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LEE DAMEWOOD IS VICTIM OF FATAL RUNAWAY

Nearing End of Journey for Day When Thrown From Rig and Killed

Horse Arriving Home Minus Rig and Harness Alarms Friends and Relatives Who Soon Find the Dead Body.

Lee Damewood, mail carrier between Bohemia and Red Bridge, was killed in a runaway accident Tuesday while nearing the end of his trip. He had met some automobile parties on the way out of the mountains, which delayed him. He telephoned ahead that he would be about a half hour late and to hold the train that would take the mail from Red Bridge to Cottage Grove. At about the time Mr. Damewood should have arrived, one of his horses, which had entirely freed itself from rig and harness, appeared at the place of Mr. Damewood's brother Joe. Mr. Brumbaugh, who was at work nearby, heard the runaway and went in search of the carrier, soon finding the dead body.

Appearance indicates that in the runaway the rig struck a stump. Mr. Damewood being thrown some 25 feet. He either struck some hard object or was trampled by the horses. The horses ran some 250 yards, when one freed itself, the other becoming entangled.

Mr. Damewood was about 64 years of age. A widow and four children survive, none of them living here. One son recently joined the navy.

Mr. Damewood was born in Kansas. He came to Oregon in 1861 and to Cottage Grove in 1881.

Irrigation Regulations Enforced.
During the hot summer days the city officials are finding it necessary to enforce the regulations concerning the hours for irrigation, which are between 6 and 7 a. m. and between 5 and 9 p. m. There is a special charge for irrigation, in addition to the regular charge for water service. The minimum is 75 cents a month.

Same Foot Again Injured.
Frank Wallace has returned from Kelso, Wash., where he was employed in a mill. He was twice injured within a short time. One injury was to the foot that was injured at the Chambers mill here and which had just healed.

J. M. Durham Becomes Expert Aviator

J. M. Durham is thinking seriously of joining the aviation corps with one of the armies on the French battle front. It was in a rather odd manner that he came to this way of thinking. He was up in a tree picking strawberries—or some other of Oregon's three or four thousand varieties of fruit—when his foot slipped and he fell from the tree. But he escaped entirely without injury, landing right side up with care in the soft ground of another man's garden. J. M. says that in flying it makes no difference what happens to your machine, just so you land right. He thinks he has the most important part of the job perfected and could be of immediate assistance to Uncle Samuel.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC IS MAKING \$2500 IMPROVEMENT

Drainage System in Depot Yards Being Completed; Oil Macadam Platform Follows

The Southern Pacific is making improvements in its yards here that will cost about \$2500, nearly all of which is being paid to local labor. A. M. Prayther and his extra gang having charge of the work.

A steam shovel is at work removing the earth between the main track and the passing track. The excavation will be filled with large rock to make a drainage system. This will complete the system in the local yards, the other part of the yards having been fixed last year. Before this work was done, water stood on the platform most of the time during the winter, making a disagreeable place for passengers to alight.

After the drainage work is completed an oil macadam platform will be built, greatly improving the appearance of the yards.

VETERANS OF SPANISH WAR OFFER TO SERVE

General Lawton camp, No. 10, United Spanish War Veterans, of Eugene, Saturday night tendered the services of its members to the state in the event they should be needed in connection with I. W. W. activities or other disturbances.

Frank Woodruff, Welcome and Wilson Hubbel are members of the camp from this city.

RED CROSS WANTS LINEN, MUSLIN, SPREADS, SHEETS

The Red Cross society is greatly in need of old bedspreads, old sheets and linen and muslin of every kind. Those having any of these articles which they are willing to contribute, are requested to communicate with Mrs. Clara Burkholder, chairman of the committee on military aid.

MACADAM WANTED THAT IS WHAT WE'LL GET

State Highway Commission Willing to Put Two Kinds of Road to Test By Use

Statement by Portland Single Tax Paper That State Could Not Appropriately \$5000 for Macadam, Is Based upon Ignorance.

The road south from here to the Douglas county line is still a subject of contention, but the probabilities are that work of putting it in shape for traffic with a macadam surface will start at no late date.

Commissioner E. J. Adams denies the story printed in a Portland single tax paper to the effect that a legal technicality would prevent the state from matching \$5000 of county money. The single tax paper made its statement, as it usually does, without investigation, and was entirely in error. The money will be forthcoming and the road will be completed from the city limits of Cottage Grove to a point near Divide, where it will be necessary to construct an underground railway crossing.

In a recent interview in the Eugene Guard, Mr. Adams said:

"To work in harmony with the county court, the state highway commission agreed to stand half the cost of finishing this grade and rock or macadamizing it up to the amount of \$5000, upon condition that the county court maintain it. This money was appropriated by the state highway commission at a recent meeting, from the general state highway fund and has been ready for use since that date. The county is to build the road and the state contributes towards its cost.

A part of this money comes from the seed fund, but all of it from the general highway fund. Lane county voted for macadam and against hard surface roads, so it would be unfair to insist on this stretch of road being hard surfaced instead of macadamized, under these conditions, even though the state believes it to be a mistake.

"The use of this road under the new and increased traffic that is sure to follow the improvement of the Pacific highway will demonstrate which is right, the state highway commission or the county court, and it is only fair to try it out.

"It would cost about \$70,000 to hard surface the road from Cottage Grove to the south county line, and the interest on this amount would be \$5000 for two years only, so if the macadam road will last two years the state will be \$6000 ahead on the item of interest alone, and then the rock that is now put on the road will form part of the base for a hard surface that would have to be put on anyway and so much of the hard surface work will be done when we come to that point.

"Our county court issued its official proclamation before the bond election in favor of macadam roads and upon this issue the vote was cast in this county very strongly in favor of macadam."

The Sentinel was in error in stating that Mr. Anderson, president of the commercial club, overheard the state commission say that they would take over the road as it stands and complete it to the county line. The proposition by the state commission was that the county complete the grade to the county line and then turn the road over to the state. An underground crossing and an ungraded stretch of road were involved, and the state will take over no road that is not graded ready for the laying of the crushed rock.

LONGEST DRY SPELL IN HISTORY IS UNBROKEN

Much-Maligned Rain would Receive Hearty Welcome from Former Maligners

Cottage Grove is experiencing the longest spell of hot, dry weather in its history at this time of the year. Reports differ as to the amount of damage that has resulted and as to how much of the damage might be repaired by rain, but there is no difference of opinion about the fact that some of the rain which was the subject of opprobrium earlier in the season would be wildly welcomed just now. Last Saturday was the hottest day of the entire year, with little breeze to relieve the excessive heat, but the thermometer has been hovering about the 100 mark for more than a week. Some products are standing the hot weather and lack of moisture with little apparent permanent damage, but beans and berries will not be much of a crop without moisture at an early date and rain even now might not be of great assistance to the early berries.

Feed for cattle has been cut short by the continued dry spell and there is some fear as to whether or not there is going to be sufficient feed to carry stock through the winter. The weather has been ideal for cutting the hay crop that had an early start.

Statistics gathered by the Southern Pacific indicate that the damage in western Oregon is not yet serious. There has been rain in other parts of Oregon, but the weather man holds out no hope as yet for this particular section.

OREGON MOST PATRIOTIC OF ALL STATES OF UNION

Out of all the states in the Union, Oregon is to be assessed the lowest under the first draft call to be made next week. This is because Oregon has given, in proportion to her quota, a greater number of volunteers than any other state. Lane county has given more men to the regular army and the national guard than any other county in the state except Multnomah.

The people of Oregon were for the selective draft because they realized its inherent justice, but they did not wait for the draft to become effective. The young men did not wait to see whether, after all, they might be missed. They came forward and offered their services to their country according to the splendid traditions of which every American is proud.

There was a time when the superior east called Oregon the fool of the family, but that time has passed. It is now the bright star in the American constellation.—Eugene Register.

Will Go to Fort Stevens.

It has been definitely determined that Sixth company will go to Fort Stevens for its training after being mobilized. Adjutant-General White gives it as his opinion that the coast artillery will be called to France in the near future to handle the heavy artillery behind the lines. The coast artillery men are adept at the handling and sighting of the big coast defense guns at Fort Stevens and their experience in this work would, it is believed, qualify them to handle the great pieces of field artillery that are used on the French front.

I. W. W. Scare Without Cause.

A report was circulated about the city yesterday that three members of the I. W. W. were in the city and were acting in a suspicious manner about the mills of the city. Marshal Pitcher is of the opinion that there was no reason for alarm. The three men spent the previous night in the lockup here, where they were searched, and had nothing on them to indicate that they belonged to that anarchistic organization. One or two of them were even wearing the American flag, and all claimed to be in search of work.

Linch Sells Garage.

C. A. Linch has disposed of his garage business at the corner of Sixth street and Washington avenue, J. C. Henry, of Newport, being the purchaser. Mr. Henry took charge Saturday.

Mr. Linch has not yet decided where he will go. He has been here several years, coming here as mechanic for O. E. Woodson and going into business for himself a year or so ago.

Silsby Sustains Broken Arm.

John Silsby sustained a broken arm yesterday when his Ford mule kicked him. The bones were broken just above the wrist.

REX WHEELER FALLS FROM WHEEL AND IS INJURED

Picks Himself Up and Gets Into City While Yet in an Unconscious Condition

Rex Wheeler, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wheeler, met with a serious accident Tuesday afternoon. He had been to the top of Knox hill to deliver a package at the Weeden home. He attempted to come down the hill on his bicycle, but the brake refused to work, or he lost control of the wheel in some way, and he was thrown quite a distance, alighting on his head. He was badly bruised and a deep gash was cut over one eye.

He did not regain complete consciousness for several hours and returned to the shop where he is employed without knowing what had happened or how he made his way there. It is thought that there are no permanent injuries and that he is now entirely out of danger.

John Atkinson Dies.

John Atkinson died Wednesday afternoon of last week, after an illness of two years. The funeral was held Friday, from the Mills chapel, Rev. D. A. MacLeod officiating. Mr. Atkinson was born in Guernsey county, Ohio, January 12, 1842. He was married 28 years ago and came to Cottage Grove 10 years ago. A complication of ailments incident to old age were the cause of death. Surviving relatives are the wife and the following children: John, Robert, Lauretta, J. W. and William. The latter two live in Iowa.

ENTERTAIN MILITIAMEN; PRESENT COMFORT BAGS

Members of Immanuel choir of the Christian church met Friday night at the home of Capt. Lee Roy Wood and entertained ten of the members of Sixth company, O. C. A., all of whom either were members of the choir or church, or attended the church.

There were 26 present. After five gallons of ice cream and a number of fine cakes had been disposed of, Mrs. H. F. Oakes appeared on the veranda with an arm full of "comfort bags," each of which had a piece of blue silk sewed in the lining on which was printed: "Presented to ——— in loving appreciation of your loyalty to the church and your country, from Immanuel choir of the Christian church, Cottage Grove, Oregon." Each comfort bag contained a testament.

The recipients of the comfort bags were: Captain Lee Roy Wood, Sergeant Albert A. Richmond, Sergeant Lee Roy Woods, Jr., Sergeant Daniel L. Woods, Bugler Albert Griffin, and Privates Virgil Powell, Robert Powell, Waldo Hull, Charles Lackey and Edwin Skilling.

The remainder of the evening was spent with singing and readings.

Denies the Charge.

Joseph Perkins, Sr., of Cottage Grove, a Civil war veteran, was held to the grand jury by Justice J. E. Young Wednesday of last week on a charge of rape brought by his step-daughter, Anna Sharp, aged 16 years. Bail was fixed at \$500 and was furnished, some of his army comrades signing his bond.

The charges were brought to the notice of the officials by Mrs. Perkins, mother of the girl. The accused man absolutely denies his guilt.

Seeks Service Again.

J. C. Johnson, an attorney of Gold Beach, who was here last week, states that he has applied for admission to the second officers' reserve training camp at the Presidio. Mr. Johnson served in the Second Oregon in the Spanish-American war and afterwards rose to the rank of major in the Oregon national guard.

W. G. Beattie Highly Complimented.

While in Portland Monday the editor met Governor Strong, of Alaska, who took occasion to speak in high terms of the work of W. G. Beattie, recently superintendent of schools here, and to express his pleasure at Mr. Beattie's return to educational work in Alaska. According to Governor Strong, Mr. Beattie has proved one of the best men that has been employed in the educational department in Alaska.

Patronize those who advertise in The Sentinel.

PAY RED CROSS SUBSCRIPTION

That portion of Red Cross subscriptions due July 1 should now be paid to Alf Jury, cashier, at the Bank of Cottage Grove.

BAD OREGON ROADS ARE KEEPING TOURISTS AWAY

The reputation of the roads in southern Oregon and notably the road between Cottage Grove and Drain and the rough Cow creek canyon, is keeping thousands of tourists out of this state, according to T. B. Bridges, manager of Heald's Business college at Oakland, Calif., who has been visiting the family of F. A. Rankin and other relatives in Eugene.

"Bad roads are keeping an almost endless string of automobile travelers from coming to 'God's country,'" he said. "The people of Oregon can make this state the playgrounds for many thousands of Californians, if they will make it possible for them to travel here over roads without enduring all manner of hardships."

"Business matters compelled me to come to Oregon, and those stretches of bad roads have taken much of the pleasure out of my trip. The most progressive thing your chamber of commerce can do is to get busy at once and start a campaign which will have these roads fixed permanently and at once, and then spread the good news abroad."

A COMPREHENSIVE CAMPAIGN FOR MESS FUND

Teams Are Appointed to Carry on Drive Similar to That of the Red Cross

Money Will Be Raised at Same Time to Supply Comfort Kits and to Defray the Expenses of the Farewell Reception.

To complete the mess fund for Sixth company, to purchase material for comfort kits for members of the company, and to provide funds for the farewell reception to be given Cottage Grove's soldier and sailor men and boys, a similar drive to that used in securing Red Cross funds has been arranged by a committee appointed by the Red Cross. The city has been divided into five sections and a soliciting team has been appointed for each section. The census cards secured in the Red Cross drive will be used. A meeting to complete final arrangements will be held at the commercial club at 9 a. m. Friday.

Those living outside the city limits who may wish to contribute to the fund, may hand money to Mrs. B. R. Job, campaign chairman, or to the members of any of the teams. The work must be completed within the next week, so there will be little time in which to cover the country outside the city limits and those living outside will confer a favor by bringing in their money without being solicited.

The districts, team captains and members of the teams are as follows:

Team No. 1—Mrs. J. H. Chambers, captain—South of Main between river and including Fifth street: Mrs. C. E. Humphrey, Mrs. Corson, Mrs. F. C. Ralston, Mrs. Elbert Smith, Miss Elsie Lea.

Team No. 2—Mrs. Herbert Eakin, captain—Main and south of Main between Fifth street and railway: Mrs. K. K. Mills, Mrs. C. E. Frost, Miss Esther Silsby, Miss Lulu Currin, Mrs. Emma Ragsdale, Mrs. John Groves.

Team No. 3—Mrs. A. B. Wood, captain—East of S. P. railway: Mrs. Alf Jury, Miss Neva Perkins, Mrs. O. L. Nichols, Mrs. H. H. Bryden, Mrs. Elbert Bede.

Team No. 4—Mrs. Maud LeRoy, captain—North of Main between river and railway: Mrs. Carrie Hemenway, Mrs. Ray Trask, Mrs. S. L. Godard, Mrs. J. W. Buckley, Mrs. C. C. Cruson.

Team No. 5—Mrs. L. S. Hill, captain—West of river: Mrs. C. J. Kem, Mrs. C. M. Shinn, Mrs. Ilma Beager, Miss Carolyn Woods, Mrs. John England.

Fire Blight Eradicated.

C. E. Stewart, county fruit inspector, returned last week from the Long Tom country, in the northern part of the county, where he had been superintending the work of destroying hundreds of trees that were infected with fire blight.

The blight, which Mr. Stewart characterizes as the worst fruit disease known to horticulturists, had spread badly among the wild hawthorne and wild crabapple trees along the Long Tom bottom, in the vicinity of Franklin, and clear to the Benton county line. He says that every tree found with the disease was cut down and burned, which is the only remedy. A few fruit trees were also found to be infected.

You know what you want, but maybe others don't. Tell them with a Sentinel want ad.

ROW RIVER MILL WILL RESUME OPERATIONS

W. W. Brown, L. S. Hill and J. S. Magladry Take Over Long Inactive Property

Work Will Start at Once With a Crew of Fifty Men; New Owners Express Confidence in Future of Lumber Market.

The lumber business at Row River, on the Oregon Pacific & Eastern railway, is to be revived. Walter W. Brown and J. S. Magladry, of Eugene, and L. S. Hill, of this city, have formed the Bohemia Lumber company and have taken over the plant and timber of the Row River Lumber company. Operations will commence at once with a crew of about 50 men. The mill has been shut down for two years.

The mill has a capacity of 50,000 feet of lumber every day and the logging camp is fully equipped with modern appliances, donkey engines and a logging railway. After some minor repairs everything will be in readiness to operate to full capacity.

Mr. Magladry will be manager of the new company and will have personal supervision over the operation of the mill and logging camps. He was formerly in the lumber business in Lane county for a number of years.

Mr. Brown and Mr. Hill are heavily interested in the Brown Lumber company, of this city, Mr. Brown being president and Mr. Hill manager.

Confidence in the future of the lumber business is expressed by the members of the new company. They believe that from this time on, for a number of years at least, there will be a steady market for all the lumber that can be manufactured on this coast and that it will bring good prices.

Will Stamp Out Disloyalty.

The officials of Oregon will do everything within their power to stamp out disloyalty, treason and lack of patriotism. The case recently referred to in The Sentinel received the attention of both the United States attorney and the district attorney, and there is likely to be no more damning the Red Cross from that or other sources.

The wise buyer patronizes the merchant who shows he is alive by his ads. in the local newspaper.

FUNCTION IS PLANNED FOR MILITIA

Plans were started at the Red Cross meeting Monday for a public function in honor of members of Sixth company and the other boys of the city who have entered other arms of the service. Mayor T. C. Wheeler is chairman of the committee and the function will probably be held at about the time the call to mobilize is received, which will be July 25. The exact date has not been named.

The function will probably consist of a banquet and a program of speeches and music.

TEACHERS ASSIGNED TO GRADES

School Board Is Preparing Budget for Early Consideration by the Taxpayers of the District.

At a meeting of the board of education held at the high school building Monday evening, the following assignment of grade teachers was made by the board and the superintendent:

East side—First grade, Miss Carolyn Schelling; second, Mrs. Lena Godard; third, Miss Bertha Stephens; fourth, Miss Eunice Vandenberg; fifth, Mrs. Mabel Smith; sixth, Miss Hester Bemis; seventh, Miss Merle Cellers; eighth, Miss L. Adelle White.

West side—First and second grade, Miss Fern Holcomb; third and fourth, teacher not elected; fifth and sixth, Miss Blanche Groom; seventh and eighth, Mrs. Ilma Beager.

The work of the high school and the assignments are being worked out by Superintendent Glass, who will move to the city in a short time and give his personal attention to the schools preparatory to their opening on September 17. The annual school budget, as required by law, is being considered by the board and public notice of the date for its consideration will soon be announced.