

Veteran's Column

The initiation team and the minstrel show from Capitol Post No. 9, accompanied by several other Legionnaires, went to Eugene Tuesday evening and put on their work there for the benefit of American Legion Post No. 3.

It was some trip and some meeting. All concerned had a good time and that's that.

About 200 Legionnaires attended the meeting, which was presided over by "Con" Dillon, commander of the Eugene Post. When he got tired of presiding he turned the meeting over to Commander "Fod" Watson of Capitol Post No. 9 and the initiation was put on. A class of 39 were officially initiated. The members of the initiation team from Salem were "Fod" Watson, Herman Brown, W. L. Royal, Irl S. McSherry and Carl Gabrielson. This proved to be a very impressive ceremony and was greatly appreciated by the comrades from Lane county.

After the initiation ceremony the minstrel show was staged and it was a real hit. Several new jokes of an old nature were used and apparently went across in the absence of foot lights in great condition.

How did you do it Karl?

The remark passed about Rufe White and taken up by Newell Williams almost caused a young riot until his jocular qualities were brought forth.

The members of the minstrel outfit to make the trip were Oliver Houston, R. W. White, Frank Zinn, Carl Gabrielson, Newell Williams, Karl Hinges and Dick Barton.

It was a great evening. Here's how.

W. W. Stuart, district executive committee man for District 3, accompanied by Frank Stellmacher and Kenneth Blom all of Albany, heard the call of Post No. 3 and attended the meeting at Eugene Tuesday evening. They appeared to be enjoying themselves.

A regular social meeting of the Capitol Post No. 9 and the Auxiliary has been planned for Tuesday evening. This will be a joint affair and only a few matters of business will be taken up at the regular Post meeting. Practically the entire evening will be devoted to social activities. There will be

Two weeks from Tuesday, or March 26, there will be a regular affair at the armory. This will be an open Post meeting, initiation and everything with the public invited to attend. Several notables are expected here at that time and a regular affair is to be forthcoming. More announcements about this later; but for now, remember the date.

Twelve members of the Capitol Post No. 9 Auxiliary will make the trip to Stayton Monday evening and there lend assistance in the organization of an Auxiliary to the Stayton Post.

The ladies Auxiliary will entertain the Spanish War Veterans on Monday evening, March 19 with a program and a dinner. It is understood that this will be a chicken dinner and the veterans will be sure to turn out in full force. Several prominent guests will be present.

On Monday the Spanish American War Veterans met in the Veterans' hall at the armory for the regular business meeting. A few matters of business were discussed with the most important of which dealt with care for the sick and disabled. Department Commander Lee Hurst, Department Quartermaster Bretherton and Past Department Commander Frank Stellmacher, all of Albany, were present for the meeting.

Today at 2:30 p. m. the regular memorial services of the G. A. R. and the Relief Corps will be held at the Armory. These services are held each year and are in

memory of those who have passed away during the year.

The G. A. R. Post of Salem will hold their next regular meeting on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the armory. The members of Sedgewick Post meet on the first and third Mondays of each month.

AMERICAN INDIANS WHO WERE FAMOUS

Chemawa Student Writes Life of Pocahontas, First Among Them

(Copy of the Salem Indian training school at Chemawa has been writing a series of articles on famous American Indians, for the Chemawa American, the school paper. The following, in the current number, of March 7, was written by one of the students of the institution, Dorothea Parker.)

The first great American Indian was Pocahontas. She was the daughter of Chief Powhatan, and might be termed one of the "reception committee" that received John Smith and the colonists at Jamestown, Virginia, in 1607.

No long after the founding of the colony John Smith, while exploring Chickahominy river, was set upon by the natives. Seizing the Indian guide, who was with him, and using him as a shield against their arrows, and at the same time defending himself with his pistol, Smith fought desperately, but the Indians finally surrounded Smith and led him to their village.

Smith told the following story: "I presented him, the chief Apocahongah, with a compass, describing by my best means the use thereof. He was so amazed and admired the object so greatly that he suffered me to tell him of the planets, stars and sun, and the roundness of the earth. With kind speeches and bread he requited me. I was taken to their village six miles away. For supper I had a quarter of venison and some ten pounds of bread. What I left was reserved for me. Each morning I was presented with three platters of bread and more venison than ten men could eat.

"One day I greatly astonished them by writing a note to my party. They couldn't understand how I could convey messages on paper. They were more astonished when what I ordered was delivered to me."

At a later date Smith was taken to the Indian Chief Powhatan. Smith describes him as a man "seventy years of age and of majestic appearance. He was tall, well proportioned and exceedingly vigorous. He wore an ornamental robe of racoon skins and his head-dress was composed of many feathers wrought into a kind of crown. He usually kept forty or so men for his guards when he slept, but when the English came over here he increased the guards to two hundred."

Powhatan received Smith graciously, assuring him of his friendship, offering platters of victuals, and promising Smith his liberty in four days. The chief promised to give corn and venison to the colonists and Smith in return promised hatchets and other utensils. Smith found Powhatan proudly lying upon a bedstead about a foot

high. Around his neck were many pearly beads and his body was partially covered with racoon skins. At his head sat a woman, and another sat at his feet. On each side of him seated on the ground were his chief men, ten in rank, and behind them as many young women, each wearing a very large chain of white beads. Their foreheads were painted red. When Smith entered a great shout arose. One of the important women brought water for him to bathe his hands and another brought him feathers to use in place of a towel.

Smith gives the following account of Pocahontas saving his life: "Having feasted me after the best barbaric manner they could, two great stones were placed before Powhatan and as many as could lay hands on me, dragged me before them and thereon laid my head, and were ready with their clubs to beat out my brains, when Pocahontas, the chief's dearest daughter, rushed in and seeing what was about to happen put her arms about my head and placed her own upon mine to prevent me from being killed." Powhatan spared Smith's life.

Some time after Powhatan, feeling hostile toward the English, planned to attack them at night. Pocahontas warned the colonists of his design and again proved her sincere friendship for the colonists. "This Indian maiden far excelled all others for features, countenance and proportions, and for wit and spirit was the only nonparal of this country."

When about twelve years of age Pocahontas was sent by Powhatan to Jamestown to procure the release of some Indians detained there. She was accompanied by her father's trusty messenger, who assured Smith of Powhatan's love and kindness in that he had sent his most loved child to see him, and venison and bread besides for a present. The prisoners were given to Pocahontas "in regard to her father's kindness" and such trifles as contented her were given to Pocahontas.

Here started our first historical romance, John Rolfe, a worthy Englishman, fell in love with Pocahontas, and asked her to marry him. In April, 1614, soon following her Christian baptism, she was married to John Rolfe. Oposchisa, her uncle, gave her away and the ceremony was performed according to the ways of the English church. Two years later they visited England.

Pocahontas was received with much ceremony by King James I and Queen Anne. She was known as Lady Rebecca. While there her picture was painted, and this same picture was later presented to the state of Virginia by the ruler of Great Britain, and is now in the state house at Richmond.

A few short months before she had lived in a wigwam and now she saw gilded palaces. Not long before she had worn deer skin, now she wore a ruff, a brocaded gown, and a high Jacobean hat! The bishop of London held a feast in her honor. While in England she met Smith, whom she had long thought dead. She would not marry Rolfe until she was convinced that Smith was dead by having his false grave pointed out to her. When she was told that Smith was dead she grieved exceedingly. Reports of this cruel meeting are conflicting. Some say she fainted away and did not speak for a long time. This would have been quite natural if she had thought him dead. Others insist she only wished to call Smith "Father." Whatever the truth be, Pocahontas began to lose her blooming health and to fade. Finally came the day for departure for Virginia. She took a coach from London to Gravesend, where she could board her ship.

It is not known whether she died of a broken heart from grief at the prospect of leaving Smith forever, or whether she was the victim of an epidemic of smallpox that was then ravaging in the vicinity of Gravesend. Here she was buried, but the exact spot is unknown.

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Music Department

"There's music in the sighing of a reed; There's music in the gushing of a rill; There's music in all things, if men had ears; Their earth is but an echo of the spheres." —Lord Byron.

In inaugurating this Music Department in The Statesman we feel that we are filling a long felt need for bringing into closer relationship the musician and the lover of music, thereby doing our bit locally to keep pace with the great educational wave that is sweeping the world in the interests of music.

The Music Editor will endeavor to answer all questions pertaining to music in all its branches. No questions will be answered in these columns unless accompanied by the full name and address of the inquirer. Only initials, or pseudonyms given will be published, and questions of a personal nature, or those requiring the giving of trade names will be answered personally if accompanied by a self-addressed envelope. The Music Editor will endeavor to answer questions as much as possible by quoting authorities rather than by expressing his own personal opinions.

This is your department, and we will welcome any suggestions or material that may be of interest to the musical public and that will aid in making this column a success.

Starting next Sunday the Music Editor will begin a series of articles on the History of Music. The vastness and complexities of the study of the history of music are bewildering to those who enter it.

The foregoing paragraph is only given to show what a fount of beauty is opened to you in the study of the history of music and in the reading of the articles that will start in next Sunday's issue of The Statesman.

Remember the questions you ask may require, in order to properly answer same, considerable research work, and your answers will be published as soon as it is possible to do so.

Address all communications to Music Editor of The Statesman.

Mrs. A. Davis was delightfully surprised last week when her father E. P. Rife, whom she had not seen for 26 years arrived with her brother and his wife, Mr. and E. B. Rife of Crow, Oregon. E. P. Rife lives in Smithers, B. C., and will remain here for some time.

Mrs. Gibson Osborn, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Zimmerman spent the week end in Portland visiting friends and relatives.

G. P. Sharkey, and family have moved to Salem.

Mrs. Alice Coolidge, who has been in Pasadena all winter met her sister, Mrs. S. L. Spurrier, returned home Sunday morning.

At the meeting of the school board Monday evening Mrs. A. Larsen was hired for primary teacher for the coming term.

Mrs. Blanche Albright has secured a school at Aumsville.

James Fry has built an addition to his incubator house and has added three large new incubators.

Plowing has begun on the Roberts hop yard.

Carpenter Brothers have just finished grafting four acres of young cherries.

AGED WOMAN KILLED

YREKA, Cal., Mar. 10.—(AP)—Mrs. Mary Castro, who was nearing her 100th birthday, was burned to death today in her home at Hawkesville. Matt Castro, 45, a son, was severely burned in attempting her rescue.

FIRM HEAD SUICIDES

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., March 10 (AP)—Oscar Tate, president of the Haynes-Henson Shoe company, shot and killed himself at the shoe store today.

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Gas Administering Device Presented Salem Hospital

A new Heidelberg gas apparatus was given to the Salem general hospital by Miss Sally Bush of this city. The equipment which is a complete unit, has been needed by the local hospital for some time and will be used for general operations. The new anaesthesia equipment will be in charge of Miss Mary Pepper, R. N. anaesthetist at the hospital.

The old way of administering to the patient was through a sponge, and the patient was required to "sleep off" the after effects of the gas, which was usually followed by a nauseating effect. The new apparatus has several dials and gauges which regulate the flow of the nitrous oxide oxygen and ethylene oxygen gases, and the patient wakes instantly when the supply of gas is cut off.

Sixteen Stayton Youths At Older Boy Conference

STAYTON, Or., March 10.—(Special)—Sixteen of Stayton's live wire boys are in attendance at the Older Boys Vocational conference, at Y.M.C.A. in Salem.

Professor Tobie, superintendent of schools, heads the delegation as "group leader." Rev. A. Brown of the M. E. church and I. G. Shaw of the Church of Christ are also with the boys.

The Stayton bunch includes Fred Davie, Olen Davie, Herbert Bennett, Gardner Bennett, Delbert Derby, Dare Calvin, Howard Sanders, Morris Cothren, Donald Stupka, Earl Sandner, Ralph Slegmund, Keith Phillips, Clair Humbery, Angus Ware, Glen Bowman and Marvin Shaw.

G. T. GROUP MEETS

COMMUNITY CLUB GIVES INTERESTING PROGRAM

ROBERTS, Ore., Mar. 10.—(Special)—Mrs. Forest Edwards gave a luncheon to the members of the G. T. at the last meeting. The following were present: Mrs. S. C. Davenport, Mrs. George Higgins, Mrs. L. Clymer, Mrs. C. Thomas, Mrs. B. D. Tidler, Mrs. Bud Stutsman, Mrs. N. P. Kugel and Mrs. Joe Ringwald.

Mrs. Bud Stutsman will entertain the club on March 8 at her home in Salem.

The community club is still very much alive. A fine program and debate was given at the last meeting. Tonight there will be a supper served, followed by a well planned entertainment of monologues, readings and music.

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