

DESERVED FIRST PRIZE

Portland Woodmen Praise the Drill Team of Oregon City Uniform Rank.

San Francisco and Los Angeles Teams Given Second and Third Place to Keep California Pleased.

Members of uniform rank, No. 148, W. O. W. drill team, and other members who attended the head camp at Seattle, arrived home at midnight, Friday night.

The boys were disappointed in not bringing home a prize, and doubly so because in the opinion of all experts they deserved first prize. That this is not just "sorehead" talk by non-victors, is attested by an article in the Oregonian Saturday morning, headed "Criticize the Judge. Woodmen Say Oregon City Should have had a Drill Prize." The article voices the opinion of members of Portland camp 107, the team that won first prize. According to the manual of the Woodmen, the drill must be strictly military. The article states that "From the members of the Portland team, who have returned, there is some criticism of the judges for awarding prizes to teams that put up a fancy drill instead of one strictly military. Members of Portland team say that Oregon City was entitled to a prize, rather than San Francisco, and they compliment very highly the work of the boys from the factory town. They say that a protest has already been entered against the decision of the judges, asking that a prize be awarded to Oregon City."

A protest was filed before the drill against the Golden Gate team of San Francisco, which was given the second prize, on the grounds of having 28 men, instead of 16, the number constituting a team according to the manual. A protest was also filed against the third prize winner, the Los Angeles team, on charges of professionalism, it being a fancy drill team and has been doing stunts up and down the coast for a year past.

The Oregon City team drilled perfectly, and the Portland team did well also. The latter carried the most votes and was awarded the prize, but the next should undoubtedly have come here, as the California teams were outclassed. It is stated the judges went and spoke to Head Counsel Boak and he was heard to say, "Give the other two prizes to California, or they will be mad."

Both the San Francisco and Portland teams exceeded the time limit, which fact alone should have barred them from prizes.

Major R. T. Barbur sat next to a lieutenant colonel of the Washington guard, during the drill. Mr. Barbur was unknown to the guardsman and the latter expressed his views freely. He gave the Oregon City team first place without question.

The boys didn't care for the money but did want the honor that would have been theirs if there had been a square deal.

BIG VOTE FOR LITTLE.

Oregon City Man a Leading Candidate at Red Men Great Council.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Little, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Henningson and L. A. Nobel have returned from Newport, where the gentlemen went as representatives from Wacheno tribe to the great council meeting of Oregon, I. O. R. M.

The town by the sea very hospitably entertained the 57 representatives, a superb banquet being served Thursday evening followed by a ball.

The great council was in session three days. Mr. Little came within seven votes of being elected great junior sagamore, A. L. Curry of Baker City being re-elected on the second ballot. The other officers elected were: Great sachem, G. N. Ferrin of Marshfield; great senior sagamore, J. A. Fitzgerald of Medford; great prophet, L. L. Jacobs of Medford. R. W. Ritner of Pendleton still has a year to serve as great chief of records, and Jacob Reisch of Portland, as great keeper of wampum. Mr. Jacobs was elected as representative to the great council of the United States which will meet at Norfolk, Va., in September.

The next great council meeting of Oregon will be held at Medford, in July, 1908.

VICTIM OF BARLEYCORN.

Becoming insane and imagining

that he was being pursued by a Dutchman armed with a pitchfork. Peter Burgess, a well known resident of this city, Thursday, jumped into the Abernethy creek and would have drowned had it not been for the prompt action of John Gleason, who rescued Burgess and turned him over to the proper authorities.

Burgess' mania resulted from booze. Of late he has been drinking pure alcohol, and for quite awhile his actions have not been those of a sane man.

Children of Kansas City addition where Burgess resides, have for some time been telling of seeing a wild man in that district, and of being chased by him, and it is the general opinion that the subject of these stories was Burgess.

For years Burgess was noted for his drinking, and once in a drunken fit he tried to kill himself.

Three years ago he resolved to drink no more, made an affidavit to that effect, and in company with Rev. E. S. Bollinger, then pastor of the Congregational church of this city, but now of Portland, visited all of the saloons and asked the proprietors to sell him no more liquor. For a few months Burgess was a model man, but in time the old longing came back to him and he again began drinking as hard as ever.

At the county jail Burgess was in a very noisy mood, and after placing the bed clothes in several little piles on the floor of his cell, he inverted the bedstead and did several other little acts of the kind. He also insisted on doing a great deal of shouting.

Burgess was examined before the county court Friday morning by Dr. Norris, and pronounced insane. He will be taken to Salem on the 5:04 train Friday evening.

All of his neighbors regret very much the misfortune that has overtaken him, because in his sober moments he was a good neighbor. His family are well respected by all who are acquainted with them.

CABINET MEMBERS COME TO PORTLAND

James Wilson, secretary of agriculture in the president's cabinet for the last 11 years, will arrive in Portland in a few days, and the Commercial club is preparing to entertain the distinguished guest. Mr. Wilson is now at Wenatchee, Wash., investigating the work of the department in that section.

Secretary Metcalf of the Navy, who has been in California for some time, is on his way to Portland.

It is assumed that Secretary of War Taft and Mrs. Taft will arrive in Portland September 5.

The Rose City recently entertained Secretaries Strauss and Garfield, as well as Vice President Fairbanks.

Five cabinet members is a clear majority, but when the visitors return to Washington and tell of the beauties of Oregon and the unsurpassed summer climate, maybe the other four will come, too.

FOSTERS TIMBER CUTTING.

Many have a mistaken conception of the policy of the government in establishing National Forests. It is not for the purpose of preventing the cutting of timber, but rather to encourage and foster it under government supervision. All lands in the national forests are withdrawn from entry and put under the care of a forest ranger. The timber on them, when ready for cutting, is sold by the government to any person who desires to purchase, but it must be cut according to government direction. This saves the small trees, requires the proper clearing of the underbrush, a careful disposition of the slash, and guarantees the perpetuation of the forest.

OLD LADY HANGS HERSELF AT HOME

Mrs. Jane Wilcox, 75 years old, committed suicide at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Henry Kadderly, 447 Florence street, Pogliand, by hanging herself some time Wednesday night. She used a clothesline and her body was found hanging from one of the stringers in the basement at 7 o'clock Thursday morning.

Mrs. Wilcox retired at the usual hour Wednesday night, and seemed in good spirits. When the family arose Thursday morning they missed her and started a search, but did not find her until a plumber came to work and discovered the corpse. Besides Mrs. Kadderly, Mrs. Wilcox leaves two daughters, Mrs. Allie James, of Wilhoit, and another living in the East.

Mrs. Wilcox was feeble-minded from old age, and is supposed to have committed suicide in a fit of temporary insanity.

AFTER CLUB GAMBLING

Four Churches Unite In Effort to Suppress Notorious Milwaukie Club

Letters Sent to Sheriff Beatie and Deputy District Attorney Eby Asking Law Be En- forced.

Four Oregon City churches are going after the "Milwaukie Country Club." That pool room and gambling den is to be run out of this county, if it lies in the power of the churches to do it.

Resolutions condemning the club, calling upon District Attorney Hedges to do his sworn duty and enforce the law against gambling were adopted Sunday by the Methodist, Presbyterian, Congregational and Baptist churches.

It was also decided to appoint a general committee of two members from each church. This committee is to present the matter to the officers in case the petition presented to the sheriff and district attorney does not cause them to act.

C. H. Dye and F. R. Andrews have been appointed as members of this committee by the Congregational church; O. F. Olson and C. A. Williams, Methodist; D. C. Latourette and J. W. Loder, Baptist; Presbyterian not yet appointed.

Sheriff Beatie received notices from the churches, Tuesday. District Attorney Hedges is at St. Helens, while Deputy District Attorney Eby is in Nevada.

Sheriff Beatie says his information is similar to that of the writers of the letters, who say they are informed that gambling takes place in the Milwaukie country club. That seems to be the general impression, but the Sheriff says he has asked many men if they had been there and they said yes but denied seeing any gambling going on. The grand jury tried to find evidence enough to hang an indictment on a couple of years ago, but couldn't, or at least did not.

There is pending a civil suit for recovery of money lost there in gambling, and it is believed this suit will reveal who the responsible parties are.

The club is the favorite resort of Portland sports who "play the ponies." Scores of young men and old ones, too, gather there every afternoon to bet on Eastern races.

It is also common report that roulette, stud poker craps and even faro is played there.

One of the prime movers of the present crusade is very confident of victory. He said, Tuesday, that with the help of the newspapers the joint could be closed within three weeks.

UNLESS IT'S CLACKAMAS.

If there is an idle man in Benton county these days it is because he is either disabled or too worthless to accept honest employment at good wages, for there is work for all who will accept it, says the Corvallis Gazette. Like the invitation in the good book it is a case of "whosoever will may come" and the wages offered are tempting enough to satisfy even the chronic kicker. A man came out from Blodgett a few days ago looking for a helper. At home acres upon acres of ripe grain awaited the binder and there was no one to shock in the field after the bundles were ready. The farmer was desperate. He hunted until almost midnight for a man who would go home with him and shock grain and at last found a 13-year-old boy to whom he offered \$1.50 per day and board. The boy went. The man was Jim Blodgett, and the story comes from a thoroughly reliable source. It is declared that some Benton county farmers paid helpers in the hay field \$2.50 per day and boarded them, this season.

Wages on the farm, in years gone by, have been as low as \$20 a month. The difference in figures then and now is significant. It shows how the Willamette Valley is prospering and how every man in this section has work at good wages.

There is no better place, for the homeseeker to head for when he "pulls up stakes" in the East, than Benton county.

CONNECTING FLUMES.

The concrete work around and over the flumes through the north basin wall will be finished tonight and work will then begin on connecting up the flumes both for the water works and

woolen mill. The latter will in all probability, reopen next Monday.

TAFT COMING TO PORTLAND.

William H. Taft, secretary of war, and the man whom many believe will be the next Republican nominee for president, accompanied by Mrs. Taft, will be the guest of Portland when he passes through that city on his way to the Philippine Islands, on Thursday evening, September 5. Plans for the entertainment of Secretary Taft are being arranged by the Oregon Development league and are not yet completed. It is proposed, however, to hold a public reception Friday night, September 6, in the Armory, which will give all those who desire an opportunity to meet the distinguished visitor. It is expected that the Secretary will address the large gathering. During the afternoon of September 6, Secretary Taft will inspect Vancouver Barracks. Portland will be the Secretary's first stopping place in the Pacific Northwest.

KEY IN ROOM YET WAS A PRISONER

A roomer in one of the leading hotels of this city went to the window of his room to satisfy himself that the sun was still shining and nature was still pursuing her usual course. He was attracted by a sound of shouting and someone banging on a door, and presently a head appeared out of another window and asked the first roomer to kindly inform the proprietor of the hostelry that he was locked in and had no key, and would consider it a favor if the proprietor would come and liberate him.

The roomer did as requested, and a party was dispatched with the key, followed by a few of the curious, to render the help asked for. On arriving at the door of the room designated by the prisoner, the relief party was surprised to see the door open and the occupant of the room walk out.

He explained that after asking for help he found the key lying on the floor close to the door. After a laugh all around, all hands descended to breakfast, and the affair was recorded in the annals of the hotel.

KNOCKED DOWN BY COW; ARM BROKEN

Walter Newman, the 13 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Newman of the West Side, was thrown by a cow Friday and sustained a fractured arm.

Just how the accident occurred is a mystery. The lad says the cow purposely threw him, while others say that she turned suddenly while being bothered by flies and accidentally threw the boy, who was walking by her side.

Dr. Carl was summoned, and dressed Walter's injuries, which were found to be a compound fracture of the left arm and a severe bruising of the right.

Some years ago, Walter lost the front part of one of his feet in a street car accident, and this fact makes his present mishap doubly sad.

ABANDONED HIS CHILDREN.

Living in blissful, guilty content with his wife's sister, Felix Vouk learned Saturday noon that the arm of the law, while it may grope blindly at times, is long—as long anyway as the distance from St. Cloud, Minn., to Oregon City, Or.

Joseph E. Eick, deputy sheriff of Stearns county, Minn., accompanied by Sheriff Beatie, arrested Vouk at noon while at work in the Willamette Pulp & Paper company's mills, on the charge of abandoning his children back in Minnesota. The penalty for that offense under the Minnesota law is imprisonment at hard labor in the penitentiary from two to seven years.

Vouk has been living in Oregon City for about 10 months, and everybody supposed his sister-in-law was his wife. A child was born to them sometime ago but the little one lived only a short while. Vouk resided on Seventh street at that time. He is a great, husky man, weighing about 250 pounds.

Eick arrived in Oregon City several days ago, made sure the man was here and then went on to Salem and got a requisition. Vouk was surprised when taken into custody, as he probably thought he was surely safe 1500 miles from his deserted wife and children. Sheriff Eick and his prisoner will start east from Portland Saturday evening.

The St. Cloud authorities picked up a clue as to Vouk's whereabouts and sent a photograph of him to Sheriff Beatie, who found the original and notified the St. Cloud sheriff.

William Myers of Woodburn, formerly of this city, and a party of friends left Oregon City Saturday morning for an outing in the Molalla country.

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WORTH \$5000 BUT FAILS TO PROVIDE

CHARGE BROUGHT AGAINST HUSBAND BY BRIDE OF ONLY FEW MONTHS.

Fannie Holloway asks separation from Harry G. Holloway, charging desertion. The couple were married in this city April 15, 1903, and plaintiff was deserted in Portland February 15, 1905.

Mrs. Holloway owns a lot in Sellwood and asks the court to give her full possession of this property as well as the divorce.

Through U'Ren & Schuebel, Lydia D. Barbur has instituted divorce proceedings against O. L. Barbur. The couple were married in this city January 10, and the plaintiff accuses her husband of calling her vile names and treating her with abuse. She alleges he has failed to provide her with necessary clothing. Barbur owns property to the extent of over \$5,000, so plaintiff thinks he has no excuse for failure to provide for her.

Of late, she says, he has acquired the habit of purloining furniture and personal property of the plaintiff, and threatens to take still more and sell them. Fearing that he may make good this threat, Mrs. Barbur asks for an order restraining him from taking any more of her property.

She is without funds to start divorce proceedings so she asks for \$75 as attorney fees and temporary alimony.

MRS. FLOYD KING IS DROWNED IN RIVER

Mrs. Floyd King was drowned in the Willamette river about 6:15 o'clock, Friday evening. The family was living in a houseboat launched at Fulton near Portland. Her husband returning from work heard the seven months old baby crying violently and searching for the mother he and neighbors found her dead in six feet of water near the boat. How she met her death is of course not definitely known as she was alone. It is supposed she was dipping water and the gate gave way or she leaped on it to throw something over. The neighbors heard no cry for help. The gate was broken from its fastening and lying in the water near by.

Mrs. King was but nineteen years of age and was getting ready for a visit to her mother, Mrs. Mary Snyder of Redland. They were formerly residents of Oregon City. The remains were brought from Portland to Oregon City on the O. W. P. Saturday afternoon, and from here they were taken to Redland where the burial will take place.

Floyd King is a son of W. S. King of this city, and has been engaged in the real estate business at Portland.

WHEN A MISS IS GOOD AS A MILK

Chris Ballard at Ely was having a little target practice with a 22 calibre rifle Wednesday evening and almost hit a neighbor in the head. He had a board with a mark on it at the base of a picket fence. The bullet went through the board, struck the hard ground in the chicken lot of E. O. Seeley and springing straight up, missed by a few inches hitting Mr. Seeley in the forehead. It was near enough a tragedy to suit both principals.

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THREE COUPLES ARE GRANTED DIVORCES

G. E. DWYER MUST PAY \$1000 ALI- MONEY—ANOTHER NEW SUIT FILED.

Alleging cruel and inhuman treatment, Minnie Harris has instituted divorce proceedings against Obe O. Harris. They were married at Hartland, Wash., June 27, 1906, and immediately after the nuptials she says the defendant began to treat the plaintiff in a cruel manner, and deserted her the following September.

He used profane and vile language incessantly when in her company, and accused her of being untrue to him although he knew different.

While accusing her of being untrue he was keeping company with other women and refused to stay at home evenings.

After deserting her, Harris refused to support her, and she has been compelled to support herself since then, causing her great humiliation and greatly impairing her health. She asks to be allowed to resume her maiden name, Minnie Boston.

Divorces Granted. Judge McBride handed down Wednesday, the following decisions:

Mrs. D. Dwyer was granted a divorce from G. E. Dwyer, the custody of the four children and \$1000 alimony.

Caroline G. Jones was separated from Fred N. Jones and was given the care of her son, Fred F. The court also ordered the defendant to pay her \$25 a month for the care of the child.

Allie Daniels was divorced from Roques Daniels and given the care of Violette Daniels.

STEAMERS SHRIEK AND CITIZENS RUN

Many people living on or near Main street were startled by a great deal of whistling by boats on the river Saturday morning. A series of short discordant shrieks would be followed by a long Babylonian inharmonious wail, and the performance would be repeated.

Certain that there were several boats and all the dock affre, or a repetition of the recent "Columbia" disaster was taking place, hundreds rushed to the river bank in order to witness the dread affair.

On arriving at the river all were disappointed, as the whistling was merely the style of language adopted by the steamer Ruth in explaining to the Diamond O just why it was necessary that the former should get past the latter as soon as possible.

The river near the locks is filled with logs to such an extent that only a narrow channel is left for the boats to go through.

The Diamond O was engaged in pumping oil into one of the tanks on the west side and occupied the largest part of the channel, and the Ruth was thus prevented from steaming up to the O. R. and N. dock.

After a great deal of whistling the Ruth succeeded in getting past the other steamer.

S. P. CHANGES TIME.

A new time card goes into effect August 1 on the Southern Pacific. The only change affecting the running of trains through Oregon City is the northbound Cottage Grove local will be a half-hour later.