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STAYTON WILL CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY

STAYTON WINS FROM MILL CITY IN A FAST BALL GAME

That Stayton is not dead when it comes to playing baseball was manifested last Sunday when Mill City went down to defeat in a hard fought game at that place.

This is the first time that some of the boys have played for 3 years and to say that they have lost none of their old time pep is putting it mildly.

The game was called at 2:30 and from the start it looked as though Mill City was going to wipe the earth with Stayton, in fact up to the last half of the 7th inning the score was 1-0 in favor of the lumber town.

Right here is where the baloon went up and Stayton piled up 4 runs in the 7th and 4 more in the 8th. Mill City succeeded in getting one more making the final score 8-2.

The feature of the game was a home run made by Bud Collins of the mill town team in the last half of the 8th inning.

Mill City was without a catcher and Guy Sloper played in that position.

The lineup of Stayton was as follows:

Bo Smith - C; Farley P; Willings - 1st B; Mielke - 2nd B; Keech - 3rd B; Rock - SS; Thoma - LF; Goodman - RF; Follis - CF and Alva Thomas - MASCOTT.

A return game will be played on the school grounds here Sunday and it is the intention of the Mill City team to clean up our boys. It promises to be a good game so come out and help the home boys win.

STAYTON GIRL WED'S MAN FROM GERVAIS

Rev. Father Lainck performed the ceremony, at the Catholic church in Stayton, on Tuesday morning, that joined Miss Stella Wagner of Stayton and Frank Roeder of Gervais in the holy bonds of matrimony.

The happy event was witnessed by a large number of relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

They will reside on the grooms farm near Gervais.

Revival Ends Sunday

Our revival at Kingston Church of Christ next Sunday evening. The people of Kingston wishes to thank those who have come and taken part in our services. Next Sunday we plan on having an all day service at the church, the morning subject being "We Would See Jesus." Come with your dinner and plan on staying until the middle of the afternoon. G. L. Matlock, EVANGELIST

About twice a year the country editor raises a noise with the mail order houses, to please the local merchants in his old home town. But if the country merchants would advertise as much as the mail order houses he could become so busy that he wouldn't have to worry about the mail order houses.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HAS SUCCESSFUL MEETING SATURDAY EVENING

The first annual meeting of the Alumni Association of Stayton High school, which was held last Saturday evening in the Streff Hall, was a success in every way.

The banquet at 7 o'clock was very elaborate. This was followed by enthusiastic speeches by the former presidents of the various classes, the former teachers and the guests concerning the further development of the association and the betterment of Stayton High.

Following this came a short business meeting and then an interesting program before the dance. At the business meeting all the former officers who were elected at the time of the organization of the Alumni Association a year ago, were re-elected. They are President, Wm. Ryan; Vice President, Caryl Ruble; Sec. Treas., Lynn Neal. A correspondent for the Oregonian was also appointed and during the next school term Stayton people will read in that paper all the important events occurring in high school, especially the athletic events.

Those present at the meeting were: Selma Schuff, Ruth Roy, Wanda Brown, Gladys Hamman, Caryl Ruble, Mayan Alexander, Cacia Mielke, Margaret Schaffer, June Kearns, Sara and Anna Kuiken, Eva McClellan, Meryl Mulkey, Mrs. Lois Bracken Meyers, Mrs. Freda Allis Spaniol, Mrs. Theo. Mathieu Forrette, Mrs. Gussie Condit Denham, Miss Minnie Poley, Mrs. Georgina Bendler, Miss Ola Dake, Miss Verda Hamman, Miss Mabel Walker, Miss Rose Hottinger, Miss Verne Shank, Miss Leona Sandner, Mrs. Margarite Ryan Hoereth, Margaret Fehlen, Prof. Burgess F. Ford, Wm. Ryan, Edwin Keech, Roy Follis, Jas. Mielke, Carl Ruble, Albert Croissant, A. D. Gardner, Wallace Smith, Hugh Russell, Walter Neidigger, Ernest Aegerter, Edward Bell, Arthur Kelley, Leo Weir and Lewis Kearns.

The guests were: Fred Denham, Clarence Forrette, Lora McKay, A. G. Meyers, Joe Spaniol and Mrs. Burgess F. Ford.

If the attendance at the annual meeting in the future prove as large and enthusiastic as this one Stayton High School will have one of the strongest high school Alumni Associations in the state and since the association includes a crowd with lots of "go" and school "pep," all indications are that it will.

The Stayton High School Alumni Association wishes, thru the medium of these columns, to express their thanks and sincerest gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. B. Schaefer, of the Variety Store, for the assistance rendered them for their meeting last Saturday night. This assistance was indeed fully appreciated and Mr. and Mrs. Schaefer may rest assured that it will not be soon forgotten.

Mrs. Dena Mack has a nice line of ladies hats which she is selling from now till the first of July at 20% off the present prices.

Independence Day Programme Is Taking Shape--Salem Cherrian Band Will Furnish Music All Day

The Executive and Sub-committees of the Fourth of July celebration, have been busy the past week making definite arrangements for the big celebration that Stayton will pull off on Saturday, July 3rd.

Chairman Sloper, of the Music Committee informs us that he has engaged the services of the celebrated Cherrian Band, of Salem, and that an invitation has been extended and has been accepted, which means that King Bing and his bunch of Cherrians will be here in uniform and participate in the festivities on that day.

In accepting the invitation King Bing said: "This will be only a retaliation of the spirit shown Salem by Stayton people at the celebration of the signing of the Armetice, and as this is a county affair we will be with you RED! WHITE! and BLUE!

While the program is not yet complete we are authorized to say that there will be two dances in the evening, one at Beauchamp's hall and one in the Streff hall.

The council at its meeting Tuesday evening turned the town over to the executive committee for the day and they will

see that everybody has a good time.

A Ferris Wheel and Merry-go-round will be procured if possible and it is the intention of the committee to have something going on at the grove for those who do not want to watch the ball game.

It is rumored that there will be a Wild West bucking contest which will probably be pulled off just before the ball game.

The programme of sports has as yet been arranged and the speakers have not all been pre-arranged but will be ready for publication by next week.

The parade is scheduled to start at 10 o'clock in the morning. One feature will be the Liberty Float with 48 children. This is in charge of Mrs. Nora Taylor and all children who wish to participate are requested to notify Mrs. Taylor as soon as possible.

Several of the business houses are making preparations to have their business represented in the parade and there will be the usual number of Callithumpians.

The committees are leaving nothing undone that will help to make the 1920 celebration the best one ever held in Stayton.

JOKE ON THE JOKER BATTERY TURNED OFF LIZZIE WOULDN'T START

While Alva Smith of near town was driving along the road between Aumsville and Turner Tuesday, he stopped his car for a moment and when he was ready to start the "blamed thing wouldn't even wiggle." He done everything he could think of "just then" and not a move.

He hailed a truck, was tied on with a rope and started for Aumsville. The rope was weak and the noise of the truck made it impossible for Alva to make the driver hear when the rope broke so the truck went its way and Alva was left in the road again.

Finally Henry E. Brown of Salem, happened along and was induced to tow Alva into Aumsville. On reaching their destination they looked for the trouble and found that Alva had forgotten to put the switch on. This was done and the Ford was up and going. Now Brown is wondering if Alva done it to save gas or "really forgot" to put the switch on.

EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATES SCORE HIGH AVERAGES IN FINAL TESTS

That the Eighth grade done exceptionally well this year, notwithstanding the change of teachers in the middle of the term, the change of text books and many other difficulties, is exemplified in the following average of each pupils grades.

Ivan Kearns 83.7; Fred Fery 88.2; Genevieve Spaniol 90.8; Leo Lulay 90.7; Lee Brown 93.0; John Hewitt 87.0; Marie Weddle 86.8; Geo. Hewitt 87.2; Harold Richardson 91.9; Floyd Massey 84.0; Heit Pancoast 89.8; Ross Christman 80.7; and Henry Allis 13.4. Each pupil had to have an average of 80%.

The Physiology grades of the 6th grade are as follows: Viva Davie, 96; Donald Sanders 90; Rose Deidrich 93; Dora Murphy 95; Lenard Darby 77; Isabelle Mielke 92; Raymond Freeman 70; Marie Diedrich 90; Clarence Murphy 83; Margaret Miler 89; Marie Maner 90

The Geography grades of the 7th grades are: Bernese Hensley 77; Paul Stayton 97; Alma Fulton 92; Henry Deidrich 76; Edna Fery 79; William Shephard 70; Ruby Rutherford 77; Pius Lulay 84; Sylvia Darby 81; Allis Klecker 79.

CAVE-MEN IN MANY LANDS

Some of Their Dwellings Are Not Without a Fair Standard of Modern Comfort.

Troglodytes, cave men, living in their cave-dwellings, are to be found in Mexico, the Canary Islands, in the Crimea, as well as in Spain, France, Italy and England, according to Harold J. Shepstone, in the Wide World Magazine. The Italian troglodyte dwellings at Bari are little more than houses which it has been found simpler to cut out of the soft rock rather than to go to the trouble of collecting building materials.

The chief headquarters of the Spanish troglodytes is the village of Burgasot, near Valencia. Their dwellings are practically entirely beneath the ground. Many of these dwellings have been recently excavated and offer a fair standard of comfort, often having a handsome palm tree in front of the entrance.

Throughout the whole of Crimea there are endless successions of cave dwellings, but the only ones still inhabited are in Inkermann, a name which itself means "cave castle." There are vast holes and cozy rooms, with ledges of stones which were doubtless bedsteads in prehistoric times. There is also a wonderful cave church, fitted with columns, a choir loft and elaborate sarcophagi. The altar and the cross are of so unique a form that antiquarians are unable to connect them with any known sect.

THEIR 'LUCK' HELD

Men Evidently Not Fated to Die on Gallows.

In the One Case It Would Almost Seem as if Providence Had Intervened to Prevent Hideous Case of Injustice.

Criminological history unfolds some interesting and curious "escapes" from the gallows. In Sussex, England, a man was found guilty of murder by a jury which did not take five minutes in which to consider its verdict. Twice he stood on the death-trap of the gallows, on each occasion the lever failed to release the trap. An indignant country called for his reprieve, which was granted. It was afterward discovered that the gallows, which was made of wood in those days, had swollen by rain that fell heavily on both the nights preceding the dates fixed by the sheriff for the execution.

But here is the case of a man who not only was saved from the gallows, but from hearing his death sentence passed by the judge! A man was charged at the Old Bailey with a peculiarly atrocious crime. The jury sent in word from their retiring room that they were unable to agree upon a verdict, and were escorted to the London coffee house on Ludgate hill, there to be locked up "without food, fire or light," until they had decided upon a unanimous verdict.

Eleven out of the dozen were in favor of a verdict of "guilty," but the foreman of the jury, a Mr. James Shumer, had a rooted objection to capital punishment. He did not believe in the innocence of the man, but he refused to consent to a verdict which would send the man to the gallows.

It was Saturday afternoon when the jury was locked up. By dawn next day six of the jurymen, overcome by discomfort and lack of food, were willing to vote "Not guilty." Toward the afternoon of Sunday the foreman, actuated by feelings of compassion, addressed his fellow-sufferers as follows:

"I am willing to make you a sporting offer and leave the decision as to the guilt or innocence of the poor wretch in Newgate to chance. Observe: I shall balance the poker upright in front of the empty grate. I shall then slowly count "One! two! three!" You will range yourselves, half your number on either side, two yards away. At the word "three" we shall jump. If the poker falls to the

side of the opposition I shall give in to your verdict of 'guilty,' but if it comes down on my side you will join me in returning a verdict of 'not guilty.'—One! two! three!"

At the word "three" the twelve men jumped for all they were worth. The poker fell with a clatter to the side of the foreman! The warders were summoned, and the jurors were escorted back to the Old Bailey, re-entered the jury box and gave their verdict.

The judge, who had provided himself with the ominous black cap, appeared completely paralyzed with astonishment on hearing the announcement.

Twenty years later a convict at Portland was fatally injured by the premature explosion of a cartridge. Before he died he confessed to being guilty of the crime for which the innocent man was arraigned at the Old Bailey 20 years before, and was only saved in the manner described, by the fall of the poker toward the foreman of the jury.

Community Theater.

San Jose, Cal., is going to be the first town in the west to have a community educational theater. This proposed theater is not merely going to present plays for the benefit of the community, but it is going to promote acting among the citizens themselves. It will afford an opportunity for every person from the tiniest tot to the oldest citizen to gratify the desire to appear in the world of make-believe, according to Miss Mabel L. Dorsey, who started the idea.

Miss Dorsey, a graduate of a leading school of music and expression, took up the question of establishing the school with members of the chamber of commerce of the city and it was enthusiastically received by them. The primary purpose of the theater is not to make actors, but to develop men and women as well as allow residents of the community to display their talents in singing, speaking and dancing.

Mother Hubbard's Dog.

Mary's teacher one day asked her to draw a picture of Old Mother Hubbard's house, showing Old Mother Hubbard and her dog. Very quickly Mary drew the rough outlines of what was supposed to be a house, placing the crude form of Old Mother Hubbard beside the door. Then with a self-satisfied air, she handed her finished product to the teacher. "That is very good, Mary," commented the teacher, as she looked at the drawing, "but where is the dog?" "Oh, the dog is in the house," promptly replied Mary.

NINE STUDENTS ARE GRADUATED IN STAYTON HI CLASS OF '20

The annual graduation exercises of the Stayton High School was held in the high school auditorium last Thursday evening at eight o'clock.

The hall was tastefully decorated by members of the Junior Class in the High School colors of Purple and Old Gold. The front of the stage covered with old gold flowers and pots of California poppies set in pots of purple and purple flag lilies in pots trimmed in old gold. The graduates and speakers were greeted with one of the largest crowds of people that has ever attended a school-closing program in the history of Stayton High.

The main address of the evening was made by Dr. U. G. Dubach, of O. A. C. His subject, "Be a Self Starter" was very interesting and instructive.

A short address was given by Prof. Ford and Scholarships were presented to Edward J. Bell and Ernest A. Aegerter.

The following are the names which appeared on the class roll: Phillip Weisenberger, Ernest Albert Aegerter, Arthur Mitchell Kelley, William Wallace Smith, Verna Lorain Shank, Edward J. Bell, Sarah Kuiken, Hugh Rossell, Anna Kuiken and Lyle B. Ice.

MRS. JACOB SIEGMUND DIES AT MEHAMA HOME

Mrs. Mary Margarette Siegmund, wife of Jacob Siegmund, for many years a prominent resident near Mehama, died at her home near that place Sunday. She was a member of one of the best known families in the vicinity.

Mary Margarette Klumb was born in Ellern, Prussia, near Coblenz, Germany, in 1837. She came to America at the age of 6 years. In 1860 she was married to Jacob Siegmund at Mequon, Ozaukee county, Wisconsin. She lived in Russell, Wis., until June 1873. From 1873 to 1874 they lived in Portland, at the end of which time they moved to the David Peebler donation land claim near Mehama where she lived until her death.

Mrs. Siegmund is survived by her husband and 10 children, one daughter having passed away in infancy. The children are: J. C. Siegmund and W. M. Siegmund of Salem, E. G. Siegmund of Stayton, A. R. Siegmund and L. K. Siegmund of Gervais, H. A. Siegmund and F. A. Siegmund of Stayton, Mrs. Matilda S. Jones of Seattle, Mrs. Julia M. English of Stayton and Miss Caroline Siegmund of Mehama. She also leaves 14 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

The funeral was held at the family home near Mehama, Wednesday at 1 o'clock with Rev. Putman of the Christain Church officiating. Following the last request of their departed mother her six sons, John, William, Andrew, Louis, Frank, and Henry carried the remains to its last resting place in Lone Oak Cemetery.