



**Things We Think**  
Things Others Think and What  
We Think of Things Others Think  
— by —  
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EVERYONE ASKS this writer how he likes being retired. He hasn't had much of a chance to find out yet. About the biggest kick he gets out of turning worries over to others is that he doesn't have to plan to have everything done at Thursday noon each week.

NOT UNTIL he has retired does an editor know how much work he has been putting off for a rainy day. For this writer that rainy day has arrived and he can see ahead a month's work which includes only things he had planned to get done some time. He does not recollect that in 25 years as an editor in Cottage Grove he could sit back and say that he had nothing that needed doing.

A LOT OF THINGS that this writer intended doing during spare time as a retired editor have had to be postponed while he is swinging over western Oregon on a political mission for his old-time friend, Ben Dorris, who would be republican national committeeman.

THE THING that makes this trip enjoyable is that Ben is paying the gas bill and has provided Hugh Rosson, recently resigned graduate manager at University of Oregon, as a traveling companion. I don't know how Hugh feels about that.

A PLEASANT THING about such a trip is that everywhere I go I am asked about someone in Cottage Grove, or find someone who used to live in Cottage Grove.

AT ST. HELENS I was frequently asked about Superintendent Ferrin and the Lansings, former residents there, but now residents here.

I PATRONIZED a barber shop in St. Helens. One on a political mission for a friend can't let the hirsute adornment go the same way he does as an editor. The barber learned where I was from and asked me to give his regards to Joe Smith, George Matthews and Pee Wee Edwards, who were members with him of an ambulance corps during the recent unpleasantness with Kaiser bill.

AT HILLSBORO Hugh and I were guests at a Rotary luncheon. Vocal and instrumental numbers by pupils of the grades were the feature of the program. Out stepped Miss Esther Wicks to direct one of the numbers. She was a music instructor here last year.

FOLLOWING the musical numbers the chairman of the school board gave a talk in which he used a chart to show how financial conditions have been and are with the schools there. With number of pupils about the same as several years ago, with three full-time instructors added and with an assessed valuation practically the same as in 1929 the levy has been cut almost in half and is now 9 1/2 mills. The district has no indebtedness. There is a district that could give pointers to most districts of the state.

DURING the Rotary meeting announcement was made of a dance being given to raise funds for upkeep of a local cemetery. That sounded like an odd way to get funds for that purpose, but the folks there probably have had the same difficulties as folks here in getting others to contribute for the upkeep of the last resting places of those once held dear. This may be an idea for the Cottage Grove Cemetery association.

A CEMETERY association at Long Beach, Cal., is suing oil corporations for a huge sum because the oil corporations are taking oil from under the cemetery by drilling at an angle. Evidently the cemetery association believes that some of those placed in the cemetery have gone where they will need fuel oil.

MR. HEARST doesn't want his private letters and telegrams seized and presented before a congressional investigating committee. I don't blame him, but I'd like to hear of a time that Hearst ever listened to a similar protest when private letters and telegrams would make a good story for his newspapers.

SEVEN-TENTHS of 1 per cent of the boys and two-tenths of 1 per cent of the girls in a Nebraska college are all that are interested in economics. That probably is because dad is still paying the bills.

## Spanish-American Vets Entertained by Women's Auxiliary

**A Bountiful Venison Dinner, Comic Readings, Good Stories, Welcomed the Evening Away.**

Last Friday evening ladies of the auxiliary of the Spanish-American War Veterans organized themselves into a first class commissary department, set up a long table in the armory and put on a "chow" such as the vets never even dreamed of when they were marching through the "cogon" (tall tough grass through which paths had to be cut) of the Philippines; the tropical thickets and cane fields of Cuba, or going through the daily monotonous routine in disease infected camps such as those at Chickamauga.

This did not end the good things in store for the veterans. They were then invited into the assembly room where Mrs. F. F. Fleck, in the absence of the president of the auxiliary, Mrs. Josephine Chapman, conducted the usual opening ceremony after which, with Commander R. L. Rogers presiding, Master Dexter Williams, Mrs. Ada Oaks and Mrs. Lois Williams gave comic readings, which caused roars of laughter and loud applause. Both Mrs. Oaks and Mrs. Williams had to respond to encores.

Commander Rodgers and Mr. VonNeeda told stories and Rev. I. G. Shaw, Judd Stauffer and L. S. Goddard were called on for short talks.

Those present from out of town were James Russell, Judd Stauffer, Virgil Kingsley, Principal Lowell high school, all of Eugene, Rev. and Mrs. L. G. Shaw, Springfield, Mr. and Mrs. Albert R. King, Lorrane. Those present from Cottage Grove were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Sweet, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Fleck, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith, Charles Cooley, Bill Morelock, W. N. Hubble, Charles Cochran, Mrs. Anna Schoen, Mrs. Greenlee, Mrs. Ada Oaks, Mrs. Eva Smith, Mrs. Connie Mote, Mrs. Lois Williams, David L. VonNeeda and Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Goddard.

## Lane Tops Quota for Flood Relief

Funds for Red Cross relief in the recent flood disaster totaled \$87.29 in Cottage Grove, according to a report submitted by Miss Ritchie, Red Cross executive from Eugene. This amount included a \$30 fund raised by the Eagles lodge which was sent directly to national headquarters of the lodge.

Miss Ritchie stated that Lane county had raised approximately \$1,400 whereas the quota called for \$1,125. The county fund will be sent to the branch office at San Francisco and from there on to the flood area.

## United States Civil Service Examinations.

The United States civil service commission announces the following open competitive examinations: Senior stenographer junior stenographer, senior typist, junior typist.

Applications must be on file with the manager, Eleventh U. S. Civil Service district, Seattle, Wash., not later than May 11, 1936.

These examinations are for the purpose of filling existing vacancies and future vacancies in positions requiring similar qualifications in the state of Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington.

Full information may be obtained from the secretary, board of U. S. civil service examiners, postoffice, Cottage Grove, or the manager, eleventh U. S. civil service district, 450 Federal office building, Seattle, Wash.

## Public Debt.

The national public debt is now around \$31,500,000,000, an all time high.

ANOTHER fatal accident. A Houston (Tex.) man was offered \$10,000 in settlement of damages suffered in a motor crash and fell over dead. Anyone who offers us a \$10,000 check won't get away that easily.

WITH THE TREMENDOUS speed the streamline trains are developing, maybe they can get past the grade crossing before the reckless driver gets there.

## Siusslaw Bridge to Be Dedicated May 23, 24

Elaborate plans for the dedication of the Siusslaw bridge at Florence, May 23-24, are well under way according to Mrs. Ada Cox, president of the American Legion auxiliary at Florence who was in the city Wednesday.

It is expected that Governor Martin and other state officials will be present and have a part in the dedication services. Water sports are planned for a part of the program and seafood will be specialized on the menus. It is announced.

A district meeting of the American Legion and auxiliary is also scheduled for the same dates and these organizations will draw a number from all corners of the state.

Mrs. Cox was here in the interest of the "queens" contest which is being sponsored by the coast city.

## Near Cloudburst Floods Eugene

A rain of near cloudburst proportions accompanied by hail struck Eugene and immediate vicinity between 4:40 and 5:30 p. m. Wednesday. 1.72 inches of moisture fell during that short interval.

The storm, a freak for this section of the country, was the most severe within the memory of most residents. Thunder and lightning accompanied the downpour.

Storm sewers were quickly overtaxed and streets and basements flooded. Many motorists were stalled when their car ignitions systems were short circuited. Flat-roofed buildings became lakes on top, and the flood ran down inside walls and through sky-light joints.

Hail, some stones as large as a dime, damaged flowers, and possibly some fruit.

While all this was happening in Eugene, only light showers fell in Cottage Grove, and apparently the worst of the storm centered about the county seat city, although a severe rain was reported to have fallen at Scottsburg.

## National Music Week.

The week May 3-8 has been set aside as national music week, seven days in which people of America will be entertained and inspired through music. Music week has become a national custom each year since 1924 when 452 cities and towns participated. To-day more than 2000 cities celebrate the annual festival which regularly commences the first week in May.

Churches and other organizations will observe the close of the week with programs and entertainments honoring the mothers in our community. A proclamation requesting appropriate observance of the week follows:

## PROCLAMATION.

Music has come to be one of the most vital forces in our civic life. The nation as a whole is turning its attention to music during the period designated by President Roosevelt at National Music Week.

As mayor of Cottage Grove, I hereby set apart the week of May 3 to 9, inclusive, as Cottage Grove's Music Week and urge that all persons cooperate in the movement which has for its purpose the introduction of more and better music in our everyday life.

Cottage Grove has a host of good musicians; let's fill this week with music.

VICTOR CHAMBERS, Mayor.

Buy in Cottage Grove!

## Baseball Season to Open at Kelly Field Sunday With Eugene K. C. Team Expected to Give Locals Strong Competition; Prospects Best in Years.

The place: Kelly Field.  
The Time: 2:30 p. m. Sunday.  
The Event: Season opener of the Cascade league. Cottage Grove vs. Eugene K. C.

Babe Ruth may be in the stands. Dizzy Dean may be less erratic than he was a few weeks ago, but all this will be stale conversation from now on, with the opening of the Cascade league Sunday when Cottage Grove meets the fast, young K. C. entry from Eugene at Kelly Field.

"We know," says Manager Carl King, "that we are scheduled to meet a team qualified to enter a much faster league than the local league last year, but we feel that we have a much better team of our own, and though we will be handicapped by the fact that we open the season with an official rather than a practice game, we expect to have a team in there fighting every minute, and we know that they will give the fans their money's worth. In fact, I think it is safe to say that Sunday will be a red letter day in Cottage Grove baseball history."

"The fans apparently are taking more interest in the team this year for many seasons, and that is what it takes to keep a young team up on their toes. We have some good material, but I hope the fans won't take my word for it. I want them to come out Sunday and see for themselves."

While the official line-up for Sunday's game has not been announced, Libby or Joe Bricher will be behind the bat, and Towne, Hubbell, Bagley or Riley on the mound. The infield will be filled with men from the list of Jim Cellers, Johnnie Dunn, Tommie Cox, Cooper and Decker group. Witcher, Shortridge, Hall, Buck Cellers, Knickerbocker, Tracy and Scott are candidates for the outfield positions and a strong trio of outer gardeners can be selected from this group.

Courtney Towne, local merchant, who will likely be assigned to mound duty Sunday, is showing old time form this season and is expected to give the fans a real exhibition in the season opener.

Local Boy Honored.  
Robert Dusenberry, a member of the 1934 graduating class of the local high school and now attending State Normal at Ashland, has been pledged to Phi Beta Sigma, according to word received from the school. That organization is a prospective teachers' honorary. To be eligible a student must be enrolled in the regular teacher training course, must maintain a high grade average, must participate in extra-curricular activities and have a professional attitude toward teaching. Robert was a star representative of the school on both the football and basketball squads while enrolled here. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Dusenberry, former residents who moved to a farm in the Halsey district.

Starts Guernsey Herd.  
F. B. VanNortwick and son Leon purchased three Guernsey heifers and a bull from the D. H. Looney heard at Salem this week. The cattle have been delivered to the VanNortwick farm a mile south of Cottage Grove, where they will become the foundation stock of a Guernsey herd, which the VanNortwicks plan to establish.

Cottage Grove Man in India.  
Members of the local chamber of commerce Tuesday had the opportunity to see a number of snapshots taken in India. The pictures were received by G. B. Arnest from A. C. Ball, who owns a ranch on Mosby creek, and another just north of Cottage Grove, but who has been in India for some time in the employ of a harvester company.

Mr. Ball reports that business is improving there on about the same ratio as in the United States and that his business has taken him to every city of importance in that country. He has found his trip most interesting, he writes, but will be glad to return to Oregon and join his family here.

Horseshoe Experts.  
Cottage Grove barnyard golf fans will have an opportunity to see a champion in action Sunday when Guy Zimmerman, Iowa state champion, accompanied by his wife who won the women's open tournament at Orlando, Fla., in 1933, will visit the city and present an exhibition of trick and fancy horseshoe pitching at 11 a. m.

Zimmerman holds three world's records, including 95 ringers in 100 shoes and 186 ringers in 200 shoes, while his wife has a record of 70 ringers in 100 shoes, 9 consecutive double ringers and 19 consecutive ringers in match play.

The event will be sponsored by the Cottage Grove chamber of commerce. No admission will be charged, although the exhibitionists will pass the hat.

The estate of Clara A. Burkholder, deceased, was valued at \$9,489.50, according to inventory filed by Worth Harvey, C. E. Brown and Charles Hall, appraisers.

## Lions Win Over Roseburg Indians Sixth Dual Meet

The Cottage Grove Lions won the sixth annual dual meet with Roseburg Saturday at Finlay field in Roseburg. The Lions took nine firsts, four seconds and seven thirds against four firsts, nine seconds and five thirds for Roseburg.

One event, the pole vault, ended in a tie between two local boys and one from Roseburg. Most events were slow as the track was rough and wet in spots. The 100-yard dash was the only close race with Caton beating Nickelson of Roseburg by a foot after trailing him most of the way. Mackin and Guggisberg jogged in 40 yards ahead of Mintonye of Roseburg in the mile.

The Lions and the Indians traded points in the half mile and the high jump by sweeping one event each. Cottage Grove finished one, two, three in the half while Roseburg did the same in the high jump. Chapman defeated Rutter, Roseburg star quarter miler, with a burst of speed in the last 50 yards in one of the best races of the day.

Most of Roseburg's points were made in four events, high jump, discus, shot-put and high hurdles. Tracy, D. Thies and Collins tied at 10 feet in the pole vault to equal the meet record made by Gowler of Roseburg in 1931. No other meet records were threatened.

Summary of the meet:

Pole vault—Tracy, D. Thies, C. G.; Collins, R., tied for first at 10 feet.

100-yard dash—Caton, C. G.; Nickelson, R.; Mason, C. G. Time 10.3.

Shot put—Short, R.; Shinn, R.; Hall, C. G. Distance 43 feet.

120 Hurdles—Collins, R.; Ferrin, C. G.; Carter, R. Time 19.1.

100-yard dash—Caton, C. G.; Nickelson, R.; Mason, C. G. Time 10.3.

High jump—Wassom, R.; Collins, R.; Short, R. Height 5 ft. 6 in.

44-yard dash—Chapman, C. G.; Rutter, R.; V. Guggisberg, C. G. Time 57.5.

Discus—Short, R.; Shinn, R.; Tracy, C. G. Distance 98 ft. 4 in.

220 low hurdles—Caton, C. G.; Carter, R.; Decker, C. G. Time 27.9.

Javelin—Hall, C. G.; Tracy, C. G.; Short, R. Distance 140 ft. 9 in.

880-yard—Scott, C. G.; J. Guggisberg, C. G.; Chapman, C. G. Time 2:16.3.

Broad jump—Caton, C. G.; Collins, R.; Mason, C. G. Distance 19 ft. 8 in.

220-yard dash—Caton, C. G.; Nickelson, R.; Carter, R. Time 24.1.

Relay—Cottage Grove (Mason, Decker, Minney, Caton); Roseburg. Time 1:39.

Individual points won by local boys: Mackin 5, Mason 3 1/2, Caton 2 1/4, Chapman 6, Minney 1 1/4, Don Thies 3, Tracy 7, Hall 6, John Guggisberg 6, Virg Guggisberg 1, Scott 5, Ferrin 3, Decker 2 1/4.

## Rod and Gun Club to Organize J. Club for Both Sexes

**Women Interested in the Aims of this Club are Eligible for Membership.**

To aid in solving the juvenile problem of Cottage Grove a plan was instituted at the Monday night meeting of the local Rod and Gun club to organize a junior chapter to be affiliated with the Isaac Walton League of America.

The only requirement, other than the small annual membership fee of 50 cents, to become a member of the chapter is that boys and girls must be 14 years of age or over.

The junior chapter will be supervised by the local club and will be under direction of competent members, whose duties it will be to interest boys and girls in conservation, hunting, fishing and to enjoy the great outdoors in general. Lewis Sturges and Philip Lake have been appointed as a committee on junior chapter membership.

Many of the fairer sex, who like outdoor sports and would like to belong to a club of this nature, believe the local organization is for men only. This is far from the aim of the club, as expressed by several members Monday night. The purpose of the club is conservation of wild life, streams and forests. Membership is open to both men and women who are interested in these things.

Vinyl Randall gave a report on the meeting of the state fish commission in Portland two weeks ago at which meeting Mr. Randall, Ed Keltzer and D. von R. Drenner were delegates from the local club. Another delegation will be sent to meet with the commission in Portland May 12.

Carl King spoke briefly in the interests of the baseball club and while no official action was taken as to sponsoring the baseball team at this time, Mr. King was assured cooperation of the Rod and Gun club.

At the close of the meeting the losing side of the recent crow contest provided a "feed" for the winning side. A gray digger contest will start May 1. The tails of diggers will be checked at either of the hardware stores. The contest is open to members of the club only. A number of valuable prizes have been donated by merchants of the city, a list of which will be published next week.

## Sale of Poppies To Start May 23

The annual sale of poppies will be conducted here May 23, which is National Poppy day, according to Mrs. Vinyl Randall, local chairman for the American Legion auxiliary in charge of the sales.

The small red flower, made of crepe paper by disabled veterans in the Veterans' hospital at Portland, is a replica of the poppy which bloomed so profusely on Flanders field in the World war zone and is worn as a personal tribute to the men who gave their lives in their country's service. Materials for the poppy are supplied by the auxiliary and the work is restricted to disabled veterans who receive little or no government compensation. The number each veteran is allowed to make per day is restricted so that the work may be spread among as many needy men as possible. A preference is given to those having families in need of support. The national project is conducted in 60 different hospitals and convalescent workrooms throughout the United States and hundreds of veterans have been given employment throughout the winter and spring months. The men are paid a small sum for each poppy completed and the proceeds from the sales are contributed entirely to the welfare and rehabilitation work of the auxiliary.

Mrs. Randall will have a corps of workers assisting with the sales and their services are all without compensation.

## Axley Daughter Ill in Portland

Dr. and Mrs. Harold Axley took their small daughter Helen to Portland Friday for medical treatment. The child was suffering with measles. Dr. Axley returned Saturday and made another trip to Portland Tuesday. The child's condition is reported as slightly improved.

## Popular Poems

"Oh, Brother, on my shoulder rest thy hand.  
And fearless waits my soul.  
Oh, Way, erect on thee I take my stand.  
And radiant gleams my goal.  
Oh, Truth, within the warmth of thine embrace,  
All doubts, dissolving, die.  
Oh, Life, before the sunshine of thy face,  
Death perisheth, not I."

—(From the Sanscrit.

(The Sentinel will be pleased to consider contributions of well known popular short poems for publication in this space.)