

INDEPENDENCE ENTERPRISE

AND WEST SIDE.

INDEPENDENCE, POLK COUNTY, OREGON, MARCH 19, 1903.

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YEAR.

O. F. REUNION.

Magnificent Hall Thrown Open to the Public.

ELABORATE BANQUET SERVED.

Program of Much Excellence in the Evening Pass in a Delightful Manner.

Thursday evening Valley

No. 41, I. O. O. F., assisted local lodge of Rebekahs, engaged a hundred or more guests in a manner that was creditable. The reception opened as a formal opening in the magnificent lodge hall,

lege, stood second, with Harvey B. Denmore, University of Oregon, third; Guy E. Moore, of Oregon Agricultural College, fourth; Oregon State Normal School, fifth; Pacific University, sixth; Albany College, seventh; Willamette University, eighth.

Never was there more enthusiasm and college spirit shown at a state contest than was exhibited in Villard hall last Friday evening. The richly decorated assembly hall was filled with college yells and songs from 8 o'clock until the decision was rendered at 11:30. This is the third time that McMinnville College has won the state oratorical contest. University of Oregon has won three decisions, while Albany won one, Pacific College two, Pacific University one and Willamette University one. When the decision was announced the McMinn-

Oration—"The Voice of Labor".... Harvey B Denmore, U. O. Vocal solo—"Sunset"..... Dudley Buck

.....Miss Louise C Yoran

Song—"Cotton Dolly".... Glee Club

After the contest the delegates, orators and collegians retired to the banquet hall to forget their defeat in feasting. The banquet was held in the gymnasium. The tables presented an inviting appearance and the spread was all that could be desired. The banquet was attended by a large concourse of people, tickets being issued to a considerable number outside of the delegation. Prof. I. M. Glenn acted as toastmaster, and toasts were responded to by representatives of every college in the association. The banquet lasted until a late hour. The program was as follows:

"Fabius Maximus—The Man From the Farm"—Miss Winnie Smith, Oregon Agricultural College.

"The Cold Orator"—George D. Byers, Albany College.

"The Birthplace of Oratory"—W. A. Miles, Pacific College.

"When Shall We Meet Again?"—W. B. Shively, Pacific University.

"Our Hosts"—E. S. Evenden, Oregon State Normal.

"Nil Desperandum"—Kenneth Latourette, McMinnville College.

"Where Perches Victory"—W. E. Keyes, Willamette University.

"Our Guests"—W. S. Whittlesey, University of Oregon.

Republican Convention Call.

A republican convention for the county of Polk is hereby called to meet at Dallas, Oregon, on Saturday, March 28, 1903, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing nine delegates to the first district congressional convention, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the convention.

The several precincts in the county are entitled to one delegate at large and one delegate for each ten votes cast for Hon. Thomas H. Tongue, republican candidate for congressman in June, 1902, and one delegate for each fraction of five or over so cast, to-wit:

Douglas, 9; McCoy, 6; North Dallas, 10; Rock Creek, 2; North Independence, 12; Suver, 3; Eola, 7; Jackson, 5; East Dallas, 9; Rickeall, 6; Luckiamute, 9; South Independence, 8; South Monmouth, 5; Spring Valley, 5; Salt Lake, 5; South Dallas, 10; Falls City, 8; Bridgeport, 4; Buena Vista, 6; North Monmouth, 7.

Primaries will be held in the various precincts on Friday, March 27, at the hour of 2 o'clock P. M. (except in Rock Creek precinct, where the primaries will be held Thursday, March 26, at 2 o'clock P. M.) and the precinct committeemen are requested to make all necessary arrangements for the same.

W. W. PERCIVAL,
Chairman.

Attest: M. MERWIN,
Secretary.

Jefferson Creamery Starts.

The Eldridge creamery begun operations Monday, March 16th.

It is one of the most complete and best equipped plants in the state, and is in capacity far beyond present requirements. Stock has been sold off close in the Jefferson neighborhood, and it will take several years to bring up the small herds, but the field for a creamery is considered a good one, and the operation of the plant will promote the prosperity of the community very rapidly. A good well was struck at a depth of 155 feet, with a flow to within 22 feet of the surface of pure water. One of the largest patrons of the creamery will be Hon. Chas. Miller's large herd of Jerseys, and other flock owners are coming in with their product as soon as they can close present contracts.—Salem Journal.

Polk County Teachers' Association.

Following is the program of the meeting of the Polk county teachers' association to be held at Independence, on Saturday, March 28th.

Music, by the association; Busy work—general discussion, by the association; Introductory Work in Literature, Miss Ednelle Collins; Flant Study, Miss Loretta Smith; Geography, "Oregon," Miss M. L. Hampton.

NOON.

Music, Miss Grace A. Higgins; History, "Reconstruction Period" Prof. A. F. Campbell; Arithmetic, "Applications of Percentage," E. M. Smith; Address, Dr. E. J. Thompson.

Reports from the committees on arrangement for systematic bird study and county public school athletics will be submitted, and the association will decide at this meeting the time and place for holding our annual teachers' picnic.

Do not forget to bring specimens of the composition work done by your pupils during the month.

Luncheon will be provided by the Independence teachers.

A good attendance by teachers and friends of education is earnestly desired.

C. L. STARR, pres.
R. C. FRENCH, vice-pres.
NELLIE M. BURKE, sec.
Executive Committee.

RESIDENCE SOLD.

The Home of A. J. Goodman Changes Hands.

The lovely home of A. J. Goodman changed hands Friday, it passing into the ownership of J. W. Kirkland. Mr. Goodman will not, however, give possession until fall. This is one of the nicest homes in town, and justly proud may the new possessor be of his property. Mr. Goodman owns some vacant lots in town and he thinks of building in a few months.

New supply of Langerine Oranges at Wagoner's. Something new.

Harry Clodfelter, of Corvallis, was a business visitor in town last week.

HERMANN VISITS HERE.

Ex-Commissioner of Land Office Visits Old Friends.

IS A CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS.

He is an Acquaintance to Many Here—Paid Compliment to City's Prosperity.

Hon. Binger Hermann, of Roseburg, was in our city Tuesday, visiting old acquaintances and making new ones. Mr. Hermann is a candidate for representative from the first district. While in Independence he added many reminiscences of years long past of which Polk county's oldest citizens will well remember.

A little over 18 years ago he was first elected as a congressman from Oregon; since that time he has served six terms in that capacity and six years as commissioner of the U. S. land office. Previous to this time he was register of the land office at Roseburg, Oregon. It was before this, and while he was in the state legislature that Hon. J. L. Collins, now of Dallas, and Hon. Mr. Dimmick were both sent from Polk county for the same office in the state legislature. That body was then democratic and Mr. Collins was not allowed the privileges. He stated that he thought our former county judge, J. Stouffer, recently of Dallas, but now deceased, was a member. While here he mentioned that J. H. Moran and L. Damon, both well-known townsmen of ours, helped to secure him his nomination for congress for the first time over 18 years ago. He also mentioned as an old friend a former president of the State Normal School and father of P. L. and A. F. Campbell. He stated that T. F. Campbell was a firm friend and a man he highly esteemed. He spoke of Prof. A. F. Campbell, who is a teacher in the Normal School, with reference to the times when in his practice of law he had had some very pleasant cases in which they were the opposing attorneys.

He recited a description of the state's water ways—its conditions, its needs and its possibilities—in a manner which showed a full knowledge of Oregon and her resources. He also spoke regarding the broken and falling banks on the Willamette and the need of revetments and clearing of the channels.

Mr. Hermann expressed himself as being well pleased with our city and that he would be pleased to meet with us again.



Prominent Polk County People.

Hon. N. L. Butler

Among the prominent men of Polk county, Hon. N. L. Butler, of Dallas, stands well in the front ranks. He has been county judge, a member of both branches of the legislature, and at one time a candidate for congress from this district.

one of the nicest in the Brother Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and their families and sat about the banquet and listened to a program of excellence. Following was program:

of welcome...A. J. Goodman

on... Miss Olga Boatman

duet.....

Mrs. Babbitt, Miss Bowden

.....Mrs. A. J. Goodman

.....J. A. Mills

.....E. C. Wigmore

.....Mrs. Geo. Conkey

.....E. J. Thompson

.....W. G. Sharman

on... Mrs. Geo. L. Burton

lo... Miss Bowden

numbers were all greeted

with unanimous applause. The

solo of W. G. Sharman was

seriously applauded that he

was compelled to respond with a

short recitation.

The entertainment was a glor-

ious success, and we think we

are in unanimous opinion when

we say "Brother Odd Fellows,

another."

McMinnville Wins Contest.

McMinnville's Orator Carries off Gold Medal Prize.

Lucy A. Smith, '03, of McMinnville College, won the state oratorical contest held in Villard hall March 13th. Such was the fully satisfactory decision of the judges, Rev. Mr. Gilbert E. and Prof. B. F. Mulkey. Lucy Gause, of Pacific Col-

lege delegation rushed upon the stage and, wrapping their orator in their college colors, they shouted their college yell, "Here perches victory, and we knew it a long time." Smith won the hearts of his audience with his subject, "The Homeless Nation," and never lost the attention of one of his earnest hearers throughout his whole sketch of the Jewish people. The decision was accepted by all, who were eager to give McMinnville the honor of winning in such an excellent class of orations.

The program of the evening was as follows:

Song—"Oh, Oregon".... Glee Club

Oration—"Oliver Cromwell, the

Man of Action".....

.....Guy Erwin Moore, O. A. C.

Oration—"Arbitration the Better

Way".... Olive M Hickey, A. C.

Vocal solo—"Chanson Provencale—

Adeli AcQua.....

.....Miss Eva Irene Stinson

Oration—"The Spirit of John Mar-

shall".....

.....Lucy May Gause, P. C.

Oration—"The Pioneer of the Re-

formation".....

.....Montrose Lenier Barnet, P. C.

Piano solo—"Waltz Caprice".....

.....Arthur Louis Frazer

Oration—"The Western Type"....

Wm. Robert Rutherford, O. S. N. S.

Oration—"The Homeless Nation"

.....Erastus A. Smith, McM. C.

Violin solo—"Nouville Fantasie"....

.....Gounod-Sarasate

.....Mrs. Susie Fennel Pipes

Oration—"The Nobility of Labor"

.....Edgar E. Meresse, W. U.