



PILS JUNKET; CARS COLLIDE

Accident Happens While Local Pupils Are En Route to Portland

Members of the American history of the Independence high school enroute to Portland Tuesday morning on a junketing expedition, given a thrill of excitement when one of the cars in which they were riding was run into by another of the party. A few screams, a minor bruise to the occupants, and quite serious damage to both vehicles, were the result.

The party, chaperoned by Mr. Underhill, left here at 7:30 in the morning in three cars belonging to George Bullock, and Cloyd Reuf. Champog was the first car to leave. Near Wheatland, north of Salem, the accident occurred. The Graves and Reuf cars were keeping close together. A sudden, unexpected stop of the lead car resulted in the second car crashing into it. The Graves car was put out of commission and was towed back to Salem by Mr. Heffley. The Bullock machine, partly repaired, continued on to Portland Tuesday morning. Mr. Heffley added the repairs of the Graves car to his list and the journey was resumed. At Portland, visits were made to the municipal auditorium and the Oregon Historical society rooms. Unable to get the repairs finished during the day, Mr. Bullock remained in Portland with friends, returning the following day. Other members of the party returned by train that evening.

Those composing the party in addition to Mr. Morse were: Loretta Enns, Nellie Burch, Mildred Dawes, Grace Clark, Sherman Foster, Ruth Heffley, Verna Heffley, Emmadell Schaubauer, Lillian Snyder, Jewel Farmer, Bessie Plessinger, George Bullock, George Graves, and Cloyd Reuf.

HUSBAND AND WIFE ARRAIGNED ON TWO CHARGES

Salem—A husband and wife were arraigned at the same time but on different charges in Judge G. E. Smith's justice court here Tuesday morning. They were Charles Enners and Mrs. Lillian Enners.

Enners, charged with cruelty to animals, pleaded not guilty. His trial was set for Friday morning.

Mrs. Enners, charged with passing bad checks, was dismissed by Judge Smith when she agreed to make a settlement with those persons involved.

Enners, arrested on a complaint filed by Dr. A. R. Andrews, humane officer, was accused of leaving a team of horses without food or water. Three checks, for which it was alleged there was not sufficient funds in the bank, were said to have been passed by Mrs. Enners.

The couple reside near Salem.

AIRLIE SCHOOL TO HAVE NOTED SPEAKER

State Superintendent J. A. Churchill will deliver the graduating address at the Airlie high school, to be held in the Airlie Evangelical church Friday evening, June 2. The diplomas will be presented by Josiah Wills, county school superintendent. The following program has been announced: Invocation, Rev. Ballantyne; selection, orchestra; salutatory, Lyle Hanley; class prophecy, Winifred Tubandt; solo, Mabel Hales; selection, orchestra; class colors and poem, Bertha Englehorn; historian, Dorothy Gross; selection, orchestra; "America's Place in Peace," Guy Wiseman; selection, orchestra; valedictory, Harry Kester; song, "America."

MANY SALES ARE MADE BY LOCAL FORD AGENCY

The Stewart Motor company is finding car sales very satisfactory at the present time. During the past week it reports: L. M. Boyer, Crabtree, a sedan; T. J. Featherstone, Independence, touring car; Dallas meat market, roadster; Mr. Newbill, Sheridan, touring car; W. W. Gaines, Independence, touring; W. G. Flood, Independence, sedan; S. Riggle, Independence, sedan.

LOCAL HI BOYS TAKE JEFFERSON INTO CAMP

The local high school boys defeated Jefferson boys in a regular Texas leaguer game at Jefferson, Wednesday afternoon. Up to the beginning of the ninth, the boys were close together, but in the ninth Cecil Reuf, pinch hitter for Independence, received a walk. The little boy stole from first to second then second to third. After stealing third and playing a considerable distance off of third, the catcher made a wild throw to third, hitting the runner glancing off and giving the runner ample time to make home. This run made the score 6 to 5 in favor of locals. In the last half of the ninth Jefferson fanned one, two, three. The first three innings Independence didn't have a run, but in the fourth and eighth two runs were made and fifth and ninth one run. Wilbur Underhill hit a three bagger, a first baseman's error helping him to get third. Bill Baker knocked two runners in the second inning. Bill Baker is gradually coming into shape at the job of twirling the ball. The little freshmen fanned 13 men.

Independence will play Woodburn here on Friday, May 12th, and Albany on Tuesday, May 16th. The boys have confidence in themselves and are sure that they will not lose any more games. The lineup for the locals on Wednesday was: Craven II.; Eldridge, as.; Baker, p.; Burright, 3rd; Underhill, c.; Stapleton, 1st; Bullis, cf.; Johnson, 2nd; Smiley, rf.; Reuf, batted for Bullis in ninth.

This makes the second game which Independence has won from Jefferson, in a contest here last Friday the local boys were victorious by a score of 11 to 4.

JAMES T. CROWLEY ANSWERS FINAL SUMMONS

James T. Crowley, who had spent practically his entire life in Polk county, and a son of John Crowley, one of the early pioneers of the Oregon country, died May 6th, at the state hospital, Salem, in which institution he had been receiving treatment for only a couple of weeks.

Funeral services were held from the Baptist church, Independence, Tuesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, Rev. H. L. Proppe officiating, with Funeral Director A. L. Keeney in charge, and interment was made in the Knights of Pythias cemetery south of Monmouth.

Mr. Crowley was born near Sheridan 50 years ago and his lifetime was spent in the vicinity of Independence. He was married to Miss Clara Miller at Portland six years ago, who survives him, and a son, Marcus, five years old, and a daughter, Hazel, three years old. Mr. Crowley also leaves three brothers, Richard and George of Independence, Bert of Arlington, and two sisters, Mrs. Nan Bevins of Airle and Mrs. Harry Willis of Hood River.

FALLS CITY GAME IS FORFEITED TO INDEPENDENCE

Supt. O. D. Byers of the Independence high school has been advised by W. J. Mishler of Grants Pass, secretary of the State Athletic association, that a game of baseball played on the Independence grounds, April 7th, between the Falls City and Independence high school teams has been forfeited to Independence.

Falls City used an ineligible player in Andrew Hunter, who had graduated from the Falls City high school the preceding year. During the contest, Mr. Byers contended that Hunter was ineligible, but Falls City insisted on playing him, and the state association is affirming Mr. Byers in his contention, and thereby proclaiming Independence winner of the game.

C. B. SMITH RE-ENTERS REALTY BUSINESS HERE

C. B. Smith, who recently returned from a year's sojourn in California, ostensibly for the purpose of a visit, has decided to again permanently cast his lot with the old town. He has purchased of J. E. Hubbard a one-half interest in the business of the Independence Realty company and will be actively identified in the conduct of the business of the firm.

Previous to his departure to California, Mr. Smith followed the realty game here quite successfully, indigamely in partnership with William Addison and later with Frank Worthington, disposing of the business to O. L. Foster, who subsequently sold it to Mr. Hubbard.

CONTRACTS FOR HIGHWAY GIVEN

Monmouth to Benton County Line to Cost State \$258,824.00

A contract for hard surfacing the highway from Monmouth to the Benton county line has been awarded by the highway commission to Curtis & La Point. The distance is given as 9.8 miles.

A contract for the Rickreall-Holmes Gap section, 5.67 miles, has been awarded to the Oregon Contract company, the price being \$135,168.

BENEFIT FOR HOME AT HOPVILLE SCHOOL

An entertainment is being arranged for Friday night, May 26th, at the Hopville school building—a benefit for the children's farm home near Corvallis. The affair is being arranged by the women of the Hopville district under the direction of Mrs. W. Lewis Rose and Miss Caudy and Miss Stevens. There is to be a program, a lunch and other attractive features. There will be no admission charge.

MONMOUTH WILL HOLD SPECIAL CHARTER ELECTION

A special city election has been called at Monmouth for May 19 for the purpose of voting on a new city charter. The proposed charter was prepared by the city attorney, B. F. Swope, several months ago and the city council voted to submit it to the voters at a special election. It is claimed that the city has outgrown the present charter, which was granted in 1899, and that it is inadequate for transacting the city's business.

NEWS EVENTS AT OREGON NORMAL

The Reverend Mr. Jenkins and Mrs. Jenkins of Portland and Venerable J. C. Black, Archdeacon of Oregon, visited the Normal on Tuesday. Mr. Black gave an inspiring talk at the chapel hour on that day.

Superintendent J. W. L. Kaufman of Falls City came to the Normal on Monday of this week to interview teachers for the coming year.

The May day junior week end festivities last Friday and Saturday were a brilliant success from beginning to end. The program given by the juniors in the chapel Friday evening, in the nature of a vaudeville, started the celebration off in just the right way. It consisted mainly of a series of clever take-offs—perhaps that in imitation of the faculty was the most laughable—which put everyone in the proper spirit to enjoy the other features of the program.

The May-day festivities themselves were elaborate and colorful—perhaps the most beautiful ever seen at the Normal. Miss Lena Keen, the May queen, and her attendants, formed a lovely picture as they proceeded through the grove following the procession of juniors and seniors. The pageant, written by Miss Taylor and called "Springtime Down the Ages," was most attractively presented by the juniors. The afternoon was devoted to the contest events between the classes and when the final count was taken, the President's trophy was awarded the juniors. Great credit for the success of this celebration is due Miss Taylor who had the matter in charge and who really planned the whole program. She was greatly helped in carrying it out by Miss Chandler, Miss Moore and Miss Peterson, as well as by all the members of the junior class.

Some of the guests who visited the Normal for the weekend included Miss Alden of Eugene, Mrs. Churchill and Mr. Hugg of Salem who acted as judges, and the following: Miss Johnson, Miss Vanderwall, Miss Wirth and Miss Boyd of Portland; Miss Humphries, Miss Curry and Miss Bartow of Corvallis; Miss Hansen of Hillsboro; Miss Bartlett Hansen of Salem; Miss Garbe of Junction City; Miss McDermott of Eugene; Mrs. Peery of McMinnville; and Mrs. Hurst of Carleton; Mrs. and Miss Anderson of Portland.

About seventy students chaperoned by Mr. Butler and Miss Chandler visited the state institutions at Salem on Thursday.

3 BIG EVENTS ARE SCHEDULED

Valsetz Excursion, County School Meet and Jersey Jubilee

Three noteworthy events are to take place here during the next two weeks.

Saturday, May 20, will be "Polk County School Day," with a field meet and oratorical contest at the Independence high school. It is for grade and high school pupils and it is expected that every school in the county will be represented.

Sunday, May 21, an excursion will be run here from Valsetz, when it is expected that a couple of hundred visitors from the sawmill city will come here for the day. Valsetz will bring its ball team for a contest with the local boys, there will be a feature film at the Isis during the afternoon. The committee in charge is Earl Butler, G. C. Skinner and Willard E. Craven, which handled the excursion which was run from here a couple of weeks ago.

Friday, May 26, is Polk day of the Jersey jubilee with a big lunch at the S. J. McKee ranch. Committees representing various organizations in this part of the county met at the Hotel Beaver yesterday afternoon and perfected some of the details for the big event.

DR. L. E. BARRICK IS MARRIED TO SALEM GIRL

Dr. L. E. Barrick, a former well-known and deservedly popular young dentist of Independence, was married at the home of the bride's parents in Salem, Wednesday, to Miss Vera Oehler. The Capital Journal says: Mr. Barrick is one of the most popular brides of the early season and has been extensively feted with showers and other affairs for several weeks.

About fifty relatives and friends of the couple were present to witness the service which was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Dunsmore of Independence and Rev. George Koehler, of Salem.

Following the service a wedding dinner was served at a long table decked with pink sweet peas.

The couple departed for points north and will be at home after July 15, at 1677 South High street.

Miss Oehler is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Oehler. She is popular in the younger set of the city.

Miss Oehler was born in Iowa, where she was graduated from the high school at Hawkeye. She later attended the state teachers' college at Cedar Falls, and upon leaving that institution taught school. She came to Oregon with her parents in November, 1918, and afterward attended a Salem business college. Since October, 1919, she has been employed in the office of the secretary of state.

Dr. Barrick is a graduate of the Salem high school and the North Pacific dental college of Portland. He later took a post graduate course in Minneapolis. He is a member of the Delta Sigma Delta fraternity. Dr. Barrick practiced dentistry in Independence for four years, locating in Salem 18 months ago.

HAPPENINGS IN THE ELKINS COUNTRY

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Tedrow motored to Dallas Sunday afternoon.

G. B. Jones and family spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Jones of Oak Point.

Miss Florence Enschede spent the weekend with friends in Monmouth.

Quite a number from here attended the May Day festivities at Monmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Tedrow, A. Z. Tedrow, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Jones attended an all day meeting of the Farmers' Union at Pedee Saturday.

Miss Mildred Tetherow was a weekend guest of Miss Lola Ball at the dormitory.

Mrs. Joe Tetherow and son, Carl, were shopping in Salem Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harman motored to Salem Saturday.

Mrs. Sarah Pitzer and children of Dallas visited Sunday with Roy Pitzer and family.

H. W. Hannum motored to Salem Friday.

The new student teachers for the coming five weeks are Messrs. Lord and Harvey and Misses Wilson, Johnson and Fladen.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pitzer went to Salem Sunday afternoon to see Mrs. Pitzer's mother.

The annual picnic of the Polk County Farmers' Union will be held at Elkins June 3. State President A. R. Shumway of Milton, Oregon; Vice president A. G. Rempe of Dallas, Secretary Sikes of Corvallis, as well as some members of the state executive board, will be present. One of the big features of the day will be a ball game between Farmers' Union men of Wasco and Polk counties. Walter Pierce of La Grande will speak on income tax.

Joe—"Did you hear that beautiful music this morning?"

Alfred—"Yes! That was the new school bell at Elkins."

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Price were shopping in Dallas Friday.

George Williamson of Airle had the end of his thumb sliced off with an axe while attempting to split wood. He was here Monday and had the injured member dressed by a physician.

BENEFIT DANCE FOR AUTO PARK AT GYM TONIGHT

A dance will be given at the high school gym tonight for the purpose of raising money for equipping the auto park. It is strictly a benefit project, and is being fostered by the Woman's club and has the endorsement of other local organizations.

A big attendance is desired and expected. Good music has been provided, with the desire to make it an enjoyable occasion for all who may desire to attend.

BAPTISTS OF WILLAMETTE HOLDING CONFERENCE HERE

The Baptist churches of the Willamette valley are holding an important conference at the Baptist church here. The first meeting began Thursday morning of this week. Prominent divines in Baptist circles will speak. The conference is to last four days, closing Sunday afternoon. Such men as Dr. G. Young, Dr. Waldo, Prof. Bosserman of Jefferson high school, Portland and others will speak. All the meetings are open to the public. There will be inspirational and devotional addresses.

MRS. MARGARET SCHNEBERT DIES AT FARM HOME HERE

Mrs. Margaret C. Schnebert, wife of John Schnebert, died at the family home about two miles northwest of Independence, May 9th, at the age of 52 years, 5 months and 25 days. She had been ill for nearly three years.

Mrs. Schnebert was born in Wisconsin, was married there to Mr. Schnebert, coming to Oregon 11 years ago, locating in the North Howell district near Salem. About 15 months ago Mr. Schnebert purchased the Carmack ranch, which has since been the home of the family.

Mrs. Schnebert is survived by one daughter, Mrs. C. A. Stewart, who was her constant attendant during her long illness.

Funeral services were held from the Catholic church, Salem, Thursday morning at 9:30, Rev. Father Connelle officiating, with interment in the Salem Catholic cemetery. Funeral Director A. L. Keeney was in charge.

JEFFERSON FARMER BUYS PUREBRED CLYDESDALE

J. D. Turnidge, who lives just across the Willamette from Buena Vista with Jefferson as his postoffice address, has just purchased of William Riley of Albany, "Sandy of Ashburn," a thoroughbred Clydesdale stallion. When in full flesh he lacks but 15 pounds of weighing a ton. Sandy was bred by Mark Hurlbut, has received state fair honors, and has a pedigree which goes back for many generations.

Mr. Turnidge is of the opinion that draft horses are going to be in much greater demand than they have been during the past few years.

NINE TOPNOTCHERS ARE GIVEN HIRSCHBERG DOLLAR

Nine pupils of the Independence training school were awarded the Hirschberg dollar for scholarship during the month just closed. They are:

First grade—Harold Kurre.
Second—Hugh Hanna.
Third—Earnestine Smiley.
Fourth—Lydia Hanna.
Fifth—Virginia Burch.
Sixth—Marion Fluke, Wilma Percival.
Seventh—Dorothy White.
Eighth—Eddie Bullock.

MASONS WILL HOLD OPEN MEETING TUESDAY

Lyon lodge, A. F. & A. M., will hold an open meeting next Tuesday night in the lodge room, starting at 8 o'clock, to which the public is invited.

A feature of the meeting will be an address by William F. Woodward, a director of the Portland schools, who will touch upon the public school question as he views it.

HANSEN SELLS BATTERY BUSINESS TO NEWBERG MAN

Carl F. Groth of Newberg has purchased the battery service business of H. H. Hansen and will take possession Monday. He has leased the building west of the store of Stevens & Co. on C street and will move the business from the Huggins Motor company to that location.

Mr. Groth has been in business at Newberg, associated with a brother under the firm name of the Groth Electric Co.

JOHN WARD BUYS RANCH ADJOINING HOME PLACE

John Ward, a well-known rancher of the Hopville district, has purchased of a Mr. Griffith the Eston Bevins ranch of 23 acres, which adjoins the Ward place. It is improved with a good house and barn.

Mr. Griffith purchased the property about a year ago. Incapacitated from work, he has gone to California to make his home with relatives.

ALL IS READY FOR HOME RUN

Activity is Developing All Along the Line in a Political Way

Politics is "heting up" some on the home stretch. With primaries just one week distant, candidates and their friends are continually adding more fuel, and present indications are that primary day, Friday, May 19th, will be keenly interesting in Polk county particularly.

Ralph Williams' old friends here are rallying to his support and the fight over the Republican committee-manship will be waged more fiercely in Polk than the gubernatorial contest.

Of course, there is interest over the selection of a candidate for governor, with the probability that Polk is going to give Senator Patterson a handsome plurality.

The senatorship for the Polk-Benton district is waxing warm. A. J. Johnson of Corvallis and E. H. Belknap, the aspirants, have been spending some time in this county getting in touch with the voters.

A little vim has been put into the representative contest by the organization here of a "Fletcher for Representative Club" with R. M. Walker as chairman. Mr. Fletcher has entered the campaign in real earnest. Mr. Fletcher has had assurances of support in all parts of the county, and expresses himself as being well satisfied with the outlook. His opponents are Perry O. Powell of Monmouth and Glen O. Holman of Dallas.

T. J. Graves, William Riddell, Jr., William Ellis and George D. Stewart, candidates for commissioner, have been flirting some with Independence during the past week. So far as this part of the county is concerned, there has been no great activity on the part of any of these candidates.

OPENING GAME LOST; PLAY AGAIN SUNDAY

Independence lost its opening game, which was played at Amity last Sunday. Furthermore, the locals were given a shutout, the score being 7 to 0. Notwithstanding, it was a good exhibition, with a scoreless sheet to the beginning of the seventh. The trouble started then. Amity made one run in the seventh, and an error made six runs in the eighth after two men had been retired.

Stoltenberg and Dame formed the battery for the locals.

A return game will be played on the Independence ground, Sunday, May 14th, starting at 2:30, when Independence expects to reverse the score of the former contest.