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he Statesman Says Indepen-de :ce Will Become a Suburb to Salem, So To Speak.

SIONARY IDEA OF RAILROAD FIGHT.

hinks a Railroad Will Be Built Between Here and Salem With a \$200,000 Steel Bridge.

The proposition to put a steamer a the route between Independence ad Salem is being pushed quietly ut steadily to completion, and bepre the people of Salem realize it, to a much closer relationship ith Salem, to the great benefit of olk county, and to the profit and dded business of the Salem merhants. Not only will Indepen-Salem, but it will then be in such with Monmouth and Dallas, rough the Dallas-Independence otor line, and reaching into the ide scope of country surrounding realthy farmers.

At present it is well nigh impos-ible for Independence and Monsouth people to do any trading in alem and return the same day, ble, consequently Polk county sople have formed the plan of dong their trading in Portland, go-The travel will largely be graed toward Salem by the estabishment of a mode of travel either y steamer or by rail. q.

3. S. Hamilton, who is chairman f the committee appointed by the pesterday received a communication from Mr. Skinner, which, in answer to Mr. Hamilton's query, tells how he is progressing with the work of building the steamar.

According to the contractentered into between the Skinner, the latter was to Special from Saver. a to give him a bonue to the money will be put up. At the time of making the agreement it was expected that the contract for building would be let to a Portland boat builder, but on investigation, Mr. Skinner found it almost impossible to get the work done figure, on account of the peculiar labor conditions, and scarcity, and high prices for material.

Mr. Skinner is a boat builder of experience himself, and so returned to Independence, and immediately begun preparation to build the bost at that place. He now writes Mr. Hamilton that he is progressing satisfactorily with the work, although he does not give any idea of when the boat will be completed, and ready for use. He says he is not rushing the work at present, on secount of the unfavorable weather, and is employing no extra help. At the time of going to Portland, he announced his intention of having the steamer ready to run within two months, but on account of the changed plans, much longer time will probably be required.

boiler was placed some time ago, so that when the hull is completed, the machinery will be on the ground, ready to be installed.

Mr. Skinner has built several teter, Fred Loy and Guss Wardell.

OW DO YOU LIKE THISP boats, and the design of the hull always seem to be first class, so that he may be confidently expected David Hastings Attempted to to turn out a first class boat this time. However, should be make a failure, the result would be no

loss to the city.

Already the project of building a boat has caused the Southern Pacific Company to begin talk of extending their rail road from this city, over to Inde-pendence, even threatening to build a bridge at this point, at a cost of \$200,000. This of course, is only talk, at present, but everybody recognizes the importance of connecting Salem with Polk county and if the Southern Pacific does not make the move to monopolize he blast of the steamboat whistle the business some other firm is bound to do so to the detriment of lying between the Capital City the above company. The talk of and the thriving Polk county city, extending the Dallas-Falls City asking several trips daily, thereby ringing wealthy old Polk county newed by the progress made on the steamer route.—Salem Statesman.

The people of Independence rightly resent the imputation, 'suburb of Salem, so to speak." nce become, as it were, a suburb If Independence is an "annex" to any place it surely is not to be to a big over-grown town that claims port a single wholesale establishose cities, thickly settled with ment of importance, or claim a scept by driving in the deep mud first-class theatre company decides to stop it requires an agreement to roll up the curtains before 7:00 telephone poles and wire. o'clock. And this is the capital of g down on the Southern Pacific the state! And Independence, 12 miles distant, is to be a "suburb, so to speak." Whew! what's next?

Cured Consumption.

Mrs. B. W. Evans, Clearwater, Kan., sector Salem Commercial Club, writes: "My husband lay sick for three months. The doctors said that the had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound be boot, but the boot bas cost been idle and Syrup, and it could be said that

stisfactory to the committee, no of a merry gathering. A birth-lay party was given in honor of their son, Lawrence Hecker. The evening was most enjoyably spent in dancing and playing games, A most delicious repast was served at a late hour, and after wishing their there at anything like a reasonable host many happy returns of the day the guests departed for their homes. Those who enjoyed this pleasant occasion are Mr. and Mrs. Hecker, Mr. and Mrs. Cam Vanderpool, Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain, Mr. and Mrs. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gaines, Mr. and Mrs. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Steele, Misses Daisy Steele, Boothe, Mable Williamson, Anna Torgeson, Alda Frum, Pet and Anna Hecker, Nellie Glassford, Messrs. Arnold King, Pearl and Eston Carter, Lawrence Hecker, Lester Murphey, Able and Roy Porter, Royal Kreutz, Ross Chamberlain, Roy Frum, Zim Allen, John Moehinke, Edd Steele, The order for the engines and John Bennard, Frank Ridders. Dave Vanderpool, Will and Clyde Tomilson, Gyp Thurston, R. L.

NEARLY DROWNED.

Forde the Slough.

Last Saturday, about 11:00 A. M., David Hastings came near losing his life and that of the team he was driving as well. Not taking into consideration that the rains had swollen the sleugh to much greater proportions than ordinarily it is to be found, he undertook to cross it at a place to the rear of J. L. Hanna's house. The water was so deep that his wagon box was immediately lifted from his wagon and he barely made the shore. He held his team the best he could, and his cries for belp soon brought people to the bank of the slough. Here after a lengthy delay they were able to reach his assistance, when the horses were released and helped ashore. One animal was barely saved from drowning, and indeed it was a marvelous escape of all parties, everything consid-

An "Irish Wake" Last Tuesday Night.

Special from Suver. Suver felt the brunt of the storm last Tuesday night. Several fruit trees in Maxfield, Ridders, Hecker, Moeto be a city, and which cannot sup- hinke and Thurston orchards were blown down and uprocted, while Mr. Chamberlain's windmill is badly wrecked. Small buildings belonging payed street, a town which drum- to I. M. Slmpson and Marshal Suver mers say is slower than any of any were blown over, and the roof was reimportance on the east side, a moved from Mrs. Wheeler's barn. town so "important" that when The piente grounds and about five acres of B. J. Ridders are much the worse for the storm. The Soap Creek road was almost blocked by trees and

A Teriffic Wind Storm.

Special from Little Luckiamute.

Tuesday night, November 10, witnessed one of the hardest wind storms in Polk county, since 1878. According to old settlers at that time we had what might have been called a small cyclone. So strong was the wind in Monmouth the first of the week. Tuesday night that it lifted fifteen apple trees in one spot in M. Scrafford's orchard, besides taking others all over the orchard. It also took the saddle boards off the house, and about 40 rods of fence. J. W. Hiltibrand's machine about 30 feet from the foundation. On the Stump farm some 50 rods of fence is ready to be repaired and several fruit trees are laying on the ground. On Thursday evening, Novem- The timber is laying in all shapes, and entirely and Mrs. Jos. Hecker was the scene in this section that is blown down. A off at the shoulder Monday, while worken from the houses.

W. Y. C. A. Convention.

The twelfth Annual Convention of Oregon Young Women's Christian Associations was held at Albany, November 5 to 8. There were in attendance more than ninety delegates, including representatives from the colleges and Normal schools of the state, and several officers of the Portland Association. The Association at Monmouth sent nine delegates.

The interest in all the meetings was especially good, and many say this convention was the best of its kind ever held in Oregon.

Among the speakers were, Miss Shields, traveling secretary, Miss Mc-Elroy, secretary Portland Association, Miss Bertha Conde, student secretary for the American committee, Rev. Edgar P. Hill, of Portland, Pres. W. H. Lee, of Albany, and Rev. J. M. Dean,

Buena Vista School Report.

Special from Buena Vista. The following is a report of the Buena Vista school, Dist. No. 33, for the mouth beginning October 12th and ending November 6th : Number enrolled, room 1,......27

Average daily attendance, room 1, 20.9 11 11

Number times tardy, room 1,.....4 2,4

tardy, room 2, V. B. Goin, teacher: Edna Hall, Tressa Prather, Harley Prather, Edna Wells, Grant McLaughlin, Herman Prather, Nelson Anderson, Leslie Locke, Ward Goin, Fritz Torgeson, Lena Steele, Carrie Nash, Jim Nash, Harry Steele, James Porter, Roy Porter and Lester Murphy.

Number of pupils neither absent nor tardy, room 1, Ida Mae Smith, teacher: Bertha Winn, Leah Nash, Perry Wells, Mildred Prather, Leland Prather, Marie Prather, Roy Torgeson, Roy Knighton, Merle Hall, Silvia Rowe, and Edith Porter.

An Antioch Industry.

Special from Antioch.

Mrs. Crisp Mark's ranch, having moved here from Airlie the first of September. Walter Duncan is engineer, Walter Black is head sawyer, and among Oscar Magnisan, John James, C. Byern and H. H. Pope. They saw from five thousand to six thousand feet a day, such as plow beams, wagon fellies, etc. The mill has just filled an order of 4000 plow beams for the Bernicia Agricultural Works of California. While the demand for oak lumber kept the mill busy, the year was not a satisfactory one, for the manufacturers' prices ruled low while logs were high, and the margin of profit was about equal between the logger and the consumer. Mr. Oberber recently visited Sacramento where 3300 men band is to have a dance. are employed building freight cars for the S. P. R. R. Company.

ANTIOCH.

The Riddle brothers are erecting a large shed for their machinery.

Miss Alice McDougal attended teachers' institute at Dallas last week.

John N. Sumpter was doing business

Mrs. Fred Huber, of Monmouth, visited Mrs. Ohms the first of the week.

The high wind of last week blew down the Charter Oak saw mill shed. Leonard Rodgers returned to his

sued is a total wreck, it being lifted home at Dusty, Benton county, Friday. Mrs. Minnie Mack has purchased an

open buggy of Mr. Daniels, of Monmouth, paying \$15 for same . Willis Gailoway, a former young man

attisfactory, the Commercial Club ber 12, the pleasant home of Mr. there is no less than 250 rods of fence of at the shoulder Monday, while work-

HIGHLAND.

E. Evans was in Dallas Satur-

Edith and Gale Alexander are attending school in Independence.

Henry and Oren McElmurry spent last week visiting friends in Linn county.

Chris. Peterson and Joe Bowler are assisting E. Davidson with carpenter work this week.

Chris, Peterson and Lew Stapleton attended the school board convention in Dallas Saturday.

Rob Shafer returned from Wash., with two of his friends, last week to spend a few weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Shafer.

The gophers working so industriously in the potato patches last summer will cause some of the farmers to buy potatoes for winter

Something new, a 10 course Thanksgiving dinner for 50c, at Stall's restaurant. Watch our bills " 2, 25.8 of fare for same.

A SAD AFFAIR.

Names of pupils neither absent nor Funeral of Father and Daughter Held Monday.

> The double funeral of Robt. L. Feagle and his daughter. Mrs. Clara B. White, occurred from the undertaking pariors of Josse & Bice on Monday afternoon and was conducted by Dr. Thompson, pastor of the Presbyterian church of

Mr. Feagle was born in Ohio in 1835, and at his death was 68 years, 3 months and 20 days old. He came from Cali-fornia several years ago and located in the Big Elk country, in Benton county. Not long since he made his home in this city. He was taken ill a few days ago with neuralgia of the somach, and died last Saturday, at one o'clock P. M. His daughter died in Portland, at seven Among our industries is the Charter o'clock in the morning of the same day. Oak saw mill, owned and managed by She was 26 years of age, and leaves her F. J. Oberber, and is now located on husband with three small children. Her remains were brought here, and at the close of the very sad and impressive funeral service, together with her father, was buried in the Odd Fellows cemethe other men around the mill are Asa tery. Kind friends, of Independence, Burbank, Clara Marks, Troy Turner, on inistered to these bitterly bereaved people and did all that was possible to do to comfort them in their great sorrow. Mr. Feagle left a daughter, Mrs. Florence Winneford, of Portland, and a son, John, of Corvallis.

PALLS CITY.

B. J. Harrington is building an addition to his house, purchased of

The Maccabee ladies have planned a necktie social and the cornet

The school is to give an entertainment the day before Thanksgiving. An interesting time is prom-

A shooting gallery has been furnishing amusement for the boys and in consequence they and their money were soon parted.

Mrs. H. C. Seymour was taken seriously ill while attending the teachers institute at Dallas and was taken to Springfield.

The attempt to hinder free competition in the meat business seems to have resulted to the benefit of the parties against whom it was attempted.

Adolph Sampson met with a serious accident last Saturday while moving a building. It was necessarv to take him to the Salem hospital for treat ment.

A second and more severe windstorm visited this section last week, lifting H. H. Starr's house off its foundation, leveling fences, and prostrating considerable timber near the mills. Several trees fell across and shattered the Bryan-Lucas flume but it has been repaired and lumber is being sent down

Monmouth Laundry H. D. WHITMAN, Prop.

Should have your Work.Washing called for and de-

Washing called for on Tuesday and delivered on Satur-

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