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GLEASON SAYS HE PLANTED SALMON FOR TROUT

Says Fry Sent Here as Eastern Speckled Beauties Had All of Markings of Salmon.

F. A. Gleason, who has some reputation as an angler and always has taken an interest in putting out the fry sent here by the fish and game commission, says that he knows that salmon fry were sent here, despite anything the state warden may say. He particularly refers to two occasions when he made an examination of the fry and in both cases the fry had the plain markings of salmon, the light and dark up and down stripes. Upon one occasion the fry sent here were supposed to be eastern brook trout. The markings on these trout are plainly discernible even when of the very smallest size. "There was not an eastern trout in the shipment," Mr. Gleason says, "and no one has ever heard of an eastern trout being caught here."

Gleason says that one year the fry were so small that although they were salmon they remained over until the next year and he saw many of them on his fishing trips. None were left the second year.

DENIES THAT SALMON FRY SENT FOR TROUT

Game Warden Shoemaker Is Highly Incensed by Editorial and News Item from Here.

While the editor of The Sentinel is at Salem, State Game Warden Shoemaker took violent exception to the editorial and news item printed in The Sentinel and the news stories sent to outside papers to the effect that it was thought here that salmon fry had been sent here in place of trout fry, resulting in the depletion of the streams. Mr. Shoemaker said it was almost impossible for a mistake of this kind to happen. He said that all fry look so much alike that it would be impossible for anyone not an expert in such matters to form any conclusions from an examination of the fry themselves as they were put into the streams but that at the hatcheries the different kinds of fry were kept in separate ponds and the making of mistakes could not be made unless done so with malice aforethought, which was unthinkable.

OPINIONS OF FRUIT MEN ON FROST DAMAGE DIFFER

Opinions of fruit men of Lane county differ as to the extent of the damage done by the recent zero weather in this valley. M. H. Harlow, president, and J. O. Holt, manager of the Eugene Fruit Growers' association, made a visit to a number of orchards and found, in their opinion, less damage than they were led to believe from reports of other fruit men.

Mr. Harlow said yesterday afternoon, after his return, that he could find no trees that appeared to him to have been killed, but a good many of the buds seemed to have been bitten. He said that the buds seemed to be the worst damaged, as far as he could ascertain.

C. E. Stewart, county fruit inspector, gave it as his opinion Thursday that the damage is alarming, especially in prune orchards, but Mr. Harlow and Mr. Holt did not think there was much to be frightened over, although they admit that the damage was considerable.

Mr. Harlow said that if orchardists take care of their trees from this time on he believes there will be a lot of fruit next fall.

Christian Church Meetings Continue.

The meetings at the Christian church still grow in interest. Up to date there have been 12 added to the church. The meetings will continue over another week, closing February 1. Friday night a great service will be held in honor of Mother. Songs will be sung that she used to sing. A silver offering will be taken in her honor. The subject of the sermon will be "Mother." Sunday morning the subject will be "The World's Greatest Memorial." Sunday evening, "Bridging the Chasm," a chart sermon. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend the meetings.

Outside Pupils Pay in Eugene.

Eugene Register: Beginning with the next semester in the Eugene schools all non-resident pupils will be required to pay a tuition of \$7.50 per semester, or \$15 a year. Heretofore outside pupils have been allowed free schooling in Eugene, but as these pupils are not enumerated in this district and money is allowed the district for those counted here only, it has been decided to charge outside pupils for the privilege of getting a schooling in Eugene.

Proposal Made to Bankrupt Firm.

Eugene Register: C. S. Dillon, trustee for the Grove Lumber company, a bankrupt concern, was made a proposal yesterday by the Bank of Cottage Grove toward settling the affairs of the defunct corporation. The bank offers to pay the expenses of the bankruptcy, to pay the preferred claims, and to pay 20 cents on the dollar on the common claims. This will be submitted to the creditors.

Gas Tank Installed.

Spray, Long & Cronson have completed the installation of a gas service station at the Main avenue entrance. They would have had it installed long ago except for the delay in getting the equipment here.

FIRST NATIONAL INSTALLS NEW MODERN SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES

The First National bank has installed in one of its large vaults two sections of the most modern burglar proof safety deposit boxes. They are not only made burglar proof to a high degree but it is impossible to open them except by the use of two keys, one of which remains in the possession of the bank. By this method no one who should find a key to one of the boxes, or who had not been given authority to go to one of the boxes, would be able to get into any of them. The south partition of the counting room of the bank will be moved forward several feet, so that an employee of the bank can be given a working room where he or she will be handy to attend to the wants of those having deposit boxes, and a desk will be put in for the convenience of customers.

CAR OF BEANS AND PEARS GOES TO IOWA

Easterners Will Feast on Luscious Canned Products of Cottage Grove Country.

The Cottage Grove cannery has this week shipped a car of beans and pears to Sioux City. There are still about seven cars of produce on hand, over one car of which has been sold. In the car shipped this week were 600 cases of beans and 500 cases of pears. Considerable extra work was necessitated in getting this car ready for shipment, as it was found that because of having no storage room separate from the packing room the steam had caused rust spots to appear upon the cans and all of them had to be gone over with wire brushes before the labels could be put on.

WAR DEPARTMENT CERTIFIES TO DEATH OF LIEUTENANT GAROUTTE

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Garoutte have received from the war department a certificate of the death in the service of their son, Marion Everett, which reads as follows:

Army of the United States of America.—To all who shall see these presents: greeting: This is to certify that Marion E. Garoutte, second lieutenant of infantry, died with honor in the service of his country on the twenty-fifth day of November, 1919.

Given at Washington, D. C., office of the Adjutant General of the Army, this seventh day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty.

C. S. McNeill, Adjutant General.

The following note accompanied the certificate: War Department, the Adjutant General's Office, Washington.—The enclosed certificate is issued by direction of the president, who wishes to express his deep and sincere sympathy.

BUSY, BUSTLING BIDDIES ARE PRODIGIOUS PRODUCERS

The prodigious production of Cottage Grove's busy and bustling biddies continues. Mrs. Susan Lane has a five-months-old White Leghorn which with the ardor and exuberance of adolescent youth has produced an egg which measures eight inches by six inches in circumference.

ANNEXATION BILL MAY INTEREST THIS CITY

Cottage Grove probably will be sooner or later interested in the bill which passed the recent legislature governing the consolidation of cities and towns with contiguous territory. The number of names required on the petitions to call an election of this kind was lowered to 20 per cent of the voters in the territory proposed to be annexed and 10 per cent of the voters in the city or town.

DEPRECATING WOLVES ARE CAUGHT ON ROW RIVER

A partial stop may be put to the killing of sheep and goats on Mosby creek and Row river by the catching of two wolves, one by John Palmer and one by C. W. Sears. Mr. Sears has lost several sheep and Mr. Palmer several goats. These are the first wolves caught in this section for some time. The animals had become quite bold in their depredations and came down within a few hundred yards of the houses. Both were caught in traps.

IS DELAYED IN GETTING MOTOR TRANSPORT STARTED

E. M. Thurber, who has started a motor freight service and who intended to start at once carrying freight and passengers between here and Eugene, has been informed that road work which has just been started will make it impossible to use the road for motor trucks for several weeks and he will in the meantime run between here and Diston.

SHORTAGE OF TEACHERS BEGINS TO BE ALARMING

A growing shortage of teachers due to insufficient salary to cope with the advanced cost of living has resulted in an alarming condition, said C. A. Howard, city superintendent of schools, at a recent meeting of the parent-teacher association in Eugene. He said that at the present time there are 130 vacancies in the teaching force of the state on this account.

Legal blanks at The Sentinel.

Footprints of Old Pioneer Days

The Sentinel has been informed through S. C. Veatch, who is something of a pioneer himself and a good advertisement of the productivity of the Cottage Grove country that an error was made in the story about G. C. Martin, Cottage Grove's first postmaster. He says that N. H. Martin, former city councilman was not a son of the old postmaster, which was stated in the recent story in The Sentinel. Mr. Veatch gives T. O. Martin and John Martin as sons of the old postmaster. John Martin still lives at Creswell and he and his family own and live on a part of the old place where the first Cottage (in the Grove post-office was located). T. O. Martin died a few years ago but his widow still lives in Creswell. T. O. married Maggie Veatch and John Martin married Dora Veatch, sisters of S. C. Veatch and daughters of the old pioneer, Ves Veatch, who died only recently.

An item in the "In Earlier Days" column of the Eugene Register gives a list of officers installed by the I. O. O. F. lodge here in January, 1886.

Legislative Sidelights

(By Elbert Bede.)

Misrepresentation by Newspapers.

An unexpected and somewhat startling incident interjected into the closing hours of the special session was the denunciation of misrepresentation of the doings of the assembly by the press, in which Representatives L. E. Bean and D. M. Graham, both of Lane, joined with Representative A. A. Smith, of Baker, and Pat Gallagher, of Malheur, in impassioned exhortation of the offending reporters. The Portland Telegram was particularly singled out because of a nasty slur at Mr. Smith.

During several sessions I have been surprised at the inaccurate statements made by reporters who have no other business than to get the proceedings correctly, even the usually reliable and dependable Oregonian sometimes being an offender. I am convinced that the errors are not always unintentional, although the one that brought down the condemnation by the members of the house of the newspapers generally probably was, and yet absolutely inexcusable when so serious a thing as a man's honor and integrity were at stake.

Metropolitan Ignorance.

As an example of what I would single out as not altogether unintentional error, a Portland democratic newspaper emblazoned its front page with the startling news that the legislature had robbed the people of a birthright, the Australian ballot, and had substituted in its place the straight party ticket.

Had a grammar grade pupil been editing this paper, he would not have made an error so plainly the result of ignorance of the machinery of election, for the grammar grade pupil learns that the Australian ballot means a secret ballot, the printed ballot to be furnished by the government and not by parties or factions, as was the case before the adoption of the Australian ballot. Were the members of the legislature as black as this paper frequently has painted them it is not believable that they would have dared to take action so brazen.

Straight Party Ticket.

But the legislature did not even take from the electors the privilege of voting a ticket split six ways from the middle if they so desire, as this newspaper story tried to make its readers believe. It will be just as easy as ever to split the ticket in any manner desired, but if a democratic president should ever again appeal for the election of a straight democratic ticket, his wishes could be carried out by the simple action of making one cross in a place designated for that purpose.

What got the bile of the legislators the most was that none of these glaring and malicious misstatements are ever corrected by those making them.

While speaking of the so-called straight party ticket, which is now the form of the ballot in Oregon, as it probably is in some other states, it is designed to make more secure the election of the candidates of the majority party by making it convenient to vote the entire ticket in one operation. There is no question that it is at the same time a measure that will save the state many thousands of dollars in the saving of time in recording the vote.

It is just as well to tell the whole truth.

(Since this was written the governor has vetoed this bill.)

The Paving Trust.

A similar misstatement of facts appeared in several newspapers in speaking of the defeat of the anti-paving trust bills, when those who voted against the bill were branded as tools of the trust and possible beneficiaries of the generosity of what often is termed the worst octopus that ever intruded its slimy tentacles into our fair state. Personally I wanted to see the most drastic action taken to see that the state paid no royalties on doubtful patents, but, nevertheless, I can easily understand why those who had been convinced of the validity of the patents and others who realized that because of the expiration in May of the so-called patents but a comparatively small saving could be made even by expensive litigation, as to the success of which the attorney general of the state was very much in doubt, voted differently than I might have done and

WM. SKIDMORE, COMSTOCK MILL MAN, DIES OF INJURIES

The funeral of Wm. Skidmore was held Wednesday at Comstock, the W. O. W. lodge from Drain being in charge of the services to the grave. Death occurred Monday at a Eugene hospital, where he had been taken following serious injuries sustained in an accident. He was tearing down his sawmill, which he had sold, and while he was working on the sawdust conveyor, built of railroad iron, the structure fell onto him, inflicting serious injuries at the base of the skull and to the back and probably internally.

Mr. Skidmore was born in Iowa and was 57 years of age. He moved from Iowa to Kansas and in 1890 to Leona, moving a year later to Comstock. For a number of years he divided his time between his ranch and his sawmill but had not operated the mill for several years. The wife and the following children survive: Walter, who is at home; Mrs. Mary Hunt, of eastern Oregon; Miss Maude, who is teaching at Tillamook, and William, who is attending the University of Oregon.

SERIOUS INJURY IS DONE FRUIT BY FROST

State Horticulturist Explains That Viable Weather Has Caused Sap to Sour in Trees.

That very serious damage has been done to all fruit of this section, is the belief of D. W. Wilson, of the state horticultural department, who is spending several weeks here. He explains the damage by saying that repeated freezing followed by weather that caused the sap to run, resulted in the souring of the sap and the killing of many trees and berry vines from the ground up. As far as his investigations have gone he finds that peach trees and all berry vines have been the most seriously injured. Even the Evergreen blackberry, which nothing has ever before affected, has been a severe sufferer. Mr. Wilson has not yet examined the extensive fruit tracts at Lorane.

ORGANIZE, ADVERTISE, IS GRANGE'S SLOGAN

"Organize and Advertise" is the snappy slogan adopted by Cottage Grove grange at its meeting Saturday. The reason for the adoption of a slogan, which the grangers will endeavor to ever keep before them, is because those of the agricultural class are not as energetic as they might be in putting themselves forward and making their position in the world felt, and it is the hope of those who adopted the slogan that it will stimulate the latent energies of grangers and others who should be in the organization. The officers propose to show that the grange is "a going concern" and "still on the job at the same old stand." An effort will be made to interest all of the agricultural profession who desire a better and broader life and a more equal distribution of the products of their labor.

The effect of the slogan was felt at the meeting at which it was adopted and enthusiasm was rampant, one member even putting the slogan into rhyme. A program followed the business meeting and an especially interesting program has been arranged for the next meeting, when the county agricultural agent will be present.

OTHER CITIES IN FEAR OF CENSUS SHORTAGE

Cottage Grove is not the only place where it is feared that many may be overlooked in the taking of the census. In Eugene a number have reported not being visited by the enumerators and the secretary of the chamber of commerce has secured blanks with which to list those who report that they have been overlooked. It is thought that the count in Cottage Grove proper has been very complete but there is quite a probability of many being missed in outside districts.

SENATORS HAVE FUN

That men are only boys grownup was demonstrated in the closing hour of the session when the dignity of the august senate gave way to play that relieved the taut nerves, the tired minds and the listless bodies of the members, that caused old sores to be forgot and let good fellowship and pandemonium reign supreme. In the larger house the decorum grew more noticeable as the end drew near but the trials and tribulations of six or seven busy days (according to whether one went by his own or the official time-piece) vanished in air after the calendar had been cleared and there was a long period while the engrossing committee and a conference committee delayed the orderly and triumphant progress of legislation.

Taxes Are High Under Non-Partisan League Government.

Eugene Register: William Lee, realty agent of this city, gives an example of the great increase in taxes on land under the Non-Partisan league government in North Dakota. Last year the taxes on his farm in Barnes county in that state were \$320, and this year on the same land under the Non-Partisan regime they are \$1075.89, according to a statement just received.

Social Hygiene Lecturers Here.

Mrs. Dr. T. M. Richter, of Los Angeles, and Rev. H. M. Grant, of Portland, lecturers for the Oregon Social Hygiene society, addressed the students of the high school Wednesday and Thursday forenoons. Dr. Richter addressed the girls and Rev. Grant the boys, taking up all social and moral problems of interest to growing manhood and womanhood.

Beauty in Distress.

It probably will come out some time, so it might as well be told now. The house came pretty near being without

BLACK JACK IS GREETED BY COTTAGE GROVE

Commander of American Forces in the World War Warmly Received by Citizens and Children.

Bowing and curtailing, speaking a word to this one and that one and shaking hands sometimes with half a dozen at a time, yet losing none of his military bearing, General John J. Pershing was greeted yesterday afternoon by hundreds of school children and citizens when his car passed through here attached to Southern Pacific train No. 15.

He stood on the rear platform of the train entirely unattended, being the only person of such high distinction who has greeted the people here and was not attended by a body guard. He shook hands promiscuously with all who could crowd about the car. As the train started on its way south he waved farewell to the men, waived more tender greetings to the little kiddies (?) and saluted the uniform of the army as it appeared in the great throng.

Secretary Bartell, of the commercial club, presented "Black Jack" with half a dozen venison steaks which he has had cached away in cold storage since the close of the hunting season.

BURGLARS DO NOT THRIVE IN COTTAGE GROVE

Seldom Can They Get Away With Job; Never Has a Car Been Stolen Here.

While robberies and burglaries are reported daily from other cities over the state, Cottage Grove has not been visited for a long time. This city's immunity is due to two things. First, because it is difficult for suspicious characters to get into or out of the city without being detected, there being but Pacific highway as a main road. Second, but once during all the time that G. B. Pitcher has been on the job here as marshal has a burglar pulled off a job here without being caught. This city always has had the reputation of being an unhealthy place for lawless characters.

STATE BANKERS PROMOTE PURE-BRED STOCK RAISING

A state-wide movement has been inaugurated by the Oregon Bankers' association, through its agricultural committee, of which C. D. Rorer, of Eugene, is chairman, to interest the children in clubs for the raising of registered livestock.

The plan that has been followed by the Bank of Commerce, of Eugene, of which Mr. Rorer is president, and by other banks of the state is to loan the boys and girls of the different farming communities money with which to buy and raise the livestock, charging them a low rate of interest and waiting for the return of the loan until the animals have matured and are sold by the children.

Mr. Rorer, as chairman of the agricultural committee of the association, is sending to the bankers of the state a questionnaire in which information regarding activities of the different banks along this line is sought. This information is to be used as a basis on which to build future activities of the agricultural committee of the association. The letter sent out by Mr. Rorer states that the committee desires to get a carefully planned campaign for 1920 under way at an early date, and this information will be used in arranging this campaign.

FRANCIS LACEY MAY ACCEPT WEST POINT APPOINTMENT

Francis Lacey received yesterday through Worth Harvey a wire from Congressman Hawley asking if he were still a candidate for West Point. He applied for an appointment at the time he was captain of the high school cadet company. He has not yet decided whether or not he will accept.

Mr. Beattie Elected as a Teacher.

Because of the unusual shortage of teachers, Mrs. W. G. Beattie, wife of Superintendent Beattie, has accepted a place on the faculty and will fill the position made vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Frank Woodruff, which takes effect February 9. Mrs. Beattie has had experience as a teacher in Oregon and Alaska.

Tie Mashes Toes.

John Garoutte narrowly missed serious injury in an accident at the tie plant Tuesday. A tie fell onto one foot and crushed several toes. Had he been a few inches nearer to the spot where the tie fell his entire foot might have been crushed. He is able to use his foot sufficiently to get down town.

Jack Rice Released.

Jack Rice, who was serving a term in the county jail on the charge of having booze unlawfully, was released from custody Friday, a brother having paid the remainder of his fine. He was fined \$150 on December 1 and had served out all but \$50, which amount his brother paid.

Elite Becoming Medium of Exchange.

The Elite confectionery has again changed owners, for the third time within a few weeks. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McFarland have taken over the business from Mrs. W. A. Garoutte and Jack Callahan. Mrs. McFarland feels right at home in charge of the business, as she and Mrs. James Plaster started the business several years ago.