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PIONEER OF 1852 DIES AT AGE OF 82

CROSSED PLAINS WITH OX TEAM IN EARLY DAYS.

Joseph Peterson Taylor, Who Took Up Donation Claim in Willamette Valley in Early 50's, Dies at Ripe Old Age.

Joseph Peterson Taylor, aged 82, early Oregon pioneer, who settled in the Willamette valley in 1852, died Saturday at his home about seven miles south of Cottage Grove. The funeral was held Sunday at the Taylor & Lane cemetery.

Joseph Peterson Taylor was born in Burlington county, New Jersey, July 27th, 1830. His parents, Henry W. and Charlotte Taylor, moved to Philadelphia the same year and lived in the state of Pennsylvania for about three years. They moved from there to Highland county, Ohio, where they resided for eight years; moving from Ohio to southwestern Missouri. On April 19, 1852, they started across the plains with the party known as the Hazleton train. The trip was accomplished with the usual suffering and death of part of the members of the party. They arrived at Foster, Oregon, September 19, 1852. During the winter of 1852-53 Mr. Taylor located the donation claim where he still resided at the time of his death. He was the oldest in the family of ten children, three of whom are still living: Jeremiah Taylor, Mrs. Jane Garoutte and Mrs. Mary F. White. He enlisted in the Rogue River Indian war in 1855 and took part in the battles of Cow Creek and Big Meadows. He was married December 24, 1858, to Mary Angeline Small, a native of Georgia, who crossed the plains with her parents, Harvey and Narcissa.

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THE COUNTY SUPERVISOR SCHOOL SYSTEM

EXPLAINED BY STATE SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

Eulogized as One of the Greatest Victories for Education in History of State of Oregon.

Some of the criticisms of the county school inspector law were answered by State Superintendent Alderman during his recent visit here. He says the system has been productive of wonderful results elsewhere and predicts that it will prove the same here. The system was adopted but a few months ago, but he said that good results can already be seen.

Taking it home to Lane county, County Superintendent Baughman said there are 180 school districts in the county, and he found on taking office that some of them had not been visited for eight or nine years. With the tremendous amount of office work it was a physical impossibility for one man to attempt to visit the schools.

The county supervisors, it was explained, take the place of the county superintendent as far as visiting the country schools are concerned, and school ma'ams in the backwoods no longer feel that no one is taking an interest in them and their work. In fact, under this system an attempt is being made to keep the rural schools pretty nearly up to the city schools.

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Can You Read Rapidly?

Then just time yourself and see how long it takes you to read all the live news in this issue of The Sentinel. Every line of type in the entire eight pages is set at home. Toot! Toot!

ROADS ARE DRYING UP

Macadam Roads Are in Excellent Condition for Travel; Others Improving Rapidly.

Roads throughout the country are drying up rapidly and many macadam roads are now in an excellent condition for travel, especially on high ground. People from the country report that the sunshine of the last week has done wonders and that a little more of it will cause dust to fly.

Of course dirt roads on low ground are a long ways from ideal yet, but the writer took a trip up the Mosby Creek road Sunday and a more pleasant ride would be hard to imagine. The road shows plainly what results can be obtained from the proper kind of road work.

IS PERFORMING ITS DUTY

Hundreds of Copies of Sentinel Are Sent to the East Every Month.

The first care of a newspaper is to advertise its home community. That readers of The Sentinel believe that it is doing this work well is evidenced by the number of copies that are sent every week to eastern friends. Nearly fifty extra copies are secured every week at The Sentinel office for this purpose. Seventy-five were sold one week recently, and there is no telling how many of those mailed to subscribers are sent away after being read. That there are a large number there is no question.

That those in the east believe The Sentinel is a good ad. is evidenced by the complimentary letters written back, several of which have been published.

"The Shop" where good printing is done—The Sentinel.

PERSECUTED MAN TO GET RIGHTS

PERJURED WITNESS IN LAND FRAUD CASE CONFESSES.

Human Interest Story Hangs About H. H. Hendricks, Former Cottage Grove School Boy, Victim of Purchased Testimony.

H. H. Hendricks, who has been under sentence for years for alleged subornation of perjury, is not guilty, and the tale is one of peculiar human interest. The witness upon whose testimony Mr. Hendricks was convicted, now conscience stricken, has confessed that he was paid for such testimony, and Hendricks will have lifted the cloud that has been on his name since the famous land fraud cases in 1905, at which time a score or more of citizens of Cottage Grove had indictments staring them in the face.

H. H. Hendricks was at one time a resident of Cottage Grove, where he attended public school, worked at farm labor and earned enough money by honest toil to attend the University of Oregon, from which he became a graduate. While there he cooked his own meals, his means being too limited to afford anything different.

His brother, D. A. Hendricks, is now a resident of this city.

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H. H. HENDRICKS
Persecuted Lawyer About Whom Human Interest Tale Hangs.

WOMEN KNOCK HITCHING POSTS

Jim Craig's G Minor Cords are in Bad Shape.

Women of Cottage Grove have power, even though not allowed to vote.

The other day while Jim Craig was erecting some hitching posts on one of the side streets he was approached by some of the ladies of that vicinity, who interceded with the Honorable Jim to quit the job.

Jim, having a large soft spot in his already large heart for the gentler sex, just said "God bless you, ladies, to do your will is food for my soul" and he quit the job like a flea would a dead dog. He will remove the already set posts as soon as the vibration of his G minor cords subsides.

Mistake In Announcement.

The recital which will take place at the Christian church on the 22d will not be participated in by Prof. Waterhouse's pupils as was announced. The recital in which the pupils will take part will occur in April. The recital for the 22d will be an entire organ recital by Prof. Waterhouse, assisted by a chorus choir, A. C. Kinter and Mrs. Waterhouse.

HANDY GETS \$2,250 FOR INJURIES

RECEIVED AT J. H. CHAMBERS MILL RECENTLY.

Sued for \$50,000, but Jury Cuts Amount Down.—Much Expert and Technical Testimony Is Introduced in the Case.

In his suit for \$50,000 damages for peculiar personal injuries alleged to have been received at the J. H. Chambers sawmill Oct. 4, 1911, when his clothing became entangled in a roll and a large patch of skin was torn from the abdomen, a jury in district court awarded William H. Handy \$2,250.

Defendants asked for ten days' time in which to appeal.

The case attracted considerable attention because of the nature of the injuries and lasted two days. Much expert and technical testimony was introduced and both sides fought hard for victory.

Handy claimed that he was permanently injured and incapacitated through neglect of the company to properly protect the machinery.

Defendants claimed that plaintiff was not permanently injured and that if he had been it would have been because of his own carelessness.

MAKES VERY QUICK DELIVERY

GROCERY ORDERS DELIVERED IN JIG TIME.

Grocery Wagon Tries to Climb a Tree, With Diastrous Results to The Load.—Rig Demolished; No One Hurt in the Accident.

An unusually quick delivery of groceries was made at Herman Venske's house Monday afternoon when the rig driven by Arthur Monroe tried to climb a tree in Mr. Venske's yard.

The rig was standing in front of Ostrander's house when the horses became frightened at a baby buggy and started off on the run. As the horses came to Venske's they were again frightened by some school children and turned into the yard, coming up against a tree as the horses tried to pass it on opposite sides.

The wagon was badly smashed up and groceries scattered all around the place. Otherwise no damage was done. No one was in the rig at the time of the runaway.

The accident occurred after 5 o'clock, and many good housewives waiting for groceries for supper were somewhat discommoded.

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VANCOUVER, WASH., March 7, 1912

CHAS. HALL, MANAGER ARCADE
Cottage Grove, Oregon

Dear Friend Chas.—Received copy of your letter head today, and they are certainly "some class." Nobody but Charley Hall would have ever thought of anything like that, and I have never seen any better or more artistic printing turned out of a New York Shop. Send a few of the letter heads and earn my everlasting gratitude.

JACQUES JACKSON.

The letter heads were designed and executed by The Sentinel, "The Shop" Where Good Printing is Done.

COTTAGE GROVE FIR AT 'FRISCO

Lumber Man Takes Exhibit on Oregon Excursion Special.

A piece of Cottage Grove fir accompanied the Oregon excursion train to 'Frisco Tuesday, and every member of the excursion, as well as many residents of San Francisco, will be made to realize what a fine quality of wood the Cottage Grove fir is.

The sample was taken along by L. S. Hill, of the Brown Lumber Co. The piece of wood is an especially good sample of the average fir of this section, and was finished by the Cottage Grove Manufacturing Co.

A large number of citizens of the city were down to see the Oregon Special go through.

Great Luck Selling Chickens.

Ernest Purvance, who has been advertising Buff Orpingtons in The Sentinel, reports that he has disposed of chickens faster than he could raise them and had to refuse orders in order to save any birds for himself.

Desk blotters for sale.—Sentinel.

Former Resident Dies.

Word was received here this week of the death of Mrs. Lorene Stockwell at Hornbrook, Calif. She was formerly Mrs. Mina Wallace, who lived here about 15 years ago. Particulars of death have not been learned, but she was sick but about a week. Deceased leaves six children, Lenore, Rynal and John Wallace and three small children by her second husband.

COLONISTS BEGINNING TO ARRIVE

Leaving Snow Four Feet Deep, Willamette Climate Pleases.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Burnett arrived Tuesday from Earlham, Iowa, to make Cottage Grove their permanent home. Mrs. Burnett is a sister of N. E. Compton. They have rented a house in the city for the present. They report leaving 47 inches of snow in Iowa. Fences were hidden with the fluffy stuff and roads blocked. The salubrious climate of the Willamette has greatly pleased them.

R. C. Von Lehe and Henry Schrepe of Le Seuer, Minn., arrived Monday on the colonists fares and are looking over land in the vicinity and visiting relatives.

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Will Be Interesting Meeting.

The Patron-Teachers meeting on March 22d will be one of more than usual interest, and a special effort is being made to secure the attendance of parents.

Plans for the part the association will take in the industrial educational work this summer will be matured, and there will be a discussion in which everyone will be invited to take part.

In addition to the formulating of the plans referred to, a program will be rendered.

Have you got something kicking around in your way that you want to get rid of? A reader in the Sentinel may sell it for you.

COAST TO COAST RAILROAD IS THE VERY LATEST RUMOR

The greatest thing that ever happened for Cottage Grove, is what the coast to coast railroad through the Calapoosias, which is the latest railroad rumor, would be. That a representative from the U. S. Land Office and a representative of one of the greatest railroad systems of the country have been going over several proposed routes in this vicinity is almost positively known. When making the trip through the mountain wilds they have taken with them guides familiar with every foot of the territory. The work has been going on for a couple months, but has been so quietly done that no

one surmised the purpose of the work. Such a road would be the greatest factor in the development of the Cottage Grove country that it could possibly get. Freight rates would be so reduced that lumber could be put on the middle western market at a profit in competition with eastern lumber, factories would have an outlet, thousands of people would have to be put into the country to prepare the forests for the market, produce would be given an outlet, and these are only a few of the things that would contribute to the prosperity of the best little city in the famous, fertile, fruitful Willamette.

TEAM WILL BE ORGANIZED

Ideal Weather Sunday and Base Ball Enthusiasts Hold Successful Tryout.

Cottage Grove will have a base ball team this summer. This decision was reached at the tryout Sunday and an organization will be completed this week. A meeting will be held Friday night in the Armory, at which all fans and enthusiasts are requested to be present.

Weather conditions were ideal Sunday and many candidates for positions got out to play with the sphere and hammer it around the diamond. The tryout demonstrated that there is plenty of material right at home for a cracking good team.

Two challenges for games have already been received from Portland as a result of the news of the proposed organization published in The Sentinel last week.

POSTAL BANK WILL BE ESTABLISHED

WILL START BUSINESS ON FIRST DAY OF APRIL.

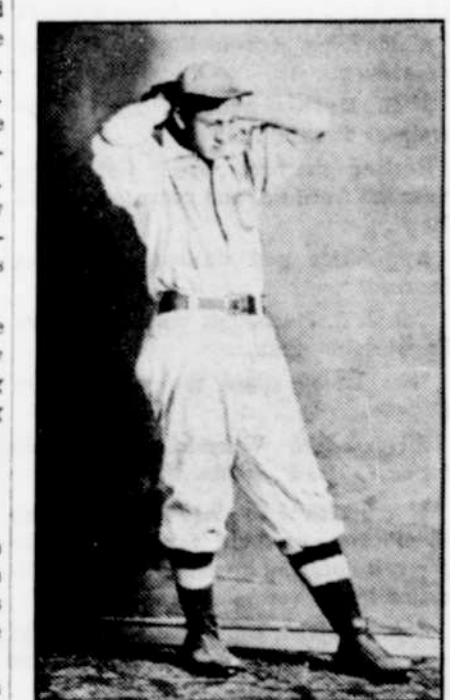
Local Postal Authorities Receive Unexpected Orders to Prepare for Establishment.—Some of the Regulations for Depositors.

A United States Postal Savings bank will be established in Cottage Grove April 1st. The local authorities unexpectedly received such information this week, with instructions to prepare themselves for taking charge of the work.

The postal banks have been more successful than the government at first anticipated and have already done much in dragging money out of old socks and other hiding places and putting it into circulation. As the money is re-deposited in state and national banks, the postal banks do not interfere with the business of other banks, in reality merely acting as a government guaranty of deposits.

Accounts may be opened and deposits made by any person of the age of 10 years or over in his or her own name and by a married woman in her own name and free from any interference

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RAY BAKER
Cottage Grove Boy, Sold to Philadelphia, Famed to Birmingham

BAKER FARMED TO BIRMINGHAM

Arrives at Practice Ground in Good Shape for Work.

Ray Baker, who was drafted from Raymond last year by Philadelphia, has been farmed out to Birmingham. He writes that he reported for duty with the latter team Friday in fine shape for a good season's work. He says the other members of the team are a fine bunch of fellows.

Ray Baker is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Baker of this city, and is well known here because of his fast work with the local team in 1909, when he was a favorite with the fans.

Baker pitched for the Eugene team in 1910, and was drafted by the Philadelphia team because of his fast work last year with Raymond, where he was known as their crack twirler.

Baker is only 21 years of age, but possesses a phenomenal amount of speed. It is likely that he will attract notice even in the big league before long.

Don't forget to get something good at the market to be held Saturday at Kerr & Silsby's store by the ladies of the Presbyterian church.

HAVE BEEN MARRIED FOR 59 YEARS

MARRIED ON THIRTEENTH BUT HAVE GOOD LUCK.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shortridge, Probably Longest Married Couple in Willamette Valley, Celebrate Anniversary of Marriage.

Married on the 13th day of March, 1853, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shortridge of this city have spent 59 happy years together. After spending their younger days in the trials of a pioneer life they are enjoying old age in peace and comfort, contented as when they took one another for better or for worse, with their life work ahead of them. Neither of them were superstitious when they set the wedding day for the unlucky day of the month, and they have not become so since.

Mr. Shortridge came from Mercer County, Ill., in 1851, with the Miller train, one of the largest to ever cross the plains. He went first to California and stayed there until starved out in 1852, when he came to the Willamette valley, his home ever since. While in California he saw salt sell at \$16 a pound and flour at \$2 a pound. Only a few pounds of each would be sold to any one person. The poorest kind of a meal was a dollar. He says there was no high living in those days.

Mrs. Shortridge was Amelia S. Adams, of Louisa County, Iowa, and came across the plains with her parents, long since dead, in 1852, the family settling near Jefferson. Death stalked abroad on the plains that year in every form. One of the Adams boys died of the cholera and was buried in the Platte valley.

Mr. Shortridge and Miss Adams had been sweethearts back east and mar-

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BRINGS DOWN GOLD BRICK WORTH \$6,000

CHAMPION MILL CATCHING YEL-LOW STUFF.

Manager Hogg Reticent About Giving News Concerning Property, but Is Well Satisfied With Output.

A \$6,000 gold brick was brought down last week from the West Coast property by C. T. Hogg, manager of the company. The brick was forwarded to the assay office in Seattle.

The West Coast people are one of the largest operators in the district, but are at present working only the Champion mine, from which this brick was brought. The mill on this property has been running quite a bit of the time all winter.

Mr. Hogg is very reticent about making any statements concerning the property and the length of time it took to accumulate the gold for this brick could not be learned, but it is believed by those who attempt to keep posted that another brick was brought down less than a month ago. Mr. Hogg did, however, state that he is very well satisfied with the output of the property.

When the weather gets so that the Musick mine can be operated, it is expected that the output from this property will be greatly increased. The ore from the Musick is sent to the Champion mill by an electric tramway.

George A. Dorris, the asparagus king, was in the city today from his farm above Springfield. He reports that he and his family had the first mess of 1912 asparagus yesterday, but he does not expect to begin cutting regularly till about the first of April. He thinks the season will be three weeks earlier this year than last.—Guard.

COSTS \$22.50 FOR FUN

Jack Rice Pays Fine For Attacking Warren McFarland and Chewing Up Ear.

Jack Rice, who created a sensation last week by the manner in which he disfigured Warren McFarland, dog tax collector, as reported in The Sentinel, submitted to arrest yesterday, after being in hiding for over a week and paid a fine of \$22.50 for assault and battery. He goes to Eugene today on a county warrant.

McFarland is recovering nicely from his encounter.

ENVELOPES with blank return card for sale at Sentinel office, 25c per hundred.