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## \$5000 MORE TO BE SPENT ON LORANE ROAD

### New Improvements Eliminate Bad Hills and Overcome the Worst Stretches on Highway.

The Lane county court is planning to spend about \$5000 on the Cottage Grove-Lorane highway this year in addition to the \$2000 now being expended in laying macadam on the stretches which are in worst shape. Money for the additional improvement will be borrowed from a fund for another project, which cannot be undertaken this season, in order to give the people along the highway an all year road if possible before another winter, and also to keep the road building equipment of the county from standing idle, according to Commissioner E. R. Spencer.

The road crews are now laying a 12-foot macadam road on two new stretches which have just been graded through the R. C. Veatch and W. H. McElroy farms along Silk creek on the Lorane highway. Both improvements eliminate bad hills along the old road and follow the course of Silk creek at a water grade. When completed it will add a very picturesque and beautiful drive to the county's highways for it winds in graceful curves along the foot of the hills. Altogether about a mile and a half of new road is included and, with the additional funds now available, a total of about two and a half miles of first class road will be put in before fall where heretofore the worst places of the Lorane highway have been. The new work will be begun several miles west of the Medley farm where there is no other bad stretch.

Commissioner Spencer and County Surveyor P. M. Morse inspected the improvements Tuesday and made plans for continuing the work as soon as the part now under construction is completed.

The court plans this road as a part of a loop highway, 58 miles in length, reaching from Eugene to Cottage Grove by way of Lorane and joining the paved Pacific highway at both points. At present work is progressing on the Eugene-Lorane end as well, and the plan is to work from both ends until the project is completed. The highway will provide market roads leading into both Cottage Grove and Eugene and will also be of great scenic beauty. The date of its completion, according to Mr. Spencer, depends largely upon the fate of the county bond issue.

## B. S. BURKETT IS ELECTED HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

B. S. Burkett, of Becket, Mont., was elected principal of the Cottage Grove high school and director of men's athletics for the ensuing year at a meeting of the school board Monday, and Miss Irene Curtis, of Salem, was elected to a half-time position in the home economics department and half-time in the regular high school work.

Mr. Burkett is a graduate of Reservoir college, a denominational institution, of Salem, Va. He has had five years military experience, two years of which he served as a commissioned officer. At present he holds the rank of first lieutenant in the reserve corps. Miss Curtis is a graduate of O. A. C. in the class of 1920. Her work in the home economics department will come under the provisions of the Smith-Hughes act and part of her salary will be paid by the federal government. Both Mr. Burkett and Miss Curtis have accepted the positions.

## NEW MCKENZIE ROAD TO BE ROCKED SOON

Fifteen miles of the McKenzie road highway now under construction will be surfaced with gravel or crushed rock before the fall rains set in under an agreement just made between the forest service, the state highway commission and the Lane county court. The stretch lies between Blue river and the side road to Belknap springs. The forest service had planned to undertake only the grading work this year, but protests from users of the road led to the decision to complete it before it becomes impassable after the rains begin.

## DR. OGLESBY STILL RETAINS VITAL INTEREST IN WORLD AFFAIRS

Despite the fact that he has been confined to the house for many months, Dr. W. W. Oglesby has lost none of his mental alertness. He has worked out a theory to explain the recent earthquakes in California. His belief is that taking millions and millions of gallons of soil from under the ground has left great cavities and that the roofs of these cavities have been falling in, probably millions of tons of dirt and rock at a time, and that this is what caused the rumbling and trembling. He says he would not be surprised if an entire city would someday fall into one of the great subterranean cavities. Dr. Oglesby recalls the fact that nearly all earthquakes are reported from oil field sections. The fact that after an earthquake the flow of oil is reported as larger and of better quality he takes as proof of his theory, in fact the very basis of his theory.

## MRS. L. F. ORPURN BURIED HERE ON WEDNESDAY

The funeral of Mrs. L. F. Orpurn, who died Monday, August 2, at the age of 67 years, 6 months, 23 days, was held Wednesday afternoon from the Methodist church, Rev. Simpson Hamrick conducting the service. Lillian Emma Jones was born in Stamford, Ind., January 9, 1853. When a small child she moved with her parents to Wilsontown, Mo., where she was married September 1, 1878, to Luther Fletcher Orpurn. In 1891 she came with her husband to Cottage Grove. They moved to Kansas in 1895 but returned in 1901 to Cottage Grove, where they resided until Mrs. Orpurn's death. Mrs. Orpurn had been a member of the Methodist church since girlhood.

Mrs. Orpurn leaves her husband, L. F. Orpurn, one daughter, Mrs. Harry Hart, a brother, J. I. Jones, of Cottage Grove; three sisters, Mrs. Jack Lewis, of Cottage Grove, Mrs. W. C. Conner, of La Plata, Mo., and five grandchildren, Velma and Harry Hart and Gertrude, Melba and Herbert Cochran, all of Cottage Grove.

## COTTAGE GROVE NOW HAS POPULATION OF 1919

Census of 1920 Shows 4.6 Per Cent Gain; Figures Exclude Many on City's Border.

The population of Cottage Grove in the 1920 census, as recently announced at Washington, is 1919, a gain of 4.6 per cent over the 1910 figures. The government figures include only those people living within the corporate limits of the city and excludes several hundred people who to all intents and purposes are residents of the city but who live just outside the line.

The population of Lane county is now 36,166, a gain of 2.83, or 7.1 per cent, since 1910. Coho, Creswell and Junction City show a loss for the 10-year period. Springfield now has a population of 1855 as compared with 1824 in 1910, a gain of slightly less than 1 per cent. The population of Eugene, which was announced some time ago, is 19,593, representing an increase of 1.84, or 17.5 per cent in the last 10 years.

The figures for the population of Lane county follow:

	1920	1910
Eugene	19,593	18,069
Cottage Grove	1,919	1,824
Coho	270	313
Creswell	273	287
Junction City	317	311
Springfield	687	759
Springfield	1,855	1,828

## FURTHER EXPLANATIONS OF DRIVER'S LICENSE LAW

Because of the many inquiries as to the exact provisions of the automobile driver's license law, the following explanations of the most vital portions of the law are given:

The law provides that no person, whether or not the owner of a motor vehicle, who is less than 16 years of age shall operate or drive any motor vehicle on any public highway in this state. Under no conditions whatever or by any officer or individual does the law authorize the giving of permission to any person under 16 years of age to operate or drive motor vehicles on the highways of the state.

It is unlawful for any person who is the owner or custodian of any motor vehicle to permit any person who is less than 16 years of age to operate or drive any such motor vehicle or to employ any such person to operate or drive any such motor vehicle who is not a licensed operator or chauffeur. In order that persons over 16 years of age who at the time of making application are not mentally or physically incapacitated as defined in the law, and who desire to learn to operate motor vehicles, may qualify for operator's licenses, the secretary of state may authorize the chief of police or marshal of any incorporated city or town or sheriff of any county to issue learners' permits to such persons for a period of not to exceed 15 days, which are valid only when such persons while operating motor vehicles are accompanied by licensed operators or chauffeurs. Applicants for learners' permits must be signed and sworn to by the applicants and contain in addition to the applicant's name, residence, occupation and personal description, a satisfactory showing that they possess the qualifications required for operators' licenses.

Persons who violate any of the provisions of the law or who fail to provide themselves with the proper permit, license or licenses, therein prescribed, are subject to punishment by fines not in excess of \$400, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court.

## Warmest Day in July Is 94.

The warmest day in July occurred on the seventh with a maximum temperature of 94, while the lowest temperature, while the lowest temperature, registered on the preceding day, was 38, according to the monthly report of C. E. Stewart, local weather observer. The report is as follows: Maximum, 94, on the 7th; minimum, 38, on the 6th; mean, 64.2; mean maximum, 79.9; mean minimum, 48.5; precipitation, .38 inch; clear days, 23; partly cloudy, 3; cloudy, 5.

For the same month last year the warmest day was 97, on the 14th; the lowest temperature was 37, on the 26th. There was but .02 inch precipitation during the month, and there were 28 clear days, 2 partly cloudy and 1 cloudy.

## HELPING THE BOYS

What to do with our boys is a greater problem than what to do with our girls. For one thing there are more of them, and for another thing the mischief they get into is not condoned as readily by the public.

The boy problem takes precedence over the girl and money question. It is harder to tell what a boy will do than to figure what schedule "K" will do to the sheep business. It is harder to keep his trousers from wearing through "where the son sets" than to make the ad valorem cover the difference in the cost of production abroad and the high cost of living at home.

A boy will get twice as dirty as the filthy lucre and is three times as elusive.

The department of state may have its difficulties in deciding upon the psychological moment to turn the Mexican over the paternal knee, but such problems fade into insignificance when compared with the one of fitting to the hand that part of the anatomy which an all-wise and beneficent creator provided all boys for the purpose of receiving chastisement.

It is a problem of some proportions to decide what amusement shall be allowed an idle army of a million men, but it is simple and lucid compared with the dilemma which confronts the sire of ten robust and healthy boys during vacation time.

An elastic currency may be needed for the proper and safe conduct of the gigantic business of the greatest nation on earth, present or future ages, but proposing a national currency that will expand a mere bagatelle of a couple of hundred billions, is as simple as 2 and 2 are 4 compared with the stretching of the ordinary salary to cover the clothing bill of a family of boys.

Great problems may face the nation. What Wilson may do about this or that is of some import, but what to do with the growing citizen, the embryonic statesman, the captain of industry of tomorrow, the boy of today, is the great problem.

He should be guided in ways that will make him a credit to his country to himself and to his forebears. He should be kept out of danger, but must

## WILD CAT BEATS OFF DOG MCFARLAND CAPTURES IT BAREHANDED

Thrilling exploits and hair-breadth adventures are not all enacted before movie cameras in carefully staged settings, for Frank McFarland pulled one that isn't in the book Tuesday when he captured a half-grown bobcat bare-handed after the animal had broken loose from his shepherd dog and gotten a good start up a tree after he had once dislodged it. Mr. McFarland was humming along the Sharp's creek road in his Chevrolet bent on a few hours trout fishing in the upper reaches of the stream when Mrs. McFarland espied something making its getaway through the underbrush. No sooner had he started in hot pursuit than the cat took refuge in the top-most branches of a small tree.

Although thinking at first he had treed a panther kitten, Mr. McFarland disdained to use the small rifle he had along and shinned the tree far enough to be able to shake loose the young cat's hold. Leaping down to watch the fun, he found that the bobcat had broken loose from his dog and was once more scrambling to get up. In a flash he grabbed a lub and brought the cat off the ground, pouncing on it bare-handed when it landed, and choking it into submission.

As proof that he is a bona fide wild animal tamer Mr. McFarland now has the cat on display as exhibit B beside the empty moonshine barrel which he captured last week. Few who have had a look at the bobcat would care to attempt to duplicate Mr. McFarland's feat for it growls as fiercely as a young lion.

## "Wanderwell" Party Stops Here.

The car of the Wanderwell World Tour party, with its many marks and mementoes of a long journey, attracted some attention during its stay here Monday and Tuesday. The party of four who are now filming Pacific highway and other points of interest along their route has traveled in 19 countries and in all the states of the union except Washington.

A human skull, displayed on the back of the car, was picked up by a member of the party in the Sonora desert in old Mexico. While here they placed on display an automobile tire with a mileage record of over 30,000 miles. Their car is a specially constructed one combining the strong features of many makes.

## Seth Ferrell Breaks Arm.

Seth Ferrell sustained a compound fracture of his left arm, below the elbow, Friday morning while loading ties on a car at the W. L. Miller mill on Row river. Mr. Ferrell was working in the car when a fellow workman threw a tie too far, crushing his arm against another tie and breaking it. He was brought to this city where a physician reduced the fracture.

Mr. Ferrell, who moved here from Eugene, had been working at the mill but a short time.

## Sunday School Kiddies Frolic in Park.

About 30 kiddies of the primary department of the Methodist Sunday school frolicked in the park yesterday afternoon. Games were superintended by a dainty lunch was served by Mrs. J. A. Wright, Mrs. Chas. Beidler, Mrs. Mason and Mrs. A. W. Swanson.

kept what danger is. He should be kept from temptation while beset by sin. He can't help but know much of the bad while being trained to practice most of the good.

He who solves the boy problem will earn a reward greater than any which can be given on earth and will make of hell a seclusive club for the predatory rich. It gives us pleasure to note a move in the right direction.

The chamber of commerce of a certain city has given the boys of that city the use of its handsomely appointed club rooms twice each week. It has taken the future citizens of Oregon into partnership. It is furnishing them entertainment where temptation can not reach them. It is furnishing them healthful amusement under circumstances where the lads will not learn to mouth cuss words nor be told obscene and smutty stories.

In company with fathers and brothers their conduct will be different than if playing cards in some out-of-the-way building with none but themselves to see and hear. The boys will see how men behave themselves, and with their imitative tendencies will disport themselves as men instead of as street rowdies. Cigarettes and booze will not reach them. Worry will be lifted from the mind of the overburdened mother—and dad will have a plausible excuse for going to the club. The Lord knows he needs a new one.

The action of this club is not more important in what it actually does than in what it teaches parents. If parents can take children into partnership with them; if they can be the confidantes of those they have brought on earth; if they can learn to enjoy the things the youngsters enjoy and train the youngsters to enjoy the things they enjoy; if parents can know where their boys and girls are in hours of pleasure as well as work, the morals of adolescent youth will only be corrupted by the morals of those responsible for their being.

Also the talk and actions of parents will be on a higher plane when they know children are around.

Many other commercial bodies hasten to follow the plan of this chamber of commerce.

## WIRE ENTANGLEMENT DOES NOT STOP BEAVERS BENT ON APPLE HARVEST

Beavers have long had a reputation of providing themselves with substantial houses. Those in the Cottage Grove country are adding to that reputation by proving themselves provident in filling their larders with the delicacies found in Cottage Grove's famous orchards and gardens. Hamilton Veatch has two apple trees which stand near a beaver dam. They are set back quite a distance from the wire fence which protects them against devastation. The beavers first attempted to break through the fence by gnawing away the boards along the bottom edge, but the wire extended down past the boards. After tearing away a number of boards a happy idea came to them and they burrowed down beneath both boards and wire fence and now have a beaten path from the water to the apple trees, where they gather the windfalls. Their sense of smell must be good for the trees are a distance back from the fence at which the human olfactory organs could hardly pick up the scent.

The apple trees are growing at the edge of one of the best fields of corn in Lane county and Mr. Veatch greatly fears the aquatic timber fellers may decide that they wish to put away some corn and raise havoc with his field where many of the stalks are now beyond human reach with two and three ears of Yellow Dent on each stalk.

## Albany Team Not Coming Sunday.

Efforts of the local baseball management to bring the Albany baseball team here Sunday failed, as the team from that city has scheduled a game at Springfield for that date. The Cottage Grove champs will rest for another week as a result, for they had depended on a verbal understanding with Albany until too late to arrange for another club to fill the date. Efforts will be made to bring Albany here at a later date.

## American Legion Delegates Return.

Ray Kerr and George Proctor, local delegates to the state convention of the American Legion, returned Monday from Astoria. They gave a report of the proceedings of the convention at the regular meeting of the organization last night. Mr. Kerr served as secretary of the credentials committee at the convention. The third annual convention will be held in Eugene next year.

## Street Commissioner to Look for Leak.

The city council has instructed the street commissioner to have the water main on west Main street dug up in an effort to locate the source of the seep which is causing the pavement to break through in several places. Material has already been ordered to repair the pavement, and when it arrives the bad spots will be put in good repair.

## Latham School Votes 2-Mill Levy.

The Latham school district voted a special 2-mill tax for furniture and repairs to the school building at the school election held Wednesday. John Taylor was elected as a member of the board of directors to fill the place of Walter Garoutte, whose term had expired.

## NOTED PIPE ORGANIST VISITS FRIENDS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Hawley, Jr., and baby daughter, of Portland, left Monday by auto for California after spending a couple of days at the home of Mrs. Luetta Thomas. Mr. Hawley, who is a pipe organist of wide reputation, opens an engagement about August 15 as organist for the California theater, in San Francisco, which has recently installed one of the largest pipe organs in the country.

The Hawleys have spent the past year in Oregon but previous to that time Mr. Hawley was organist in the Vitaphone theater, of New York, and the Cort and Covent Gardens theaters, of Chicago.

Mr. Hawley is a composer as well as an organist, and has marked ability as a vocalist. His mother, Madame Nellie Bontelle, is now a member of the Metropolitan Grand Opera company of New York.

The Hawleys are old friends of Mrs. Thomas and her two daughters, Alta and Margaret.

## ELECTRIC RATE CASE TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT

Company's Accounts Show a Loss for the First Six Months of the Current Year.

The application of the Cottage Grove Electric company for an increase in its rates was taken under advisement by the public service commission of Oregon yesterday after a public hearing conducted by Fred A. Williams, member of the commission. A decision is not expected till about September 1.

The company, in its statement of revenue and expense, showed that in the first six months of the current year it operated at a loss of \$316.87, while the net revenue for the year 1919 amounted to approximately \$3300. E. T. Busselle, of Salem, representing the electric company, submitted claims of a present valuation on plant and equipment of \$80,000, and an estimate that it would cost \$97,500 to reproduce it at present prices.

The city of Cottage Grove, represented by Judge E. O. Potter, of Eugene, and Attorney J. E. Young, filed testimony relating to the value of the company's property and regarding the terms of the contract by which the city's lights are supplied. Results of the investigation conducted by C. E. Green, engineer of the commission, showed a somewhat lower valuation on the property and equipment of the company than represented in the company's claims.

The company is seeking a readjustment of rates which will bring an increase of about 25 per cent for lighting and a slightly smaller increase for cooking and power. It also asks permission to discontinue the flat rate scale at some future date.

C. M. Shinn, manager of the Cottage Grove Electric company, in a statement made after the close of the hearing, said that the company feels every confidence in submitting its case before the commission that a settlement, fair and agreeable to all parties concerned, will be reached.

## HERALD WHITE BUYS INTO MYERS STORE

Herald A. White has purchased an interest in the A. S. Myers electrical store, of Eugene, and will be general manager of the firm, which is being organized into a company with Mr. Myers, Mark B. Costello and himself as owners. Mr. White, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. N. W. White, of this city, graduated from the University of Oregon last spring. He was president of the student body and winner of the Koyl cup in his junior year. He has been employed as manager of the Myers store since his graduation.

## Public Service Commission Men Here.

Fred A. Williams, member of the state public service commission, C. J. Green, engineer of the commission, and Ben Forbes, Jr., commission reporter, arrived in the city yesterday to conduct the hearing in the petition of the Cottage Grove Electric company for a revision of rate schedules.

## W. C. Conner on Hand for Accident.

Salem Statesman, July 27: Traveling at a high rate of speed, a motorcyclist passed two autos, one driven by W. C. Conner, of Salem, and the other by W. E. Lundy, of Myrtle Point, on the Pacific highway just outside of Woodburn Sunday night and crashed into a one-horse buggy. The motorcyclist sustained a broken left leg below the knee and several bruises about the face, head and body.

The two youths occupying the overturned buggy were only slightly injured. The horse broke loose from the rig and ran away and the motorcycle was badly damaged, the buggy also being considerably damaged.

## DEAN ALDEN SPEAKS AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

Dean George H. Alden, of Willamette University, who was in the city on field work in the interest of the \$1,000,000 endowment campaign, spoke Sunday at the Methodist church. Mr. Alden declared that Cottage Grove was the first city where no one had turned down his request for funds to the endowment.

## Pullet Lays at 4 1/2 Months.

A Plymouth Rock pullet hatched by Mrs. George Gilerist on March 15 laid its first egg Tuesday, August 3, and on the same day tipped the scales at 5 1/2 pounds.

A panacea for everything—Sentinel wants.

## LANE COUNTY FAIR WILL BE HELD SEPT. 21-24

### Pioneer Exhibit With Relics Used by Early Oregon Settlers Will Be a Feature.

Prospects for a successful county fair at Eugene, September 21-24, are very bright, according to the report of W. C. Yoran, secretary of the Lane County Fair association. Interest in livestock has been particularly keen and two new buildings are to be erected in addition to the present barns to accommodate exhibitors of pure bred stock. On the last day of the fair a sale of pure bred stock will be conducted on the grounds by the Livestock Breeders' association. During the first three days of the fair horse races will be held, and it is expected that at least 25 fast horses will be entered.

A feature of the exhibits will be a collection of relics of early pioneer days now being arranged by R. A. Babb, of Eugene, at the request of the fair management. The intention is to depict the early life of the Oregon pioneers by means of pieces of furniture, clothing, bedding, tools, cooking utensils and other articles of interest brought across the plains and still in possession of the pioneers or their descendants. Mr. Babb is endeavoring to secure as many relics as possible for the exhibit and promises that every care will be taken of them while on display at the fair.

Several granges have signified their intention to place on exhibit products of their community, and the granges in the western part of the county are going to place a combined exhibit. In addition there will be numbers of individual exhibits of all kinds of farm produce, fruit, etc. A special building has been set aside this year for the display of women's handiwork and much interest is expected in this department.

September 25, the day following the close of the fair, will be given over to sports, with auto races, auto polo and other thrilling attractions.

## Former Residents Praise Auto Park.

J. P. Rucker, a former resident, stopped at the auto park during the past week with his family, while looking for a location. He has been at Medford for several years. The family were high in their compliments for Cottage Grove's camp ground.

## SALVATION ARMY DRIVE IS SET FOR AUGUST 17

Captain C. O. Taylor, officer in charge of the Eugene corps of the Salvation Army, conferred in the city yesterday with members of the local committee regarding the drive for funds which is scheduled to begin here August 17. The quota for Cottage Grove is \$900. The campaign for funds which has been in progress in the county since some time in June is now nearing completion and has met with a cheerful response at all places. Eugene has raised \$3000 to date, but has not yet subscribed its full quota.

Members of the local committee are M. H. Anderson, chairman, Karl K. Mills, C. E. Umphrey and W. J. White.

## LANE THRESHERS FIX PRICE SCALE FOR SEASON

Prices for threshing in Lane county this year, as agreed upon by threshermen at a meeting held in Eugene Monday show an appreciable increase over last season. Wages for men and teams also show a corresponding increase. The scale of threshing prices for the standard two-bushel sacks are 26c for oats, 28c for barley and 30c for wheat. Pitchers will receive \$4 a day, sack sewers and machine men \$4.50, and a man and team \$5.50. These rates do not apply to small neighborhood machines where farmers exchange work and hire little outside help. In such cases the price this season will be 6c a bushel for oats and 7c for wheat.

## SPRAY NOW FOR MOTH SAYS FRUIT INSPECTOR

Now is the time to spray apples and pears for the second brood of codling moth, according to C. E. Stewart, county fruit inspector.

Mr. Stewart says the following formula should be used for this spray and that the spraying should be completed within the next six or eight days. One gallon lime-sulphur solution to 65 or 70 gallons of water plus one pound of dry lead arsenate to each 50 gallons of water. This is for winter apples only. For Bartlett pears and fall apples leave out the lime-sulphur solution.

## VEGETABLE DOUGHNUT IS GROWN BY LOCAL WIZARD BUT SUPPLY LIMITED

A vegetable doughnut is the latest contribution to the vegetable kingdom made by a Cottage Grove man. This time the contribution is a perfect doughnut-shaped tomato and the contributor is F. C. Coffman. The tomato, which is larger than the average-sized home-grown variety, has a dark line, possibly the outgrowth of the mark left by the bloom bud, running around its largest circumference. When growing in the garden the stem of the tomato split as the hole through the center opened up, thus supporting all parts of the vegetable and causing it to grow uniform all around. The hole through the center is an inch long by a half to a quarter of an inch wide. The tomato itself is over four inches across and 13 inches in circumference—a great deal more doughnut than hole.