

## INDEPENDENCE ENTERPRISE

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## JUST USE COMMON SENSE

The best way to dispose of the measures which will be placed on the ballot this fall is to vote "no" on all that you do not understand or do not believe will be for the best interests of the country to have voted onto the people. It is safer to vote no than to not vote at all. Just because the measure is allowed to be placed on the ballot is no recommendation for the sanity of the proposal. It requires a very small proportion of the voting population of the country to get a measure on the ballot but it takes a good deal more to get it off. The best way is to defeat questionable legislation and all legislation should be considered questionable that you do not understand. Above all, it is the part of wisdom to vote against all measures affecting new counties and county division measures that occur on the ballot. They are questions that should be settled by the interested parties and their settlement belongs more particularly to the legislature of the state. Just use good common sense when you come to mark your ballot and do the things that you know to be right and no harm will come to the country.

## PASSING OF THE CIRCUS

In exchange for several columns of free advertising several of the newspapers of the country will receive tickets to the Barnum & Bailey show which is to be in Salem this week. It is astonishing how some publishers can find the cheek to charge some advertisers five and ten cents straight a line and give grafters such as these shows ten and fifteen dollars worth of free reading for a paltry reserved seat at the ringside. It is said that after the two or three columns of free advertising is published the publisher is required to be identified and a certificate of publication duly issued and acknowledged before a notary public before the reserved seat is forthcoming.

The Enterprise thinks too much of its advertising columns to allow these grafters to get in on them. The age of the show grafters is passing.

FOREST FIRES  
DISASTROUS

That the forest fires of the past month are but an earnest of worse to come unless people give more active heed to warnings, is the tenor of a review of the fire situation by the Western Forestry & Conservation Association based upon advices from private and official fire fighting agencies throughout the Pacific northwest. August with conditions infinitely more dangerous, for besides increased dryness of the forests due to prolonged absence of rain, almost continuous fire fighting has only kept in check innumerable fires which still smoulder to be fanned beyond control should strong wind prevail.

Throughout most of Oregon and Washington, up to the present time, more extensive organizations by timber owners and the Forest Service than ever existed before has fairly well counterbalanced the unusually great number of fires. Most of them have been controlled promptly. Nevertheless, the aggregate of small outbreaks in valuable timber represents heavy loss. The Santiam, Klamath, Willamette and Hood River districts in Oregon, and the Grays Harbor and Colville districts in Washington have suffered seriously. Three men and four women have burned to death in these two states already and the season is not half over.

Since all forces are fighting day and night with no time to make reports it is impossible to estimate the damage done in Idaho and Montana, though doubtless there has been much exaggeration. In Idaho, especially, where timber owners' fire associations are highly efficient, what seemed an almost hopeless situation has been gotten pretty well in check. In the Coeur d'Alene district but three fires remain not reported under control,

Washington where they will visit these being on Pine and Graham Creek, near Wallace, and on the west side of lake Coeur d'Alene. In Western Montana the situation is about as bad as it can be, all available help being enlisted without any certainty of the outcome if rain does not soon intervene.

The Association emphasizes that the most dangerous portion of the season is still to come. There are fires everywhere that are barely being held in leash. New ones will overtax all existing organization. Since conditions threaten under which fire may travel long distances, timber owners are urged to extend patrol beyond their own tracts to all danger points. Establishment of citizens fire brigades is advised, organizing in advance for having help, leadership and equipment available without loss of time. Cities and towns are asked to take similar steps to supply men when called upon, with arrangements for transportation. Every citizen is urged to spare neither friend nor foe in reporting violations of the fire laws, especially by campers, land-clearers and spark-emitting locomotives. It is pointed out by the Association that if the warnings widely circulated earlier in the season had resulted in such steps, loss of life and property would have been largely avoided. They still apply with even greater force.

## MONMOUTH NEWS

Miss Della Rush, a teacher at Oregon Agricultural College, visited the Misses Jackson this week.

Mrs. H. E. Guthrie returned Wednesday from a pleasant stay at Nye beach.

Mrs. Mary Campbell, her mother and her daughter, Miss Agnes Campbell, returned Saturday from a two weeks' visit to their cottage at Nye beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Tupper of Dilley attended the funeral of W. N. Boots, the father of Mrs. Tupper.

The Ladies' Aid of the Christian church gave a farewell reception Thursday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. Belshe and daughter, Miss Nellie, who will soon go to Mexico. Ice cream and cake were served and a social time was enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Powell went to Newport Monday.

The busy hum of the threshers around town indicates that the harvest will soon be over. There are five crews in sight of Monmouth at present.

Monroe Mulkey is making some improvements on his farm south of town.

Misses Maggie and Allie Butler returned from Newport where they spent two weeks enjoying the old Pacific's health-giving air.

Miss Opal Hall has returned to her art position in New York after a delightful summer spent at her home here with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Riggs and two friends were through here from Salem in their auto Sunday.

W. N. Boots, aged seventy years, died at his home here Sunday morning of heart disease. The funeral took place at 1 o'clock Tuesday from the Christian church, Rev. W. A. Wood officiating. Interment was made in the K. of P. cemetery south of Monmouth. Rev. J. N. Mulkey of Bethel assisted in the services. Mr. Boots leaves a wife and three children all of whom were present: N. O. Boots of Monmouth and two daughters, Mrs. Mabel Tupper of Dilley and Mrs. Louise Hedrick of Drain. Also, there were eight grandchildren in the family. He was a good substantial citizen and a kind and loving husband and father. He was a member of A. O. U. W. and A. F. & A. M. but always expressed his desire for a simple Christian burial.

Mrs. Mary Campbell of Kentucky is visiting her cousins here this week.

Mrs. M. E. Percival went to Newport Wednesday.

Our people are driving down to the peach orchards on the river for that luscious fruit, which is a good crop this year.

Rev. W. W. Davis and family have returned home from their outing on the Alsea where they have a farm.

## PREPARE

For Bumper Fruit and Hop Crop

FRUIT DRYING STOVES  
& STEEL HOP STOVES

a Specialty

These stoves are made of heavy boiler plate lined with fire brick — they require no masonry to be installed — every inch of these stoves is heating surface — they are made in all sizes

We also have Dryer Pipes

## ANDERSON FURNACE CO.

MANUFACTURER OF

The Furnace That Has Made Salem Famous

558 TRADE STREET, SALEM, ORE GON. PHONE 886

Monmouth assumes a very business-like attitude these busy days. Every one seems to be employed.

## SIDNEY NEWS.

Miss Leatha Miller of Jefferson has been visiting with Miss Maude Epley.

George Marlatt was at Salem Friday.

James Porter of Portland is visiting around the vicinity of his old home.

Dr. H. Clifford Epley and wife and a number of other Salem people came up from Salem one day last week in the Dr's touring car.

Harry McCormick has returned home from Roseburg.

George Law of Northfield, Minn., is visiting at the home of E. B. Cochran Mrs. Law, a sister of Mr. Cochran, came last spring.

Miss Linnie Epley returned from Albany last Monday.

Mrs. J. C. McClure was at Jefferson Monday.

A. T. Wain, wife and son of Salem were at the Sidney Mill Sunday.

W. H. Scott and wife of Independence came up to their farm last Sunday.

S. A. Pease and wife of Jefferson were at the Sidney Mills Monday.

Miss Edith West, of Tacoma is visiting Miss Linnie Epley.

Mrs. Dumas of Flag Staff, Arizona is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Marlatt.

Carl Kihs, who lives on the W. H. Anderson place, has bought the Will Looney place two miles east of Jefferson and will move on it the 1st. of October.

Mrs. O. O. Epley and children and Miss Roxy Gunsauls of Jefferson are visiting at the home of C. A. Epley.

George Marlatt and Fred Green were at Jefferson Tuesday.

## BUENA VISTA

T. P. Ogelsbee, was transacting business in Independence, Saturday. F. M. Donaldson, was a Portland passenger Sunday.

R. E. Steele of Bend, Wash., is here visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Steele.

Mrs. J. R. and Fred Loy, departed several days ago for the state of with friends and relatives. Fred in-

forms us that a bachelor life is anything but a success.

J. D. Winn, was transacting business in Independence Saturday.

The would be assassin of Mayor Gaynor, it is said is sorry now that he fired the almost fatal shot, the truthfulness of which we do not question. But why is it that the wicked almost invariably wait until the eleventh hour before they are awakened to a sense of the enormity of their misdeeds? Why not take a little time and look at a question from every conceivable point of view and be absolutely certain that you are right before putting your conclusions into execution? If this theory is carried out to the letter we will venture the assertion that no one will have cause to repent, or spend his best days behind prison bars.

Mrs. R. L. and George Hall, were Independence visitors Saturday.

## Your Fire Insurance

On account of the great demand for a mutual fire insurance company here in Independence by the people generally I have arranged to represent the Farmers' Fire Relief Association.—Chas. E. Hicks.

Do You Know  
What This Name  
Stands For?

INTERNATIONAL  
TAILORING CO.  
New York and Chicago

It stands for the highest  
quality made-to-measure  
clothes sold at the lowest  
prices—POSITIVELY.

By making the finest clothes  
the International built up the  
most gigantic tailoring business  
in America and their reputation  
demands that they  
shall go on doing so.

Insure yourself by getting  
your work done by the best  
house in the trade. "Seeing  
is believing". See the all-wool  
fabrics—see the prices—see the styles—SEE US.

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