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"JOSIAH" MAKES WAY FOR COLORS

Presentation Comedy by Legion Is Given Rousing Reception

"Uncle Josiah" will present Independence post, American Legion, with a set of colors—the most cherished possession of this post or any other for that matter. It consists of a large silk flag and a silk banner bearing the legion emblem. "Uncle Josiah" furnished the coin for this desired acquisition, and at the same time provided for Independence folks a couple of hours of merriment at the Isis theatre last Monday night. As the name implies, uncle and his family were some fun provokers.

It was necessary to add to the seating capacity of the theatre to provide accommodations for all who had a hankering to meet the service boys in their thespian efforts. And they were not disappointed. The play was ably presented and during the intermissions between acts musical numbers added to the enjoyment of the evening.

The cast, made up of Independence and Monmouth folks, was ably selected:

- Josiah Armstrong, a wealthy farmer
- William LeBlanc, a wealthy broker
- Benjamin Butler Armstrong, Josiah's son
- William LeBlanc, a wealthy broker
- Harry Newcombe, a rising young author
- Hiram Penstroke, Wellington Armstrong's confidential man
- James, Wellington Armstrong's butler
- Mrs. Wellington Armstrong, wife of Wellington
- Miss Helen Cornelius, Emily, wife of Josiah
- Mrs. Eva Eckright, Gladys Armstrong, daughter of Wellington
- Edith LeBlanc, daughter of LeBlanc
- Miss Ruth Straw

As an opening prelude there were pleasing selections by an orchestra, which had been especially organized for the event, with H. H. Hansen as director. The other members were: Valen Guild, Ed Wunder, Mrs. W. H. Small, Willard E. Craven, Pearl Hedges and Guy Walker.

With the orchestra playing the "Star Spangled Banner," the colors were planted on the stage as a curtain raiser by Louis Sorg, Joe Birkholz and Neil McKinzie.

Mrs. C. W. Irvine effectively sang "Old Carolina," and Paul Scott gave a pleasing selection. These numbers were between the acts.

From start to finish, the play was cleverly presented. It was apparent that there had been careful selection and thorough training under the supervision of the director general, G. G. Godfrey, assisted by Arthur Moore of Monmouth. To designate the stars would be a difficult problem. To some were given parts which made them real mirth provokers, but it required all to round out so capably and successfully a playlet of this character.

"Uncle Josiah" is to be presented at the Oregon Normal chapel on April 12th.

MARCH BUTTERFAT YIELD OF THE LOUGHARY HERD

Frank Loughary & Son of the Luckinmute farm of register of merit Jerseys, has furnished the Enterprise with additional information as to the milk yield of the herd. They say: "We shipped 17 five-gallon cans of cream from 17 cows in seven days, or five gallons of cream per cow.

Or to state it more definitely: for the month of March, for all the herd, taking the report of the Monmouth co-operative creamery and estimating what we fed the calves and the cream we used at home, the 17 head made 946.08 pounds of fat or an average of 55.65 pounds per head. There are only seven mature cows, five three-year-olds; and five two-year-olds, and most of them freshened last fall."

Peter Kurre has been quite seriously ill during the past week—the aftermath of an attack of influenza.

VANNICE AND PUPILS VISIT O. A. C. SHOW

Corvallis—Thomas K. Vannice, instructor in the Independence high school, attended the engineering show at the Oregon Agricultural college last week. He was entertained while in Corvallis by A. W. Marker, instructor of physics. Sixteen Independence high school boys also visited the show.

The main attraction for the boys seemed to be the polar cakes and the girls who were selling them, and the counterfeit dimes. Horace Clark and George Ray were seen to be getting quite familiar with the two pretty girls at the ice cream stand.

Each department of the engineering school including civil, mechanical, mining, chemical, electrical, forestry and military had its separate exhibitions.

The civil engineers built a huge arch over the main entrance to the show, a miniature railroad which was an exact reproduction of the "kicking horse pass" on the Canadian Pacific railroad and the Georgetown loop, and gave exhibitions with hydraulic machinery and water wheels.

The mechanical department exhibited and explained all the steam and gasoline engines, and made experimental tests on building material.

The chemical engineers gave exhibitions of spinning and blowing glass as well as interesting experiments with chemical compounds.

The electrical engineers gave the curious crowds the opportunity to listen to a musical recital from the radio phone, electroplated watch fobs and pennies, and gave every one a chance to listen to the speaking ark.

Mining engineers showed the progress in hie system of mining used from the day of '49 to the present day process.

The forestry department showed the method of surveying timber lands and making relief maps. They also had a complete miniature logging outfit in operation.

Army engineers reproduced the work of the engineers in the recent world's war.

F. M. Randellet, president of the American Society of Civil Engineers declared the show to be the best of its kind he had ever witnessed.

The pupils accompanying Mr. Vannice were: Russell Jones, Quincy Weddle, George Arrell, Horace Clark, John Heffley, Franklin Parker, Carol Smith, Vanness Johnson, Bob Irvine, Bill Baker, Cecil Reuf, George Ray, Velmore Bullis.

FATHER GEORGE KUTCH DIES AT M'MINNVILLE

W. T. Kutch, father of George Kutch of Independence died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Houston, at McMinnville, March 28th. Lacking less than four years of rounding out a century, Mr. Kutch had spent 53 of these years at Carlton. In fact, that little city was builded on a portion of his ranch.

Mr. Kutch was born in Indiana and was 96 years and 15 days old at the time of his death. He moved to Iowa at the age of 20, was subsequently married there. Accompanied by his family, he came to Oregon by the overland route, locating at Carlton, where he remained for the balance of his life, with the exception of the last few weeks which were spent at the home of his daughter at McMinnville.

His wife died about two years ago. Mr. Kutch is survived by five children: W. E. Kutch of Yamhill, George Kutch of Independence, Mrs. Lizette Kutch of Seattle, Mrs. Murray of Portland, and Mrs. Houston of McMinnville.

The funeral was held from the Macey chapel at McMinnville and was attended by a large concourse of old friends.

A most successful social function was the "shower" given for Miss Bessie Swope last Saturday afternoon, by Mrs. McLeod and Misses Devore and Burrough at the home of Mrs. McLeod. The large living room tastily decorated with a profusion of daffodils and ferns formed a pleasing setting for the group of friends who were glad of this opportunity to greet the honor guest. At the close of the pleasant afternoon, a delicious luncheon was served by the hostesses, assisted by Winona Carter and Lutrelle Kemp. Guests were: Misses Irene Forsythe, Woodburn; Anna Ellison, Salem; Gladys Childs, Mesdames Becker, Addison, Robbie, Butler, Kutch, Carbray, Walker, Swope and Mattison.

DEATH SUMMONS NOBLE WOMAN

Mrs. S. B. Irvine, Pioneer of Independence, Dies at Portland

Mrs. S. B. Irvine of a pioneer family and a resident of Independence for more than 50 years died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James L. Hanna, Portland, Monday evening. Ill with influenza for a time, Mrs. Irvine appeared to be on the road to recovery, and accompanied by Mr. Irvine she went to Portland with the expectation that the change would be beneficial. Without warning she was stricken Sunday. Her family was summoned and all were present when the transition occurred.

September 4th, last, Mr. and Mrs. Irvine celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary—the entire 50 years having been spent at Independence.

Mrs. Irvine was born in Illinois May 12, 1853. She was a daughter of Josiah Johnston. With her family she crossed the plains by ox caravan when but 11 years old, and residence was taken up in Oregon. Her mother lived to be 94 years old. She was married to Mr. Irvine, September 4, 1871, at Independence. Mr. Irvine was a native Missourian, coming to Oregon by the overland route in 1852, when but five years old.

Beside her husband, Mrs. Irvine is survived by five children: Mrs. W. H. Roy and Mrs. J. L. Hanna of Portland, Mrs. E. M. Johnson of Terrebonne, Sam E. Irvine of Independence, and Miss Gladys Irvine of Astoria.

Funeral services were held from the Finley parlors in Portland, Thursday afternoon, at 2:30, and interment was made at Portland. Rev. J. J. Bowersox of the Evangelical church officiated.

The announcement of Mrs. Irvine's death came as a shock to a large circle of Independence friends. She was loved and venerated in the family circle and held in the very highest esteem by an unusually large circle of friends.

Flowers and messages of condolence were showered upon the stricken husband and other members of the family from old Independence friends and relatives.

Mrs. Irvine had cultivated a gift of looking upon the bright side of life until it had become a shining characteristic and this was predominant until the end.

"FOUR HORSEMEN" IS BEST PICTURE OF YEAR

Greed, war, pestilence, death, are vividly and strikingly portrayed in the "Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" which was a recent attraction at the Isis theatre. It by far the best picture which has been shown there this season, and was greeted by packed houses on the two nights it was shown here.

From the producer's standpoint, it was all that money, talent and experience in picture making could desire to attain. But back of all of this was the theme or the story which it so vividly portrayed. Allegorical in significance, the trail of the four horsemen was strewn with the destructive elements of life—the plot centering largely on the World war.

DORSA N. TURNER IS SUMMONED

Well Known Airlie Farmer Is Stricken in Prime of Life

Dorsa N. Turner, a well-known stock buyer and farmer of the Airlie country, died at the Dallas hospital last Saturday morning at 2 o'clock. He had been ill for several weeks, rheumatic fever following a siege with the influenza.

Mr. Turner was born in Marion county, Oregon, March 12, 1874. He was a son of James C. Turner, who acquired a large ranch about midway between Lewisville and Airlie, shortly after that time and which was owned by the son at the time of his death.

Mr. Turner was twice married. First to Miss Laura Baldwin, to whom three children were born: Miss Verda Turner of Petaluma, Cal; Don and Dee Turner, at home. She died many years ago and Mr. Turner was subsequently married to Mrs. May Reuger, a daughter of W. N. O'Kelley and a sister of Mrs. M. C. Williams, who survives him.

Mr. Turner also leaves five brothers and one sister: Frank of Hermiston, Or.; Clyde of Kennewick, Wash; Troy of Pelee, Andrew and Emmet of Airlie, and Mrs. Rex Womer of Airlie.

The funeral was held from the family residence Monday, Dr. H. Charles Dunsmore officiating, with Funeral Director Keeney in charge. Interment was made in the Smith cemetery.

It was the largest funeral which has been held in that locality for years, there being more than 50 cars in the procession.

Mr. Turner has spent practically his entire life on the homestead. He was a progressive, energetic farmer and business man, and was well-known all over Polk county with a large circle of intimate friends.

PUBLIC UTILITY VEHICLE ORDINANCE IS PASSED

Effective May 18th, it will be necessary for all public utility vehicles operating in or through Independence to secure a franchise, according to an ordinance which was adopted by the city council Wednesday night. No exclusive franchise is to be granted, the purpose of the council being to make an open field, with a nominal charge for all trucks and passenger vehicles doing a commercial business. This action is in line with action which has been recently taken in other Oregon cities.

The only other business transacted was auditing and allowing the usual batch of monthly claims.

NAMES UNINTENTIONALLY OMITTED FROM LIST PLAYERS

In reporting the meeting of the P. T. A. meeting last week, two names were unintentionally omitted from the violin class of Crosby by Davis, which gave selections. Those playing were: Mrs. Woolley, Mrs. D. C. Davis, Mabel Kullander, Clarence Quartier and Orlo D. Forest.

Current report has it that Thomas A. Edison passed the 75-watt mark a few days ago.

PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL FIELD MEET IS ARRANGED

High and grade school pupils who intend to participate in the county track meet, which is to be held at Independence, May 20th, will find ample provision to satisfy their ambitions.

The program is completed and it calls for many events. It is as follows:

- 9 a. m.—Tennis
 - Tennis for singles, boys.
 - Tennis for singles, girls.
 - Tennis for doubles, boys.
 - Tennis for doubles, girls.
- 10 a. m.—Typing for first year students.
- 10 a. m.—Grade school declamation
 - 1:30 p. m.—Field and track.
 - 1. Pole vault—high school
 - 2. Shot put, (12 lbs.)—high school
 - 3. High jump.
 - 4. 50 yard dash—Grade school boys, under 100 lbs.; over 100 lbs.
 - High school girls; high school boys
 - 5. Discus throw—high school boys
 - 6. Broad jump—midgets, grade high
 - 7. 100 yard dash—same as 50.
 - 8. One-half mile run—high school
 - 9. 220 yard hurdle (low)—high school
 - 10—baseball throwing—grade and high girls.
 - 11—220 yard dash—high school boys
 - 12 440 relay—midgets
 - 13 880 relay—grades
 - 14 Mile relay—high school boys
 - Officer of the day—O. D. Byers.
 - Announcer—J. W. L. Kaufmann.
 - Time keepers—one from Dallas, Perrydale and Airlie.
 - Starters—2 O. N. S. students and Dadds.
 - Judges—Campbell, Gooding, Wills
 - Typing judges—O. N. S., Miss Syp; D. H. S., Blohn; L. H. S., Morse.
 - Tennis—Miss Slotboon.
 - Five points for first place; three for second; one for third.

BROCCOLI CROP BADLY DAMAGED

Harvest Will Be Light and Quality Off on Account Of Freezing

The freezing weather during the past winter has raised havoc with the broccoli crop in the Independence district and the same condition prevails in other parts of the valley. Harvesting has been started but it will be a light one and the quality will be inferior to past years. In some fields a large portion of the plants were killed, and those that were left are not up to standard. The bottom lands appear to have been hit hardest, and there are some fields that will not be harvested.

This is the first big damage to the crop since its inauguration here a dozen years ago. While growers are naturally disappointed, they are not disheartened and will continue to grow the crop.

CHARLES H. WHEELER DIES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Charles H. Wheeler died at his home south of Independence at 2:30 a. m., April 3rd. He had been ill for some time, but was confined to his bed only a few days. He was past 75 years, having been born in New York state, January 6, 1847.

About two years ago, Mr. Wheeler purchased the Millerhouser place in the American Bottom south of town, moved his family there from Salem. During the past 10 years he had been engaged in farming and previous to that was employed for many years by R. M. Wade & Co. of Salem.

Mr. Wheeler is survived by his widow and six children: Mrs. Anna J. Estes and Mrs. Lillian B. O'Shea of San Francisco, Mrs. Elnora Nickerson of Harrisburg, Or.; Miss D'Orsa D. Wheeler, Ambrose B. and Eugene W. Wheeler, at home.

Funeral services were held from the Methodist church, Buena Vista, Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. Allen Stehl officiating with Funeral Director A. L. Keeney in charge. Interment services were held at the Lee Mission cemetery, Salem, at 11:45.

Dr. Bowersox of Monmouth and Dr. Knott of Independence drove to Portland last night to listen to a lecture by Dr. Mayo, the noted Rochester, Minn., specialist.

BILL HUGGINS BALL MANAGER

Board of Directors and Officers Selected For Ball Season

W. B. Huggins is manager and Ira Mix is secretary-treasurer of an organization which has been perfected for the purpose of giving Independence a topnotch baseball team. The board of directors is composed of Don Barton, Hank Birkholz, Art Black and Messrs. Huggins and Mix.

There is much local enthusiasm over baseball and preparations are being made for a bang up team. Ten players have already been "signed" for the season, but there will always be room for any likely material which may develop. Verd Schunk, who has been one of the standbys in seasons gone by, will again wear the mask. A. Loy, a southpaw of note, and Pete Stoltenberg, who did such excellent work last season, will be on the mound. They will be supported by George Fetcher, Frank Fisher, G. Loy, Roy Houck, Elmer Addison, A. T. Underwood and Art Black. All of these with the exception of Fetcher and Underwood, were on the team last season. Fetcher is from Monmouth, and Underwood is a recent arrival.

New suits are to be purchased and the other expense necessary in giving the team the requisite kickoff is to be raised by local business men.

The high school ground will be used again this season and practicing will start as soon as weather conditions will permit.

LARGE CLASS WOODMEN INITIATED BY DALLAS CAMP

Dallas—Last Saturday night was gala night for the Modern Woodmen of America at which time a class of 36 was initiated into the mysteries of Woodcraft. Twenty-seven of the class being Dallas men, eighteen from Salem and one from Albany. About 20 of the class were unable to appear for initiation.

The first stunt of the evening was a parade which was led by a band and in which was included the candidates properly snubbed with rope and led by some of the trusty Woodmen, the Woodmen goat, the drill teams of Dallas and Salem, a properly decorated truck in which 15 of the oldest Woodmen were passengers; then the official car in which national organizer, Ralph E. Johnson; state deputy, Fred B. Curry; state counsel, W. C. Schaeffer, and several district deputies rode during the line of march, besides many of the Woodmen members. Altogether over 500 Woodmen gathered for the event, including representatives from Salem, Albany, Corvallis, Portland, Falls City, Saver and Silverton. At midnight a delightful banquet was served by the ladies' auxiliary of the Woodmen, which is the Royal Neighbors of America. The initiatory work lasted until about 2:30 at which time the candidates were declared wiser and happier men.

The only mar of the evening thus far brought to light was the disappearance of a spare tire and rim from a Hudson car belonging to the Albany delegation. The tire disappeared from the car while it was parked in front of the Woodmen hall. It was a 34x4 covered with black tire cover and it is hoped that it will be found and delivered to the sheriff's office so that it may be returned to the out of town visitors.

ELLIOTT BUYS STEWART MOTOR COMPANY BUSINESS

The Stewart Motor company has been purchased by C. A. Elliott, who came here about a month ago to manage the business. At that time he acquired an option to buy it, and is so well satisfied with conditions that he has exercised it, becoming the sole owner. The business will be continued for the present, at least, under the old name of the Stewart Motor company.

Mr. Elliott has opened a business at Dallas under the name of the Elliott Motor company. Mr. Elliott believes that the Polk field has a good future and is backing his judgment with his dollars.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Irvine and Mrs. Sarah E. Irvine went to Portland yesterday to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. S. E. Irvine.

