

## ELKS ARRANGING MONSTER CHRISTMAS PARTY

Entertainment Being Put on to Provide Funds Wherewith to Make the Kiddies Happy.

That the spirit of Christmas shall prevail in every home in Lane county and that no child shall be denied its rightful heritage of Yuletide happiness, the Eugene lodge of Elks, backed by the individual efforts of every member of the antlers residing within the jurisdiction of the local organization, are formulating plans for what officials of the order declare will be the largest community charitable project ever to be arranged in this section of the state.

In their efforts to carry the spirit of the day to every community of the county that comprises the territory of the lodge as divided by officials of the national order, committees of the local members have been named to canvass each section allotted to them and to investigate and set upon every case of need that can be found.

Although directing the affair the B. P. O. E. are receiving the active cooperation of other organizations and individuals of the city and county who believe in the big brother movement that has been launched by the Eugene lodge in their desire to spread the maxim of cheer and benevolence that is a dominating note of the national organization. The plan of the Elks has received the endorsement of those who take an active interest in the care of the unfortunate and destitute and they are giving their unqualified support to the efforts of the local lodge.

As the local feature of the affair, plans have been made for the holding of a community Christmas party at the Eugene armory to which an open invitation has been extended to all of Lane county to spend the holiday as guests of the Elks. A huge Christmas tree, the height of which will be limited by the roof of the armory, will be erected and decorated and form the distribution point of the Yuletide gifts that are to be presented to the children of the community. A program of music and entertainment especially arranged for their youthful guests has been prepared by an Elks committee in cooperation with other organizations of the city.

That the children who live at a distance from the city may not be denied the joys of the gathering, members of the lodge have arranged for transportation and plenty of cars will be provided for those who otherwise would be unable to attend the celebration.

The community Christmas project will be partially financed through means of several entertainments that are being planned by the lodge with the cooperation of the dramatic department of the University of Oregon, which, under the leadership of Fergus Reddie, head of the department, will present "Pygmalion" at the Eugene theatre on the evening of December 1 and 2.

As the first affair to be held by the lodge toward the raising of the funds, an athletic entertainment will be presented at the Eugene armory November 10.

District committees have been named to handle the details of the affair in their communities, investigate where aid is necessary and to report and provide for the transportation of the children to attend the Christmas tree party.

The committee in charge in Cottage Grove is Edwin Tullar, G. A. Bartle, George Hawley, W. H. Ostrander, Ed. Wilson and J. F. McFarland.

## MRS. WHEELER'S FATHER DIES IN WASHINGTON

P. W. Rhodes, father of Mrs. T. C. Wheeler, of this city, died suddenly Oct. 31 at Raymond, Wash., at the home of a son, E. F. Rhodes. The funeral was held here Wednesday. Mr. Rhodes had been enjoying good health, although having suffered a paralytic stroke 20 months ago.

Death occurred on Mr. Rhodes fifty-second wedding anniversary. He was born in Cammellon, Ind., on April 12, 1849. He came to San Francisco in 1873 and moved at once to the Coos bay country in Oregon, living on the Umpqua until 1899, after which he lived briefly here and went to Westport, Wash., in 1903. He was a Mason and a member of the Baptist church. Besides the two children mentioned, the following survive: Edwin, of Roseburg; Mrs. Myrtle Hedblom, of Lone Rock, Ore.; Ira, of Cathlamet, B. C. The two daughters from Oregon were present at the funeral.

## ALL BUT FEW FARMS IN OREGON OPERATED BY ALL AMERICANS

No state in the country is more truly all American in its agriculture than is Oregon, according to a statistical report which has just been prepared for use at the Pacific Northwest Fruit exposition, which is to be held at the Bell street terminal in Seattle from November 21 to 26.

This report shows that of the 50,206 farms in the state, 40,484, or more than four-fifths of the total, are operated by native born white farmers, while the foreign born whites number only 9,149 and the colored farmers but 573. It is interesting to note that, while the number of native whites has increased tremendously in the last ten years and the foreign born whites slightly, the number of colored farmers shows a marked decrease for the same period.

## McKEEN NOT GUILTY OF PITNEY KILLING

"Not guilty!" was the verdict brought in Saturday by the jury trying H. M. McKee, Alvadore blacksmith, for the accidental slaying of James Otis Pitney, Junction City mail carrier.

Evidence presented during the trial was admittedly stronger against McKee than that presented against Elmer Yeoman, who was tried on a similar charge last week for the accidental shooting of Earl Hebert while hunting deer, and who was freed after a jury had debated ten hours without reaching a verdict.

Some of the most interesting reading in the paper is in the wantads. \*\*\*

## State Valuations Shrink

Salem, Ore., Nov. 7.—All of the 36 county assessors of Oregon have now completed their 1921 assessments and these have been equalized by their county boards of equalization.

The totals of the assessed valuation of property—without the public utilities, railways, telegraph and telephone lines, et al.—in the state of Oregon is \$898,867,645.

Last year the total was \$917,011,148. The shrinkage in value is \$18,143,563. This is less than was to be expected considering the decrease in the number of horses, cattle, sheep and swine due to war-time depletion and also the decline in the prices of agricultural products.

## RATES FAIR TO USERS AND COMPANY LIKELY

Normal Fuel Conditions for Several Years to Come Are Indicated by Testimony.

That with the present situation as to fuel the position of the Cottage Grove Electric company is far from a precarious one and that a rate that will be at the same time reasonable to users and profitable to the company can be worked out, was the conclusion to be drawn from the testimony submitted Monday in the rehearing of the Cottage Grove Electric company rate case.

No testimony was introduced bearing upon the condition which existed during the time the Western Lumber & Export company, from which the power company gets sawdust and refuse for its boilers, was closed down. There was no indication as to what consideration the public service commission may give to the increased emergency rates which have been in effect for several months. The commission has the power to order a portion of these returned to power users in case they are found to have been too high. It seems not likely that such action is contemplated.

G. M. Harris, expert accountant for the public service commission, testified that under present operating conditions, taking the old rates for a period of six months and the new emergency rates for a period of three months, the company should show a profit of 6 1/2 per cent on the commission's valuation of the power plant and distributing system. He revised the figures of the power company, used as a basis for the new emergency rates, to show a net loss of less than one per cent, instead of nearly two per cent. Mr. Harris' figures contemplated a reduction in the cost of clerical help of approximately \$200 the month.

The power company submitted no testimony at the rehearing. E. E. Schmidt, assistant secretary for the Western Lumber & Export company, testified that there was no reason to anticipate a closedown of the mill for several years to come, thus assuring present fuel conditions for the power plant.

The only other witness was C. R. Lester, engineer for the commission. Commissioner Buechel, who conducted the hearing, stated that the commission had confidence in the engineer and accountant who had this time handled the commission's investigation, inferring that the commission had not been satisfied with the previous investigation by others in its employ. An order from the commission was promised within 30 days.

## FOOTBALL GAME IS FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

A football game for the championship of the Willamette valley will be played here today, when Salem high meets Cottage Grove high. The locals have not been defeated this season.

This is the last game of the season on the home grounds. A game is yet to be played with Lebanon.

## CAPACITY OF ELECTRIC PLANT IS INCREASED

The Cottage Grove Electric company has increased the efficiency of its power plant by hooking together the two generators. Hereafter the smaller generator has been used for emergency purposes only. The combined generators will easily carry the present peak load and permit the taking on of additional business, thus making it possible for the power company to increase its revenue when there is demand for the extra "juice" it is now able to furnish.

Named Editor of Normal Paper. Oregon Normal School, Monmouth, Nov. 7.—(Special).—Leslie Godard, of Cottage Grove, was chosen editor-in-chief of the Norm, the annual publication of the student body. A. W. Johnson was elected business manager, and Miss Ruth Mills, of Independence, assistant business manager.

## JURY DISAGREES IN THOMAS MURDER TRIAL

OUT FROM 5:15 TUESDAY EVENING UNTIL 10 WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Second Trial Ordered to Begin November 25—Considerable New Evidence Anticipated.

Eugene, Ore., Nov. 9.—The jury in the case of the state against Fred Thomas for the murder of Wiley Hubbard failed to agree and was discharged at 10 o'clock today by Judge G. E. Skipporth. A new trial has been ordered and will begin on November 25.

The jury was out from 5:15 Tuesday evening until 9 Wednesday morning, when it came in for further instructions from the court. These were given and an hour later the foreman announced that the jury was unable to agree. It is said that seven of the jurors were for conviction and five were for acquittal.

It is said by those interested in the case that considerable new evidence is likely to be introduced at the new trial in reference to details leading up to the killing of Hubbard, and that the testimony will be even more sensational than that brought out at the trial just closed.

Eugene, Ore., Nov. 8.—Fred Thomas, charged with second degree murder for the shooting of Wiley Hubbard, sat slouched in his chair yesterday directly in front of Judge Skipporth's bench, facing a packed court room, and heard recounted in each minute detail the story of the spectacular killing in front of the postoffice at Dorena at 10 o'clock on the morning of September 6. He sat sometimes with his crippled leg thrown over the arm of his chair, sometimes looking down intently at the floor with his hand before his eyes, sometimes half-turning to look squarely into the eyes of the state's witnesses, and at others calmly smiling from behind his thick black beard at his counsel when things seemed to go right.

Thomas killed Wiley Hubbard because of jealousy arising from love for Mrs. Hubbard, charges the state. Thomas, a cripple, killed Hubbard, a dangerous, vindictive man, in self-defense, asserts the defense. The jury of 12 men chosen finally yesterday afternoon, heard the story.

"He reached for his gun and I beat him to it," Thomas told him just after the murder, testified J. E. Redford, of Dorena. Hubbard went by Thomas' house three times on the morning of the shooting, declared the state's witnesses. The last time he went toward the postoffice, Thomas went into his house, was gone a few minutes and then came out again, they declared.

According to Redford's story, as he says it was told him by Thomas, Hubbard was coming down the walk from the postoffice as the accused man was going in the opposite direction. Thomas got off the walk into the road; Hubbard did likewise, the testimony indicates. There passed but a minute or two and then came five shots.

Allen Kirk says he heard the shots, says that Hubbard staggered "till he got to my gate and then he fell. He didn't say a word.... He kicked twice and then never moved hand or foot."

If anything ever came up between him and Hubbard, Thomas said he would kill him, testified J. B. Mosby, Thomas' neighbor, who was cleaning potatoes in his yard at the time the shooting took place and who had known both men. "He said he had a gun and a d-mn good gun," declared Mosby who, when accused by C. A. Hardy, defense counsel, of partisanship in favor of the dead man, declared that he was no more partisan against Thomas than "against any other murderer."

The court room stared when Hubbard's widow took the stand. Remarks of a defamatory character alleged to have been passed by the accused man about Mrs. Hubbard are declared by the state to have been the basis for some of the trouble. Her testimony was brief and was confined to a description of a fight which she had had with Thomas in the presence of her husband.

"I've got a score to settle with him, too," declared Mrs. Maggie Gillespie, from the stand, looking straight down at Thomas. She told of the fight described by Mrs. Hubbard.

Thomas talked to him of illicit relations with Mrs. Hubbard, testified A. S. Ward, who told also of statements made by both Hubbard and Thomas that each had a killing in mind.

A large rock taken from Hubbard's hip pocket was introduced as evidence following testimony by Sheriff Fred Stiekels, which established its genuineness. A gun declared to be that used by Thomas is Exhibit C.

S. S. Trask, of Dorena, was with Hubbard ten or fifteen minutes on the morning of the shooting and was with him when he went by Thomas' house on the way to the postoffice the last time. Trask testified that no remarks passed between Thomas and Hubbard at that time. Hubbard was in Trask's car.

Chara Kirk, wife of John Kirk, owner of the store at Dorena, heard loud talk just preceding the shooting in a voice she believed to be that of Thomas. She heard "four or five shots follow in quick succession" and rushed to the door in time to see Hubbard fall.

"Thomas said he 'put him away,'" testified Miss Mabel Mosby, school teacher at Dorena, who heard the shots and was perhaps an eye witness to the shooting. "Fred, you didn't kill anyone," she declares she said to Thomas just after the shooting, as the bearer of the revolver made his way to his home. "I shot and killed Mr. Hubbard. He won't bother me any more," Thomas answered her, she said.

The fatal shot of the three which took effect in Hubbard's body was one which entered the left side between the eighth and ninth rib, said Dr. A. W. Kime, Cottage Grove physician, who performed the autopsy. The other two bullets struck the arm, one the forearm of the right member and the other the radius bone. Hubbard barely had use of his left arm, testified the doctor, who attended Hubbard for a wound in the arm incurred about the first of September. The deceased also had an injured knee before the shooting, testified the doctor.

Youth and age played their role in the sordidness of yesterday's hearing. Little six-year-old Bernice Mosby, daughter of J. B. Mosby, stood with her finger in her mouth, looked down and shook her head when Judge Skipporth asked her if she thought she knew what it meant when Mr. Bryson over there has you hold up your right hand and swear to tell the "whole truth and nothing but the truth." Bernice thought she didn't or at least she gave evidence of the fact by her blank expression, and the judge ruled her out as an incompetent witness, which did not seem to hurt Bernice's feelings in the least. Court proceedings stopped for a moment while she found her way back to her parents in the crowded court room.

Allen Kirk tottered feebly to the stand with the use of a cane and told his story in the halting voice of age, pointing now and then with his cane, as he strove to make a point. Telling Hubbard staggered to his front gate and died, Kirk said, "I'm old and clumsy, I couldn't help much."

The jury is as follows: Charles F. Colcord, Axel C. Brantzen, Walter Jacobsen, Lawrence May, William Smith, Joseph W. Liles, Charles H. Withrow, John Parker, Blaine Addison, Charles A. Bonnett, Samuel Jamieson and Ralph Coon.

## BERT LANCASTER IS INJURED BY COLT KICK

Blue Mountain, Nov. 7.—(Special to The Sentinel).—Bert Lancaster narrowly escaped serious injury when kicked by a colt a few days ago. Mr. Lancaster was walking and leading the colt, which was carrying a sack of hay behind the saddle. The sack became entangled with a wire fence and the colt jumped and kicked Lancaster on the side of the face. Had the colt been shod, the blow might have been a fatal one. As it was, Lancaster was able to catch the colt and continue on his way to work with a badly swollen jaw.

New Garage Opens. W. F. Kammer and F. W. Sears have rented the lower floor of the Masonic temple, recently vacated by the Smith Motor company. They will establish a garage and intend using a portion of the building for storage purposes. The garage, which will be called the Oregon Auto Repair shop, will be open for business Monday.

Awning Will Be Band Stand. The band has made arrangements with Woodson Brothers to use the awning recently erected at the southeast corner of the building as a bandstand. The awning is substantially built of wood and will make a convenient place for conducting street concerts.

## REST ROOM OPENED WITH GRAND BAZAAR

All Organizations of City Participate in Movement Which is Successfully Put Over.

Cottage Grove's Sunshine rest room was officially opened Saturday with a grand bazaar, the receipts of which were about \$200, which will be used for the furnishing and maintenance of the rest room. The women's clubs and other organizations of the city and grange conducted booths at which various articles were on sale and served hot lunches throughout the day. In the evening an impromptu program was given.

Mayor Geo. O. Knowles delivered the address of welcome and addresses were made by C. J. Kem, president of the chamber of commerce, and E. W. Miller, secretary of the same organization. Mrs. Earl Arthur, Miss Myrtle Potts, Mrs. George Matthews and Miss Elise Price gave a vocal quartet. The program was opened with prayer by Rev. J. E. Carlson.

The use of room in the Porter building has been donated for a year rent free except for taxes.

The organizations which participated in the bazaar, and the amounts which each turned into the rest room fund, were as follows: Kensington club \$25.65, Methodist aid \$20.20, the Grange \$14.25, Oriental booth \$12.57, Tuesday Evening club \$11, Fortune booth \$10.06, Royal Neighbors \$10, Presbyterian ladies aid \$10, Eighth grade girls \$6.65, Social Twelve club \$6, the Wrestlers \$5.60, LaComus club \$5, Christian Science church \$5, Fish Pond and Grab Bag \$15.20, American Legion Auxiliary \$5, Mothers club \$27.02, Christian ladies aid \$5. One or two booths have not yet reported.

In addition to the amount which the bazaar produced, there have been many personal donations of money and furniture and other equipment for the rest room.

Considerable material left over from the bazaar will be disposed of for the benefit of the fund at a "miscellaneous sale" tomorrow by the Mothers club.

## BANQUET THIS EVENING FOR FATHERS AND SONS

Special Fathers and Sons Service at Methodist Church Sunday at Half Past Two.

At the Christian church this evening at 6:30 the women of that congregation will serve a banquet to fathers and sons of the city. Plates will be 50 cents. Mothers and daughters are invited, too, but the affair is especially for fathers and sons.

An excellent program of music and speeches will add to the enjoyment of the occasion. There will be toasts on "Dad, as the Boy Sees Him," and "The Boy, as Dad Sees Him." Professor Dunn, of the University of Oregon, will deliver the principal address. There will be music by a ladies' quartet, a male chorus and a boys' quartet and it will all be as worth while as it is enjoyable.

If any man has no son of his own, he is expected to bring some other man's son. It is expected that more than 200 will be present.

In connection with the fathers and sons program, which begins this evening and closes Sunday night, there will be a special service for men and boys at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 2:30, when W. P. Walters, boys' secretary of the Eugene Y. M. C. A., will speak on "Moral Hygiene for the male chorus."

There will also be special fathers and sons services at all of the churches of the city at 11 o'clock, and everybody in the city is expected to attend at least once during the day.

## Red Cross Officials Visit

John Bell, Earl Kilpatrick and F. L. Armitage, of Eugene, all county Red Cross officials, held a conference here Saturday with local officials of the society concerning the annual membership roll call campaign.

## Relief Supplies for Germany

Frank Birstiel last week shipped another large box of relief supplies to a sister in Germany, who attends to their distribution to the needy. Several boxes had previously been sent, all of the contents being purchased at a Cottage Grove business house.

## Frosh Defeat Eighth Grade

The eighth graders were defeated in a football game Friday with the Frosh class. The score was 20 to 0.

## HAND AND OLSEN WRESTLE TWO HOURS TO DRAW

Each Grappler Secures One Fall Within the Time Limit of Two Hours.

Ralph Hand, local mat artist, and Thor Olsen, 1912 Olympic middleweight champion, divided honors at Moose hall Saturday night in perhaps the fastest and cleverest wrestling bout ever staged in this city. Hand won the first fall in 35 minutes with a toe hold. Olsen won the second fall in 40 minutes with a body scissors and double wrist lock. Neither was able to secure a fall in the remaining 42 minutes of the two hours' time limit agreed upon, and the bout was declared a draw. E. A. Britton, physical director of the Eugene Y. M. C. A., refereed the match.

Harry Lammers, who promoted the match, has signed up the same men for a second meeting in which the men will wrestle to a finish. The date is the evening of Wednesday, November 23, which bout will also be held here, the winner to take a substantial side purse and the entire net gate receipts. It is also expected that the winner will later meet Walter Miller for the middleweight championship of the world. According to the present plans of Promoter Lammers, there will be a preliminary match between local men. The stage will be elevated another foot, giving the fans a much better view of the match. An effort is being made to have Ted Thyse referee the main event.

Hand was handicapped by Olsen being over weight, but in their coming encounter Olsen has put up a cash forfeit to make 150 pounds on the day of the match. Olsen is particularly clever in obtaining holds with his legs, and had his opponent in dangerous positions several times. Marvelous strength, gameness and lightning speed saved Hand on several occasions.

Hand is a master of the toe hold, and, after the first fall, Olsen was especially careful to keep his toes out of danger. Following the match Olsen said: "Hand is young and a dangerous man. I would rather meet Walter Miller, who now holds the middleweight championship of the world, than go to the mat with this boy Hand again."

As a preliminary to Saturday night's event, Ellsworth Damewood and Fred Brown, local middleweights, went fifteen minutes of very clever work without a fall.

In view of the fact that Hand is looked upon by many as the coming middleweight champion, interest in the wrestling game here is decidedly on the increase. Mr. Hand went two hours at Gold Hill a few weeks ago with Walter Miller, present holder of the world's middleweight championship, neither man being able to secure a fall.

## Must Have C. G. News

G. H. Tyson writes from Eugene that seven years' separation from the business, civic and social interests of Cottage Grove may have weakened a link in the chain, but not sufficiently to make it possible to do without the regular visits of the live wire newspaper.

## Thirteen Births, One Death

There were 13 births and one death during the month of October, according to the report of Health Officer Job. The death was of a male and of the births 9 were males and 4 females.

## VOLUME 200 YEARS OLD TREASURED PROPERTY OF MRS. KING

Mrs. Edgar King, of this city, treasures a volume printed in 1725 and which is now nearly 200 years of age. While it is discolored with age and while the full leather binding has become brittle, yet the book is in excellent condition of preservation. The text, which is in the style of time used at that time, is as legible as when printed.

The volume, "The Whole Duty of Man," being essays, one of which is to be read each day, with sufficient for a year by thrice reading the book, was written in 1657 by Henry Hammond, whom biographies state to have been a learned royalist divine of the Church of England. He was born in 1605 at Surrey, Eng., was educated at Eaton and died in 1660 a political prisoner at Oxford.

The book was printed by John Baskett, printer to the King's most excellent majesty. George the First was the ruling monarch. At the time the book was written, Cromwell was the height of his glory in England, Charles the Tenth was on the throne of Sweden, Louis the Fourteenth was on the throne of France and Philip was on the throne of Spain.

An inscription in scrawl on a blank leaf in the back of the book shows that in 1753 it was owned by Thomas Kelsey. In 1829 the volume had come into the possession of John Lambert, great grandfather of Mrs. King, who brought it during that year from Lincolnshire, England, to Illinois. The ocean trip at that time took six weeks and six weeks more was required for the overland trip up the Hudson to Troy, through the Erie canal to Buffalo and on to Erie, Pa., by ox team to Pittsburg and thence down the Ohio to Shawneetown, Ill.

The volume passed down the family through the grandfather to Mrs. King's mother and then to Mrs. King.

## Card of Thanks

We wish to sincerely thank our friends for their kindness and sympathy during the sickness and death of our dear mother and sister and also for the beautiful flowers.

W. C. HENDERER AND FAMILY, J. T. HENDERER AND FAMILY, F. M. HENDERER AND FAMILY, Z. L. COX, T. S. COX, MRS. W. R. CELLERS. nov11p

## Gets Sheep Killing Coyote

Stanley Hickey got the hide of a coyote a few days ago and thinks he will hereafter have more sheep pelts to sell. He had lost a number of his valuable wool producers through the depredations of the coyote.

## A wantad will rent your house.

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