

MANY ENLIST IN MACHINE GUN COMPANY

More Than Half of Required Membership Already Recruited; Business Men Offer Cooperation.

A machine gun unit of maximum strength is the goal set by E. C. Spry, enlisting officer, and those associated with him in the organization of a military company for Cottage Grove, to attain which they must secure the applications of 80 men. Sixty-eight is all that is required for the minimum strength, but Mr. Spry does not intend to stop at that number. More than half the required number have already been recruited.

Sergeant Frank J. Jirak, of the adjutant general's office in Salem, was in the city Tuesday to assist the local recruiting staff in its work and in a half hour informal meeting at American Legion hall met with about thirty representative Cottage Grove business men, who endorsed the movement and pledged their cooperation.

Discussing the benefits to members of the organization and to the community Sergeant Jirak dwelt upon its social and athletic activities and said that it would bring in \$8,000 to \$10,000 a year, the pay for a half hour drill being: for private, \$1; first class private, \$1.17; corporal, \$1.27; sergeant, \$1.50; first sergeant, \$1.75; second lieutenant, \$4.75; first lieutenant, \$5.25; captain, \$6.66, and \$20 a month for commanding the company. In addition to these members would also be paid an additional sum ranging from 50 cents to one dollar a day during the annual encampment.

Sergeant Jirak said that no prospective member need be deterred from enlisting because of the impression that it would interfere with his freedom to remove to some other locality; that an application for discharge, accompanied by an affidavit of permanent removal, would be promptly honored.

INCOME TAXES FOR 1921 ARE REDUCED

Heads of Families Are Given An Additional Exemption; Single Persons Get No Relief.

For the information and assistance of taxpayers in preparing their income tax returns for the year 1921, Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue, has issued a statement in which he briefly discusses the material provisions of the new revenue act and points out wherein those provisions differ from the act under which last year's returns were made. The statement follows:

"The exemption allowed for a dependent is increased from \$200 to \$400. Married persons living with husband or wife and heads of families are allowed a personal exemption of \$2,500 (instead of \$2,000) unless the net income is in excess of \$5,000, in which case the personal exemption is only \$2,000. The act provides that in no case shall the reduction of the personal exemption on \$5,000 incomes operate to increase the tax which would be payable if the exemption were \$2,500 by more than the amount of the net income in excess of \$5,000. This is to overcome the disparity in the case of two taxpayers, one of whom is just within the lower \$2,000 exemption and the other just within the higher \$2,500 exemption.

"Single persons and married persons not living with husbands or wife are allowed an exemption of \$1,000. Persons having gross incomes for 1921 of \$5,000 or over are required to make a return, regardless of the amount of net income.

"The excess profits tax is repealed as of January 1, 1922. The rates for 1921 are unchanged.

"The surtax rates for the calendar year 1921 are unchanged, and range from 1 per cent on the amount of net income between \$5,000 and \$6,000 to 65 per cent of the amount of net income in excess of \$1,000,000. For the calendar year 1922 the surtax rates range from 1 per cent on the amount of net income between \$6,000 and \$10,000 to 50 per cent on the amount by which the net income exceeds \$200,000.

"Provisions is made for the repeal as of January 1, 1922, of the tax on stockholders of a personal service corporation as such. After that date such corporations are to be taxed in the same manner as other corporations.

"The income tax on corporations for the calendar year 1922 and thereafter is increased from 10 to 12 1/2 per cent. The \$2,000 exemption heretofore allowed corporations is to be granted only to those corporations whose net income is not over \$25,000.

"Many persons are under the impression that the taxes on ice cream, soft drinks, etc., monthly returns of which are required, have been repealed with the enactment of the new act. They remain in force until December 31, 1921.

"No change is made in the tax on admissions, except that after January 1, 1922, there will be no tax where admission is 10 cents or less. Effective Jan. 1, 1922, the taxes are abolished on musical instruments, sporting goods, chewing gum, portable electric fans, thermos bottles, fur articles, pleasure smokes, toilet articles, medicines and numerous articles of apparel.

A newspaper without an editorial page is like a ship without a rudder—and you are not willing to take chances on a ship with a flimsy steering gear.

WINSTOCK COMMENTS ON ARMAMENT CONFERENCE

Melvin G. Winstock, Oregonian of long standing, was in Cottage Grove Wednesday on business and called on The Sentinel long enough to touch briefly on his great hobby "The Limitations of Armament Conference." Mr. Winstock, since October 1, has delivered addresses on this subject in Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, Bellingham, Eugene, Corvallis and many other cities, and he regretted that time did not permit an address at Cottage Grove.

"After a war," he said, "that cost in human lives between 35 and 40 million is killed, wounded and missing and \$33 billion is gold; that incredibly multiplied the national debt of every nation of the world; that has placed unbearable burdens on the backs of plain people everywhere, nations for 1921-22 have appropriated still further billions for armies and navies.

"Our country seeks to make a beginning toward the promotion of peace and the reductions of these back breaking taxes and penalties. Germany is requested to pay for her sins but \$900,000,000 a year for 50 years but her indemnity. We, who have committed no international crime, this year spend twice that sum for military and naval expense. Continuance of this procedure is a crime against the people.

"And yet we have men in the land, who for partisan political purposes announce violent opposition to the ratification of the four-nation agreement. The good citizen of Cottage Grove can perform no higher act of patriotism or human service than not only to approve America's course but to frown down on every effort to divide our country's sentiment on this stupendous work."

COUNTY GETS SLIGHT CUT IN HIGHWAY BILL

Although the state highway commission at a conference with members of the Lane county court in Portland last week agreed to lop off between \$1800 and \$1900 from the county's bill of approximately \$63,000 alleged due the state for highway work, where the money is coming from and when it will be paid is still a vexing problem.

County Judge Barnard says that he does not know whether or not under the law the county could pay the bill and that at the present time there is no place where the money can come from.

The commission agreed to lop off \$1500 from the cost of the overhead crossing at Divide and the item of \$640 for a watchman at the crossing was divided 50-50. A number of other items under dispute were taken under advisement and a decision will soon be made by the state commission.

COTTAGE GROVE SHOOTERS WIN MANY TURKEYS IN SHOOT

S. S. Lasswell, Pete Nelson and Altn Groves, of the Cottage Grove Rod and Gun club, went to Yonella Sunday and participated in a turkey shoot with satisfactory results. Nelson accumulated nine turkeys, Lasswell three and Groves one. There was no shoot on the local field Sunday.

Aged Couples Wed

Saturday was a good day for marriage licenses to aged couples. The county clerk issued a license to William Lane, 80, and Mrs. Emily J. Lammon, 63, both of Cottage Grove. They were married at the court house by County Judge C. P. Barnard. This was the groom's fourth marriage and the third for the bride.

Harry M. Newell, 71, and Sarah E. Hulbert, 58, both of Eugene, were also granted license to wed, this being his third trial and her second at matrimony.

Other licenses were issued to the following: William Adams 35, and Maude Skoog, 32, both of Eugene and both married once before; Charles E. Williams 53, and Lola Reed, 46, both of Eugene, and each having been married once.

Royal Neighbors Elect

Royal Neighbors of America have elected the following officers: Elizabeth McFarland, oracle; Anna Elledge, vice oracle; Mildred Baker, chancellor; Nellie Blackmore, recorder; Myrtle Ackerman, receiver; Anna Swanson, marshal; Eden Jones, inner sentinel; Esther Hohl, outer sentinel; Mary Baker, manager for three years; Minnie Miller, musician.

FREE METHODISTS WILL HOLD REVIVAL MEETING

A series of revival meetings will be begun at the Free Methodist church on Tenth avenue on New Year's day and will continue for three weeks. Rev. Huskabee, a well known California orator, will have charge of the meetings.

WINTER FRUIT CROP IS GIVEN SET BACK BY COLD SNAP

It is feared that the cold snap of the past few days has seriously interfered with the winter small fruit crop. Strawberry plants have been well loaded with berries. Current bushes have been budding and small fruit generally has been exhibiting intentions of producing a crop.

"Uncle Burne" Veatch, Resident of Cottage Grove Country 68 Years, Passes Beyond in Ninety-fourth Year

"Uncle Burne" Veatch, one of the best known and most highly esteemed citizens of the community and a resident of the Cottage Grove country for more than 68 years, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. S. Holderman, at 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, following a partial stroke of paralysis which he suffered some ten days before. Surrounded by his children and grandchildren he went peacefully and painlessly out upon the long long trail at the ripe old age of 93 years, 1 month, 8 days.

Harvey Clayburne Veatch was born November 10, 1828, at Enfield, White county, Ill., and crossed the plains in 1853 in the train of Samuel Barlow Knox, whose daughter, Margaret Jane Knox, he married on Christmas eve, 1854, and they made their home on Mr. Veatch's homestead a mile and a half from Cottage Grove. Eight children were born to them, seven of whom survive. They are Samuel P., of Portland; Oliver O., of this city; Mrs. Rosetta Miller, of Walla Walla, Wash.; Mrs. W. V. McGee, of Albany; Mrs. R. H. Mosby and Mrs. E. S. Holderman, of this city, and Elhanen, of Portland. There are many grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. Mrs. Veatch died November 27, 1919, at the age of 88 years. All of the children were here for the funeral except S. P., of Portland, who is in Texas on a visit and could not arrive in time.

"Uncle Burne" and "Aunt Jane," as they were familiarly known, were prominently identified with the development of the Cottage Grove country, which they helped to develop from a wilderness inhabited by Indians and wild animals to a rich and fertile land of prosperous and happy people.

HAND TOO FAST FOR HUSKY HACKENSCHMIDT

Administers Toe Hold to Doughty Spokane Grappler for Two Straight Falls.

Ralph Hand, popular Cottage Grove wrestler, added to his laurels and took another step toward the middleweight championship of the world Saturday night when he defeated Young Hackenschmidt, of Spokane, in two straight falls, the first in 32 minutes and the second in 14, using his favorite toe hold for both. From the early time the bout was fast and furious, neither man abating for an instant the terrific pace begun at the outset.

Hackenschmidt has speed, strength, cleverness and endurance, is clean and aggressive, and put up a beautiful battle, but at no time did he succeed in getting a dangerous hold on his resourceful antagonist. Hand, always fast and clever, showed brilliant bursts of speed which brought roars of applause from the audience, and at the close of the match was apparently as fresh as when he started. It was a clean and thrilling battle and was declared by many to have been the best ever put on here. Hand weighed in at 163 and Hackenschmidt at 165. "Tex" Knight, of Springfield, refereed the bout.

Hand's next match is at Gold Hill on December 23, when he is slated to meet Professor Kintne. In a preliminary bout refereed by Ellsworth Damewood, Harry Crume, of Cottage Grove, defeated "Tex" Knight, of Springfield, getting a fall with a body seissors and arm lock in 27 minutes.

ROW RIVER

(Special to The Sentinel.)

Dec. 21.—Miss Elvina McCollum returned Sunday evening from a two weeks' visit with relatives and friends in Roseburg.

Mrs. Faneho Stubblefield and little daughter, of Pilot Rock, Ore., visited Thursday of last week with Mrs. Earl Garoutte.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McCalister are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Phillips at Wildwood this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lanan and little daughter, Leona, and "Dutch" Lanan spent Tuesday in the Grove.

Mrs. C. H. Jennings and daughter Faye, of Dorena, visited Sunday with the B. F. McCollum family.

Ernest Sloan and W. W. Jackson, of Green Forest, Ark., are visiting with Mr. Sloan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Sloan.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Premazzi and Mr. and Mrs. Tunis VanProoyen attended the show in the Grove Saturday night.

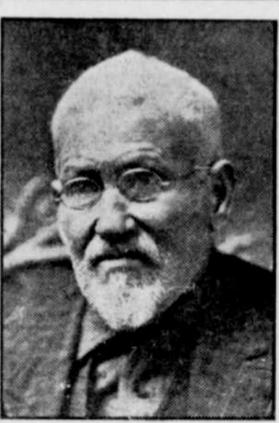
Chloe Whiteley and Virgie and Gladys Carpenter, of Star, spent Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Premazzi.

Fred McMaster, Johnny Thrun and Arthur Tanner motored to Eugene Tuesday.

Among Grove visitors from here Saturday were Mrs. Frank Pleunard and daughter Grace, B. F. McCollum and daughter Pearl, Mrs. Ellen Owens, Ralph Pleunard and Nellie Pleunard.

There will be a Christmas tree, program and dance at the cook house to night under the auspices of the B. J. hemia Lumber company.

Read the editorials. You may not agree with them but they are likely to make you think, and that's worth while.



"UNCLE BURNE" VEATCH

land of prosperous and happy people. "Uncle Burne" had been a member of the Presbyterian church for 66 years, and a member of the Masonic lodge for more than 48 years.

The funeral was held at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning from the Presbyterian church, Rev. A. R. Sparrow, pastor of the church, officiating, and interment was in the A. F. & A. M. I. O. O. F. cemetery beside the body of the wife with whom he lived for nearly 65 years. Members of the Masonic lodge attended the service in a body, and there were many beautiful floral offerings.

CITY SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED UNTIL JANUARY 2

Mrs. O. W. Hays, Wife of Superintendent, and Two Pupils Are Ill With Diphtheria.

The Cottage Grove schools have been closed until January 2. The action was taken Sunday afternoon when it was learned that Mrs. O. W. Hays, wife of the superintendent, had contracted diphtheria and that the house had been quarantined. Two other members of the faculty, Miss Dorothy Hays and Miss Katherine Mendell, are quarantined with Mr. and Mrs. Hays. In view of the fact that it was impossible for the remaining members of the faculty to perform the extra work and the fear that other cases might develop resulted in the decision to close the schools until after the holidays.

Children under eighteen years of age have been forbidden to attend public gatherings, and a number of entertainments and other unnecessary meetings have been postponed.

Mrs. Hays' condition has not been serious at any time and she is now thought to be well on the road to recovery. Two other cases have been reported to the health officer. They are Dora, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Conner, and Glen, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKibben, and both are reported to be getting along very satisfactorily.

COLD SNAP GOOD FOR TREES, SAYS STEWART

That the present cold snap is the best thing that could happen from the fruit growers' standpoint is the assertion of C. E. Stewart, county fruit inspector. Mr. Stewart says the present cold weather will "harden the sap" in the trees and vines so that they will stand the colder weather later in the winter. To have had a warm early winter would have kept the sap up in the trees so that the first real hard freezing weather would have done damage, declares the inspector.

Brumfield Appeal Filed

Roseburg, Ore., Dec. 17.—The appeal in the Brumfield murder case has been completed and District Attorney George Neuner is in possession of a copy of the bill of exceptions and transcript. The bill contains 102 pages and the transcript 500 pages. A date will be set soon for the filing of the appeal.

The defense takes exception to the order of Judge Bingham overruling the motion for change of venue. It is also claimed that the court erred in overruling the motion of the defense to quash the indictment, alleging that the grand jury was not properly empaneled. It is also claimed that Joseph Hammersley, deputy district attorney of Multnomah county, appointed to assist in prosecuting the case, had no right inside the grand jury room. Several objections to testimony and technicalities are contained in the appeal.

LOCAL MOTORCYCLISTS IN ENDURANCE RUN

Harry Rente and George Foster, local motorcyclists, will participate in an endurance run to be staged by the Eugene Motorcycle club New Year's day. The run will be from Eugene to Medford and return, starting at 12 p. m. New Year's eve, the riders to leave five minutes apart. It is thought likely that others from here will also enter.

KIDDIES ENJOY SNOW; OLDER FOLK SHIVER

The kiddies are having a grand and glorious time this week. With the temperature hovering about the freezing point every night, and not rising near far enough in daytime to meet the approval of Wellfooters, and with almost enough snow on the ground for coasting, the youngsters, most of whom have only a bowing acquaintance with this variety of weather, have been having the time of their young lives while older folk, muffled in many clothes and shivering, pray for the warm drizzle and the balmy spring atmosphere that belongs to Oregon.

Small fruits and vegetables, which had been continuing blithely upon their way to Cottage Grove tables, and flowers and plants which had flourished throughout the fall and winter, have succumbed to the frost king, and should the present temperature continue much longer, the strident voice of the ice skater and the thwack of the hockey stick will be heard in the land.

There has been very little snow. The temperature for the past week has been as follows:

	Min.	Max.
Friday	24	39
Saturday	22	36
Sunday	22	37
Monday	25	32
Tuesday	20	27
Wednesday	19	25

Must Have the Best.

J. S. Benson writes from his Wolf Creek ranch that he thinks the price of The Sentinel is too high but that he has learned that all good things come high. As he must have the best, he sends his check, with the wish that it may receive as warm a welcome as the live wire newspaper does each week.

GRANGE DESERVES PART OF CREDIT FOR CANNERY

In the report of the open forum of the chamber of commerce, published December 16, there was an inadvertent omission which made it appear that the chamber of commerce was entirely responsible for the establishment of the cannery. The speaker who referred to the establishment of the cannery was the president of the commercial club at the time the final drive for subscriptions for the cannery was made and well remembers that the grange took a part equally as active as that of the chamber, which fact was mentioned at the open forum meeting. As a matter of fact, the cannery was first proposed by the grange, which solicited the cooperation of the commercial club.

While the larger part of the funds was raised inside the city, yet the committee which visited the producers due to the greater amount of effort was greatly scattered and to the fact that subscriptions came in smaller amounts.

The Sentinel corrects the error so that all may get the credit due them.

Higher Gas Tax Is Proposed.

County Judge C. P. Barnard is responsible for the introduction and passage of a resolution at the annual convention of county judges and commissioners in Portland favoring the increase in the tax on gasoline from 2 to 5 cents a gallon, the proceeds to be devoted to road maintenance and apportioned as follows: Two cents to the state highway fund and 3 cents to the county of its origin.

When presented by Judge Barnard the resolution provided that 3 cents should go to the state highway fund and 2 cents to the counties, but the association reversed the proportions in favor of the counties.

LYCEUM COURSE NUMBER CANCELLED

The second number of the high school lyceum course, No. Pomoceno's Filipino quartet, will not be presented, as advertised, at the high school and during Monday evening, December 26, owing to the ban of the health officer on attendance at public gatherings of those under 18 years of age.

This company, or one substituted for it, will appear here at a later date, according to Principal Hargreaves, of the high school, who was in communication with the Ellison White Lyceum bureau Tuesday.

A number of other meetings and entertainments have also been postponed.

Grange Elects Officers.

Cottage Grove grange has elected the following officers: M. M. Wheeler, master; G. W. McFarland, overseer; W. E. Dorward, steward; Mrs. Julia Ashby, secretary; J. R. Cooley, treasurer; A. J. Stevens, chaplain; E. C. Shaw, gatekeeper; Mrs. M. M. Wheeler, Ceres; Mrs. J. Hardy Crow, Pomona; Mrs. C. W. Sears, Flora; Mrs. G. W. McFarland, lady assistant steward. Installation will be held at the January meeting.

A wanted will sell it.

SNEEZING IS VIOLENT FORM OF EXERCISE FOR HELLIWELL

Sneezing is not ordinarily considered violent exercise or dangerous amusement, although sometimes considered discourteous. However, A. W. Helliwell, of Helliwell, Bangs and Marksburg, has found it at least dangerous. Participating in that kind of exercise resulted for him in tearing loose some of the ligaments near the heart. The doctor ordered him to spend several days at home, and that right during the holiday rush. He was able to get back on the job Tuesday.

NEW ELECTRIC RATES MAY NOT BE USED

Local Light and Power Company May Voluntarily Inaugurate Lower Schedule.

The Sentinel had intended this week to publish a comprehensive statement of the new electric light and power rates ordered by the public service commission. Upon preparing such a statement, however, it found that, in some instances the rates were not only not lower than former rates but had been, in some instances, actually raised, notably in the rates for power and for commercial cooking on a metered basis.

The situation was presented to the officials of the electric company, who stated that they were dissatisfied with the situation and really wished for a reduction in rates. The Sentinel suggested that if a reduction were the desire it was within the power of the company itself to initiate such reduction, the rates set by the commission being maximum rates only. Manager Shinn seemed to be of the opinion that such a reduction could not be initiated without giving notice of 30 days to the commission and immediately arranged with Mayor Knowles to make a session with the public service commission, which trip was made Wednesday but too late for The Sentinel to give a report of the results.

Eilbert Bede, editor of The Sentinel, is in Salem and expects to be present at the meeting. He already has interviewed the members of the commission and finds that the rates shown in the commission's order were such as were thought to be fair and equitable without particular regard as to whether or not they were a reduction. He also has learned that it is within the power of the electric company to put into immediate effect any reductions in rate which it may desire, being only prohibited from going above the rates set by the commission.

In view of the fact that Manager Shinn has indicated that he wishes to put into effect rates which will be satisfactory to patrons of his company and to the fact that it is possible for him to do so, The Sentinel anticipates that the schedule of rates fixed by the commission never will become effective. For this reason it would be wasted effort to publish a table comparing these rates with past rates.

All the rates shown in the new schedule fixed by the commission include a charge of 50 cents for service or overhead before a charge for service is made. This fact results in no reduction to the patron using only a small amount of power.

FAIR MAY BE FINANCED BY TAX ON GASOLINE

Resolution to Levy Additional One-Cent a Gallon for Purpose Is Passed by House.

Salem, Ore., Dec. 21.—The house of representatives of the special session of the Oregon legislature late tonight passed a resolution levying an additional tax of one cent a gallon on gasoline to produce funds to support the proposed world exposition in Portland in 1925. The vote was 45 to 14 with one member absent, and was taken after a lengthy debate. The resolution now goes to the senate.

The city of Portland has voted to levy a tax of \$2,000,000. An additional million will be raised by popular subscription and the resolution passed tonight is designed to raise \$3,000,000 from the state at large. An easy passage through the senate is indicated.

The resolution is a proposed constitutional amendment which will be referred to the people.

The proposition of a direct tax to finance the fair ran up against a legal snag and had to be abandoned and the gasoline tax measure is a compromise bill. The new bill is a copy of the first except that the funds to finance the exposition are to come from the gasoline tax, both having been presented by Representative Kubi. At the 6 o'clock adjournment the house seemed about ready to vote on this, with the assurance that it would pass by a good majority, and that a bill by Representative Fletcher to raise the gasoline tax from two to three cents would be given immediate consideration and it, too, go through on greased ways.

A losing fight was waged by the opponents of any state tax for the promotion of an exposition and also by those who wished to make some vital amendments.

While the gasoline tax is not exactly satisfactory, either to proponents or opponents, yet it seems the only financing measure possible to get by the session and the most likely to get by the people, to whom it will be referred.

Miss Marjorie and Miss Muriel Shay are expected home tomorrow for the holidays. Miss Marjorie has been visiting at Kellog, Idaho, for the past three months, and Miss Muriel is teaching in the public schools at Nyssa, in eastern Oregon.

Little girls sure would be delighted to have the fifty new play house at the Silver Star Exchange. Also, play table and chairs.

Miss Martha Huey Johnson is home from the U. of O. for the holidays. Miss Alice Garston is also a guest at the Johnson home.

The Sentinel wants all the news all the time. If you know an item, phone it in. Our number is 159-J.