on a camping trip to Northern Idaho.

In the last statement of highway conditions in the state which the office of the highway commission issues weekly, for the first time in over a year traffic is directed to proceed south from Monmouth to the Benton county line. In the interval travel has been diverted by way of Independence and Saver. The statement is made that the road is gravel and dirt in fair condition. The graveling of the highway south of here is being concluded this week.

Mayor and Mrs. Wolverton motored to Portland and spent the day there Monday.

## New Homes Follow Sale of Two Farms

The largest and most important real estate transfer that has taken place in many a day was concluded Monday when the Moreland and Kelsay tracts of land in the western part of the city, passed into the hands of J. B. Stump. The price paid for each tract was \$4,000. The first farm, Mrs. Martha Moreland owner, consists of 10 acres of land more or less, and at present is occupied by Mrs. Moreland and her son Ed. It is equipped with ordinary farm buildings. The second tract, belonging to Mrs. T. F. Kelsay, consists of 8 1/2 acres. A good residence, located on Main street is a part of this property and the land is also well located, cornering on Main and Whitman streets.

Mr. Stump, the new owner, plans to open up a new subdivision, to extend Clay street westward, plat the new property opened up and build houses upon it or sell lots. He will start in by building two small bungalows this fall. There is a big demand for this sort of thing for sale or rent in Monmouth. It is estimated that twenty five small modern houses could find tenants without difficulty.

G. T. Boothby will manage this new enterprise for Mr. Stump. They are prepared to build houses to suit the requirements of prospective tenants. This new subdivision is bound to prove popular for it has sufficient elevation to insure good drainage and is reasonably close to the Normal and business district.

Having sold her home, Mrs. Kelsay promptly bought the Minnie Wilson property on College street, the premises being at present occupied by T. J. Wedekind. Consideration \$1550.

Miss Amy Steinberg leaves Saturday morning for Portland, where she will again teach in one of the city schools. Miss Steinberg and her sister Fannie spent the fore part of the summer in Seattle where they took a six weeks term at the University of Washington.

G. S. Wolverton of Calgary, Canada visited at O. A. Wolverton's this week. He was on his way to Los Angeles to visit with a son.

## New Bank Opening Attraction for Many

Since last Saturday morning patrons of the bank who sought them at the old stand have had to come to the new building in order to do business. Friday evening the heavy safe was transferred from the vault of the old building to the vault of the new and Saturday morning the office equipment of the new building was used for the first time. From one to three in the afternoon and from seven to nine in the evening the bank officially received its patrons.

A string of people constantly kept directors and officials busy showing them the manner and means with which a modern country bank does business. It is estimated that a thousand people called during the day an evening. Conspicuous among the decorations were two baskets of splendid but familiar flowers sent in for the occasion by Portland correspondents of the bank.

The directors' room, community room and the main room were also decorated with dahlias, sweet peas and other flowers. In the community room, Mrs. Powell and the Misses Butler acted as hostesses and a trio of local young ladies served punch to the guests.

Owing to the disorganized condition of railroad transportation the safety deposit boxes have not as yet been received. During the course of the day the bank officials received many compliments relative to their new business home.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Church has dreamed for years of a beautiful home for the aged at Salem, Oregon, in place of the old wooden structure that has proved so inadequate and now this dream is about to be realized. On Wednesday, September 6, at 2:30 P. M., the corner stone of the new Old Peoples' Home will be laid, with Bishop Sheppard making the principal address. It is expected that many friends from all over Oregon will be present at that time to witness the ceremonies.

The city water department recently took up another thousand dollars in water bonds, making \$3500 which has been taken up thus far.

## Buyers Monmouth Home

Attorney B. F. Swope of Independence, city attorney of Independence and Monmouth, has bought G. W. Chesebro's residence on East Main street and will become a resident of this city. He also has leased a suite of rooms in the post office block and will open a law office here. With his son, Cecil Swope, he plans to maintain offices in Independence and Monmouth.

## Improvements

The Dennis Company has made short work of the addition to the paving north of Independence and has it about completed. This adds a little over a mile to the paved road from Independence to Brunk's corners making our shortest route to Salem that much easier to travel. The paving reaches nearly to the Oak Point school house. The county's portion of the expense of this paving is being taken from the market road fund.

Mark Conklin will teach school this coming year, starting September 11 near Pilot Rock.

Miss Dorcas Conklin has returned from her Eastern trip and is now visiting with a cousin at Vernonia. She will be home next week and plans to re-enter the university at Eugene this fall.

## WHY Fear Is Chief Obstacle to Progress of Mankind

J. S. Knox of Cleveland, lecturer and writer on personal efficiency, in discussing salesmanship recently, declared:

"You have just three things to offer to the world—brains, character and muscle. Which are you going to offer? If you offer brains, you are a 'chin-upper.' If you offer nothing but muscle, you are a 'chin-downer.' What can you sell for a price—your best, your second best, or your worst? Brains come high, but unless you have something better to offer than mere brains you are headed straight for the penitentiary. Character, in combination with brains, correctly trained, is the best-paid product in the world."

"What do you regard as the chief obstacle to success?" he was asked. "Fear!" he exclaimed emphatically. "Fear and ignorance. Fear is the great foe of the race. It robs us of the best there is in life. If we submit to fear, it will hold us down in poverty, misery, despair."

"Knowledge is the antidote for fear, as surely as light is the antidote for darkness. Courage and self-confidence are the results of knowledge. Success is not so much a matter of brain as it is of getting the right facts and learning how to use them. There is no such thing in life as an opportunity for any man unless he is ready for it. You can create opportunities by developing your native powers, by gathering practical information and ideas."

"America's greatest tragedy and greatest loss is due to lack of education. If a man doubled the use of his brain power the world would be tremendously benefited, as well as the man himself. The great American desert is not located west of the Mississippi river, but under the hat of the average man, because he uses only a small percentage of his native talent."—Leslie's.

## FOREIGN-BORN INCREASE

Total Population in United States Now 36,398,958.

Washington, D. C.—The total white population of the country, foreign born or with one or both parents foreign born on January 1, 1920, was 36,398,958, the department of commerce has announced in a compilation of the 1920 census figures. This was an increase in the "foreign white stock" of the nation's population from 1910 of 4,155,576, or 12.9 per cent.

This 1920 total includes, it was shown, 13,713,754 immigrants and 22,685,204 persons born in this country, one or both of whose parents were immigrants.

Under a law for the purpose, Secretary of State Sam A. Koser has apportioned to the thirty-six counties of the state a total of \$51,040.21 for 1922 in support of fairs, land product shows, livestock exhibitions for premiums and similar purposes. The money is raised by the levy of a tax of one-twentieth of a mill upon the taxable property of the state as last equalized by the state tax commission.

## Students Consider Housing Problems

As a final booster meeting for the present school year, the Normal student body held a meeting after chapel Thursday morning to which the faculty was invited. The student body through representatives, brought forward the idea that the housing accommodations provided for students should be subject to an organized survey and classification. Heretofore but one price has prevailed in each of the different departments of rooming, boarding and housekeeping rooms. This price has been set by arrangement between representatives of the Normal and local "householders" and regardless of convenience of location or of house equipment the price has [been the same. One of the speakers suggested that the available quarters in the city be listed and classified in four divisions so prospective students could be intelligently directed when they apply for accommodations.

Another suggested that a joint meeting of faculty, student body and commercial club representatives be held to thresh over the situation and arrive at some equitable basis. Committees of five from student body and faculty were named to act in this matter. Representatives of the faculty were named to act in this matter. Representatives of the faculty are Prof. Dodds, to look into sanitary conditions, the domestic science teacher to pass on cooking equipment and Miss Taylor of the physical department to look after general welfare.

A Greater Normal was also boosted through addresses made by faculty and students and President Landers, who has been making comparisons with Normal conditions in other states. Idaho with less than half our population is spending a half again as much for Normal training. Arizona with one third our population is spending three times as much for state normal schools. Montana with half our population spends four times as much as Oregon does on her Normal. Washington with twice our population spends six times as much to train her common school teachers. California which has three and a half times our population spends twelve times as much for state normal schools.

## TASK IS BEYOND SCIENTISTS

Why It Is Improbable That Mankind Will Ever Be Able to See a Molecule.

Shall we ever be able to get a microscope so powerful that it will show us a molecule? Science believes not. While the ultra-microscope enables us to detect an object as small as a five-millionth part of an inch in diameter—that is, the 25-million-millionth of a square inch—a molecule of hydrogen is only one-thirtieth of this. The principle of the ultra-microscope is simply that, instead of directing a powerful beam of light into the microscope through the liquid to be examined, it is sent horizontally into the liquid at right angles to the line of vision—from the side. Then, if the liquid is optically empty—if it has no floating particles—there is nothing to reflect the light, and the field of vision appears quite dark.

If, on the other hand, tiny particles are present in the liquid, the light is reflected, and the minute points of light stand out against the dark background, making the particles visible. "The favorite 'bad road' leading into Scio is being graded and rocked by the county court. This road, known as the cemetery hill road, was impassable during the rainy season of the year, making residents two miles east of Scio go nearly six miles out of their way to come to town.

After faithfully performing her duties as chief operator for the Canby Mutual Telephone company for the last 16 1/2 years, Mrs. R. Soper of Canby has tendered her resignation, to take effect in two months. Mrs. Soper will go to Newberg, where she is to make her home with her sons.

