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MEMORIAL DAY

I have a lover in the fields of France,
Where larks still sing and scarlet poppies wave.
There let him lie—I ask not his return
That my poor grief may tend a lonely grave.

There let him lie, among his comrades all,
In the world's common sepulchre and shrine;
The trysting-place of every nation's heart;
And let the common sorrow hallow mine.

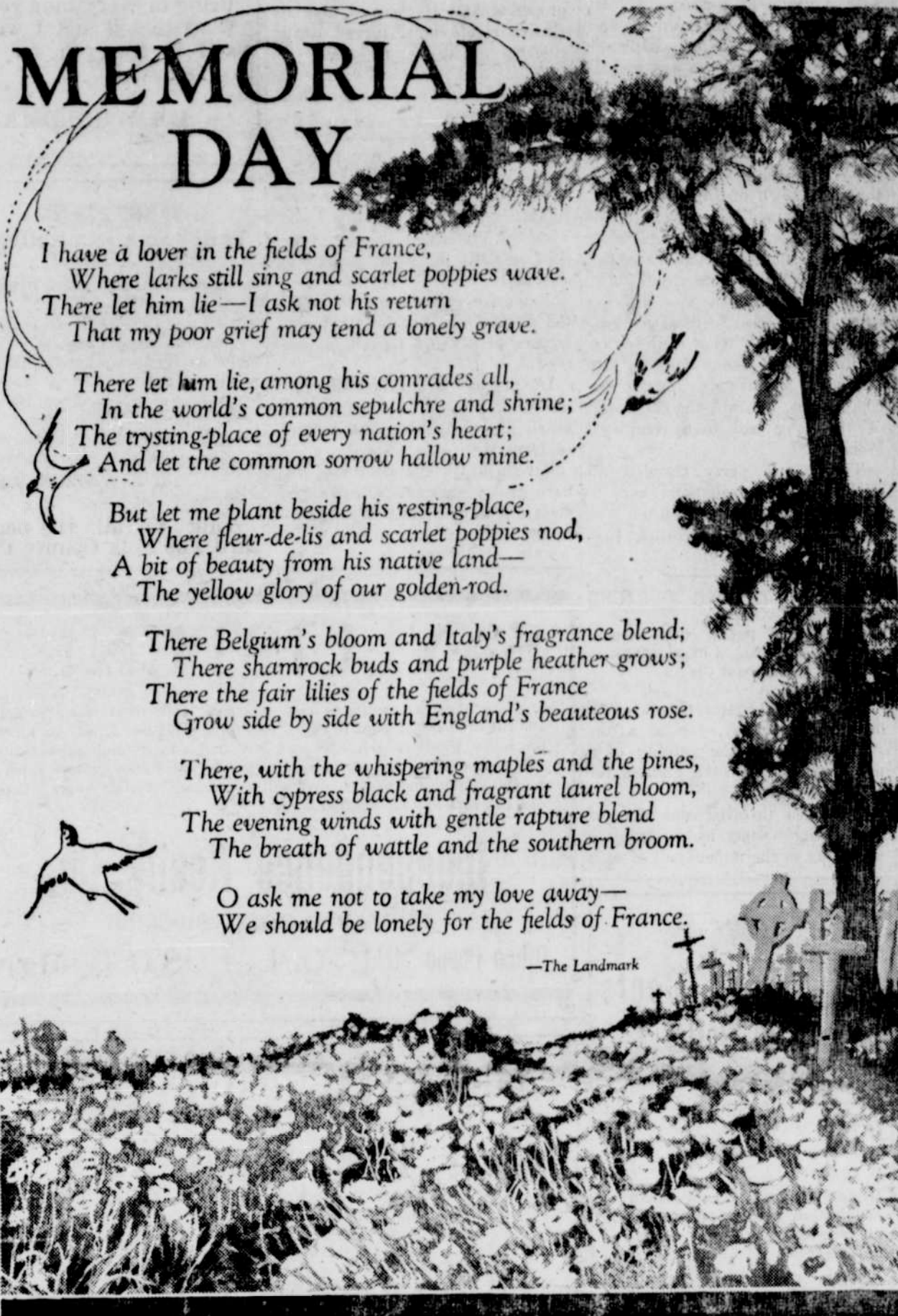
But let me plant beside his resting-place,
Where fleur-de-lis and scarlet poppies nod,
A bit of beauty from his native land—
The yellow glory of our golden-rod.

There Belgium's bloom and Italy's fragrance blend;
There shamrock buds and purple heather grows;
There the fair lilies of the fields of France
Grow side by side with England's beautiful rose.

There, with the whispering maples and the pines,
With cypress black and fragrant laurel bloom,
The evening winds with gentle rapture blend
The breath of wattle and the southern broom.

O ask me not to take my love away—
We should be lonely for the fields of France.

—The Landmark



"Lest We Forget"

On Monday, May 30, the American Legion will assist the G. A. R. and W. R. C. in observing this sacred day with appropriate exercises.

The Post and Corps will meet at their hall by 8:45 a. m. From the hall they will march to the postoffice where their ranks will be enlarged by the addition of the American Legion. The entire body will then march to the school house where a program befitting the occasion will be given.

At the conclusion of the program the water service will be given at the river. This beautiful, sacred and impressive ceremony consists in scattering flowers on the waters in loving tribute to the memory of the sailor and soldier dead. A basket luncheon will be held at the noon hour.

At 1:00 o'clock the members will leave for Monmouth where the G. A. R. will be the guests of honor at the Normal School for the afternoon.

The committee to decorate the resting places of the Civil War Veterans and Corps members will leave their hall at 8:30 Saturday morning. Anyone having flowers, if they can be left at the hall by 8:15 it will be appreciated, and all donations of flowers will be thankfully received by the committee.

The Memorial Service of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. will be held at the Chautauqua tent Sunday, May 29. All members are to meet at their hall not later than 10:15.

The approaching Memorial Day again brings to the mind the fast decreasing ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic. These veteran heroes of Civil War days are rapidly answering the final roll call. It is now only a matter of a few short years until they will be but a memory—but what a loving memory it will be. It was they who fought, bled and died "to preserve us a nation." It was they who suffered untold hardships that we might enjoy the many privileges that we are enjoying today. All honor and glory be their lot. They are entitled to all respect and every honor that is given to them. In this day and age we are prone to forget the sacrifices they

made and the services they rendered to this nation. The recent world war has been the primary cause of this forgetfulness. In paying tribute to younger heroes we have in a measure, unintentionally, forgotten the older ones. This should not be. Honor is due to one as much as to the other.

In our infancy we are taught to revere and salute our national emblem. This same reverence should be shown the G. A. R. insignia when worn on the breast of a Civil War Veteran.

Community Dinner Chautauqua Feature

The Community Dinner at the Chautauqua last year was such a success that it is to be repeated this year. A committee from the Womans Club to have charge of the dinner includes Mesdames C. O. Sloper, Frank Smith, F. G. Hewitt, J. S. Robbie, Joseph Rogers, Eph Young and Eldridge. The committee asks that each person provide their own cup. The Club will furnish coffee for the gathering. Every body is invited to come, bring their dinner and have a good time eating with their neighbor.

Odd Fellows at McCoy

About 40 local Odd Fellows went to McCoy Saturday evening to participate in the degree work and also the elaborate banquet which the good people of that city had prepared for the occasion. Among Independence people to receive the first degree were Dave Haley and A. L. Keeney. There were about 160 in attendance.

BUENA VISTA

May 25, 1921

Pete Hansen was trading in Albany Friday.

R. Petterson and Mr. Moe were Airline visitors Sunday.

M. N. Prather and wife spent Sunday at the Conger home at Suver.

Blanche Harman spent the week end with her cousin, Addie Gobat, at Suver.

Ed Liethy and wife were week end visitors at the Russell home at McMinnville.

J. M. Prather, of Corvallis, is painting his brother's house this week.

A cement walk now surrounds the John Whitman lot in the cemetery.

Frank Hall, of Woodburn, was here last week doing some work at the cemetery.

Mrs. Kiger, of Corvallis, visited her cousin, Mrs. Jake Nash, Sunday.

F. L. Chown and wife, of Independence, called at the Liethy home Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Bohny and children, of Tillamook, are visiting at the home of her parents, M. V. Prather and wife.

Mrs. Getty, who has been confined to her home for some time, is gradually getting weaker.

Betty Hunicutt is improving slowly. She came home last week and is being cared for by her grand-mother.

G. E. Harman had some work

GETTING READY FOR MAIL DELIVERY

Residences in Independence will be numbered this week preparatory to village mail delivery. The number plates will be provided and placed by the City Council at the expense of the residents. Each residence owner will make provision for his box. There will be two carriers and two deliveries per day. U. S. mail boxes will be placed ad lib in the down town district and collections made in the morning in time to catch the 8:15 train. Postmaster Wood thinks it almost certain that the new system will be in operation by July 1, as it is now likely that 85 per cent of the postoffice patrons will provide mail boxes.

Civic Organization Nominates Officers

At a meeting of the Civic Club held at the K. C. Eldridge home last Wednesday, the following officers were nominated for the coming year:

President—Mesdames O. D. Butler and D. P. McCarthy.

1st Vice-President—Mesdames Taylor Jones and Clyde Ecker.
2nd Vice-President—Mesdames C. O. Sloper and K. C. Eldridge.

Secretary—Mesdames James Robbie and H. B. Fletcher.

Treasurer—Mrs. A. B. Robinson and Miss Eva Robertson.

Executive Board—Mesdames Oliver Smith, Charles Fitchard, Eph Young, Howard Morelan.

The general election will be held Wednesday, June 8, at the home of Mrs. McCarthy. Mrs. Ecker has served as president of the club three years.

At the meeting Wednesday a new constitution was adopted. An important change is in the name, which has been changed from Civic Club to The Womans Club, the members feeling they had outgrown the old name and that their activities covered a much larger scope than it implied.

Hugh Bressler Buried In K. P. Cemetery

The body of Hugh Bressler who was killed in Portland Monday was brought to the A. L. Keeney funeral establishment on Wednesday and interment was made in the K. P. Cemetery at Monmouth Thursday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. Mr. Bressler lived at Monmouth until two years ago when he moved to Portland. William Bressler, of Monmouth, is a brother. George Adams charged with involuntary manslaughter, is alleged to have struck the blow which caused Bressler to fall to the sidewalk, fracturing his skull.

A party of Dorothy Dalton adorners attended "The Idol of the North" at the Oregon Theatre in Salem Sunday.

done on his car at Albany Tuesday.

W. S. McClain, who has been confined to his home with an attack of lagrippe, is able to be out again.

Born May 25, 1921, at the Prather home, to the wife of Mr. Bohny, of Tillamook, a son. Dr. Butler was the attending physician.

Chautauqua Opened Yesterday With Splendid Program

Yesterday afternoon and evening's Chautauqua program were delightful and started the season off just right. Miss Ruth Lane, the superintendent, with the aid of the local committee, had everything ready for Mr. and Mrs. Wells, the Apollo Duo. Mr. Wells furnished 300 pounds of fine fun and music. Mrs. Wells was his equal in every respect except avordupois. Their numbers were full of real snap and harmony. In the evening Mather Hilburn offered a well balanced program. With the aid of grease paint and wigs he created some interesting characters. Only those have lived among the "niggers" and attended "nigger" meetings could thoroughly appreciate the "colored" sermon. Mr. Hilburn is from Arkansas. Saturday under the direction of the Junior Superintendent, the school children will be costumed and lined up for a parade and it is expected that the older ones will "long to be a child again just for the day." If you haven't been before, get your tickets and don't miss another time.

O. E. S. Provide Delightful Function on Tuesday

A delightful function of the week was the evening provided by the members of the O. E. S. last Tuesday for the M. S. and the Normal Students who are members of the order. A program consisting of clever impersonations by M. H. Pengra, a pleasing solo by Mrs. Claire Irvine and a delightful reading by Elinor Calbreath was rendered. Dancing and cards furnished a share of amusement. The refreshment committee served an elaborate three course luncheon.

Last Tuesday while putting up trellises at his hop yard, Perl Hedges fell from the poles onto some bars cutting a gash about three inches long in the top of his head. He was unconscious for some time, but was hurried into town for surgical aid and is now resting satisfactorily.

NEW STORE OPENS IN INDEPENDENCE

The Peoples Cash Store will open a branch house in the Beaver Hotel building tomorrow, Saturday. The local store will be under the management of J. Hodgson. He has had vast experience in managing establishments of this kind. Mr. H. is a young man of pleasing personality and gives the impression that he is a "square deal" fellow. He is also the general advertising manager of the chain of stores conducted by the Peoples Cash Store. Read their page advertisement in this issue of the Post.

Community Pulmotor to be Bought by Subscriptions

The matter of the purchase of a pulmotor is of vital importance to the boys and girls of this community. Hardly a summer passes without one or more deaths from drowning. There are at least 30 miles of water front tributary to Independence and all during the summer bathing parties may be seen scattered along at different points.

It is a foregone conclusion that some of these bathers will be seized with cramps or meet with some other accident in the water, and be rescued, apparently dead. This is where the pulmotor is of use. It could be rushed to the scene in the first car available and used to pump pure oxygen into the lungs of the patient. In other cities pulmotors are used by the fire and police departments.

In this city it would be advisable to place the pulmotor in some location where it would be instantly available and have a number of persons instructed in the use of it.

When a call for it comes in, ring the fire bell at some pre-arranged signal, say 4 strokes, repeated at intervals and then

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...For Particular Men...



We have a new stock of shirts that cannot fail to attract the particular dressers. We especially wish to call your attention to our Fibre Silk shirts for summer wear. Just the thing for a hot summer day. They look fine and dressy. Wear well and wash easy. We would be glad to show them to you.

Yours truly,
O. A. Creamer
INDEPENDENCE, OREGON