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DECORATION DAY BIG EVENT

Procession, Addresses, Program and Lunch Consume Most of Day. Soldiers Pose for Pictures. Veterans Continue Their Sketches.

According to plan the big annual event in the life of every old Veteran, decoration day, was duly celebrated by Lents Veterans on last Saturday. The decorations began early in the morning and lasted till afternoon. As early as eight o'clock baskets of flowers were on the way to the cemeteries. By nine o'clock the Veterans and their wives and families were assembled at Odd-fellows hall and shortly after that hour the parade was formed and moved south to Johnson Creek bridge where a short ceremony was held, the stream was showered with flowers in memory of departed soldiers and sailors, a three volley salute was fired by local Sons of Veterans, and then the return march was begun. Returning they assembled in the Oddfellows hall and an excellent program was rendered, of which the following is a report:

Introductory talk, by John Huntington, Chairman.
Prayer, Dr. Fawcett.
Reading of General Logan's Order, No. 11.
Recitation, Miss Leah Melvin.
Address, Mrs. M. L. T. Hidden.
Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, Miss Horner.
Song, "Cover Them Over," Five young ladies.
"The Last Veteran," Miss Leah Melvin.
"Taps," Ned Curtis.

After this feature of the day's program was ended all repaired to the dining room where a fine lunch had been spread. At the close of the lunch Mrs. Hidden, acting as toast master, called on John Walrod, John Huntington, G. M. Wilson, and Messrs Pugh, Baker, Stately, Mrs. Maffet, and Mr. Darnall of the Herald. Following this all the company returned to the hall and the veterans and their wives were lined up and had their pictures taken. These pictures were not the best in the world but they were the best ever taken of this group and under the circumstances we are compelled to use it.

The Ladies of the G. A. R. wish to offer their thanks publicly to the following persons who furnished donations as indicated: Meats, Eggman and Duke Brothers, Groceries, Katzy Brothers, Clyde Sager, Holway, Werner, Kanno, Miley and Westover, Strawberries, Mr. Toon, Milk, Mrs. Raleigh, Mrs. Hawkins.

Veterans Continue Sketches

The biographical sketches issued in last week's Herald were highly appreciated and several promised to send in their stories for this week's issue. These will be continued as quickly as they come in.

G. W. Pugh was first sergeant of Co. G, 35th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry. He enlisted in 1863 and was with his regiment in Arkansas, Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama. Took part in the siege of Mobile, Spanish Fort and Fort Blakely. He led his company at the charge on Whistler Station, and when Dick Taylor surrendered to their division they went to Mobile, and then were assigned to Sheridan and taken to the Mexican border. They were along the Rio Grande for nine months, until Maximilian was killed, returning home in March 1866.

After discharge he returned to Wisconsin where he lived for several years, then he tried Nebraska, and thirty years ago he came to Oregon, settling at Lents eight years ago.

John Walrod was born August 6, 1839, in Herkimer County, New York, came to Wisconsin with his parents in May, 1862, enlisted in July 1861, was mustered in August 16, 1861 into Co. A, 7th Wisconsin Infantry for three years, or during the war. The Company received the name of 8th Guards. On the 21st of September, 1861, it left camp for Washington, D. C. October 1, it marched to Chain Bridge, via Georgetown and was brigaded with the other troops of General Kings command in the organization of the army by General McClellan. The Iron Brigade, which was composed of the second, sixth and seventh Wisconsin, nineteenth Indiana, and Battery B, Fourth United States Artillery, a division assigned to General McDowell's division of the army of the Potomac, and October 5th it went into camp at Fort Tillinghast on Arlington Heights, half a mile west of the Arlington...



Members of Lents Veteran Post 3349, A. R., and their wives, members of 8th Co. Circle 19, present Decoration Day May 30, 1914, Lents.

to the House, and the residence of the...
to be reviewed by General McDowell...
On March 10, 1862, the spring campaign commenced by a march to Manassas. Whither we learned that the enemy had destroyed everything perishable about Centerville and Manassas Junction, and retreated toward Gordonsville and Richmond. While at that point a reorganization of the army was effected by order of President Lincoln. General John Gibbons was assigned the command of the brigade. August 20 to 23 we fought at Rappahannock Station, Va.; August 26 we fought at Sulphur Springs, Va., and August 28 at Gainesville; August 29 to 30 at Second Bull Run; September 14 at Antietam, and December 11 to 15 we were at Fredricksburg, Va. April 29 to 30, 1863, we fought at Fryingpan Crossing, Va.; May 1 to 5 at Chancellorsville, Va., and July 1 to 4 at Gettysburg, where I was wounded on the first day, and taken prisoner on the morning of the 4th. I was taken by our own forces and sent to Le Sartre's hospital, Philadelphia on the 11th. This was the first time my wound was dressed. I was there about three months when I was sent to Convalescent Camp, Va. I remained there until October, when I had a thirty day furlough and went to Wisconsin and voted. When my furlough expired I returned to Convalescent Camp and thereafter that was transferred to Co. F, 24th Veteran Reserve Corps, as my wound was a gunshot wound through the left wrist joint, and I could not handle a gun, but acted as sergeant without a gun, while in rank was that of first corporal. On August 16, 1864 I was mustered out at Washington, D. C. by reason of expiration of term of service.

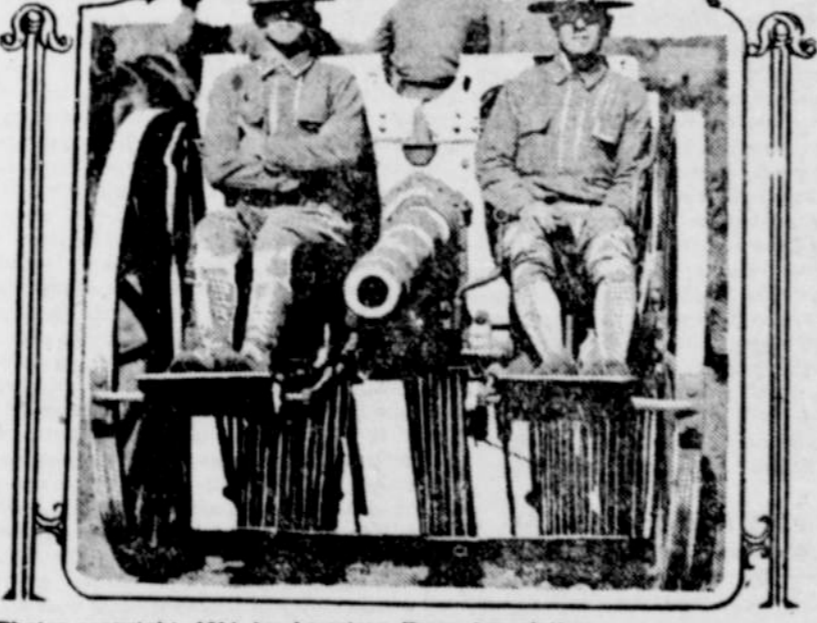
The Seventh Regiment, Wisconsin Infantry to which I belonged, lost from killed in action, 281; from disease, 146; total, 427. Regimental strength 1630.

This regiment according to Colonel Fox's History stands third in losses of any regiment in the Union Army. Company A stands first of any Company of infantry in the Union Army.

Chas. R. Drake was born in Tompkins County, New York, May 28, 1838. He enlisted in Co. C, 141 New York Volunteer Infantry, August 1861. He served three years service and served in Italy - except when sent to the Evroselle, Ind., hospital along with 43 others - following which he took a 30 days furlough, rejoining his company in February, 1862, - until his discharge on June 18, 65.

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Uncle Sam's Fighting Men "On the Job" at Vera Cruz



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UNCLE SAM'S fighting men are following active careers in Mexico and they like the work as a welcome change from the dull routine of times of peace. In the illustration appear two typical scenes of affairs in eastern Mexico. One shows a machine gun with its crew hurrying westward from Vera Cruz to guard the waterworks, five miles distant. The other shows a squad of infantrymen firing at Mexican sharpshooters (or snipers, as they are termed) in the outskirts of Vera Cruz.

Oklahoma Wants Help

A call is going out to all parts of the country asking for fifteen thousand harvest hands for Oklahoma. Wages are declared to be \$2.00 and board. There is a probability that most of the harvest employees will be retained later to care for the fall crops. The state will maintain free employment bureaus at Enid, Alva, Woodward, Frederick, and Oklahoma City.

Married

Mr. Willard W. Nelson of Portland and Miss Lillian Dell Thomas of Yamhill, Oregon, were married at the home of the bride, June 3, 1914. Rev. W. Boyd McCreary officiating. The wedding was a quiet one, only relatives being present. After the ceremony a wedding dinner was served. They will spend the summer at Seaside after which they will return to Portland and make Portland their home. Their many friends will be glad to welcome them back to these parts.

Death of Mrs. Tracy May Low

Mrs. Tracy May Low, was born at Plymouth, Ind., September 22, 1896. From childhood she was of a sunny and cheerful disposition. Although severely afflicted her whole life, she was never known to complain or become discouraged, when the clouds seemed darkest she pierced them through with her sunny smile.

She was reared in the Catholic faith remaining a sincere and faithful member of the church, and held in highest esteem in St. Peter's Parish the local society. She was a most devoted wife and loving mother. She died June 1, 1914, age 27 years, 8 months, 9 days.

LENTS PLAY-GROUND NOW OPEN

Lents playground, North Main street is now open and in daily use by several hundred children. The play apparatus has been doubled. Plans are laid so the north portion of the grounds will be used for the boys, the south for the girls. Mr. Fithian has been sent out as boys' instructor and he will be in attendance from 1 to 8 p. m. The girls' instructor will be Mrs. Wetterhall and she will be on the ground from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m.

"Campfire Girls" Will Entertain

The Lents "Campfire Girls" society will occupy the center of the stage, as it were, next Monday evening at the Yeager theatre, Lents. A special series of good photoplays will be put on and the girls will give one number. The proceeds of the show will go to aid in getting uniforms for the society, and to meet incidental expenses. A big attendance is expected.

COUNTY NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST

Bids for the construction of the new Sandy River bridge will be advertised for in a few days. According to plans and specifications filed with the County Commissioners yesterday. The bridge is to be two spans, one 200 feet and the other 77 feet long. Bids received a few days ago were rejected because the Commissioners had not followed the law.

Sandy is preparing to hold a district fair October 2, and 3, under the direction of Sandy Grange.

The County Fair Premium list is out. A copy may be secured from the Secretary, E. L. Thorpe, Gresham.

D. S. Dunbar and wife of Fairview, will spend the summer with a son at Lakeview, Oregon.

Troutdale will indulge in a rousing Fourth of July celebration this year.

Gresham has a jelly factory assured and a fruit cannery coming.

The Government dredge Oregon, which has been operating in the Yaquina River for several months, has completed a channel from Toledo to the ocean and the first ocean-going steamer has been docked and loaded at that port. The steamer Bandon, of San Francisco, loaded a cargo of 600,000 feet of lumber for the California city and will hereafter make regular trips between the two ports. It is estimated that the new channel through Yaquina Bay has put not less than six billion feet of splendid timber within easy reach of the ocean.

Each of the eight Willamette Valley counties included in the Willamette Valley Exposition Association, will specialize in some particular phase of the exhibit. Clackamas and Washington counties will feature processing fruits and vegetables; Polk County, wool and mohair; Benton County, minerals; Lane County, timber products; Linn County, fresh fruits and vegetables; Marion County, hops and canned and dried fruits and vegetables. It is planned that while each county will specialize along these lines, no county will be barred from contributing good samples in other lines if they wish.

As a result of the interests which has been aroused in the raising of corn in Oregon, it is stated that over 2,000 acres of the cereal has been planted in the vicinity of Ontario. Most of the planting was done with carefully selected, acclimated seed, and as the growers are using the most modern methods in its cultivation, it is expected the yield will be the best ever turned out in the state. Over 40 corn cultivators were sold by Ontario merchants in one week.

At Amity, Marion County, there has just been received a herd of registered Holstein dairy stock, bought in Michigan and said to be the best lot of dairy cattle in Oregon. The herd consists of 18 heifers and one registered bull. The mother of this bull is said to have a record of 909 pounds of butter in a single year. Cost of the herd, including transportation, amounted to \$5,500.

WILL STRAIGHTEN JOHNSON CREEK

Creek to Lose Its Dizzy Curves—Will Save Thousands to Property Owners. County Interested in Improvement.

Johnson creek is to be straightened. It will be shortened more than a mile. The cost will be five thousand dollars. No more will the valley east of Main street be flooded each freshet.

That is, this is the plan now under consideration by Road Commissioner Yeon. If the survey completed yesterday by Engineer William Balzhizer is accepted by the county commissioners the improvement will be made before the winter rains come again.

The cost will practically all be borne by private subscriptions. The Portland Railway Light and Power Company has offered to donate two thousand dollars toward the work. D. V. Jones is also a large contributor.

Road Supervisor, E. W. McMullen, has charge of the undertaking. Mr. Balzhizer was sent out to estimate on the cost of raising the roads in the Lents district that are flooded each winter. He reported back that instead of filling in the roads the proper way was to straighten the creek and the cost would be very much less.

Between the Sieber place on the east and the Sichel place near Marconi station, the creek winds around for two and a quarter miles and has a fall of ten feet. It is proposed to cut through four narrow necks of land. The first cut on the Seiber place is 550 and saves 2300 feet. The second bend is 900 feet around and 130 across. The third is 600 around and 100 across. The lower cut will be only 350 feet across and the distance by the present channel is 4000 feet. Even this 350 feet can be reduced to 285 but it would make a bad cut in the Sichel field. By keeping to the line fence the distance is 65 feet longer. In this 350 feet there is a drop of three feet.

The new channel will be 40 feet on top, 20 on the bottom and 10 feet deep. Of course with a fall of ten feet in little more than a mile the bed of the creek is bound to cut deeper.

The total excavation is about 1,400 feet and the cost \$3.30 per foot, or 30 cents a yard. It is all plow and scraper work. There are only three big trees in all the excavation to be removed. The dirt will be used to fill the old channel as far as it will go.

There is also a bend at the Wagner place which will be included in the estimate. This would add another big tree and save only about 20 feet in distance and necessitate 100 feet of excavation.

Each winter for a few days the electric car track is flooded. Residents along the creek have also been troubled with high water. Dr. Harry McKay was planning to put up a fine residence just above Lents Junction. One winter day he found the place under four feet of water. The straightening of the channel will enable the doctor to build on dry land. It will also add many thousands of dollars to the value of other property in that district.

Wedding

Clarence W. Cone of Lents and Miss Lettie Smith of Ninth avenue were married at the Methodist parsonage June 3, 1914 at 8 p. m. Rev. W. Boyd Moore performing the ceremony, after which the bridal party was driven to the home of the bride, 217 Ninth avenue, where a wedding dinner was served. A large company of relatives were present from different parts of the city and Mrs. Dykstra of Heppner, Oregon. They will reside at 7028, 60th Ave., S. E. and will be at home after June 20. Both these young people are well known in this community and their many friends join in congratulating them.

Louis Schuman Dies

Louis L. Schuman of 850 Willamette Boulevard died last Wednesday, 56 years of age. He was well known by old settlers in this county, where the family has lived for years. He was a brother to Mrs. Frank Sniffin and Pauline and Albert Schuman of Lents. He leaves a wife and two daughters and a son to mourn his departure, besides a large number of friends.

Grange Officers Meet

The regular quarterly meeting of the Masters and Lecturers of Multnomah County will be held at the Evening Star Grange next Saturday at 1:15 P. M.