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COTTAGE GROVE, LANE COUNTY, OREGON, FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 1920

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# ORTING INFLUENZA IS UP TO PHYSICIANS

Ready to Print Facts Any lime They Come From the Proper Source.

arge number of citizens are combecause a large part of the sickness prevalent here is belled grip, instead of influenza, all cases as flu, whether so re-to it or not. The facts are State law requires that all inus diseases be reported to the authorities. If none are reportpresumption is that there are Only three cases of influenza reported to the city health If there are other cases, phy-must be disobeying the law reporting them and are subject flu cases reported, probably have their wishes fulfilled by ng the law upon any who have ch cases and have not reported A newspaper does not care to nd what the records show in g the news. The Sentinel will the facts regarding influenza as they are reported to the authorities, or so far as the ans report them to The Sentinel.

Register Early, Is Advice. ster early is the request made voters of the county by R. S. county clerk. He says that all have just attained their majority, moving into the town or county, se moving from one precinet into er, must make a trip to his ofnd sign their names in the big All names must be in the roll s before election, he says, in orbe allowed the privilege of a

### WOODS IN COMMAND EX-SERVICE MEN AT UNIVERSITY

Woods, former Cottage Grove who is attending the University shie, he has been drilling the comduring most of the present term. unrily students are kept in subore positions during the early part heir college activities. Dan is a of Captain Lee Roy Woods and a er of Lieutenant Lee Roy Woods. saw service in France with the

#### ENDANCE AT SCHOOLS BECOMING NORMAL

attendance in the Cottage Grove ls has improved very much durthe past week, indicating that the or influenza epidemic is abating. rintendent Beattie is of the opinthat within another week it will ach normal.

he schools at Saginaw and at Hewhich were closed on account of epidemic, have reopened, and the at Mount View has closed beof the sickness there.

#### LE WYATT MAKES HIT AS MEMBER OF GLEE CLUB

ale Wyatt, of this city, is receiving favorable newspaper comment audience to tears, so the news-

# Tales of the Town

he way the grip or flu hits some nilies is illustrated by the fact that Melvin McKibben and Lou Meben families were both all down at Mrs. Eliza McKibben, mother of men, went in to nurse the Melvin Kibben family and she, too, came wn. Miss Juda Trunnell helped to for the Lou McKibben family she also came down with the se. Nearly all are well again.

Mrs. Sarah Knox returned Monday m Portland, where she had been ungoing medical treatment. She was companied by her daughter, Mrs. hee, and the latter's son Knox.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Dixon came up om Eugene Monday to visit at the me of Mrs. Dixon's parents, Mr. and

s. George Wilson. S. H. Bailey, who came here with his fe to visit Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Ranll and other friends, has accepted a sition as mechanic with Woodson others and expects to remain perma-ntly. He has been employed in some

the largest shops in Scattle. O. E. Woodson and Glen Scott refned Sunday from Portland with a ord sedan and a Ford coupe. They and the roads in very good condi-

Mrs. Walter Jackson and two chilen, of Dayton, Wash., and Ellis Powof Pomeroy, Wash., are visiting at W. L. Darby home. Mrs. Jackson a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darby. Mrs. J. W. Roach, of Philadelphia, rs. O. F. Churchill, of Carrolls, ash., and Mrs. L. B. Gordon, of Eune, joined a family reunion here this eek at the home of their sister, Mrs.

innic Nichols, the firts time in 27 ears that all have been together. icks of the grip or flu.

### WOOD OBJECTS TO MISSING HIS COPY OF THE LIVE WIRE

A. B. Wood, former resident, writes from San Diego, Calif., as follows:

"We failed to get the Live Wire last week. I think it was probably recognized while en route and some one could not resist the temptation to appropriate it. Of course I do not blame those who took it, for if it was recognized through the wrapper there would be extenuating circumstances connected with its disappearance.

"We have had an enjoyable winter so far. San Diego has many charming qualities for every-day living and also has that element now of a live hope for future growth and importance, due to the completion of its new railroad connection and the improvements tak

ing place in the harbor.
'It rains some here the same as in Oregon. The average here is between 10 and 11 inches, a little less than one-fourth of that of Cottage Grove, but I think they magnify the inconvenience of a rainy day about four times as much as Oregonians. Of course they want the rain and need it in their business but they cannot enjoy the falling rain in the same outdoor

## ROBBER MAKES GOOD HAUL AT DRUG STORE

Bonds and Cash Taken From Unlocked Safe After Gaining Entranco by Unlocked Window.

Two robberies have been reported in Cottage Grove during the past week. The first was that at the Modern Pharmacy, which occurred Friday morning of last week. The burglar found the safe conveniently unlocked, Proprietor Kem saying that this is the first time it ever has been left unlocked so far as he can remember. The booty secured was \$320 in bonds and war savings stamps and \$155 in cash. An envelope containing \$100 in cur-rency was overlooked. The bonds were in a tin box, which C. A. Bartell found egon, has been honored by pro- in a woodshed at the rear of his hotel a from sergeant of Co. E to that morning. Stocks that were of no in a woodshed at the rear of his hotel in. The company is composed of value to the thief were left in the box, vice men. Although Dan is only which had been demolished in breaking which had been demolished in breaking the lock. This box was found before Proprietor Kem had discovered the burglary. C. M. Jackson, who does the janitor work, did not notice that a robbery had been committed, as none of the articles in the store had been her 16,000 specimens of all sorts of asked later. disarranged. Some private papers car- rocks, plants, butterflies and insects

bery was committed after 5 o'clock at which hour he retires. The fact that a spotlight, which could burn but a few hours, was found at almost noon still burning, confirms this theory. Entrance was gained through a rear window, which evidently had been left unlocked for some time without the knowledge of the proprietor and clerks. This was not open when the marshal made his regular round of the alleys

before retiring.
A second robbery was reported Monday morning by the City meat market. The small change left in the till was gone and as a window to the refrigerator was open, it was thought that some meat had been stolen. Some bacon, more valuable than money, seemed to have been taken. There was no clue as to how the robber gained entry, as no door or window was found open the part he takes with the O. A. The lock to the front door evidently glee club, which is making a tour castern Oregon. He and Arthur kham give a duet, "A Moment on inders Field," which often brings was unable to get his key into the was unable to get his key into the lock. Marshal Pitcher is puzzled as to how a robbery could have been committed, as it would have been impossible for anyone to have entered by the front door during the night with out being detected and he had tried both front and rear entries before retiring. No place of entry at the rear showed any sign of having been tampered with and Pitcher does not understand how anyone could have gained entrance from the front after daylight without being discovered by someone on the street and he says it

> Marshal Pitcher is of the opinion that the robbery at the Modern Pharmacy was committed by a well-dressed stranger whom he saw upon the street in the morning and whom he thought was someone who had missed one of the night trains.

> thief who would lock all doors after

### TAKES AD. OUT TO KEEP MANY FROM COMING FOR GOODS

My ad, may have another week to run, but I have sold the incubator which I offered for sale and I don't want two or three thousand more people coming here to buy the machine and going away disappointed. Thus spoke W. J. McClellan, who believes that Sentinel wantads are the real little business getters.

The Sentinel, \$2.00 the year.

### KELSE FISHER, WORLD WAR VETERAN, KILLED

The funeral of Kelse Fisher, who was fatally injured March 5 in a logging train accident at Cathlamet, Wu., was held Tuesday at Walker. Mr. Fisher accidentally fell under the wheels of the train and his injuries resulted in death at a Portland hos-Mrs. T. C. Wheeler was called to both Bend, Wash., Monday by the strious illness of her father, C. W. hodes, who has suffered a paralytic roke. Mrs. Wheeler and son Rex are temselves. demselves just recovering from at and there are several brothers and

# Story of Opal Is Commented Upon by University of Oregon Professors

In Characterizing Denial of Parentage as Fantasy of Child's Mind, They Recall That Love of Mother Was Often Expressed

University of Oregon, Eugene, March 6.—Opal Whiteley's diary, "The Story of Opal," in the March Atlantic Monthly, and the short biography by the author which precedes it, are being read with great enthusiasm by the faculty members under whom she studied when in the university, from the fall of 1916 to March, 1918. Of her life before coming to the university they have little knowledge except that she seemed to love her mother very much and spoke of her often to them.

"Of the genuineness of the biography I cannot speak, for I have no way of knowing whether it is true; but I do think Opal was sincere in what she said there, 's said Dr. Warren D. Smith, head of the department of geology, to-day. Dr. Smith was Miss Whiteley's major professor, and knew her better are pursuing it as a than any other faculty member.

"There are three ways of interpretng the biographical matter. Either it is all genuine, or Opal has written what she believed to be true after it is all false.

When she registered at the university Opal gave the date of her birth as December 11, 1897, which makes her that Opal is an ex-university student. older than stated in the Atlantic, She Atlantic says she was born, "where, we have no knowledge.

Opal always spoke of her mother as her best friend. She must have meant by this the woman she now speaks of as her foster mother, since she said in gone to homegoing a year before." She said at this time:

"My dearest girl chum was my poetry, biography, the drama, history, she was in close sympathy with me and we had many wonderful twilight

Opal Whiteley, according to all faculty members and students who knew Marshal Pitcher is certain this rob biography, music and the drama and as doing more reading than any other woman in her class.

"One of the things which bothered her most," said Dr. Smith, "was the fact that she had no intimate contact with other students.'

Opal did not take a part in student she organized herself early in 1918. The club did not have a chance to make much progress before she left college, at which time it ceased to

As state superintendent of the Junior Christian Endeavor for two and a half years, Opal had an opportunity to state, in whom she was much inter-

Dr. Smith would express no opinion as to the genuineness of the diary. "I knew Opal as a student in geology," he said. "She was very irregular in the way she worked, but had unbounded enthusiasm, and a strong

personality. I never worried whether she was doing her work according to rule or not. She wanted the spirit and not the formula. Her work was distinetly not standardized, but it would be a sad world if all work was standardized. She had a wonderful fund of information, although it was not sys-"Her work was never scientific,"

said Dr. John Boyard, head of the department of zoology, under whom Opal studied bird life. "She is a child in her mind still and extremely imaginative. She is a genius in her way. must have been an unusually obliging Dr. Boyard intimated that he be-

lieved that she had received help in the preparation of her diary, although he said that this was only his belief. "I have not seen enough of the diary really to tell anything definite about it," said Professer A. R. Sweetser, head of the department of botany. 'I think that by piecing her diary to gether she can give it any rendition she chooses. She always lived entirely in another realm."

## Many Become Shriners.

The following from here were in Eugene Saturday to traverse the burning sands prepared by Hillah Shrine temple from Ashland: D. Y. Allison (of Roseburg), Hurshel Allison (of Grants Pass), Abe Bangs, Ed. W. Miller, Geo. M. Scott, Roy E. Short, Harry W. Titus, N. W. White, M. H. Anderson, Elbert and W. F. Johnson. Vic tor Chambers, who is attending the U of O., joined the party there. Others who attended from here were K. K. Mills, Earl, Hill, Worth Harvey, T. C. Wheeler and J. H. Chambers. A number of the initiates also took the Scottish Rite work, put on Friday and Sat-

# Many Eggs Are Shipped.

illustrated by the fact that in one shipment made last week by Jones & not the work of an Indian flint tool. Eaton there were 83 cases of eggs. This represented a day and a half of

The Sentinel, \$2.00 the year.

University of Oregon, Eugene, March 8.—The controversy as to whether Opal Whiteley really wrote, at the age of 6, her diary, which is appearing in the Atlantic Monthly, is competing with the question of her parentage for first place of interest among the fac-ulty of the university. Both those who

who had not heard of her until the first announcements that her diary was being published in the Atlantic appeared in the Oregonian, are keenly interested in speculating as to who Opal is and as to whether she could have written her most unusual diary

knew Opal as a student here from the

fall of 1916 to March, 1918, and those

Some professors are discussing the matter in their classes, while others are pursuing it as a matter of scientific investigation. The students are also interested in the development of the case.

Some on the campus had not heard of the diary until the Oregonian's story creating it in her own imagination, or of Sunday morning. This aroused great interest as well as the fact that the Atlantic Monthly had published the first instalment of the biography and

Dr. Edmund S. Conklin, head of the wrote "Charles Edward Whiteley, of department of psychology, is following Cottage Grove," in the space which the case from a scientific standpoint, called for the name of "father or for he has made a study of the theory guardian," not designating which he of "foster child fantasy," which he was. She gave her birthplace as Colthinks may be exemplified in Opal's ton, Wash. Although the editor of the story. He states that it is quite possible that the memories of Opal's childhood are a falsification of her memory which have become facts with her.

Dr. Conklin recently sent out queries all over the state to find out how many people at one time had had the March, 1918, that her "mother had idea that their parents were not their own. He found the experience a com mon one.

Out of 900 queries, 28 per cent ac mother. In my love of music, art, tually remembered having had the experience, most of them in the period just before adolescence at the age of 8 to 12 years. Out of this number 25 per cent actually believed it at the time that they were obsessed with the idea. This figure must be considered her, was a most remarkable and un- as a minimum, Dr. Conklin states, usual girl. She lived all alone in a since it is highly probable that many tiny house on the outskirts of town. of the people questioned had had the

Dr. Conklin, unlike some other memried away by the thief were found and her books. She did a huge amount bers of the faculty, thinks that it is written at the age of six years, if held the record in her freshman year | Opal was a precocious child, as seem to be the case.

Other scientists in the departments of zoology and botany are more skeptical as to the question of Opal's writing the diary at the age of six. The point which is causing the principal discussion among faculty members is body activities, except in a Phusis the appearance of such a large number Philoi "lovers of nature" club which of classical and literary allusions in the appearance of such a large number the diary. Opal's explanation of the two books left her by her "angel parents," and the inference she gives that they were educated people, is not considered sufficient evidence by some of the faculty to explain her familiarity at six years with names of characters in Macauley's "Lays of Ancient know many of the children of the Rome," or her acquaintance with such names as Lucian, Aphrodite, Sanzio, Raphael and Hugh Capet.

The appearance of the name of Thomas Chatterton in the diary has been commented upon by members of the faculty. Chatterton was a poet of the 18th century who wrote poems which were accepted by critics and antiquarians of his day as 15th century manuscripts.

According to both her high school and university records as kept in the university business office, Opal never studied the 15th century language in

WATCH YOUR LABEL.

#### TREE BLAZE MAY BE MANY HUNDRED YEARS OF AGE

A section of the trunk of a tree that is now on exhibition at the office of the Siuslaw national forest has, because of some seemingly unexplainable marks upon it, been an object of interest among those of a scientific or imaginative mind for the last few days. It bears, under an outer shell, marks of a blaze that was inflicted by the hand of man some 200 years ago more or less, and was turned in by S. Durbin, a forest ranger of the Table mountain district.

The marks are covered by a new growth that is judged to be about 165 years old, from the number of rings in it. The tree upon which it was found has been uprooted for a number of years, and in the place where it once stood another tree, judged to be 50 (of years old, has grown. No one can as yet offer any explanation as to how the marks were made, some 30 feet or more up the trunk, but it has been thought to have been a blaze mark for a lookout, as Table mountain, 12 miles by air line from the coast, comands a view of both the bays on which Waldport and Newport are situated. Some have advanced the theory that the mark was made by Spaniards who came to this coast many years before the English or Americans, as they are very deep and clear, and are evidently the work of a sharp steel instrument. The important place Cottage Grove R. S. Selley, supervisor of the Siuslaw is taking in the chicken business is national forest, is of the opinion that

He further says that the curiosities will be kept in the office for the next buying and is, of course, only a part of the eggs shipped from this station during that time.

will be kept in the office for the next week to enable any student or faculty member of the University of Oregon, or any other interested person. or any other interested person, may look at them. Later they will be shipped to the office at Portland,

### SHRINERS FIND BROTHER AND FAIR DAMSELS IN MUD AND DISTRESS

A bunch of Masons from here who took the shrine at Eugene Saturday think they have what is a good joke on one of their members. On their way home they found what appeared to be a car very much in distress. It was off the road apparently pretty well mired in the mud. Having been admonished to relief distress wherever found, they stopped to give assistance and lifted the car back onto the road, when it was discovered that one of the members of the distressed party was Herman Edwards, a member of this lodge. The other members of the party were another young man and two young women. They had been there several hours and a team of horses had been unable to do what the bunch of men did in less than a minute. Herman wasn't expecting a reporter on the job or he might have kept out of sight. Martin Anderson, a member of the party, has not yet recovered from the slight given him when Herman didn't introduce him to the women.

# **BOARD WOULD KNOW WHAT** PEOPLE WANT

Attempt Will Be Made to Get by the Letter and Intricacies of the Law.

The school board will attempt this year to get the expressed opinion of the taxpayers and patrons of the school district before incurring financial obligations for the next term of school. Heretofore teachers have been hired and all arrangements for the next term of school made before the annual taxpayers' meeting, which left the taxpayers little to do except to ratify the acts of the school board. This year the board wishes to know in advance what the taxpayers wish to do and in this it is meeting with some difficulty. The taxpayers can not levy a tax previous to the opening of the ew school year in June and yet nearly all the financial obligations for the school year, such as the hiring of teachers and fixing of salaries, must be arranged before that time. To get around the letter of the law, the school board proposes to call a public meeting, at which sentiment can be expressed, even if the meeting would be unable to levy the tax at that time.

Death of S. B. Morse. S. B. Morss died Feb. 27 at Aberlater in the day in the railway yards. of reading in all subjects, history, art, possible that the diary may have been that the drain. He was born in reswell in 1860 and was raised Lane county. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Morss, crossed the plains in 1853. His father recently died at the age of 93 years. Deceased was ordained a minister in the Cumberland church in 1902 and preached in Lane county for a number of years but for the last two years had lived at Car-lisle, Wash. He is survived by his mother, Caroline M. Morss, of Carlisle; a brother, Sherman, of Creswell, and four children, Mrs. D. S. Rissue, of Wendling; Mrs. R. L. Gawley, of Carisle; Willard N., of Carlisle, and J. C. Morss, of Wendling. He was buried

> High School Girls Adopt Dress. Roseburg, Ore., March 3.—Uniform dress will be adopted by the girls of the Roseburg high school if a movement inaugurated by the girls themselves is carried through. Meetings have been held with the teachers, not all of whom are enthusiastic over the plan, and the young women have been informed by Superintendent Smith that, if they really desire the change and will agree unanimously to carry it into | before the injury. effect it will be adopted.

at Aberdeen, Wash., Monday, March 1.

No set fashion has been agreed upon, but middies and skirts, the middy to be white and the skirt blue, have found a good deal of favor. A girls club to carry the plan into effect is proposed.

Has Strongbox Left. The Oregonian: The Cottage Grove

druggist who left his safe unlocked and lost \$475 has his strongbox intact, at least. Rather remarkable though, that burglars get on to such "snaps.

### COTTAGE GROVE DOES NOT KNOW OF UNREST

Those who live in the small cities far removed from the great industrial centers have little idea of the abnormal condition of mind of the people of the country which results in destruction of life and property, such as that during the Armsitice day parade at Centralia, said Mrs. Jean Morris Ellis in her address at the high school auditorium Friday evening. She came here particularly to address ex-service men and direct their energies into the vocations for which they are individu-ally endowed by nature, having given 27 years of her life to the work of a character analyst. She appealed to exservice men to act as the foundation upon which a sound government shall be built. Mrs. Ellis is working under the educational service of the Y. M.

### INCREASE IN CANNERY CAPITALIZATION PLANNED

An increase in the capitalization of the Cottage Grove cannery from \$10,000 to \$20,000 will come up at a special meeting of the stockholders, which has been called for 9:30 a. m. Saturday, March 20. A proposal to amend the by-laws to change the dates of the fiscal year will also come before the meeting.

If you can't afford to subscribe for The Sentinel you can't afford not to read someone else's.

## **EMMETT SHARP IS OUT FOR** COMMISSIONER

Will Be Candidate on His Record as a Road Builder and a Constructive Economy Platform,

Emmett Sharp, of this city, is an avowed candidate for the nomination as county commissioner on the republican ticket. The only other candidate is E. B. Spencer, also of this city, the present incumbent. It is recognized that this that this end of the county is entitled to this commissionership.

Mr. Sharp will be a candidate upon his record as a road builder and a constructive program for reducing the cost of county government. At one time Mr. Sharp maintained the Latham road, which he built, so that for two years it remained in as good condition as the day it was laid. He is an enthusiast for road patrol, which he says will obviate entirely the need of repair and rebuilding.

W. W. Comer Funeral Held.

The funeral of William Wilder Comer was held here Wednesday forenoon, Rev. S. Hamrick officiating. Death occurred Sunday at Drain from paralysis. He was born in Illinois and was aged 66 years. The family lived here for a number of years, moving to Drain about three years ago. The wife and the following children survive: Mrs. Fred Crowell, Mrs. Earl Huckins and Stewart Comer, all of whom live at or near Drain. A brother, J. M. Comer, lives at Sutherlin and a brother, Thomas, lives in Minnesota.

# CRUSHED UNDER LOG BUT EATS AT TABLE THE NEXT DAY

Although he had apparently ceased to breathe when released from under a log which had rolled onto him in a logging accident Wednesday, L. J. Pierce was able to be at the table

to eat breakfast the next morning.

Mr. Pierce is a logger for the Phillips Lumber company. Five logs were moving down the skidway when they buckled and one log thrown out of the trench knocked Mr. Pierce down and rolled over him from his feet to his chest, where it rested until lifted off by other loggers who came to the rescue. Mr. Pierce was apparently dead when rescued but soon started to breathe although he remained unconscious for a number of hours.

### REFINEMENT AND MANNERS ARE PART OF EDUCATION

Mrs. Mary Fawcett, dean of women of O. A. C., gave a splendid address before the high school assembly last Friday afternoon on the subject, "Leaders in the Making." She emphasized the fact that the high school is developing young men and women into the full responsibilities of citizenship. "Education," she said, "is necessary to leadership." Mrs. Fawcett stated that some of the evidences of education were a correct use of English, refined and gentle manners, power to think, power to grow, and efficiency in service or power to do.

### JOE T. SMITH RECOVERS AND ENTERS BUSINESS.

Joe T. Smith, who is recovering from the accident in which he nearly lost his life, has taken over the Roy E. Short grocery and is now in charge. He had made the deal for the business before meeting with the accident and was remaining on the job at the tie plant only a day or so until another man could take his place. He had just completed invoicing the stock the day

#### CLYDE LEONARD IS WINNER IN STATE ESSAY CONTEST

Clyde Leonard, of Cottage Grovehigh, won seventh prize in the state army essay contest. He had previously won local and county prizes and was the only Cottage Grove student to win a state prize. The state prizes were given by the Portland Telegram.

Ten Births, Six Deaths. The report of Health Officer Oglesby shows that during the month of February there were 10 births, of which 4 were females and 6 males. There were 6 deaths, of which 4 were females and

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation to those who were so kind to us during the sickness and death of our wife and mother. AND FAMILY.

Mrs. Clara Burkholder writes from Corvallis that her mother, Mrs. Lydia Stouffer, is recovering from an illness of two months' duration. The other members of the family escaped the

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-but the money you spend for the things enumerated will bring you much larger returns if supplemented with newspaper adver-

-the advertising, to get best re-sults, should be well written, should be entertaining, should act as a magneet to draw folks to your store, where the other things we have enumerated will then do their part.