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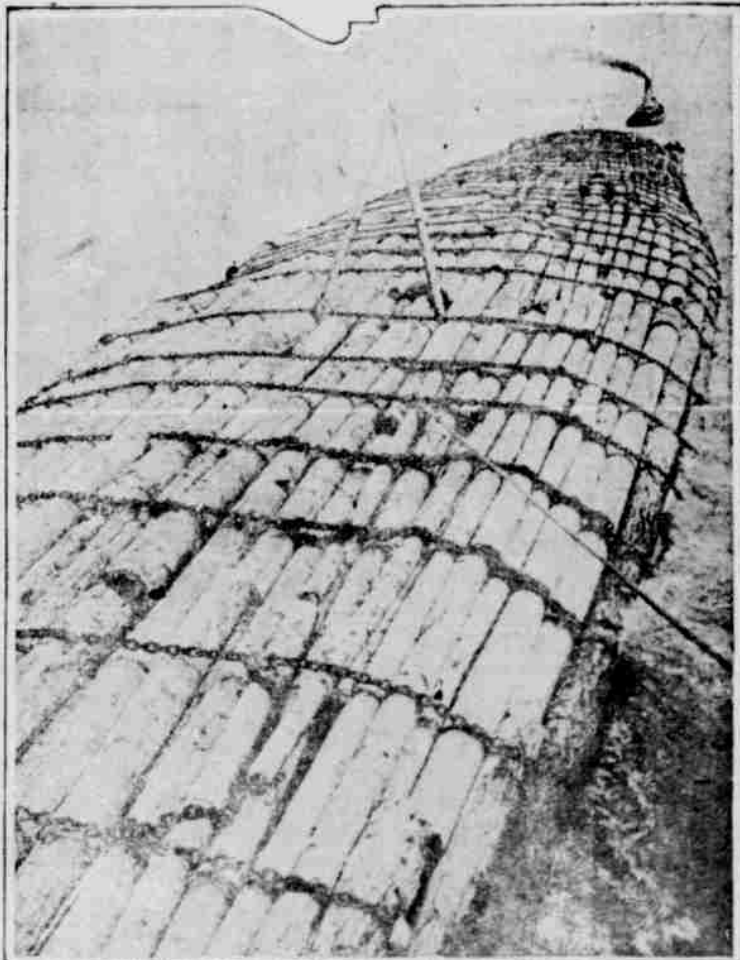
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THE RHYMING SUMMARIST

"Kaiser Bill went up the hill
With arms to capture France,
Kaiser Bill came down the hill
With bullets in his pants;"
Some one sent the little rhyme,
Just as it's said above,
And we hope that Bill
When he went down the hill,
Some one gave a shove.
If Kaiser Bill ever climbs a hill,
We hope the Sammies ketch him,
And when it's time to all go home,
We hope the boys do fetch him;
We'd put him in an animal zoo,
Where other wild ones biver,
And when Bill got sore
And commenced to roar,
We'd feed him blood and liver.
Often we have to coin a word,
For example, this one "hiver,"
We wanted the Kaiser to eat raw meat
So we made it rhyme with liver;
Hop Pick Sue has arrived in town
And for Mack or Lee she's looking,
Mack can't see
And as for Lee,
Nice girls like her he's booking.
This substitute for real good eats,
We call it much a fake,
Nothing can ever take the place
Of Cora Hubbard's cake;
This arid weather, this long dry spell,
Really now is boring,
And if very near
You can hear,
Ever preachers swearing.

LUMBER FOR ONE OF NEW ARMY CAMPS



Millions of feet of lumber are being used in construction of the big new army camps throughout the country. Rafts of Oregon pine logs 800 feet long and 32 feet wide are towed 1,000 miles to San Diego, Cal., and made into lumber for use of the camps.

The American public labors six days and on the seventh wears itself out riding around in automobiles.—New York Sun.

Mr. Root says Russia's riots do not amount to much. He's seen a few Republican National Conventions.—New York World.

SCHOOL SEPT. 24

The Independence schools, both training and high, open Sept. 24. Schools in the country commence at various times during September.

The Independence high has lost one and possibly three of its teaching staff. Miss Rawlings, domestic science, goes to Albany, Earl Heckett, manual training, has been elected to a place in Eugene and there is an unconfirmed report that Miss Holt has taken a position elsewhere. The board anticipates great difficulty in finding a manual training teacher to fill the vacancy.

S. P. CROP REPORT

The Southern Pacific gives out the following report of the crop situation in the Independence section:

Last week was warm and dry with no rainfall. Threshing of wheat is progressing rapidly and quality good. Winter wheat is yielding 90 per cent of normal, spring wheat 50 per cent. Fall oats are yielding 90 per cent and spring oats 30 per cent. Hay is yielding 75 per cent of normal. The continued dry weather has had its effect on sugar beets and they will not yield to exceed 75 per cent of normal or about 8 tons per acre. Early potatoes are small and not yielding to exceed 35 per cent, while late potatoes are in better condition and although badly in need of rain will yield about 60 per cent of normal. Bean acreage shows 400 per cent increase, while the yield per acre will not exceed 50 per cent of normal and they must have rain within the next 10 days.

HOPS AT 42c

A bunch of fuggles sold in Silverton yesterday for 42 cents a pound. The latest estimate that the Oregon 1917 crop will not exceed 30,000 bales caused the market to jump ten cents.

Hop picking in the Independence section will begin about Sept. 5 and it appears that there will be no scarcity of laborers. Women and children are coming in numbers, but few men. The decreased acreage makes it probable that the women and children can handle it. Fuggles are being picked this week and turning out as good as expected.

WHEAT MOVES

Tuesday Homer Hill discovered that his wheat crop was short—minus eight sacks. Further investigation showed that some other fellow's wheat crop is eight sacks long. When Homer became short and the other fellow long is not known but it is surmised that it occurred some recent night in the dark of the moon.

CLUB PICNIC

The Industrial Club picnic at Turner's grove last Friday was not very well attended, no doubt owing to the busy season and little advertising. Governor Withycombe and several others delivered addresses and there were competitive sports of all kinds. The day was made quite merry by those by those present.

BIT BY MAD DOG

Mrs. Nellie Stewart, daughter of L. Damon, was bitten by a mad dog the first of the week at her ranch home in the eastern part of the state. She was taken to Bend where she is taking the Pasteur treatment and it is expected that no serious results will follow.

JOSEPHINE KNOWLES

Mrs. Josephine Ward Knowles, early settler and a highly respected woman, wife of John B. Knowles, passed away Tuesday, August 28, at her home north of Independence, where she has lived continuously for thirty-three years, after a busy and useful life of nearly eighty years. Her death will not only be mourned for a long time by her relatives but by a large number of friends as well.

The funeral services were held at the residence at 11 o'clock Thursday morning. Dr. D. V. Polling of Dallas officiating and interment took place in the Odd Fellows' cemetery.

Josephine Hortense Ward was born at Ransomville, Niagara county, New York, April 28, 1839 and died Aug. 28, 1917 at the age of 78 years and four months. She was married at Royalton, New York, to John B. Knowles. In 1866 they went to Michigan but stayed there but one year going to Missouri where they resided for six years. After a residence of two and a half years in Kansas, they came to Oregon in 1875 settling on what is known as the Riggs place at McNary station. After living there for nine years, they moved to their present home. Eight children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Knowles, of which four, Burrage B., Mrs. J. S. W. Herdecke, Cora L. and Lorenzo H., are now living. Mrs. M. W. Mix is a step daughter. Besides her husband and children she has a brother and two sisters, living in New York, surviving her.

DIES SUDDENLY

Frank Higdon of Jordan, Montana, died suddenly at C. A. McLaughlin's hop ranch Tuesday. He was found dead in bed after complaining of being sick for several hours. Higdon was an unmarried man of middle age and had worked for Mr. McLaughlin off and on for the past three years. Relatives at Jordan were wired for instructions for the disposal of the body.

CIVIC LEAGUE MEETS

After a summer vacation, the Independence Civic League will resume its twice-a-week meetings on Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 10, at the Moose Hall. All members are urged to be present and tell how they spent the vacation.

LAMBS FOR WYOMING

Kirby & Duerst shipped 1200 head of buck lambs from Corvallis and Independence today. The shipment represents about \$25,000 and will go to Wyoming.

A HAPPY GOLDEN WEDDING

DESCENDANTS OF LYCURGUS AND MARY E. BUTLER

CHILDREN—Milton J. Butler, Mrs. Ophelia Short, Mrs. Arizona Beals, Mrs. Armenta Armstrong, Mrs. Etta Belle Archibald, Monroe A. Butler, Jonathan H. Butler, Ernest T. Butler and William A. Butler.

GRAND CHILDREN—Chaney Butler, Mrs. Rhea Hackett, Dallas Short, Lima Short, Mrs. Ethel Heckel, Mrs. Elsie Cushman, Mrs. Ruth Weiser, Raymond Beals, Walter Beals, Ralph Beals, Mrs. Pearl Lee, Mrs. Len Hamilton, Mrs. T. W. Fowler, Mrs. Leila Channell, Elda Archibald, George L. Archibald, Jr., Hazel Butler, Nina Butler, Frances Butler, Hilla Butler, Jonathan H. Butler, Jr., Thelma Butler and Marion Butler.

GREAT GRAND CHILDREN—Vern Cushman, Margaret Lee, Madeline Lee, Wilma Lee, John Hamilton and Melva Hamilton.

It was the privilege of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Butler to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage on Saturday, Aug. 25, surrounded by eight children, thirteen grand children, three great grand children, one son-in-law, three daughters-in-law, the husbands of two grand daughters and a number of friends. The comfortable home between Independence and Monmouth was filled to overflowing and its walls echoed with the glad shouts and laughter of a family reunion that will in all probabilities never be again. We need not say that Father and Mother Butler had looked forward for many months to this event—not so much that it was a golden wedding which but few have—but because their boys and girls were coming "home". Both children and grand children, collectively, presented them with substantial gifts, and gave them an old-fashioned charivari in the evening.

Lycurgus M. Butler was born in Carroll county, Arkansas, in 1847 and Mary E. Witherspoon in Jackson county, North Carolina, in 1850. When the great war between the states came on, Mr. Butler was one of the few in Arkansas who remained loyal to the Union and he served as a bugler in Co. K First Arkansas Cavalry. The horrors of that conflict were brought more forcibly to Comrade Butler because he was in place where fate decreed that neighbor should fight against neighbor and in many instances brother against brother. Two years after the conclusion of the war he was married to Mary E. Witherspoon. In 1875, Mr. and Mrs. Butler and

four children crossed the plains with an ox team, first locating in Idaho, but finally coming to Oregon. To the union were born ten children. Laura C., deceased (the only death in the family), Milton J. of Scappoose, Ore., Mrs. Ophelia Short of Turner, Wash., Mrs. Arizona Beals of Snohomish, Wash., Mrs. Armenta Armstrong of Lake Stevens, Wash., Mrs. Ella Bell Archibald of Wheeler, Ore., Monroe A. of Scappoose, Jonathan H. of Portland, Ernest T. of Spokane and William A. of Portland, all of whom were present at the reunion, with the exception of Mrs. Short who was ill. It gives Father and Mother Butler much pleasure that none of the children have strayed very far from the fold. Those present at the golden jubilee were Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Al Hecke, Mrs. Arizona Beals, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Heckel, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Armstrong, Mrs. Pearl Lee and her children, Margaret, Madeline and Wilma; Mrs. George L. Archibald, Mrs. Leila Channell, Elda Archibald, George L. Archibald, Jr., Monroe Butler and two daughters, Hazel and Nina; Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan H. Butler and their three children, Frances, Hilla and Jonathan, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest T. Butler and daughters, Thelma and Marion, and William A. Butler. The last named, Father and Mother Butler's "baby", has never married. It is evident that the family runs more to girls than to boys for there are only five grandsons and only two that bear the name of Butler.

The Monitor extends felicitations with the wish that there may be several more such happy events.

WHEAT PRICE FIXED AT \$2.20

The government yesterday fixed a price of \$2.20 a bushel for the 1917 crop of wheat on a basis No. 1 Northern Spring delivered at Chicago.

NATIONAL ARMY WILL KEEP COOL WITH THIS



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An ice-making machine which will be found at all the cantonments where the national army of drafted men will be stationed. On the right are soldiers with a flat piece of ice such as is turned out by the machine.