

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. E. S. Wilson entertained at cards Wednesday night. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bammann of San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Fick and Mrs. S. E. Dunnington. Delicious refreshments were served and a very pleasant evening passed quickly.

G. N. Lewis, who has been spending several weeks' outing at Cinnabar springs, has returned home.

Al Learned, a well known rancher of Thompson creek was a business visitor in this city Wednesday.

J. Knox McCloy of Watkins transacted business in this city Thursday.

D. H. Cronmiller has gone to Portland where he has a position with a large ship-building company.

Herbert Mitchell and James F. Butler of this city have enlisted in the navy as second class sea men, also Fred Combost of Clatsop.

Darwin Hoagland, Iral Stewart, Leonard J. Freeman and Elmer E. Kyle of Central Point have enlisted in the navy in the last ten days. The first three are in the radio department and the last one named enlisted as a seaman.

It is reported that C. D. Abbot is an applicant for a position as teacher in one of the rooms of the public school in this city.

Jasten Hartm in who had been fighting forest fires for some time returned Thursday evening and reports that the fires are now completely under control.

The draft of 81 men from Jackson county will leave July 22. All drafted men are asked to meet at Medford Friday evening, July 19, to receive necessary instruction and listen to an address by an army officer.

The Gospel meetings have been well attended each evening and considerable interest is manifested in the subjects discussed.

Harry Miller, a business man of Burlington Cal., visited his mother and other relatives in this city this week. Mr. Miller is a son of Mrs. Mary Miller and spent most of his boy hood days in Jacksonville.

Bill Coleman of Medford is now with the A. W. Walker auto company.

Medford papers this week published an article stating that Hal Harrington, a former resident of this city but who has been living at Corvallis for several years, has enlisted in the army. Mrs. Harrington is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Norris of this city.

Miss Helen Story of Wolf creek who had been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Same Walsh of this city for several days left for home Wednesday.

H. F. McClellan, a mining man of Grants Pass, is spending a few days prospecting in the hills in this vicinity. He is looking for chrome and manganese ores.

S. Wilson, G. E. Wilson and J. Perry were each given ten days in the county jail by Justice Taylor, Tuesday. The men were found guilty of having liquor in their possession at a dance at Eagle Point, Saturday night. Another offender, W. M. Wilson, who pleaded guilty, was fined \$20 and costs.

L. H. Blakely of Medford was fined \$5 for irrigating with an open hose Tuesday.

John Grieve of upper Rogue river transacted business in this city Tuesday.

MARRIED—At Jacksonville, Oregon, Tuesday July 11, 1918, by H. G. Dox, J. P.; Pearl Pierson and Miss Ellinor Martin.

James W. Marksbury, a former well known resident of Gold Hill, died at Halsey, Oregon, June 23, aged 69 years.

Henry Owens and Lloyd Stimpson of Wellen left Monday night for Portland to take their final physical examination for the navy.

S. A. Pattison, a former publisher of the Central Point Herald, lost his printing plant, residence and household goods in a fire which destroyed most of Heppner, Oregon, last week.

L. E. Payne, an aged resident of Ashland, died at his home in that city, Monday morning. He was in his 91st year.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. McIntire returned Friday morning from a two weeks visit with friends at Coquille.

Mrs. Jasten Hartman of this city spent Tuesday with friends at Medford.

The lectures of the Gospel Chautauque tent are now in full swing. A good crowd are out each evening and the people say it is a very pleasant place to spend the evening with the cool breeze circulating under the white canvas. The lectures begin at 8 o'clock each evening. The speakers announce that there will be no meeting Saturday nights but will continue each evening but Saturday during the month of July.

Wool dealers are busy delivering the supply of winter wool to their customers.

Mrs. Jewell Rian of Seattle, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Baily, returned to her home Tuesday.

Mrs. Kate Huffman is visiting relatives at Ashland this week.

Mrs. Augusta Wendt, of Portland, has returned to her home after a weeks visit with friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bammann of San Francisco who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Wilson for the past two weeks will leave for their home this afternoon.

The city council held an adjourned meeting Tuesday evening at which two ordinances were passed regarding the use of city water. One of the ordinances amended the old water ordinance as to area of lawns and gardens to be sprinkled at the flat rate; the other provided for installing meters and fixes rates for consumers whose service pipes shall hereafter be metered, viz: minimum charge, first 7,500 gallons (1000 cu. ft.) or fraction thereof, per month \$1.50; excess above 7,500 gallons ten cents for each 1000 gal. (33 1/3 cu. ft.). Meters to be read 1st of each month, rent due when meters are read. All bills for water that is metered must be paid to the city recorder. Nine meters have been ordered and will be installed as soon as they are received, others will be ordered later.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reter spent the week at Crescent City, Cal.

Arthur Thompson and Oline Beaven left Sunday for Doris, Cal., where they have secured employment with a lumber company.

Peter Gagnon, the colored cripple, who was arrested on the charge of setting fires in the Willow Springs district and held in the county jail was discharged Friday, the charge against him being dismissed.

Mr. B. B. Beckman came from Portland this morning and is visiting his mother and sister at the old home in this city.

Miss Issie McCully was a visitor at Medford Wednesday.

Mrs. Fannie Birdsey and Miss, Grace Birdsey, of Gold Hill, visited Mrs. Mattie Thompson Friday.

Dr. R. E. Golden of Walla Walla, Wash., was a business visitor in this city this week.

Three minor girls arrested for immoral conduct at the Ashland roundup were taken to Portland by officers from the Detention hospital.

A letter from Joe McIntire of this city who was sent with a recent draft to Ft. McDowell, Cal., states that he is ill in a hospital at San Francisco.

Reports from Cinnabar state that Col. Williams is not as well as usual this week.

They Put Him in the Copper. In the Tudor days the prisoner was liable to be condemned to death by boiling; while under another statute, the man convicted of theft "shall have his head shaved, melted pitch poured upon it, and the feathers from a pillow shaken over it, that he may be known." After all there are advantages in living in the twentieth century!

A Napoleon Holograph. Few holograph letters in the hand of the great Napoleon are outside the French national archives. In the famous Morrison collection, the second portion of which is being offered at Sotheby's, London, appeared that mischievous which the first consul wrote to the prince who afterwards became Louis XVIII. In this he sternly advises him to remain in sweet and tranquil exile, for a return to France would mean a "trudge over 100,000 corpses" ("il vous faudrait marcher sur 100,000 cadavres"). For this vehement warning Mr. F. Rubin paid £435, and at a convenient and authorized interval the letter will go to New York. A descendant of Joseph Bonaparte, at present incognito in London, inspected the letter and was represented in the earlier stages of the bidding. Another letter by Napoleon addressed to Josephine, saying that the sun itself may grow cold before he forgets her, reached £150.—London Mail.

On Crying in the Theater. So, avers Nora Bayes, in the American Magazine, in her own words: "It is a commonplace of the theater that the public want, above all things, to be entertained. But that is very far from saying that they want to be amused. Humor is by no means the easiest way to reach the human heart. There are those who will tell you that the public would far rather laugh than cry. And when they do you can just tell them to tell it to Sweeney. The American public would rather cry than laugh any day. Wherein it is not a bit different from the public in Australia, India, Russia or France. The secret of this is very simple: If you can make anybody cry, you make them forget themselves. The minute you make them forget themselves they are being entertained. If you can set them to thinking about your blues instead of their own, they are taken completely out of themselves."

RANG OUT LIBERTY

Inspiration to Younger Generation to Remember That Boy Gave Signal for Peal That Reverberated to the Ends of the Earth.

Did you know that a boy, a young lad, the grandson of the old bellman at the state house, Philadelphia helped to proclaim the liberty of the United States? Every boy in the country should be proud that a boy like him was the one chosen to give the signal to "Proclaim liberty throughout the land and unto all the inhabitants thereof."

The story of this great day is told in a charming manner in the verses that follow:

There was tumult in the city, In the quiet old Quaker town, And the streets were rife with people Facing restless up and down; People gathering at corners, Where they whispered each to each, And the sweat stood on their temples, With the earnestness of speech.

As the bleak Atlantic currents Lash the wild Newfoundland shore, So they surged against the door;

And the mingling of the voices Made a harmony profound, Till the quiet street of chestnuts Was all turbulent with sound.

"Will they do it?" "Dare they do it?" "Who is speaking the news?" "What of Adams?" "What of Sherman?"

"O, God, grant they won't refuse!" "Make some way that way!" "Let me hear!" "I am stilling!" "Stille then!"

When a nation's life's at hazard, We've no time to think of men!"

So they beat against the portal— Man and woman, maid and child; And the July sun in heaven On the scene looked down and smiled;

On the same sun that saw the Spartan Shed his patriot blood in vain, Now beheld the soul of Freedom All unconquered rise again.

Aloft in that high steeples Sat the bellman, old and gray; He was weary of the tyrant And his iron sceptered sway;

So he sat with one hand ready On the clapper of the bell, When his eyes should catch the signal, Very happy news to tell.

See! see! the dense crowd quivers Through all its lengthy line, As the boy beside the portal Looks forth to give the sign!

With his small hands upward lifted, Breezes dallying with his hair, Hark! with deep, clear intonation, Breaks his young voice on the air.

Hushed the people's swelling murmur, List the boy's strong joyous cry! "Ring!" he shouts aloud, "Ring, Grandpa!

Ring! O, Ring for Liberty!" And straightaway, at the signal, The old bellman hits his hand, And sends the good news, making Iron music through the land.

How they shouted! What rejoicing! How the old bell shook the air, Till the clang of freedom ruffled The calm gliding Delaware!

How the bonfires and the torches Illumed the night's repose, And from the flames, like Phoenix, Fair Liberty arose!

Precious Old Flag

Relic of Continental Army, Recently Found, Seems to Have Been Miraculously Preserved.

So great was the interest shown in the battle flag of the Continental army, found between the walls of an old building, that it is probable an effort will be made to have the flag displayed in some public building as a permanent memorial of the Revolution, says the New York Times.

The banner was found wrapped in the buff and blue uniform coat of a Continental soldier. Moths had consumed much of the woolen garment, but the flag, being made of linen, is still in excellent condition.

The flag was found by Michael La Vista in an old building which he owns. He took the flag to B. M. Shepard, head of the Dobbs Ferry pub-

lic house, who is a descendant of the soldier who carried the flag.

He school. Mr. La Vista says the discovery of the old flag was a good omen to the cause of the people now fighting in another war for "Liberty or Death."

According to Mr. Shepard the flag was probably carried in the battle of White Plains. Reference to local histories showed that a flag of the same design had been carried in that battle.

The flag, which is well preserved, though bearing signs of age, measures 24 by 36 inches. Its white cloth has been yellowed by time. Across the top is the inscription in black, "Liberty or Death," the words of Patrick Henry. Below the motto is a pair of crossed daggers and above them a Liberty cap.

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HONOR BRAVE POL

Kosciuszko Will Ever Be Name to Be Remembered by Those Who Recognize His Life's Devotion to the Sacred Cause of Human Liberty.

Public attention has, to some extent, recently been turned back to the career and times of Thaddeus Kosciuszko. In England a measure of recognition has been given to the virtues and accomplishments of the Polish patriot. In the United States his contemporaries and their descendants have paid tribute to his memory. Some Americans have joined in testimonials, but only in an inconspicuous way, while their government has taken no official cognizance of the proceedings at home or abroad. The apparent indifference to the memory of this remarkable man by a nation to which he gave his services freely in a trying hour may be hastily attributed, in some quarters, to the proverbial ingratitude of republics, but the seeming neglect was doubtless very largely due to the state of the times, and the incessant demands on attention by important current events. Had conditions been normal, respect and honor would have been freely bestowed upon the name of the great Pole. Time was when the United States vied with his native land in celebrating him a hero. The opportunity of the nation to whom he proved a friend in need did not, however, wait upon the present revival of interest in him, nor will the gratitude of the people of that nation cease when the revival shall have spent itself. The United States can and will, in due season, pay its debt to Poland in the name of Kosciuszko with quite as much grace and quite as much honor as it is striving to pay its debt to France in the name of Lafayette.

The part Kosciuszko played in the struggle of the colonies was made familiar to the school children of other generations in the Fourth reader. There is little or nothing about him in the school readers of today. It was as an engineer rather than as a warrior that he proved most useful to Washington. History credits him with the planning of the fortified camp of General Gates at Bemis Heights, and to his skill is attributed very largely the plans that made possible the victory at Saratoga. He constructed the fortifications of West Point, and helped to make Greene's campaign in the

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