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HEARD AND OVERHEARD.

Miss Clayre Johnson, who has been employed as stenographer in the offices of the Sun at Medford, has graduated into the position of society editress. She now spells her name "Clarice," according to the reporter for the Sun.

Postmaster Kaiser, who returned from the postmasters' convention at Portland imbued with an ambition to increase the business of the local branch of the U. S. mail, says: "I wish more people would buy stamps." We might suggest putting on a special sale.

H. L. Sinclair, who does all the real work around the Tidings office, says he only works by choice; really doesn't have to. He says: "I can have my choice of either working or starving."

An editorial in the Eugene Guard says: "Every pint of whiskey a man drinks shortens his life by eleven hours." We know a man who died seven years before he was born, if this is a fact.

Fred Dodge, who recently passed around the cigars over the advent of a lusty baby, had to walk the floor until 2 a. m. one night not long since. He grumbled considerably. His wife reminded him that he used to go to Elks' dances and dance from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Fred replied: "Yes, but not with the same partner."

"Dobbin" Irwin, who drives one of the Lewis autoline jitneys to Medford and back, remarked while passing through Phoenix when no one got on: "No one here ever leaves home." Jerry O'Neil, who was riding alongside, came back with: "You bet your life if I lived here I'd leave once, and that would be enough."

Volney Meyers, who was among those present at the horse race at Medford Sunday, says: "I wonder if they call Jim Bowers' horse 'Wade' because he was 'weighed' and found wanting."

The Medford Mail Tribune bawls out Southern Pacific engine No. 3262 in the following heartless manner: "Despite the Southern Pacific's announced campaign against unnecessary noises, whenever engine No. 3262 comes to the city, which is daily, there is a vibrant, long-continued and nerve-racking squeak whistle, occasioned by blowing off steam through an unbalanced safety valve. Other engineers do not persistently waste steam and fuel by an operation that engineers pronounce unnecessary—they either fix the valves to work smoothly, or open the injector into the boiler."

Europe has been fighting nearly two years now and has not gotten anywhere. No wonder it is beginning to look with some eagerness to President Wilson for succor.

The New York pastor who calls the war a blessing in disguise must admit that the disguise is a wonder.

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Elks Observe Flag Day in Lithia Parks

Beneath the shade of the towering firs in Lithia Park 1,000 people gathered Wednesday to attend the Flag Day exercises held under the auspices of the Ashland lodge of Elks. Led by the Ashland band, the Elks and other organizations marched to the park. Impressive ceremonies were held and a stirring address was delivered by Robert Nixon of Yreka, Cal. Two hundred members of the Parent-Teacher association of the valley held a picnic in Lithia Park and attended the exercises in a body. Throughout the city flags were much in evidence and a big majority of the automobiles displayed the national emblem.

As the Elks and spectators arrived at the speakers' stand in Lithia Park each was presented with a little silk flag and pin and a program of the day.

The Ashland band played "America" and "The Star Spangled Banner," after which the introductory exercises were performed by the officers and exalted ruler of the lodge, and Rev. P. K. Hammond, chaplain of the lodge, offered a prayer. Miss Doris Bagley, one of Ashland's most talented vocalists, rendered a solo, "Where the Flag is Full of Stars."

D. D. Norris rendered the flag recored.

The Elks quartet sang "The Star Spangled Banner."

The squire and officers held the altar services.

C. H. Loveland sang "America, I Love You."

E. D. Briggs delivered "The Elks' Tribute to the Flag."

The Elks quartet rendered "Under the Stars and Stripes."

Miss Miriam Gregg made good use of her talent in her rendition of a reading, "The Old Flag."

Earl Raser sang a beautiful tenor solo, "The Flag That Has Never Known Defeat."

The Vining orchestra played a medley of national airs, and after the Hon. Bob Nixon of Yreka had delivered an impressive Flag Day oration, accompanied the audience in singing "America."

Klamath Cowboys Will Stage Tryout

The wild and woolly cowboys from the chaparral and sagebrush country over beyond the Cascades in Klamath county are going to be over to the man to participate in the Rogue River Roundup. And the Klamath county cowmen are real riders, too, equal to the best of them, and will make real competition for the experienced buckaroos from Pendleton. No little amount of rivalry will become evident between the contingents. Now, contrary to the belief of many, Klamath county is not all sagebrush and alkali, by a long shot, and in one of the prettiest green spots in the county the Klamath cowboys will hold a miniature rodeo next Sunday by way of limbering up for the coming high jinks at Ashland. A big delegation of Ashland roundup boosters will motor over to the scene of the Klamath picnic bucking contest, attired in roundup hats, boots and paraphernalia and carrying loads of advertising material, and do a good lot of boosting for the July celebration here. The Klamath Falls Herald tells the following story of the coming bucking tryout:

"A big picnic and rodeo will be held at the Horton ranch Sunday, June 25, and plans being carried out now indicate this will be the biggest affair of the year. Incidentally, it will be a good workout for the Klamath county 'twisters' who are figuring on going over to the Ashland roundup.

"Love Chandler, Ben Pickett, Steve Callihan, Dan and Dave Liskey, Billy Shook, Bob and Frank Adams, Lawrence Horton, Homer Roberts, Gene Hammond, Fred Stukel, George Orfield and many other prominent Klamath riders will be on hand to take part in the races and broncho busting. All riders are invited.

"The picnic will be held in one of the large groves on the Horton ranch, seven miles east of Olene, on the Bonanza 'river road.' Hot coffee and ice cream will be served, and visitors are asked to bring picnic lunches."

Sisson Tavern Destroyed by Fire

The Sisson Tavern, historic hotel and favorite tourist resort of Sisson, was destroyed by fire Saturday evening. The loss was about \$10,000. There was no insurance because of no fire protection. Several thousand dollars' worth of jewels owned by tourist patrons of the hotel are said to have been lost.

FINAL REPORT OF SPRINGS WATER COMMISSION.

(Note—The following report is published by the Tidings without charge, as a matter of information to the public.)

Ashland, Ore., June 15, 1916.
To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Ashland, Ore.
Gentlemen: We herewith transmit our final report, as required by city charter, for our expenditures of funds on park lands and park improvements, the funds available for this purpose having been expended.

Tennis courts	\$ 545.45
Leveling park	835.98
Inspection S. E. job	511.24
*Lands and rights of way (see note below)	17,053.73
Fertilizer	85.75
Office expense	167.82
Electric transmission line extension	3,490.14
Clearing park	1,799.34
Bridges	779.63
Upper island	132.51
Election expense	2,036.17
Roads	3,965.14
Automobile expense and hire	229.04
Walks and paths	516.48
Preliminary springs development	3,601.65
Traveling expense	49.80
Tools and equipment	598.04
Park plans and plats	733.05
Sewers	2,099.52
Office salaries	632.31
Auto camp	171.53
Springs	290.91
Comfort stations	1,400.15
Rustle work	170.28
Kitchenette	457.32
Lake	1,042.91
Cave	168.38
Inclinerators	12.29
Publicity	4,289.72
Lighting system	589.63
Log cabin	138.16
Big falls	155.60
Playground	560.35
Fountain houses	1,111.56
Fencing	44.55
Japanese tea garden	201.31
Water system	2,404.58
Smith, Emery & Co. contract	87,835.02
Operating	170.73
Creek improvement	56.12
Croquet grounds	52.32
Seeding	932.42
Fountains	4,339.15
Lake rockery	25.97
Bandstand	576.49
Right of way damages	756.75
Shrubs and flowers	1,643.07
Supervision of park	1,184.48
Signs	51.25
Surety bonds	87.50
Park road gutter	150.76
Wading pool	12.00
Interest on bonds	4,375.00
Commission on sale of bonds	3,000.00
Surveys and specifications in park	152.29
Bond syndicate expense	51.54
Gas distributing system	369.28
Financial statement publication	673.10
Compensation insurance	450.44
House rent for supervisor	96.00
Postage	22.00
Miscellaneous telegrams and phone calls	6.95
Advertising houses for sale	4.60
Drawing Smith-Emery contract	17.00
Water analysis	8.86
Special inspection physical plant	403.30
Plant supervision	292.97
Trash cans	30.00
Physical plant (in addition to S. E. contract)	10.58
Park upkeep	651.67
Park benches and seats	522.24
Park house improvement	127.77
Picnic grounds	138.04
Speakers' stand	92.16

Total disbursed	\$162,441.94
Left in Physical Plant Fund	12,164.98
Left in Physical Plant Operating Fund	3,052.54
	\$177,659.46

Total appropriated	\$177,065.27
Net amount acquired from gas meters	44.51
Net amount acquired from drinking cups	90.05
Net amount acquired from taxes	459.63

Total \$177,659.46
*Note—In regard to the amount for lands and rights of way, will say the following:

We have paid the following amounts to the following people for this account:
George Siemantel\$1,200.00
Carson-Fowler Lumber Co., payment in full of old mill property 1,200.00
J. M. Wagner, payment in full for the old bottling works property 277.00
J. C. Gibson, payment on contract of land facing on Granite street. The purchase price was \$5,000, the city council assuming \$2,000 2,000.00
E. M. Fowler, payment in full of land on east side Granite street 1,250.00
E. C. Cassidy, payment in full of contract on land on east side of Granite street 1,250.00
G. B. Holly, payment on contract of land on east side of Granite street. The purchase price was \$4,000, \$2,400 of which was assumed by the city council 1,600.00
R. E. Cowle, payment on contract of land on east side of Granite street. The purchase price was \$5,000, of which the city council assumed \$3,500 1,500.00
J. P. Easley, payment on contract of land on east side of Granite street. The purchase price was \$2,500, of which the city council assumed \$1,600 900.00
F. E. Russell, payment on contract of land. The purchase price was \$1,800, of which the city council assumed \$1,200 600.00
G. S. Butler and D. Perozzi, payment in full of contract for land where lithia fountain and bandstand now stand. This \$3,000 was put in trust with the State Bank of Ashland, the entire amount of which was to be expended on the Butler and Perozzi fountain 3,000.00
R. Casey, payment on contract of land on east side of Granite street. The purchase price was \$1,900, of which the city council assumed \$1,000 900.00
A. E. Kinney, payment on property on Mill street. The purchase price was \$2,500, of which the city council assumed \$2,000 500.00
M. W. Wheeler, payment on property on Mill street. The purchase price was \$750, of which the city council assumed \$600 150.00
Suele Allen, payment on property facing on Mill street. The purchase price was \$1,150, of which the city council assumed \$800 350.00
We have acquired a quantity of tools and have established a shop under the bandstand where the tools are kept and such shop work as is necessary is performed.

It is our judgment that it will not be necessary for the park board to acquire other tools if these can be used by both the park board and the springs commission, and the workshop under the bandstand maintained so it will be accessible at all times to both the park board and springs commission.

We are also transmitting bound books of all original vouchers and bills, which should be filed in the vaults of the city for safe keeping.

Respectfully submitted,
SPRINGS WATER COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF ASHLAND, ORE.
Bert R. Greer, Chairman.

Pioneers Celebrate Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Lucien B. Applegate of Brookside ranch, in the Swan Lake valley section of Klamath county, celebrated their golden wedding the first of last week. They were married in Ashland in 1866. Mrs. Applegate was formerly Margaret Ellen Grubb, a sister of Mrs. Dan Walker, Mrs. Henry Applegate and John Grubb of this city. The Applegates have lived on Brookside ranch, now a property of 5,000 or more acres, 46 years of the period of their married life. Four

daughters, Mrs. Minnie Chitwood, Evelyn, Bessie and Elsie, and two sons, Elmer and Fred, were present at the golden jubilee, also—Mr. Applegate's three brothers, Jesse, Ivan and Oliver, and their families. Lucien Applegate is the son of Lindsay Applegate and a nephew of Jesse Applegate, both notable pioneers of southern Oregon, in the 1846 period.

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Uncle Joe Cannon has reached the mature age of 80, but we fear he will never be old enough to know better.

Railroaders Will Vote on Strike

Representatives of the railroad brotherhoods and the railroaders having failed to reach a settlement after a two weeks' conference at New York, more than 500,000 workers will vote on the advisability of calling a general strike to enforce their demands for an eight-hour day and time and a half for overtime.

Hope of adjusting the dispute through the conference faded when the railroads submitted a tentative compromise offer to the men, granting their demands, but eliminating the majority of "double compensation" rules. The conference adjourned Thursday to give the railroad managers an opportunity to discuss further their stand on this point, but when they met the men Friday they not only refused to make a specific offer covering the compensation rules, but advised that their differences be submitted either to the Interstate Commerce Commission or to a board of arbitration to operate under the provisions of the Newlands act.

The men declined both offers and the decision to take a strike vote followed.

The leaders and the 500 delegates of the four brotherhoods of trainmen, engineers, firemen and conductors who attended the conference decided on the necessity for the strike vote at a secret meeting following the break.

A. B. Garretson, president of the Order of Railroad Conductors, announced later that the ballot would be drafted at once and distributed to all railroad men, whether members of the brotherhoods or not, before the close of this week.

The canvass will consume at least three weeks, the leaders agreed, and before August 1 the result will be known. If the men vote for a general strike, the leaders will return and again present the demands of the men to the railroads in an effort either to gain their demands in full or a compromise offer without the necessity of putting the strike actually into effect.

Sentiment on the Shasta division seems to point toward an overwhelmingly great majority favoring the strike, if necessary, to enforce the demands.

The Comus Players Big Attraction

To meet the ever-growing demand of high-class drama as a feature of Chautauqua, the management were fortunate to secure the Comus Players, a company of dramatic artists whose work is conformant to the best Chautauqua standards.

The members of the company are

well known in dramatic circles throughout the country, having won distinction in the popular and Shakespearean roles. Archibald Reddie, who is the heavy character man of the troupe, has distinguished himself in many western productions of standard plays. Miss Janet Young, known to footlight fans as the Sweetheart of the Northwest, is the leading lady. Roswell Doseh is a well-trained young actor, having received his dramatic education in the exacting schools of Europe. Ralph Ash, who is cast opposite Miss Young, has the physique of the matinee idol, happily combined with rare interpretive ability.

The Comus Players are to give "Carson of the North Woods," a Canadian classic of frontier life around Quebec. This is a play of strong moral appeal. As a prelude to the foregoing the Comus Players give a favorite selection from Shakespeare.

Oak timbers cut from trees on the lower Columbia river will be utilized in building ships at Portland and other coast points.

The Leona Mills Lumber Company at Drain is making many improvements and building neat bungalows for employees.

The big Columbia River highway bridge will be completed before the first of July.

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