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There is No Land Like Oregon and Only One Willamette Valley

Items of Interest At Oregon Normal

Mr. Herbert Egbert of The Dalles, president of the Farmer's Union of the State, was a chapel visitor Monday.

During the past week, four alumnae of the Normal have been back for a visit. Miss Alice Tompkins is now principal of one of the Hood River schools. Miss Carlotta Crowley is supervisor of the first six grades in the Salem schools; Miss Gretchen Kramer supervises the music in the same city; and Miss Grace Snook is supervisor of the work in physical education in the same school system.

The Delphians and Vespertines have elected officers for the new quarter. A number of new members have been admitted in both societies. These people will be initiated next Monday night.

Five Normal girls went to Eugene last week-end as delegates from the various Monmouth churches to attend the State Convention of the Christian Endeavor Union. The girls report a very profitable time. Those attending were Georgia Crofoot, Margaret Blagg, Jean Falconer, Stella Stennick and Irene Welcome.

The Spring Festival given by the Independence Training School children, April 11, was a rare treat to the public. Both the orchestral and vocal numbers were well rendered and the appropriate costumes of the children added the final touch. Miss Jennie Peterson and Miss Ruby Anne Lorence are deserving of much credit, as are also the critics and cadet-teachers for their cooperation and assistance. With the beautiful background of spring flowers for decoration and the harmony, color and originality of the children's costumes, as they offered their dainty solos, choruses and orchestra numbers, one felt it was indeed a Spring Festival. Miss Lena Crump, a Normal student and a former cadet-teacher of Independence, assisted very successfully with a group of vocal solos.

The chapel periods for the next few assemblies are to be used by President Landers in discussing Evolution. The request for this came as a petition from the student-body. President Landers began his series of lectures Monday, explaining that his discussion would be given from the standpoint of religion and science as agreeing, not conflicting as is too often thought. The first lecture was given to clear away some of the conflicts.

Parkers Are Moving

Parker Brothers who have lived on the Hinkle place for several years past, are leaving Monmouth this week for Eugene where they have bought a timber tract and will re-engage in the sawmill business. They have been active in many ways in Monmouth and have many friends here who regret to have them leave.

Percey Hadley Dead

Percey Hadley, well known citizen of the Airlie country, died Tuesday evening, aged 65 years, 7 months and 9 days. He was a native of England but came to Oregon over thirty years ago. His wife was Ann Hamum, sister of Mrs. W. M. Jones of Monmouth, who survives him with three children, two boys and a girl. Funeral services were held Thursday morning at 11 o'clock in the Evangelical church in Airlie and burial was in the Edwards cemetery between Pedee and King's Valley.

Cracked the Window

Occupants of the First National Bank building were startled by a loud crash Monday noon. It sounded as though some one out doors was indulging in rifle practice and was using one of the plate glass windows as a target. A small hole appeared in the center window on the east side of the building with radiating cracks to the side. Investigation showed that apparently the truck of the Willamette Valley Transfer company had picked up a pebble under its tire very much as the old game of tiddledy winks was played, and hurled it at the window. That is the supposition. The damage is estimated at \$100.

Among the visitors at Grange Saturday was I. L. Patterson of Eola.

HIGH SCHOOL

Monmouth High School easily defeated Dallas High in their first game of baseball this season on the latter's field. The first two innings were very sad for Dallas, for they resulted in eight runs for Monmouth. Their substitution of pitchers didn't seem to check Monmouth's batting average, and the game ended 16 to 6.

The next game of baseball will be played against Falls City on the home field Friday, April 18. Monmouth defeated Falls City last year 17 to 1 and is hoping to do the same this year.

One of the tennis courts has been cleaned off and practice has begun.

Preliminary contests for the quit game are under way now, in order that the winners may be selected to represent the school in the county contest.

The Juniors are giving a reception Saturday night, April 19, in the high school building, in honor of the Seniors. In doing this the Juniors are setting a new precedent.

—Hardin Smith

Filling Station Proposal Declined With Thanks

The Civic Club had quite a temptation placed before them this week. A firm which owns a string of filling stations sought the proposed city commons with a plan to establish an up-to-date filling station on the southwest corner. Learning of the plans of the club they proposed a ten year lease for the corner with 100 feet of frontage by 75 or 100 feet in depth. They offered to provide a "first class landscape artist to landscape the whole of the tract and to have it uniform after the Civic Club had put in what they desired in the part to be used as a park and agreed to maintain the whole park in a neat and sanitary manner during the life of the lease and would pay a reasonable rent."

They guaranteed the station and rest room as proposed would be attractive in appearance; assert they do not represent any big oil company and would live in the city.

The club however felt that commercializing the part of the proposed commons in their possession would hinder the carrying out of their plans in a free sense and declined with thanks. An effort is now being made to interest the company in some other site in the city.

Base Ball Schedule And Season Prospects

The 1924 baseball schedule for the Monmouth Town Team is as follows: April 20, Independence at Independence

April 27, Independence at Monmouth
May 4, Dallas at Monmouth
May 11, Falls City at Monmouth
May 18, Dallas at Dallas
May 25, Falls City at Falls City
June 1, Open
June 8, Valseltz at Valseltz
June 15, Open
June 22, Valseltz at Monmouth

Additional games will be scheduled which will carry the season well into July. Negotiations are under way to secure a first class pitcher for the season and will be completed this week if financial arrangements can be made.

The High School diamond has recently worked down making it one of the best in this part of the country.

Veteran Seeks Legislative Job

Charles L. Bratcher of Perrydale is the latest candidate to toss his hat into the ring. Mr. Bratcher seeks the nomination as representative on the Republican ticket. He is a native of Tennessee and came to Oregon in 1908 at the close of the Spanish war, in which he was a participant. He is a farmer and merchant of Perrydale.

Busy Days For H. K.

H. K. Sicksafoose has been visiting Odd Fellows Encampments this week calling on Silverton, Salem and Oregon City. On Saturday he goes to Woodburn and next week to Lebanon and Sherwood. At Salem they took in a class of twentyone candidates.

Salem Singers Heard

The MacDowell club, an organization of women of Salem, gave a concert at the Normal Wednesday evening. They were assisted by Mrs. Nellie Schwab, soprano; Mrs. A. J. Rahn, contralto; Franklin B. Launer, pianist and Miss Iva Clare Love, violinist. The concert was enjoyed by all who heard it.

S. P. Cuts Off Trains Dallas Makes Protest

Starting Sunday, April 20 the Southern Pacific has announced a number of changes in passenger service in the interest of economy. They propose to take off all passenger trains between Salem and Black Rock leaving this route on which Dallas is situated with but one train a day: a mixed passenger and freight such as accommodates Monmouth. The railroad has contracted with the Parker stage line to meet its trains at Derry, transferring passengers and express to and from Salem and Dallas, doing the work the gasoline motor cars do at present. The company is also taking four train off of the road to Willamina, leaving but two trains a day for that line on which Sheridan is located. Service of all kind is to be discontinued on the line from Dallas to Broadmead, on which Perrydale is located.

Other lines east and north of Salem have been similarly cut in their service.

Service on the main line which affects us is the change of No. 23 which formerly left Portland at 12:45 now will leave at 3:40 p. m.

Dallas is protesting against the prospective cutting off of train service; is appealing to the railroad company and in event of failure to make the protest stick threatens to appeal the the state public service commission.

Railroad men informed representatives of the city that the company faced a loss of from \$1700 to \$2000 per month on the operation of this line but business men claimed that freight business more than made the loss good.

The company strongly denied the repeated assertion that it was financially interested in the Parker stages.

The regular meeting of the Civic club will be held in the high school building April 25th.

Portland has become the greatest flour milling center of the Pacific northwest. For the period beginning September 1 and ending March 31, Portland manufactured 1,569,287 barrels of flour compared with 1,334,797 barrels manufactured by Tacoma mills and 1,092,830 barrels as the output of Seattle plants. The great sales of flour made to foreign countries by Portland were dominating features of the milling business of the coast this season.

Invalidation of the whole state income tax law is a probable sequel to the decision of the circuit judges of Marion county declaring unconstitutional that section relating to corporations, in the opinion of some lawyers of Portland. While the fact that only one section of a law is unconstitutional does not necessarily make a whole act unconstitutional, it was pointed out that it would be the province of the courts to determine whether the legislature intended to pass a law providing that corporations are exempt from income tax, but that individuals shall pay.

Because members of the state irrigation securities commission considered present construction costs excessive, the application of the Teal irrigation district for certification of bonds by the state in the amount of \$1,600,000 was rejected at a meeting of that body. Approximately \$900,000 of bonds was voted for development of this district but only \$200,000 has been expended. The Teal district is in Umatilla county and embraces approximately 16,500 acres of land. The commission also deferred certification of bonds in the amount of \$100,000 issued by the Slide irrigation district in Malheur county.

Attorney-General VanWinkle has prepared the ballot title for the proposed measure being initiated by the Oregon Parent-Teacher association, Inc., removing the property qualifications from voters at school elections involving bond issues or the creation of an indebtedness. The purpose of the proposed measure as interpreted by the attorney-general, is "to authorize any citizen of this state, male or female, who is 21 years of age and has resided in the school district 30 days immediately preceding a meeting or election of such district, to vote at such meeting or election without being a taxpayer in such district, or the head of a family having children of school age, which are now required for voting on other questions than the election of school officers."

Creamery Expands Buys Warehouse

The proposal of the Oregon Milling & Warehouse Company was accepted by the stockholders of the Monmouth Creamery at a meeting held in the Odd Fellows Hall last Thursday afternoon. There was some opposition to the measure but the proposition was carried by a substantial vote.

The transfer takes place July 1st. The directors of the creamery are now making active plans for taking over the business. It has been their ambition to get the creamery onto Main street and financing and handling the warehouse is apt to put off the time of moving to a more remote time in the future.

As the creamery has been handling feed for some time past they will find their new work right in line.

Phillip Partridge was recommended by the Monmouth Commercial club as their representative in the Chamber of Commerce at the O. A. C.

Mrs. L. R. Burkhead visited the first of the week with her daughter, Mrs. M. M. Long of Corvallis.

Grange Meeting

There was a good attendance at the regular Grange meeting Saturday. Three candidates were initiated and three were received by re-instatement. Mrs. Jessie McCoomb, head of the Extension Department of Home Economics of the O. A. C. gave a very interesting talk during the afternoon program on how to prevent botulism poisoning in home canning. Several Grangers were present from Buena Vista and Suver and it was reported a new Grange had been started at Buell.

The North Bend school board has let the general contract for the building of the new school house to Hoover & McNeill of Albany for \$32,000.

Five men were injured at the main mill of the Coos Bay Lumber company at Marshfield when an 18-foot flywheel on the engine went to pieces.

Miss Celia Gavin, city attorney for The Dalles, has filed her declaration with the secretary of state for the office of presidential elector on the democratic ticket.

Fire losses aggregating \$84,100 resulted from the 28 fires in Oregon outside of Portland during March, according to estimates advanced by Will Moore, state insurance commissioner.

The slump in the lumber market and the consequent reduction of approximately \$3 per thousand feet in the price of logs are having their effect on the logging industry of the lower Columbia river.

Approximately \$1000 has been donated to The Dalles volunteer fire department toward the purchase of a new combined chemical and hose truck. The money was raised by voluntary subscription.

As a result of the establishment of a salmon egg receiving station on the Clatskanie river, orders have been issued to close that stream to fishing between the station and a point two miles down stream.

M. H. Brown has established a milk goat farm on his ranch on the McKenzie river 10 miles east of Eugene. He will have 75 milk goats and will erect a cheese factory and also make a specialty of goat milk for infants.

Governor Pierce, in a proclamation has urged the people of Oregon to wear a poppy on Memorial day, to show their gratitude for the sacrifices of those who gave their lives or their health in the defense of the nation.

Six million feet of fir timber on Indian creek near Reed postoffice has just been sold by the forest department to Henry L. Bergman, banker and lumberman of Florence. The price paid by Mr. Bergman is \$2 a thousand feet.

Mrs. Gertrude B. Brown, a widow and employed in a Klamath Falls box factory has filed her declaration as candidate for the office of sheriff of Klamath county on the republican ticket and she will oppose five men seeking the office.

An embargo against entry of California vegetables into Oregon was ordered by the Oregon state livestock sanitary board, to continue until the foot and mouth epidemic now prevalent in various parts of California is entirely cleared up.

Electric Therapeutic treatments, women only. Fallen arches particularly. 660 Monmouth St. Independence

EARLY POLK COUNTY PIONEER PASSES

Mrs. F. B. Guthrie and Mrs. M. E. Percival received word Thursday of last week of the death of their sister, Mrs. James A. Kibbey at Condon, Oregon, April 8, 1924.

Sarah Louisa Davis was born a Dresden, Tennessee, May 2, 1853 and went with her parents, John Westley and Mary Jane Davis to Newton, Missouri, thence to Oregon in 1864. She was married to James A. Kibbey at Rickreall, Oregon, May 22, 1869 who with twelve children survive her. There are also thirty grand children and two great grand children.

Mrs. Kibbey lived a consistent Christian life since early girlhood was a devoted wife and mother. Her last years were active in the maintenance of her grandsons in high school work. She was a lover of the works of art and loved flowers. She was neat and orderly in her everyday life, kind and obliging with neighbors and was loved by her church and all who knew her. All but two of the children were at the funeral.

Brooder House Burns Small Chicks Roasted

An alarm of fire rang out early last Sunday evening and responding the fire department found a small shed on the rear of C. E. Wilson's premises in flames. The shed was used as a brooder house and contained about 70 chicks. The flames had made such headway by the time responsible help arrived that the chicks could not be saved. Prompt work saved all the building around it however.

A kerosene heating system was in use the lamp being on the outside of the building. The same outfit has been safely used for the past two years. A fresh wick had been placed in the lamp the day before.

Clean-up Week Here Citizens Pay For Hauling

Next week is the most important one of the spring. It is clean-up week, the annual time when each household collects the cans in the woodshed and scattered on the back lot, gathers the rubbish and makes a general clean-up of the premises.

Usually the city has furnished conveyance for carrying this rubbish away. This year they are putting it up to the property owner to pay the drayman in proportion to the amount entrusted to him. Remember this. Collect your rubbish and prepare to pay for having it hauled away.

As usual the stuff will be hauled to the river for disposal.

Have your stuff ready in sacks or boxes and by the side of the road Monday morning. Then you will not be overlooked.

With the early return of Spring to the Valley signs of spring cleaning up have been in evidence for some time. But, even so—the Annual Celebration of Clean-up Week has become an established custom in Monmouth and next week has been set aside by the city council for that anticipated event.

Everyone of the older residents of the town is proud of the many marked improvements in Monmouth. The increase in the number of well mowed lawns and decorative flower beds, the newly painted houses, and the removal of disused barns, and particularly the new street curbing with well cared for parkings, are just reasons for satisfaction and pride.

To add to the attractiveness of Monmouth by making it a clean town as well is the desire of most of its residents.

Why not let it be the desire of every man woman and child. During Clean-up Week we have an opportunity to share our civic pride. This year let us have a "bigger and better" clean-up than ever before.

Elsewhere in these columns are some suggestions for cleaning up. Boys and girls, High School and Normal students, householders and business houses are all interested in putting some of them into use.

In accord with the action of the city council the civic club would urge every residence to be ready to contribute its share in the procession toward the new city dump—next Monday.

By the first of May we hope there will be nothing unsightly about which needs to be hauled away and Monmouth will be ready for open house to its many visitors who may be in town for the May Day Festivities at the Normal School.

Civic Club Clean-up Committee

Auto Park Secured Bosley Will Operate

The Monmouth auto park has at last got on the map. At the meeting of the Commercial club Tuesday evening a communication was received from the state chamber of commerce inquiring how Monmouth should be listed in a forthcoming list of camps they are getting out and at the same meeting the committee investigating the camp ground reported they had secured suitable grounds. The secretary was instructed to inform headquarters.

R. M. Bosley has agreed to try out his orchard and pasture and with the assistance of the club, will get it in readiness. The ground, which is well located and suited to this purpose, lies between the prune dryer and the creamery. It lies along side the highway, two blocks from Main street and is shaded with tall fruit trees, mostly apple and pear. Mr. Bosley has the time and inclination for looking after this work and will run it as a personal enterprise.

At the club meeting both attendance and interest manifested were very encouraging. Twentyfive plates were taken.

There were so many topics up for consideration that the proposed change of name of the club received but brief attention. No action was taken in the matter.

Dr. Bowersox explained the action of the land settlement committee, the aim being to give a square deal both to the new comer and the local owners. Not much interest has been manifest either in listing land or in inquiries for the same. Possibly little may be done in this line but the committee plans to be prepared for emergencies.

Road signs were discussed and it was felt that under most conditions it was best to leave signs to the state officers. The tendency at present is to abolish signs by the road side. Several national concerns have taken the attitude that this sort of thing is bad form and are taking down their signs.

The sewer system and methods of financing it came in for considerable talk. It was alleged that Bancroft bonds are not considered desirable by moneyed men. Various plans were presented by which the work might be done under a general bond and yet the ratio of benefits be maintained. One plan was that the work be done by a general bond and proportional prices be charged for connection so the money thus received would retire the debt.

The next meeting will be devoted to cultivating the acquaintance of our former fellow citizens and a committee consisting of F. R. Bowersox, Ralph Hargett and R. B. Swenson was appointed to prepare program and plans.

James Riggle, veteran of the World War and a charter member of the Independence Post of the American Legion died in Portland April 10th after a two day illness with acute intestinal obstruction. He was born at Keweenaw in 1880 and came to Independence with his parents 18 years ago. They settled on a farm a mile and a half south of Independence. He was a member of headquarters company of the 8th infantry in France. Recently he has worked for the Grays Harbor Lumber company of Hoquiam, Wash. He died in Portland on his way back from a visit in Independence.

Funeral services were held in the Keeney chapel in Independence April 14 with Rev. Dunsmore officiating. Mrs. Edward Wunder was his sister.

Thomas Jefferson Bohne infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bohne of Blaine Oregon and a grandson of M. B. Prather of Buena Vista was buried at Buena Vista Thursday.

Adolph Everding, husband of Ora Everding, both of Independence, died in a Portland sanitarium April 17 of pulmonary tuberculosis. He was 55 years of age.

John B. Kay a former resident of Independence died at Mabton, Wash. and was buried in Independence April 15. He was aged 62.

Rev. J. W. Cabeen who will speak at the Baptist Church next Sunday at morning and evening services, comes as a candidate for the church. He is regarded as a fine preacher and should have a good hearing.