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Cottage Grove, Oregon

WELCOME TO THE NEW YEAR

The demonstration on New Year's night, under the auspices of the Big Noise Committee, of which B. K. Lawson was chairman, was a howling success in the true meaning of the term. All the requests made by the arrangement committee through the columns of The Sentinel were unbegrudgingly complied with, and not a single individual shirked from the duty assigned him. The only disappointing feature of the occasion was that the Hotel Oregon lobby was of insufficient capacity to comfortably accommodate the noise, and the highways adjacent to the hostelry were of necessity resorted to. This was annoying to the marshal-of-the-night, as he had banked on giving Mine Host Westbrook a good time with a full band.

The principal thoroughfares were paraded and re-paraded and with each round the procession was augmented until seemingly the entire populace, and re-inforcements from the neighboring hills and valleys, had assembled to do honor to the New Year. For more than two hundred years this custom has prevailed in Cottage Grove, and not within the memory of the oldest inhabitant has the advent of a twelve-month been heralded more enthusiastically, or with more appropriate music. Even "Bill" Landess' heart was touched by the melodious strains, and in the shadow of a lamp-post he was seen to wipe a tear from his mild blue orb.

After covering the town in the manner prescribed by the Big Noise Committee, the grotesquely costumed bunch repaired to the Hard Times ball at the Armory where they "tripped the light fantastic toe" without money and without price, the Military club, an organization possessing untold wealth, out of the goodness of its heart tearing down all barriers so far as a money consideration was concerned. New Year's Eve being one of general frivolity, and an occasion on which the best behaved citizen reserves the right to misbehave, the club wisely ruled that a fine should be imposed upon all whose conduct was considered improper, and by this means a sufficient amount was raised to defray expenses and leave about \$400 to the good.

THE ELKS CELEBRATE.

At 12 o'clock members of the antlered herd browsed at Phillips hall, and enjoyed the good things of this world while waiting for the next. Members of Eugene lodge to the number of about

twenty-five—counting Exalted Ruler Graham as a team—participated in the festivities. The advance guard, including Mr. Graham, arrived in the afternoon wearing badges "From Lane to Nesmith. Put me off at Cottage Grove." The delegation was intercepted at the railway station by something less than a thousand citizens and a tin band. The local committee on transportation had secured two burrows, and upon the backs of these the exalted ruler and Col. William Landess, as body guard, lead the procession to the Commercial club rooms, where greetings between the two county seat towns were exchanged even up. The night train brought the others.

The banquet was an elaborate affair, and old bucks and baby elks were unanimous in the opinion that 1910 had thus far nothing to be ashamed of. Old Buck Cates presided as toastmaster, and Exalted Ruler Graham, one of Eugene's prettiest fellows; Dr. Wall of the same hamlet, a member long tried and found not wanting; Col. Landess, G. L. Reese, D. J. DuBrulle, and others elocuted for the edification of the assemblage, after which the banquet broke up with all standing and singing the dismissing lodge song.

THE WOODMEN GATHER.

The Woodmen of the World watched the old year out and the new year in at their pleasant hall, enjoying a feast of good things as 1910 approached. The spread was bountiful and was partaken by a large number of wielders of the axe. Music, principally vocal, was indulged in, and with the advent of the New Year rousing cheers were given in greeting.

Hawley Prepares Bill.

Representative W. C. Hawley is preparing a bill, to be introduced this week, permitting the State of Oregon to select lands outside of forest reserves in lieu of school sections tied up in the reserves. He aims to secure, for the state, lands as valuable as its forest school sections.

Representative Hawley finds that several hundred thousand acres of Oregon school lands are now tied up in forest reserves and of no value whatever to the state, because they are unsurveyed and, therefore, not a proper base for lieu selection. He is anxious that the state shall be granted absolute title to a full acreage of school lands to which it is entitled under the enabling act and wants the lands of approxi-

mately the same character and value as those now tied up in the reserves.

Once a state can get title to such lands outside of forest reserves it can realize upon them to the extent of several million dollars, all of which would go into the school fund.

COTTAGE GROVE CULLINGS.

The logging camp of the Brown Lumber company at Bed Rock will be moved to Rocky Point, the company's main camp. There are now five donkeys at work here.

James Hadley and Mrs. Emma Alice Chapin, both of Cottage Grove, were married at the Presbyterian parsonage in Eugene on Monday, Dr. Mount performing the ceremony.

Mrs. Katie B. Woods of this city has been appointed the legal guardian of her mother, Mrs. Carrie Bowers, who is incapacitated from attending to her business through weakness of mind incident to age.

The Underwood typewriter is one of the best typewriters manufactured. The letters are visible as soon as printed, and this is a great advantage in using the machine. The Sentinel has one for sale. If you prefer a Remington we also have it.

A petition is in circulation asking that A. E. Cahoon, supervisor of the Siuslaw National Forest, be removed from office on the ground of incompetency.

Finis Snodgrass of Eugene was in the city Saturday.

W. C. Applegate of Eugene was here on Saturday.

Mrs. David Griggs spent Sunday with her parents, Senator and Mrs. I. H. Bingham of Eugene.

Mrs. G. C. Lee of Portland spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Taplan of this city.

Eugene's building record for 1909 was the greatest in the history of that city, aggregating \$800,000.

The Cottage Grove debating team will meet the Springfield team at that place tonight. The question will be, "Resolved, that a state law should be passed providing that free text books should be supplied in the public schools below the high school grades." It is probable that a large delegation from this city will accompany the debaters.

For Sale—One half interest in the Vogue Millinery store. Phone 746.

Mr. and Mrs. Hanna of LaGrande, Oregon, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eakin on Friday.

Left at Armory hall Xmas eve a gold handled umbrella. Owner may have same by calling at Capt. Johnson's office.

FIGURES GROW LARGER

Postal Service of United States
Briefly Reviewed.

A DEFICIT OF 17 MILLIONS

Losses Come From Immensity of Second and Third Class Matter and Rural Deliveries—Franks to Congressmen Also Expensive.

Some idea of the size of the postal service of the United States and the magnitude of its business can be gained from a brief review of the annual report of Postmaster-General Wade, published today. Figures show that the service now has about 25,000 employees, and that these employees handled during the last fiscal year nearly fourteen billion pieces of mail. The number of postoffices in operation is 60,144. There are 26,652 domestic transportation routes, aggregating 448,618 miles in length, with an annual travel of 542,151,121 miles. A delivery service by carriers is provided in 40,628 rural routes and in 1,440 cities and towns. Ordinary postage stamps to the number of 8,712,907,031 were sold during the year and domestic money orders to the value of \$491,562,383.07, an increase of 6.31 per cent over the receipts of the previous year. The total expenditure amounted to \$221,104,102.89, an increase of 6.07 per cent.

The excess of expenditures over receipts for the fiscal year 1909 proved to be \$17,441,917.83.

Recent investigations have shown that the two great sources of loss to the postal revenues are second-class mail matter and rural delivery. The loss on second-class mail matter has been increasing for many years, until it now amounts to \$64,000,000.

The loss from rural delivery, a service begun hardly a dozen years ago and of unprecedented growth, reaches as high as twenty-eight millions.

In these two items alone the postal services now suffers an annual loss of more than the entire national deficit of the last fiscal year.

The annual loss on third-class mail is something over three million dollars. The mail matter carried free under Congressional franks costs the government annually about half a million dollars.

The wisdom of doing away entirely

with the franking privilege for official mail has been suggested, but this is a matter for congress to determine. Such a plan would relieve the Post Office Department of a heavy expense it is now obliged to incur in the handling of free mail for other branches of the Government establishment.

The rural delivery service has developed in twelve years from an experiment requiring an appropriation of \$40,000 to one of the largest branches of the postal establishment, with an annual expenditure exceeding \$35,000,000. The postage on matter mailed on rural routes is estimated at about \$7,000,000. The charge for railway service during the fiscal year was nearly \$50,000,000.

The department's recommendation for the establishment of postal savings banks is earnestly renewed. As 98 per cent of the savings of the people are deposited in the banks of 14 states, the need for additional savings depositories in other parts of the country is apparent. Those portions of the United States now wanting in such facilities could be readily supplied through the instrumentality of such a postal savings system. Under such a system the surplus earnings of foreign-born residents would be kept in this country. The magnitude of such amounts sent abroad by such residents is shown by the fact that postal money orders to the amount of \$312,775,148 payable in foreign countries were issued in the last four years. Money now in hiding would come forth to swell the nation's circulating medium thus lessening the possibility and danger of financial stringency. The security of government depositories would constantly act as a reassuring influence in the business affairs of the country. As feeders to local banks, postal depositories would do much towards increasing their deposits. By limiting deposits and fixing a low rate of interest competition with private banks would be avoided.

Death of Mrs. Sladden.

Word was received in Cottage Grove on Wednesday of the death Saturday night at Webster City, Iowa, of Mrs. S. P. Sladden, a prominent society woman of Eugene. Mrs. Sladden was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Samuel Nelson. Mrs. Sladden's husband, S. P. Sladden, died less than a year ago. Mr. and Mrs. Sladden came to Eugene in the early eighties, and were counted among the wealthiest people in the county.

Mrs. J. K. Barrett has been quite ill since Friday, but her condition is improving.

Elmer Doolittle was a Eugene visitor on Monday.

AN UNHAPPY NEW YEAR.

City Engineer Kurtz has had a hoodoo insinuating itself in his immediate vicinity ever since the bells announced the advent of the new year. He attended the New Year's ball at the Armory, and while going home fell off the sidewalk at an elevation of seventeen and a half feet, in the performance of which stunt he cut a hole about a yard long in his off shin by alighting on a nail. The following day, while manipulating the family axe in the back yard, the helve parted company with the blade, the latter forming an acquaintance with his pedal extremity. The third day of the new year brought him equally bad luck. While prowling about the woodshed, he knocked a large pane of glass from a shelf, the aforesaid glass striking him on the right cheek, badly denting it and breaking the pane into a million fragments. The rest of the returns are not in.

Notice of Forfeiture.

To E. J. Stuart: You are hereby notified that we, the undersigned, have expended One Hundred Dollars in labor and improvements on each, the "Bear" and "Moose" Lode Mining Claims, situated in the Bohemia Mining District, Lane County, Oregon, being \$200.00 in all, notices of location of which said mining claims are respectively recorded at Page 579, in Book 6, of the Mining Record in and for said County, and State, reference, to which said notices and record, is hereby made for more particular and definite descriptions of said mining claims, as will appear by affidavit in the office of the County Clerk of said County, in order to hold said premises under the provision of Section 2324 Revised Statutes of the United States, being the amount required to hold the said Mining Claims for the year ending December 31st, 1910. And if within Ninety days after, the first publication of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure as a co-owner, your interest in said Mining Claims will become the property of the subscribers under said Section 2324. This notice is published for the first time in The Cottage Grove Sentinel, of Cottage Grove, Oregon, on the 7th day of January, 1910.

THOS. R. PARKER.
H. H. PARKER.
FRANK HALEY.

J. T. Short et ux to W. C. Monroe, lot 3, block 3, Currin Park add to Cottage Grove; \$300.00.

Rev. W. A. Elkins performed 6 marriages in Lane county in 1909, the Rev. Adams 2, and Rev. Sutcliffe 1.