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## A DAY OF MEMORIES

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Another Memorial Day has come and will be appropriately celebrated in nearly every community in this great land of the free and home of the brave.

At this time of the year when all the world is aglow with a new life, when we are all filled with the joy of living, it is peculiarly fitting that we should remember and honor those whose graves will be strewn with flowers—those who gave their all—their very lives—for their country's welfare.

When the sturdy specimens of manhood who still wear the federal uniform gather together on Memorial Day, it is hard to believe that ere long the Grand Army of the Republic will be but a memory, yet more graves will be decorated this year than on the previous Memorial Day, and ere many years have passed there will be no wearers of the little bronze button to assist in doing honor to those who gave or endangered their lives for their country—and ours.

Memorial Day brings to mind many memories—both bitter and sweet. It brings to our mind a picture of that grand specimen of noble manhood—Abraham Lincoln—who suffered as much as any in the bitter four years' war; who delivered that beautiful piece of oratory that is read at every Memorial service—his Gettysburg speech—and whose noble and useful life was untimely ended by the assassin's bullet.

Memorial Day brings to the minds of old soldiers memories of the bitter and untold hardships suffered unflinchingly in camp, in hospital and on bloody field of battle. It brings to their minds memories of the brave deeds of themselves and comrades-in-arms.

Memorial Day brings to the minds of many bitter memories of a beloved relative who went to the war and found there a soldier's grave.

Memorial Day brings to the minds of many old soldiers cherished memories of a sweetheart left behind to wait until the war should cease. Many of these sweethearts of the long ago are today the soldier's comfort in old age.

Let us by all means befittingly honor those brave men who faced death a thousand times that this great and glorious republic might live, but in our hero worship let us not forget the wives, the mothers, the sweethearts and sisters who remained at home to shed many tears of bitter sorrow; to scan the lists of the dead, maybe to find there the name of a relative held dear, and to wonder if among the unknown dead might not be a husband, a father, a son or a brother.

Can you not bring to mind a picture of a gray-haired old mother whose head has been whitened by living in the dread uncertainty of the fate of her boy, whose cheeks and brow are prematurely furrowed and whose palsied hand quivers as she fearfully reads the latest war news? Can you not picture in your mind the young wife and mother who looks, oh so anxiously, with tearstained eyes for the return of the father of her little tots? Who shall say that these did not suffer as much as those who fought, and died, on the field of battle.

So let us honor not only those who marched to the martial strains and answered the bugle call, but let us also honor those brave ones of the gentle sex who remained at home and suffered, and hoped, and prayed for the return of a beloved husband or father, a dutiful son or a sweetheart true.

### OUR COLLEGES

Considerable comment has been caused by the proposal to consolidate the Oregon Agricultural College and the University of Oregon.

If this proposal had come from a friend of both institutions and had been made with the honest intention of bettering the conditions of both institutions, the proposition might be worthy of serious consideration, but The Sentinel is afraid that the proposition did not get its inception from any such source, nor for any such laudable purpose.

It seems to be customary in other states having agricultural schools to conduct them separately from the universities, the work of either being distinct from the other. The best results seem to be obtained in this way.

If there is nothing to be gained by a consolidation, there is something to be lost. The buildings and property of one or the other would have to be abandoned in the first place, and Lane County would lose one of its greatest assets, for the University is the one that is proposed to be moved by those now having charge of the proposal to consolidate. The Sentinel has reason to believe that the proposal to consolidate the two schools was made more because of ill will towards the city which now has the university than because of any hope or expectation of improving

anything, and this ill will has been engendered by Eugene itself.

If Lane County loses the University, it will be because of Eugene's reputation for arrogance, because of vituperative attacks upon the Oregon Agricultural School, because of the insolence of its newspapers to the supreme court and other like conduct. No doubt, a big majority of the citizens of Eugene do not approve such a method of doing business, but, unfortunately for Eugene and Lane County, the county seat is judged by the noise of the minority.

### INCONSISTENT STILL

Our contemporary says: "If your competitor talks about you, put him on your pay roll." Come over and get your pay check, Brother Bede.

Then, to show its inconsistency, The Leader devotes nearly its entire editorial page to The Sentinel. Figuring that The Leader gave us three times as much space as we did it, and considering the relative value of the space, we consider the accounts balanced.

The Leader says it accepted pay for its "fulsome praise" of the carnival, run as a first page news story. That's different.

### HEAVY WEATHER.

Brother Bede makes the startling announcement that a resident of this city is "under the weather." If not too impertinent, will he please inform us how the unfortunate person fell in this precarious position? Was he or

she severely crushed or bruised? And who, if any one, succeeded in extricating the party from the perilous position, thereby preventing a life being crushed out.—Leader.

The Sentinel received a poetic contribution during the past week, which is not published for the reason that The Sentinel does not publish poetry of any kind, with the exception of well known literary gems. There are no exceptions to this rule.

### GUARD OUT WITH HAMMER.

An effort will be made once more by the people of Cottage Grove to create Nesmith county by an initiative petition. Naturally it will be opposed by Eugene people because the town in the southern part of the county has fought this city in every unfair way that could

### Things We Think

Things others think, and what we think of the things others think.

You can never succeed by nursing defeat.

The beef trust is capable of tooting its own horn.

Some people cast their bread upon the waters in the hope that it will come back buttered.

If you want to stand well in the community, always give your street car seat to a woman.

The man who does little things well will sooner or later have an opportunity of practicing on bigger ones.

Bryan may not be as popular with the voters as others, but he has a speaking acquaintance with most of them.

It is said that historic Adam was a democrat. That's once when the democrats had an overwhelming majority.

A country editor wrote of Chicago's uniformed police. The intelligent compositor set it up "uninformed," which probably covered them just as well.

A Chicago girl bailed a boat out with her slipper and saved the lives of several people. Immense.—Austin Transcript. What did she bail her slipper out with?

A jury of your peers is not always equal to the case.

Prohibition might put the liquor business on the hog.

The centipede ought to be able to stand on its own feet.

If you want a job well done, do it yourself, says the egotistical self-made man.

The only difference between a knocker and a jackass is in favor of the latter.

The world may owe you a living, but there is no court in which you can collect it.

Chauncey Depew says he knows a man who got a liberal education while waiting for his wife to put on her hat.

The doctor who says too much talking causes hoarseness of the vocal cords must be mistaken. Just contemplate the number of sweet-voiced women there are.

If things have been stormy and cloudy at the office, don't let your actions around home be a barometer of that fact. Your wife has probably weathered a few squalls herself during the day.

The end of the world was predicted to come a couple of weeks ago, but the old earth slipped never a cog and Jawm D. continues to donate a paltry million now and then to put some brains into people foolish enough to look for such a catastrophe.

Compound interest is great fertilizer for the root of all evil.

Sometimes you are judged by the company you don't keep.

The average fish is said to grow four to six inches a year. The fish you almost catch are always of a venerable age.

There are some people who do not make mistakes—but they don't amount to enough to get their names in the papers.

A sweetly spoken refusal of a request is more satisfactory than a begrudged acquiescence.

It is no longer safe or wise to commit murder until you are certain you can show a streak of insanity in your family.

Some women are petitioning to have a woman's head put on the two-cent postage stamp. Of course, a woman can carry the news fast enough, but we rebel at the thought of having to lick one every time we mail a letter.

When paper is made from cornstalks, the farmer can feed his newspapers to the cow and let bossy digest the news for him. In that way he will get the cream without wasting time looking through a lot of stuff he doesn't care about.

They have held up University appropriations and abused and misrepresented us in every respect, in the attempt to force the creation of a county within boundaries of their own selection, and they will find Eugene fighting back to the last ditch. If ever Nesmith county is placed on the map it will be when the people who are advocating it realize that others have rights that they are bound to respect, and they have exhibited a spirit of fairness and friendship which will entitle them to consideration. Of course, this advice will be unheeded, but some day Cottage Grove will wake up to the fact that the counsel that has prevailed there in the past has led only to disappointment and defeat.—Eugene Guard.

When a man is drunk, he is apt to imagine that it is the other people who are tipsy. That seems to be the condition the Eugene Guard is in.

### Poultry Exhibit To Be Feature of Grange Fair.

One of the very interesting features of the forthcoming Grange Fair at Cottage Grove will be the poultry department, which will be under the supervision of W. C. Conner, one of the experienced local poultrymen. Owing to the fair being held before the young poultry is mature and at a time when most of the mature birds are in the molt, the awards will be placed by a competent judge by the comparison method, and a fine blue ribbon will be given for the first prize bird, a red ribbon for the second and white ribbon for the third in the various classes and pens, besides it is anticipated that suitable cash or other awards will also be given. This will give local fanciers a fine opportunity to advertise their respective breeds and introduce their merits to the public. This big feature of the fair will be free and fanciers about Cottage Grove are urged to begin making plans for an exhibit of either old or young stock, or both. Every bird entered must be legbanded to save confusion in judging and placing the awards. There is no doubt but what this exhibit will be a most creditable one and one of the big attractions at the fair, at least, it is the ambition of those interested to make it such and thereby give this "Petaluma of Oregon" another boost and demonstrate its right to this title.—Leader.

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**Dorena.**  
Eliza Vanschoick of Eastern Oregon is visiting relatives at this place.

Mrs. Dave Baker and Mabel Robinson are visiting in Eugene.

Row River was well represented at the Sella Floto circus.

Mrs. Reamer of Eugene was visiting with Dave Baker and family last week.

Mrs. Wm. Kirk moved last week to Row River Lumber Co.'s mill, where her husband holds a position as book-keeper.

James England moved his household goods to Crites' Dock the first of the week.

The school board has secured Mrs. Dean of Creswell to teach the primary grade in the local school.

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