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## BOOTLEGGER ON HONEYMOON NOW IN COUNTY JAIL

Officer Empties Revolver Trying to Puncture Tires of Fast Car.

A midnight honeymoon trip along the Pacific highway with a big Winton car loaded with moonshine landed Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perchin, of Portland, in the Lane county jail last Friday. They were arrested by Deputy Sheriffs Van Svarverud and Melvin Turnbull on the highway just south of the city after an exciting chase from Divide in which Van Svarverud emptied his revolver twice, shooting at the rum running car's tires while it was speeding north 65 miles an hour.

A message from Medford was received Thursday night by Sheriff Taylor saying that the car loaded with moonshine would arrive in Eugene about 11 o'clock. Van Svarverud and Turnbull drove to Divide, and stationed themselves by the side of the road to await the suspected car. About 1:30 in the morning a large car was seen approaching the overhead crossing where the officers had stationed themselves but it was extremely difficult to read the number on the license plate. After following for some distance the officers made out that the number was the same as that given in the message from Medford and pulled up beside the car ordering it to stop.

Instead of stopping the driver speeded up and the woman threw out two sacks containing a large quantity of moonshine in bottles and jugs. The car was faster than the one the officers were in and in order to make the driver stop Van Svarverud began shooting at the tires. Several bullets penetrated the lower part of the body of the car before one of the rear tires was punctured and the car forced to halt. Deputy Sheriff McFarland was waiting for the car to come along just outside of the city but it was forced to stop and the occupants surrendered before the Cottage Grove man had a chance to get in the chase.

The officers took from Perchin, who gave the name of White, a list of names of Eugene men who are thought to be his customers. Enough of the moonshine thrown from the car was saved to serve as evidence though most of the containers were broken.

Mr. and Mrs. Perchin stated that they had been married only a few days. A small boy, the son of Mrs. Perchin, was in the car with them.

## Sheriff's Office to Sell Captured Machines

Sheriff Frank E. Taylor is arranging to sell three automobiles seized during the past few months in making arrests for the violation of the liquor laws. A fourth one was added to the list last week when a rum runner was arrested by deputy sheriffs after a chase of several miles and after the officers had punctured a rear tire with a pistol bullet. This one, a big seven-passenger machine, will be held for some time, however.

It is expected that the sale of the three cars will take place about the middle of February.

Correct styles always in wedding and social stationery at the live wire print shop. xxx

## TH' OLE GROUCH

I EXPECT YOU READERS THINK I'M AGIN BOBBED HAIR, BUT I AIN'T! I'VE HAD MY LESSON! WHEN TH' MEN STARTED SHAVIN' OFF THEIR BEARDS YEARS AGO, I SAID THEY LOOKED LIKE ME, AN' I SNORED TO HEAVEN FIRST WITH MINE! NOW I'M AS OUT-OF-DATE AS A LAST YEARS CROWN WEST, AN' FROM PRESENT INDICATIONS, TH' LADIES WHO DON'T BOB THEIR HAIR ARE GOIN' TO BE IN TH' SAME FIX!

## Man Killed at Walker on Right of Way By Train

Lane county officers have received word from Menett, Mo. that the man killed near Walker last Thursday was J. L. Bland, a resident of that city who has a wife and children there. The body is being held in Eugene awaiting instructions from the widow.

This man who was walking on the railroad track between Saginaw and Walker, was killed instantly Thursday when he was struck by the Southern Pacific passenger train number 14.

The accident occurred about half-way between Saginaw and Walker. The man was dressed in rough working clothes as if he had been working in the woods and an identification mark on his clothing gave the name of J. H. Flynn and his place of residence as Sedalia, Mo. A car was going along the highway about the time of the accident and saw the man and tried to attract his attention with the sound of the car's horn but to no avail. W. W. Branetter, Lane county coroner, was summoned and his body was taken to Eugene.

## Cottage Grove Teams Win Two Games of Basketball

The 1925 basketball season opened here Friday night when Cottage Grove Junior High School team defeated Coburg by a score of 41 to 7.

The freshmen of the high school followed this victory with a much closer and rougher game against Dorena High, in which the local boys won 28 to 27.

In the first game the Coburg boys were completely outclassed as players, but as sportsmen there are none better. Brockman and Adams, forwards on the Cottage Grove Grades' team form a combination that is hard to beat.

The Cottage Grove Grades' team will meet the Eugene Junior High here on January 23, and in a return game at Eugene January 30. In a pre-season game the Eugene team defeated Coburg 25 to 5, which would seem to augur a close game when Eugene and Cottage Grove mix.

## Insurance Certificates Here for Veterans

Local ex-service men are now receiving from the federal government certificates of insurance authorized under the recent Adjusted Compensation bill, according to Robert L. Stewart, American Legion member who has charge of applications in this community. These certificates are in the form of twenty year endowment insurance policies and all persons who served honorably in the late war are eligible to receive them. The amount is based upon length of service.

Some of the policies received here run around the \$2000 mark. Efforts are being made by Mr. Stewart and the local post of the American Legion to secure as soon as possible the applications of Cottage Grove ex-service men who have not yet applied.

## Thermometer Reaches 7 Below

The thermometer went down to 7 below zero during the month of December. The maximum temperature was 54. The remainder of the weather report as kept by Miss Nellie Stewart, local observer, is as follows: Mean maximum, 39.6; mean minimum, 25.5; mean, 32.55; total precipitation, 5.49 inches; total snowfall, 4.5 inches; clear days, 8; partly cloudy, 5; cloudy 18.

## R. L. Stewart is Head of Commercial Club for This Year

R. L. Stewart, local manager of the Mountain States Power company, will head the commercial club during 1925, having been elected at the annual meeting Friday night. He had served a year as secretary and is succeeded in that position by H. W. Lombard. R. S. Trask was elected first vice president and W. H. Daugherty second vice president. S. S. Lasswell was elected treasurer and S. V. Allison and S. L. Godard were elected members of the board of directors.

The selection of a president took an odd twist. C. A. Bartell and A. W. Helliwell were nominated and G. O. Knowles received a majority of the votes. Mr. Knowles convinced the members that he would be impossible for him to serve and following the selection of other officers his resignation was accepted and Mr. Stewart was selected by acclamation.

## HOUSING SHORTAGE PROBLEM DISCUSSED BY CLUB

Large Number of Employees in Mills and Camps Are Cause of a Crisis.

The serious shortage of houses and apartments was the principal subject of discussion at the annual meeting of the commercial club Friday night. A number who are already here in connection with sawmill operations have been unable to secure either houses or apartments and the contemplated increase in lumbering operations is going to make imperative the early building of accommodations for several hundred people.

The Anderson & Middleton interests contemplate a considerable increase in the number of employees. J. H. Chambers will have a large sawmilling operation going within the year and Walter Woodard already has practically doubled the number of his employees.

A number of methods of financing house construction were suggested and the entire subject referred to a committee, which will cooperate with a like committee from the Lions club.

Apartment houses probably will prove the only feasible solution of providing accommodations, at a price that mill employees can pay.

## Seal Sales Were \$98.

The final checking up of receipts of the Red Cross Christmas seals sale shows that \$93 worth of stamps were sold, \$72 by the clubs of the city and \$21 by the schools. The Tuesday Study club was in charge of the sale. So far as the records show, \$75 worth was the largest amount ever sold here before.

**Vital Statistics for December.** The vital statistics for December are as follows: Births, 11; males, 7; females, 4; deaths, 1 male.

For 35 cents a little wanted will sometimes do the work of a \$5-a-day auctioneer. xxx

## Solution of Puzzle No. 6.

SPORE STAFF  
SMELL RUE  
STALE PAEONY  
TRIGOR MMC  
AO VASE ATE  
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ED STORMY IN  
NIB SAPS NU  
NOB ILEAC Y  
PANELS STATE  
ARE STILE  
LYSOL SNEER

## FOOTPRINTS OF PIONEER DAYS

Interesting Events in the Lives of Those Who Laid Sturdy Foundation for the Present Generation

### EARLY EVENTS RECALLED BY "UNCLE BOB" VEATCH

Many events in the early history of Cottage Grove are recalled by "Uncle Bob" Veatch, old time farmer, school teacher, and legislator who has made his home near here for the past 62 years. Mr. Veatch, who is now 82 years old, was born in White county, Ill., and came to Oregon when he was about 20 years old.

Billy Shields was one of the old timers who took up donation land claims in this vicinity. He settled on the east side of the Coast Fork and lived there many years. James McFarland took up a claim at a point a few miles below him. Billy Curran lived a mile and a half up the river and Robert Cochran settled a mile or so below town. Henry Small took up 60 acres about a quarter of a mile above here. Practically all the land on which the city of Cottage Grove is now located originally belonged to Oscar Adams.

"A store building was built near the present site of the bridge and a Masonic hall was included in the upper story," Mr. Veatch said as he recalled one exciting event. "About one o'clock one afternoon we were gathered in the hall for a meeting and I happened to be looking out of the

## London Man Injured When Log Falls From Car

London, Ore., Jan. 19.—(Special.)—Shirley Dresser was seriously injured Friday morning at the Woodward mill while working on a logging car. He was riding on the rear bunk when a log on top of the load rolled off while crossing a trestle. The log struck him and threw him to the ground some ten feet below, breaking four ribs and nearly tearing one ear off. A physician was summoned from Cottage Grove and was at the camp almost as soon as the injured man was brought in. He administered first aid then took the patient to a hospital at Eugene.

When the stage came along the window when the stage came along. The water in the river was unusually high.

"A woman with two babies was in the stage and the driver was drunk. I don't remember the woman's name now, but her father had lived in Canyonville and there she had been married. Her father later moved to a farm on the McKenzie river and she was on her way to visit him.

"The driver was in the habit of driving down to the water where the ford was located, near where the bridge now is, to water his horses so we didn't think much about it when he headed toward the river. But this time he didn't stop soon enough but kept on going until the horses were in swimming

## Attractions Bring Back Former Resident of City

That those who once lived in this favored section of the famous, fertile, fruitful Willamette are never entirely satisfied until they return, has been again proved. N. E. Compton, who nine years ago sold his interest with C. H. Burkholder and returned to Iowa, is here again and has again gone into business with Mr. Burkholder.

Mr. Burkholder, who is the oldest pioneer merchant, also left here for several years but returned several years ago.

Mrs. Compton is with Mr. Compton, but their two daughters are now residents of Eugene, having returned ahead of their parents.

This is the third time the Comptons have come here from Iowa. Mr. Compton made the statement, when leaving nine years ago, that when he returned again it would be for good.

water and the stage was washing down the stream.

"The driver jumped from his seat and the woman and the two children were left in the coach alone. The members of the lodge hurried out and ran down below the vehicle where a fir log extended part way across the stream. Four or five of us got out on that log and waited until the current brought them down to us.

"That was the bravest woman I ever saw. She was sitting there with water up above her waist and holding the two babies up out of the whirling stream. As the coach came by the log we were able to pull her and the babies out and saved them from drowning. One of the horses was drowned. We were able to get the other three out and finally pulled the coach ashore.

"I never found out what the driver's name was and I never wanted to know. We told him to get out of town as fast as he could or we would hang him, and he lost no time in getting away."

"When the railroad was first built through here Ben Holiday wanted \$30,000 to build the depot. Of course we were unable to pay that amount so Mr. Holiday who had charge of the railroad work, declared that he would run Cottage Grove. This was the logical place for the depot because here Row river and Silk creek crossed the Coast Fork, and was the most convenient place for the farmers to bring their grain.

"Grain was much more important then than it is now and constituted the main source of revenue for the farmers. Mr. Holiday placed the depot at Latham and was going to try to make that the site of the city, but this soon proved to be impossible.

"Rather than haul their grain to Latham the farmers would bring it here, but the railroad refused to load it unless they would build a siding. This was done and a warehouse was also constructed. In this way the railroad was finally compelled to establish a depot here."

There were many fights and brawls in the old days. Mr. Veatch recalled especially one affair in which a knife and a loaded whip played a prominent part.

"George Small had the only place which was settled on Silk creek at that time. There was some kind of a meeting at Hamilton's point and the result, as usual, was a drunken row. It the course of this row Small stabbed a fellow by the name of Marion Martin and also struck him in the head with a loaded whip. Small later went to California, and was never seen around here again."

Filing cabinets. The Sentinel.

## RUNAWAY GIRLS CAUGHT HERE SLIDE FROM ROOM

Do Not Appreciate Hotel Life and Are Put in Jail for Safe Keeping.

The runaway adventure of Vivian Haag, 14, and Patsy Fields, 13, runaway girls from Portland, who were picked up on the streets of Cottage Grove by Deputy Sheriff Pitcher, will end in the reform school at Salem instead of in Los Angeles and Hollywood, the land of movies and romance. F. A. Fields, father of Patsy, arrived here from Portland last Thursday and took both girls back with him stating that he would take steps to have them sent to the state institution.

The girls were picked up Wednesday afternoon and the deputy sheriff had some difficulty in looking after the two until the arrival of Miss Field's father. The two adventuresses were placed in a room in the Central hotel but made a rope of the bed clothing and escaped through a window. It was later learned that this improvised rope broke as one of them was lowering herself to the ground and let her drop in the mud. Before making their getaway the girls appropriated the clothing of a girl who makes her home at the hotel.

Deputy Pitcher secured the aid of Deputy Sheriff McFarland, who found the girls heading south on sixth street drenched with rain. They were then placed in the city jail where they spent the night. The girls were picked up in Dallas the night before coming to Cottage Grove and made their escape from a hotel there the same way they did here.

They told the officials they were on their way to Los Angeles and it is thought they had the movies in mind. Miss Fields stated that she had run away two or three times before but this is denied by her father who says this is her first adventure of that kind.

## Lane Delegates Leave for Legislature

The Lane county delegates to the legislature left for Salem Sunday to be on hand for the opening of the session today. Senators Fred Fisk and J. S. Maglady and representatives E. O. Potter, H. C. Wheeler and Emmet Howard comprise Lane's delegation. Colonel W. G. D. Mercer has his usual position of sergeant-at-arms in the house, and Elbert Bede is acting as reading clerk.

Bookkeeping outfits. The Sentinel.

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## WHAT'S THE USE



By L. F. Van Zelm

Take 'Em When You Can Get 'Em