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A. J. McCallen Wins Captaincy

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Gentlemen: For your information, I am pleased to state that after three months of "intensive training" in the reserve officers' training camp at the Presidio, Uncle Sam has seen fit to pay me the very high and flattering compliment of making me a captain of infantry in his great national army which is now in the process of making, said captain's commission carrying with it a salary of \$200 per month. I feel especially elated over this appointment in view of the fact that the whole three months have been a matter of competition, every man absolutely on his own resources, covering a complete course of military law, courts martial, map making, sketching, semaphore and visual signalling, administration and shooting as well as all the various forms of regular military drilling and training, in fact covering in a condensed form all the course taken in West Point in four years, and a man's final appointment based on the general outcome considered on his record from day to day; and out of each company of 200 men there were only 15 captains, about 20 lieutenants and about 65 second lieutenants, the remainder "getting the axe," which assumed the proportions of a ravaging pestilence. One of my strong points was my shooting, thanks to my several years on the old militia team at Ashland. By a margin of several points I had the good fortune of making absolutely high man out of the whole training camp of 2,500 men, qualifying some 6 per cent above the total required for highest award in the regular army, that of expert rifleman.

From the present appearance of things it looks as though we will go from here to American Lake, this camp being over Tuesday, then we will have from the 15th to the 27th to report to the new station, thereby having about 12 days to enjoy a brief vacation. If there is no hitch in things I hope to be able to stop over in Ashland for at least two or three days and get acquainted again. Haven't had a day off since leaving there, so a little recreation will be very agreeable.

Best personal regards to all.
A. J. McCALLEN.

Many Out-of-Town Folk Hear Concert

The band concert in Lithia park was heard by a big crowd Sunday afternoon, many out-of-town folk coming to rest and enjoy the music in the shade of the trees. It is a singular thing that so many of the local citizens will sit around their homes all day long on Sunday while outsiders will travel for miles to spend a Sunday afternoon in our beautiful park. To the outsider it is a big treat to spend a few hours in Lithia park. Why is it that so many of us will not go to the bother to enjoy this beautiful natural park? Is it because we do not fully appreciate its beauty because it is right here at home?

Just Sunday evening the writer heard of a lady who had lived in Ashland practically all her life without ever seeing Crater lake. A few years ago she moved to Florida. "Down there the people were always asking her about Crater lake. Had she seen it? She had to confess that she never had—and that was very embarrassing indeed. She had occasion to return to Ashland last summer for a visit. The first thing she did was to plan for a trip to Crater lake. She realized by then that Crater lake was one of the great wonders of the world and she saw it. Aren't many of us like this lady was?

Judge Dooling Much Improved

Word received from the Granite City hospital today stated that Judge Maurice T. Dooling is much improved. He expects to leave by train for San Francisco tomorrow. The other members of his party have gone. John G. Coghlan, Judge Dooling's stepson, came up from San Francisco to accompany the judge home.

Meeting of Home Guard At Armory

There will be a meeting of the newly organized "Home Guard" company at the armory next Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All those who have signed up as members of the company be sure to be on hand. Also, all those contemplating joining are asked to attend the meeting. The service is voluntary and no obligations are assumed further than the protection of our own town. Who wouldn't defend his home town? The idea is to be prepared before the emergency arises.

2nd Battalion, 3rd Oregon Sent South

The 2nd battalion, 3rd Oregon Infantry, left Clackamas last Thursday afternoon without much fuss. But little was known of their departure and so a few friends only were at the camp when the troops entrained. Mayor Baker of Portland addressed the troops before they departed.

The four companies composing the 2nd battalion are E, F, G and H. Major Eugene Moshberger was in command of the battalion. About 604 men were in the outfit which were carried south in two sections. They passed through Ashland early Friday morning. Their destination was Palo Alto, Cal.

Frohbach Resigns; Goes To Montana

Secretary H. O. Frohbach of the Ashland Commercial club gave out the information yesterday that he had been offered a similar position with the Commercial club of Three Forks, Montana, with a salary that was rather tempting. He said that while he was sorry to leave Ashland he had accepted the new position. He will leave for Three Forks in time to be on the new job by the first of September, thus giving the local Commercial club time to get line on a new man to take his place.

This news comes to the people of Ashland with many regrets at having to lose a citizen of his ability as a booster and an all around "live wire" as a Commercial club worker. A man of his executive ability and broad vision is a big asset to a city and Ashland realizes that in Mr. Frohbach they will lose a valuable citizen. But knowing how deserving he is of the new position and the better salary, we all extend to him and his wife our best wishes for their success in the new field.

To the citizens of Three Forks we highly commend them for their good judgment in obtaining the services of a man of Mr. Frohbach's capabilities.

Three Forks is situated on the Northern Pacific and Chicago, Milwaukee and Puget Sound railroads and is a terminal division point. The town at present is experiencing a very prosperous era and, while the population is only 2000, they have a large payroll. The sugar beet industry there is becoming a big asset and stockraising and general farming are the leading industries of the new country which have brought about the prosperity for which this section has become famous in the last few years.

Ashcraft Babe Passed Away Saturday

Mrs. Will H. Ashcraft returned from Portland this morning with the remains of their baby boy, who died in a hospital at Portland Saturday evening at 9 o'clock. Mrs. Ashcraft went to the hospital in Portland about six weeks ago with the babe in the hopes of saving the child's life. Since birth the child has not been well.

Norman Baker Ashcraft was born last August the 27th. The funeral services will be held at the Nazarene church Tuesday at 2 p. m., Rev. D. D. Edwards, the pastor, officiating. Interment will be in Mountain View cemetery. The sympathy of the many friends of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Ashcraft, are extended to them in their sorrow.

It is often hard for a man to adjust his religion to his business duties.

Albert Brown, German, Arrested And Bound Over to Grand Jury

Albert Brown, a German who has made several trips to Germany since the war began, was arrested at Dunsmuir, Cal., yesterday by Special Southern Pacific Agent Thomas, who apprehended him on the train going south. Several days ago he broke into the outfit train of a special crew of railroad workers between Steinman and Siskiyou station and stole a number of articles, including a suit of clothes, which he wore when arrested. He had been successful in eluding all officers, both the railway and civil, for several days before captured.

Last night at the Dunsmuir jail he tried to commit suicide by hanging himself with his suspenders. When found he was still alive, but it required fast work on the part of the officers to revive him.

This morning he was brought to Ashland and given a preliminary hearing before Justice Wimer. He pleaded guilty and is now awaiting the arrival of the county sheriff to take him to the county jail at Jacksonville, where he will be held pending the action of the grand jury.

Geo. M. Cohen in "Broadway Jones"

Tonight and tomorrow night the theatregoers of Ashland will enjoy a real treat in the presentation of "Broadway Jones" at the Vining theatre. Also popular Max Linder will appear in "Max Wants a Divorce," one of his best and latest comedies. It is "something different." Pictures will also be shown of General Pershing in France. In these pictures you will see the U. S. troops in France for the first time.

Marguerite Snow, the well-known screen favorite, has the honor of being George M. Cohen's leading lady in his first Artercraft photoplay, "Broadway Jones," in which she portrays the role of Josie Richards, the pretty stenographer at the Jones gum factory, who shows the wild youth the right path. Born in Savannah, Ga., and educated in Denver, Colo., Miss Snow became an actress at an early age. Following a notable stage career she achieved wide prominence in motion pictures, her characterization of the Countess Zudora in "The Million Dollar Mystery" being well remembered. Miss Snow makes an ideal "Josie" in "Broadway Jones," which has been released by Artercraft Pictures, and it is felt that her portrayal in this subject will prove one of the features of the photoplay.

The Career of George M. Cohen. As a distributor of mirth and general good cheer, it is safe to say that George M. Cohen has no equal on the stage today. Quite the most dominant, popular and conspicuous figure we have had in the amusement field for a decade, Mr. Cohen, seemingly at will, turns out farce or dramatizes a novel, always with the sure touch of the genius that marks the student who has acquired the knowledge of the stage and its technique at first hand and therefore presents his work with absolute authority. His recent affiliation with the Artercraft Pictures Corporation marked the advent to the motion picture industry of another acquisition of great import to the future of the art.

Throngs of Buyers Attend Banquet

Throngs of buyers from all over the state attended the banquet last Friday evening at the Buyers' Week convention in Portland. The Portland Chamber of Commerce, where the big banquet was held, was packed and it was with difficulty that the big crowd was cared for, the press was so great. It was an immense affair for a banquet, but all out-of-the-city visitors, and those associated with them there, were well cared for and they had a fine time.

Nathan Strauss, general chairman of the Buyers' Week, introduced W. E. Woodward, who acted as toastmaster. An address of welcome was given by Henry L. Corbett, president of the Chamber. Dan J. Malarky spoke on "Why and for What is America at War." The other speakers were C. E. Cochran, Bert R. Greer and John E. Gratke. Mr. Greer of Ashland, speaking on behalf of the country press, delivered an address on "What Is the Matter With the Great Northwest?" The speech in full is given on page 7.

Painless Parker's representative held a large crowd on the edge of the park by the Plaza Saturday night for about two hours. He was some speaker, for he kept it up just like a phonograph wound up to the limit.

Many a good reputation has been stabbed by a pointed tongue.

County May Delay Hunting Season

The Jackson County Fire Patrol association is considering the advisability of asking Governor Withycombe to delay the opening of the deer hunting season from August 15 until such time as all danger of forest fires is past. Unless rain falls soon this action is sure to be taken.

This fact, together with the news that the forest fires situation in the county is much improved to day, and the further fact that it has been discovered that a number of the recent forest fires were of incendiary origin, are the features in the fire situation today.

"The association is merely considering asking the governor to postpone the hunting season," said State Supervising Fire Warden Grieve, the other day. "The forests are so dry now that there is grave danger of many fires being started accidentally by hunters. We only want the hunting season postponed until the fire risk danger period is past. Of course, if we should have a good rain over the county, there would be no occasion for such a request."

"If it should be necessary to delay the opening of the hunting, no hardship would be worked on the deer hunters, as it is too dry for hunting. The forest fire risk is greater this season than in 1910, which was considered one of the worst years in this regard. The dry period this season is much longer than it was that year."

There is also a probability that Oregon hunters may be shut off from hunting for a time in California, as there is a move on in Klamath county and neighboring counties in California to request that the hunting season be delayed because of the fire danger resulting from the I. W. W. troubles.

Knights of Pythias Conclave Ready

All arrangements have been completed for the big conclave of the Knights of Pythias, which will be held at Crater Lake August 14, 15 and 16, and indications point to a very large attendance of knights from all over the state. The conclave will be held under the auspices of Talisman Lodge, No. 31, of Medford.

All the grand officers of the state will be in attendance and will put on the knight rank on Wizard Island, August 15. Members of the order are coming to the conclave from all over Oregon by auto and train. The railroads have made a special rate.

A big feature of the occasion will be the presence at the conclave of the battle flag that flew on the bridge of the Olympia in the battle of Manila bay, and of William Speaker, the color sergeant under Admiral Dewey, who was on the bridge with the admiral during the battle and handled the flag.

Speaker is a member of Muir Lodge, No. 136, of Sausalito, Cal., and the flag is the property of this lodge. It is sacredly guarded and has never been used or taken out of the lodge room but on one previous occasion. The lodge carries \$500 insurance on the flag and it is kept locked in a special receptacle made for it and is never to be out of the possession of some special deputized member whose duty it is to guard it.

Ashland Business Men's Association will hold next meeting in city hall Tuesday at 8 p. m., August 14. This meeting is important. Please be on hand.

H. H. ELHART, Sec.
Chf Payne makes tent stakes.

Good Crowds Attend Union Services

Good crowds are attending the Sunday union services in the Chau-tauqua building. Last evening one of the largest crowds that have attended the Sunday evening services heard Rev. C. E. Johnson, pastor of the Baptist church. Rev. Johnson preached an able sermon on a timely topic. He used the parable of the sower which Christ used to bring out the fact that "whatsoever ye sow that shall ye also reap," bringing home the practical lessons of present day life.

Methodist Women of Valley Meet Here

On last Friday the women of the Home and Foreign Missionary societies of the different Methodist churches of the valley held a district meeting in Lithia park. About 100 ladies attended, the largest delegation coming from Medford. Other towns of the valley sending delegations were Central Point, Talent, Gold Hill and Grants Pass.

Mrs. George Ubeck presided at the meeting. The speaker of the afternoon was Miss Carlton of Central Point, who delivered an able address. Following the program luncheon was served. It was a very successful affair in every way.

Popular Young Man Dies Here Suddenly

Ray F. Sayle, known by all his friends as "Blondy" Sayle, died at the Sanitarium last evening, after an operation a few days ago for acute appendicitis. Mr. Sayle was badly burned on the hand July 24, while fusing a transformer on the city power line, and before recovering from this accident he was suddenly stricken, and after consultation it was decided that an operation was necessary. Dr. E. H. Porter of Medford performed the operation.

Ray Furness Sayle was 32 years of age having been born on July 1, 1885, in Gates county, Nebraska. For the past eleven years he was employed by the California-Oregon Power Company as an electrician. He was married on December 9, 1912, to Miss Myrtle Parker of this city, who has the sympathy of a host of friends in her sad bereavement. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Sayle, have long been residents of Ashland. Three brothers and three sisters also mourn his death. The brothers are J. T. Sayle and Harry E. Sayle of Ashland and Morris Adam of Troy, Montana. The sisters are Mrs. Mary Wilson of Dunsmuir, Mrs. Elva Rouse and Mrs. Ida Jennings of Ashland.

Mr. Sayle was a member of the B. P. O. Elks, M. W. A., and was dictator of the local Moose lodge. Expressions of profound regret are heard from all who knew him, for "Blondy" was very popular among his acquaintances.

Funeral services will be held in Elks' temple tomorrow (Tuesday) at 2 p. m. and will be conducted by Ashland lodge, No. 944, B. P. O. Elks. Burial will be in Ashland cemetery.

Crowds Visit Crater Lake

A total of 2763 people visited Crater Lake park during the month of July, according to the official records just received, and this in spite of the fact that the lake was not accessible to the public until very late in the month.

This report indicates the record-breaking tourist travel which may be expected this summer.

A total of those traveling in private cars was 2292, by the transportation company 389, and walking, driving, etc., 139.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, August 11.—Weather predictions for the Pacific states for the week beginning Sunday, issued by the Weather Bureau today, are: Generally fair, with normal temperature.

Chrome Mines To Ship 50,000 Tons

Saturday three big Garford motor trucks passed through Ashland on their way to the California Chrome company's mine near Selma, Josephine county, from San Francisco. Two of these were of four tons and one of one and one-half tons carrying capacity.

Four more trucks of four tons capacity will be up within a few days. All are of the Garford type, a very substantially built car of simple design, but built for heavy carrying service. These trucks are built with the worm drive and have powerful engines. The distance from the mine to the railroad point where the cars will be loaded is 21 miles. In this distance a number of grades are encountered ranging as high as 20 per cent.

Mr. Ribel, one of the firm of the Garford agents in San Francisco, was traveling with this first delivery. H. L. Egan, of the firm of Egan Bros., the contractors in charge of the hauling from the mines to the railroad, was with the outfit also. He explained to the Tidings representative that the California Chrome Co.'s mine was one of the largest of its kind in the west, 10,000 tons of chrome being in sight, half of which they expect to deliver to the railroad this fall.

He said, "We intend to deliver 5,000 tons at the railroad in 100 days with these trucks being delivered and others we already have. The company has spent \$32,000 on the road from the mine and it is their desire to get this ore out to the railroad before the rainy season sets in."

"The mines are on Walen creek. The loading point is on the Grants Pass-Coast railroad 15 miles southwest of Grants Pass. The loading and unloading at both ends is done in five minutes of time, both being operated by gravity. At the railroad the trucks are backed up to the car on a specially built platform so that all the one man has to do is to tilt the truck bed and the load shoots down the chute into the car; if cars are not always available, the truck is unloaded into bunkers in the same manner.

"At the mine the trucks are loaded from bunkers to which chutes are built. There is practically no man work about this part of the work."

"We intend to load all cars at the railroad to capacity, from 60 to 70 tons to the car, as you know we are now allowed to load 10 per cent over."

Use of Library Tendered Co. C

At the regular meeting of the library board of the city of Medford, held August 6, 1917, the following resolutions were adopted:

"Whereas Company C, 3rd Oregon Infantry, is stationed in the city of Medford and will be here for a time, and we, the library board of the public library of the city of Medford, do tender the freedom of the library with its books, magazines and reading room to the members of Company C, 3rd Oregon Infantry.

"We also especially place at their disposal all books and periodicals treating of military matters and assure them that the librarians will endeavor to procure for their use any books not on our shelves, which can be obtained from the state library at Salem, Ore.

"We further tender to Company C the rooms on the lower floor of the library building to be used in any way suitable for library and recreation purposes.

"SARA B. MEARS,
"MATTIE B. PICKEL,
"Committee on Behalf of Library Board."

France Suspends Duty on Packages

Washington, Aug. 11.—Packages from home for American soldiers are to be passed by the French government duty free and without unnecessary delays for examination, according to a letter to the State Department from Ambassador Jusserand. The decision also applies to shipments made by the Y. M. C. A.

Consider the bald-headed man; his combs not, neither does he brush.