



FLETCHER IS POLK CANDIDATE

Seeking Republican Nomination for Representative in Legislature

E. Fletcher of Independence has announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for representation in the state legislature from Polk county. During the 1921 session he served as representative of the Polk-Lincoln district, taking an active part in legislative affairs for a first term. It has been rumored for Polk and Lincoln to alternate on the joint representative.

Jones will be an aspirant from the joint district and Mr. Fletcher seeks further service by changing to the Polk district.

Fletcher in making his announcement says: "Financially, I am not able to become a candidate, as legislative pay is not sufficient to cover expenses saying nothing of the time which must be given to the work, but I feel that maybe I can accomplish some good for the people and I deem this the proper consideration. My platform will be the same as two years ago: to interest to serve but the people's interests. I endeavored to hold fast to my thought and believe that I succeeded fairly well."

He is not known as to whether Mr. Jones will have opposition in the primaries. P. O. Powell of South represented this district during the past term. He has made no announcement as to whether or not he intends to seek another term.

TRYMEN ORGANIZE LOCAL BRANCH HERE

Pacific Cooperative Poultrymen held a meeting in Independence, Friday, Feb. 10th, and a branch was formed in Polk county, with Homer Wood as president.

The general manager of the association, U. L. Upson, was present and explained the work of the association in detail. Others present outside Polk county and helped with the meeting were: Directors, Walker, of Monroe, Ore., and F. Fuller, of Vancouver, Wash.; the assistant secretary, R. E. Hoff.

Cooperation among the poultry producers is somewhat of a new organization, the present association being organized a little over a year ago; but it has grown very rapidly, and now it is among its members most of the poultrymen of Oregon, southern Washington and Idaho, who own flocks of 200 hens or over.

A local here plans to help increase membership in this county. It is expected to be able to market the association produce locally, as there has been some complaint of a shortage of first-class poultry here during the late summer, fall and winter months.

PRUNING DEMONSTRATION AT FRIESEN FARM, MONDAY

A demonstration of the proper method of pruning trees will be given by John S. Friesen farm, south of Independence on Monday, Feb. 20th, starting at 10:30 o'clock. County Agent Paul Carpenter will be present and the demonstration will be made by a recognized expert. The County Farm Bureau will serve coffee and cream, and it is requested that those attending take with them a tin cup.

The Friesen place is near the state demonstration farm of L. C. Rulifson, in which locality there is considerable prune acreage.

INDEPENDENCE HIGH WILL PLAY AT BUENA TONIGHT

With a feeling that they have arrived, Independence high school will play at Buena Vista tonight. In a preceding contest Buena walked away with the honors and the local team will endeavor to square the account.

Last Saturday night, Buena Vista defeated by Dallas on the Dallas court by score of 9 to 4. During the contest half Dallas was shut out, while Buena was registering four points. During the second game, the tables were reversed, Buena being kept in scoring while Dallas registered no points.

FATHERS ABSENT AT SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

Editor of the Enterprise, — Dear Sir: It is certainly a great pleasure to testify to the enjoyable time we had at the Parent-Teacher meeting held at the public school February 14, from 3 o'clock till 4:30 p. m.

The children of the 7th and 8th grades and girls of the 5th gave a very fine mixed program for the benefit of their parents. No, not parents; mothers, to state the truth; one father only being present.

The rendering of the different numbers on the program was certainly worthy of praise, both to the children and also to the principal of the school, the music director and student teachers. Everyone worked hard to make the entertainment a success.

The first number on the program was given by the orchestra of the school, mostly girls, and gave pleasure to the audience. The singing of real songs, not "jazz," by the 7th grade, and also by the 8th grade students was certainly enjoyed by all present, again proving to the audience that some one had again worked hard along these lines in training the different performers.

Last, but not least on the program, the audience was entertained by living pictures—a girl or boy being attired and "fixed up" to represent some period in American life or else some national trait. The Scotch girl, gypsy, warrior bold, summer girl, winter girl and several others, being presented. Here again was evidence that some one had been doing a lot of planning, scheming, thinking and worrying to make this part of the program a success, and like all of the preceding numbers on the program it was a success.

Now Mr. Editor, I would like to ask, Why is it that so little interest is shown in these children's entertainments by the parents? Only one father present and I personally know him to be a busy man. It cannot be for the want of the price of admission. The entertainment was free, with a hearty welcome to boot.

Is it indifference? I am afraid the verdict is guilty. Now fathers and also married men who have no children, don't give that worn-out excuse—no time. You have time now and some day go to the school entertainments and by your presence encourage the teachers and show them that you are interested in what they are doing for your children. Then when the performance is over go to the teachers and if you cannot say anything a hearty handshake will show that you appreciate what they are doing and help to make the teachers feel and know that their work is not in vain. After attending one of these entertainments it will be easier for you to pay your school taxes. A Parent

MOVIE STUFF IS PULLED BY LOGGERS AT CAMP 1

A "crap" game in camp one of the Cobbs-Mitchell company a few days ago terminated in gunplay, the arrest of the villain and his subsequent forgiveness in the justice court of R. W. Baker in Independence, Monday.

Four loggers engaged in a little game of "craps," from which was coined the phrase, "seven come eleven." The ivory fawned upon Evenoff, and after he had accumulated a little stake, the game suddenly lost interest to him, and such adjurations as "piker" from his companions failed to change his notion. Abandoning persuasion and ridicule, Joe Demitroff pulled a "gat" and relieved Evenoff of his roll, according to the complaint which was filed with Justice Baker, and which was served by Deputy Sheriff Frank Hayden.

Demitroff and Evenoff put in an appearance before the judge. They had apparently settled their little difficulty. Evenoff refused to prosecute and after he had paid costs amounting to \$16.55 the case was dismissed.

NO TOBACCO USERS IN IRON WORKS FORCE

Rather an unusual coincidence was in evidence at the new plant of the Independence Iron Works a few days ago. None of the five men working there use tobacco in any form. They are S. C. Halladay, A. A. Justin and G. H. Wood, the owners, and Sam Muhleman and Al Whitney. There is no restriction, however, in the use of the weed in the plant, but these men simply do not use it.

THREE GAMES WILL END SEASON

Albany Plays Here Tonight and Two Contests With Dallas Will Follow

Unless present plans are changed, the Independence American Legion team will stage but two more contests on the local court this season. The Albany Athletic club will play here tonight. The aggregation is made up largely of college stars and is playing fast, snappy ball.

The dates for the contests with company L of Dallas have not been definitely decided upon, but it is probable that the first one will be played here about March 1st, with a return game at Dallas following a few days later.

These three contests will close the season for the American Legion boys unless it should be decided advisable to make a pilgrimage to outside points.

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MILFORD COOPER WILL ENTER RING IN SALEM

Private Milford R. Cooper will represent company B of Portland in the main event of a "smoker" which will be pulled off in the armory at Salem during a military tournament which will be held on Saturday and Sunday. He will enter the 148 pound class.

The card also includes: A drill down by companies B and M. Rifle shoot, five men from each company.

Pistol shoot, two men to represent each company.

Equipment race.

Indoor baseball, basketball.

Boxing and wrestling.

Young Cooper is an Independence boy. He and his brother, M. B. Cooper, are members of company B, Portland.

RICHARDS WITHDRAWS COMPLAINT AGAINST COVINE

Charged with selling intoxicating liquor, Charles Covine of Buena Vista was arrested last Friday by Sheriff John W. Orr, arraigned before Justice R. W. Baker and his case was listed for trial Tuesday afternoon. W. H. Richards, also of Buena Vista, entered the complaint, but when it came to the trial he refused to prosecute, and Covine was discharged.

WOMAN'S CLUB WILL GIVE BENEFIT CARD PARTY

A "500" card party will be given by the Woman's club in its new home in the city hall building next Friday night, February 24th. An admission charge will be made, the money derived to be used in helping to defray the expense of fitting up the new home. The public is invited.

HIGHWAY CASE IN SALEM TODAY

Arguments Will Be Made Before Judge Kelley in Highway Routing

The road case hearing will be before Judge Kelley in Salem, instead of Albany today, as was announced last week. Judge Pipes of Portland arrived here yesterday and is consulting with Attorney Fletcher and the plaintiffs relative to the case.

It is probable that Independence will be well represented at the hearing. The issue has been hanging fire for a long time. The case is to determine whether the Pacific highway shall be routed through Independence as the 1917 session of the legislature enacted or south from Monmouth, as the state highway commission is insisting.

The plaintiffs are six farmers owning property south of Independence and along the line of the highway as routed by the legislature.

The case will probably be argued to some length, as there is determination on both sides, and it is possible that a few witnesses will be called.

BIRKHOLZ-MUHLEMAN MARRIAGE CELEBRATED

A pretty home wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Birkholz, when their daughter Cecilie was united in marriage to Fred Muhleman on Saturday, February 11th, with Dr. H. Charles Dunsmore officiating. The wedding was a quiet affair, only immediate relatives of the contracting parties being present. The young people need no introduction to Independence people, Mrs. Muhleman having resided here for a number of years until going to Portland about two years ago to accept a position in the Good Samaritan hospital, while Mr. Muhleman was born and has grown to manhood in our midst. The happy couple left Sunday for Oregon City where they will make their future home, Mr. Muhleman being employed in the paper mills in that city.

LOCAL MAN GETS LOG TRUCKING CONTRACT

Grover Mattison has taken a log hauling contract at Gates and is having his White truck overhauled and placed in shape for the work. A trailer will be purchased. It is a two-mile haul over planked roads, built especially for the work, and Mr. Mattison is estimating that he will be able to deliver daily about 40,000 feet. The logs are taken by train from Gates to Albany. The loading and unloading of the truck is done with a crane.

Al. Whitney, who has been in the employ of Mr. Mattison for the past couple of years, will handle the truck. He will move his family to Gates about the first of March, when operations will be started.

RELIEF CORPS OBSERVES LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

The celebration of Lincoln's birthday was fittingly observed in the G. A. R. hall February 11th, when the W. R. C. served a bountiful dinner to the G. A. R., the American Legion and invited guests, after which a short program in honor of Lincoln was enjoyed by all.

Oregon Normal

President Landers gave the students an excellent talk on some outstanding qualities of Abraham Lincoln's character at the chapel hour Monday.

The students who have completed their rural practice teaching during the past six weeks have returned to the Normal and new groups have gone to the various rural centers to take up the work.

The faculty committee which has in charge the selection of motion pictures announces that the picture made from Blasco-Ibanez's "Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" has been secured. It will be shown in the chapel on Friday evening, March 31st. It is rare good fortune to be able to see this picture in Monmouth, as it is one of the very best and biggest productions of the film world.

The great event of this week at the Normal is to be the Junior class play to be given Saturday evening, Feb. 18th, at 8:15, in the chapel. "Clarence," the play, by Booth Tarkington, deals with the adventures of a returned soldier, who, in seeking a position, becomes involved in the various domestic difficulties of a wealthy New York family. Because Clarence makes some common sense suggestions, the family immediately accept him without question of his past or his antecedents. Some interesting humorous situations result, leading to a surprising climax.

Tickets are on sale at 50 cents for townspeople, 35 cents for students, and 25 cents for children.

President Landers attended a meeting of the executive committee of the board of regents on Thursday of last week.

A program was given by the Vespertine society, Friday evening. The ideas carried out were a combination of Valentine and Lincoln birthday. The first half of the program was given over to Valentine numbers. One of these was a little "Valentine Dolls" dance by six girls. An attractive Valentine reading by Charlotte Ballin. There were also various musical numbers. The patriotic part of the program consisted chiefly of a plantation scene of darkies and their plantation life. Also a flag drill by a group of girls in white costume.

A motion picture entitled "A Woman's place" will be shown in the chapel Friday evening, February 17th. With Constance Talmage in the leading part, an entertaining evening is promised.

CREAMERY HAS NEW PLANT NEARLY READY

With its new equipment installed and nearly ready to go into commission, the Independence Creamery will have one of the largest and most modern butter making plants in the northwest. Practically all of the machinery has been replaced with what is deemed the most approved contrivances for handling the cream from the time it is delivered to the institution until it is shipped out in the finished product.

Sanitation is one of the essentials in butter-making and this is provided for to a marked degree in the new equipment. The new machinery includes two pasteurizing machines, with a capacity of 7500 to 10,000 pounds of cream per hour. While passing through these machines the cream is heated to the required temperature and is then brought back to a few degrees above the temperature wanted by the different devices through which the cream is forced by an electrically driven pump. From the pasteurizing machine the cream is forced into two ripening tanks with a capacity of 1500 gallons each and equipped with cooling systems. After a few hours the cream reaches the right consistency and it is ready for the mammoth churns.

The new equipment became necessary to handle the increased business of the creamery and to maintain the standard of excellence of the Bradner company as butter makers. The 1921 business of the creamery showed an 80 percent increase over the preceding year, and plans for 1922 are still more elaborate.

W. M. Peas of the Seattle office of the company returned home Wednesday after spending a few days here assisting Manager Bradner in perfecting details of the equipment. Mr. Peas had the misfortune to have a portion of the first finger of his left hand severed by getting it caught under a heavy machine.

CITY PASSES 3 ORDINANCES

Changes Made in Pool Room Regulations and Makes Other Regulations

Three ordinances were adopted by the city council at an adjourned meeting of that body Monday. One is for the regulation of billiard and card rooms; another makes it a misdemeanor to resist arrest, and the third forbidding the sale or giving away of intoxicating liquors. The last two ordinances are in effect giving the city the same police power as is held by the state.

Ordinance No. 229 forbids the manufacture, sale or giving away of intoxicating liquor, under penalty of from \$5 to \$200, with a maximum jail sentence of 100 days.

Ordinance No. 230, makes it a misdemeanor to resist arrest and likewise makes it an offense to refuse to render assistance when called upon by an officer for assistance. The fine is fixed at from \$5 to \$100 with the optional jail sentence.

Ordinance No. 231 makes it necessary for operators of billiard and card rooms to furnish a bond of \$500 as a guarantee that specific regulations will be enforced. It makes it a misdemeanor for the owner to permit anyone to drink intoxicating liquor in his place of business, forbids minors loitering or playing cards or billiards.

These ordinances were adopted by the city council after very due consideration. Suggestions were received from District Attorney Helgeson, Sheriff Orr, Justice Baker, Attorney Fletcher, Police Judge Swope and others.

In the essential points, the ordinances are but the enforcement of state laws, and were enacted by the city in order that infringements could be locally handled.

COMMISSIONSHIP ATTRACTS CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION

There are murmurings of a spirited contest over the selection of a commissioner to succeed T. J. Graves, whose term expires at the close of the present year. It is in the range of possibility that Mr. Graves may succeed himself. So far he has been non-committal concerning his plans. If he becomes a candidate in the primaries it seems more than probable that he will have opposition. George McCulloch of the northwestern part of the county, and L. D. Leighton, who resides between Dallas and Falls City are being mentioned as possible republican candidates.

A. B. Muir of Dallas may seek the democratic nomination.

No filings have yet been made.

WERLINE GETS SPEED TAG; LATER DISCHARGED

While returning from Portland Wednesday night, George Werline, a well-known local hop grower, was flagged in West Salem and ordered to put in an appearance in the justice court there the following day on the charge of exceeding the speed limit. The greeting on the part of the motor cop was anything but cordial, his salutation being, "What the ———'s your hurry?"

Mr. Werline, with a feeling that he had not received courteous consideration on the part of the minion of the law, made his appearance with a witness who testified that the machine was not exceeding the speed limit of 20 miles, and he was discharged.

Mr. Werline while in Portland purchased three heavy draft horses for his ranch.

TROUBLE IS BREWING FOR MOLESTER OF LIGHTS

On several occasions, street lights on the "fill" have been removed, and the practice has become such a nuisance that Chief of Police Parker has taken a hand. He states that he has the name of the guilty one and that a repetition of the offense will result in an arrest.

DANCE WILL BE GIVEN AT VALSETZ SATURDAY NIGHT

Valen Guild's orchestra has been engaged to furnish music for a dancing party which will be given in the hall at Valsetz on Saturday night of this week.

