

Independence Enterprise

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WHERE TO BUY

Merchants supply evidence of an awakening to better conditions around Independence in larger stocks and better class of goods than has been handled for a long time. Shipments of goods are being received daily and some are pretty large shipments—particularly in hardware and implements and the general merchandising line, including dry goods, gents' furnishings and notions in ladies' dress goods, furniture, etc., in Independence forging to the front. The larger stocks carried are in response to the demand. And the demand is increasing daily. Last Saturday the streets were thronged with people from Airlie, Monmouth, Luckiamute, Suver, Parkersburg, Vista, and other points, who are beginning to appreciate the advantages given here as a shopping place. People were seen trading here last week who have not been in the habit of coming this way for a market and to secure merchandise for a number of years. No reason for this change can be given other than the increased stocks; and the more that people find they can select from large stocks in Independence, the more they will come this way. That the country around about be supplied from here is of mutual interest to merchant and buyer.

Goods are sold as cheap and in many instances cheaper here than in the larger places. The merchants are now handling all kinds of produce, including everything raised on farm or orchard. There is no longer excuse for one, looking for a market for produce or for bargains in goods in most lines, to go farther than Independence.

ALL ARE INTERESTING

In the event of the development of certain conditions hinged upon certain contingencies which are dependent upon a more or less amiable condition of the mind on the part of voters of the United States, the Hon. Wm. Jennings Bryan will sooner or later be proclaimed President of the United States, the balloon of Wellman may or may not have passed over Blagwell on his way to the Pole as re-

ported in certain aerographs. These things are all interesting, but the most interesting thing to the people of Polk county is the contest now being run jointly by the Enterprise and Conkey & Walker.

After January 15th candidates for the piano prizes will not be accepted unless by special arrangement with the Contest Manager. No use fussing. If you are coming, come in now.

If the Contest Department is not at fault, the success of the Honorable Connie Mack in winning base ball games is founded almost wholly upon his acuteness in the perception of an opportunity, and the Honorable Mr. Mack's perception department is not needed by a brass band, if anyone should back you into a corner and inquire about it. This is a fact Mr. Mack is not particular whether there is an opportunity or not. If one does not exist, he creates it; if one exists, he enlarges it.

If Connie Mack were a candidate in this great \$1330 Contest he would have everybody guessing right now. As a matter of fact it does not require the keenest perception in the world to see that this is one of the most glorious opportunities ever offered to prospective candidates.

TWELVE PAGES

Commencing January 15 The Enterprise will issue with its regular weekly publication, a four page magazine section intended to be of great interest to the readers. This will make a twelve page paper.

The price of the Enterprise is and has always been \$1.50 per annum, and we do not intend to reduce the subscription price below the cost of its publication.

To make the price of this paper 60 cents a year would mean that its value would be no more than 60 cts. A newspaper cannot be published at cost no more than a merchant can sell one dollar's worth of sugar for 60 cents. Our ambition is to make the Enterprise better and worth more to the reader, and to do this it must necessarily be published at a profit. We have decided, however, to make the subscription campaign and piano contest a bargain period, as a help to contestants, and will make the price \$1.00 per year to all. After May 2, the close of the contest, the regular subscription price will be resumed.

Annual Shareholders' Meeting. Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers State Bank of Independence will be held the second Tuesday in January (January 14, 1913), between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., at the bank, for the purpose of selecting a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

C. W. IRVINE, Cashier.
Dated this 5th day of December, 1912.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM

THE NORMAL SCHOOL CITY

Mrs. J. M. Hains is quite sick at her home on Main street.

E. M. Bryan of Albany, was in town on business one day last week.

Schools closed Friday for a ten days' vacation.

Last Friday evening the train was quite late in arriving at Monmouth.

P. Chase returned from his homestead in Lake county and will spend the holidays here.

Miss Gladys Parker entertained a number of her friends on Tuesday evening of last week.

Several from here attended the dance at Independence Thursday evening.

Many of the students and instructors are away this week spending the Christmas vacation.

J. M. Stone, the miller, is now established in the residence recently purchased from Samuel Strickler, on Clay street.

Mr. Skeen of Denver, who visited Monmouth a year ago, contemplates starting a furniture and hardware store here soon.

The Normal School basket ball team was defeated in a game at Independence Saturday evening by the I. H. S. team.

Several from here went to Salem on the special train Thursday evening to hear the great singer. All report much delight over the trip and entertainment.

Students of the Monmouth Training school gave Christmas exercises in the Chapel of the Normal building Friday forenoon. It was largely attended and greatly appreciated.

Lester E. Stone and Miss Violet Conkey quietly obtained a marriage license last Thursday and were as quietly married the next day. The marriage was a great surprise to their friends in this city.

Lunn-Ackerman Wedding.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ackerman was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday noon, December 21, when Miss Isabella Vivian Ackerman, the youngest daughter of the household, became the bride of Alfred G. Lunn. Rev. William G. Elliot was the officiating clergyman.

The bride wore charmose in train. Her attendant, Miss Hortense Eppley, was attired in not trimmed with tucking over pink messaline. Mr. Scott Hawley served as best man.

The home was prettily decorated with smilix and chrysanthemums. The wedding march from "Lohengrin" was played by Miss Cuba Anik. A dainty wedding luncheon followed the ceremony. Only relatives and a few close friends witnessed the wedding.

Harry Patterson and wife of Grays River, Wash., visited at the D. L. Hedges home Christmas.

On and after January 1, 1913, owing to the high price of meats, I have decided to place my business on a cash basis. In doing this I can afford to give the people more meat for the money. We have our own delivery system and will deliver to all parts of the city. All telephone orders will be delivered. C. O. D. Look for our ad in this paper for the prices of meats to take effect January 1, 1913—Young's Meat Market.

AT THE M. E. CHURCH

S. S. at 10 a. m. Classes for all ages.
Preaching, 11 a. m.—Looking backward and forward.
Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.—Leader Miss Aida Gillespie.
Evening sermon, 7:30 p. m.—Theme A Great Opportunity.
Everyone invited.—F. N. Sandifur, Pastor.

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OBITUARY MENTION

Christen Anderson, a brief mention

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Picture shows the new "Lasticurve-Back"—broad gores of elastic which extend far below the back steels and are laced clear down to the end.

The gores are of the new Lastikops Cloth, the latest Nemo elastic fabric, which is guaranteed to retain all of its original elasticity.

When you stand, the very long skirt clings closely, and follows the in-curve of the figure; corset-edge can't show through even a gauzy gown.

When you sit down, the corset-skirt spreads freely—you're comfortable. Two models:

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FIRST PRIZE to the person receiving the highest number of votes, a Lyon-Taylor Upright Piano, worth \$350.
SECOND PRIZE, a due bill for \$200.00 to apply as payment on a Lyon-Taylor Piano.
THIRD PRIZE, a due bill for \$240.00 to apply as above.
FOURTH PRIZE, a due bill for \$240.00 to apply as above.
FIFTH PRIZE, a due bill for \$230.00 to apply as above.

Each candidate will have five chances to qualify for a Piano prize.

FIVE OTHER PRIZES FREE.

How to Obtain Votes—Make your purchase at CONKEY & WALKER'S Store or get likewise. Every subscription means 1000 votes.

Ballot Box Open and sample Prize Piano on exhibition in Conkey & Walker's Store. Contest officially opened with this announcement and will run without interruption until May 1. Watch this paper for further announcements.

COUPON Good for 1000 votes when used to nominate a new candidate.
I VOTE FOR _____
Free Piano Contest

Who Do You Think Ought to Have the Piano?

Fill out the coupon and send it in. It will not cost you anything and will count 1000 votes for your candidate.

Special Discount

on Carvers and Chafing Dishes Until January 1

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