

Entries to the Independence Corn Show will close Thursday night, November 16th

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DALLAS READY FOR CELEBRATION

Excellent Program Planned For Entertainment of Service Boys

Dallas has made extensive preparations for the observance of Armistice Day on Saturday of this week. Members of the Independence Post of the American Legion, their families, G. A. R. and Spanish-American veterans and their families are to be guests of the Dallas legion during the afternoon and evening.

During the forenoon there will be exercises at the Monmouth Normal followed by a luncheon with the war veterans and their families the guests of honor.

Concerning the Dallas celebration the Observer says:

The program for the Armistice Day celebration to be given under the auspices of the Carl B. Fenton post No. 20 of Dallas, has now been fully formulated and as it is the intention of the post to carry it out in full it promises to be the biggest event of similar nature ever held in Polk county.

Last year the celebration was held under the auspices of the Independence post with the Dallas post as their guests. This year the Independence post is to be the guest of the local post. In addition to these guests, the local post also invites all ex-service men and their families in the county to participate in the day's activities. The program as arranged will take place in the entire afternoon and late in the evening, and will end with a big free dance in the armory with the best dance music provided, and starting at 9 o'clock.

Armistice Day falls on Saturday, November 11, which will make it convenient for all who desire to do so to attend. Promptly at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon will be held the big parade, which will be participated in by the military, fraternal and other organizations and the school children. The parade will form in position not later than 1:15 in order to make a prompt start. The parade is open to any military and fraternal organization in the county.

The parade will form as follows and follow the line of march given:

- 1—Colors in position in front of the Dallas armory at 1:15 o'clock.
- 2—Band—This promises to be the big feature of the day and excellent music is assured to the guests.
- 3—Company L infantry of the Oregon National guard. This aggregation will be in full uniform and the visitors will be able to see some nifty marching evolutions.
- 4—American Legion Posts of Polk county, including the Independence post and Carl B. Fenton post No. 20 of Dallas.
- 5—Ladies' Auxiliary of the American Legion. These auxiliaries in the county are quite large and the ladies have assured a representative turnout of their members.
- 6—Spanish war veterans and their ladies. All in marching order and carrying Old Glory.
- 7—Boy Scouts of America. There are a goodly number of these youngsters in Polk county and they will make the older organizations look well to their marching laurels.
- 8—Grand Army of the Republic and the ladies of the various Woman's Relief Corps of the county. These two organizations are rapidly deteriorating in numbers, but will present a good and active formation in the parade.
- 9—Woodmen of the World on Court street, west of Church street face west.
- 10—Prune Center Camp No. 9917, Modern Woodmen of America of Dallas, and all members of the Modern Woodmen of America in the county. In this formation will be the cracker-jack degree team of the order under command of Roy Kelly as captain.
- 11—The members of the Knights of Pythias and all other fraternal organizations are expected to join in and take position in the line of march as they desire.

At 2 o'clock the athletic program for the children will be held at the armory. This program will be in charge of E. B. Hamilton, captain of Company L of Dallas. Music for this feature will be furnished by the band

and prizes will be awarded to the winning contestants.

At 3 o'clock a football game will be played on the college campus. The contesting teams have not as yet been definitely decided upon, but it will be a contest well worth going to see. The game will be played under the direction of a committee headed by Jack Hayes.

At 5:30 o'clock a banquet will be served in the Christian church at the corner of Clay and Jefferson streets, to all ex-service men and their families in Polk county. This will be followed at 8 o'clock by a special program in the church of vocal and instrumental music and speaking.

MRS. MARTHA RICHARDSON SUCCUMBS IN PORTLAND

Hallowed by the soft sun of Indian summer, crowned by banks of perfectly blended autumn flowers, and surrounded by loving relatives and friends, the earthly body of Martha Church Richardson was lowered to its last resting place Tuesday. No more beautiful place could be found for her bed—the smiling fields at her feet typifying the mother, and the blue sky overhead the true Christian life she led for 69 years.

Mrs. Richardson died Sunday, leaving four children, nine grandchildren, and one great grandson. That the myriad of friends she has left are true friends was indicated by the loving tributes in words and flowers bestowed upon the casket and the body within. A white ribbon, pinned on the shroud by Miss Sarepta Richardson, sister-in-law, was testimony to Mrs. Richardson's tireless work in the Woman's Christian Temperance union, for which she was elected a life member shortly before her death.

Called by nearly everyone who came under her kindly touch during the last years, "Aunt Martha," Mrs. Richardson was an inspiration in Christianity for more than one generation in Independence. She was one of the charter members of the Church of Christ in Independence, and it is believed, the last of them.

Mrs. Richardson, born August 15, 1853 at Zena, was a daughter of John Phillips, pioneer of 1845, who settled near Zena. She was married to John Wesley Richardson in Spring Valley July 17, 1869. They moved to Independence in 1873, and in a short time built a home in which they lived until death called them.

Mrs. Richardson's blood runs unbroken through three generations of oldest sons—John W. Richardson, Cyril V. Richardson, a grandson, and Gerald Richardson, a great-grandson. Frank E. Richardson and Charles W. Richardson, sons, and Mrs. Rose L. McGrath, the only living daughter, all live in Portland.

While visiting her son Charles, Mrs. Richardson quietly fell dead November 5, passing away as inconspicuously as she had served.

David Kratz, acting pastor of the Christian church, and firm friend of the late Mrs. Richardson, preached the funeral sermon, and Miss Greeta Phillips of Salem, her niece, gave two solos.

Brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews, grandchildren, and more distant relatives from over the state gathered to express their love and devotion to the memory of Martha Richardson—pioneer, mother, patriot, but above all, Christian.

SPOOKS HOLD SWAY AT AN ELKINS AFFAIR

A very "spooky" party was given by Misses Ruth and Mildred Tetherow and Miss Maud McEldowney at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Tetherow Saturday night. The rooms and porches were decorated with jack o' lanterns, chrysanthemums and autumn leaves. Upon arrival the guests were greeted by ghosts. The evening was pleasantly spent in playing games after which a delicious lunch consisting of pumpkin and mince pie and cider was served. Those present were Messrs. Ray Way, Carl Tetherow, Frank Loughary, Carl Dodson, Frank and Tom McEldowney, Truman Pease, Chester Dodson, Harold and Clare Price, Alfred Jones, Johnnie Williams, A. A. Tetherow, Raymond Crook, Augustus Denman, Melford Nelson, Misses Mildred Manning, Vera Dodson, Viola Nielson, Florence Enschede, Verda and Roxie Crook, Ruth and Mildred Tetherow, Maud McEldowney, Mrs. G. E. Jones Jr. and Mrs. A. E. Tetherow and Maurice Tedrow.

VISIT SCHOOLS DECEMBER 3-9

American Legion and Educational Association Back Movement

"Visit the schools" is the slogan adopted by the American Legion and National Educational association for the week of December 3 to 9, set aside this year as American education week, for the purpose of bringing home to the people of the country the importance of proper schools.

Mayors throughout the state and nation will issue proclamations concerning the week, clergy will preach on the subject of education on Sunday, December 3rd, merchants will run "Visit the schools" slogans in their advertising. Everywhere a sincere attempt is being made by the legion and educators to stir up interest in the foundation of American ideals—the public schools.

Oregon American Legion posts will combine their forces with the National Education association for a dynamic drive to bring home to the people the importance of the schools. A national drive will be made Monday, December 4th, with the slogan "American all by 1927" to help immigrants to become Americans, and start their education in the duties of citizenship.

The next day, Tuesday, will be devoted to patriotism, with the subjects of "universal" use of the English language in the United States; music as a nation builder; the flag, the emblem of freedom, and "The citizen's duty to vote", being emphasized.

Better paid teachers, more school houses and the schools' influence on the coming generation will receive attention Wednesday, December 6th.

The next day, Thursday, will be devoted to the cure of illiteracy. The American Legion will endeavor to call the citizen's duty to teaching the illiterate to read and write. This day will be a declaration of war on Bolshevism.

An equal opportunity for all in education will be urged Friday, Dec. 8. A nation-wide study will be made of rural and city schools in a comparative way, also of high schools and colleges.

Believing that a sick body makes a sick mind, attention will be called on Saturday, Dec. 9th, to physical education, the needs of playgrounds, and the great out-of-doors, the country's need in developing our forests, the conservation of our soil and playgrounds for every community.

BUDGET FOR CITY SCHOOLS IS ADOPTED

Only two taxpayers in addition to the members of the school board, attended a budget meeting for school district No. 29 (Independence) Wednesday night. The budget, as had been previously arranged and submitted to the voters by publication in the Enterprise, was adopted without change. It calls for an expenditure of \$26,065, with \$14,915 to be raised by direct tax.

Chairman M. H. Pengra presided at the meeting, and A. C. Moore and D. E. Fletcher, the other members of the board, and Clerk Charles G. Irvine were present.

Max Goldman and C. W. Irvine were the spectators.

POLK STRONG FOR WALTER PIERCE

Fletcher and Other County Republicans Are Elected Easily

Polk in common with most of the counties of the state gave Walter M. Pierce, the democratic nominee for governor, a majority of the votes in Tuesday's election. In fact, Polk went it so strong that Mr. Pierce received more than two votes to one for Mr. Olcott. The complete but unofficial vote giving Mr. Olcott 1455 and Mr. Pierce 2968.

The democratic slide stopped with the governor, the balance of the republican state ticket being elected by substantial majorities.

D. E. Fletcher running on the republican ticket for state representative from Polk defeated his opponent, J. C. Syron by 437 votes. Mr. Fletcher made no campaign up until a few days before election. Returns came in slowly and it looked at one time as though the representative issue was going to be a horse race, but Independence, Dallas, Valseltz, West Salem and other precincts came through with handsome Fletcher majorities.

B. F. Jones of Newport was easily elected joint representative from Polk and Lincoln. He carried Polk by a majority of 632 and Lincoln, his home county, give him an exceptionally strong endorsement.

William Ridell, Jr., of Monmouth, received a majority of 556 for county commissioner over Ira C. Mehrling of Falls City.

The compulsory educational bill received 2144 "yes" votes and 1910 "no" votes.

The two tax questions submitted by the county court were decisively defeated. One asking for \$40,000 for road purposes, \$2000 for county fair, \$2000 for county agent and \$2682 for county library received 1247 favorable votes and 2792 unfavorable votes.

The other question asking for \$26,800 for bridges on the west side Pacific highway received even worse treatment, there being 1020 for it and 2992 against it.

In the Independence city election very little interest was taken, all officers being elected without opposition. Mayor, R. M. Walker; councilmen, J. S. Bohannon, G. G. Walker, and Willard E. Craven; recorder, A. E. Horton.

In the county election, J. E. Hubbard received quite a number of complimentary votes for constable in the district comprising Independence and Monmouth and known as district five, in opposition to C. E. Stewart of Monmouth, the republican - democrat nominee.

"Bob" Baker of Independence was elected justice of the peace for this district without opposition.

Interest in the outcome of the election was keen in Independence on election night. Returns were received at the Enterprise office until an early hour the following morning. These were from the Western Union with S. Taylor Jones at the key, Russell Jones and "Nig" Mills serving as dispatch riders; from the radio stations of George Graves and G. C. Skinner and the county service over the Willamette Telephone company, connection with the sheriff's office at Dallas.

ACTIVITIES OF LOCAL STUDENTS AT O. A. C.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Nov. 9—Ten Independence students are enrolled at the Oregon Agricultural college this term—Glenn O. Burright, Hazel Calbreath, Robert W. Craven, Lenore John Davis, Wendell H. Denlinger, Ulla Dickinson, Gerald R. Hewett, Opal Hewett, Rollo James McKinney, and Dermot K. MacCarthy.

Mr. McKinney is a senior in engineering and president of the Sigma Gamma fraternity. He works part time for the U. S. geological survey measuring the flow of all streams between Springfield and Albany.

Mr. Burright is a sophomore in commerce and a member of the Omega Upsilon fraternity. He is an associate member of the Mask and Dagger, a dramatic organization, and is working part time at Nolan's clothing store.

Miss Dickinson is a senior in home economics. The school of home economics is quartered in a new building where Miss Dickinson along with many other young women is studying the problems and management of the home. Child care, home sanitation, practical buying and testing of clothing, courses in dress making, cooking, food selection and preparation are among the courses studied by home economic students.

A baby is adopted by this school each year, the girls being given practical experience in feeding, bathing and general care of the infant. Each girl has the opportunity of caring for the baby certain periods during the day. Miss Dickinson is a member of the Beta Alpha sorority.

John M. Richardson is a senior in commerce and a student assistant in the department of industrial journalism. He is a member of the Sigma Delta Chi, journalistic fraternity, and Alpha Kappa Psi, an honorary commerce organization. Mr. Richardson is generally active in student affairs.

Miss Hazel Calbreath is a junior in home economics and has pledged to the Delta Delta Delta sorority. This is Miss Calbreath's first year at the Oregon Agricultural college.

Miss Opal Hewett is a senior in pharmacy. This course prepares students for any position requiring a knowledge of drugs and chemicals. Miss Hewett is a member and officer of the Delta Delta Delta sorority. She holds an office in the College Pharmaceutical association "Bob" Craven and Gerald Hewett are sophomores. Craven is taking a course in commerce and is a member of the Gamma Nu fraternity. Hewett is taking pharmacy and is a member of the Kappa Psi fraternity.

Mr. Davis is studying vocational commerce and is playing in one of the college dance orchestras.

Mr. Denlinger is a senior in mechanical engineering and a member of the Wastina club.

The only freshman from Independence is Dermot MacCarthy. He is taking mechanical engineering.

Independence is represented in every division of the college except agriculture.

VALSETZ MILL RESUMED OPERATIONS WEDNESDAY

The Cobbs & Mitchell mill at Valseltz resumed operations Wednesday morning after being idle for the past two months while the refuse burner was being rebuilt and extensive alterations were made in both the sawmill and planing mill.

It is expected that for the first few days there will be some delay in getting the machinery tuned up but after that it is expected that the output of the plant will be increased materially.

SCHOOL CENSUS HERE SHOWS SLIGHT INCREASE

A school census for the Independence district has just been completed for Clerk Charles G. Irvine by E. E. Paddock and it shows an increase of 15 over last year.

In the district there are now of school age—over 4 and under 20—599 children, 248 boys and 261 girls.

Mr. Paddock made a very thorough job, visiting every house in the district and then checking his list with the old one.

Mr. Paddock kept tally on dwelling houses, finding 400 as the total number.

MUCH INTEREST IN CORN SHOW

Heavy Increase in Entries is Expected by Committee in Charge

This being a bumper crop year for farm products should make the Independence annual corn show the biggest exhibit ever held here. The enthusiasm which has been aroused throughout the whole county resulting from rotation of crops coupled with one of Oregon's most ideal corn growing seasons will be expressed by the finest and largest exhibits of corn and corn products, potatoes, squash, and pumpkins, that the Willamette valley has ever seen. Growers of corn and potatoes living close to the county as well as those close at hand have signified their intention to show several of their best varieties and premium winners of Polk county at the state fair at Salme and at Polk county fair at Dallas plan to enter their prize winning exhibits.

This being an exhibit of farm products by growers themselves should stimulate each person in the county, whether a grower or consumer, to attend the exhibit and view the quality products of our home growers.

There are 11 classes of entries with nine classes being devoted to corn exhibits and corn products with potatoes having one class and vegetables the remaining class. There are no entering charges or any expense to the grower at all, the only restriction being that each exhibit must be entered in the name of the actual grower.

There are 90 premiums offered ranging from \$1 to \$10 each and clearly expresses that local business people believe there is a pronounced benefit resulting from growing corn.

Each business place in Independence is offering a premium of some sort.

The first few years of the corn show we labored hard to get 75 entries each year, but hard work resulted finally in last year of a show with 130 entries, this being the largest number of corn entries ever made before in the entire state at any fair. This year we estimate that there will be around 200 entries.

The name of the Independence show is known all over the state and last year the inquiries for seed corn to the successful premium winner quickly bought out all the excess seed for the next planting.

The committee in charge expects to have musical concerts each evening and on Saturday afternoon there will be a lecture. A program for the two days is nearly ready for press.

Each person should feel that the corn show is his show and strive to be there at least. Let the committee know of your presence and how to make it bigger and better next year. We all should strive to see our nearest neighbor at least and say: "I'll see you at the corn show, next week."

ONE BLOCK F STREET IS TO BE IMPROVED

A petition asking for the improvement of F street between Sixth and Seventh was presented to the city council Wednesday night and received favorable consideration. The street is to be graded and graveled.

Several residents of the north part of the city petitioned that some action be taken relative to a Southern Pacific crossing in that part of the city.

The council is taking up the matter of truck franchises with all concerns who send cars or trucks here regularly for the delivery of goods. This will include the oil companies.

VALSETZ MAN HAS LEG CUT OFF BY TRAIN

W. H. Hall of Valseltz was run over by a train near that place Wednesday morning, the accident completely severing one foot at the ankle. The injured man was brot to Independence, after having received first aid treatment at Valseltz, and was sent at once to Portland for further care.

It was reported here yesterday that Hall died while enroute to Portland, but there was no verification of it.

Hall was about 70 years old, and was employed as a "roustabout" at one of the camps.

