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Business Institutions

A Good Show For Several New Ones.

Independence Improvement held its regular meeting, Monday, March 16th, with D. Calbreath presiding. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Committee on telephone service reported that two rural routes had been established one going north as the Brunk farm and the other taking in the farming territory opposite Independence and in Independence county. The other route will be canvassed. About 1000 lines have already been contracted in town and insure all service.

Communications were read. Secretary ordered to confer with those looking for business.

A new proposition came before the league in that parties had been in Independence looking for the location of an electric light factory for the exchange trade, almost exclusively. The party was well pleased with the location and stated that from the splendid location as a shipping point they preferred this town to the valley in so far as his negotiations had been made. He would make arrangements and hoped to be with us in a short period of time. This in when located here will em-

ploy a number of men and be of great value to our pay roll. If we can secure a few more industries of a like nature, Independence will soon be the largest town on the west side of the Willamette river, south of Portland.

Committee on exhibit to Portland reported that they were making considerable progress, though late

bring them in and store them with the secretary of the league.

Motion made that a committee be appointed to solicit membership. T. D. Campbell, Chas. Sperling and C. D. Calbreath appointed as this committee.

The dues are only \$1 for three months so every citizen should be a member.

Our Next Contest.

Our next contest will be started with the first issue in April. This date is set for the reason that we desire to have a word of suggestion from every correspondent, and to make a few small changes which we think are desirable. Let all be ready for that date and then start it with a whirlwind beginning. If you are in the city we will be glad to have you call and talk it over with us.

In the season they could secure some nice specimens of wheat, oats, barley, corn, clover, cherries, fruit, vegetables, wool, mohair and other kindred products. The samples are to be placed with Cooper & Hurley in their Real Estate Office until the shipment can be made. Every one who has any especially good products will confer a great favor on the League on the city generally if they will

Resolution offered that an amendment to the constitution be made, making the quarters of the year, the period of time for membership's dues. In other words, that dues be collected in January, April, July and October, and all those who joined before the middle of the quarter should pay membership dues for the full quarter. Those joining in the last half to have free membership until the next quarter.

A motion made that the secretary write the travelers protective association, the Portland board of trade and chamber of commerce and the McMinnville board of trade thanking them for the assistance they gave Corvallis and our league in the meeting at Portland regarding the change in train service. A report was made that the traveling salesmen were highly pleased with the new plan for train service and were a unit in asking that the Independence Improvement League still agitate the matter.

No other matter coming before the association the league adjourned to meet Monday March 23, 1903.

G. A. HURLEY,
Secretary.

The students and others from Monmouth and here who attended the oratorical contest at Eugene returned by way of boat Saturday evening.

County Court News.

Observer.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

R R Turner et ux to Hester E Butler, 51 1/2 by 70 feet, lot 28, subdivision of Academy block, Dallas, \$250.

Henry Claffield et ux to N M Conner, 40 acres, Isaac Ball d l c, \$1 and 40 acres of land.

Taylor Syron to N M Conner, 38 acres, t 6 s, r 5 w, \$1520.

John Thomas et ux to M Padel-ford, 160 acres, t 9 s, r 8 w, \$425.

M J Brannan to D K Brannan, 30 acres, t 7 s, r 3 w, \$2550.

W W Collins et ux to C F Smith, lot 4, block 30, Hill's Independence, \$400.

Eugene Byerley et ux to W A Livermore, lot 7, block 21, Dallas L & I Co add to Dallas, \$325.

W C Brown to trustees of Jennings Lodge No. 9, A F & A M, 4 acres for cemetery purposes, t 7 s, r 5 w.

J W Evans et ux to T D Hol-lowell et ux, lots 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43, block K, Falls City, \$60.

C W Matthews to D A Madison, und one-half int 30x85 feet, and 9-foot right of way, lot 8, block 9, Dallas, \$10.

W Hodge et al to L W Sawtelle, 161.98 acres, t 6 s, r 7 w, \$800.

M M Ellis et ux to M H Shope, 6 acres in Dallas, \$1200.

Guthrie, 33.88 acres, t 8 s, r 5 w, \$420.

M M Ellis, assignee, to D M Guthrie, 99.20 acres, t 8 s, r 5 w, by order of court.

M A and C E Herron to E J Smith, 21.10 acres, t 9 s, r 5 w, \$15.

Polk County Land Co to F P Byers, 8.80 acres, J E Davidson d c, \$484.

PROBATE.

Estate of Robert Farley, deceased—last will and testament filed; certain testimony taken, and matter continued.

Estate of C C Walker, deceased—time for filing inventory extended 30 days.

Estate of John S Sloap, deceased—O H Cobb appointed administrator; bond fixed at \$300; John Boyer, J J Wiseman and Henry Boyer appointed appraisers.

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SEALED BIDS FOR WOOD.

I will receive sealed bids for 40 cords of fir wood and 20 cords of oak wood, not less than 3 1/2 inches in diameter, at my office in the Independence National Bank, not later than Saturday, the 28th day of March, 1903, at 4 o'clock P. M. The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated at Independence this 18th day of March, 1903.

C. W. IRVINE,

Dist. clerk for school Dist. No. 29.

Wanted—Several persons of character and good reputation in each state (one in this county required) to represent and advertise old established, wealthy business house of solid financial standing. Salary \$21.00 weekly with expenses additional, all pay in cash direct each Wednesday from head offices. Horse and carriage furnished when necessary. References. Enclose self-addressed envelope. Colonial Co., 334 Dearborn St., Chicago.

County Clerk U. S. Loughary was shaking hands with friends here Tuesday.

The Place to Locate.

Where?

Why?

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