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## MAN LOST IN HILLS; SPENDS NIGHT IN STORM

S. R. Piper Goes After Cattle; Is Over-taken by Darkness and Loses His Way—Has Harrowing Experience, But Suffers No Injuries.

### SEARCHING PARTY ORGANIZED TO FIND MAN.

Heaviest Rain of Season Impedes Man's Progress—Appears Comfortable When Found by Searchers, Who Start Out at Break of Day.

To get lost and be forced to camp out in the open air in the mountains during a stormy night was the experience of S. R. Piper Sunday night. Mr. Piper, who has a ranch about six miles south of the city at the foot of Shortridge Butte, went out Sunday afternoon to round up some calves which had strayed from their regular grazing grounds into the mountains. After having rounded up the calves and starting towards home with them Mr. Piper was overtaken by darkness which came up so suddenly that he became lost and was forced to remain where he was for the night. The heaviest rain storm of the year was in progress during the entire night and although Mr. Piper had a most harrowing experience he said when he was found Monday morning that he had suffered little therefrom and had about four hours sleep during the night.

After getting the calves together in a place of shelter he built an improvised camp from branches of trees and sheltered himself as best he could. He experienced great difficulty in finding enough dry wood with which to build a fire, but was at last successful in his efforts and managed in this manner to make himself reasonably comfortable.

About eight o'clock Sunday evening when Mr. Piper failed to return home his daughter became alarmed and fearing that he had met with an accident or foul play, she called up several neighbors and informed them of the absence of her father and soon word reached the city to the effect that he might have wandered into the mountains and got lost. It was not long before a searching party was organized here which had intended leaving for the scene of the disappearance this morning, when word was received that Mr. Piper had been found.

The entire neighborhood had been aroused and at the break of day Monday morning a party started out to find the lost man. John Powell and Alfred White, who were among the first to report for duty were successful in locating Mr. Piper. As they walked along over the hills they encountered the calves which had again strayed off during the night and were on their way in the opposite direction from the Piper ranch. The men called aloud as they walked along and soon they heard a call in the distance which proved to be the answer from Mr. Piper. When found he appeared comfortable enough and after ascertaining that he was in no danger from exposure, the men again rounded up the calves and started for the Piper home.

A neighbor of the Piper family, who called at the home Monday to see Mr. Piper, suggested to him that he take along a ball of cord and fasten one end to the door knob when he goes after his cattle.

## MAN IN MEXICO SAYS LIFE THERE IS CHEAP

Vengeance Is the Order of the Day—Men Are Shot Without Any Form of Trial.

The following communication was received a few days ago by Arthur J. Stewart, from a friend in Mexico. The letter was written in Spanish and was translated by Mr. Stewart: "Pachuca, Hidalgo, Mexico, Jan. 1, 1915.—I told you in my last letter that in the year that has just passed peace would be established here, but unfortunately I was mistaken. Huerta had sufficient power in his hands to establish peace, but for reasons that I must not give, he failed. Carranza came into power but he conducted himself so badly, he was repudiated even by his own followers. Now Villa is the factotum even though another person appears as chief of the nation he is in reality a servant of Villa and his followers.

To sum up the situation is so obscure that it is impossible to predict what will happen tomorrow.

Vengeance is the order of the day. It is sufficient that one who does not like another to accuse him of being an enemy of the revolution or of the country to have him summarily shot without any form of trial.

Are we condemned to suffer another conquest?

Those of us who are fathers of daughters and do not wish to see them exposed to violation by the bandits who call themselves revolutionists, even though it may be unpatriotic, will be compelled to ask for intervention of any kind from anywhere that will give us the guarantees of peace that our fellow citizens, blinded by ambition and love of power, do not give us.

J. G. R.

## MAIL ORDER HOUSE WILL SPLIT BIG MELON

Large Surplus Accumulates in Coffers of Chicago Concern—50 Per Cent Dividend Is Result.

The directors of Sears, Roebuck & Co. held a special meeting in Chicago last Saturday for the purpose of deciding upon a policy concerning the distribution of an extra dividend. The New York members of the directorate attended the meeting.

A special disbursement in the form of a dividend payable in common stock to holders of the present issue was declared and the amount will not be less than \$10,000,000 or at the rate of 50 per cent. The mail order concern now has an authorized common capitalization of \$40,000,000 and all is outstanding. The preferred stock is \$8,000,000.

In 1911 the common stock was increased from \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000 and the \$10,000,000 additional stock distributed as a dividend. Since that time the surplus earnings have accumulated to the extent of \$23,000,000 and \$24,000,000, a large part of which has been reinvested in the property.

The new stock would be distributed against these accumulations. The annual meeting of the stockholders of Sears, Roebuck & Co., will be held in New York at noon, February 23. The transfer books close February 9 and reopen February 24.

## Home Is Destroyed Twice by Fire

L. F. Wooley, father of Mrs. Lott, Scott and formerly a resident of this city, but now living on a farm on the Crow road about seven miles from Eugene, lost his home and contents by fire Friday. A man and his wife, who had charge of the Wooley place during a temporary absence of the owner, were out to the barn milking when the house took fire, presumably from an oil lamp which was left burning. Before the fire was discovered the flames had made such headway that it was impossible to save anything.

Mr. Wooley lost a residence in this city a few years ago and it seems to be singularly unfortunate as he carried very little insurance in either case.

## FARMER PLOWS UP INDIAN SPEAR HEAD

M. C. Robbins of Mosby Creek Becomes Interested When His Son Digs Up Curiosity.

M. C. Robbins, a farmer on Mosby Creek exhibited in the city last week a curiosity in the form of a large spear head, which had been broken in two pieces. His son, while plowing a few days ago picked up the pointed end of the spear head which had been broken off in such a manner as to lead Mr. Robbins to believe that the other portion must be near by. He instituted a search which resulted in his finding the other piece several rods away from the spot where the boy had found the point. Mr. Robbins is of the opinion that there still remains a small piece which he has not been able to discover. The workmanship in the manufacture of the spear head is perfect and it probably had been dropped in its resting place in the early days by some of the Calapooia Indians who formerly inhabited the Cottage Grove country.

## JUNCTION CREAMERYMEN ELECT Stockholders in Cooperative Company Hear Reports for Year

The stockholders of the Junction City cooperative Creamery elected to the board of directors at the annual meeting held recently in Danish Hall: S. L. Jensen, Chris Myhre, J. A. Holcomb, C. H. Peterson, H. C. Peterson and C. H. Preston. The first month 4000 pounds of butter fat was received. The secretary pays \$4000 a month now for butter fat.

L. H. Holgerson spoke on butter-making. Chris Myhre, secretary, made a financial report. During the year 125,817 pounds of butter fat has been received, for which \$38,374.18 was paid. The creamery turned out 156,369 pounds of butter. The average cost a pound to manufacture and sell was 34 cents. The total cash received was \$42,181.78. The total checks issued was \$41,573.45, leaving a balance of \$608.26. A dividend of 8 per cent was paid the stockholders.

## Biddies Make Good on Brush Ranch

An interesting statement was brought into The Sentinel office this week by Mrs. Thos. Richardson of Silk Creek, which shows that anyone in the Cottage Grove country can do with a good flock of biddies. Mrs. Richardson said she is located on a small brush ranch and no particular attention had been paid to her flock. The flock consisted of 60 Silver Spangled Hamburgs, which flock was reduced in the fall to 50. Following is the record for 1914 as kept by Mrs. Richardson: Purchased all feed grain—wheat, \$47.00; meat scrap, \$2.05; shells, \$1.07. Total expense for feed, \$50.67. Eggs sold for year, \$127.63; hens sold 15, \$4.40. Total sales \$132.03. Purchased two hens and one rooster, \$3.90. Total expenditures, \$54.57, leaving a total net profit of \$87.46. In addition to this amount, Mrs. Richardson had culls for table use and served eggs twice every day during autumn, on which, in the record kept, no value whatever was placed.

## Success of Cottage Grove's Cannery Is to Be Discussed at Grange Meeting Saturday

Prominent Men to Take Part in Booster Meeting—The Cannery Board to Be Guests of Honor at Grange Dinner—Public Is Cordially Invited.

An interesting meeting of the Cottage Grove Grange will take place Saturday in Phillips Hall. The success of the cannery project is to be the main subject of discussion. Everybody is urgently requested to attend the lecture hour, which is to be given over to friends of the cannery. Following is the program:

Address of welcome by Master G. W. McFarland, whose subject will be: "The Interest of the Grange in the Success of the Cannery."

Response by Manager Charles Bales, taking for his subject: "The Success of the Cannery as a Market Place for the Producer."

Geo. O. Knowles, representing the commercial club and the citizens of the city will speak upon the subject: "The Interest of Cottage Grove in the Success of the Cannery."

William Hickey, representing the farmer and producer will take for his subject: "The Interest of the Producer in the Success of the Cannery."

J. L. Jones will present the business phases of the enterprise, speaking to the subject: "The Success of the Cannery as a Business Proposition."

Wm. Sanders and family left Saturday for the East. They will stop at Chicago a few weeks before continuing on to Pennsylvania, where they expect to make their future home.

## COUNTY WILL PRINT NAMES OF PAUPERS SUPERVISORS FOR 1915 ARE SELECTED

Question of Assistance for Poor Growing Serious—Commissioners' Court Has New Plan.

That an itemized list of the amounts paid out by the county court for the poor people of the county and the names of the people so assisted will be published every month, is the plan agreed upon by County Commissioners George M. Hawley and M. H. Harlow. That the pauper situation is getting to be a serious one is evident from the figures given out by the commissioners last week on the amount paid out by them for absolute necessities for the month of January. Mr. Hawley paid out the sum of \$96.30 and Mr. Harlow \$70.90 during the month and every person assisted in this way seemed to be in need of provisions and proper clothing which was bought with the money furnished by the court members.

This in addition to the expense of caring for the infirm who are kept at the county poor farm between Eugene and Corvallis.

With labor very scarce, a greater number of families have been assisted by the county this winter than ever before, according to the figures on file at the court house.

The plan to publish the names of each will show the taxpayers just where this money goes.

Alfred Powers, superintendent of the Oakland schools, was in the city Thursday on a trip of inspection of valley schools. Mr. Powers spoke very highly of the Cottage Grove schools and of the treatment accorded him while here.

## GROVE MAN SPEAKS AT CORVALLIS

Stewart, Thompson and Cogan, all of Lane County Address Farmers' Short Course Students.

Three Lane County officers, Judge Thompson, R. B. Cogan, county agriculturist, and C. E. Stewart, county fruit inspector, will deliver addresses at the Oregon Agricultural college during farmers' week held at Corvallis this week.

Judge Helms Thompson spoke before the conference of county judges and road supervisors on the subject "Some of the Difficulties in the Administration of our Present Road Laws." This conference was held on Monday and Tuesday and consisted of both lectures and demonstrations of interest and profit to those interested in the building of good roads, or in using them.

R. B. Cogan will deliver two addresses, one before the conference of county agriculturists and another at the seed growers' conference. His first subject will be, "Shall the County Agriculturist Have a Program," and his second one, "The County Agent and the Seed Farmer."

C. E. Stewart spoke at the fruit inspectors' conference on the subject of "More Uniform Inspection."

### Leases Cottage Hotel.

R. W. Morgan of Coos Bay has taken a lease on the Cottage Hotel and will immediately put the building and furnishings into first class shape and open same within the next few days. Mr. Morgan is an experienced hotel man and promises to give to Cottage Grove another first class hotel. Mrs. Lucy Holland, who had been conducting the hotel, moved out some time ago.

## HAS ENOUGH CATTLE FOR OREGON USE

Report Just Issued Shows State to Be Independent of Outside Sources of Supply

That the livestock industry in Oregon has been developed to a point which makes the state independent of outside sources is indicated by the annual report of the Portland Union Stockyards for 1914. This report shows that 597,180 head of livestock of all classes was received during the past year, divided up as follows: 281,300 sheep; 237,725 hogs, 74,300 cattle, 2,506 calves and 1,239 horses and mules. Oregon's contribution to this impressive total was 48,789 cattle, 2,149 calves, 144,901 hogs and 196,425 sheep, leaving only an unimportant balance to be credited to surrounding states.

One notable feature of this report is the remarkable falling off in the number of calves received, only 2,506 having been received in 1914 as compared with 4,666 in 1913; 2,798 in 1912; 6,818 in 1911 and 8,297 in 1910. The falling off in the shipment of calves seems to indicate that farmers are generally recognizing the importance of retaining all young meat animals either as future breeders or to be shipped as adult animals, a movement which can only result in increased financial returns to the farmers and a more rapid increase in the meat supply of the state.

## New Store Soon to Open Here

Cottage Grove is to have a new business house within the next few days, a lease having been signed this week for the rental of the new Veatch brick building on Main street. The business, which is to be conducted by W. Peterson and A. W. Swanson, of Eugene, is to be an up-to-date gent's furnishing and shoe store. The firm is now conducting several stores throughout the valley and this is but one of the many they intend to open this spring. Mr. Swanson will manage the Cottage Grove store.

## FORMER GROVE WOMAN PASSES AWAY

6 Sons, 3 Daughters, 53 Grandchildren, 63 Great Grandchildren, 2 Great, Great Grandchildren Survive.

Sarah E. Knox, one of the best known pioneer women of Oregon, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dora Matney, at Grants Pass, Friday morning January 22, 1915, aged 84 years.

The Knox family crossed the plains in 1853, locating on the old Knox donation claim about one mile north of Cottage Grove. In 1860 they moved to Southern Oregon and located upon the homestead in the Applegate Valley, which has been the Knox home since that time.

Sarah E. Knox was born in Illinois, January 20, 1831, and was the daughter of William Oglesby, a former pioneer of Lane County. She was married to Thomas Knox in Missouri in 1848 and the family crossed the plains in a train organized by her father in 1853. Mr. Knox passed away some years ago at the old home on Applegate.

Three daughters by six sons, three daughters, 53 grandchildren, 63 great grandchildren, and two great, great grandchildren. She was the oldest sister of Dr. W. W. Oglesby of this city.

## BARBERS LOSE OUT; CUT PRICE Eugene Barbers Go Back to Old Price; Twenty-five Cents.

All the barbers in Eugene have cut the price of hair cuts from thirty-five cents to twenty-five cents. This action followed a meeting of the local barbers a few days ago. Some of the barbers thought that tonsorial artists, who have been cutting hair on the side streets for the past few months, were taking all the trade from them and decided to meet their prices.

After the meeting however, these barbers were prevailed upon to still hold to the old price. Last week the barbers changed heart and painted signs on their windows informing prospective customers of the lowering of prices. One year and a half ago the price of a hair cut was raised by Eugene barbers from twenty-five cents to thirty-five cents. The barbers claimed that they were justified in raising the price.

## Two Men Injured at Rujada

Leonard Owen and Fred Whitecomb met with painful, but not serious accidents Saturday while at work at the U. S. logging camp at Rujada. Mr. Owen was assisting in loading a car of logs when a log was let down on the car into position as he thought, but in some manner the log rolled over just enough to catch the sole of his shoe in such a manner as to throw him over the edge of the car, where he remained suspended with his head downward until the log could be again raised. The foot was quite badly crushed but the member is not seriously injured and it is expected that he will be able to resume his duties within a few days.

Mr. Whitecomb received his injury while operating a hand car. He was on his way to Rujada on the hand car and was just about to stop the car when his knee in some manner came in contact with the pumping handle of the car. The handle came down on the knee with considerable force, causing a severe sprain of the ankle and lower limb. Mr. Whitecomb will probably not be able to use the member for a couple weeks.

## PLOTTERS USE COL. LAWSON IS CLAIM

Prison Superintendent Makes Charge That C. T. Hass, Portland Attorney, Would Make Job Solid If Withycombe's Friends Were Given Places

### KELLAHER, TOO, SAID TO HAVE TRIED TO PRODUCE FRICTION.

Through West's Men Governor Is Twice Assailed. Denton of Brickyard Fame Is Also Involved in Delivery of the Prison Superintendency.

Twice within the last few days has Governor Withycombe been the target for political attack. One of them is none the less vicious because of its covert nature.

The open attack, though the real plotters are hidden in the background, has taken the form of a charge by Colonel Lawson, superintendent of the penitentiary, that C. T. Hass, a Portland attorney, was able on behalf of Governor Withycombe, to assure him of the retention of his job in the event that Lawson would permit the Governor and his political friends to name for appointment four subordinate officials.

Veiled as to motive, but none the less apparent if carefully investigated has been the scheme fathered by Dan Kellaher, the stormy petrel of Multnomah County, to produce friction between the Executive and the Senate. In this connection Kellaher a few days ago introduced a bill to create a Trade Commission, with an appropriation of \$5000. A Trade Commission was recommended by Governor Withycombe in his inaugural message.

"There is an old saying, that a man should fear the Greeks, even bearing gifts," said President Thompson, when the bill was first introduced. Kellaher was a strong henchman of Oswald West's at the 1913 session. That he was not imbued by any desire to smooth the pathway of the present Chief Executive was apparent when it was discovered that his Trade Commission bill contained a joker. The proposed commission was to be allowed to audit its own accounts. Partly for this reason and largely because the Senate leaders resented Kellaher's "butt-in tactics" as they called them, and for the further reason that in another way the request of the Governor is receiving due consideration, the Kellaher bill has been killed.

Now the opponents of the Governor are already industriously circulating the report that there is a break between Governor Withycombe and the Senate. As a matter of fact, there is no break.

In relation to the prison affairs it is noteworthy that Colonel Lawson, whose official head is commonly regarded as fated, should be the instrument chosen by the political cabal for making the open attack on the Governor. If Lawson is to go away, so the plotters probably reason, it will do him no harm to help us out at this juncture. So Colonel Lawson is put in the position of providing the West political organ at Portland with a story to the effect that he might hold his job if he would consent to let four subordinates be named by the Governor's office. Colonel Lawson is represented as nobly spurning the proposition, giving up his chance of further lucrative employment rather than to lose his own power of patronage.

Attorney Haas brands the published story as a fabrication, whereupon Walter Denton, who accompanied him to

## COUNTY DIVISION BILL HAD FLAW

Two Townships Not Intended to Be Taken from Lane Appeared in the Bill.

An agreement between Lane and Douglas Counties in regard to the boundary line was effected Monday and the bill introduced in the legislature will be so amended. Two townships which Lane County did not want to give to Douglas appeared in the latter, according to the description of the boundary as contained in the bill. The correction gives Douglas a strip a mile and a half wide out of these two townships and out of a third.

The original reason of the proposed change in the boundary was that a portion of the Bohemia mining district which now lies over the line in Douglas is situated so that the people in that section are compelled to go many miles out of their way to get to Roseburg, the county seat. It is much nearer and much handier to Eugene. The county courts of both Lane and Douglas agreed to the change, Lane agreeing to an exchange of certain other territory.

When the bill was introduced a few days ago it was found that two townships in which are located the Black Butte quicksilver mines south of Cottage Grove now in Lane County, would be given to Douglas County if the bill passed in that form.

The mistake was made on account of a wrong description of the territory to be annexed to Douglas County being given. Besides the quicksilver mines much valuable farm property is located in this district. The assessed valuation of the property in the two townships is estimated at \$150,000.