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STARTED ON JOURNEY FIFTY-SEVEN YEARS AGO

STILL TRAVEL SIDE BY SIDE AT 84 AND 80.

Uncle Barney and Aunt Jane Celebrate Nearly 60 Years of Life as Man and Wife.

Nearly sixty years have been spent by Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Veatch in the Cottage Grove country, their 57th wedding anniversary having been celebrated Saturday.

Coming across the plains together as children in 1853, the slow progress of the ox teams gave ample time for the development of a love affair, and they were married shortly afterward in a log cabin on the Hardy place, and have ever since made their home here, with the exception of three years which Mr. Veatch served in the Indian war.

Mrs. Veatch came across the plains with her father, S. V. Knox, Mr. Veatch being employed to look after the loose cattle, of which there were about a hundred.

In the party across the plains were S. V. Knox and family, Wm. Oglesby and family, Ira Kelly and Tom Knox, son-in-laws of Wm. Oglesby, Perrin Bryant, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ryles. The party started from Missouri and the trip took about six months. They crossed the Cascades by the old Barlow route. During the trip across the Malheur country in eastern Oregon a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ryles and was named Mary Malheur.

Of the older members of the party, none are now living, with the exception of Mr. Ryles, who settled in Benton county, and in understood to be now living at Albany. Dr. Oglesby, of this city, is a son of Wm. Oglesby. Mr. Veatch says the country was all taken up in section claims and looked as if it was only meant for the Indians, rattle snakes and varmints which then infested it. He has since become attached to it, however, and nothing could induce him to leave it.

Mr. and Mrs. Veatch, the former 84, the latter 80, are still spry, especially Mrs. Veatch, and are affectionately known by every resident of the Cottage Grove country as Uncle Barney and Aunt Jane.

The following children of Mr. and Mrs. Veatch are now living: S. P. Veatch, of San Francisco; O. O. Veatch, Rosetta Veatch, Harriet McGee, Mrs. R. H. Mosby, Mrs. E. S. Hildeman and R. E. Veatch, all of Cottage Grove or vicinity.

Fake Magazine Agents.

The old, timeworn dodge of taking orders for 100 magazines for the payment of \$2, was worked in Eugene for a brief time last week, or until one of the citizens, approached by a solicitor, exposed the fake and caused a sudden lapse of activity on the part of the strangers. A couple of young ladies were taking orders for the magazines, but it can be said to their credit, that they were not aware of the crooked nature of the game. When it was explained, the agents made all haste to realize a change of scene.

The scheme is worked thusly: An agent approaches the victim, display a long list of the standard magazines and agrees to send 100 selected ones on payment of \$2. A contract, purporting to be entered into by the Western Magazine agency, of which one C. N. Murdock is alleged to be the manager, is presented as an earnest of their intent of the "firm" to deliver the books. Well, the goods never arrive and the victims, usually stung for the small sum of \$2, keep mum and the faker escapes from the consequences of his act. Lately every town in the valley from Portland south to Eugene has been worked by this old game and a warning should be sounded all along the line to keep a sharp lookout for these magazine artists. Several orders had been taken in Eugene before the dodge was exposed.—Register.

Feeling the need of an opera house and skating rink and being urged by many Springfield citizens to erect a building for that purpose, Chas. Rivett has decided to add another story to his concrete block now occupied by Cox & Cox.

SOCIALISM, PLUS—WHAT?

"Socialism, Plus—" will be the subject of Rev. Robert Sutcliffe's sermon Sunday evening. This will conclude a series of these sermons on Socialism, and will be a general round-up of the pastor's views on this question of the moment.

Extra copies of the Sentinel always on hand to send to your eastern friends. Geo. W. McQueen was in Eugene yesterday on business.

OLD SOLDIER IS DRAFTED.

Thos. Rawlings, Civil War Veteran, Answers Taps for Last Time.

Robert Thomas Rawlings, for many years a resident of Blue Mountain, died Sunday, Dec. 23th, at a Portland hospital at the age of 79 years. Funeral services were conducted from Blue Mountain church Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Rawlings was a veteran of the Civil war and was a member of Appamatux post. The commander, chaplain and eight members officiated at the funeral.

The deceased was born at Portland, Mo., November 14th, 1841. He served in companies B and D, 15th regiment Kansas volunteer cavalry.

CASHES BAD CHECK HERE

LOCAL FIRM TAKEN IN WITH POOR PAPER.

Prospective Settler Runs Short of Funds and Takes Bad Way of Getting More.

John Peterson, who arrived here from Minnesota a week or so ago, and, after looking at land here, went down the valley, has left some acquaintances here who will remember him. Among them are Wheeler & Thompson, who cashed a \$10 check for him that has since been returned.

He was well acquainted in Minnesota and had no trouble in getting on friendly terms with people formerly of the Gopher state. So far as known, however, he did not pass any checks on anybody else here, but at Roseburg and Glendale he is said to have forged the name of E. C. Lockwood, of this city, to several checks.

So far as known Peterson has not yet been apprehended.

Furnished Material for Myrtle Creek Building.

The Cottage Grove Manufacturing Co. has just completed furnishing the mill work for an 85x75 two-story building at Myrtle Creek, being erected by Weaver Bros. This is one of the outside contracts the company has had this year.

Graphite Made from Coal.

Graphite, the commonest use of which is seen in the "lead" pencil, is almost pure carbon. This mineral is therefore only a step removed from coal and in fact some of the natural graphite deposits are found in coal beds where the intrusion of masses of intensely heated liquefied igneous rock has metamorphosed the coal, thus forming graphite. An example of this natural manufacture of graphite out of coal is described in one of the reports of the United States Geological Survey on the Ranton coal field of New Mexico. On the other hand, large quantities of high grade graphite are artificially manufactured direct from ordinary coal.

In making lead pencils the graphite is mixed with a clay of fine grain and the greater the proportion of the clay constituent the harder the pencil. Exceedingly soft pencils with large leads contain but little clay.

Legal blanks at the Sentinel office.

TO START SMALL CANNERY

LOCAL NURSERYMAN TO TRY NEW PROCESS.

Will Put Up 1,000 Cans of Beans Just to Try Out the Business.

A small cannery and fruit dryer will be started next fall by S. B. Morss, of the Cedar Springs nursery, and two son-in-laws, R. L. Gawley and Dave Risseu. The canning plant will only be expected to take care of 1,000 cans, which will be almost entirely filled with sweet corn.

Mr. Morss got his first idea of trying the canning business from noticing canned goods shipped in here from way back in Maryland, when he knew that this country produces the finest peas, beans and sweet corn in the world for canning purposes.

A regular canning outfit would be too expensive to experiment with on so small a scale, but he has gotten hold of a steam chest method, which is cheap enough for the purpose.

If the experiment turns out all right, there will be lots of farmers who will put in their own canning plants.

Messrs. Morss, Gawley and Risseu will also rig up a small fruit dryer. Mr. Morss says enough apples went to waste here last year to have supplied the whole city if they had been taken care of. He has already had some experience in the fruit drying business here and knows that it can be made to pay.

FIR MAKES FINE FURNITURE

OREGON WOOD TAKES AN ARTISTIC FINISH.

Local Man Has Demonstrated that the Material Is Here for Furniture Plants.

That artistic furniture can be made of the timber surrounding Cottage Grove has been ably demonstrated by S. R. Smith, of the Cottage Grove Manufacturing Co. Mr. Smith has made for his own use a davenport, library table, book case, rocking chair and cedar chest, and has done the work more to demonstrate what can be done with the wood than for any thing else.

The davenport in particular shows what a beautiful grain the fir has when properly selected. The wood is also capable of a very high finish.

As far as beauty is concerned the fir can not be beaten by oak, although it probably is not quite as durable as the latter.

Mr. Smith predicts that it will not be many years before there will be furniture factories here doing on a large scale what he has done on a small scale and that Cottage Grove furniture will be excelled by none on the coast.

TEACHING COOKS TO COOK.

Southern Pacific Railway System Adds Innovation.

The chefs on the diners of the Southern Pacific company are being taught to be more finished cooks. They know how to cook, but a cook can always learn something new and one of the famous hotel chefs of the country is the professor in a cooking school for cooks that has just been established in the Southern Pacific dining car department.

All of the chefs are to learn how to cook the most tempting dishes. Scientific management in the kitchen is also a feature of the course. A degree of doctor of culinary art will probably be given at the end of each course, although the length of the course has not yet been decided upon. Every dining car crew, as it reaches the Oakland yards of the Southern Pacific, is turned over to the chef, and until it starts on another trip across the continent or up or down the coast the cooks are being taught how to prepare new and fancy dishes that will tickle the palate of the most fastidious gourmet. Each dining car crew, which consists of a chef, a first, second and third cook, prepares a meal just before it starts out on a trip.

Ancient Relic from Mayflower.

A table which is said to have come across the Atlantic on the Mayflower, though that has never been sufficiently authenticated, is the property of W. W. Moore, of Eugene, and is now at the "furniture hospital" for repairs. The table was given to John Boomer, of Middleport, O., many years ago by his great grandfather. Mr. Boomer had two sons and a daughter and was a man of wealth. At his death, 14 years ago, his only legacy to his daughter was \$1,000 and the old table. She became discouraged and sold the table to a second-hand dealer. Mr. Moore, who was a nephew of Boomer's, and a cousin of the young lady, finally decided to secure the table. After a long search he located it, as the second-hand man had sold it. It was originally a writing desk, peculiarly carved by hand, and when gotten together will be a very presentable piece of furniture, in spite of its age of three centuries.

To Organize Hop Company.

Steps are being taken in the east to form a large hop company to handle the bulk of the American crop. The company, if organized, will consist of brewing, trading and producing interests, and it will have ample capital to enable it practically to control the American market.

Two or three of the largest Portland and Salem hop dealers have been consulted by the promoters of the movement and it is understood they will be identified with the new company. Some of the leading California growers and probably a few Oregon growers will also be in the company.

The object of the new company, it is said, is not to control prices, but to systematize the methods of conducting the hop business, as has been done in other commercial lines. At the present time the expenses of a firm handling a business of 2,000 bales a year is as large as one that handles 10,000 or 15,000 bales. A vast expense is incurred in buying transporting and carrying hops, and much of this cost will be eliminated, according to the plans of the new concern.

Rat Opens Milk Cans.

People living down on East Eleventh, in Eugene, have been telling queer tales about the alleged statements of G. H. McMorran, relative to achievements of a wise old rodent which they say that McMorran says has been performing marvelous things in the dairy line. According to the rumors, Mr. McMorran avers that a rat has been stealing his cream and carrying it away and making butter. Many believed Mr. McMorran to be casting reflections on the "Rough Rider," one T. R., to injure his chances of nomination, by certifying to the truth of such wonderful cases of nature-faking. It appears, however, that the reports were much of the "three black crow" variety, and while the tale itself is strange enough, as told by the author, it is nothing compared with the reckless exaggerations which have been indulged in by repeaters of that story. Here is the tale as told by Mr. McMorran: For some time he noticed that the top was removed every morning from his milk bottles and the cream taken off. On watching he discovered the work was done by a rat, which came up, carefully removed the lid and proceeded to drink as far down as possible in the bottles. The rat is still at large.

INCREASE EFFICIENCY.

200 Per Cent More Eggs for Poultryman.

The persistent prevailing price of 50 cents per dozen for fresh eggs, with no sign of a decline, is the germ of an inspiration by the working out of which Ed Simmons, a Gold Hill poultryman, is certain he can increase the efficiency of his hens at 200 per cent and, as a matter of course, fatten his bank account appreciably. Like everyone who has had any experience with chickens, from the penitent Peter down to Edmund Rostand, Mr. Simmons has observed that roosters crow at daybreak, and that the clarion call of chancier is the signal for the hens to be about their henly business. So that he may be able to take profitable advantage of the present bullish tendency of the egg market, Mr. Simmons will at once construct a hen house of special design.

Realizing that the age of electricity is at hand, Mr. Simmons proposes to be a pioneer in the inauguration of the new order. The coop will be totally without windows, and as near light-proof as possible, but will be brilliantly lighted with tungsten lamps. At either end of the coop, which will be thirty feet long by ten wide, will be lights with crimson globes, so installed that the current may be turned on and off slowly. By a careful manipulation of the switchboard a miniature sunrise may be produced at the east end of the coop, or a rosette sunset may be made to fill the western extremity, there to gradually fade into total darkness. The coop will be fitted along both walls with trap nests, each with a small door opening on the outside, so that the four-bit cackle-berries may be gathered without entering the coop.

With this unique and scientific stage setting and a selected flock of hens and roosters as actors, Mr. Simmons is confident that an industrial drama will be enacted that will set poultrydom a-cackle from Pasadena to Pawtucket, and that will be of vastly more practical value than the best barnyard play ever written.

He will place forty picked hens and three carefully-selected roosters in the coop in the daytime, with the tungsten lamps in full blaze. The hens chosen will be those that have been observed to lay about the same time each day, for team work, or what may be more eggactly termed, gallinaceous co-operation, is absolutely essential to the success of his extraordinary venture. The roosters selected will be those which have distinguished themselves as invariable adherents of the good old rule of "early to bed and early to rise," as the part that they will play in setting a good example to the hens in the matter of arising and retiring will be no less important than the expected prolific performance of the hens themselves.

Having allowed the few a short time in which to become acquainted with their new quarters, which will be electrically heated to the degree most conducive to egg production, Mr. Simmons will feed his forty-three feathered pets through a system of spouts, the food to be an electrically prepared compound on which he has already applied for a patent, and which he may later put on the market as a breakfast food, with the expectation that it will put Yost's Roasties and Wellogg's

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HUMAN INTEREST STORY.

Put in Lockup; Contracts Severe Case of Pneumonia.

Walked from Roseburg in the storm, with clothes wet with rain put in the lockup over night, contracted pneumonia from the exposure and chilling night's sleep. Such is the story of Patrick Craxford, taken up here last Friday night as a vagrant. He was removed Saturday to quarters at the Star, where medical attention was secured, and he is now on the road to recovery, although not out of danger.

Real Estate Transfers.

W. B. Cooper to R. W. Bauman, part of lots 2 and 3 in block 7 of Long & Landess addition to Cottage Grove, \$10.

SACRED CONCERT PLEASURES

AUDIENCE PACKS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY.

Large Choir Renders in Pleasing Manner Program of Christmas Music.

The finest and most appreciated concert of the season was that given in the Presbyterian church Sunday under the direction of Miss Silsby. A large and appreciative audience packed the church. Every member deserved special mention and showed the results of painstaking practice.

The following program was rendered: Voluntary.....Mrs. Kerr Hymn....."Joy to the World" "Hark What Mean Those Holy Voices" Choir.....Stearns Scripture..... "I will Love the Lord" Oratorio "Eli" Misses Veatch, Hazleton, Silsby, Mrs. Miller, Messrs. Bisby and Stratton

Prayer..... "Holy Night, Peaceful Night" Hayden Messrs. Stratton, Bisby, Harvey, Powell

Address.....Rev. Mason "Hope Thou In God" Oratorio "Eli" Miss Lockwood, Mr. Stratton "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night" Choir.....Stearns Offertory..... "Holy Night" Adolph Adam Misses Veatch, Lockwood, Silsby, Messrs. Stratton, Somers, Matthews, Harvey

"Hark, Hark My Soul!" Shelly Choir... (Solos: Harvey and Stratton) "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" Hymn..... Choir members: Sopranos—Misses Harms, Job, Kennon, Holderman Lockwood, Smith, Veatch, Holcomb; altos—Miss Perkins, Silsby, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Wampole; tenors—Messrs. Veatch, Bisby, Somers, Stratton; basses—Messrs. Sherman, Matthews, Currin, Harvey.

The voters at the city election in Ashland yesterday again overwhelmingly voted dry by the decisive vote of 612 to 327, this being a majority of 285. Nine hundred and thirty-nine votes were cast on the question and every ward in the city gave a majority against the saloons.

GOING TO RAISE ANGORAS

FORMER EDITOR WILL BUTT INTO WOOL BUSINESS.

W. C. Conner Buys 260-Acre Tract on which He Will Experiment With Goats.

Cottage Grove is to have a full-fledged Angora goat farm. W. C. Conner, formerly editor of the Leader, and who recently returned from Coquille, has butted into the wool business, so to speak. He has purchased 260-acres of land one mile west of the city, the property being known as the north part of the Branton place, and on this he will place a herd of Angora goats. How many he will have in the flock he has not yet decided.

Mr. Conner has made quite a reputation as a raiser of high grade poultry and will, no doubt, do as well with the goats.

The Lane Pomona grange will hold its next regular meeting with Mohawk grange at Donna tomorrow. Business of importance to all grangers will be transacted. The subject for the lecture hour will be "Farm Sanitation," and will be discussed under the following heads: Septic tank, ventilation, water supply and drainage. Competent speakers will open the discussion of the subjects.

Miss Bertha Stevens returned yesterday from a visit at Eugene.

The teachers and pupils are returning or leaving, or getting ready to, preparatory to taking up school work next week.

MARRIED PEOPLE HAVE A BIG BUNCH OF FUN

ALL UNMARRIED PEOPLE ARE BARRED FROM ATTENDING

And the Old Folks Have More Fun than when Youngsters in Their 'Teens.

The most successful social affair of the season was the meeting of the Married Peoples' club Wednesday night, when about 100 members of the Methodist parish met in Phillips hall for a banquet. The attendance was limited entirely to married people.

By a unique system of drawing partners, each man and woman was separated from his or her better half for the evening, which seemed to add considerable to the merriment of the occasion.

After an elegant banquet furnished by the ladies, a much-enjoyed program was rendered, and it can be easily said that so many mirth-provoking stories have not been told at one entertainment here for a long time.

Ernest Purvance toasted the pastor and his wife, putting the wife first; Rev. Robert Sutcliffe toasted the Ladies' Aid; Mrs. F. D. Wheeler toasted the new comers, and S. L. Mackin replied for the new comers. Mr. Mackin's stories received the largest rounds of applause. Elbert Bede acted as toastmaster.

After the speech-making, the following program was well-rendered and every number loudly applauded:

Instrumental duet, Mrs. Robert Sutcliffe and daughter, Miss Armorer; reading, "Donation Party," L. A. Ralston; vocal duet, Umphrey & Mackin; ladies' quartet, "I'd Like To Go Down South Once More," Mrs. Horace Cochran, Mrs. Brund, Mrs. H. Hart, Mrs. W. C. Conner; reading, Mrs. N. O. Compton. After the program all present joined in games and enjoyed them the same as in younger days.

It is rumored the married men will give a banquet to the ladies in the near future.

Congressman Hawley Active.

The committee on agriculture of the house of representatives is now engaged in holding hearings, the various chiefs of the bureaus of the department of agriculture appearing before the committee where they report the progress made during the past year, and appropriations for future work, and answer questions directed at them by members of his committee. Congressman Hawley of the First district, a member of this committee, takes an active part in its meetings, and it is rarely that he misses a part of any session, so interested is he in the matters coming before the committee. It will be remembered that it was before the committee on agriculture that Mr. Hawley secured the defeat of the Lafean apple box bill, regarded as very injurious to the horticultural interests of the northwest, and it is before this committee that matters pertaining to the forest service are usually investigated. Mr. Hawley is particularly interested, also, in the procuring of grains and grasses suitable to the climate and soil of Oregon. He has made many investigations with this end in view and just recently the chief of the bureau of plant industry stated to him: "If you would furnish us the names and addresses of a few farmers who would be interested in experimenting with varieties of corn, we will have our office of corn investigations take up the matter directly and arrange for testing some of the early maturing varieties of New England, Minnesota and the Dakotas." It has been often said by eastern people that Oregon's climate and soil would not grow corn. Mr. Hawley believes that it will if the proper varieties are tried and he would be glad to have the names of any persons who desire to experiment with corn or any other variety of seed. In the southern part of the state Mr. Hawley has been sending out some new varieties of citrus trees in an endeavor to find a locality where they will thrive well and prove a valuable commercial commodity.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Leonard returned Wednesday from a visit with G. A. Nichols and family at Eugene.

BEST DISPLAY EVER SHOWN

A display of 64 varieties of Preferred Stock canned good, probably the finest ever shown in Cottage Grove, has been arranged at Kerr & Silsby's. The arrangement is tasty and is such that selling from the display will not spoil the appearance. The expense and trouble entailed in the arrangement of the display shows enterprise on the part of the firm of which the city may well be proud.