

IMPROVEMENTS BEING MADE AT SOLDIERS HOME

Cemetery Expected to Be One of Most Beautiful in State.

PARKS EXTENDED

Commandant Starmer Making Fine Showing in Getting Results at Low Cost.

Some extensive improvement work is under way and more in contemplation at the Oregon Soldiers Home, according to S. W. Starmer, commandant, who is personally directing practically all of the work.

One of the most important improvements is at the cemetery, which has long been in a condition that has aroused considerable unfavorable comment and criticism, particularly from organizations of veterans. For several years efforts have been made to secure special appropriations for the purpose of making the improvements, but so far only a small sum has been made available. Under the supervision of Commandant Starmer, however, work is now in progress that will make the cemetery one of the most beautiful in southern Oregon.

One entire plot has been filled and another is being made ready for future interments. The plot that has been filled has been leveled and is being followed this summer to kill off all weeds. Concrete curbs have been built along the driveway, and in the fall the entire surface will be prepared and seeded. Gravestones are on hand and are being carved, and all stones will be reset and aligned, giving a perfect uniform appearance over the entire plot. An irrigation system has been installed so that the tract can be kept green at all times, and will be maintained in a careful manner. Beside each stone will be placed a perennial blooming flower so that the combination of green lawn and bright blossoms, with borders of evergreen shrubs will make the cemetery very beautiful.

Parks improved. At the same time the park near the cemetery is also being improved. This park is formed chiefly by one of the largest maple trees in Douglas county. This great tree with its branches that droop to the ground, forms a canopy under which 300 or 400 people may easily be seated. The tree is very near the banks of the river and is in the midst of smaller trees, so that a cool, shady spot is provided for any out-of-doors gathering. Commandant Starmer is having the park cleared and leveled, so that more space will be made available, and a better view of the river procured.

Laurel Hedge Planned. At the present time the nursery

at the Soldiers Home is being stocked with a certain species of English laurel which is to be used in a most appropriate manner in the forming of a hedge. There are a number of acres at the institution used for farming purposes, more than enough vegetables being produced to feed all of the residents, while hay and grain are raised for the livestock. Around the barracks, hospital and buildings has been created one of the most beautiful yards to be found in the entire state. At present there is nothing marking the division between the lawns and gardens and the farm and it is proposed to place along this line a great hedge of English laurel, the tree being one that grows 12 to 15 feet high, with luxuriant evergreen foliage. This is being planned and executed by Mr. Kling, the gardener, who has produced at the Soldiers Home one of the show spots of the entire state.

Work is also in progress at the present time in cleaning out the fir grove adjoining the administration building, and this grove will be the site for the dinner to be served during the C. A. R. state convention here this month.

In addition to all this work on the grounds Commandant Starmer has accomplished a great deal in the way of improvements in the living quarters throughout the institution, and particularly in the cottages, where the interiors have been repainted and thoroughly cleaned and renovated.

This work has all been done at an extremely low cost, the commandant having been given excellent cooperation from the residents and employes, many of whom have donated a great deal of time and labor in making the improvements.

DRUM CORPS TO SPONSOR DANCE SATURDAY NIGHT

The Umpqua Post American Legion drum corps is letting every night in preparation for the Golden Link celebration to be held at Winchester Bay on the 4th of July. The local American Legion post has promised to cooperate in the celebration, which is sponsored by the Reedsport post, and the local drum corps will represent Roseburg at the event. The complete reorganization of the drum corps has been effected and the musicians are working earnestly in an effort to perfect their playing. The local unit is now ranked as one of the best in the state.

In order to assist in defraying the expense of sending the organization to the celebration the legion post is giving a dance at the armory on Saturday night. Excellent music will be provided and a good entertainment is assured all who attend.

TRUCK DRIVER KILLED

(Associated Press Leased Wire) LA GRANDE, June 21.—Bill Hamack, 45, was almost instantly killed about 5 o'clock this morning when the truck in which he was hauling logs, slipped from the road near Lostine, Ore., and overturned. When found he was dead, his body crushed beneath the timbers. His home was at Enterprise.

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Democrats' Keynoter, To Be Heard By Millions, Is New National Figure

Bowers, Who Will Sound Party's Call at Houston, Won Fame by Jackson Day Speech.

By NEA Service NEW YORK, June 18.—You can take a true Hoosier far from his native state, bury him in the anonymity of newspaper editorial writing and turn him into a scholar, writing histories, but sooner or later he will turn back to the only pursuit a real Hoosier ever enjoys—politics.

That's what happened in the case of Claude G. Bowers, anyway. Bowers, born and bred in Indiana, moved to New York five years ago to become an editorial writer for the New York Evening World. In his spare time he studied and wrote history. But last winter he plopped back into politics so zealously that he was at once chosen to deliver the keynote speech at the coming democratic convention in Houston, Texas.

It all happened because Bowers was invited to address last January's Jackson day dinner in Washington. This is a traditional love feast of the democrats, marked in recent years by a notable absence of love. Bowers had written absorbing biographies of such democratic heroes as Andrew Jackson and Thomas Jefferson, and through some happy inspiration the committee asked him to speak.

Electified Party Bowers did. He urged his listeners to make Jackson and Jefferson something more than mere patron saints of the party, contrasted conditions in their eras with conditions today and, before he had finished, aroused the democratic chieftains to real enthusiasm. A man who could do that seemed worth keeping; so Bowers, by general consent, was chosen to do the keynoting at Houston.

To most of the country, thus far, he has been just a name. When his election as keynoter was announced, the rank and file of the democracy murmured, "And who the dickens is he?" After he delivered his speech at Houston, however, it is a safe bet that he will be a national figure.

Bowers was born in Hamilton County, Indiana, in November of 1878. As a young man he entered newspaper work, serving his apprenticeship on the old Indianapolis Sentinel. This, it might be

HE'LL RALLY THE HOSTS



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school he went to Terre Haute and became a reporter for the Star. While there he exercised the Hoosier's privilege of becoming active in politics, and in 1904 he ran for congress under the approval of John E. Lamb, then a dem-

ocratic power in Indiana. Bowers was defeated, but he continued his political work, holding a variety of minor jobs until 1911.

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Around the County

MELROSE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Goff and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Conn, who have been attending the State Grange convention at Rainier, Ore., are again in our midst.

The farmers out in this neck of the timber are busy with the hay and fruit. It is time to get up early to catch the early worm that you hear about, but some folks wish the worm wouldn't get up quite so early.

The Melrose Social Club held its monthly meeting on the second Saturday of this month, at which time the Madames Busenbark offered the use of the tennis court on their place to the club if it would clean up the grounds. For the past week the club has been working on the court and it is nearly time to start practicing.

The club is anticipating a trip to Brandon on Sunday, June 24.

Bert Matthews was knocked out Saturday while working on the new pavement. A girl didn't pass this time, but a rock did and gave him some attention on its journey to Mother Earth.

The Melrose Grange held its meeting on Saturday night, June 16. This evening being Lecturer's night, the following program was given: Regular guitar solo, "The Spanish Fandango," by Grace Conn; piano solo by Elsie Busenbark; reading by Lecturer, D. N. Busenbark; song, "Sing Me to Sleep," by Mrs. H. P. Conn and Son James, accompanied by Grace Conn; and last, but not least, a very humorous as well as interesting talk by Mr. Foster Butler. This talk appears in this paper. The Melrose Grange is sorry to lose the membership of Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Requa, who are leaving for Idaho the first of next month.

The Melrose Social Club held its monthly birthday party for Joel Penn, Ralph Krohn and Margaret Churchill at the Forks on Tuesday evening, June 19th. After swimming and boating, refreshments were enjoyed by the following: Joel Penn, Ralph Krohn, Margaret Churchill, Amy Churchill, Kenneth Conn, Lucy Cooper, Otto Conn, Otis Conn, Lane Matthews, Bert Matthews, James Conn, Woodrow Conn, Ethelmae Conn, Grace Conn, William Sandstrom, Crystal Penn, Margaret Busenbark, Wilma Busenbark, Ed Reese, Helen Busenbark, Allen Busenbark, Dorothy Busenbark, Joyce and Fern Busenbark, Dorothy Chase, Ethel Krohn, Walter and Frederick Becker, Ben-

lah Tjomsland, Tessie Hagan, Carl Lindsay, Jr., Carl Bloomingberg, Geo. Anderson and Phillip Nachter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Busenbark, Jr., and son and Mrs. Reese have moved to their new home at Day's Creek.

Anton Bursik is now taking care of the Virgil Conn ranch.

David Conn of Yakima, Washington, is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. R. A. Busenbark and John Busenbark, Sr., are visiting relatives in Kansas.

On Friday evening, June 15th, Andy Johnson and wife were charivariied. Everyone, as well as the surprised bride and groom, had a very pleasant evening.

On Sunday afternoon James Conn and Crystal Penn motored to Boswell Springs and reported a very enjoyable trip.

Mr. Glen Thackeray of Myrtle Creek is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. Andrew Jacoby, of this valley.

The young people of this locality gathered at the grange hall last Tuesday night, June 12th, and en-

joyed a dance given in honor of Miss Fern Hutchins. The latter was married to Russell Elliot of Portland last Saturday evening at Portland, Oregon. The best wishes of our community are with her.

Wednesday evening, June 13th, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Marsh gave a banquet in honor of the Looking Glass graduates. Those present were Lester Jordan, Harold Stromquist, Irene Hodley, Arthur Millard, John Montgomery, Ruth Rodley, Ray Jordan, Fern Hutchins, Marlene Thompson and Frances Welsh. A most enjoyable time was had by all.

Misses Mildred Millard, Mildred Paulson and Lolo Dysert have returned from the Ashland Normal school. Miss Violet Cochran and her cousin are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Paulson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Nickens and Mr. Stanley C. Schrenk, delegate, have returned to the valley from the session of the state grange at Rainier.

Miss Arlene Virginia Howard, a former Looking Glass H. S. student, who has been residing the past school term at Tacoma, Washington, and a graduate of the Ta-

coma high school, arrived here last week to visit with friends and parents, and renew old friendships.

The high school students enjoyed a full day at Maple Grove last Thursday. A splendid picnic lunch was partaken of, and they enjoyed a dip in the cool waters of the South Umpqua. Later they hiked to the top of Mount Nelson.

The high school students with their principal had a group picture taken last Wednesday, June 13.

Mr. P. M. Nash, future high school principal, is in the valley at the present time.

Rev. Joseph Knotts, pastor of the M. E. church of Roseburg, delivered the baccalaureate address at our church last Sunday. It will ever be remembered by the graduates and local people. A large audience attended and were enthusiastic over the H. S. glee club singing.

All grange members are invited to attend the regular grange meeting on Friday, June 22nd. Try to be present.

John M. Montgomery, one of our graduates, left Saturday evening for military training camp at Vancouver, Washington.

Mr. Loren W. Jordan and family of Wilbur, Oregon, departed after a week's visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Jordan.

The H. S. student body elected the following officers for next year: president, Lucia Rogers; V. president, Dennet Rogers; secretary, Frances M. Welsh; treasurer, Ethel Mae Parker; sergeant-at-arms, Walter Steinhauer.

Among the victors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Jacoby over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Miller, Mr. and Mrs. W. Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Jacoby, Mrs. Sam Thackeray, Clifford Jennie, Glen, Earl and Walter Thackeray and Susie Jacoby.

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receipts in the history of the middleweight division.

It will be Hudkins' first shot at a boxing title in the eight years of his boxing career in three divisions and, while Walker was a 7 to 5 batting favorite, the challenger was radiant with confidence. Walker, too, was confident, in top form and impatient for the bell. Attracted by the punching power of the New Jersey "Bulldog" and the Nebraska "Wildcat," Chicago's boxing Riata today was crowded with fans from all sections of the nation. While they were at variance as to the winner, they were virtually agreed that the fight would end in a knockout. Their opinion was repeated by the champion and challenger.

SPRAYING IS ONLY CONTROL FOR APPLE MAGGOT PEST

The apple maggot is a serious pest of the apple orchards of the northeastern part of the United States and southeastern Canada. Its range extends westward to the Dakotas and southward along the Allegheny mountains into North Carolina, but its most serious damage is done in New England. A study of the life history and habits of the apple maggot by Dr. H. A. Porter of the United States Department of Agriculture leads him to believe that it is not likely to become serious in southern orchards, but that it may become injurious in the Pacific northwest.

"Everyone living in the country in New England and nearby states," says Doctor Porter in Technical Bulletin 967, The Apple Maggot, just published by the Department of Agriculture, "is familiar with the disappointment experienced in biting into a 'railroaded' or maggoty apple. Many such apples give no external warning that anything is wrong, although the interior may be a broken-down mass of rotten pulp. Such a condition is caused by the apple maggot, (Rhagoletis pomonella Walsh) which in the region referred to is one of the major insect pests attacking the flesh of the apple."

The apple maggot is a native American insect, and studies by entomologists of the department extending over a period of more than ten years indicate that the apple maggot originally fed on other plants, probably the Hawthorn, and came to the apple in the last 75 years. Studies of the insect, which is similar to other well known "fruit flies," has been particularly difficult because the insect does not behave normally when confined to the cages entomologists use in studying the habits of many insects. Field observations show that the maggots are much more injurious to some varieties of apples than to others, and usually prefer the summer or fall varieties having a sweet or mildly acid flesh. The eggs are hatched in the apples, which usually fall. The maggots emerging from the apple burrow into the ground, where they winter with little or no regard to cultivation or to low temperatures. The flies emerge in time to mature before the ripening of the apples in which they lay their eggs.

Spraying is the only effective control of the apple maggot. In the experiments reported two applications of commercial arsenate of lead, applied as for the codling moth, 1 to 1 1/2 pounds in 50 gallons of water, gave satisfactory control. Paris green arsenate is considered as probably equally effective and a lime-and-calcium spreader may be added. The first application should be made when the flies emerge. In southern Connecticut in the average season this would be about June 25 for early apples and early July for fall and winter fruit. The second spraying should come about two or three weeks after the first. Poor control will probably result if unsprayed infested orchards are closely adjacent to the sprayed tract, as the fruit flies apparently travel from tree to tree.

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COIN LOSS ENDS PARTNERSHIP OF GRANGE AND PYLE

Bunion Derby Writes Finis to Promotion Venture; Tunney and Gibson to Separate.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) CHICAGO, June 21.—Although the gentle arts of cracking clubs and pummeling are principally in the limelight here today, it should also be noted that this seems to be the year for busting up some of the most beautiful friendships and profitable partnerships in sports.

First there was the sudden parting between John McGraw and the aggressive young man he had groomed to succeed him, Rogers Hornsby, "for the best interests of the Giants."

Now the well known local firm of "Red" Grange and C. C. Pyle has split after a sensational association that began to the roar of the gridiron crowds and ended on the financial rocks of the celebrated bunion derby.

The highly lucrative Dempsey-Tunney-Rickard combination, last in business here, also is at an end after two boom years. Moreover, the talk is that Tunney, win or lose against Tom Heeny, will cut the few remaining ties that bind him with Prof. Billy Gibson and retire from the boxing business altogether. Tunney virtually broke up his business partnership with Gibson two years ago. Gene didn't like the way his manager handled the first bout with Dempsey, financially, and he has directed his own affairs since then.

The champion, counting his earnings for the Heeny battle this year as "in the beginning" will have made more money than any other fighter within a given space of time. For three fights in slightly less than two years, Tunney's earnings will have reached \$2,000,000.—Dempsey cleaned up in 1924 \$2,000,000 with \$1,750,000 as his end for three fights but it took the Manassas Mauler's nine championship scraps to mass his ring earnings of \$3,000,000.

The experts often talk of the get rich quick partnership of Dempsey and Kearns, another famous friendship that hit the rocks, but Dempsey earned twice as much after it was broken up as he had before.

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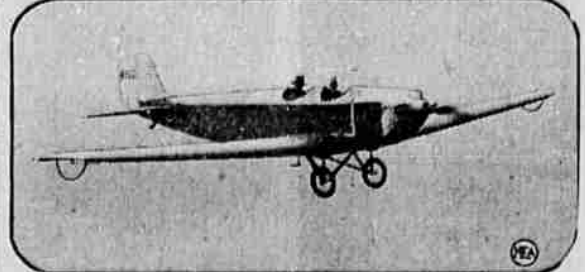
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Aids "Embattled Farmers"



Getting in a good lick for the farmers whenever the opportunity presented, M. J. Tobin of Victoria, Ia., farm leader, moved endlessly among the delegates at the republican national convention in Kansas City. Here is Mr. Tobin pictured as he was getting in one of his best licks.

Lindy Plays Before Going to Work



Just a year after he landed in Paris on his epic flight, Col. Charles Lindbergh went stunting in a Klemm-Daimler flivver plane over Curtis Field, L. I. Above is a view of the ship, and Lindy, decked out in new white helmet, is shown sitting in the cockpit. After this flight it was announced that the famous pilot would go to work for the Transcontinental Air Transport, Inc.

WALKER-HUDKINS BOUT TO ATTRACT RECORD THROGG

(Associated Press Leased Wire) CHICAGO, June 21.—The world's middleweight championship goes on the block at Comiskey Park tonight when Mickey Walker answers the challenge of Nebraska's "Wildcat," Ace Hudkins. If weather conditions are favorable, the fight, which is billed to go ten rounds to a decision, is expected to attract from 30,000 to 40,000 fans, and probably the largest gate

Tagged for Senator Curtis



Dr. Henry Clay Linn, 86, came all the way from his California ranch to whom it up for Senator "Charley" Curtis of Kansas. Mrs. A. L. Williams of Topeka is shown pinning a Curtis-for-President badge on Dr. Linn at Kansas City.