

Independence Enterprise

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The Dallas Observer insists upon placing Independence in the wrong light in the highway matter. In its last issue it concluded an editorial paragraph with the assertion: "Like the eleventh jurymen, Independence insists upon its own opinion being correct." This is not the position of Independence now, nor has it ever been. All that Independence is asking is that the supreme court be permitted to pass upon interpretations of law, rather than the state highway commission and near politicians. Had the state highway commission had any desire to play fair with Independence, it would have taken the matter to the state tribunal a long time ago for final adjudication. The Observer is well aware of this, but in its strenuous efforts to climb into the political limelight it appears to be willing to try to make Independence the "goat."

A trainload of settlers, with Omaha as the starting point, will head this way on the 20th of this month, and the purpose is to give them an opportunity to make a casual inspection of the major portion of Oregon. Stops are to be made at many points with sufficient time in the itinerary to permit auto trips to the country surrounding. The party will arrive in Portland July 29th and Salem the following day. Polk county will be visited by some of the settlers.

It requires real nerve for a berry grower to keep smiling these days. Logans have struck the bottom with a thud which is being quite generally felt, two and one-half cents per pound being the ruling price, with no market for quite a portion of the crop. Fortunately, berry growers, in common with other farmers, are optimists and they accept the fruit of the lean years with very little or no repining.

And Independence is proud of the record made by Company K, both in point of attendance and in the excellent work accomplished in camp.

Social Affairs

Miss Ulla Dickinson and Mrs. Walter Smith were in McMinnville Wednesday to attend the wedding of Miss Mildred Jones of that city to Robert Wyatt of Amity.

The event was celebrated in the Baptist church, which was made beautiful with quantities of ferns, Easter lilies and white roses.

As the officiating minister and the groom waited at the altar, the wedding party came slowly up the center aisle of the church. The attendants in pink and green organdies, the two bridesmaids, the tiny ring bearer, a little 2 year old boy, in white satin and bearing the ring on a cushion of white satin and lace, two little flower girls, who strewed the pathway of bride with pink sweet peas and forget-me-nots, and lastly the bride on the arm of her brother, charming in white satin with veil and orange blossoms and carrying a bouquet of lilies of the valley and white roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt left immediately after the ceremony for a wedding trip by car to Portland, Astoria and Seaside, after which they will be glad to greet their friends at their home near Amity, where the groom has charge of a large ranch.

Mrs. Wyatt was a recent graduate of the Normal School and is well known in Independence from whence the good wishes of a host of friends will follow her to her new home.

Miss Mina Robinson of Rickreall was hostess last Friday at a "shower" given for Miss Mildred Jones of McMinnville, whose marriage occurred Wednesday.

Recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rourke of Oak Point were, Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Kalamazoo, Michigan. They are taking a wedding trip by auto, stopping at various places of interest along the route.

On Friday last Mrs. Rourke entertained in honor of the bride. The rooms were prettily decorated with roses and shasta daisies. During the afternoon Mrs. Smith told most entertainingly of their trip thro the country. Invited guests were: Mesdames Clark, Mattison, Snapp and Carbray.

On Friday last, Mrs. W. W. Hill assisted by Mrs. Albert Williams and Mrs. Harry Whipp, was hostess at a pleasant party given in honor of Mrs. A. D. Williams, who leaves tomorrow for her home in North Dakota after a visit of several months with her son, Albert Williams. The affair was in the nature of a surprise

and was so carefully planned that Mrs. Williams was wholly unsuspecting until the ladies arrived in a body, each with a bouquet, which was presented to the honor guest.

During the afternoon a pleasing program was rendered, which included vocal selections by Naomi Hewett and Gloria Whipp and readings by Alberta Williams. Much fun was created by a contest in which the guests were given an opportunity to show their artistic ability and resulted in Mrs. Bertha Ferguson being conceded the honors as the artist of the greatest talent, while Mrs. Clemo was awarded the comic distinction. The guests enjoyed an appetizing lunch at the close of the afternoon.

The ladies present were: Mesdames Byers, Clemo, Heath, Heffley, Hewett, Irvine, Kelly, Kurre, Kluster, Seeley, Smiley, Mary Smiley, Stansberry, Wellington and Whipp.

Mrs. William Campbell entertained the Foreign Missionary society last Wednesday afternoon with 15 members present. Aside from the routine business, a short program was presented.

Mrs. W. H. Small gave a piano solo, Mrs. Durrell Davis a violin solo, with Mrs. Small as accompanist and Mrs. Claire Irvine a vocal selection. Mrs. Mary Smiley read an interesting paper on the life of the Chinese woman, telling her hearers of the fearful disadvantages under which these woman live and setting forth the great need for help from their more fortunate sisters. Invited guests were: Mesdames Small, Ferguson and Davis.

Edwin Dole celebrated his tenth birthday with a party at his home Friday afternoon. The time was pleasantly passed with outdoor games and sports.

A unique feature of the supper, which was served to the youngsters as they were seated around a bonfire in the yard, was, that each guest, before he could have a hot roasted weenie, must whistle, dance or sing, execute some stunt for the entertainment of the company. No one was willing to give up his weenie and as a result a most surprising vaudeville was presented by the young people.

Those sharing in the fun of the afternoon were: Ethel Hennigan, Margaret Eddy, Eva Bullis, Marjorie Plant, Pearl Percival, Melvin Wilson, Carl Pressler, Martin Pressler, Jack Berry and Hallie McKinney.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

—In a business letter to the Enterprise Prof. O. D. Byers states that he has succeeded in securing a desirable furnished house about two blocks from the university campus and is nicely located in every way. Prof. Byers went to Eugene last week, accompanied by Mrs. Byers and daughter, to attend the summer course at the university.

—Smith & Son are practically settled in their new location two doors north of the old stand. The building has been given a general overhauling and has been attractively arranged.

—C. W. Henkle returned last Saturday from Portland and is rapidly getting back in form. He spent about a month in the Good Samaritan hospital following an operation.

—Dr. O. D. Butler attended in Portland Wednesday the annual gathering of the health officers of the state at the Multnomah hotel. It was an interesting meeting with instructive talks by prominent health officials. He was accompanied by Mrs. Butler.

—Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Skinner and daughters, Kathleen and Alice returned yesterday afternoon from an auto trip to Weiser and other points in Idaho. They also went to Vale for a short visit at the home of R. R. De Armond. They had a fine trip with no car trouble of any kind, but were glad to get home. Mr. Skinner said: "Business conditions through eastern Oregon and Idaho are decidedly bad, and many of the ranchers are broke, or rather, their liabilities are in excess of their assets. The banks, which have the big share of the loans are continuing to carry them rather than to attempt to realize on them at the present time, with the hope that there may be sufficient improvement in the cattle and sheep industries to enable them to get their money. To force collections now would mean that the banks would have to engage in the stock industry. I visited no place which looks as good to me as Independence."

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FAMOUS ENGLISH RACE HORSE

Eclipse, Bred by the Duke of Cumberland, Was the Sensation of His Generation.

That celebrated race horse, Eclipse, which died Feb. 28, 1789, at the ripe age of 25 years, received his name on account of his being born during an eclipse of the sun, and it became curiously significant and appropriate when in mature life he was found to pass all contemporary horses as regarding speed.

Eclipse was bred by the Duke of Cumberland, a brother of George III, and afterward became the property of Dennis O'Kelly, who on his death bequeathed the animal, along with all his brood mares and other horses, to his brother Philip. For many years Eclipse lived in retirement from the turf, but was in other ways a source of considerable revenue to his owner on account of the many visitors who came to see the renowned hero of the race track who was passing his last days at Clay Hill near Epsom.

In those days it was not the custom to insure the lives of animals, and the fact that Eclipse was insured for an enormous sum only made his popularity the greater. When it became necessary to remove him he was so worn out that a carriage had to be especially constructed to carry him. The secret of his immense success was revealed by the autopsy, when it was discovered that his heart was of unusual size, as it weighed thirteen pounds.—Chicago Journal.

WOMEN MUST AVOID WORRY

Weakens the Body for Its Daily Fight for Health, and So Destroys Good Looks.

Every minute that a woman spends in worry, weakens the body for its daily fight for health. It adds age, it causes deep furrows to appear on the forehead, it injures the digestion and robs life of all pleasures and peace. So if you wish to keep your good looks, don't worry.

Work gives incentive, and thus life and health, to the organs of the body. It strengthens our will, teaches us patience, perseverance and the courage to endure. It has been the salvation of many. The homely duties that are performed by the house mother each day, the sweeping, cooking and home caring, are wholesome duties which lead to health and strength.

But if women allow their daily tasks to fret and worry them, they lose all of the benefit they otherwise would gain. It is not always the actual work that wears out the nerves and temper and ruins the disposition. It is the spirit in which the work is done which allows worry to creep in.—Detroit News.

Earth Is Slowing Down.

Happily for our convenience, the process is extremely slow, but all the same the fact is that the days are getting longer.

This does not refer to hours or daylight increasing with the advancing year, but to days as timed by the revolution of the earth on its axis.

The earth's power of rotation, says a writer in the Popular Science Monthly, is growing weaker and as a result its revolution on its axis is slowing up. Which means, of course, that the day is lengthening.

An epoch must eventually arrive when the day will be equal in length to the year; that is, to the time it takes for us to revolve about the sun. Then the earth will always turn the same face toward the solar luminary, just as the moon now always turns the same face toward us, and one-half of our planet will have sunshine all the year, while the other half is in total and permanent darkness.

That is, if the sun still is shining. It may become a dim and chilly orb before then.

Plant Impales Insects.

There is in Cuba a curious grass, cenchrus echinatus, which bristles with tiny sharp-pointed spikelets upon which multitudes of insects are impaled by night as well as by day. The wings of the victims are pierced and entangled by the barbed spines, so that the most of them are unable to get away, and thus perish miserably.

Even a large, luminous snapping beetle, which is so strong and active that it can with difficulty be held in the hands, falls a victim to these vegetable bayonets. It has been observed, however, that two species of insects, a large bug, scabius, and an earwig, readily free themselves from the spines. Minute insects are not caught. The grass does not appear to derive any nourishment from its prey. It is found elsewhere in the West Indies and in southern Florida.

Hebrides Not All Gloom.

Occasionally there is a sun in the Hebrides, writes a traveler. Then the highlander sees beauty. The wild coast grass a brown-green, its seabirds a snowy white and the ocean with its innumerable waves sparkling blue. And on summer nights, when the fishermen go forth, the phosphorescent glow offers a splendid sight. "A stream of fire ran off each side from the bows," says MacCulloch, "and the ripple of the wake was spangled with the glowworms of the deep. Every oar dropped diamonds, every fishing line was a line of light, the iron cable went down in a torrent of flame, and the plunge of the anchor resembled an explosion of lightning."

In The Churches

M. E. Church

Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Egworth League at 7 p. m.
Prayer meeting and Bible study Wednesday evening at 7:30.
Ladies' Aid meets every Thursday afternoon in the church parlors.

The solo "Teach me to pray," sung by Mrs. Barnell last Sunday was well received.

The Pastor, F. S. Clemo, will preach in Buena Vista next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. All are cordially invited to these services.

Baptist Church

Though summer is here and the temptation to go picnicing and fishing is very strong let us not forget to worship God in his house on Sundays. Our Sunday school meets at 10 a. m. We are planning for a big picnic to be held soon, come out and hear about it. At 11 a. m. Rev. Proppe will preach on "Divine Dynamite." This is a message you want to hear. Our Young Peoples' society meets at 7 p. m. This hour for the month of July is being devoted to the study of Christian Evidences. At 8 p. m. Rev. Proppe will preach on "The Power of Peace." These services are open to the public, if you do not worship anywhere else come and worship with us.

TWO BARNs ARE BURNED

AND ANOTHER ONE DAMAGED

A barn upon the residence property of State Highway Engineer H. B. Fletcher was entirely destroyed by fire last Sunday afternoon, together with a Ford car belonging to the state of Oregon. The fire started on the outside on the rear end of the building and is believed to have been due to firecrackers or some young boy with an excess of matches. The flames spread to an adjoining barn on Mr. O'Kelley's property and it also was burned and the roof on another barn was partially destroyed before the flames could be controlled. The fire department responded promptly to the call for assistance and did effective work in keeping the flames from spreading to the residences in the neighborhood.

URGES FRENCH GIRLS

TO WED AMERICANS

Paris—Following out the idea of Professor Paul Carnot of the Academy of Medicine, a group of French women have founded a magazine called Marriage, the object of which is to bring about the wedding of French girls to Americans. A recent number advises French girls to go to the United States if they cannot find husbands in France. From experiments conducted by Professor Carnot it is asserted that when international marriages fail it is generally the fault of the girl, who does not attempt to assimilate the customs of her husband's country.

Truth would be frightened to death if it happened to encounter some people in a dark alley.

A large grain elevator near more has been equipped with machinery which empties the freight cars by turning them on side or end.

Some men are not satisfied they kill two birds with one stone less they get the stone back.

We agree with the American miral who says, "It was a fan hen that hatched the 'Am Eagle'."

"Have you a little fairy in home?"
"No, but I have a little man in engine."

Better a good enemy than friend.

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