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ALASKA IS A WONDERFUL COUNTRY.

Letters From Former Stayton Boys Who Are in Alaska, Highly Praise The Summer Climate.

ANCHORAGE IS GROWING

Twenty Hours of Daylight at This Season Makes The Crops Fairly Jump.

In letters written home by G. C. Eksman and G. P. Kearns recently, the boys tell a wonderful story of the enterprises, the activity and the possibilities of Uncle Sam's dominion to the north.

In detail Mr. Eksman says: "I am writing from the top bunk of Moose Creek Camp, on the shore of the famous Matanuska river, surrounded by snow-capped mountains, and about 60 miles from Anchorage. I am working for the government, and we are almost shut in from the outside world. What little news we get is weeks old."

"Glen Porter is working at Camp 2, but will be done here in a little while. This is the best camp on the line, and is located in a fine place. When I came here a little over a month ago everything was bare, and today the grass is 18 inches high and the wild berries are quite large. There are many creeks and lakes here and the fishing is good. Many fine catches are made, all big ones too. We expect to have the train running up here shortly after the Fourth." Anchorage will celebrate a free excursion will take us down. I read a Stayton Mail in my bunk the other night at 12:30 without a light. The sun comes up before 3 a. m.

Speaking of some of the possibilities and resources of Alaska, Mr. Kearns says: "I just got back from the coal mine, which is about 1 1/2 miles from camp up Moose Creek, a beautiful mountain stream the size of the Salem ditch; and as far as coal is concerned one can find it cropping out almost anywhere. All of this land here at one time was a vast swamp, but now is thrown up into great mountains and ridges, some of them bare and of solid rocks and others covered with trees, and some of the finest land you ever saw. Where I am now it gets as low as 44 below in the winter, although 200 miles west it is comparatively mild.

"Moose and bear are thick from all reports of the hunters. When I came the steel was 18 miles away and we hope to ride to Anchorage on the train the Fourth.

"You should see the grass, red top it is called, and the blue-bells growing in the woods. I don't think I ever saw a prettier sight. The snow is nearly all gone from the hills, but you can dig down a foot or two most anywhere and strike frozen ground, and yet the vegetation grows as it had something after it, and was in a hurry to get away. The summer so far has just been like an Oregon spring day, a little rain, off and on, cloudy and the temperature about the same. We have had but two hot days and they were sure warm. Gus (Eksman) walked to the landing today (June 18) a distance of 36 miles after his suit case—and didn't get it.

"I believe there is going to be a great many opportunities in this country from now on in the line of fishing, mining, canning, etc. This part of Alaska surely looks goods to me."

J. J. Korinek has sold his pretty bungalow in the northwest part of the city to Glen Munkers, assistant cashier of the Stayton State Bank. Mr. Korinek expects to move to Portland in the near future where he will make his home.

Drs. W. H. Dale of Harrisburg and H. A. Beauchamp of this city performed a delicate operation upon H. Byerly of North Santiam Tuesday. They removed about a pint of fluid from Mr. Byerly's pleura, the covering of the lungs.

A fine time was held at the W. J. Hewitt home in this city the Fourth. Besides the family those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Laffoon of Gooch, Mr. and Mrs. Frame of Tidewater and Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Mack of Stayton.

CELEBRATIONS DRAW MANY BIG CROWDS

With celebrations at Mill City, Sublimity, West Stayton, Turner, Marion and Salem, the Stayton people had no lack of entertainment on the Fourth.

Stayton looked like a desert that day, and the stores were mostly closed except in the early morning for the belated householder who had forgotten to order up what his wife had told him the day before.

Quite a crowd went to Mill City where part of the Stayton ball boys helped the lumbermen try to beat Silvertown.

A nice delegation went to Sublimity, where there was patriotism, fun and entertainment all day long. Especial mention must be made of the address by W. H. Downing, which was one of the best that the writer has ever heard; simple, direct and to the point on pure Americanism. Mr. Downing received hearty congratulations of almost every one present, and the crowd was estimated at fifteen hundred. A feature at Sublimity was the super-excellent dinner served by the ladies in the basement of the new school house.

J. P. Wilbur and wife, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. E. Small motored to the Dively grove near West Stayton where Mr. Wilbur was scheduled to make an address. That he did it in a truly patriotic and excellent manner, anyone who has heard him speak in public will understand. He was the recipient of much applause. Quite a number of other people from Stayton and surrounding country helped to swell the crowd to nearly seven-hundred.

Reports from Turner and Marion also state that the crowds were all that could be expected, while Salem claims ten thousand at their celebration at the Fair grounds.

All in all 1916 will long be remembered as a year when the Fourth was celebrated in a truly fitting and American manner, and a year in which the people of the United States are more united than in any other in its history.

SATURDAY SPECIALS

Sugar 12lbs for \$1.00
4lbs. 33c coffee for \$1.00.
Young's Cash Grocery

SILVERTON WINS

Silvertown won the base ball game at Mill City from the Lumbermen 6 to 3. A big crowd was out and Mill City was in gala attire for their reception.

IS OPERATED UPON

Miss Viola, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Braum of Linn county, was taken to the Salem hospital by Dr. Beauchamp Sunday where an operation for appendicitis was performed. At yesterday's reports the young lady was getting along nicely.

NOTICE!

For the present I will do cleaning and pressing at my home until my fall line of woolsens arrive and I get my location
Joe Peery

ENTERTAINS CLUB

The Birthday Club of this city was entertained very pleasantly by Mrs. J. P. Wilbur at her new bungalow home Friday last. All those present pronounced it one of the most charming and novel meetings of the club since its organization about a year ago.

HONEYMOON GIRLS

The Musical Comedy with the Honeymoon Girls at the Star Sunday night was a high class show and drew a good house. All were well pleased with the show, and Manager Clark promises another good show from the same people in the near future.

"JUST PLAIN FOLKS" COMING

The Sublimity Dramatic Club will stage the above play at the Star Theatre Friday night, July 14. Look for posters and ad next week.

Fred Ficklin and family have moved here from McMinnville and are occupying the Rabens house on Ida Street. Mr. Ficklin will open up the Stayton Steam Laundry for business about the 10th of this month. J. E. Sloper will have the improvements completed by that time.

THE ADVANCE ON ALL SIDES.



—Berryman in Washington Star.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC WILL PAY MILITIA

The Southern Pacific Co. announces that those of its employees who were members on June 17, 1916, of the National Guard of any State its lines traverse, and who are called out for army service are granted leave of absence with the understanding that they will retain their promotion rights and they can resume their positions with the company when the Government relieves them from service.

While such employees are serving in the army in response to the call of the Government, the company will also allow, until September 30th of this year, to enlisted men, whether non-commissioned officers or privates:

1. To those married, full pay.
2. To those unmarried, with families dependent upon them for support, three-quarters to full pay, according to controlling circumstances.
3. To those unmarried, without dependent families, half pay.

The Company will allow to commissioned officers above and including the grade of second lieutenant:

1. To those married, the difference between Company and Government pay, when Government pay is less.
2. To those unmarried with dependent families, three-quarters full pay, but with Government pay added thereto, not to exceed regular salary.
3. To those unmarried without dependent families, one-half full pay, but, with Government pay added thereto, not to exceed regular salary.

NEWSPAPER MAN SPEAKS SUNDAY

Carle F. and Mrs. Williams of Salem will be at the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday night, Mr. Williams, an editor of the capital city, delivering an address on "Preparedness" and his wife giving a couple of readings. They will be worth hearing and the public is invited. Mr. Williams states that he will not tell the people how to kill off mankind but how to conserve the race. He has one of the finest classes of young people engaged in Bible study, in Salem and will give an address of interest and profit.

At the morning service the minister will preach on "The Uncertainty of Life" to which service all are invited. The following Sunday the minister hopes to begin a series of summer evening discourses on Great American Problems among which will be "The Divorce Question", "The Christian Union Question" and "Does The World Grow better or Worse" and other subjects of world wide interest creating much discussion at the present time.
E. B. Lockhart, Pastor.

A FREAK

Jos. J. Lambrecht, proprietor of the Stayton Cigar factory has a leaf of tobacco on display in his window that is a curiosity. It is heart shaped with two center ribs. Mr. Lambrecht says that he has handled perhaps a million tobacco leaves in his business and this is the first one of the kind he ever saw.

BOTH BANKS SHOW GOOD REPORTS

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Farmers and Merchants Bank	
at Stayton, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business June 30, 1916.	
RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$ 86,551 00
Overdrafts secured and unsecured	77 45
Bonds and warrants	2,424 90
Banking house	6,500 00
Furniture and fixtures	3,000 00
Due from banks (not reserve banks)	3,576 19
Due from approved reserve banks	20,996 93
Checks and other cash items	7,466 63
Cash on hand	1,122 87
TOTAL	\$130,041 05
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000 00
Surplus fund	700 00
Undivided profits	1,286 17
less expenses and taxes paid	1,286 17
Postal savings bank deposits	34,061 53
Deposits due State Treasurer	439 99
Individual deposits subject to check	67,381 81
Demand certificates of deposit	1,952 90
Time and Savings Deposits	53,973 17
TOTAL	\$130,041 05

State of Oregon } ss.
County of Marion } ss.
I, S. L. STEWART, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
S. L. STEWART, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of July, 1916.
S. H. HELTZEL, Notary Public
My Commission expires Jan. 2, 1917.
Correct—Attest:
J. W. MAYO
A. D. GARDNER
Directors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE STAYTON STATE BANK	
at Stayton, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, June, 30, 1916.	
RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$ 93,717 74
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	457 19
Warrants	1,800 00
Banking house	5,500 00
Furniture and fixtures	2,500 00
Due from banks (not reserve banks)	19,024 97
Due from approved reserve banks	439 99
Checks and other cash items	6,318 75
Expenses	2,673 50
Other resources	1,122 87
TOTAL	\$138,075 01
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000 00
Undivided profits	2,378 56
Individual deposits subject to check	69,636 93
Demand certificates of deposit	1,952 90
Time and Savings Deposits	34,061 53
Notes and bills rediscounted	3,000 00
Bills payable for money borrowed	439 99
Other liabilities	1,122 87
TOTAL	\$138,075 01

State of Oregon } ss.
County of Marion } ss.
I, G. R. MUNKERS, Asst. Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
G. R. MUNKERS, Asst. Cashier
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of July, 1916.
S. H. HELTZEL, Notary Public.
My Commission expires Jan. 2, 1917.
Correct—Attest:
GEO. SPANIEL,
LEE TATE
Directors.

REAL ESTATE MEN TO MEET IN PORTLAND

The real estate men of this community have been invited by the officials of the Portland Realty Board to attend a real estate convention to be held in the Oregon Building, Portland, July 17, 18 and 19, when the leading "real estate men" from all parts of Oregon and from Southern Washington and Southwestern Idaho will gather to discuss problems pertinent to the profession.

Perhaps the most interesting feature staged on the morning of the closing day when the delegates from the respective cities and towns will engage in a prize speech-making contest. Each speaker, in a few short minutes, will be allowed to extol his home community and the delegate who makes the biggest hit with his speech will be awarded the grand prize. After the officers of the association are elected, the visitors will then be driven over the famous Columbia River Highway in automobiles furnished by the Portland realty men.

J. T. Kearns will represent Stayton at the convention, and if he holds to his usual standard, will capture one of the prizes.

VEGETABLE and FRUIT SALE

The Junior Loyal Sons of the Christian church will hold a Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Sale at Young's Cash Grocery, Saturday, July 8. Buy your fruits and vegetables of the boys.

IS IMPROVING LINE

The Stayton Mutual Telephone Co., under the management of Henry Smith is hard at work installing new poles and straightening out wires. A full carload of poles are on hand, and soon our line will be second to none.

A FEW THOUGHTS ON OUR SCHOOLS

Very much is sometimes said concerning the government of schools and oftentimes by those who know little about school. Some of the stories circulated are perhaps well founded, while others are simply unjust criticisms. We can always find something to criticize if that is what we are looking for. There are a few people in this world who are large in avoirdupoise, but it would seem most appropriate to place a sign on their heads, "Rooms to Let" Did you know it is not always safe to make assertions which can not be proven. Listen! It would probably be of interest to some to know where, under what circumstances, and by whom certain statements were uttered.

Teachers are often censured because some boy or girl makes no progress. "Why have they not succeeded before?" Remember, where children have been neglected at home and come to school with bad manners and sometimes bad morals pretty well developed, it is not common sense to expect the teacher and the school to atone for this negligence and sin of the parents and the home. It is impossible to make a genius of mediocre ability. Children are naturally noisy, emotional, and impulsive. They are playful and active. Some are sly, deceitful, cowardly and lazy. And when children do not respect authority at home there will be a conflict before they respect the authority of the school.

What a relief to every one who loves orderly, quiet and obedient pupils, if it were possible to eliminate the diabolical from our program. The writer has had several years experience with the public and let me say, they who respect the school authority and who are active and wish to learn will earn excellent department and secure good grades. We sincerely hope that the parents, teachers and pupils will become better acquainted and, as Oregon now has excellent schools, they may in the future grow better. A Subscriber

BARN FALLS ON MAN

Harvey Carlson, of near West Stayton, while tearing down an old barn, was severely cut in the cheek by a board when the barn collapsed, and he suffered considerable loss of blood. Dr. Beauchamp had to put in seven stitches in Mr. Carlson's face to close the gash.

A REVIEW OF OUR INDUSTRIAL EVENTS

Oregon Still Continues To Get Nearer And Nearer To Coming Prosperity

MANY NEW ENTERPRISES

Many New Enterprises to Employ Labor, Payrolls and Improvements Increasing all over the State

Salem—In reconstructing penitentiary building, all Oregon building material will be used.

Chemawa—Government Indian school will expend \$12,500 on enlarging auditorium, \$5,000 on new sewers and \$12,000 on new building.

Marshfield—500 sawmill men idle on Coos Bay owing to longshoremen strike

Florence—Survey reports Siuslaw bar show 16 feet of water at low tide.

Marshfield—Experiments conducted here show black sand rich in platinum and gold.

Coquille—67.2 pounds of butter fat is record for one cow in month of May.

Baker—Muddy Creek district voted \$15,000 to build new school at once.

Cresswell—Jury found for defendant S. P. Co. in damage suit for train killing children where man deliberately drove on track.

Springfield—S. P. Co. puts on special train to handle increased log output from Mohaw Valley.

Eugene—Careful survey of flax crop by State University shows profit of \$36.50 per acre.

Eugene company to manufacture hand made sport and outing shoes for men and women.

Roseburg Brewing and Ice Co. reorganize to operate soft drink and cold storage plant.

Teaching a boy or girl to work, learning a business, or mastering an industry gets them farther than two-thirds of present day schooling.

St. Helens—John Phillips has contract to get out 100,000 paving blocks.

Milton's new Carnegie Library to cost \$9500, work started.

Astoria Flouring Mill Co. will build warehouse 80x120.

Marshfield—Reported 85lbs black sand produced \$17 platinum and \$2.70 gold.

Donald co-operative cheese factory increasing output.

Astoria's Chinatown being rebuilt. Gresham's main street to be paved with bitulithic.

Roseburg—Contract let for construction of an amusement park.

Silver Lake—Railroad to Klamath Falls being surveyed.

Lumber mills of northwest restrict output—lay off one day in the week.

Sheridan rebuilding burned cannery and installing fruit juice factory.

Strike of 300,000 railroad men would tie up and kill business, paralyze industries and suspend payrolls. Labor and capital should be compelled to arbitrate such controversies.

Vale—American Nitrate Co., has 45 men at work in Lake county.

Marshfield—Menasha Wooden Ware Co. of Chicago interested in plant here.

Roseburg—Agreement reached between city and Pittsburg holders of large timberland on North Umpqua. Under terms of agreement, Kendall Brothers will lease the railroad for a term of 30 years. Sawmill will be erected as soon as actual work is begun on railroad. Will have capacity of 250,000 feet of finished lumber daily.

Willow Creek—Community Irrigation district of 10,000 organized.

Grants Pass—Takilma smelter not used since 1908 to be put in commission.

Port Orford wharf to be reconstructed by S. F. lumber company.

Joseph—McCully Mercantile Co. to erect concrete store building.

Oregon City—Several new school houses to go up costing \$15,000.

"Vocational education" seems to prepare nine out of ten for some state or federal salaried position. The country needs more producers.

Portland has \$500,000 street improvements under way.