

Independence Enterprise.

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Polk county is coming face to face with the greatest growth and development opportunities that it has ever witnessed and if Independence is to get her share of blessings which will result from this growth, the people must learn to work together. All the efforts for the advancement of the city and community are undertaken too tamely and enthusiasm is not deep-set enough. It is a poor excuse, and one with little comfort to those who are willing and who are in earnest, to say that "You can't do it; we have tried it before; the people will not co-operate," etc. Let those who will unite for progress and development and leave out those who are always conspicuously absent from all organizations and gatherings and who are afraid it is going to cost them something. Independence has location and is surrounded with rich agricultural wealth and natural resource to justify a city of 8000 to 15,000 inhabitants. If organization could do no more it might aid in raising funds to assist in the removal of those business failures and leeches of progress who are doing so much to retard development in the city and country by their inaction in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the community. We want organization; must have it to reap the benefits of the opportunities which are presented to us. Let's catch step with other communities which are expanding. Let's do something for Independence and our country. Let's help get the homeseekers to settle among us. They are coming every day now, looking for homes in Polk county. Why should you be afraid that someone is going to make something out of it? It will mean more to you in the long run. It is all for your benefit.

The value of all farm products of 1908, in the United States, is \$7,778,000,000, according to the recent report of the secretary of agriculture. This stupendous total is not only the greatest in the nation's history, but is also nearly three hundred million dollars more than that of 1907. During the last ten years we have raised the inconceivable sum of sixty billion dollars worth of produce on the farms of the United States. The corn which grew last Summer in four months would, if it were not devoted to better purposes, pay the interest bearing debt of the United States, dig the Panama canal, and buy fifty battle-ships. The other leading products in order of value are cotton, hay, wheat, oats and other cereals, sugar, potatoes, tobacco and hops. If anyone can read Secretary Wilson's report without a feeling of pride in the stupendous extent and wealth of the country, he'd better have himself examined. There is something vitally the matter with that portion of his brain which is the seat of patriotism.—Success.

One exchange says that probably the worst fool bill that will appear in the legislature this session is by Kellaher, requiring bedsteads and sheets to be at least nine feet long. That is something that will regulate itself. How long, oh how long, is Oregon to be afflicted with such representatives as Kellaher. And another observes that something is the matter with the dear public when it votes for men for members of the legislature who introduce bills to prevent the use of hat pins over ten inches long. But the latest is the bill introduced providing a penalty of from ten to one hundred dollars for each oath uttered in the presence of ladies No account of man's sensitive ear is taken in this proposed restriction of profanity.

The hunting expedition which President Roosevelt has planned for next year in South Africa is one which should result in much enlightenment to science. The specimens of animal life, peculiar to those which are familiar to the people of civilized countries and which will be added to the Smithsonian Institute, will prove an attraction to all students of animal creation. This is observed in view of the petitions which are being addressed to the president by humane societies of the country begging him to abandon the hunt on grounds of humanity. In another column will be found a copy of the petition which is being addressed to Mr. Roosevelt.

"One big normal school at, say Gladstone, where plenty of ground could be procured cheaply, would be about the best solution," says the Portland Journal. Yes; also locate the soldiers' home, the state university and the Corvallis college at Portland, comments the Salem Statesman. Put everything at Portland and everybody will be happy.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT. Office of Comptroller of Currency, Washington, January 7, 1909. Whereas, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "The Independence National Bank," in the City of Independence, in the County of Polk, and State of Oregon, has complied with all the provisions of the "Act of Congress to enable National Banking Associations to extend their corporate existence and for other purposes," approved July 12th, 1882;

Now therefore I, Lawrence O. Murray, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that "The Independence National Bank," in the County of Polk, and State of Oregon, is authorized to have succession for the period specified in its amended articles of association, namely until close of business on January 7, 1929. In Testimony Whereof witness my hand and seal of office this seventh day of January, 1909. LAWRENCE O. MURRAY, Comptroller of the Currency. No. 3979. 35-9

A solution now offered to the O. P. is to consolidate with the democrat and thus approach the people as George E. did—from the blind side.

Don't Get a Divorce. A western judge granted a divorce on account of ill-temper and bad breath. Dr. King's New Life Pills would have prevented it. They cure constipation, causing bad breath and liver trouble, the ill temper, dispel colds, banish headaches, conquer chills. 25c at all druggists.

Markets Beef Cattle. E. P. Weir was in Portland last week from his Airline ranch with a load of fat cattle for most of which he received 5 cents, says the Rural Spirit. He had a load down the week before also. Mr. Weir said he sold a two-year-old Hereford heifer at Dallas a few days ago that weighed 1200 pounds and dressed out 61 2-3 per cent. The butcher kicked on paying him 4 1/2 cents for her, but after selling the carcass over the block said it was as cheap a beef as he ever bought.

You would not delay taking Foley's Kidney Remedy at the first sign of kidney or bladder trouble if you realized that neglect might result in Bright's disease or diabetes. Foley's Kidney Remedy corrects irregularities and cures all kidney and bladder disorders. P. M. Kirkland.

Kitchen Range Explodes. A kitchen range in the farm residence of Frank Jackson, six miles beyond Athena, blew up recently through sudden thawing of the hot-water attachment. The stove was literally torn to fragments, and two house doors were shattered. Mrs. Jackson was badly burned and narrowly escaped death.—Weston Leader

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Yamhill School Statistics. In the 91 school districts in Yamhill county there are employed 149 teachers, receiving an average salary of \$46 per month for females and \$68 per month for males, says the Sheridan Sun. The number of persons of school age—over 4 and under 20 years—is 5947, a gain of 313 over last year. The number of school houses in the county is 92 with a valuation of \$155,225.

Awards \$7000 Damages. A jury in the Krebs-Livesley hop case in circuit court last week awarded the plaintiff \$7000 damages.

Mundue Adjudged Insane. Wilson Mundue of Buena Vista, was last week adjudged insane and sent to the insane asylum. Mundue came to the Independence country last fall and worked during hop picking in Wolf's yard, after which he was employed near Buena Vista. He is laboring under the delusion that he is pursued by three men whose design is to rob and murder him.

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NEWS LETTER FROM NORMAL

The fact that this is the closing week of the semester, and "finals" are in progress, accounts for the serious aspect that has supplanted many a gleeful smile. Friday ends the "torture", however, and on Monday, February 1, begins the first term of the second semester.

The many friends of Miss Lucy Baker are glad to welcome her back to classes. Notwithstanding the loss of study caused by her severe illness Miss Baker will be able to proceed with her course as a junior.

Miss Mary Than, June '08, of Newberg, is at the Normal reviewing for the coming teachers' examinations.

Friday evening was an exceptionally busy one. The literary societies held their regular meetings early in order to have the full program and business meeting in time for the basket ball game. The program poster of the Vespertine Society deserves mention. It was one of the best seen in the case this year. Credit is due Miss Bessie Weston.

By winning the third game this year the Normal Girls' Basket Ball Team bids fair to win the championship of teams of their rank in Oregon. The match was with the Capital Business College of Salem. The score was 22 to 7 in favor of Monmouth. A large crowd was present to cheer the girls to victory. Baskets were notably the credit of Iva Hixon and Mignon Burt, the latter making five first throws. The line-up follows: r. f. Mignon Burt; l. f. Iva Hixon; c. Hazel Dunahoo; r. g. Lora Craven; l. g. Hazel Kuykendall.

The students' dance for the close of the five weeks' term was given at the close of the game as an event in honor of the visiting team. Good music sped a merry two hours and all report a pleasant time.

The seniors of the February class are wearing caps and gowns. This dignified and quaint apparel has not been seen in Monmouth for several years and the novelty is pleasing.

Preparations are in busy progress for the Junior-sophomore reception to be given on Saturday evening. This is the second annual joint reception of these two classes and it promises to be an event worthy of the festive commencement season. Girls' and mens' glee clubs are in practice and some excellent music is assured.

As a pre-commencement occasion occurs the annual tryout for oratorical honors between the literary societies Friday evening. But two societies are to be represented, the Normal and the Vespertine, by D. C. Henry and Mabel Robinson respectively. Miss Ida Goyno was obliged to give up her place on account of extra study caused by the delay at Dolph during the cold weather. "Class sermon" is to be at the Normal chapel at 10:30 Sunday morning, January 31. The churches of Monmouth will unite in this service.

On Monday morning at 9 o'clock will be held the closing assembly of the present semester. Identical with it this year will be the first assembly of the new term. Classes will march in order with banners, and the old chapel will again ring with yell and song, each class attempting to outdo the other.

Commencement exercises are to be held in the Assembly Hall on Monday evening when the first class for the 27th year of the O. S. N. S. will receive diplomas.

The event of the year to the children of the training school came on Saturday evening when the long-talked-of cantata, "The Merry Company" and "Peggy's Dream" were presented. The chorus work of the former deserves special commendation as does the characterization of the special parts. Cadet Alene Hosner; Little Old Man, Claude Boyle; Little Old Woman, Lora Chute. The policemen "knew their business" and their marching and stunts made a decided hit with the audience. "Peggy's Dream" was a credit to all who trained for and participated in it. It went through without a stumble except when Jack "fell down the hill." The costumes and steps were very taking, the parts well adapted. An encouraging sum was realized and work will immediately to begin upon a more intricate production to be given late in the Spring.

You think it strange for dat I am So meek, so quiet like lamb, Benstead for brag a lotta best About da greata granda fest Or leetla dappomen dat ran An' beat us best da Irishman? Of course, signore, eet esha troa I like to say a word or two, But w'at'sa use? Een donna lan' Dere es so many Irishman Dat esh so quiet for get excite An' alla time wantsa fight I gotta come for above da pride An' joo may heart esh feel outside. Donando esh so strong, so gran', He need no be afraid for stan' Een front of many Irishman An' brag a lotta best an' tal How slow dey are. But I mysal, I so can run so vera fast. —T. A. Daily in Catholic Standard and Times.

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SHORT STORIES.

More than 10,000,000 sheets of gold leaf will be used in gilding Philadelphia's city hall tower.

An oil well at Humble, Tex., blew up, belching from a depth of 200 feet below the surface a whole tree.

Sea-weed may be planted in the Schuylkill river as an experiment to attempt to filter the water which is used for drinking purposes in Philadelphia.

During old home week in Candia, N. H., recently "Parson's one horse shay," made more than fifty years ago, but still in excellent state of preservation, was exhibited.

More than 1,000,000,000 picture post cards were mailed in Germany last year, 800,000,000 in Great Britain, more than 700,000,000 in this country and about 600,000,000 in Japan.

The two new battleships which were authorized by the last session of congress will be named Utah and Florida. With the exception of Oklahoma and Wyoming every state in the Union is now represented in the navy.

Church Work.

General Secretary John R. Mott of the World's Student Christian federation reports 132,000 members in all parts of the world.

The mission study movement in this country expects this year to have at least 175,000 persons enrolled, having started six years ago with about 17,000.

The Kansas City Salvation Army has planned a building for its work to cost \$100,000, but will not start operations until \$50,000 in cash has been secured.

The German Methodists control the little village of Santa Claus, Ind., owning there a large tabernacle, where an annual camp meeting has been held for years.

A church clearing house has been formed at Los Angeles to which ministers all over the country will be asked to send the names of church members who move to that city that they may be followed up and brought into some one of the congregations.

Fly Catches.

Manager Fred Clarke picked up two strong veterans for his outfield in Roy Thomas and "Spike" Shannon.

In one respect "Jiggs" Donohue has something on every first sacker in the country. He is afflicted with appendicitis.

Clarence Owens, the star umpire of the American association, will be a member of President Pulliam's corps next season.

An osteopath has discovered that Jesse Tannehill's shoulder and two ribs were displaced by an accident several years ago, which accounted for his loss of form as a pitcher. He can be cured of his trouble.

Victor Willis has been pitching great ball for the Pittsburg Nationals this season. Nevertheless the tall twirler has difficulty in winning. He always stacks up against a good pitcher, and the Pirates seldom score many runs back of him.

English Etchings.

Two peacocks a year become extinct in England.

In the time of Edward I. every man was compelled to have bows and arrows and to use them for his country's defense if called upon.

Plaster portraits are now the fad in London and are done in the form of little bas-reliefs. It is said that an expert can mold a good one in forty-five minutes.

Women are fighting in England for the right to practice pharmacy, and the pharmacists are fighting to keep them out on the ground that the calling is overcrowded already.

Liverpool has a library of 280,000 volumes. The number of books taken home during the last year was 1,362,000, while 1,410,444 were used for reference in the library. In other words, each book was on the average used ten times.

New York City.

It requires 15,200 stenographers to do the office business of New York city.

There are two persons married in New York city each eleven minutes in the day.

The average daily consumption of eggs in New York city is two for each individual.

Manhattan is the most densely populated island in the world. It has a population of 99,150 persons to the square mile.

New York city is growing rapidly in its population of millionaires. There are about 2,000 of them now, while there were only thirty a quarter of a century ago.—New York Herald.

Forestalled.

"You remind me so of a dear, good friend I used to know—same features, same manner and a similar voice."

"Well, I am not like him in one particular."

"What's that?"

"I have no money to lend."

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SEASONABLE.
The Christmas present problem looms largely on our view. It takes a lot of money. And judgment to pull through. Just wince to dip in gently. And where far-out to reach, which ones to be remembered. And what to buy for each.

Before he starts to count them a fellow wouldn't dream there were so many children. That held him in esteem. So many little pieces. And neighbors on the list. Before he takes a census. To see that none is missed.

And, though he is determined to see it through or bust, he feels to put it over. That he should own a trout. His present ready money. May last for half a week; then he must scold his credit until it springs a leak.

This buying grandy trickles for Archie, Tom and Kate is something of a problem. You'll find this list is straight. The Christmas present burden is on our minds today. Much like an axe, a lumber. And will not fade away.

Depended on the Kind.



"Are drafts healthy?" asked the man who had been investigating several of the new health fads.

"Not," responded the boarder who lived in a financial atmosphere, "unless you have the money in the bank to meet them when they come straggling in."

Careful With It. "And this is a river," mused the traveler, gazing down over a dry and glistening waste of sand.

"You're on," replied the guide. "This is the great Toohoohee river of which you have heard."

"Do you take it in when it rains," asked the traveler, "so that it will not get wet and warp?"

He Felt the Need. "I admire myself very much." "Do you?" "Yes, I do."

"Why?" "Can't you see why?" "No, I can't, and I don't see how anybody else can."

"Well, that's the reason."

Their Natural Key. "We are going to form a newsboys' quartet." "That will be great." "Novel at least."

"I suppose they will sing only in Gee!"

Knew Him. "Fond of Brown?" "No." "Why?" "Too touching."

A-plenty.
Christmas comes but once a year. Which seems pretty tough. When you're buying presents, though. It is quite enough.

PERT PARAGRAPHS.
Casually mention in the hearing of your relatives and friends that you might get yourself that set of beautiful books that you have covered so long if you didn't have to spend so much in Christmas presents. It will make them prize so much more highly the trifle that you present them with at the merry, merry Yuletide.

Mabel ought to be satisfied with a ribbon ornament. It doesn't amount to much, but it certainly does make a great "how, and she ought to be giving you something worth while.

When ladies get into a scurrilous over the prices at a party, could it be called a price fight?

Mother, who is always neat and careful, can save something this season by sending those Christmas cards that she resolved last season to her relatives in New Orleans.

Always give your richest relative the most costly present. He needs it so much more than any one else, and some day he is going to write a will.

A fool and his money very often make a noise like a good thing.

Resolutions adopted by the Portland Chamber of Commerce to be submitted to the legislature, if adopted, will provide for an appropriation by the legislature that will enable the Railroad Commission of the state to contest the rate advances before the Interstate Commerce Commission. It is thought that with funds sufficient to carry on any proceedings they may think necessary, the members of the state commission may be able to oppose the increase in rates successfully.

The Girls' Collegiate Debating League of Oregon, the first organization ever formed in the state for exclusive contests among the co-eds, was organized in Albany Saturday afternoon. The following officers were chosen: Rhoda Stalmaker, of Albany College, president; Beulah Spaulding, Pacific College, vice-president; Jennie Tillybur, of McMinnville College, secretary; Jean Kuykendall, of Oregon State Normal School, Monmouth, treasurer.

Frank Jennings, alleged to have been working the "green goods" game on a number of people in Southern Oregon, has been arrested and locked up at Grants Pass upon advice of the United States marshal. Jennings has been representing himself as a deputy United States marshal. Jennings was at one time a pal of Bertha Etta Gordon, who was murdered by a bartender at Marshfield last Summer. At the time of the killing it was rumored that she was mixed up with a counterfeiting gang to which Jennings also belonged.

Give the children red mittens and pocket handkerchiefs. They will be certain to remember you in after years if you do.

Some babies look like their daddies. They seem to be harmless little things, and one would think they would have better taste.