

Tremendous Trifles

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A HISTORIC CIGAR WRAPPER

"HALT!"

B. W. Mitchell of Muncie, Ind., a private in Company F of the Twenty-seventh Indiana Volunteer Infantry in the Army of the Potomac, heard that command with a feeling of relief. He was tired after the long march that Gen. George B. McClellan had ordered on that hot September day in 1862.

Then his eyes sparkled! A prize! Three cigars wrapped in a small piece of paper lay at his feet. He ripped off the paper and started to throw it away. Then he swore softly. A few minutes later the paper was in McClellan's hands.

It was Special Order No. 191, signed by Gen. Robert E. Lee. It revealed how he had divided two wings of his army, and told of the routes over which they were moving. It was addressed to Gen. D. H. Hill, but some staff officer or courier had used it for a cigar wrapper, and lost it. Within two hours McClellan had a division on the march to drive a wedge between Lee's divided force.

Just in the nick of time the amazed Confederate commander learned the reason for the Union leader's swift action, so he changed his plans. The result was that the gray army was forced to the defensive, and there ensued the "bloodiest battle of the whole war," that of Antietam. Lee lost 10,000 men and McClellan 12,140, a total casualty of 22,140, all because of a piece of paper wrapped around three cigars!

Silk Creek

Nov. 15.—Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Bolton returned Sunday from Los Angeles, where they had been visiting a daughter and other relatives.

Mrs. John Ashby, Mrs. Henry Rohde, Mrs. Wertz and Mrs. C. E. Ashby attended inspection of the Women's Relief Corps at the armory in Cottage Grove Armistice day.

John Woolcott attended a party at Mrs. Bosley's home in Cottage Grove Friday night.

Several from here attended the football game in Cottage Grove Armistice day.

The Wertz family were visiting Mr. Wertz' aunt in Eugene Sunday.

The 4-H Health club held a meeting at the school house Friday afternoon.

The Woolcott family were Armistice day dinner guests at the home of Sherman Godard near Cottage Grove.

Elder T. M. Cole of Eugene and Elder Detamore of Portland attended young people's meeting at the S.D.A. church Saturday. Elder Detamore gave a talk.

Carroll Grimes of Eugene left Saturday for Klamath Falls to find work. His wife and daughter are spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Grimes.

Viola Rohde of Seattle has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rohde.

John Trauernicht of Alpha spent the week end at the Hallie Cochran home.

Sportsmanlike Driving—Don't Be a "Road Hog"



The groundhog may or may not affect the weather. But the "road hog"—the driver who doesn't stay in his lane—certainly contributes to unsafe conditions on the highways. He blocks traffic and confuses other motorists. The "road hog" is a real traffic evil. Be a Sportsmanlike Driver instead.

A.A.A. SAFETY FEATURES

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Parmenter and daughter of Springfield attended young people's meeting at the S.D.A. church Saturday.

Lorane

The high school girls league will give a three-act play, "Crashing Society," Friday night at the high school.

The girl scouts will meet at the high school Monday night, November 22 at 7:30 p. m.

Cecil Henderson of Cottage Grove visited friends here last week.

The ladies aid are giving a silver tea Wednesday afternoon from 2 to 4 o'clock. They are celebrating the tenth anniversary of their organization.

Mrs. Dolph Dillon of Springfield visited Mrs. H. A. Mitchell last week.

H. A. and C. B. Mitchell, Ted Anderson, Hubert and Clifford Addison were hunting ducks on the Long Tom Sunday.

The girls league held a theatre party in Eugene Wednesday. After the show they held a slumber party at the high school.

Melvin Wiley returned the first of the week from a visit with a brother at Marshfield. He has left for his home at Fullerton, Neb. He expects to attend college at Kearney, Nebr., the remainder of the year.

The high school boys basketball team played a practice game at Elmira Friday. The score was 27 to 23 in favor of Lorane.

The Patron-Teachers are sponsoring an amateur contest at their next meeting, December 2. Anyone wishing to take part in the program is asked to notify Mrs. Dunn or Mrs. Lorang.

A. R. King is tearing down his house preparatory to building a new modern house.

Mrs. C. C. Davis visited friends here over the week end.

The George Schneider mill east of Lorane has shut down on account of the lumber depression.

Hebron

Nov. 15.—Lawrence Clark of Portland spent the week end at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Garman moved to their home near Black Butte last Tuesday. They have been living with Mrs. R. Garman, Harry's mother.

John Wright of Walker spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Heath and family.

Miss Winnefred Gilchrist moved from her grandmother's, Mrs. Jessie Gilchrist, to her uncle's, L. L.

meeting will be December 9 at the home of Mrs. Berta McGuire. The subject will be "Color in the Home." A Christmas grab-bag will be featured.

Mrs. Cliff Lebo honored Mrs. Harry Patten with a stork shower several days ago at the Mrs. Fred Overton home. She received many useful gifts. Coffee, punch and cake were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McGuire were week-end guests at the Harvey Neu home on the Mohawk.

Mrs. Don Brumbaugh has been very ill again, but is slightly improved.

Leon Lancaster spent the week end with Buster Ball in Cottage Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Ruebsmen have moved here from Cottage Grove and are living with their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Ball.

Mr. and Mrs. Crosby of Kansas are settled in their new home, the Schofner ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Reed and family have moved to the old Rufus Rawlings ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dugan motored to Portland Friday to spend the week end with their son Leo. Mr. and Mrs. Brownie Lebow took care of the store in their absence.

Latham

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Moore of Klamath Falls visited with Mrs. Moore's uncle, J. B. Grubb, over the week end.

Miss Hazel Wells of Cottage Grove spent the Armistice day vacation with Miss Lois Mae Stoneburg.

Mrs. Mary Burgland visited her mother, Mrs. Tonole, at Knox hill Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harris visited at the Eugene King home on Smith river Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Smith returned from a trip in South Dakota where Mrs. Smith visited her mother. They also visited other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Buffington

and Max Buffington of Hugo visited at the Carl Buffington home Friday.

Seventy per cent of Oregon-grown turkeys are shipped to out-of-state markets.

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