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## FRANK PEOPLES' FAMILY IN NARROW ESCAPE

House Is Burned to Ground Few Minutes After Members Make Get-away in Night Clothes.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peoples and baby, whose place is on the Silk creek road near the Adventist academy, had a narrow escape from burning to death early Tuesday morning. Mr. Peoples was awakened by the baby's cries and found the house filled with smoke and the other part of the house in flames. A few minutes after he had gotten the family out through a window the house had burned to the ground. Mrs. Peoples' hair was singed. Mr. Peoples' threw out a small number of articles of clothing, but some of this had caught fire from the flames breaking through the wall and all was destroyed. The only things saved were two chairs, Mr. Peoples' work clothes and the night clothes in which he, Mrs. Peoples and the baby escaped. The loss was about \$1500, with a small amount of insurance on the house. The family spent the remainder of the night with their neighbors, the Halls. Mr. Peoples recently rented the Mrs. Ella Thompson farm and they will make their home there temporarily at least.

A hot fire had been built to heat water on account of the sickness of the baby and it is thought that the stove became overheated and set fire to the woodwork.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis, parents of Mrs. Peoples, who left Friday for Portland, had been sleeping upstairs. It is thought that if they had been here they probably would have been trapped by the flames.

## EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES DINE, TALK, DANCE

The first of a series of banquets and entertainments which merchants of the city intend giving their employes was held Wednesday night at Hotel Bartell. Professor Whittaker, of the commerce department of the University of Oregon, gave an interesting, entertaining and instructive talk upon "Retail Salesmanship." Vocal numbers were given by Miss Grace Fullerton and by a quartet composed of Mrs. George Matthews, Mrs. E. E. Short, Mrs. C. C. Cruson and Mrs. E. E. Arthur. Mrs. Leon DeLarose and Miss Elise Price accompanied on the piano. Miss Lucille Critchlow gave a violin number. The orchestra which furnished music throughout the banquet was composed of Mr. Kulkank, violin; Miss Potts, piano, and Mr. Roberts, drums. E. W. Miller presided and he predicted that the bringing together in social gathering of employer and employes was going to mean much to the business life of the community. Following the formal program, a dance was given in American Legion hall.

**Johnson Boosts Cottage Grove.**  
Oregonian: Business conditions around Cottage Grove are improving with the revival of the lumber business, says W. F. Johnson, who is at the Benson hotel. Mr. Johnson is in the lumber game and has the firm belief that before many months have passed the industry will be back on its feet bringing prosperity to those parts of the state where it is the principal means of livelihood for hundreds of people. Like other lumbermen Mr. Johnson is awaiting the entry of the railroads into the tie-purchasing market.

**Road Viewers Report Favorably.**  
The county road viewers have reported favorably to the county court on the establishment of the E. F. G. route road east of Cottage Grove between Row river and Mosby creek. The viewers state in their report that the road will furnish an outlet to a number of farms. The road gives a new route into what is known as the Kelley district.

**Ford Wheel Leaves in Night.**  
Saginaw, Ore., Feb. 7.—When L. T. Miller, who has been home from Eugene over the week end visiting his family, got ready to return to Eugene Tuesday morning, he found that someone had removed a wheel from his Ford. He had to leave his crippled fizzle with an automobile chiroplast.

**Forest Grove Sold the Bonds.**  
The recent story in The Oregonian under a Cottage Grove date line to the effect that an issue of \$50,000 of general fund municipal bonds had been sold, should have been under a Forest Grove date line, according to the reply to an inquiry made by The Sentinel. No general fund municipal bonds have been sold here.

**Basketball Schedule.**  
The boys' basketball team from Albany will play here tonight.  
Both teams from here play at Eugene tomorrow night.  
The Medford boys' team will be here next Wednesday.  
Both teams from Roseburg will come here a week from tonight.

**Shriners Planning Big Time.**  
The Cottage Grove Shrine club is planning to entertain Shriners from a number of cities of the valley on the evening of March 3. It is probable that 100 or more will be present. Formal invitations will be issued soon.

**Road Officials Visit Here.**  
All members of the county court, accompanied by County Engineer Morse, and H. W. Libby and Mr. McCloud, of the state highway department, were here Tuesday inspecting the proposed route for Pacific highway to enter the city from the north.

## BERT HANDS IS ANOTHER WHO FINDS HE CAN'T STAY AWAY

Bert Hands is another who is demonstrating that anyone who once lives in Cottage Grove is never permanently satisfied living anywhere else. He once was extensively engaged in the chicken business here and left about a year ago on account of a breakdown in health, going to Florida, later returning to California and finally arriving here a month ago. He is now again starting up in the chicken business. He has purchased the old King place east of Cottage Grove, has bought a bunch of chickens and has begun the construction of a large chicken house.

## PLYMOUTH ROCK BIDDY STARTS OFF BIG EGG CONTEST

Blue Mountain, Feb. 7.—(Special to The Sentinel).—A Plymouth Rock hen owned by John Allen is leading the season. Ordinarily the big egg contest does not start until well along in the spring, but biddy has heard something about the early bird getting all the prizes, so she has produced a sample of her product measuring 8 inches x 6 inches. She is a blooded biddy and travels in the elite of hen society.

## RETURN FROM DANCE IN EARLY MORN TO EXTINGUISH FLAMES

Fay Allison and Sam Veatch probably did not have that idea in mind when they attended a dance at Drain Saturday night, but the fact that they did attend the dance and the further fact that they didn't arrive home until 3:30 a. m. probably saved from destruction by fire a large quantity of hay stored in the old James Hawley store building on south Pacific high way.

As they were driving past the building they noted smoke issuing from the rear end of the building, which is used as a warehouse. They forced an entrance, threw outdoors several bales which were on fire and beat out the flames with an old shovel which they found in the building.

The hay which burned belonged to Mrs. Ella Thompson. The Cottage Grove Flour mills had a large quantity of hay in another part of the building. The front part of the building was open and it is thought that someone had been in there during the night, a dance having been in progress in the vicinity, and that a lighted cigarette had been carelessly thrown in such a manner that it went through a crack in the partition and ignited the loose hay on the other side.

## SUGAR COATED RELIGION IS MODERN QUEST

Evangelist Zook Says Old Time Bible Religion Is Needed to Create Hell Scare.

A revival meeting started Sunday forenoon at the Christian church under most auspicious circumstances and the record-breaking audiences which have been in attendance have been something of a surprise to the evangelist, F. W. Zook, who is an old campaigner and accustomed to large audiences after the meetings get under way.

Evangelist Zook, who has conducted meetings from Texas to Washington, preaches what he terms the old time bible religion, which he claims to be all sufficient to meet the needs of the present day and age. He promises that Cottage Grove will be treated to a revival of the old time gospel preaching such as shook the country 30 or 40 years ago.

Meetings are being held every night except Monday night and will continue until the first Sunday in March. The invitation to attend is extended to all, irrespective of belief or church affiliation.

Leslie Hull, well known in the musical circles of the city, is in charge of the music.

Following are a few hot shot Zookisms:

"The world today needs a mighty revival of old time bible religion that will put a hell scare upon sinners. The road of the day and age in which we live is for men and women to be alive looking for something else. There are just seeds of folks looking for a sugar-coated religion. The reason for so much backsliding in the church, is because so many sinners are converted but are not holy ghost regenerated. There are too many church members who are trying to fight the devil with tin horns and wooden swords, who are trying to put out the fires of hell with pink tea. The church needs through prayer to connect up with the holy spirit."

## Mill Worker Injured.

Delight Valley, Feb. 7.—(Special to The Sentinel).—Edwin Anderson sustained painful injuries to both feet one day of last week while working at the Western Lumber & Export company's mill. Some lumber slid onto him and severely bruised his feet but it is thought no bones were broken.

## Hotel Puts Up Sign.

Cottage Grove's first metropolitan electric sign has just been installed by the Bartell hotel. It is placed midway on the building and is visible the entire length of Main street in either direction.

## HARLOW IS NOT CANDIDATE FOR REELECTION

Issues Declaration That No Combination of Circumstances Can Change His Decision.

Mahlon H. Harlow, county commissioner for the past seven years, announced Monday that under no consideration will he become a candidate this year for reelection.

"I am not in the race for the office for another four years," said the commissioner. "I think eight years is enough for one man. I have fully made up my mind not to run again, no matter what my friends have to say about it."

Mr. Harlow will have served two terms of four years each by the time his term expires at the end of the present year.

The recall was invoked against the commissioner last year, but he won over the opposing candidate, L. N. Roney, by a very large majority. His friends have insisted that this vote is indicative of his popularity in the county and that he could easily win in another election, but he declares that he intends to retire from office and devote his time to his own affairs hereafter.

H. P. Markuson, of Junction City, has announced his intention of seeking the nomination for commissioner on the republican ticket.

## PROFITS FROM CHICKENS FOR YEAR IS \$175,000

Average Profit Is \$1.50 to the Hen. Although Some Claim Profits as High as \$3.

Cottage Grove is rapidly earning the distinction of being the Petaluma of Oregon. It is estimated that there were 100,000 chickens owned here during the year and that the receipts from eggs were \$300,000. It is estimated that profits averaged \$1.50 to the hen, a total of \$150,000, although some hen owners claim profits as great as \$3 to the hen. The profits from the sale of baby chicks probably was \$25,000, making a total profit for the industry of \$175,000, which is a conservative estimate.

The larger number of chickens here are blooded White Leghorns.

## LITTLE TOT FALLS ON STOVE AND IS UNABLE TO RELEASE HERSELF

Jean, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pancho Stubblefield, was painfully burned Wednesday, when she stumbled and fell against a stove at the home of Mrs. Stubblefield's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hawkins, where they are visiting. The little tot, which only learned to toddle a short time ago, was so entangled in the rug that she was held against the stove until her mother reached her. She protected her face with her left arm and this and both hands were badly blistered. Fortunately there had been no fire in the stove for an hour.

## STUDENT BODY OFFICERS GRADUATE; OTHERS CHOSEN

Because of the graduation of several high school student body officers at the end of the first semester, the following new officers have been elected: Brighton Leonard, president; Harry Skilling, vice president; Veta Plaster, treasurer; Harvey Robinson, advertising manager. The three who graduated were Wilbur Spray, president; Ardie Eby, treasurer, and Ivan Sams, advertising manager. Mr. Leonard was advanced from vice president to president, making the fourth vacancy to fill.

Watch the label on your paper. 4f

## C. G. HIGH DEBATERS LOSE IN BOTH CONTESTS

Eugene Negative Team Gets Unanimous Decision and Affirmative Gets 2 to 1 Decision.

The Cottage Grove debaters lost both of their contests Friday night. The affirmative team lost to Eugene here by a 3 to 0 decision, while the negative lost at Eugene by a 2 to 1 decision. Springfield was to have come here but asked to have the date cancelled and the meet with Eugene was arranged.

The attendance was slim, the comment being made that there were more present from Eugene than from home. The affirmative team was Wayne Veatch and Nellie Stewart. The Eugene team which met them was Idle Wilde and Ronald Beattie, the latter being a former student here. The judges here were Earl Kilpatrick, of the University of Oregon faculty, Carlton Spencer, former resident here and registrar at the university, and A. L. Lomax. H. W. Lombard presided and Miss Elise Price sang a solo.

The negative team was Rita Kelley and Sam Swartz. The team they met was Galin Jordan and Morris Wilcox. The judges at Eugene were Dr. F. L. Shinn, Dr. A. C. Gregory and Prof. Percy Adams.

The subject debated was, "Resolved that congress should prohibit immigration for a period of not less than five years."

There was some misunderstanding as to the amount of time to be allowed the debaters, the local teams preparing for 12-minute arguments while the Eugene teams prepared for 15 minutes.

## TYPES GIVE MAN TWO WIVES AND MAKE THEM PARTNERS IN BUSINESS

Those not familiar with the printing business probably were at a loss to understand how the ludicrous error occurred last week which gave F. J. Helliwell, of Roseburg, two wives, and made them partners in the same business.

The error occurred in the story telling of the purchase of a business in Roseburg by G. M. Marksbury, of this city, and Mrs. Rudolph Harness and Mrs. F. J. Helliwell, of Roseburg.

In modern newspaper work corrections are made by changing an entire line. It is not unusual for a line to get into the wrong place but it is unusual for it to make such an error as that which occurred in this item. The sentence in which the error occurred is printed correctly herewith, with the line which was printed by error inserted in parentheses just above the correct line. The sentence follows:

"Mrs. Harness has been associated with the dry goods business in this city for a number of years and until recently had been employed at the (ple's Supply store and was formerly) Bellows Store. Mrs. Helliwell is the wife of Frank Helliwell, of the People's Supply store and was formerly in business in Cottage Grove."

The Sentinel has not had an opportunity to interview Mr. and Mrs. Helliwell on the subject but the probabilities are that Mr. Helliwell is entirely satisfied with the one wife he has and would not leave to The Sentinel the job of selecting another for him, while it is quite certain that Mrs. Helliwell is entirely satisfied with conditions as they really are.

## BOY BASKETEERS ARE DEFEATED AT ALBANY

The boys' basketball team of the high school met its second defeat of the season at Albany Friday night, the score being 34 to 16.

The girls' first team of the high school was defeated Saturday night by the second team, which had one of the first team on its lineup. The score was 16 to 13.

### I AM YOUR TOWN

Make of me what you will—I shall reflect you as clearly as a mirror throws back a candle beam.

If I am pleasing to the eye of the stranger within my gates; if I am such a sight as, having seen me, he will remember all his days as a thing of beauty, the credit is yours.

Ambition and opportunity call some of my sons and daughters to high tasks and mighty privileges, to my greater honor and to my good repute in far places, but it is not chiefly these who are my strength. My strength is in those who remain, who are content with what I can offer them, and with what they can offer me. It was the greatest of all Romans who said: "Better be first in a little Iberian village than be second in Rome."

I am more than wood and brick and stone, more even than flesh and blood—I am the composite soul of all who call me home.

I am your town.

—American Legion Weekly.

## SPRAY WILL INCUBATE EGGS IN CONCRETE BASEMENT

J. F. Spray, who has been in and out of the chicken business here a number of times, but who always has remained a booster for the industry, is going into it again on a larger scale than ever. He is constructing a concrete incubator room under his main chicken house, the room being 24x24 feet and having a capacity of 6000 eggs at a setting. The idea of a concrete basement is to give the even temperature essential in incubator hatching. Mr. Spray has already booked orders for 10,000 spring chicks.

He will follow a system of using eggs of standard weight from hens of standard weight.

## MONSTER BEET HAS BOTH FORM AND COLOR OF LOBSTER

W. S. McCaleb has put on exhibition something unusual in a Red Winter beet. It is almost a perfect likeness of a monster lobster, with head, claws, "feelers" and body. The color also helps to emphasize the likeness. A second beet also on exhibition weighs 13 3/4 pounds. It is true to form. Mr. McCaleb said that he had others weighing three or four pounds more but that they were not perfect in shape.

## EVANGELIST'S RECEPTION LEADS HIM TO BELIEVE SERVICES ARE NEEDED

Evangelist F. W. Zook, upon his arrival here to conduct a series of meetings at the Christian church, had an experience which probably made him believe that he had struck a place where his services were needed.

After a motor trip of 1000 miles from California, he arrived at about 1 a. m. He was endeavoring to locate the home of C. L. Sarff, one of the officials of the church, when he turned from a paved street into one that was in about the condition it was when the curbs were created some few thousand years ago, at which time automobile traffic was not contemplated.

Four hours were consumed in splashing around in the mud and all the time the driving wheels were getting nearer to the place from which he hoped to save the good people of Cottage Grove. Finally someone of the number who had gathered to assist thought of getting one of several cars from nearby residential garages to lend assistance. Soon thereafter the family was safely ensconced in cozy Cottage Grove beds and Rev. Zook says he has since become most favorably impressed with the city and its people.

## SCOVELL FLAYS HYPOCRISY AND WORLDLY SHAM

Tells of What Doughboys Did to Save World for Democracy and Women From Hun.

Ben Scovell, actor, lecturer, entertainer and man of many talents, concluded his stay in Cottage Grove last week with an address to members of the Masonic and Eastern Star lodges, in which he told of what Masonry had meant to the boys at the front, where Mr. Scovell was in the service as an entertainer and where, incidentally, he was thrice put out of business, finally sustaining a broken back, which sent him home.

He found that many of those high in command were members of the Masonic fraternity and that a large number of those in the front ranks were members of the order and even Eastern Star members were found in the canteens and in the hospitals. There was great opportunity for display of the fraternal spirit.

He graphically described many of the horrors of the terrible conflict and of what the boys went through in saving the world for democracy. He flayed those who used subterfuges to keep from doing their duty and did not mince words in telling what he thought of those who neglected to do the work there was to be done at home. He did not mince words in telling of the hypocrisy found in churches, in lodges and in the social and business life of the world. The woman with time to burn who pulls a puddle dog to her breast and selfishly neglects former service boys in need of aid was described as a most contemptible creature.

Mr. Scovell kept his audience spellbound in a talk of an hour and a half. A collection was taken to be used by Mr. Scovell in his work of aiding and cheering the former doughboys now suffering and dying in the hospitals of the country from wounds sustained in the recent great conflict while the greater part of the world moves by giving no thought to those who fought for the honor of country and to save the womanhood of America from worse than death.

## New Partner in Elite.

Harry W. Neet, recently of Eugene, has purchased the interest of Robert Jones in The Elite confectionery and grill. The business was recently sold by Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McFarland to Frank and Robert Jones. Shortly thereafter Miss Grace Jones bought the interest of Frank Jones and she remains a partner in the business with Mr. Neet.

The wantads make very interesting reading. 4f

## WOODSON GETS EASTERN OREGON RANCH

Disposes of Laundry Business, Equipment and Buildings for Consideration of \$14,000.

O. E. Woodson has closed a deal whereby he disposes of his laundry business and building and the building occupied by the West Side garage and gets a 550-acre ranch at Medical Springs, Union county, not far from Baker, J. D. Worth, former owner of the ranch, who will come here to take charge of his business, has been a prominent figure in eastern Oregon. Two of the older of the ten children of the family, a son and a daughter, arrived here Sunday in company with Mr. Woodson. Mr. and Mrs. Worth and the other children will arrive a little later.

The ranch which Mr. Woodson gets is fully equipped with machinery and 100 head of blooded cattle, 15 horses, hogs and other livestock went with the place. It is an alfalfa and cattle ranch and has a large orchard. Big creek runs through the place.

The value of the ranch was placed at \$25,637.50 and the value of the Cottage Grove property was placed at \$14,000.

Wm. Skilling, who has been in charge of the laundry business here for a number of years, will remain temporarily with the new owner. Mr. Woodson owned the business for 14 years and operated it personally before going into the garage business a number of years ago.

Mr. Woodson left the ranch in charge of John and Robert Wanker. John Wanker is a former resident here, going to eastern Oregon about a year ago.

Mr. Woodson made the trip from the station to the ranch and return by sleigh, there being two feet of snow there.

## ACTIVITY IN BOHEMIA IS LOOKED FORWARD TO

Those who kept posted on mining conditions are looking forward to a more active season in the Bohemia district than has been witnessed for a dozen years. Eastern capital is said to be looking this way for investment in mining property.

Parties from Spokane and Alaska went into the district this week to look over different properties. It is understood that both parties have capital behind them to back them if they are favorably impressed. More winter work has been going forward this year than for some time past.

Weather for January. As kept by C. E. Stewart, cooperative observer, are as follows:

Mean maximum, 43.3; mean minimum, 27.9; mean, 35.6; maximum, 52; minimum, 10 plus. Precipitation, 3.95 inches; snowfall, 1.7 inches. Clear days, 14; partly cloudy, 3; cloudy, 14.

The weather for January of the year before was as follows:

Mean maximum, 46.7; mean minimum, 33.1; mean, 39.9; maximum, 61; minimum, 26. Precipitation, 6.56 inches; snowfall, trace. Clear days, 6; partly cloudy, 7; cloudy, 18.

## New Man at Fair Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Palmer have arrived here from Portland to make their home. Mr. Palmer will assist at Wright, the owner, in the management of the Fair store.

Mr. Palmer left a position as assistant sales manager of M. Sells & Co., of Portland. He is experienced in handling china, crockery, enamelware and toys and will have charge of these lines.

## Hit in Eye by Steel Fragment.

Richard (Dick) Sturgis is now in style with his left eye in a sling. He is in charge of the West Side garage. While he was at work under a car chipping some steel, a fragment struck him in the eye and imbedded itself in the pupil. It was removed without injury to the sight but he has been doing a real job of just superintending in the past few days.

## Intersection Markers to Be Changed.

The concrete street intersection markers, which have been used on Main street for a year or more, are to be removed by order of the city council and the plan is to use upright pipes fastened in the paving and painted white.

## LUMBER IS READY TO GO TO PRESIDENT'S COMPANY

An inspector was here this week representing the Pendegast company, of Marion, Ohio, to which the Buck Creek Lumber company is shipping some railway material. President Harding is one of the oldest directors in the company to which the material is being shipped, but he did not personally place the order.

—no store ever became a big store without advertising.

—no town ever became a big town without a live newspaper well filled with live ads.

—The Sentinel is always ready to do its part.