



MAIL DELIVERY PROJECT HAS ENDORSEMENT OF BUSINESS MEN AND OTHERS

Application is to be made for the delivery of mail matter in Independence by Postmaster Homer S. Wood. The project has the endorsement of the Retail Merchants' association, and in other towns where it has been established it is proving very successful.

The matter was brought before the association at its regular meeting Tuesday evening. Postmaster Wood was present and stated that the government permitted the inauguration of what is known as the village delivery system after the receipts of the office have reached a certain amount, provided, of course, there is a desire on the part of the patrons for it.

The postoffice department requires strict compliance with a regulation requiring that the streets have signs, the houses numbered and that there be good sidewalks and crosswalks in the districts covered. The maximum allowance for the village system is two carriers with a salary of \$1000 a year each.

Mr. Wood stated that at Cottage Grove, Lebanon and Newberg, where the service has been in operation for some time, it is proving highly satisfactory.

The ordinary procedure for procuring this service is to make formal application. An investigation is then made by a postal inspector and if he deems the project a feasible one, his recommendation it is established after all of the requirements have been met.

OREGON GROWERS SELL MILLION POUNDS PRUNES

More than 1,000,000 pounds of island prunes were sold the past week by Oregon Growers Cooperative association and the Washington pruners packing corporation, according to R. C. Paulus, sales manager. Other sales are pending in cities of the east where the two associations have prunes in storage.

For the first time in months, sales were made on a coast f. o. b. basis. Formerly, all sales were from stocks in the east.

The prices were low compared to opening prices of the association. But it was deemed advisable to sell at present, rather than miss a heavy consuming period of the next three months.

Heretofore, inquiries from the east have been mostly for large sizes but lately the inquiry has been for all sizes.

The low prices received for prunes are caused by the fact that the spot market in the east has been declining as certain coast packers have been quoting extremely low prices.

Mr. Paulus says that it is probable other sales will be made as there is now considerable inquiry from the east and that several deals are pending.

Through the efforts of Senator Charles L. McNary and the Oregon Growers Cooperative association, the United States senate finance committee has approved the house emergency tariff bill in which a duty of our cents a pound was placed on berries. Also, a duty of 20 cents a box was placed on apples.

The executive committee of the board of directors of the Oregon Growers Cooperative association, elected at the annual meeting in January, M. H. Harlow of Eugene, president; Gordon Voorhies of Medford, first vice president and Allan Bollinger of Scotts Mills, second vice president. The other two members are George Zimmerman of Yamhill and R. A. Busenbark of Roseburg. The committee meets monthly.

IDAHO FOLKS VISIT VIETH HOME AT PARKER

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Vieth of Parker enjoyed last week a visit from their old friends, Mr. and Mrs. William Geyer of Burley, Idaho. The Geysers had been spending a few weeks in California and stopped at Parker while enroute home. The Oregon country appealed to them and they may return to stay permanently.

STEVENS PROPERTY IN MONMOUTH IS BURNED

A ten-room house in Monmouth, located one block north of the First National Bank building, and owned by J. D. Stevens of Independence, was entirely destroyed by fire early Tuesday morning. The building was two stories and basement, valued at approximately \$4000, and there was an insurance of about \$2000.

Recently the property had been leased for one year to J. W. Pember, who lives in a place adjoining it. It was not occupied, but there was a stove and some furniture in the house.

The origin of the fire is not known. It is believed to have been due to somebody occupying the place unknown to the lessee or owner and was probably due to carelessness rather than any intent to burn the building.

The Monmouth fire department responded promptly to the call for assistance. The fire had gained such headway, however, that the efforts of the firemen were directed in keeping the flames from spreading to adjoining buildings, and they not only accomplished this but several nearby shade trees appear to have escaped injury.

The house was built many years ago and Mr. Stevens acquired it about four years ago. It had been intermittently occupied for some time as a rooming house.

MANY ATTEND FUNERAL JASON ARRELL

The memory of Jason Arrell was honored last Sunday by Independence. While in the service of his country in France he paid the supreme penalty more than two years ago, and the remains were brought here for a final resting place. Under the direction of the American Legion, funeral services were held in the Methodist church and interment with military glory was made in the family plot in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

In the procession to the church were the handful of surviving Civil War veterans, the members of the Woman's Relief corps, the American Legion and the Oregon National Guardsmen.

There was music by a quartet composed of Mrs. C. W. Irvine, Mrs. Sarah Young, Mrs. M. J. Butler and Miss McDonald, with Mrs. C. J. McIntosh as pianist. A prayer and scriptural reading were offered by Rev. Ebert, and Dr. Dutton paid tribute to the memory of the young man who was the first free Independence to be sacrificed upon the altar of righteousness in the world war.

At the grave the military burial was enacted, this being done by National Guardsmen.

Jason Arrell was born in St. Paul, Minnesota, in 1890. In company with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Arrell, he came to Buena Vista to reside, and spent the greater part of his life up until his enlistment in the vicinity of Independence. June 24, 1918, he was mustered into the service at Camp Lewis, was immediately taken to France, advanced to the front with such rapidity that he died the following Sept. 24 from wounds which he had received while in action a few days previous.

Beside his parents the young man is survived by five brothers and two sisters. The brothers are: Emmett of Coos Bay, Kenneth of Independence, Oscar of Klamath Falls, George and Francis at home; two sisters, Mrs. Harris Ebbe of Dallas, and Ida at home.

BUSINESS MEN WILL FORM GYMNASIUM CLASS

Independence business men are to form a class for athletic sports. The first session will be held in the armory next Wednesday evening and the date of subsequent ones will undoubtedly in a large measure depend upon the recuperative powers of the aspirants for rejuvenation, but the purpose is to make it a weekly affair.

Marbles are not barred, neither is boxing, and it is probable that some of the "hasbeens" will endeavor to climb into the limelight of basketball and kindred sports. The affair is under the auspices of the Retail Merchants' association and it is desired that as many members as possible attend.

INCOME TAX MEN HERE FEB. 3-5

Assistance in Compiling Reports to be Given by Officials

In order to render all the assistance possible in the compilation of income reports, two deputy collectors of the internal revenue department will be in Independence February 3, 4 and 5. They are J. J. Collins and O. V. Roberts.

In making the announcement Collector Milton A. Miller says: It is the purpose of this office to render any and all assistance possible to the taxpayers in making out their income tax returns for the year 1920.

While this has not been announced it has been customary for the income men to establish their headquarters at the Hotel Beaver and it is probable that Messrs. Collins and Roberts will do likewise.

They are also scheduled to be at the court house in Dallas, January 31 to February 2.

FATHERS DEMAND WORK TO PROVIDE FOR CHILDREN

Spokane, Wash.—"We must have work to feed the mouths of our hungry children."

"We would rather work than steal and do not want charity."

Carrying these signs, more than 200 married men of Spokane, many of whom say they are destitute and unable to furnish food for their children paraded the downtown district Monday morning in protest of the present lack of work, ending their line of march at the city hall for the purpose of demanding of the city commissioners relief from present conditions there.

Commissioner Smith met the commission named by the unemployed men at the entrance to the city hall and told the representatives of the unemployed that he could not open city work for them because of the lack of money for such improvements.

The commissioner declared that the city council cannot produce work at will; that the people must say when sewer and other city work be carried out.

"You must appreciate the position we are in," declared Commissioner Smith. "The city officials cannot create jobs whenever they wish. The taxpayers pay the money. We will open new work just as soon as we can."

MANY ATTEND FUNERAL OF MRS. JULIA F. SPERLING

The funeral of Mrs. Julia F. Sperling which was held from the Presbyterian church last Friday, was attended by many of the old friends of the estimable woman. Dr. Dunsmore officiated and interment was made in the Odd Fellows cemetery. The pall bearers were: L. Damon, Will Craven, P. H. Drexler, W. H. Cocker, C. W. Butler and J. E. Hubbard.

Among those from outside points in attendance at the funeral were: Mrs. A. L. Sperling, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Butler, Misses Helma and Freda Sperling of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Ziesch of Parker.

POMONA GRANGE MEETING IN MONMOUTH SATURDAY

The Polk County Pomona Grange will meet at Monmouth on Saturday, Jan. 22. Manager A. G. Clark of the Associated Industries of Oregon will give a talk upon the patronage of home industries.

Dr. Powell will speak on rural health sanitation, and there will be musical and other numbers. In addition, there will be some discussion on proposed legislation.

A home products dinner will be prepared by the members of the Monmouth Grange.

NEW MEMBERS SCHOOL BOARD FOR PARKER

At a special school election held in District No. 11, Parker, P. T. Peterson and A. B. Lacey were elected director and clerk respectively, to fill out the unexpired terms of members who had moved away.

LEGION WANTS NO CASH BONUS

Local Boys, However, Favor Loan and Entrance Soldiers' Home

Independence Post of the American Legion has gone upon record as being opposed to a state cash bonus. This action was taken at a special meeting of the post last Sunday morning and was without a dissenting vote. The post however, is in favor of a state loan to ex-service men not to exceed a couple of thousand dollars, drawing four percent interest, and upon a term of years sufficient to make the transaction worth while.

The post is in favor of the soldiers' home at Roseburg being opened to all ex-service men of the state.

As one Legion man expressed it: "We believe that if a cash bonus is to be paid the service men it should be done by the federal government rather than by the state."

FINE NEW QUARTERS FOR GUS MILLER'S MARKET

Gus Miller of the City Meat Market is having the building which he recently purchased two doors south of his present location remodeled with the expectation of occupying it about the first of March.

The building is to be enlarged and completely remodeled and will be equipped with a modern outfit. There will be a basement the full length of the building for the ice and sausage machines, a smoke house will be added in the rear.

There will be a new front with windows refrigerated for making displays of meats and new counters and other equipment.

Mr. Miller has been engaged in business here less than a year and is meeting with notable success. The business has increased to such an extent that Mr. Miller has found that he must have larger quarters to properly care for it.

Mr. Miller has evidently an abundance of confidence in the development and growth of Independence. Recently he purchased a home here and then a little later added to his holdings a home for his business, which he expects to have in readiness a few weeks hence.

T. J. SULLIVAN SURPRISES INDEPENDENCE FRIENDS

"Tim" Sullivan, a former well-known resident of Independence, sprung a surprise on his local friends last Saturday evening by his arrival here accompanied by a bride of a few days.

The first announcement that Mr. Sullivan had become a benedict was made when he arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Carbray and introduced Mrs. Sullivan. His sister, Miss Lizzie Sullivan, was at the Carbray home at the time and the announcement came as a happy surprise to her as well as to the Carbrays and numerous other local friends.

Mrs. Sullivan was Miss Ruby Meyers and her home was at Coquille, Coos county. With the felicitations of numerous friends, Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan departed Monday for Myrtle Point, where they will make their home.

Mr. Sullivan has large timber holdings in Coos county and is now building a sawmill at Myrtle Point.

For many years Mr. Sullivan made Independence his home but for the past few years he has been spending his time in the Coos country and in Canada. His friends were of the opinion that he had become a confirmed bachelor and he put one over on them.

"The many friends of 'Auntie' Ingram will be pleased to know that she has taken into the heart and home, a little girl who needed just the love and care that Mrs. Ingram could give her. The home being made desolate thro the death of her husband some weeks ago, Mrs. Ingram felt that in mothering a child she would not only make the remaining years less lonely for herself, but she thus might be the means of bringing joy into the life of a little child. It is predicted for this little one a happy home and the kindest of care.

SISTER OF MRS. SOUTH DIES IN PORTLAND

Mrs. M. J. Perry, a sister of Mrs. Anna South of Independence, died in Portland last Friday. Mrs. Perry was a resident of Albany for many years and a member of an early Oregon pioneer family. Concerning her death, the Albany Democrat says:

The sudden death of Mrs. Perry comes as a shock to her family, she went to Portland a short time ago to visit her two sons, and appeared to be in good health. She was born September, 1849, on the donation land claim of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Kimsey, in Yamhill county five miles south of Dayton and spent all her life in this state. She was a member of the Baptist church and a woman of high ideals. Beside one brother and one sister, she is survived by four daughters, three sons, eleven grandchildren and three great grand children.

The daughters are Mrs. Adda Launer of Dallas, Mrs. E. F. Hoffman of McMinnville, Mrs. J. G. Christensen of Gresham and Mrs. W. L. Jackson of Albany. The sons are E. C. Perry of Scio, and C. C. Perry and Wilson K. Perry of Portland. W. A. Kimsey of Albany and Mrs. Anna South of Independence are brother and sister.

The funeral was held in Albany Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. B. F. Fellman, pastor of the Baptist church, officiating.

LOUGHARYS HAVE HONOR EXHIBIT

Jersey cattle have been the means by which a long string of honors have been conferred upon Frank Loughary and his son, Ivan Loughary, and the trail to the Loughary ranch south of Monmouth has become a nationally beaten one.

The younger Loughary was in Independence Wednesday and placed upon exhibit in one of the widows of the Williams Drug company sufficient evidence to show that it is Polk county against the world in the aristocratic Jersey family.

The Loughary herd was the heaviest winner at the Oregon state fair in 1920. At the Pacific International Livestock show in Portland a few weeks ago the Loughary herd won more blue ribbons than any other herd and a total of more ribbons than any other herd. The Oregon Journal cup, awarded to this herd for the first prize breeders young herd, is in the display here.

Naturally, the Lougharys are quite proud of this first prize dairy herd, of which the judge, George W. Sisson of Pottsdam, N. Y., said: "The finest dairy herd I have ever seen in a show ring. They show type and production combined."

The Loughary herd was the winner of two seconds and one fourth in the register of merit classes, showing that these cattle are ranking high among the producers. They have bred and now own the second highest testing cow in the world. She has an average test of 7.53 per cent.

The Loughary farm is located six miles southwest of Monmouth. They are son and grandson of L. W. Loughary, a pioneer of Polk county.

And it might not be out of place to add that the Lougharys have not secured their jersey fame by accident. It has taken years of intelligent direction, coupled with much hard work, to attain the results which they have acquired.

SPECIAL TRAIN SUNDAY FOR ISIS FEATURE FILM

Arrangements have been perfected by Henkle & Nelson for a special train to be run over the Valley & Siletz on Sunday, Jan. 23, from Hoskins to Independence for the accommodation of those who may desire to witness the spectacular film production, "When New York Sleeps." The train will leave Hoskins in time to arrive here for the afternoon performance, which will begin at 2:30, and will return shortly after the performance is finished.

"When New York Sleeps" held the boards at the Columbia in Portland for 15 consecutive days, and is regarded as one of the real feature productions of the season.

In addition to the afternoon presentation there will be two Sunday evenings, beginning at 7:15 and 9:00.

BIG GAME WITH DALLAS, JAN. 28

County Seat Guard Team Will Meet Locals in Armory Here

What is regarded as the big event of the season in basketball circles for Independence will be a contest which has been arranged by Manager Byers to be pulled off in the armory here Friday night, January 28, when the crack team of the Dallas National Guard will meet the Independence Legion-Guard five.

While late in opening the season, the local boys are hitting a fast pace. Several games have been played and they are still holding the thousand percent. While they recognize that Dallas has a speedy bunch of players they will enter the contest without trepidation, and it is expected that there will be an exceedingly clever exhibition.

The Falls City high school will come here tonight for a game with the Independence high school. The local boys are getting into the work with zest and have made a very creditable showing.

ALUMNI DEFEATS HI

A quintet of former high school boys, composed of Otis Scott, center, Buren Smiley and Charles Calbreath, guards, Rollo McKinney and Elmer Addison, forwards, for the second time took the high school boys into camp last Friday evening by a score of 14 to 16, as a preliminary to a contest by O. A. C. students and the Legion-Guard. Stoltenberg succeeded Addison in the second half.

In the high school lineup Craven was center, Schrunk and Ray, forwards, Joe Smiley and Burright, guards.

The Legion-Guard team had an easy victory over the O. A. C. club team, the score being 46 to 8. In the visiting bunch were two local boys, Harold Reynolds and Gilbert Loy. The home team had the advantage in size and were in exceptionally good form all through the contest, repeatedly doing effective work. The Legion-Guard lineup was: Schrunk, center. Mix and Black, forwards, Archibald and Hull, guards, with Mulkey and Seggel as substitutes.

The Legion-Guard team will play the Dallas Guards at Dallas this Saturday night and a week from Saturday night the St. Johns bachelors in Portland.

MRS. COLBY DIES AT HOME IN ORVILLE

Mrs. Amanda Marilla Colby was born in Squashehanna county, Pa., November 29, 1843, and died in Orville, Oregon, January 14, 1921, aged 77 years, 1 month, 6 days. When about nine years of age she came to Oregon with her parents by way of the Isthmus of Panama. Thus she was reckoned as one of the early pioneers of this state.

For more than fifty years she was a member of the Christian church. A loving and devoted wife and mother, always self-sacrificing for the good and comfort of her family and friends.

The funeral was held at the home of the bereaved husband last Sunday, services being conducted by the Rev. F. S. Clemo, pastor of the Methodist Church of Independence. Many friends of the family from Salem and elsewhere were present at the services. Burial was made in a spot on the home place selected previously by the deceased.

She is survived by her husband, three sons and two daughters, also, five grandchildren. Her end was peace.

ANOTHER EXTENSION IN AUTO LICENSE DATE

Secretary of State Sam A. Kozar announces that there has been another extension of time for the owners of cars to procure their license. Mr. Kozar figures that his department will have the jam of applications which poured in at the beginning of the year cleaned up by January 26, and he has instructed the peace officers of the state to grab you if you attempt to operate your car after February 1st without the required permit.