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A DEBT WE OWE

The recent yearly meeting of the Friends church, which was held in Newberg, calls to mind the debt which the city owes to that splendid group of people. It was largely because of the vision of such men as Jesse Edwards, Milton Newlin, F. A. Morris, E. H. Woodward, and Alfred Blair and others of this sect who came here in the early days and who stood by the community through trying times and lean years, that we have today the splendid little city of Newberg. These pioneers build wisely upon a foundation which has stood the test of time and Newberg may well be proud of them and of the things which they have done for us all.

Pacific College is an outgrowth of the old academy which was established by these men of vision in 1885 before some of us were even born. Time with its changes and growth in population as well as educational requirements brought the establishment of Pacific College proper in 1891 and in 1893 the first class graduated from Pacific College. Today Pacific College has risen to a much higher standard of scholarship and embraces many courses in her curricula not deemed essential in those early days. The Friends church has also grown immeasurably during those years until today the Newberg church is one of the strongest in the northwest.

With the growth of the church and the growth of the college, the paths have become smoother for those who through the early years trod rough roads and found seemingly unsurmountable barriers impeding their progress and today this church and this school are not fighting with their backs to the wall, but are pushing forward in a way which shows that the early foundations were well laid. We enjoy many things in Newberg today which we could not enjoy had not these excellent Quaker people undergone the pioneer hardships in settling up the then wild Oregon country in this community. In the present enjoyment of these things we should not fail to remember with kindly feelings those who laid these foundations and made these sacrifices.

THE ROSE FESTIVAL

The Rose Festival is to Portland and the state of Oregon what the Mardi Gras is to New Orleans and the south or what similar celebrations held in other centers are to their surrounding country. We doubt if there is any celebration held annually which excels the Portland Rose Festival. Yet there are people living in and around Newberg who have never taken the trouble to go to Portland and attend one of these rose festivals. It is worth anyone's time, effort and money to see the parades and pageants presented and the wonderful exhibits of roses. The city itself is always decked out more beautifully at this time and everything possible is done to make the visitors feel welcome. By all means, if you have never attended a rose festival before and have not gone yet this year, do so tomorrow. See the grand floral parade in which Newberg will participate and then visit the rose exhibit and the other attractions of the day in Portland.

THIS IS YOUR TOWN

What kind of a town would this be if every citizen was like you? The people who live in towns cannot get away from the fact that reputation comes to a town or city in proportion to the character of its inhabitants. If the merchants here rob and cheat, the town will reap the reward. If the merchants are fair, liberal and wise, the reward will also come, and in a pleasing manner.

We hear folks saying that the newspaper ought to do this and do that. Most of the time the newspaper ought to do as they say, but let the citizens generally turn their artillery upon the selfish citizen, the narrow minded dweller who demands profits before he will move a peg. Let us all get in behind the progressive element. Better the conditions of our town, improve the chances for living in our midst, and help others help themselves.

We want you to help us boost Newberg. You can do it by subscribing for the Graphic.

COUNTY SEAT NEWS

From the News-Reporter

Archie Edward Bird has filed his medical license with the county clerk.

Wm. F. Leckband has made application for a farm name.

The petition to admit the estate of H. B. Cockerham, deceased, to probate has been filed.

L. R. Booth of Sheridan, Route 2, was here on "Flag Day" and collected bounty for the skins of three bobcats.

The last will and testament of the late H. B. Cockerham has been filed with the county clerk. The papers were executed on January 28, 1922. J. H. Cockerham, a son, is named executor of the estate and he is to serve without bonds. According to the provisions of the will Mrs. J. S. Cockerham, his widow, receives the property on Fifth street, during her life time, after which it is devised to the children following the provisions of the will.

The will of Harriet L. Whitcomb, executed on June 20, 1913, has been filed with the county clerk, and her husband and children are to each receive a one-eighth interest in the property.

Suits Are Filed

Otto W. Heider vs. Joseph M. Brown, action for money.

Robin D. Day, trustee of Leota Henderson, vs. James H. Arthur, Leota Henderson and Cora Arthur; suit to quiet title.

CIRCUS TRIED TO BUNK HILLSBORO CITY COUNCIL

Hillsboro had its first circus in many years Tuesday, or rather the tents were pitched just outside the west limits and played to Hillsboro business without paying for the privilege. When advance agents appeared several weeks ago they represented that the outfit was merely an animal show for which the license fee is \$25. When bill posters appeared later, however, the paper they put up advertised a three ring circus, for which the fee is \$150. A wire was sent to the show when it was up the valley stating that the circus fee must be paid, but the reply was that the price was prohibitive and rather than pay the date would be cancelled. Monday representatives of the show met with the council and endeavored to secure a reduction, claiming there was no circus, but merely an animal show. The posters were called to their attention, but they are said to have claimed that the paper was 15 years old. Members of the city government expressed themselves somewhat emphatically concerning advertising features which were not shown, but the showmen merely asked if they had ever seen a circus which showed all that was advertised, and explained that the paper was used "because it drew the crowds." The council declined to make any concession and the tents were pitched at the old race track and a county license fee of \$35 paid. No attempt to prevent the parade was made, but the crowd of peddlers was not permitted to do business on the down town streets without taking out licenses.—Hillsboro Independent.

CLUB HELD MEETING

The North Main club held their annual picnic at the home of Mrs. T. E. Jones on June 15. There were about forty persons present. A large table bountifully supplied with food was spread under the trees. An entertaining program was arranged which included songs with guitar accompaniment, instrumental duet, and solos. Recitations were given by three young ladies. Flowers were donated. Each contributed their share of entertainment, thus making the day an enjoyable event. As this was our last meeting until October, all joined in singing "God be with you 'til we meet again."

FARMER OF SHERWOOD IS FOUND A SUICIDE

Oregon City, Ore., June 19.—Joseph Bruck, aged 65 years, a farmer residing alone on R. F. D. 5, Sherwood, committed suicide by hanging sometime between Thursday evening, when his body was discovered by his nephew, L. Bruck, who called at his uncle's home. He was a native of Germany and had resided in the Sherwood district for the past fifteen years. His health had been poor for several years, but he had declined to consult a physician. Coroner O. A. Pace decided an inquest unnecessary.—Telegram.

DRINKS POISON IN SUICIDE ATTEMPT

Dayton, Or., June 19.—Arthur Ital, 36, of Tualatin, was near death here Sunday night, as a result of drinking poison, apparently with suicidal intent. He drank the poison while in Tualatin and then drove to Dayton. On his arrival here he became violently ill and told the attending physician what he had done. His wife, who is in the country near here, was notified. It is understood domestic trouble was responsible for his act.—Journal.

NOT EXACTLY CORRECT

In a communication to the Newberg Graphic, J. U. Smith writes large sized tears because county officers are from all sections other than Newberg. Is Newberg ready to repudiate C. B. Wilson? Anyway, Newberg can claim J. U. Smith.—Yamhill Record.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

George Blackburn, Yamhill, to Lee Bundy, Portland.

Lorraine Mary Bell, Newberg, to James Henry Cassell, Portland.

Lorena Mary Heider, Sheridan, to George Maxfield Alexander, Mosier, Wasco county, Oregon.

BATTLE OF THE GIANTS

Another great contest is being staged between two railroads—Union Pacific and Southern Pacific—which reminds of the battle between the Hill and Harriman interests resulting in costly duplication of railroad facilities up the Deschutes canyon. This time the control of Central Pacific is the issue, and Oregon is deeply concerned in the outcome. Various possibilities are opened up for the future, some of them glowing and some of them anything but glowing with promise of anything but confusion, duplication and expense.

Decision by the U. S. Supreme Court separating Central Pacific from the Southern Pacific, of which it has been an integral part for fifty years, has precipitated the contest. In last week's Voter we deprecated the possibility that immediate enforcement of the separation might be undertaken, regardless of the circumstance that under the new law, of which no cognizance was taken in the Central Pacific case or opinion, the Interstate Commerce Commission has authority to restore the unity of ownership and management which the Supreme Court decision has disturbed. As this is written, the prospect that immediate separation will be enforced seems more remote than ever, as a 60-day stay has been granted pending the hearing by the supreme court of a petition for rehearing the entire case.

With this stay of procedure in effect, the leaders in both railroad camps are directing their efforts towards the showing to be made before the Interstate Commerce Commission, which is on record tentatively as favoring the retention of Central Pacific by Southern Pacific, of which it has been a part for a half century. The commission's tentative alignment is subject to hearing. Not only will both the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific be heard with their respective claims, but other railroads have an interest in the disposition of the case, and the people of the Pacific Coast have an exceedingly vital interest which will result in their being heard through their state commissions and their various commercial organizations.

California and Oregon have most at stake. California is much concerned over the possible separation of its great unified railroad system, and has taken action through its state commission to protect the state against the disintegration. Meanwhile the Union Pacific is making a bid for the favor of both California and Oregon, alleging that if Central Pacific be separated not only will no hardship be imposed upon either state but the supposed benefits of competition would be introduced, followed by better service and also by rivalry in construction.

So far as Oregon is concerned, the commercial and manufacturing interests of the state are rather suspicious as to the supposed benefits of competition so far as railroads under regulation are concerned. Competition has resulted in much costly paralleling of facilities, and the cost is reflected in freight rates. It also has occasioned duplication of overhead expense, where two companies operate over one main line, and the cost of overhead is one of the factors in keeping rates up. However, the Union Pacific is putting up a strong case and making quite an impression.

The main thing is that nothing be done that will hurt either the Union Pacific or the Southern Pacific, as both systems are well managed and upon their prosperity depends to a vital degree the ability of Oregon to market her products by rail. If either or both of these systems are unprosperous the facilities to be required for marketing lumber, fruit, wheat and all our products will be lacking through the years. It takes money to maintain a railroad in shape and provide new rolling stock as needed for a growing state, and this money will not be provided by investors for unprosperous companies. Oregon is not concerned with which railroad wins in a battle between railroads; it is very much concerned that neither one of these great systems be injured in its ability to serve Oregon.

If joint use of main lines by two competing companies means better facilities for Oregon at less cost, and possibly means construction of the Natron cut-off, the Central Oregon connection, and other needed extensions, Oregon will encourage such a disposition of the Central Pacific as will yield the competition. But all who allege today, in the light of past experience, that competition of the kind indicated will prove beneficial, will have a hard case to prove. On the other hand there is a real element of possible danger in splitting up a system that means so much to western Oregon as does the Southern Pacific.

The commercial interests of the state have a great deal at stake, and should study the subject. The next 60 days will probably develop much in the way of argument and definite proposal, and to all of it, close heed should be given, so that Oregon commercial bodies will line up with that side which means most to Oregon in the way of railroad service and development.—Oregon Voter.

CONGRATULATES GRADUATES

Congratulations to Theo Langton and other graduates from O. A. C. and U. of O., also to Norma Harvey, Hazel Youngs and Mrs. Ethel Morris Johnston who have just returned as graduates of C. N. S. and not without honors, for Mrs. Johnston on class day received the honor of wearing the cap and gown of scholarship. All got their share of PH's the honor mark of O. N. S. Mrs. Johnston received seven PH's during the last six months. She specialized in primary and also in music and art and has the distinction of being the only student recommended in all three branches. Newberg can well be proud of her young people she sends out to the higher institutions of learning and the honors they return with. A Subscriber.

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