

INDEPENDENCE ENTERPRISE

AND WEST SIDE.

YEAR.

INDEPENDENCE, POLK COUNTY, OREGON, JULY 9, 1903.

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equalled Celebration Held Here Saturday.

GNIFICENT PARADE.

Unfavorable Weather Conditions Everything Was Carried Out Without a Hitch.

4, 1903, has come and gone with it none but pleasant recollections remain. Polk county has many celebrations in its history and justice demands the best of the laurel wreath on the day's demonstration. The day dawned inauspiciously with a threatening weather, and nearly every town within a radius of five miles had a copious rainfall. Notwithstanding, it misted, threatened, and through the clouds the sun's rays shined, and gave sufficient light to render the day, all in all, a pleasant one. We are proud of the neighboring towns. They came royally with delegations. Men and more had faith in the celebration and came from Corvallis, Althe, Monmouth, Dallas, and Salem did equally well. The parade was the best single feature of the day. It was the best we have seen in any small town and we dare say even Portland has seen few its equal. There were numerous and many of the most gorgeous affairs. There were lodges represented in uniform and designs, each organization endeavoring to display its characteristics by some well sustained figure. The various business houses spared no pains to contribute to the observer the best of their establishments. The "Monmouth" and "Rural Delivery No. 1" were O. K. The latter band was composed of men drawn from the Monmouth, assisted by some of the boys from here and they put up an article of music. The exercises at the park were exceedingly interesting. The songs, drills, etc., were in keeping with the spirit of the occasion. Lawrence T. Harris, the orator, delivered one of his matchless addresses, and won the merited plaudits of the vast assemblage gathered to hear him. He is a man of splendid ability and his print is certain to be stamped on many affairs of state important to Oregonians.

The automobile was a drawing card. We heard many say that it was the first time they had ever seen the horseless carriage. It was there from early morn till late night and hundreds rode about on it. The barbecue was an overwhelming success. It was a grand affair with hundreds here as though it was a magnet. It helped accommodate a large number that

Good Music! Revival Orchestra



J. E. HILL AND WIFE, OFFICERS IN CHARGE.

The Union Revival Brigade, which has been holding street and tent services here, was organized in Illinois for exclusive revival work, and is now in its fifth year. The personnel of the organization is as follows: J. E. Hill and wife, Fred Ayers and wife, Henry Stranberg, Clarence Hoyt, James Kirkwood, Miss Ella Glende, Miss Grace Reeher and Miss Ethel Poling, daughter of Dr. C. C. Poling, president of the Dallas college. Captain J. E. Hill is the son of a prominent Chicago minister and is the life of the organization. Several splendid vocalists are in the Brigade and a revival orchestra is part of the services. The organization is undenominational and all efforts are concentrated to bring about conversions. At Dallas, where they have recently been, over fifty professions of religion were the result of their work. They have the endorsement of the ministerial association and they appear to justify it by the work and recommendations which accompany them from former appointments. They are here for two weeks longer.

could hardly have been handled in its absence. After seeing this barbecue we are led to say, "what would be a celebration with this feature missing?"

In the afternoon the sports were carried out as scheduled on Main and C streets. We were unable to secure a complete list of winners, but suffice to say they were all well contested and entertained the vast crowd throughout the afternoon. In another part of the city a baseball game was being hotly contested, our boys winning by a decisive score of 15 to 0. Notwithstanding the score it was a game well worth seeing.

A feature of much importance and interest was the penny throwing and penny grabbing contest. H. Hirschberg threw away quite a sum in this manner and the way the little fellows scrambled was a sight well worth beholding.

The day's amusements were completed by a ball at the auditorium, and was the best attended affair of the kind ever held in the city.

To mention every feature as it justly deserves to be would necessitate columns, but ere we close we would be doing an injustice did we not pay deserving praise to the excellent management and untiring labors of the general arrangement committee, consisting of Dr. O. D.

Butler, T. D. Campbell and R. H. Knox. They certainly are deserving of unstinted praise in the magnificent manner they worked up the celebration and carried it to a successful conclusion.

Many celebrations will be held in Polk county in years to come. Polk county enterprise insures success. But the celebration of 1903 at Independence has set a new standard, a comparison to which will be drawn, and the highest compliment to be paid to any to come will be: It equals the splendid demonstration held at Independence in '03, in honor of our nation's natal day.

Pulling For Independence.

Portland, Or., July 2, '03.
Mr. G. A. Hurley,
Sec. Improvement League
Independence, Oregon.
Dear Sir:

We desire to acknowledge the receipt of your fine specimens of English walnut and white figs, and have placed them with the balance of your fine exhibit. We are pleased to believe that our work in behalf of your county is bearing fruit.

We directed a gentleman from Eastern Oregon to call upon you, and he read very carefully the write-up and was very well please

with it, so much so, that he changed his route of travel and said he would take in your town.

A gentleman called this morning and said that he intended to purchase an interest in a saw mill in your town.

We hope you will be able to hold and locate all those good people that go your way.

Yours very truly,
OREGON INFORMATION BUREAU.

An Interesting Relic.

In the window of C. D. Calbreath's store was displayed this week an old bullet mold and pouch for carrying same. These interesting relics are the property of James Alexander, whose grandfather carried them through the Revolutionary war. It is well to gaze upon them as it is seldom that one is privileged to see relics of such a historical period as that embraced between the shot heard round the world at Lexington and the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown.

20,000 Brick Daily.

At the J. R. Cooper brick yard there is much activity. Every day there is placed in the kiln 20,000 new brick, and by August 1st Mr. Cooper will have 100,000 first-class brick burned.

FOUND BURIED MONEY.

County Roadmaster, T. B. Huntley, Discovers Silver Coin.

While making a fill on the Salem road near Eola, Roadmaster T. B. Huntley, unearthed a glass jar that contained several coins. However, the spot had been thoroughly dynamited, and but a small sum, \$10.50, was picked up. Some of the coins were picked up as far as 50 feet from the blasted spot. The money could hardly have been buried any length of time, as some of the pieces had dates as late as 1898. The jar was about two feet under ground.

His Double Sorrow.

In a freshly made grave in Buena Vista's hillside cemetery rests all that is mortal of Mrs. W. N. McLaughlin. She was laid away last Thursday afternoon at two o'clock, and ere the mass of beautiful flowers upon her mound are withered, another death in the family occurs, and the sorrowing husband is a second time bereft.

At Lebanon, Saturday, Verl Veneta, the infant daughter, aged seven months, died of consumption of the brain. The little one was born at the family home near Buena Vista, Dec. 1st, 1902, and was a bright, winsome child.

The funeral occurred at the Evangelical church in Buena, at 11 o'clock, Sunday forenoon, and the little casket was placed beside that of the mother, in the local cemetery.

It is seldom that a family is so bereaved by double deaths, and the sympathy of the entire community is extended to the relatives in this sorrowful hour.

Apples on the Fourth.

I. H. Ingram displayed to us on the Fourth of July several well-preserved apples, excellent in flavor and in appearance. They were of the Red Chiet Pippin variety, and were raised on the place now occupied by James Alexander. It is not often that apples of the season before are found on the 4th of July.

An Enjoyable Occasion.

Parker Special.

On Sunday, July 5, the friends of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Calbreath gladly welcomed them back again for a brief visit at their old home.

For many years, Mr. and Mrs. Calbreath have been one of our most estimable families, and since their removal to near Monmouth last year, our little community deeply realizes its loss.

In the afternoon, we gathered at the pleasant home of Mrs. May Kerr, and several hours were spent in a real good, old-fashioned visit.

It is needless to add that the chess board received its share of attention, for, among our merry guests, we counted the smiling faces of the Parker Chess Club; and to describe the innumerable victories credited to each side, would tax the ingenuity of a skilled performer.

At about 5 P. M., the guests departed for their homes, and the chess club made arrangements for another meeting.