



SHIPPER SHIPPERS TO BE REVIVED

PROVISION FOR NORTHWEST PORTLAND IN OCTOBER REVISE WAYS

The shipping problems of the northwest are becoming acute and the serious thought of shippers, merchants, farmers, and all who must avail themselves of shipping facilities. The high rates in the past have been a serious matter against the northwest, and now with the new effective on the 25th of August, the whole matter is presented as a problem, the seriousness of which can only be contemplated.

Railroads are handicapped on account of the lack of equipment, and are striving to give service which is unable to handle the situation. In the matter of transportation of products and raw materials from this section or to provide that seems satisfactory to the northwest shipping public. There was ever a time in the history of the northwest when the men should be alive to the development of maritime trade and to co-operate on the part of such development or to seriously these problems mean so much to the business of this section, it is now for merchants and industries of the northwest can be seen through the development of ship lines and harbor facilities will be able to handle the business of this part of the country, the advantage of both rail and water transportation. The future prosperity of the northwest demands action. The lumber industry is dependent upon the prompt and expeditious shipment of lumber to eastern markets and trade centers. Farmers have better transportation facilities for marketing their grain, stock and other produce. The success of our industries depend to a great extent on the ability to secure lowest rates combined with the service for the shipment of products from the east and for distribution of their manufactured articles if they are to compete with other industrial centers of the world.

The Oregon State Chamber of Commerce has discussed this matter thoroughly with C. W. Hodson, Portland, Oregon's representative to the National Rivers and Harbors Congress. Mr. Hodson states that it is necessary that immediate drastic action be taken to improve our harbors and increase our shipping facilities if the northwest is to keep pace with other parts of the United States. The men in this northwest territory are a unit in believing that something must be done.

The Oregon Chamber of Commerce assumed the responsibility of calling a movement that should outline plans for the solution of the problem, a convention has been called to meet in Portland, October 15, 1920. Present at this convention will be the representatives of the northwest states in congress, representative of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, delegates from all the railroads and shipping lines of the northwest, delegates from the port bodies, commercial organizations, wholesalers, and many other prominent business men who are interested in the development of our territory. All for this convention is being held to these various organizations and individuals and an invitation extended to them to be present and part in the deliberations.

The congress convenes in Washington, on the second Monday in December. The National Rivers and Harbors Congress the second week of the year. It is desired, as the definite plans outlined for transportation to those two bodies. The full co-operation of interested can results be secured. While this is a matter which affects primarily the shipper, nevertheless should demand the attention of every northwest resident in the end it is the consumer who pays the bills.

AUTO MEN HOLD GET TOGETHER MEETING

The Jolk County Automotive Dealers' association met at the Hotel Beaver last Friday night. President G. C. Skinner presided and after a substantial report had been served matters of interest to the association were discussed. The outstanding feature of the affair was an address by C. W. Irvine on finance in general and automobile financing in particular.

In addition to the local dealers, there were present: R. J. Walton, D. M. Shattuck, J. D. Naylor, S. C. Kinne, P. G. Trapzer, F. J. Wagner and C. W. Fox.

The next meeting will be held at Dallas September 3.

NORMAL NOTES

The Oregon Normal School will open its doors for the year's work on September 20. At this time the work will start on the revised course for the first time. The revision is along two lines: First, the year is divided into three terms of twelve weeks each. This makes it possible for more intensive work in each subject and lengthens the practice teaching period two weeks. Second, it provides much greater specialization and a greater choice of electives. The special courses offered are primary, intermediate, advanced, music, drawing, physical education, household economy and commercial. The new course offered is the commercial, the completion of which authorizes one to teach commercial subjects in high school. The completion of the courses in music, drawing and physical education authorizes one to teach said subjects in high schools. The new instructors are: W. G. Beattie, head of the rural school department and institute instructor; Miss Bess Godbold, head of the public speaking department; Miss Louise Syp, instructor in commercial subjects; Miss Lola Records, third and fourth grade critic Monmouth Training School; Miss Bessie McChesney, third and fourth grade critic Independence Training School; Mrs. Chloe A. Seymour, supervisor Elkins rural center; Miss Florence Hill, assistant supervisor Elkins rural center; Miss Nan Hunter, assistant supervisor Mountain View rural center.

The summer school during the first six weeks was administered in two sections, one at Monmouth and one at Pendleton. The enrollment at Monmouth was 475 and at Pendleton 60 and the work of both sections was very successful. The summer session at Monmouth was continued for six weeks beginning August 2, and was planned for those who wished to complete the teachers elementary training course. The enrollment for this term was 42 and very satisfactory work is being done. Mr. Butler, Mr. Gentle and Mr. Ostein are the instructors. It is the first time the institution has offered the twelve weeks' summer school for any class of students and in all probability such a course will be offered next summer with additional courses.

The board of regents, at its annual meeting, authorized the enlargement of the heating plant and plans are under way for the enlargement of the dormitory next spring. A very valuable report has recently been issued by the Carnegie Foundation covering the preparation and training of teachers especially in Normal schools. The faculty in all probability will make an intensive study of said report during the year with a view of comparing the work now being done in the Normal with the suggestions of the report. Said report would be very interesting reading for anyone interested in Normal training.

DALLAS-FALLS CITY PHONE RATES ARE INCREASED

A boost in telephone rates on the lines serving Dallas and Falls City has been ordered by the public service commission. Owned by the Willamette Telephone company, the same as the Independence and Monmouth system, the new rates are identical with those placed in effect here and in Monmouth July 15, and there is likewise a 10-cent toll charge between Dallas and Falls City.

GASOLINE AT WIGRICH SPUR

DISTRIBUTION STARTED WEDNESDAY WITH BRISK DEMAND—PRICE 37 CENTS

The long-delayed car of gasoline, ordered by the Independence Retail Dealers' association arrived Monday night and was "spotted" on the Wigrich spur just to the foot of cemetery hill, where the work of distributing it was started Wednesday morning. There was a clamor for it, and about half of it was handled the first day. The good work is still in progress and it is probable that the tank will be emptied either today or tomorrow. It contained 8000 gallons and 37 cents is the price.

On the preceding car, the association after paying the necessary expense had a balance of close to thirty dollars. Or rather it looked that way until the first of this week when the railroad filed a claim of about fifty dollars as alleged under charge on the freight.

Notwithstanding this, the association is satisfied that much has been accomplished by augmenting the gasoline supply for this neighborhood.

The committee having charge of the distribution of the gas is composed of F. C. McLean, G. C. Skinner, C. W. Irvine, George Conkey, M. C. Williams and W. E. Craven.

ARTHUR WARD INJURED BY EXPLOSION OF SHELL

The explosion of a shell, just after the gun had missed fire and had been opened, came exceedingly close to resulting in serious injury last evening to Arthur Ward, crack shot of K company, Oregon National Guard, and an employe of the Farmers' State Bank.

He went across the river to the range for practice. A shell failed to explode, and as he opened the gun to investigate, he was caught with flying pieces from the jagged shell. One piece cut a gash in the eyelid, but the ball was not injured and his face was peppered with the tiny particles of brass and one hand somewhat lacerated.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS BIBLE CHAUTAUQUA HERE

Under the auspices of the Western Oregon conference of Seven Day Adventists, a bible chautauqua will be opened in the big pavilion at the corner of Sixth and S streets, Sunday night. There will be lectures, sermons, music and stereoptican views.

The missionaries in charge will be J. A. Reiber and B. J. Cody.

GRAND OLD MAN 80 YEARS YOUNG

ORVILLE BUTLER CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY AT HIS HOME IN MONMOUTH

Hale, hearty and jovial, Orville Butler, Monmouth's grand old man, celebrated his eightieth birthday Monday. Crossing the plains at a time when it was regarded as a stupendous undertaking, he settled in Oregon in 1847. He lived at Oregon City, Portland, Eola, and finally in Monmouth, which was named for the same town in Illinois.

Mr. Butler has accomplished life's greatest achievement in a family of six sturdy, successful men and women. They are: Dr. O. D. Butler and C. Word Butler of Independence; Vance Butler of Orville Station; Dr. Frank E. Butler of Portland; Mrs. J. F. O'Donnell of Driggs, Idaho, and Mrs. L. L. Smith of Cordova, Alaska.

Those of his children who reside close by spent the anniversary evening at his home and showered him with birthday gifts and good wishes and partook of a birthday cake and ice cream.

INDEPENDENCE DEFEATS FALLS CITY 6 TO 2

The Independence "Colts" climbed into the real speedy class last Sunday, defeating Falls City on the local ground by a score of 6 to 2. There was spectacular work by the locals and had it not been for a costly error the visitors would have been given a "goose-egg."

Independence pulled a triple play at a time when it counted heavily. With two men on bases, Loy pulled down a fly, sent the ball to Taylor on second, getting a putout, who in turn pushed it on to Barrick on the first mound, beating the runner to it. This same triplet of players handled a grounder in the same manner in another inning, killing two men.

In addition to pitching practically a perfect game, Stoltenberg got a homer to his credit in the fourth, and Loy and Addison each grabbed a two-sacker.

This makes an even break for these teams, two and two. Falls City has an exceptionally strong team this season, with a pitcher in the league class. The "Tigers" have been doing exceptionally good work all the season, and at times the boys get in the spectacular class.

Negotiations are under way for a series of games on the Independence grounds with Falls City during the season.

FORMER INDEPENDENCE GIRL MARRIED AT CAMAS, WASH.

Miss Ruby Gentry, a former Independence girl and a graduate of the Monmouth Normal School, was married Thursday of this week to Prof. Sherman Gilbert, principal of the high school at Silver Lake, Wash. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents at Camas, Wash.

Immediately following the ceremony, the bride and groom departed on a honeymoon trip to southern Oregon, where the groom's parents reside.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gentry, residents of Independence for many years, preceding the departure of the family to the Washington city on the Columbia about three years ago. She was born here, and after preparing herself for a teacher at the Normal, taught one year in the Baker public schools and last year at the government island. Prof. Gilbert is also a graduate of the Monmouth Normal, and is holding a very fine position as principal of the Silver Lake high school.

The announcement of the marriage will come as a surprise to the many Independence friends of the family, but felicitations will be freely extended.

"CONTINUED SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY"—D'OLIER

National Commander D'Olier of the American Legion, who is on an eight weeks' tour through the west, expressed the purpose and aims of the Legion in an address given in Portland Monday evening. Mr. D'Olier says, in part:

"I was fortunate enough to have been one of the original 20 who met in France and discussed the formation of such an organization there, and in view of that the present trip has been a wonderful revelation. It brought to me vividly the tremendous growth of the organization in an unusually short time.

"In a few years the service men will be running this country. Not because they are service men, or because they are associated in any kind of organization. But because the same men who were the picked young men of the nation in time of need will be the men who will have the initiative and force to take the leadership. When the war came and we responded to the call many of us for the first time felt the satisfaction which comes from service. And so service must be the keynote of the future, service to our country and to our comrades.

"Less than a year after it had been organized, the American Legion was called upon to take a firm stand upon one of the great problems before the nation. The men were scarcely back from France before there came the outcries of radicals and revolutionists from within. The stand which the American Legion took upon that issue was so clear that the radical element was stopped. We had met force with force in France and we were prepared to do it if need be in America. We who had dedicated our lives to the protection of our country from its foes without stood ready to give our lives, if necessary, to protect our country from its enemies within.

"In a little more than a year the American Legion has grown from a mere idea to a great organization, having for its members representative American men in all parts of the country, with 10,000 posts and over a million and a half members. Such a growth has never been experienced before by any organization in the history of this country, and was only possible because of two things—because the ideals were right and because the organization was planned along practical lines.

"The purpose of the American Legion is given in its constitution which you have read. But summed up in a few words that purpose is to keep alive the spirit of service to our country, which fired the American soldiers to great deeds during the war and to keep alive likewise those who answered the country's call."

ORVILLE HORSE MISSING STRAYED OR STOLEN

A horse belonging to Orville Butler of Orville, has been missing since Monday. It has either strayed away or has been stolen. Mr. Butler is inclined to believe that the animal has been stolen.

LOCAL PLANT GOES TO DALLAS

INDEPENDENCE LOSES THRIVING INSTITUTION BY AID OF SHERIFF

The plant of a thriving independence industry has been moved to Dallas. With steam up and everything else ready for a busy season, the time-used monkey wrench was thrown into the machinery Monday night by Sheriff John W. Orr. The result:

Two men gave a clever exhibition of sprinting, the sheriff indulged in a little artillery practice, and hundreds of pounds of what had been perfectly good prunes and raisins were fed to the fishes of the Willamette.

Investigation determined that the plant had a capacity of a quart every six minutes, and it was quite markedly in evidence that it had seen considerable service.

It was located in the residence property of Frank Evans in what is known as old town.

Realizing that Falls City, Marion county, or any other particular spot, has no exclusive franchise for this kind of an institution, and with a "tip" that these are moonshiny nights, Sheriff Orr, accompanied by M. L. Boyd of the Dallas Itemizer, came here Monday night. After crossing the fill on the highway leading out of town to the north, he encountered a very pronounced scent. Investigation finally led to the Evans house. But in the meantime a dog had sounded the alarm. The sheriff and the newspaper man closed in upon the house, and simultaneously two men made a sudden exit from the front door and they carried not. The sheriff fired twice but instead of halting them the shots seemed to lend them wings.

By the moonshine the sheriff recognized them and he now has their visiting card in his inside pocket. Returning to the house they found a going business. All the manufactured product had been removed, and apparently by quick action. However, the fire was burning, steam was up and everything in readiness for creating a considerable number of headaches. When the sheriff made his official call Mr. Evans was not at home. The officer took charge to things and after securing a quantity of the product as evidence, had the partly manufactured product taken to the river in a truck. Dozens of quart fruit jars were found and it was apparent that the proprietors had been making a practice of aging their product in glass. Made of copper and along the most approved lines, the plant was an up-to-date affair. It was taken to the county seat by the sheriff and will be held pending the apprehension of the owners.

JOHN M. WALKER, FORMERLY HERE, DIES IN PORTLAND

John M. Walker, well-known in Independence, and for a considerable time in the employ of the Standard Oil company here, died in a sanitarium in Portland, last Sunday. Contracting tuberculosis while serving in the navy, he had been confined in the institution since last March.

The funeral was held from the Clough undertaking parlors at Salem Tuesday afternoon, and interment was made in that city. Those attending the services from here were Mr. and Mrs. C. Word Butler and D. E. Fletcher.

Mr. Walker was about 30 years old, single, and is survived by a mother and three brothers living in Portland and one sister in Seattle.

Mr. Walker was a deservedly popular young man and his death is deeply regretted by a large circle of friends.

MRS. F. C. EDDY IS NOW GRADUATE CORSETER

Mrs. F. C. Eddy is now a graduate corsetier, having received a diploma from the H. W. Gossard training school which was in session in Portland last week. Mrs. Eddy returned Monday after having spent an entire week attending the school. There were about 70 in attendance. Mrs. Emily MacDonald, one of the instructors, has a reputation of being the most skilled in this country in corset affairs.

