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Member of Cottage Grove Militia Takes War Bride

COTTAGE GROVE has at least one war bride. Anticipating that he may at any minute be called to the colors, Lemuel E. P. Elam, a member of Sixth Co., C. A. C., O. N. G., stationed here, prevailed upon Mrs. Genevieve Menter to bring their love affair to a crisis and to be married before he started to the Mexican border. Arrangements were all made for the ceremony to be held at the armory but there was a misunderstanding and the ceremony was performed at the J. W. Mackintosh home, where the bride was employed. The bridegroom was clad in his khaki uniform and the ceremony was performed by Rev. C. C. Van Gorkum, pastor of the Baptist church. Mr. Elam is one of the crack riflemen of the company.

C. G. MILITIA MEN ARE BECOMING ANXIOUS

Are Envious of Those Already on Way to Border and Will Welcome Call That Will End the Present Suspense.

With preparations made to at any minute entrain for the mobilization camp at Clackamas, members of Sixth Co., C. A. C., O. N. G., stationed here, naturally take unusual interest in the rushing of troops to the border. Many are envious of those already on their way to the front and express hope that their turn may not be slow in coming. Even those who hope that they may not be needed would be relieved to have the suspense over, even if it meant starting for the border. Captain Lee Roy Woods is keeping his men drilled, conducting officers' schools and doing everything to facilitate matters when the call comes, if it should come. Most of the members of the company feel that there is little doubt of their being called and have made plans accordingly. Employers, anticipating that their men may be called to the colors, have agreed to hold their jobs for them.

Citizens of the city are taking nearly as much interest as the members of the militia and the crowds who watch the troop trains go through feel that the Cottage Grove boys soon may be among those waving goodbye to the depot crowds.

The agreement of Mexico to give up the imprisoned troopers relieves the tension somewhat for the moment but the probability that Villa will again join Carranza seems to make it more certain than ever that there is no hope of settling the Mexican question without intervention, which means that the entire available militia will be called out and that additional regiments will probably be organized.

The Oregon troops probably will not see actual service in Mexico for some time to come, as they will first have to be thoroughly seasoned to the climatic conditions and drilled in actual service.

While Oregon is on the coast, and appears to be nearer the Mexican border, such is not actually the fact, but Oregon troops will, nevertheless, be among the first to see duty.

TAXPAYERS WILL HOLD MEETING FOR WOMEN

A special meeting for women will be held by the Southern Lane County Taxpayers' league in the commercial club parlor Friday afternoon at 2:30. A number of women have expressed a desire to become members and it is expected that quite a number will be present at this time.

A Sentinel want ad. may sell something you are throwing away.

GOVERNMENT WILL PAY BACK LAND GRANT TAXES

Money Will Be Advanced, to Be Collected Later From Sale of Timber Lands. Oregon Might Have Done Worse.

The most immediate effect of the action of congress in regard to the Oregon and California grant lands will be the payment to the counties of the taxes which are now delinquent, according to Attorney L. E. Bean, of Eugene, who returned Saturday from Washington D. C., where he had been for a month in the interest of the port districts of Oregon. In the case of Lane county that means the payment of nearly a quarter of a million dollars. These tax payments will be made as soon as the secretary of the interior certifies the amounts to the treasurer of the United States.

Money for the purpose of paying these delinquent taxes is appropriated by congress in the law which revests in the national government title to the 2,300,000 acres of grant lands unsold.

Whether the law as passed has other immediate effects will depend entirely upon the policy of the head of the department of the interior, and other government authorities, is Mr. Bean's opinion. Under the law as passed, it would be possible for the whole tract of millions of acres to be disposed of within five years, and again, the policy of the interior department may be to hold back the lands, in which event the money received by the county will come in very small amounts.

"I believe," declared Mr. Bean, "that it is the purpose of those who framed the bill to take as long a time as possible before letting the title again pass from the government. They want to handle these lands in just the same way as the forest reserves are handled. In fact, provision is especially made for the payment to the Southern Pacific company of the total amount due it if the lands have not been sold within ten years.

"Under the terms of the law, the government will at once advance the money for delinquent taxes. When the lands are sold, the money received goes first to pay the railroad its $2.50 an acre, then these taxes, and after that the proceeds are divided, 25 per cent to the irreducible school funds of the states involved—Oregon and Washington; 25 per cent to the treasuries of the counties in which lands sold are located, 40 per cent to the reclamation fund and ten per cent to the United States government."

Attorney Bean feels that Oregon might have fared worse, in view of the provision that one-fourth of Oregon's share of the net proceeds from the sale of lands is left for expenditure by the county courts apportioning it for the ports, the schools and the roads.

"The matter is not yet settled," he stated. "I expect there will be much litigation. There are many legal questions involved which can only be settled by the courts. Among them is the question of the federal government legally being revested with the land. The supreme court considered it impossible to revert this title after it had once passed to the railroad company, and I do not believe congress has a legal right to take back this title."

O. P. & E. RAILWAY MAKING IMPROVEMENTS

The Oregon, Pacific & Eastern railway is making further improvements. A building is being erected on the company's property just north of Main avenue for the accommodation of several gasoline cars. The tracks and sidings in the yards are also being raised, so that service will not be interfered with by high water as in the past.

You want something. Someone else wants to sell something. We want want ads. Why not all have what we want? dec22tf

A Beautiful Toast to Woman

THIS beautiful toast to woman was originally given by a man who had been a hard drinker, but who had turned from the wine cup and become one of the leading lights of the legal profession. The occasion was a banquet in Philadelphia on April 17, 1881. It was as follows:

"I should like to propose a toast tonight—although a total abstinence man myself—to woman. To be drunk not in liquor of any kind, for we should never pledge a woman in that which may bring her husband reeling home to abuse where he should love and cherish, send her sons to a drunkard's grave, and her daughters to a life of shame. Oh, no, not in that, but rather in the life-giving water, pure as her chastity, clear as her intuitions, bright as her smile, sparkling as the laughter of her eyes, cheering as her consolation, strong and sustaining as her love—in the crystal water I would drink to her that she would remain queen regent to the empire she has already won, grounded deep as the universe in love, built up and exercised in the homes and hearts of the world; I would drink to her, the full-blown flower of creation's morning of which man was but the bud and blossom, to her who in childhood clasps our little hands and teaches us to lisp the first sweet prayer to the Great All-Father, who comes to us in youth with good counsel and advice, who in manhood meets our heart yearnings with the faithfulness of conjugal love and whose hand, when our feet go down in the shadow, gently smoothes the rough pillow of death as none other can; to her who is the flower of flowers, the pearl of pearls, God's latest, best and brightest gift to man—woman, peerless, pure, sweet, royal woman."

LEAGUE IN FAVOR OF ROAD PATROL

Road Committee Makes Investigation of Cost of Construction and Upkeep Afterwards.

At a meeting of the Southern Lane County Taxpayers' league, the road committee made a report upon the costs of construction of two pieces of road in districts Nos. 14 and 17 and upon the patrol system of caring for roads.

The roads investigated were built in 1914. The one in district No. 14 is one and one-third miles in length, between Star and Bake Stewart's place. The one in district No. 17 is one mile in length, extending a mile west from the Wildwood school house. From the reports of the supervisors of these districts the committee learned that the longer road, in district No. 14, was built for $1132, including powder, the hauling of 737 yards of gravel, sorting the gravel, and all other expenses connected with building the road; while the shorter road, in district No. 17, cost $1700.62, including blowing up of stumps, grading, crushing rock, hauling, etc. The committee reported, however, that the shorter road was built wider and was well graded and the rock laid in such a manner that it would remain almost a perfect road for years, while in the case of the other road there seemed to have been but little grading done and the gravel had apparently been merely laid on the road to be scattered by the traffic. A letter was read from A. J. Young, who built the road in district No. 17, explaining that in building the road the road was first graded, then the center removed, leaving a shoulder of about eight inches; that coarse rock crushed by hand, was first put on, then a finer grade and then a dressing, bringing the rock up even with the edge of the dirt that was to hold it in place, making the road fully as good as any where a rock crusher was available.

The committee reported that in its opinion the more expensive road would, in the long run, be as cheap as the lower priced road and would be in better condition all the time. Mr. Young stated that this piece of road was the most expensive he had ever built.

The same committee also reported that from its investigation of the patroled road in Emmet Sharp's district, compared with roads in other districts that are not patroled, they believed that road patrol should be given a thorough trial at once. As near as the committee could learn the expense of patrol and repairs would cost about $50 a mile a year.

At the same meeting a municipal committee was appointed, composed of E. A. Gleason, A. McKinney and Van Allison.

Tries to Burn Up Diamond.

Mrs. Carrie Hemenway used rather high-priced fuel for a fire the other day, when her diamond ring was put into the flames with some old paper into which it probably had slipped while she was rolling up the paper. When she missed the ring, and after having made a careful search, Mrs. Hemenway searched through the ashes as a last resort and found the piece of jewelry, none the worse for the accident.

IRON ORE MAY BE FOUND HERE

Deposit Discovered Along Coast Fork Said to Resemble That of Lake Superior Region.

To the score or more of valuable minerals already found in this vicinity in considerable quantities, iron may be added. A large deposit similar to some of the iron ore of the famous Lake Superior district has been found 14 miles out on the Coast Fork by Chas Bruneau and S. J. Brund, both well known mining men of this section, and Ed. Tullar.

The property is easy of access and if the deposit proves as valuable as at present seems likely, considerable money will be spent in developing it.

The ore is on some of the O. & C. land grant land, title to which is now in dispute, and no attempt at developing the property will be made until the title is settled.

GROVE MAY NOT GET CHAUTAUQUA SESSION

Even with more than sufficient names signed to make the contract valid, there is considerable doubt whether or not Cottage Grove will get a chautauqua next year. For some reason the Ellison-White system has expressed a doubt as to whether the contract will be considered. The reason given is that there is not sufficient chautauqua spirit here and too many knockers.

The probabilities are that the managers have come to that conclusion from the fact that some of their representatives whom they sent here as advance agents did not get a very enthusiastic reception. This, however, was largely the fault of those representatives themselves. A number of the chautauqua boosters feel that they do not care to try to force the thing upon the Ellison-White people and they certainly can do nothing with the knockers. The contract has not yet been forwarded to the Ellison-White people.

ALREADY SAVING THINGS FOR FALL GRANGE FAIR

There seems to be no doubt that the annual grange fair this fall will surpass all previous efforts of the grange in this direction.

Committees for the various departments have been appointed early and are urging growers to save exhibits for their departments. It is thought that the farmers are taking greater interest than before in seeing that the best that the Cottage Grove country will produce is put on display.

A feature that will tend to improve the exhibits is the placing of larger prizes on collective exhibits and the elimination of prizes on many single exhibits.

In the poultry department this year an entry fee will be charged but the money thus secured will be given in prizes.

Bakery Is Sold.

Vetter Brothers, of Portland, have bought the Baker bakery and assumed control Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Baker will take an automobile trip for the benefit of Mrs. Baker's health.

ALREADY FOR BIG GLO-RIOUS FOURTH

Attorney General George Brown Is Secured as Speaker of the Day. Prizes for Best Floats and Long List of Small Sports.

Attorney General George M. Brown will be the orator of the day at the Fourth of July celebration here. His address will be delivered at the city park at 11 o'clock.

Before the program at the park starts there will be a big parade on Main avenue, a number of prizes being given for the best floats and decorated vehicles. Prizes of $15 and $5 will be given for the best floats by business houses (of whatever character), prizes of $15 and $5 will be given for the best decorated automobiles, prizes of $10 and $5 will be given for the best floats by fraternal organizations, and prizes of $10 and $5 will be given for the best floats by women's clubs.

The complete program to be given at the park is as follows:

Music—Cottage Grove Band.

Invocation—Rev. D. A. MacLeod.

Quartet, To Thee, O Country, (Julius Eichberg)—Mrs. B. K. Lawson, Miss Jessie Smith, Warren Edwards, George Matthews.

Reading, Independence Bell—Miss Eunice VanDenburg.

Solo, America, I Love You—George Matthews.

Oration—George M. Brown, Attorney General of Oregon.

Solo, Keep the Home Fires Burning, (Ivor Novello)—Mrs. B. K. Lawson.

Announcement of program of the day—Dr. D. L. Woods, chairman.

Music—Cottage Grove Band.

Attorney General Brown was secured as the speaker only through the personal solicitation of Colonel B. K. Lawson. He had invitations to larger cities and is recognized as one of the state's ablest public speakers.

In the afternoon the small sports will be pulled off, including water fight, wheelbarrow race, sack race, girls' race, potato race, fat men's race, boys' race, free-for-all, egg race, mixed shoe race for boys, backward race, slow bicycle race, your-own-choice, pie-eating contest, pillow fight, barrel boxing, greased pig, greased pole, and street dance. Entries will be free and there will be prizes for the winners.

The parade will form on North Ninth street at 9:30 sharp. The committee having the parade in charge has urged all business houses to have floats of some kind, whether competing for prizes or not, and all automobile owners have been urged to get into the parade with their cars.

Other prizes for parade features are:

Best decorated lady on horseback—$3, $2, $1.

Best decorated boy on bicycle—$2, $1.

Best comic makeup—$2.50.

The judges who will award the prizes have been selected from outside the city but their names will not be made public.

The stores of the city will close at 10 o'clock on the morning of the Fourth, but will be open the night before.

Exams. for Midshipman.

The navy department has recently called upon Representative Hawley to submit nominations of a principal and three alternates from which to select a midshipman for admission to the United States naval academy, and requests him to submit his nominations before July 13 so that arrangements may be made for their examination at a convenient local point by the civil service commission on July 27. Ronald C. Glover, secretary of Congressman Hawley, has made arrangements for the holding of a preliminary competitive examination at Salem Friday afternoon, June 30.

There is a rather unique thing about the board of directors of the Cottage Grove school district. The names of all begin with an S. Their names are E. R. Spencer, H. J. Shinn and A. J. Stewart. This, however, is about the only way in which they are in any way alike.

Two Foot Cherry Limb Bears 125 Ripe Cherries

BARRING damage from rain, the cherry crop this year will be one of the heaviest in the history of this section. All varieties of cherry trees are bearing all the fruit they can hold. Mrs. Lou E. Dunn has left at the Sentinel office a two-foot limb of the Governor Wood variety that has about 125 cherries on it. She has four large trees that are bearing in about this proportion.

J. A. Wright and Chas. Sears have also left limbs of another variety that bear in about the same proportion.

A COAST RAILROAD IS AGAIN BEING CONSIDERED

The Fact That Owners of Timber Lying West of Here Want an Outlet Makes Construction a Certainty of the Future.

The fact that several routes from here towards the coast have been tentatively surveyed and that it is known that owners of large bodies of timber in the vicinity of Lorane wish to find a cheap way of getting it to market, and the further fact that some more surveying work has been done even during the past week, leads to the belief that a railroad from here in a westerly direction is a possibility of the next few years. The extension of the Oregon Pacific & Eastern in this direction was, in fact, announced some three years ago but the project was abandoned on account of the stringency of the money market.

There is some question now as to whether such a road would start from Cottage Grove or whether it might not start further south where an easier pass might be secured, possibly from the vicinity of Comstock.

Militia Boys Banqueted.

The members of Sixth Co., C. A. C., were banqueted at the armory Saturday evening by the women of the city, after which a public drill on the streets and school grounds by the militia boys was witnessed by a large number of citizens, the band furnishing excellent music. Several new recruits have been added to the company in the past few days.

Another Banquet for Militia.

If Sixth Co., C. A. C., is not ordered to the mobilization camp before Saturday night, the members will be given another banquet, this time by the Woman's Relief corps. A public drill will be given following the banquet.

METCALF HOME DESTROYED BY EARLY FIRE

Fire completely destroyed the C. R. Metcalf home on North Ninth street at about 4 o'clock Sunday morning. Mr. Metcalf, the only one in the house at the time, had a narrow escape, and a few things which he threw out of the bedroom, together with a few things in the basement, were the only articles in the house that were not destroyed. Other than the foundation, which was not harmed, nothing of the house remains but the charred framework.

Mr. Metcalf had a narrow escape when he tried to enter the front door to save the piano. At the moment the door was forced open the hot water tank exploded and the force threw Mr. Metcalf off the porch into the street. He was but slightly injured.

The cause of the fire is thought to have been a defective flue. There was $1500 insurance on house and contents. The family, other than Mr. Metcalf, were visiting at Oakland at the time of the fire.

Fruit Inspector Stewart Runs Foot Race with Bull and Wins

Wheeler Case Is Appealed

Notice of appeal from the Cottage Grove justice court in the case of Mrs. M. M. Wheeler against the Lane County Fair association has been filed. This is a case wherein Mrs. Wheeler sued the association for $35 alleged due as a premium on an exhibit at the last fair in Eugene and won by her in the justice court.

Damage Suits Dismissed.

The three remaining damage suits brought against the Southern Pacific railway by residents of Creswell for the death of their children in the accident about a year ago, were settled out of court and dismissed following the losing of the one suit brought by F. W. Treanor.

A Sentinel want ad. will sell it.

Fruit inspecting is not the most pleasant of tasks at best, but Inspector Stewart thought he had learned all the disadvantages long ago. Last week, however, a new wrinkle was put into the business, when a bull started an argument with Mr. Stewart as to the propriety of his crossing the bull's pasture in the performance of his duty. As a result Mr. Stewart spent about 15 minutes in a tree, from which point of vantage he was able to carry on the argument with less chances of violence. Finally becoming convinced that he had gotten the better of the argument, the animal departed, but when Clint descended from the tree the bull decided to settle the matter with a foot race, in which, however, the two-legged contestant came out slightly ahead. The incident occurred in the Bear creek country west of Junction City.

Postal Deposits Triple During Year

Funds on deposit with the postal savings bank here show a healthy increase during the past year. On June 23, 1915, there was on deposit but $831. On June 23, this year, the deposits had increased to $2591, or more than triple that of the year before.

The total number of deposits that have been opened is 46. A year ago there were but 8 accounts. Now there are 13 accounts.

Rose Bushes from Here Will Go East

Cottage Grove not only has sufficient roses for itself, and some to spare, but this year about 5000 bushes from here will be shipped to the east by John Bader, best known of the rose growers of this city, and who formerly was a Philadelphia florist. He shipped a few bushes to the east last year.

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Cow Sold for Beef 11 Years Ago Is Record Milk Producer

While in the Elk Creek country recently A. J. Armstrong secured a picture of a cow which, although sold 11 years ago for beef, is at this date making a record as a milk producer. She is about 22 years of age, has given birth to a calf every year but one since becoming a milk producer, and all her calves but one have been heifers. One of the heifers is owned here and was bought at $150. The cow is supposed to be a full-blooded Jersey. She is owned by Fred Crowell, who lives in the Elk creek country. She is giving three gallons of milk a day, which produces more than a pound of butter. In 1914 she picked her own living and kept right on giving milk, but is now receiving better care and a milk-producing diet. Last year her owner moved 35 miles and the cow followed a horse team the entire distance, ending up the day apparently uninjured by the journey and more fresh than the young cattle.

The cow was raised by Emmett Sharp of Cottage Grove. Eleven years ago he was taking her to the butcher when Ben Morss, then a resident of this city, suggested a trade for a cow he had. The trade was made and the chances are that this unusual milk producer will never go over the butcher's block in steaks. She isn't much of a looker for the reason that no matter how heavily she is fed she puts the feed into milk. Mr. Crowell bought her of Mr. Morss two and a half years ago.

The picture taken by Mr. Armstrong, together with a story of the cow, appears in the latest issue of The Oregon Farmer.

If a Sentinel want ad. doesn't sell it, throw it away.