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INCOME RETURNS MUST BE IN MARCH 1

NO RETURN NECESSARY IF INCOME IS UNDER EXEMPTION

Living Expenses Cannot Be Deducted, and Penalties for Attempted Evasion of the Law Are Heavy.

There is much misunderstanding here, as well as elsewhere, as to who are required to make returns under the income tax law and as to how to arrive at the net income that comes under the provisions of the law. The Sentinel has studied the various circulars sent out by the internal revenue department and believes that the following information is correct and will solve the difficulty for many.

The tax is upon net incomes only. For single men \$1000 of income is exempt and for married men and heads of families \$2000 is exempt. A business concern may deduct its legitimate expenses from its gross or total income, thus arriving at the net income. No expense accounts may be padded for the purpose of evading the income tax law. If, after the expenses of the business are deducted, a net income of \$1000 for single men or \$2000 for married men is left, such incomes would be subject to the tax on the amounts above exemption. If one of the partners in the business was unmarried and the other married and the net income to each was, say, \$1500, the married man would be exempt while the single man would have to pay the tax on \$500.

If the partners in the business draw a salary of less than \$1000 for a single man and \$2000 for a married man, and the net profits from the business, added to the salary, should make their incomes more than the amount exempted, they would be subject to the tax on the excess. In other words, if a person's net income from any and all sources is by any manner brought above the amount exempted, he must pay the tax. If one's income equals the amount of his exemption, he must make a return to the internal revenue department, whether subject to the tax or not. Those whose incomes do not equal the amount of their exemptions need make no return, but failure to make return, if subject to the tax, is punishable by heavy penalties.

From incomes from property may be deducted taxes and expense of repairs, but no unusual repairs may be made in order to avoid the tax.

Living expenses are not to be deducted from an individual's income in arriving at his net income. There is very little that can be deducted except at the source of the income. Income from liberty bonds is not taxable.

Those who are actually heads of families, whether married or not, can claim the same exemption as the married head of a family. An addition of \$2000 of \$2000 is given heads of families for each dependent under 18 years of age, and for any dependent mentally or physically incapacitated to earn his own living.

Married people who have separated, and who have no dependent, come under the same head as single persons.

Women are subject to the same provisions as men.

If a man and wife both have incomes, only one can claim the exemption, or it may be divided between them.

As living expenses cannot be deducted, the value of products of the farm which the farmer uses for his own family must be added to his income in arriving at his net income. For example, if, after deducting expenses for seed, for machinery, for labor, repairs, etc., the farmer finds that he has a net income of \$2000, he must add the value of the products of his farm, his net income would be \$2000. If the value of the products used for his living added to any amount which he has cleared on his farm brings the total to more than \$2000 for a married man or \$1000 for a single man, he is subject to the tax. No unusual amount of machinery may be bought or unusual expenses incurred to evade the tax.

Returns must be made before March 1. The tax must be paid before June 15. Anyone in doubt as to his liability to the tax should address the internal revenue collector at Portland or see the representative of the internal revenue department who will visit every county. After March 1 every section of the country will be combed for those who have evaded the tax.

OREGON BOY IS A PARTICIPANT IN DARING AIR RAID

With the American Army in France, Jan. 12.—Those were American boys who dodged the Boche airplanes, laughed at the German anti-aircraft guns and launched bombs over Roubaix and Ludwigshafen in broad daylight a few days ago, as reported in the French communiqué.

They were Joseph Wilson, of Wheeling, W. Va., formerly a Presbyterian minister; Bob Lehr, Albion, Neb., ex-member of a basketball team; Charles Kinsolving and Charles Kergood, of Philadelphia, and George Kyle, of Portland, Ore. All are corporals in the French army, awaiting transfer to the United States flying corps.

COTTAGE GROVE HENS ARE DOING THEIR PATRIOTIC GOLDANDREIST

Cottage Grove biddies have heard the Hoover call and are doing their patriotic goldandrest. A mixed Brown Leghorn and Black Minorca owned by Mrs. Lucy Holland came up to the scratch with an egg that weighed four ounces and measured 7 1/2 inches by 6 1/2 inches. When asked if she fed her biddies on this kind of eggs, Mrs. Holland was non-committal.

Dry and Dusty in California. G. F. Mills, former Southern Pacific agent here, writes from Long Beach, Calif., that they have had no rain since July and that it is very dry and dusty there.

ALTHOUGH OVER 70, SHE KNOTS THREE AND A HALF PAIRS SOCKS IN TWO WEEKS

Mrs. S. E. McFarland, who is past 70 years of age and is ashamed neither of her age nor her work, knitted three and a half pairs of wool socks for the Red Cross within two weeks, besides doing her own work. The socks were knitted according to the Red Cross regulations and were equal in every respect to those knitted by younger women.

Mrs. Ross Curran, who is a neighbor, knitted the same as Mrs. McFarland, so each knitted one sock of each pair. The two turned in eight pairs. Mrs. Curran knitted one pair before the two started knitting together.

PORK IS ONLY MEAT NOW UNDER HOOVER BAN

People of Six Western States May Eat Any Other Meat Between Now and March 13.

Phoenix, Ariz., Jan. 12.—Sweeping changes in the food conservation program affecting six western states were announced today in a telegram from Food Administrator Hoover to Food Administrator Riordan of this state. The telegram said:

"In view of the animal situation in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California, Nevada and Arizona, due principally to transportation and discussed in detail at a recent conference of administrators here, we have reached the decision that states mentioned may remove restriction until March 13 on eating beef, mutton, lamb and veal on meatless days and with meatless meals." As to the states named Mr. Hoover's telegram said that "meatless days" now meant "porkless days."

SOLDIERS CAN'T WRITE; PAPERS CAN'T PRINT

The Sentinel has been asked why it does not publish more letters from the soldier boys. There are several reasons, the principal one being that the soldier boys have written none except those that have been printed. Restrictions as to letter writing by members of the army are rigid and the Sentinel has been informed that a soldier is subject to court martial for writing for publication any of the things which people here wish most to know. The writing of such things are permitted to some extent in letters to relatives, but the newspapers have accepted the terms of a voluntary censorship imposed by the government, which restricts the letters in the things they may print from letters written to relatives.

The Sentinel will be pleased to publish at any time any letter from any soldier boy, which has been written for publication and has passed the censor. The letters from Fort Stevens have been discontinued because no member of the company there is permitted to write the letters. The Sentinel would like to publish.

CAN SELL MORE STUFF THAN CAN BE PACKED

George O. Knowles, president of the Cottage Grove cannery, returned Wednesday from attending a meeting of the representatives of the canneries of the state at Portland. Owing to the uncertainty as to how much of the products of the canneries is likely to be requisitioned by the government, canners are up in the air as to how far to go in contracting for the sale of their products. There was no doubt, however, in the minds of the businessmen that there would be more trouble in getting sufficient product to eat than in disposing of the product afterwards.

Members of Dorena Red Cross.

The community of Dorena has been active in every war activity and has one of the banner Red Cross auxiliaries. Following is a complete list of its members:

Katie VanSchoick, Ellen Jennings, Clara Kirk, John Kirk, Merle Holstrom, John Holstrom, Jas. Gouley, Mrs. Jas. Gouley, Nona Kelley, Florence Kelly, Mrs. B. F. McCollum, Levi Wetmore, Mrs. Hattie Spahr, H. R. Shearer, Mrs. H. R. Shearer, J. B. Stewart, Mrs. W. J. Messenger, Edith Messenger, M. W. Stewart, Mrs. M. W. Stewart, Mrs. Anna Christman, Ora Thomason, Ella Redford, Wenona Bales, Lottie VanSchoick, Rebecca Bales, Minnie Wagner, Martha Barnhart, Cora Teeters, Mrs. Hubbard, C. D. VanValin, Mrs. Emma VanValin, Allen VanValin, Edna Wickes, Benetta Teeters, Mrs. Emma Negley, D. M. Baker, Mrs. Louise Baker, James Redford, A. N. Land, Ethel Scott, Mrs. Kate Land, Mamie Monteith, Mrs. A. M. McKinley, Mrs. Clay England, W. P. VanSchoick, Sarah Elliott, Mrs. D. L. England, Ann Doolittle, Hugh Doolittle, Charley Teeters, Ben McCollum, B. L. Land, Hattie VanValin, K. K. Robinson, Mary Land, R. F. Negley, Frank Fisher, Mrs. J. R. Mosby, Fred Thomas, Sadie VanSchoick, Bertha Kirk, Alex Garoutte, Clay England, S. A. Monteith, U. S. Bales, R. A. McKinley, Caroline Doolittle, Mrs. Naomi Barker, Lot Wagner, Mrs. H. E. Priner, Delbert Kelly, Minnie Henriksen, Warren Kelly, John Teeters, Lee Thomason, Oren Land, Nora Ward, M. A. Land, Thelma Barnhart, Om Land, Ora Kirk, Mary L. Bales, C. W. Bales, Alta Kelly, C. A. VanSchoick, Mrs. Anna Kelly, Clarence Peterson, Edwin Redford, Mrs. A. S. Ward, Jennie VanSchoick, Frank VanSchoick, Alice M. Crites, Eunit L. Kirk, Fern Kirk, Daisy Bales.

Court Enters Road Orders.

The county court last week entered the following road orders in which people of this section are interested:

O. Heine road, read second time and referred to district attorney.

J. H. Chambers road, surveyor ordered to investigate and report before March 6.

Warren Kelly road, read second time and referred to the district attorney.

Thomas H. Orr road, read first time, viewers' report accepted, road disallowed.

RED CROSS, ATTENTION.

THERE will be a special meeting of Cottage Grove branch of the commercial club tonight (Friday) and the presence of every member is earnestly desired and requested. By order of the president.

SAWS WILL WHIRL AT NEW MILL MARCH 1

MAIN BUILDING NOW COMPLETE AND MACHINERY BEING INSTALLED

Capacity Will Be Increased From 60,000 to 75,000 Feet; Buildings Will Be Larger and Will Be Separated From Each Other.

Work is progressing rapidly and satisfactorily on the new Brown mill, being erected on the site of the old mill destroyed by fire.

The mill proper has been completed and one dock has been partly constructed. The machinery has all arrived, some of it has been placed in position and the rest is being placed as rapidly as possible. It is expected that sawing will commence not later than March 1. The planer shed and dry kiln will not be erected until after that date, the lumber for these to be turned out by the mill's own saws. The buildings will be separated this time so as to lessen the fire risk.

The new mill will have a capacity of 75,000 feet a day, which can be increased to 90,000 at a little additional expense. The capacity of the old mill was 60,000. Sixty-foot timbers will be handled by the new mill as easily as four-foot timbers were handled by the old mill. The machinery will be heavier and more modern than that of the old mill.

The dimensions of the new mill building are 192 by 40 feet, while those of the old mill were 150 by 40 feet.

COMMERCIAL CLUB ASKS FOR FREE GRASS SEED

The commercial club has made application to the government through Congressman Hawley for free seed for 1000 acres of government land tributary to the Silk Creek neighborhood. Application to the commercial club was made last week by the government. Several thousand acres in the tract, which extends from Lorane on the west to Divide on the east. All was burned over last year and is subject to the provisions of the act of congress providing for the seeding of burned-over government land, but the farmers of the Silk Creek neighborhood can only use 1000 acres for grazing purposes.

List of Saginaw Red Cross Members.

As the list of Red Cross members recently published did not contain the names of all the members of the Saginaw auxiliary, the following complete list has been forwarded by the Saginaw society, one of the largest auxiliaries in the country, size of community considered:

Mrs. A. W. Cornutt, Mrs. W. S. Enley, Mrs. Frank Benston, Mrs. Benston, Mrs. F. G. Gibler, Mrs. E. J. Sear, Mrs. W. McClellan, Mrs. C. H. Sear, Mrs. L. M. Nixon, Mrs. W. W. Witter, Mrs. Rippie, Mrs. J. A. Burgess, Mrs. Wm. Keene, Mrs. M. A. Horn, J. A. Joll, Frank Joll, Wm. Myers, W. S. Enley, Mrs. J. L. Queen, Mae Enley, Chas. Nichols, L. M. Nixon, W. L. Leonard, Mrs. W. L. Leonard, John Shattuck, Frank Benston, Laurence Fisher, Mrs. J. P. Neat, Mrs. Naid, Mrs. O. H. Taplin, Mrs. Clint Dick, Mrs. Hotchkiss, Mrs. J. E. Angel, Miss Bessie Nichols, Miss Ethel Witter, Miss Ethel Moody, Mrs. Frank Saffley, Mrs. C. Keene, Mrs. M. Platt, Mrs. Pearl McKee, Mrs. Chas. Conner, Mrs. K. B. Moody, M. A. Horn, J. F. Neat, Frank Saffley, A. W. Cornutt, E. J. Sear, Mrs. O. J. Kayser, Mrs. Judson Allen.

FIXING PRICE FOR PORK STIMULATES PRODUCTION

(From Live Stock Reporter)

The high price of feed and hogs, and the unsolved problem of prices next fall, when this winter's and next spring's hogs are ready for market, killed and sent to the hog business by preventing the buyers from operating, but this condition has been completely relieved by the wise course pursued by the able and just government food administrator in adopting as the average minimum bottom price for pork hogs of the coming year's crop, \$15.50 per hundred pounds. This government protection of price is thoroughly appreciated by all breeders, farmers and feeders of hogs.

Establishing a dependable price basis has inspired vigorous action in the hog business, and buying hogs and pigs in all sections of the country is reported to us the past month as being enormous. The hogs are the world's unchallenged, greatest meat producers; they multiply safely 800 per cent semi-annually, and have the pork ready for market at six months of age. The hog can furnish over one-third more pounds of grain eaten by them than can the steer. Another advantage is, the meat of the hog can be cured into bacon, ham, shoulders or mess-pork for safe transportation and best condition for serving the appetite with enjoyment and giving vigor and strength to the body. The United States produces three-fourths of the hogs of the world and therefore is in the best position to be drawn on for these supplies.

The keen discernment of the food administrator in justly protecting the producers and consumers of the food grown in the United States is one of the most useful and equitable, and we predict it will be found so useful and desirable by the farmers and food consumers of the country that it will in some form be continued after peace is restored.

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Kansas Picnic January 29.

The annual Kansas picnic, which is always a big affair, will be held at I. O. O. F. hall January 29, when a 6:30 o'clock supper will be served.

HIGHEST TAX IN COUNTY FOR GROVE

HIGH SCHOOL TAX AND REDUCTION OF VALUATION ARE RESPONSIBLE

School Tax Is 18 Mills, City Tax Is 17.7 Mills, and County and State Tax Is 14.5 Mills, Making a Total of 50.2 Mills.

Despite the fact that the county and state tax is lighter this year than last, the levy by mills in Cottage Grove will be higher than last year. This is due in large measure to a reduction in valuation below that upon which the previous tax was based. At the annual school meeting the school board estimated the levy would require a levy of 12 mills, which was based on a valuation of \$1,100,000. The valuation, as returned by the county assessor and board of equalization is \$1,089,982, making the levy 18 mills. Had the levy been made in mills, as heretofore, the school district would have again been short of funds to carry it through the year.

The Cottage Grove tax, which appears to be the highest in the county this year, on account of heavy city and school district levies, is composed as follows: County and state, 14.5 mills; city, 17.7 mills; school district, 18 mills, making a total levy of 50.2 mills. The 1916 levy was 46.5 mills and the 1915 levy 43 mills.

From the figures it appears that the only increase in the actual amount of money to be paid in taxes is for the school district.

QUARTER BARREL FLOUR TO CUSTOMER IS LIMIT

Portland, Ore., Jan. 11.—A quarter barrel of flour is the maximum amount to be sold to any householder and the maximum amount any householder may acquire in one transaction. The flour is to be sold to all parts of Oregon by W. B. Ayer, federal food administrator. To enforce the food regulations Ayer is naming assistants to work in every county.

Ayer is warning dealers that they are liable to the penalty for hoarding if they knowingly abet any householder in this practice.

Woodmen and Neighbors Install.

At a joint installation of the Modern Woodmen and Royal Neighbors installed the following officers:

Woodmen—V. C. A. E. Hamloch; A. J. H. Baker; H. Geo. Hall; C. J. R. Protzman; W. Geo. Bishop; S. A. Swanston.

Neighbors—O. Myrtle McFarland; V. O. Angie Swengel; P. O. Mary Baker; C. A. Sageson; K. Minnie Protzman; R. Bertie Durham; M. Anna Ellender; A. M. Kittle Kline.

B. S. Swengel acted as installing officer for the Woodmen and Mrs. Emma Powell for the Neighbors. A supper was served preceding the ceremonies.

Shulaw Grange Installs.

The following officers were installed Saturday by Shulaw grange at Lorane:

President, E. C. Farman; secretary, E. C. Farman; treasurer, E. C. Farman; gatekeeper, Roy Castor; chaplain, Mrs. Charley Audley; pastor, Mrs. O. E. Crowe; secretary, Chas. Miller; treasurer, Mrs. J. Hardy Crow; Ceres, Mrs. Mary Davis; Flora, Miss Gladys Chapman; Pomona, Miss Harriet Auld.

G. W. McFarland, of this city, acted as installing officer, and was assisted by P. H. Magee, also of this city.

Couldn't Get to Eugene.

Two cars from here attempted to get to Eugene Saturday to hear the Indian officers who addressed two monster rallies there, but on account of high water were unable to get through. Others would have gone except that they learned a time that they could not get there. K. K. Mills was the only one of the party that got to the meeting. He left his car for Mrs. Mills to bring home and got into Eugene by street car from Springfield.

Bank of Cottage Grove Elects.

The Bank of Cottage Grove has elected the following officers for 1918: President, Geo. M. Hall; vice-president, R. Lureh; cashier, Alf. Jury; directors, Geo. M. Hall, R. Lureh, Alf. Jury, Geo. Atkinson, W. L. Hubbell, Geo. Lea and W. A. Hartung.

Crosses Missouri River on Ice.

"We crossed the Missouri river on the ice Monday," writes E. W. Caldwell from Wymore, Neb. "The ice is eight inches thick, so I guess we have been having some winter," he adds.

Wheeler Is Director of Fair.

T. C. Wheeler, of this city, has been elected a director of the Lane County Fair association. Eugene is getting unusually kind to Cottage Grove all of a sudden lately.

Revenue Officials to Assist in Making Out Income Tax Papers.

Farmers are making numerous inquiries about their income tax returns. Men of the field force of the bureau of internal revenue of the treasury department will visit every county in the United States during January and February. Notice of their arrival will be given in advance.

The services of these officials in making out income tax returns will be given without cost to all persons requesting it. Failure to see them, however, will not relieve citizens of the duty imposed upon them to file their returns not later than March 1.

Questions as to when a farmer is to make his return of the value of crops and stock, the relation of these two things to the income, etc., and as to employees and other matters, will all be answered by the revenue field force.

If your wedding stationery is printed by The Sentinel, you are assured a long and happy married life.

EVEN OLD TIMERS SAY THERE NEVER WAS SUCH A WINTER HERE BEFORE

Even old timers say they have never before seen such a winter here as this one. Although past the middle of January, there has not been a flake of snow, and no frost except a touch early in the fall. The mid-winter weather has been the same as early spring and the grain crops have never before made such headway. The weather here has been extremely mild that one is led to doubt the truth of the stories of great snowbanks and blizzards in the east and middle west. This section has not suffered from high water, as have other parts of the valley and of the coast, and as it itself has in other years.

EVEN NAME OF SIXTH CO. IS NO MORE

With 200 Drafted Men From North Dakota, Cottage Grove Boys Soon on Their Way to France.

Word has reached here that the name of Sixth company, of this city, has been changed to Battery C, Field Artillery, that but 25 men of the original company are left and that 200 drafted men from North Dakota have been added to these, making a company of 225 men, which may now be on the way to New Jersey for two months' training before going across. The only sergeants of the original company now with it are Harry Conner and Clarence Milne. Sergeants McCalh, Dan Woods, Lee Tennis, Albert Griffin and Wiley Oleott will remain at Fort Stevens, as will also Corporals Teeters and Virgil Powell, Bugler VanProoven and 18 privates.

LOCALS WIN AND LOSE IN BASKETBALL GAMES

Before the most enthusiastic audience that ever witnessed a basketball game here, Cottage Grove high was defeated Friday night by the East Roseburg team, the score being 28 to 25. The game was a hard fought one on both sides and the members of both teams were completely exhausted at its close. The locals were heavy and slow and showed a lack of the months of hard training which the Roseburg team had had. The locals made a wonderful rally from what seemed a smashing defeat and at one time had one point the better of the contest.

A preliminary game was played between the Cottage Grove girls and the Creswell girls. The visitors were in the lead most of the time, but the locals won with a score of 20 to 18.

The local boys' team was composed of Glen Smith, Harold Dugan, Chester Anlauf, Millard Mosby and Raymond Veatch.

The girls' team was composed of Juanita Scott, Esther Jorgenson, Trysta Martin, Rose Haldeeman, Ruth Phelps and Thelma Wilkinson.

After the games, the girls' team entertained the visiting girls at the home of Superintendent and Mrs. R. W. Glass, with Mrs. Benson and Miss Mac Donald in charge of the lunch and musical program.

THIRD LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN IS PLANNED

Washington, Jan. 4.—The third liberty loan campaign will be opened February 15, it was learned today.

What amount is to be raised in this third drive could not be ascertained. Extensive preparations for advertising and distributing the bonds were nearing completion. Numbers of striking new posters, notably one by Howard Chandler Christy, were being prepared. Secretary McAdoo will give all his time to railroad work until February 1, when he will turn to direct charge of the next loan campaign.

Red Cross Materials Shipped.

A shipment of Red Cross material made last week consisted of 20 sweaters, 10 pairs of wool socks, 5 pairs of mitts, 3 mufflers, 12 pairs of socks, 31 pairs of bed socks, 6 dozen wash cloths and 700 surgical dressings.

A week's another shipment was made containing 62 sweaters, 134 pairs of wool socks, 13 mufflers, 2 pairs of mitts and one helmet. In this shipment 63 pounds of gray yarn was used, for which the local branch gets full credit and will get that much additional yarn free of charge.

Was Nephew of Local Women.

Eugene Gourley, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Gourley, of Eugene, who died Friday of pneumonia, was a nephew of Mrs. J. B. Protzman and Mrs. James Brown, and a grandson of Mrs. Hannah Palmer, of this city, all of whom attended the funeral at Eugene Monday. Another aunt, Mrs. Susie Stephens, of Los Angeles, passed through here Monday morning on her way to the funeral. Herbert Brown, who was home from Fort Stevens, accompanied his mother to the funeral.

Wonders of America Shown Free.

A free stereopticon lecture will be given Monday night at the high school under the auspices of the University of Oregon. The lecture portrays the wonders of America and is given by a man who has seen everything shown by the pictures. People in the eastern states have already been thrilled by this lecture, which is well worth a large admission fee, although given entirely free.

Raspberries Are Ripe.

The Florence Weir report of the picking of several boxes of ripe red raspberries there January 9. The paper also reports that roses and blackberries are blooming and that there are green blackberries on the vines.

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—patronize those who advertise, because by advertising they show that they are live business men.

—which means that they turn over their stocks rapidly

—and always have new goods on their shelves.

3 COMMUNITIES IN HARMONIOUS LOVEFEAST

DIFFERENCES VANISH AND ALL WILL BOOST FOR SAME OBJECT

Lorane Road Is Principal Subject Up for Discussion Before Live Meet of Club.—Portlanders Sees a Bright Future.

At one of the liveliest meetings ever held by any commercial club in the valley definite action was taken Monday night to remove from the Lorane valley a barrier that has stood between the people of that fertile valley ever since the pioneers of the fifties turned the old Indian trail into a wagon road with an 18 per cent grade, making thousands of acres of orchards coming into bearing and with hundreds of tons of freight that must be hauled each way, a road with an easy grade is absolutely necessary, and sentimental reasons for sticking to the old trail that has been good enough for 60 years have been swept away.

At the same time the unusual spectacle was presented of three communities working in harmony to one common end. One community was Cottage Grove. The other two were Lorane, which must have a low pass road over the mountains, and the Silk Creek community, a fertile farming section which uses this end of the Lorane road, and which is anxious to have a road built this coming year which will be passable at this end next winter, and who wished to find some way by which this could be accomplished with the small amount of money at hand and still not interfere with the program for the through road. Differences that could have been settled in no other way than by the getting together of the three communities were explained away and the meeting ended in an old-time love feast with all ready to put their shoulders to the wheel in assessing the cost in laying out the most feasible route to an end and in the least possible time, even though one community must be inconvenienced for another year to attain the best results in the end.

Among the speakers were W. W. Jackson and O. E. Crowe, of Lorane, and G. W. McFarland, Almond Hemenway and S. C. Veatch, of Silk Creek.

David W. Hazen, special writer for the Portland Telegram and Oregonian, present, said that he was surprised at the spirit of inter-community cooperation that bespoke much for the good of the state as a whole. He predicted a bright future for this part of the state when the war comes to an end and Oregon ties and lumber are needed for the rebuilding of Europe.

Rowland Hull Dies.

The funeral of Rowland Hull, a veteran of the Civil war and a resident of this city for 10 years, will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Mills chapel, Rev. Joseph Knotts officiating. Death occurred Tuesday at the state hospital, where he had been a patient for a short time.

Mr. Hull was born in New York state December 23, 1838, and was 79 years of age. He served in the 10th Michigan cavalry in the Civil war and had been a resident of Oregon 27 years. He had been married 58 years, the widow, and Elmer Hull, a son, surviving.

Commercial Club Enjoys Good Growth.

The commercial club has been enjoying a good growth during January, some dozen members having been added. The meeting has been a live one, and the things vital to the welfare of the community have been up for action.

G. A. R. and W. R. C. Install.

The following officers of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. were installed at a joint meeting January 12:

G. A. R.—Commander, F. A. Clow; vice-commander, G. W. McKeenolds; senior vice-commander, Jephtha Hart; secretary, George Kerr; quartermaster, H. R. Godard; chaplain, R. B. Wooley; outer guard, M. L. Tompkins; officer of the day, L. H. Slagle.

W. R. C.—President, Elizabeth Fahnenwald; vice-president, Mrs. L. Busby; junior vice-president, Amanda Spriggs; treasurer, Fannie C. Godard; chaplain, Emma Tompkins; conductress, Anna McKeenolds; guard, Eliza McKibben; patriotic instructor, Sarah Kerr.

OVERHEAD R. R. CROSSING AT DIVIDE IS ORDERED

The grade crossing over the Southern Pacific tracks at Divide must be eliminated within a year and an overhead crossing will take its place, according to an order of the public service commission made January 14. This new crossing is ordered at a point 2000 feet east of the present crossing.

The commission assesses the cost as follows: 30 per cent by the local state, 30 per cent by the county, and 40 per cent by the Southern Pacific company.

This change in the crossing has been under consideration for two years or more but the hearing by the commission was held only a few months ago.

TINY MOUSE MAKES HIS HOME IN HAT AND CAUSES CONSTERNATION

Years ago women wore "rats" in their hair, so we have been told. Possibly they do yet, for a male newspaper writer is not yet posted on subjects of feminine wearing apparel. A recent incident would lead one to think that such was the case. Mrs. Carrie Hemenway came down town the other day and once or twice she thought she felt something moving inside of her hat. She thought, possibly a comb, or a hairpin, or whatever a woman uses in her hair, might have come loose and took off her hat to adjust the article, when out jumped the tiniest, cutest little mouse one could imagine. The city police were soon on hand and were greatly relieved to find that the screams of the women were not the result of any serious accident or crime.

The mouse must have selected the hat for a nesting place while the headpiece was put away at home.