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NEWBERG MAN AWAY FROM HOME

Enos Ellis Tells of His Recent
Trip To Montana—Big State
That Does Big Things.

Editor Graphic: If you will allow me space, I will give your readers my observations on a hurried trip to Montana.

On receiving word that my son, J. M., was in the hospital with pneumonia, I boarded the 2:30 electric for Portland, March 19, where I bought a ticket over the Northern Pacific, arriving in Denton the following Wednesday morning, having covered a distance of 1000 miles. I found J. M. in a weakened condition but in a fair way to recovery with proper care.

From Portland to Fall Bridge I had the company of Jesse Hobson, whom many Newberg people know. He was on a business trip into Eastern Washington. From Fall Bridge to Spokane I was alone, but there I made the acquaintance of one J. Gates, a gentleman, 86 years of age, who had been a resident of Montana for many years. He was homeward bound from the Panama Ditch where he had been sent by President Wilson, with nineteen other civil engineers, to devise some plan to check the great slides in that waterway. He stated that he had once been surveyor general of all the territory between Vancouver and Montana, and one could not doubt his statements, for his knowledge of the past, present and future was enough to convince the most skeptical that he was a man of wide experience. I have forgotten where we split him off but it was somewhere in that great state of Montana.

As the train pulled into Great Falls we saw the effects of the strong winds peculiar to that country before we felt them. The expressman was wheeling a load of egg crates down the platform when they were blown from the truck and came end over end toward the train. Had it not been for some bystanders who came to his aid they would have been crushed under the wheels. As I stepped from the car a ladies' hat came sailing by and though I never was worth a cent in catching a ball I caught that hat without a fumble, and delivered it to the grateful owner. A little farther on I saw a gentleman's hat going toward the river and when I asked him if he were not going after it, he remarked that there would be another along soon and he'd get it.

As I was about to board the train for Lewistown, someone called to me and on looking around I recognized Miss Gladys Hannon. She assured me that she was getting along nicely with her work and was doubly sure that Montana would be in the dry column after the next election. I met several commercial men and they all agreed with Miss Hannon. Some of them remarked that Prohibition is no longer simply a moral question but an economic one as well.

Now Montana is a state of big things and the biggest thing there is the state itself. It's area is greater than the Austrian Empire, including Hungary. It has big mountains, big plateaus, big rivers, big valleys, big cities and big smelters. In fact everything you see is on that order. The big smoke stack at Great Falls is simply marvelous. It is 506 ft high and 80 feet in diameter at the top. It's a wonder to me that there was not an-

other confusion of tongues when it was being built. Oregon boasts of the largest prune orchard in the world. Montana can just as truly boast of the largest wheat fields in the world. One can ride for a distance of 50 miles and as far as the eye can reach, on either side, it is one continuous wheat field. Passing from this scene into a river country to the right and left, thousands of sheep and great droves of horses and cattle can be seen. One would naturally suppose after a severe winter like the one just past that the hay would all be consumed, but not so. The alfalfa stacks as yet untouched can be counted in the valleys by the hundreds. After leaving this scene we rise to another plain of wheat where at every station the grain elevator number from one to four.

Everything done there is on a big scale. The tractor engines drawing from eight to ten plows can be seen in all directions and where engines are not used they round up a herd of horses and hitch them all up at once to do their plowing and seeding. When seeding is over they are turned out on the grass and it costs practically nothing to keep them. I thought what a haven for a harness dealer. Everything seems to be done on wheels especially in the farming districts. I did not see any mining operations but was told that Butte had a monthly pay roll of one million dollars.

I believe Lewistown is destined to become another Denver. I asked a business man while there what was back of the city to keep it going and he quickly answered, "agriculture."

Forty miles north of Lewistown is the town of Denton located on the Milwaukee road. You will not find it on the maps of the Great Northern, but it is a thriving town and will probably become one of the best in Fergus county.

Business of every kind is flourishing there, especially the saloon business. But even with this the people seemed to be optimistic and contented. I do not think they are overly anxious for a crop of emigrants, for I was not chased by any realty dealers and did not find a single man who wanted to sell out. I was told deeded land could be bought at from \$20 up. Board and lodging is high but wages generally good. The price for farm labor per month is around \$40 and board. It costs \$4 per acre to get land plowed.

There is a good demand for school teachers, especially school ma'ams. The standard of efficiency is not high but they say it is impossible to keep a lady longer than one term as she is always engaged before the first term closes and married before the second one begins. The boys make a great deal of money raising wheat and the girls seem anxious to help them spend it.

Every country has its drawbacks and Montana is no exception. It is windy, cold in winter, and has alkali water. Without these unpleasant features it would be an ideal place.

Some may ask, "What of the future for this country?" I answer that as long as the land produces from 30 to 60 bushels of wheat to the acre and it sells around the dollar mark it will be largely an agricultural district. When the war is over and the price of wheat drops back to 40 cents, the people will return to stockraising and the country is capable of furnishing meat for the rest of Uncle Sam's domain.

NEWBERG TALENT MAKES A BIG HIT

"District School" Entertainment
by Home People Furnished
Much Merriment.

It was a big crowd that gathered at Wood-Mar Hall on Friday night of last week to laugh at the antics of the "kids" who were billed to give the "District School," and plenty of material to furnish the laughs was furnished at every turn of the program, from the time "Ezekiel Simpkins," the bald headed school master "of the old school," appeared on the platform until the closing song was given.

The make-up of "the teacher," and the air of deep responsibility he assumed caught the audience from the start and he was voted a success in carrying his part. Ben Butler scored when he was favored by being allowed to ring the bell that called for "books to take up," which started things going in earnest by the appearance of the lads and lassies.

Many very clever hits were made by a number of star performers that were fully appreciated, and withal it was an entertainment that was well worth the price of admission, but children are so sensitive that it would be hazardous to make "favorable mention" for any unless all were named, hence our readers must be satisfied with the publication of the:

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Ezekiel Simpkins, teacher.....	Sam Timberlake
Deacon Tidd.....	M. P. Elliott
Jerusha Quackenbush, Miss Jessie Britt	
Mr. Grumbledyke.....	Mrs. Carrie Miles
Peggy Grumbledyke.....	Ruth Dimmitt
John Jacob Astor.....	Joe Hollingsworth
Patience Puddfoot.....	Mrs. Anna Kentner
Ben Butler.....	Ralph Butt
Tooty Frooty.....	Gladys Jones
Cornelius Vanderbilt.....	L. W. Gatchell
Peruna Jones.....	Mrs. Mary Allen
Jim Blaine.....	Frank Miller
Christopher Columbus.....	Omar Fendall
Potey Barnum.....	Clarence Kienle
Buster Brown.....	Ross Miles
Truster Brown.....	Bert Miller
Daniel Webster.....	Cecil Hoskins
Lydia Pinkham.....	Eula Kienle
Joe James.....	Jasper Balas
Liza Ann Snodgrass.....	Zo Hibbs
Samantha Small.....	Mrs. Frank Zumwalt
Mehitable Honswoggle.....	Mrs. Marie K. Evans
Brigham Young.....	Lyle Palmer

THIS GREAT BIG CORN FAIR

The committees from the Commercial Club are working hard on the preliminary requirements for the big Corn Fair and are in direct touch with some of the best outside authorities regarding corn culture. Next week the publicity committee will have letters for publication from various parts of the state and more particularly from Paul V. Maris, state leader county agent work of U. S. Dep't. of Agriculture, our own county agent, M. S. Shrock, and Newton C. Maris, Field Worker Industrial Fairs, all of whom are well fitted to advise along best lines. In recent conversation with John M. Scott, general passenger agent, Southern Pacific, expression was given of most earnest co-operation of the company with the proposed fair and suggestions have already been received from Mr. Scott as to places where acclimated and tested seed may be procured. Propositions have already reached the committee to make this a county wide proposition.

F. A. Morris,
Chairman.
W. H. Woodworth,
John T. Bell,
Commercial Club Publicity Com.

CANNERY PLANT OFFERED FOR SALE

Business of the Association Now
in Hands of Woodworth,
Parrett and Miller.

At a meeting of the trustees of the Newberg Co-operative Growers' Association, held March 31, action was taken for the closing up of the business of the association, as will be seen by the following, which is taken from the minutes of the meeting:

"The following resolution was presented by C. H. Nichols, and was read by the secretary:

"Whereas, A written request of more than two-thirds of the membership of the Newberg Co-operative Growers' Association, addressed to the trustees of said Newberg Co-operative Growers' Association and filed with the said trustees of the Newberg Co-operative Growers' Association, for the voluntary dissolution of the said Newberg Co-operative Growers' Association and for the winding up of the business and affairs of said Newberg Co-operative Growers' Association, and which said written request of the members of this association, is as follows:

"To J. W. Moore, W. T. West, N. P. Nelson, C. H. Nichols, F. B. Baughman, H. L. Amoth and S. Banderman, trustees of Newberg Growers' Association:

"We, the undersigned members of the Newberg Co-operative Growers' Association, hereby request that the said Newberg Co-operative Growers' Association be dissolved and its business and affairs wound up voluntarily under and pursuant to section 6776 of Lord's Oregon Laws, and we do hereby name W. H. Woodworth, S. L. Parrett and U. S. G. Miller, members of said association, to act in liquidation and winding up and settling the business and affairs of said association; hereby giving and granting unto the said above named members, or a majority of them, full power and authority to sell and dispose of all property and assets of said association, and to do and perform any and all things required in carrying into effect this request.

"The reasons for this request and for the winding up of the affairs of said association are as follows, to-wit:

"Two factions have arisen among the membership of the association and the business and purpose of the association cannot be carried out successfully under the present conditions and feelings of the membership; that under the present condition the association will not be able to finance the business for this year's operation, and much fruit may be lost for want of a market and the growers sustain considerable loss by reason of the non-operation of the cannery; we believe that the property and assets of the association can be disposed of and sold to parties who are able to handle and operate a cannery here, and that under such operations the growers will be able to sell and dispose of their fruit and thus terminate the dissension and secure a cannery that will be a benefit to all.

"The time in which the said liquidation is to be done shall be within two years from the date hereof.

"Dated this 20th day of March, 1916.
(Here followed the signatures of 256 members of the association).

"Therefore, be it Resolved, That

a copy of said request, certified and sworn to by the president and secretary of this association, be filed with the county clerk of this county, and that the said request be granted and the assets and property of said association be and is hereby turned over to W. H. Woodworth, S. L. Parrett and U. S. G. Miller, the persons named in said request for such purpose.

"On motion of Mr. Nichols, seconded by Mr. West, the resolution was unanimously adopted."

W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE IS HELD AT AMITY

A two days' W. C. T. U. institute was held on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week at Amity. Mrs. Jennie Kemp, state president, was present at all the sessions and gave many helpful suggestions and added much to the success of the institute.

The program consisted of music, talks and discussions, and those who could attend received many things helpful in practical life. The Tuesday morning session opened at 9:30, Miss Edith Minchin, Yamhill county president, presiding.

Mrs. Walton had a splendid paper on "Anti-Narcotics," and Mrs. Scott spoke on "W. C. T. U. Efficiency." Mrs. Urbino discussed "Medical Temperance, Health and Heredity," and Mrs. R. C. Henry told us of "How We Can Help Our Schools," and each of these subjects was very well presented.

Rev. Oliver, of the Methodist church, had for the theme of his very interesting discourse, "Needed Reform of the Day—Social Hygiene in Schools."

The mothers' meeting was taken charge of by Mrs. E. E. Rothacher, who led in the discussion of the following: 1, "What Makes the Home?" 2, "Our Example Before the Small Child," and 3, "Difficulties of Children of the Teen Age."

At the evening session a mixed quartette pleased its hearers with the song, "Saloonless Nation," and this was followed by the readings of the eight contestants for the gold and silver medals. It was decided that Miss Esther Laughlin did the best and Master Robert Laughlin the next best, and Rev. Oliver with fitting remarks, presented to Miss Esther the gold medal and to her brother the silver medal. The two solos by Mrs. Earl Nott were well rendered and much appreciated.

Miss Edith Minchin opened the Wednesday morning session. An eye witness can describe more accurately a place or scene, and perhaps that is one reason the talk on "The Rest Cottage, Home of Frances Willard," by Mrs. Kemp, our president, was so much appreciated. We are thankful to her for bringing us this message of the "rest cottage."

The subject, "Preparedness," was ably handled by Mrs. J. C. Patey.

Mrs. R. C. Henry read the resolutions of the institute which were adopted by that body.

Press Supt.

Attend the Cantatta

Help the Parent-Teacher Association by attending the Cantatta Friday and Saturday nights of next week.

Medal Contest at Dundee

On Saturday night the Chehalis Center W. C. T. U. will hold a silver medal contest at Dundee. Admission 5 and 10 cents.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH NINTH ANNIVERSARY

Program of the Ninth Anniversary of the Christian Church
to be Held April 8, 1916

10:30 A. M.—Song and Prayer Service.
11:00 A. M.—Roll Call.
11:15 A. M.—Sermon, "Past, Present and Future"—J. Francis Ashley, Forest Grove, Oregon.
12:00 M.—Benediction—Lester Jones
12:15 P. M.—Dinner in Basement.
1:30 P. M.—Song Service.

Reports—Clerk; Financial Sec'y, Treasurer, Bible School, Aid Society, C. W. B. M. Auxiliary, Y. P. S. C. E. Society, Prayer Meeting, Elders, Deacons, Trustees and Pastor.

2:00 P. M.—Election of Officers and other Business.

4:30 P. M.—Special Music and Second Roll Call.

5:00 P. M.—Open Parliament, led by Lee Jones, "The Ideal Church."

5:30 P. M.—Supper in Basement.

EVENING

6:30 P. M.—Y. P. S. C. E. Annual Service, led by the President, Ovel J. McCoy.

7:25 P. M.—Orchestra.

7:40 P. M.—Roll Call.

7:45 P. M.—Orchestra.

8:00 P. M.—Sermon, "Scaling the Heights."

Closing Song—"Coronation."
Benediction—D. B. Putman.

A FAREWELL FOR REV. NORWOOD AND FAMILY

At about 8 o'clock Monday evening there gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Jettison about forty people, young and old, friends of Rev. A. T. Norwood and family, it being the last evening before their departure to Steel City, Nebraska, where he has accepted a pastorate.

The guests came, a complete surprise to Mr. and Mrs. Norwood. It seemed a mutual affair, no invitations, no committees—"came because they wanted to." The evening was spent with music and in social intercourse, light refreshments being served, after which the hymn, "God be with you till we meet again" was sung with much feeling. Mr. Norwood expressed their appreciation of the little event. That he is entering a field where his earnest prayers and labor may bring forth abundant and lasting good, and that he may live to see great things that the Lord has done through him as a faithful servant was the parting wish of those present.

LOCAL SALES OF ALCOHOL BEING INVESTIGATED

The Newberg Ministerial Association held an interesting meeting Monday afternoon at the Presbyterian church office.

Among other items of business, the hour of the Sunday evening services was fixed at 8 p. m., beginning with May.

An excellent paper on "Evangelism" was presented by Mr. Stannard, and discussed by all.

A member of the association having recently visited the clerk's office at McMinnville and gathered interesting data from the affidavits made at local drug stores, for alcohol, for the months of January and February, also the receipts signed by consumers who have been receiving California goods through common carriers, a committee was appointed to make further investigations.

The subject of Summer Sunday evening services was deferred till the May meeting of this association. Geo. H. Lee, Secretary.
C. O. Whitely, President.