



ARMISTICE DAY IS BIG EVENT

American Legion Goes Over Top in Observance of World Event

Observance of Armistice day in Independence and Monmouth was successfully carried out. From a salute before sunrise to the playing of the "Home Sweet Home" march, the time was filled with patriotic inspiration in music, feasting and good fellowship, and a general celebration.

Directed by Independence post of the American Legion, the event had enthusiastic backing of the people. It was a community affair in which there was united effort in a pleasing memorable day. In addition to a fitting observance of the great significance of the day, the atmosphere was permeated with a feeling of keen interest and admiration for the boys who had so bravely contributed their mite to a great cause. There was a special addition to being one of general observance.

Monmouth graciously entertained a program in the Normal school in the forenoon; the business served a tempting luncheon at the community house.

There was a spectacular parade in Monmouth in Independence; a detailed program in the Isis theatre; a sumptuous dinner was served by the Woman's auxiliary in the Odd Fellows hall, and there was dancing in the high school gymnasium at

under the direction of Capt. Emory Groves, marshal of the day, assisted by his chief of staff, W. Lewis Rose, a parade led by a Salem band, formed at 10. There were the Civil War veterans, Woman's Relief Corps, Independence post of the American Legion, Woman's auxiliary, all in the march was to the Normal school where Prof. H. C. Ostein, as

chief officer, welcomed the assemblage. The program had been carefully arranged and was impressive, receiving hearty accord.

—"Loyalty," O. N. S. orchestra.

—"We'll Never Let Our Old Flag Fall," student body.

—Salute, Creed—audience.

—"The Shoozy-Shoo," (Mayhew)

—"A Southern Lullaby," (Green)

—Glee club, O. N. S.

—Solo—"Recessional," (Deane)

—Mrs. J. S. Landers.

—Hon. W. T. Vinton of Monmouth.

of America," (Pierson), Glee club, O. N. S.

—"Star Spangled Banner," O. N. S. orchestra.

At the conclusion of the program, service men and their families escorted to the community house and served a tempting lunch.

At 1:30, the program in Independence was opened by the formation of a parade on B street between First and Second. It was a notable assemblage. Carl Fenton post of the American Legion, company L of Dallas joined with the local organization at this time, and there were strikingly significant floats.

The lead was a car containing T. Harris of Salem, associate of the supreme court, and one of the day. Then came the band, company K color bearers, "star" car, Civil war veterans, Woman's Relief Corps, Marshal and Major Rose, company L of Dallas and Independence post of the American Legion, Woman's auxiliary.

Followed the floats, which were unusually attractive—"The Battle of Flanders," a French box-car, Red Cross ambulance and Red Cross nurses, Encampment, Odd Fellows, Post of Pythias, Woman's Relief Corps and Woman's club. A great deal of effort was exerted in preparation of the floats and the day was very pleasing.

The procession terminated at the Isis theatre, where the feature of the day was a masterful address,

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Oregon Normal

About 75 students took advantage of the excursion to Salem organized by Mr. Butler on Tuesday. They saw the supreme court in session, visited the governor's offices, and also made trips to the penitentiary and the asylum. During the afternoon some visited the school for the blind, school for the deaf, and other state institutions and buildings. All in all it was a day of great educational value and many thanks are due President Landers, Mr. Butler and Miss Chandler who had the matter in charge.

The Vespertines will present their program for the month in the chapel Friday evening, November 18. Townspeople are cordially welcome to this program which will begin promptly at seven-thirty. (Kindly note the hour.)

"Children's Book Week," a week set apart nationally to stimulate the buying of worthwhile books for children, was fittingly observed at the Normal this week. The class in Library Methods arranged several attractive exhibits of children's books in special subjects, of beautiful books for children, etc. An unusual exhibit was made up of books loaned by the J. K. Gill Company, books particularly beautiful in binding and illustrations as well as subject matter. By no means least in importance, Mr. Gentle addressed the students at the chapel hour Wednesday on children's literatures, giving a most excellent talk.

Students and faculty are glad to welcome Mr. Beattie back to his classes after his recent illness.

A dancing party given by the student body but especially sponsored by the Junior class will occur in the gymnasium Saturday evening, November 19, at eight o'clock. Local friends on the Normal social list are invited to be present.

A motion picture entitled "The Old Nest" will be shown in the chapel next Monday evening, November 21. This picture is a much-heralded spectacular production which was recently shown for two weeks at the Columbia in Portland, and seems well worth a showing at the Normal.

HIGHLANDERS ARE OUT IN FORCE AT ALEXANDERS

A jolly time was had Saturday evening when Mr. and Mrs. Gail Alexander entertained the Highland social club. These people are planning to drive dull care away every fortnight during the winter by coming together for games and music. Several new members were admitted. Refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Brandt will entertain at the next meeting. Those participating in the frolic Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Oren McElmurry, Mr. and Mrs. William Alexander and Mr. and Mrs. Dell Alexander, Pearl Alexander and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. David Stapleton and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stapleton and son, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Brandt and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nelson and family, Mrs. William Morrison and Mr. and Mrs. William Morrison, Carl, Mr. and Mrs. William Peyree and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gail Alexander, Miss Verne Ketchum, Rose Evans, Messrs. Ernest Wright, George Stapleton, Isaac Compton, Paul Scott, Henry McElmurry and Don Dickinson.

POLK FARM BUREAU HAS MEMBERSHIP IN EXCESS 400

The recent drive for membership by the Polk County Farm Bureau has resulted in a little more than 400 memberships for a period of three years. The work is not yet finished, but it is not anticipated that this number will be swelled in excess of 450.

This is about one-third of the number actively engaged in farming in Polk county. The bureau officials had hoped to make it a 50 percent membership, but are quite satisfied with the results which have been obtained.

BAPTISTS ARE PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Supt. A. A. Justin of the Baptist Sunday school announces that preparations are being made for a fine program for the Christmas observance, and is asking for the assistance of all children who are not attending Sunday school elsewhere.

MRS. MATTISON IS SUMMONED

Beloved Woman Dies After Long Illness—Many Attend Funeral

The community was saddened last Monday by the news that Mrs. Elnora Mattison, well known in Marion and Polk counties, had died at the family home.

Mrs. Mattison had been in failing health for some time, but about two months ago her condition became critical. After being for some time under the care of a trained nurse, she was taken to the Deaconess hospital at Salem for treatment and was brought home Saturday, only to pass quietly to sleep Monday morning, November 14.

The funeral services were held Wednesday at the Odd Fellows hall, the large room being filled with friends who came to pay their last respects to the dead. The floral offerings were many and beautiful in their sweet silent messages helping to lighten the grief of the sorrowing ones. Interment was made in the I. O. O. F. cemetery, a large number of friends following the body to its last resting place. Rev. Roselle of Monmouth officiated, with Funeral Director A. L. Keeney in charge. The pall bearers were: C. A. McLaughlin, C. W. Irvine, L. Damon, J. E. Hubbard, J. McLeod and W. H. Walker. Business houses were closed from 2 to 3:30.

Elnora Sophia Wilson was born in Coral, Michigan, October 31, 1858, and was married to Charles Mattison, July 24, 1874. Of this union six children were born, one son, Clifford, dying in infancy, and one daughter, Mrs. Lola Perry, dying June 7, 1910. The surviving children are: Jessie, William, Grover of Independence and Mrs. Bertha Lorence of Walla Walla, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Mattison came from Michigan to Oregon in 1878 and lived until 1903 in Marion county, at which time they came to Independence, which has been the family home since that time. Mrs. Mattison was prominent in lodge work, being a member of the Rebekahs, Degree, Circle, Fraternal Union, Pythian Sisters and Yeomen.

Friends and relatives coming from a distance to attend the funeral services of Mrs. Mattison were: Ed. Lorence of Walla Walla, Wess Perry of Portland, Will Mattison of Astoria, Mr. and Mrs. Jabe Parker and George Higgins, wife and sister of Salem.

A. G. WILLIAMS RESIDENCE BOUGHT BY J. E. HUBBARD

A. G. Williams has sold his residence property at the corner of Fourth and B streets to J. E. Hubbard of the Independence Realty company. The property consists of a modern residence and two good sized lots.

Mr. Williams sole reason for letting go of this property is that he is about to enter the meat business in Cottage Grove in company with Frank E. Dickson.

Mr. Williams will retain possession of the property until January 1st, when he expects to move his family to Cottage Grove.

SAVE LIBRARY, CO. AGENT, FAIR

Business Men Will Petition Spare These Essentials Budget Committee to

Believing that it will be for the welfare of the county that provision be made for a continuance of the county agent, county library, Polk county fair and Independence corn show, a resolution was adopted by the Independence Retail Merchants' association, Tuesday evening, recommending to the county court that provision be made for these items in the budget which will be prepared for the county's expense next year.

These items were all in the budget for last year, totalling approximately \$7800. However, for the coming year the county is going to be short of funds owing to the six percent limitation increase, and it was feared that possibly when the budget committee began to use its shears these items would be clipped.

A very large part of the money levied for taxes is mandatory on the part of the board, giving it only nominal discretion in the allotment of the funds. In the estimation of the Independence business men it would be wisdom to continue the appropriation for the county agent, which is met by a state appropriation of \$2000, provide funds for the county library and the fairs, and let the road fund be the one to be made the "goat."

It was not the intent or purpose of the association, however, to dictate to the budget committee, what action it should take, but rather as an expression of the views of the members of the association.

The resolution was adopted without a dissenting vote.

GEORGE H. WOOD BUYS MAIN STREET PROPERTY

George H. Wood has purchased the old gymnasium building on North Main street and will remodel it into a machine shop. The property has a frontage of 52 feet and a depth of 74 feet.

Mr. Wood has purchased the material for a metal roof and will do considerable remodeling to make the building fit his requirements.

Mr. Wood expects to have the place ready for occupancy about January 1st.

The building was owned by Messrs. Winslow and Endicott of Salem, and previous to the time it was made into a gymnasium was used for a machine shop. It is situated directly across the street from Mr. Wood's present location.

POWER MEAT CUTTER IN CITY MEAT MARKET

Gus Miller has just added to the equipment of the City meat market an electrically driven meat cutting machine. It is a labor saving device, which has gone through the experimental stage to the point where all modern meat establishments are accepting it. By its use all of the laborious work of cutting meat is eliminated, and at the same time, the machine will do the work of several men.

It cuts to a uniform width. A fine-tooth saw is used, cutting bones as readily as meat.

LARGE QUANTITIES OF PRUNES ARE SHIPPED

More than 3,000,000 pounds of prunes of the new crop have been shipped to all markets up to the present time by the Oregon Growers' Cooperative association. This total includes nearly 50 solid car shipments in addition to many l.c.l. lots sold in smaller markets.

Packing plants have been busy filling orders and cars have been rolling from them regularly as fast as the fruit could be packed.

This year a different marketing problem is presented and the small prunes will be the first ones to be cleaned up. Last season the reverse was true when the smaller sizes remained till the last. It is expected that the large size and superior quality of this year's prunes will be very influential factors in the early movement of the crop.

An exhibit of Mistland prunes packed in special 10-pound boxes for the Christmas trade shown at the Land Products show of the Pacific International Livestock exposition drew much favorable comment from all of those who tried samples of the fruit. Many people learned with surprise that prunes are delicious to eat from the hand in their dried state and that the quality of this year's fruit approaches that of a confection.

KULLANDER IS MANAGER BASKETBALL ACTIVITIES

"Shorty" Kullander has been made manager of the American Legion basketball activities, and preliminary arrangements are being perfected for a speedy team. The first assemblage of aspirants for the team was held in the armory Wednesday night, and the indications are that there will be lots of desirable material. It is hoped to have players enough to form two or more teams and then when the real contests open there will be opportunity to select a team which will make an enviable record.

Last year, the local aggregation climbed into the limelight, and it is the intent of Manager Kullander to keep the spotlight burning.

Repairs are being made to the armory, and it is probable that arrangements will be made with company K for its use both for practicing and the games.

Negotiations have been started for an early opening of the season, with the expectation that the first game will be played within the next week or 10 days.

IMPROVED ELECTRIC SERVICE IS ASSURANCE

Within a very short time, alterations which are now being made at the Dallas plant of the Mountain States Power company, will result in an improved electrical service for Independence, is the assurance of C. M. Brewer of Albany, vice-president and general manager of the company, who was here yesterday in company with Manager Joslin of Dallas conferring with a committee of the Retail Merchants' association consisting of M. H. Pengra, C. W. Irvine, Ross Nelson, A. L. Thomas and G. C. Skinner.

A new stack is being built at the Dallas plant which will materially increase the steaming capacity and permit the maintenance of a higher voltage, and negotiations are now under way for "standby" or auxiliary service to meet any possible interruptions which might occur.

VAULT DOOR IS BEING INSTALLED IN FARMERS' BANK

A fireproof, burglarproof vault door is being placed on the vault in the Farmers' State Bank. Made of steel so hard that a yegg will give it a glassy stare and pass it by, this door is no plaything. It weighs 14,000 pounds.

The vault will be equipped with additional safety deposit boxes, in order that this part of the bank's service may be extended.

President Irvine says: "The expense of adding this door is no small item, but we feel that it will be a good investment in the feeling of additional security and in the elimination of burglary insurance."

Mrs. M. R. Mills returned to Portland yesterday after a visit at the home of Mrs. Nellie Harris. Mr. Mills is a printer holding a situation on the Oregon Journal.

DATES ARE FIXED FOR CORN SNOW

About \$400 in Cash and Merchandise Premiums Are Being Offered

Friday and Saturday, December 2 and 3, are the dates which have been selected for holding the annual corn show in Independence. It will be held in the display room of the Independence Garage, which Mr. Skinner has generously offered for the purpose.

A premium list has been compiled by Paul Carpenter, county agent. It will be ready for distribution in a day or two and will also be printed in the Enterprise next week.

About \$400 in cash and merchandise premiums are being offered in prizes on corn and corn products. There will be really two prizes for every award. One is in cash by the corn show and the other either in cash or merchandise by Independence business men.

The premiums are attractive and liberal, including sugar, flour, shoes, and dozens of other articles which are worth while. The two banks are each offering \$25 in cash, and in fact, there was a ready response from all business concerns to assist in the project.

While all of the details have not been perfected, it is probable that there will be a noted agriculturist speaker, and possibly other attractive numbers.

The committee in charge of the affair consists of A. C. Moore, chairman, A. E. Horton and Z. C. Kimball, and has received unanimous encouragement from the business men.

It is a Polk county affair, with no charge for entries or admission. It is hoped that every grower of corn in the county will enter displays. While the prizes in themselves are worth while for the trouble, the chief purpose is to get more farmers interested in growing corn and better corn.

Last year, one exhibitor carried away more than \$50 in prizes, and the chances are just as good this year. The boys and girls have not been overlooked, provision having been made for club work and as individuals.

MASONS SELECT WEDNESDAY AS NIGHT TO HAVE MEETINGS

Lyon lodge, No. 29, A. F. & A. M., has changed its stated communications from the second and fourth Saturday to the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. This action was taken at a communication of the lodge last Saturday night and was made on the belief that Wednesday would prove a more convenient time for a majority of the members.

Worshipful Master Wolfe announces a full program for the balance of the year:

Wednesday, Nov. 23—Work in the E. A. degree.

Saturday, Nov. 26—Special communication, with work in the F. C. degree.

Wednesday, Dec. 7—Special communication, with work in the M. M. degree, Salem Grotto lodge team putting on the work.

Wednesday, December 14—Stated communication and election of officers.

PUBLIC SALE OF MILCH COWS WILL BE HELD HERE

Charles Taylor of Eugene has arranged to hold a public sale of dairy cows at the Southern Pacific stockyards in Independence on Tuesday, November 22. There will be 22 head offered for sale.

Mr. Taylor is an old friend of Gus Miller of the City meat market, and was in Independence last Saturday perfecting the details for the sale.

INDEPENDENCE WILL BE IN HOLIDAY ATTIRE

Dozens of small fir trees are to be used in giving the business streets of Independence a Christmas appearance. These will be planted along both sides of the streets at stated intervals and at street intersections. The work will be done by the Retail Merchants' association by a committee composed of R. M. Walker, George Wood and A. L. Kullander.

