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SISTER OF COOS BAY OPPOSES WEDDING

Miss Nesmith County Would Dissuade Sister From Marrying Faithless Lover.

Charge Is Made That Bridegroom Once Made Love to Southern Lane Maid, Then Deserted and Left Her Not Even County Seat to Sit In.

Invitations have been received inviting Cottage Grove to attend the alleged wedding of Eugene Lane and Miss Coos Bay at the celebration of the completion of the Willamette-Pacific railway. The invitations have stirred the Sentinel's staff poet to the following:

AN OPEN LETTER TO MISS COOS BAY.

My dearest darling sister, Miss Coos Bay,
Your wedding invitation came to me tonight. And I am grieved as I can be that there are painful things which I must say.
I've loved you, dear, since you were but a child—
The fairest flower that in the garden blows.
Since then to womanhood I've seen in you
Beauty and grace and sweetness undimmed.
That placid brow, those limpid, starry eyes,
Those flower-tinted cheeks, those sunny curls,
Those ruby lips, those teeth like milky pearls
Miraculously blend—epitomize
A beauty men have dreamed of; artists sought
To try to paint on canvas—failed. Time passed
In weary aeons. Then at last—at last
You lived—and perfect beauty had been wrought.

And yet, my dear, your real beauty lies far deeper. In your woman's soul I see
The perfect splendor of sublimity
Which shines so radiant in those lambent eyes.
You see I know you, dear; and these wild fears
Are for the one I love—and love the best.
I've loved another, too (you may have guessed),
And I would save you bitter, bitter tears.

I have dreamed for you the sweetest of dreams, my dear;
Love, a castle, a river that gleams, my dear;
A mate to adore you,
Smiling skies o'er you,
Children caressing you,
Everyone blessing you,
But now, my dream shattered, I wildly implore, my dear,
Heed you this warning—you, whom I adore, my dear.

And now I know I shall cause you pain,
But the man you're to marry—this Eugene Lane—
Is not your true mate.
He's a person to hate.
We grew up together
In fair and foul weather—
I loved him, 'tis true, but 'twas simply because
I hadn't found out what he really was.

He made me happy for a while;
I basked in the sunshine of his smile
And he treated me pretty white.
But he tired of me, then began to scoff
At my love—then calmly turned me off—
Like an electric light.

Alas, poor Yorick! I knew him well.
(There's very little more to tell.)
Nowhere in his life did I fit in;
His perfidy sure did sadly grieve me—
The polecat wouldn't even leave me
A county seat to sit in.

Please, please, my darling sis, Coos Bay,
Can this fresh hombre, right away,
He's robbed me of life's richest bounty,
As he would you,
MISS NESMITH COUNTY.

Lane County Tax Statement Is Used As Model For Others

Assessor B. F. Keeney is in receipt of a note from former Governor Oswald West, now a special agent of the interior department for the purpose of closing up railroad grant land tax matters, complimenting Mr. Keeney upon the form in which he is preparing the statement of taxes delinquent for the past three years. The Lane county statement will be used as a model for other counties.

Hughes Campaign Club to Be Organized Next Monday

A Hughes - Republican club will be organized here Monday evening. There is great enthusiasm among the republicans and a tremendous membership is anticipated.

Col. W. G. D. Mercer, state committeeman from Lane county and county organizer, was in the city Tuesday and Wednesday completing arrangements for the organization of the club which he started about a month ago but was unable to follow up until this time.

A number of speakers will be present from Eugene and it is expected that oratorical optimism will run riot.

Miss Lura Hefty has left to spend another six years as a missionary in China. She left Tuesday for San Francisco, and will sail from there. Miss Hefty previously spent five years in China and spent her leave of absence of a year or more with her mother, Mrs. C. S. Hefty.

J. HAWLEY WOULD STOP TRESPASSING ON LAND

Harry Draper Is Defendant in Suit Over Sale of Timber.

J. H. Hawley, of Cottage Grove, has begun suit in the circuit court against Harry Draper, to enjoin him from entering upon the premises of the latter and taking certain lumber, also for damages.

Hawley alleges in his complaint that he is owner of a lumber yard on the southwest side of the S. P. track in Cottage Grove and extending up the Venatch spur or siding. On the yard is a large quantity of ties and other timber, says the complaint, used for the foundation for the lumber piles, usually called a dock. The defendant, it is alleged, has removed a car load of this lumber and sold it. It is valued at \$50 says the complaint.

Hawley alleges that if not restrained the defendant will continue to remove and sell this timber. He seeks a restraining order, also damages in the sum of \$50, which is the alleged value of the timber, also \$100 in addition on account of the alleged trespass of the defendant.

COTTAGE GROVE ORE IS ON DISPLAY AT EUGENE

Thousands of Tons of Gold and Copper Ready for Refining.

A creditable display of copper and gold ore from the Bohemia mining district can be seen at The Guard office through the kindness of F. J. Hard, manager of the Vesuvius Mines company. Mr. Hard says the rich specimens of gold ore are only specimens, but the copper ore represents thousands of tons now opened up and in sight in his mines. In connection with the gold specimens there are also many thousands of tons of gold ore ready for the mill.

The copper ore in the display means much and it is easily understood how hundreds of men will be given employment soon. A number of very prominent mining men have recently declared their intention of investigating the mining opportunities of Lane county in the near future.—Eugene Guard.

THERMOMETER IS HITTING THE HIGH SPOTS

Maximum Temperature Yesterday Was 90 Degrees, Highest So Far This Season.

The thermometer has been hitting the high spots the past few days. Yesterday the high mark was reached, with a temperature of 90 degrees in the shade. The day before the high mark was 87½ degrees. A week ago today the high mark for the day was 63 degrees. The minimum temperature yesterday was 44 degrees.

The temperatures for the entire week, ending yesterday, were as follows:

Date	Min.	Max.
August 17.....	48	63
August 18.....	46	67
August 19.....	40	71
August 20.....	34½	74
August 21.....	38½	83
August 22.....	43	87½
August 23.....	44	90

Again Grove Weather Is Better Than That of Other Places

While Cottage Grove was inclined to find fault with the rain one day last week, which threatened damage to hay and fruit, but which proved more of a blessing than a curse, folks in other parts of the county and state had something to really complain about. In other places there was high wind and hail, of which Cottage Grove knew nothing. It is reported that there was quite a snow storm in the Bohemia district, which is very unusual in August, even in that high altitude.

Would Know What 'Smatter with Cannery and Supporters

Cottage Grove, Ore., Aug. 24.—(To the Editor.)—Say, what's the matter with Cottage Grove and the Cottage Grove producer?

Here we have a cannery and several thousand dollars invested in building and plant. And not a wheel turning during this season. Are we going to let such a valuable property lie idle and doing nothing?

Why, the extra money it would bring to the producer would more than pay for the extra stock it is necessary to sell in order to put the business on a firm financial basis.

If one hundred people would put up \$40 apiece it would put the plant out of debt and ready for business.

Why, that's only a small part of what is spent every year for any one of a dozen things that bring us no permanent pleasure or prosperity.

VISITING EDITORS TO BE SHOWN RESOURCES

Commercial Club Committees Will Receive Excursionists From San Francisco.

Stay Will Be Short and It Is Expected That Most of Visitors Will Wish to Spend Time Meeting With Customers.

The 100 or more members of the Wholesale Trade Excursion from San Francisco, who will arrive here at 10:30 Friday morning, will be looked after by a committee from the commercial club, will be escorted to the places which they wish to visit and those who wish will be given automobile trips into the surrounding country. There will be five or more representatives of the San Francisco newspapers. These will be taken in charge by a representative of The Sentinel and an attempt will be made to give them some idea of the wonderful resources of the surrounding country.

The party will be in the city but an hour and a half and in so short a time it will be impossible to show the visitors more than a very small section of country.

Most of the members of the excursion are representatives of San Francisco wholesale houses and will wish to visit business men and become acquainted with prospective customers. No attempt will be made to do anything for these except to make it easy for them to find those whom they wish to see. Order taking is barred, and the visits to the business men of the city will be entirely social.

Members of the reception committee are A. B. Wood, L. S. Hill, Worth Harvey, A. J. Armstrong and Elbert Bede.

Meeting of Business Men.

There will be a meeting of the merchants and other business men of the city tonight to complete plans for Dollar Day and Pay Up Week. The committee having charge of the preliminary work have interviewed the business interests of the city and it is understood that all are enthusiastic for the two events. The committee will make its report tonight, after which permanent plans will be adopted.

The meeting will be held in the commercial club rooms and all interested are invited to attend.

Check Writers Brought From East.

Sheriff J. C. Parker and Deputy Sheriff F. L. Armistage returned Saturday afternoon from the east with prisoners wanted here for passing fraudulent checks. The sheriff had with him William Brower alias Alfred Hadley, brought here from Petersburg, Ill., and Mr. Armistage brought Gerald Rice, a Eugene lad, who found check writing too easy, from Billings, Mont. Both prisoners admit their guilt.—Eugene Guard.

Benjamin Lunan Dies.

Benjamin Lunan died last Thursday of tuberculosis, at the age of 29 years. Death occurred at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Lunan. Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon, Rev. H. N. Aldrich officiating. Besides the parents, several brothers and sister survive.

Invited to the Wedding.

Invitations to the alleged wedding of Eugene Lane to Miss Coos Bay, issued by the Eugene chamber of commerce, were received by the commercial club Monday. They are in the form of window cards and have been distributed about the city.

Taxpayers' Meeting.

A meeting of the Southern Lane County Taxpayers' league will be held in the city hall Saturday afternoon at 2:30. All taxpayers of the city and surrounding country have been invited to be present.

Shoots Shells Away at Deer He Could Not See

Roy Smith, G. M. Scott, K. K. Mills and Mr. Farmer were out on a hunting trip during the past week. The party got no game except the one they put up on Mr. Mills.

It seems that Karl is slightly near-sighted, but is a little sensitive about that fact and doesn't let on if he can help it. The other members of the party, knowing this frailty, fixed it so that they would be away from camp without their guns, while Karl would have his.

Walking along, the three members of the party unexpectedly discovered a deer feeding on a green hillside across the canyon. All three pointed to the animal at once and yelled at Karl to shoot. Not wishing to appear not to see the deer, Karl up and banged away, but the deer did not move and the boys yelled to him to fire again. Still the deer kept feeding and Karl kept firing, although he did not know what he was firing at. It is said that he used three boxes of ammunition and by that time his companions were unable longer to restrain their mirth.

Roy Smith gave the joke away.

SEVEN ESCAPE IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK

Accident Happens at Crossing About to Be Removed by State and County.

While Car Is Smashed Beyond Recognition and Occupants Are Pinned Under the Wreckage, None Are Mortally Injured.

At the very point where, to avoid just such accidents, the state and county have completed plans to put the Pacific highway under the Southern Pacific tracks at the dangerous crossing at the head of Pass creek canyon, the lives of an entire family came near being snuffed out shortly after 8 o'clock Saturday morning, when the car containing the family was struck by a south-bound freight train and completely demolished. Not a person was killed, although all but two of the children were caught in the wreckage in such a manner that they could not move until the section crew, which was at work a short distance away, came to their assistance. The family was that of R. A. Root, of Eugene, and had left home only that morning on their way to Roseburg and Bandon on a combined business and pleasure trip.

With a crushed chest, Mr. Root was the most severely injured. One of Mrs. Root's lower limbs was seriously scalded and she sustained a severe bruise on the forehead. Opal, aged 14, sustained a broken arm and an injured nose. Velma, aged 10, sustained severe injuries to one side and probably some broken ribs.

The three uninjured children were Lois, aged 8; Virgil, aged 4, and Oral, aged 2.

The little babe, held in its mother's arms, remained snuggled there through the entire accident and did not emit a whimper.

The injured people were taken to the home of Frank Turner and medical assistance from here was hurried to the scene of the accident. Dr. Frost was the first to arrive. Dr. Kime arriving a few minutes afterward. Dr. Job arrived later. The injuries were dressed in time to send the family to their home in Eugene on No. 18, which arrived about an hour and a half after the accident.

Mr. Root, who was driving the car, was not certain as to exactly how the accident occurred. At the point where the accident happened the highway drops down over a hill and the railway tracks circle around the hill. Trains from the north are not visible until very close to the crossing. Mr. Root said that being informed by Mrs. Root that she thought she heard a train coming, he stopped the car. Unable to hear or see anything, he started forward, saw the train, applied the brakes, tried to reverse, but killed his engine. He thought there was still space for his car to clear the train but was mistaken. The force of the impact turned the machine upside down and almost completely around. There is quite a bank along the track where the accident occurred. One side of the machine rested on the bank and thus left an open space below the machine. This fact unquestionably saved the lives of those thrown under the machine. The engine was resting on the chest of Mr. Root. The full weight would have unquestionably meant death.

It is learned that another car had a narrow escape at the same crossing Sunday.

The will of the late William Horn was admitted to probate yesterday. All of the property of the estate except \$36 to each of the children is left to his wife, Mrs. Catherine Horn. At her death the property goes to the children, who are named as follows: Alexander Horn, Mary Maekie, Margaret Porter and Catherine A. Wright. The will names Alexander and Malcolm Horn as executors. It was executed in 1902.

WELLS AND STEVENS WILL TALK PREVENTION

Well Known Portland Fire Warden and Insurance Commissioner Will Be Here Friday.

An event that will be of interest to all who have anything likely to be destroyed by fire, will be the appearance here Friday evening of Harvey Wells, state insurance commissioner, of Salem, and Fire Marshal Stevens, of Portland. Both will deliver lectures on fire prevention illustrated with moving pictures. Fire Marshal Stevens was secured only through his personal friendship for Fire Chief Frank Woodruff and it was necessary for Mr. Stevens to get a special permit from the mayor of Portland in order to leave the city.

Mr. Wells was secured through his personal friendship for Worth Harvey, secretary of the fire department.

The lectures will be given at the Arcade theater.

Second Crop Peas From Same Vines in One Year

Most any tale of unusual production is common to the Cottage Grove country. In fact it is expected that the soil here will do things that soil will do nowhere else.

Along this line George Salton reports the second crop of peas from the same vines. He had a nice mess for dinner Sunday and has divided with his friends.

After the first crop the vines started to dry up, then the rains came along, the vines took on new life, decided that another spring must have arrived and put forth a new crop.

AUTO DRIVER HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENT

Board of Inquiry Fails to Find That Railroad Could Have Avoided the Collision.

Particular Stress Is Laid Upon Fact That Block Signal Was Within Plain View but Was Not Observed by Victims.

The board of inquiry into the accident at Divide Saturday, when the automobile in which the family of R. A. Root, of Eugene, was riding, was demolished, found that the driver was responsible for the accident and that the railroad company had taken every possible precaution to avoid such an accident. The report is as follows:

This board finds that train Extra West 2830, while moving at a speed of approximately 18 miles an hour, struck and demolished, at Pacific highway crossing, about one-quarter mile west of Divide, "Tourist" automobile, bearing Oregon license No. 15,583, driven by R. A. Root, accompanied by wife and five children, resulting in the following casualties:

R. A. Root, age 41, severely bruised about body; estimated disability, 10 days.

Mrs. R. A. Root, age 41, bruised, with slight cut over left eye; scalded by hot water from radiator, between foot and hip of left leg; estimated disability, 30 days.

Opal Root, age 14, severely bruised; right arm broken; estimated disability, 30 days.

Velma Root, age 10, slight bruise to left side; estimated disability, 5 days.

Lois Root, age 8, slightly bruised.

Virgil Root, age 6, slightly bruised.

Oral Root, age 2, slightly bruised.

Value of machine estimated at \$125.

This Pacific highway runs practically parallel with railroad track from Divide to point about one-quarter mile west, where it turns to left and crosses railroad track at very close to right angles.

The approach to crossing from Pacific highway toward the west is on descending grade of between 12 and 15 per cent, a bluff, between the highway and railroad track, leaving an unobstructed view of the track for 300 feet from a point 15 feet from crossing. Mr. Root was driving the machine down the incline, preparatory to crossing the track and, being informed by his wife that she thought a train was approaching, stopped his machine at a point about 15 or 20 feet from the track to listen for approaching trains, failing however, during this interval of about 15 seconds, to stop his engine, the noise of which would make it practically impossible to hear a train approaching. He thereafter attempted to cross the track, not observing Extra 2830 west, until front wheels of automobile had reached rail, it then being too late to back his car to clear, as intended. Immediately upon observing this condition, engineer applied brakes, there being, however, insufficient time or distance in which to avoid striking the machine, running past about 800 feet before coming to a stop. Both approaches to the crossing, within right-of-way lines, while on grade, are in good condition. The warning signals at this particular crossing consist of standard crossing sign; also a "Goodrich Tires" warning sign, printed on bright red background, and placed about 100 feet from the crossing on left hand side of highway incline, leading to the crossing approach. The speed of the train was not excessive, air brakes being in good condition and operative throughout the entire train. All rules governing use of audible signals were complied with.

This board finds that responsibility for the collision rests with driver of automobile, by reason of failure to first determine whether or not there was danger in prospect before attempting to pass over the crossing. Driver acknowledged that he was familiar with the operation of automatic block signals but on this occasion failed to observe the position of automatic signal, located at the crossing, governing movement of eastward trains.

This board has no recommendations to make, but mention is incidentally made of the fact that plans are now under way to provide an underground crossing near location at which the accident occurred, and which will entirely eliminate the existing hazard.

The board was composed of C. W. Martyn, assistant superintendent; E. Stroud, of the operating department; F. W. Schultz, roadmaster; Alfred Jury, banker; Elbert Bede, editor.

Interned German Visits Here.

Cottage Grove was brought into touch with the war in Europe during the past week by the visit of Fohs Schmidt, of Hamburg, Germany, an officer of the interned German ship, "Kent," which is at Astoria. Mr. Schmidt was making an auto trip to California with some friends.

Legal blanks—The Sentinel.