

O. N. G. ENCAMPMENT.

A Pleasant Site Selected at Hood River. -700 Officers and Privates will Attend.

Date: Latter Part of June.

As the GUARD announced yesterday the next encampment of the Third Battalion, Oregon National Guard, will be held at Hood River in the latter part of June, the selection having been made Wednesday evening by Brigadier General Beebe, after a consultation with Governor Lord.

The site selected is on the Belmont tract, two miles west of the town of Hood River, and it will afford all the elements of comfort, sightliness, good sanitation and ample drill grounds. An abundant supply of water, conveyed in an elevated flume from Hood River, reaches the track, and arrangements have been made to conduct it to the encampment site without additional cost. There is a fine drill ground, 1000 feet long and 70 feet wide for infantry drill, and also fine sites for artillery and cavalry practice. Not many of the details of the encampment have yet been outlined, but full arrangements will be completed within another week.

It is estimated that there will be about 700 officers and men in camp. The troops will be transported to the encampment; six days, is too limited to allow long marches to and from the field. The general order for the encampment will be issued in a few days.

An Old Timer.

The building that occupied the lot on the northeast corner of Olive and Eighth streets for many years is being torn down.

The building was a pioneer of Eugene. It was built in the early sixties on the lot adjoining the Eugene flouring mill about where the barn belonging to the company that owns the mill property stands. It was built for and first occupied by a planing mill outfit the first in the town, and was, we believe, owned by Zara Sweet and Mr Moore, the latter the father of W W and Zach Moore.

For some reason the machinery was taken out and moved elsewhere, and the building remained vacant for several years. Then it was moved to the present location and thereafter used for a blacksmith and wagon shop.

It is an old timer, but like all old timers has had its day and must give place to the new.

Important Suit Commenced.

Suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court the final determination of which involves and settles the rights of riparian owners who claim to be damaged by the methods used by loggers in flooding logs and timber out of the smaller streams.

The farmers and land owners along the tributaries of the Willamette river have for several years complained of the damages occasioned them by logging operations and the extensive interest of both parties and the serious questions involved make this case one of the most important to the interest of the state that has as yet been in the courts.

Geo M Miller appears as plaintiff and is represented by the law firm of Thompson & Hardy.

The defendants have retained H D Norton to represent their interests.

FOR THE BIG HORN.—Herman Burrell, of Portland, has gone to the Big Horn mountains, Wyoming, on a hunting expedition. Andy Hixson, well known on the upper McKenzie river, accompanies Mr Burrell as a handy man. Andy knows all about hunting and fishing, and what he does not know his imagination can supply. Yet Andy is a good fellow to be out with. Burrell is an enthusiastic sportsman, and made the acquaintance of Mr Hixson during a sporting trip to the hot McKenzie Springs. He spends his summers at different points in the west and northwest as his fancy may lead him. But there must be game and fish else he remains away.

AFTER THE PLUM.—The position of the register of the land office at Oregon City will soon be in the hands of the president for appointment. There are plenty of candidates. Among them are, Charles Holman, John G Pillsbury, Thomas F Ryan, M L Moore and L L Porter, all of Clackamas; Geo A Steel and Harry L Wells, of Portland; Charles B Moores, of Salem, McKinley Mitchell, of Gervais, and ex-Senator Maxwell, of Tillamook county.

FAKE ADVERTISING.—The Astoria Budget says the merchants of that city, none of whom are making a fortune, complain bitterly of the annoyance of fake advertising solicitors. Every day they are set upon by some fellow with some new scheme, or something else. A prominent merchant said he thought it was an imposition on the merchants and an injustice to legitimate publishers, and hereafter he didn't propose to encourage any of them.

MONEY IN CATTLE.

Large Sums Being Paid Out for Stock—Shorthorns the Favorites.

\$250,000 in the Aggregate.

It will be surprising to some to know the amount of money which will have been paid out for cattle in this section of the state at the end of the present season. The amount for this industry, alone, will be sufficient to pay the taxes of every taxpayer in Lane county this year and some to spare.

By the end of the season, according to present contracts, the First National bank of this city will have paid out considerably over \$100,000. This money all goes for cattle and will be scattered broadcast in small sums among the farmers in this section of the state. Some of it goes to Linn and Douglas county farmers, but most of it is scattered through Lane county.

This is the business of only one bank. The other banks of Eugene and of other valley towns are handling large sums which will be paid out for cattle.

The amount which is being paid out for cattle through the First National bank is the largest sum ever handled by that bank since its organization for any one line of industry in one season. Several years ago about \$100,000 in hop money passed through the bank, but the sum did not equal what will be paid out for cattle this year.

Nearly every bit of this money is paid by Eastern cattle buyers and is a direct importation into this state.

In addition to the large sum, which it was stated in yesterday's issue had been paid out in Eugene for cattle this season we are informed that \$50,000 has been paid through the Eugene National bank and contracts call for the payment of nearly \$100,000 more through that source.

This will make in the aggregate the sum of \$250,000, most of which is for Lane county stock. The disbursement of such large sums cannot but prove extremely beneficial to the various financial interests of our county.

As a pointer to our farmers it may be well to call their attention to the fact that it is the shorthorns—Durhams and Herefords—that are in demand. Stock buyers fight shy of the Jersey and Holstein breeds.

A NEW COURT HOUSE.

A Probability That Lane County Will Have One Next Year.

The county court is considering the matter of a new court house. Mr DeLoe Neer of Portland has been before the board with plans for a building since yesterday, but is not probable that any action will be taken during the present session. If the court decides to erect a new edifice for the county the building will probably not be erected before next year.

The condition of the old building makes the demand for a new one imperative, or else costly repairs. The pillars which support the front of the present building are about to give way; the roof is in bad shape and the structure is becoming dilapidated generally. The building is also far too small for the increasing business of county officials and the vault is not considered as safe as desired.

With the present prospects of good crops and fair prices it is probable that we may have a new court house next year.

VISITED JUNCTION LODGE.—The following members of the Knights of Pythias lodge of this city visited the Junction City K of P lodge last evening: G W Griffin, Frank Page, D E Yorlan, E P Whipple, J W Kays, Wm Mayer, H W Rowland, L T Harris, Clarence Winter, Chas Hardy, John Whitley, W H Alexander, D W Coolidge, I T Nisklin, Ed Davis and Fred Fish. The wives and daughters of the Junction lodge invaded the hall during the evening and served a most elegant lunch. The Eugene Knights are loud in their praise of the excellent treatment received at the hands of their brothers.

ARRESTED.—F B Wilson of Elmira precinct, has been arrested for handling a gun in a threatening manner. He will be given an examination before Justice T J Duckworth at Elmira tomorrow. Attorney Wintermeier appearing for the state in place of Deputy District Attorney Harris, who has a couple of cases to attend to in this city tomorrow.

THE THIRD TIME.—Ex-County Council member James Parker was in town today finishing proving up on his farm. This is the third time Mr Parker has purchased the land, twice from the government, and he hopes his will stick. It was nearly thirty years ago that Mr Parker first settled the land.

ABOUT THAT SUIT.

Mr. Kincaid's Statement Regarding the Attorneys' Pay.

The following correspondent is self-explanatory:

EUGENE, Or., May 4th. Hon H R Kincaid, Salem, Or.—Dear Sir and Friend: Our friends Hovey and Matlock, have called my attention to a conversation they had with you relative to employing counsel in the cases instituted against you as secretary of state and said that my name came up in that connection. I am ready and willing to do what I can in the matter. I have not made a careful examination of the merits of the controversy, but am of the opinion now that you have taken not only a legal stand but an equitable one for the taxpayers of the state.

Yours truly, A. C. WOODCOCK.

SALEM, Or., May 5th. A C Woodcock, Eugene, Oregon:—Dear Sir: Your letter of May 4th has been received, referring to a conversation I had with Messrs Matlock and Hovey in which I asked them to ascertain if you would volunteer to defend the suit brought against me to compel the auditing of claims before appropriations have been made and look to the legislature for payment, not to me personally, because I have no personal interest in the case. If you will do this and agree not to claim more than \$250 or, at the outside, \$300, I will be glad to employ you to assist Col N B Knight, of Salem, who has already taken the case and is working on it. He agrees to look to the legislature for his pay and not to put in a bill for more than \$300. You had better communicate to him immediately and let me hear from you. Yours very truly,

H. R. KINCAID, Secretary of State.

THE "REGISTER" CHANGES HANDS.

It Has Been Purchased by C D Edwards and H T Condon.

Daily Guard, May 5.—The Weekly Register was purchased today by C D Edwards, who has been employed on the GUARD as city editor for a couple of years, and H T Condon, who has been holding a position in the State Agricultural College, at Corvallis, for several months past. The new proprietors will take possession of the paper Monday, Mr Edwards assuming active control, while Mr Condon will remain in Corvallis until the latter part of June when he will return here and enter upon his new duties.

Both the young men are well and favorably known throughout Lane county and the GUARD wishes them much success financially and otherwise. They are energetic and active and certainly should succeed.

The Court House a "Disgrace."

The Junction City Times takes a very sensible view of the crying necessity Lane county has for a new court house, but suggests a little patience just at the present time. The Times says:

"In our remarks a few weeks ago concerning the scattered and crowded condition of our county officers in Eugene and in referring to the court house as an apology, we simply spoke of the condition and did not advocate the building of a new court house. A new building is badly needed no one will deny and the present structure is really a disgrace to a big, wealthy county like Lane, but we do not favor building one until the county is out of debt and has a few thousand dollars stacked up in the treasury. When that period of prosperity is reached we will advocate the building of a new court house."

The Cottage Grove Messenger suggests that Eugene build the court house in consideration of being the county seat. We beg to differ. A court house should be built and owned by the people. We want to own a few brick in that building and when the conditions are as indicated above, we will be perfectly willing to pay our quota of the expense."

On TRIAL.—The case of the State of Oregon versus William Iwan, charged with the crime of rape committed upon the person of Jacobina Schmidt, a fifteen-year-old girl, is on trial, before Justice Wheeler today. The case is a lengthy one, about 18 witnesses being examined. The crime was committed several months ago, and resulted in the birth of a child to the young girl. The prosecution is represented by Deputy District Attorney L T Harris and Attorney J M Williams, while Attorney L Bilyeu has charge of the defense.

TRAINLOAD OF CATTLE SHIPPED.—A trainload of 14 cars of cattle arrived here this morning from Oakland. At this station four more cars were added to the train. The cattle were purchased by E E Willard of La Grande, and are consigned to Kansas City,

W W Martin arrived home on the afternoon train.

Attorney L Bilyeu returned from Portland last evening.

Attorney E R Skipworth went to Albany this morning.

M T Awbrey is very low at his residence on Sixth street.

Prof J W Johnson went to his farm near Harrisburg today.

Mrs R K Ohling and children are visiting friends in Albany.

Secretary of State H R Kincaid came up from Salem today.

Jerry Ream, of Albany was an arrival by this afternoon's train.

The seven year old son of Lewis Belshaw is quite ill with pneumonia.

The Northwest Intercollegiate oratorical contest will be held in Portland one week from today.

Hon L Bilyeu, the Portland Tribune says, addressed the Columbia democratic club in that city Thursday evening.

Rev Nett of Irving arrived on the 2 o'clock train and will conduct quarterly services in the U B church tomorrow.

The state convention of the Y P S C E convenes in this city one week from today. Several hundred delegates will be in attendance.

Independence West Side: Rev Lister informs us he has sold his paper, The Christian Reporter and it will be published at Eugene hereafter.

Ex County Commissioner James Parker, of Dexter, was in town today proving up on his home that he has been on for nearly thirty years.

Independence West Side: Fred Green and wife, who have been residing in Lane county, returned to Independence Wednesday to remain some time.

Yesterday's Salem Journal: Lum Bernan Goodale, of Coburg, came to Salem this morning. He reports large sales at Salt Lake and Ogden. His contracts for lumber to go to Mexico cannot be closed until July first.

C G Le Masters, R A Copple, A E Gardner and L C Martin, Divinity school students, left today respectively for Junction City, Albany, Halsey and Muddy where they will hold religious services tomorrow.

L E Farrington, a member of the Senior class of the university left for his home at The Dalles this morning. Owing to lack of physical and mental health he will be unable to complete the course in the university.

Rev J A Longbottom, formerly pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian church in this city, but now of Lebanon, passed through on the afternoon train enroute to Creswell where he will preach tomorrow.

Last night at the parsonage of the M E church was held the monthly meeting of the Young Peoples' Foreign Missionary Society of the church. After an interesting and instructive program, a social hour was spent by the young people in a photograph social.

Cottage Grove Messenger: Attorney W H Cooper and family left yesterday morning for Tillamook, where Mr. Cooper goes to practice his profession. Their departure is regretted by their large circle of friends here, and the have the best wishes of all in their new home.

A McKenzie correspondent writes: Wm Campbell is kept busy running his saw mill. He has furnished the lumber for Geo Frizzell's hotel, and is now sawing the lumber for the new bridge to be built at Belknap Springs. Carey Thompson has the contract for building the bridge.

STATE VETERINARY SURGEON HERE.—James Wythecombe, state veterinary surgeon, spent a few hours in Eugene this morning. He came here to examine into the case of a diseased horse belonging to a Mr Ross who resides in the southeastern part of the city. As the disease with which the horse is affected is not of a contagious form, Mr Wythecombe decided that he did not have authority to order it killed.

POSTMASTERS APPOINTED.—The following postmasters were appointed yesterday: A B Martin, Junction City; Lucretia Johnson, Natron; C E Harwood, Glenada. Martin is a jeweler and has had his shop in N L Lee's drug store; Johnson is the Natron agent at Natron and Harwood is a former school teacher.

SCHOOL APPOINTMENT.—The regular semi-annual apportionment of school money for Lane county, will be made by County Superintendent Hunt early next week. Each district will receive \$50 and a per capita for pupils residing in the district.

DEMURRER FILED.—In the case of M A Livermore vs L R Livermore, suit for a divorce, a demurrer was filed today.

SLIGHTLY IMPROVED.—Mrs Ed John Straub and son, Viola, arrived home from Portland today. The latter is some improved in health.

The Telegram truly remarks that the necessities of life, such as food, fuel and clothing, should be, so far as possible, exempt from taxation, and that revenues should be derived from taxes imposed on luxuries. That is excellent doctrine but is not in accord with the McKinley idea supported so strenuously by the Telegram in the recent election. Then the idea was to make everybody prosperous by taxation—taxing nearly every article used by the common people to the full limit, for the purpose of "protecting" a few manufacturers, who would be enabled to pile up vast wealth unjustly wrong from the people. The Telegram is one thing previous to an election and another afterward.

"When the devil was sick The devil a monk would be; When the devil got well The devil a monk was he."

CLEVELAND AND JUDAS ISCARIOT.

The Cincinnati Enquirer thus refers to the immense gall displayed by Cleveland in recommending, in effect, that the six and a half million democrats who voted for Bryan should bow down to the 134,000 that voted for the gold "National Democratic" ticket, and the unknown quantity of so-called democrats who scorned the subterfuge and voted for McKinley direct:

"The proposition is as cool as one would have been from Judas Iscariot to the eleven faithful disciples requesting them to meet in his room, after he had betrayed his Master, for the purpose of rehabilitating the Christian cause."

SILVER REPUBLICANS.

An organization of the Ohio Silver Republican party has been effected. One of the promoters says:

"We mean business, and if we cannot get what we want—the recognition of silver—from the Republican party, we will go where we can get it. The Republican party, like the Democratic party as represented in the late administration, has been led astray, and I think I see in the near future an amalgamation of the gold Democrats and gold Republicans, and the joining of the silver Democrats and silver Republicans."

EUGENE FLOURING MILLS.

The people of Eugene are to be congratulated that the flouring mills, water power and property connected therewith, have fallen into excellent hands.

The new proprietors are thorough business men, have the confidence of the public, and dealers with whom they must do business, and, what is very important, have the necessary capital with which to do business.

The farmers of Lane county may rest assured that no pains will be spared by the new management to render business relations agreeable as well as profitable to both.

Prof Douglass Archibald, who is considered one of the most eminent meteorologists, forecasts another hot summer for the northern hemisphere, great masses of ice in the Atlantic indicating an early polar spring. The at normal heat is attributed to solar conditions, which have been unsettled since the maximum period of sun spots in 1893. A severe drought prevails now in Australia, and the spectroscope shows that the sun is hotter than usual.

The Dalles has a bank suspension. A government official has taken charge of the First National bank pending an investigation. Ex-Gov Moody is the president of the institution. The Dalles city and Wasco county have \$10,000 tied up by the suspension.

Farmers are happy on account of the splendid rains. It was getting rather late, in fact it seemed as if the Willamette valley was liable to lose her reputation as a sure crop country. The rain has made that safe.