

AN OPTIMIST'S VIEW OF COTTAGE GROVE

EDITOR LEADER:

I will appreciate the privilege of using a little space in your valued paper, for the purpose of expressing my convictions in regard to the present and future of our little city and its surroundings.

In these days when we seem to be lingering under the shadow of the head end of a panic, and the finance of our country seems to refuse to keep pace with the would-be onward march of progress, and has thus limited our power to develop as we would otherwise like to have. Notwithstanding this fact we are glad to note that the spirit of activity is still with us, and is making itself manifest by the substantial and permanent improvements that have and are now being effected by our thriving business men and city authorities, and we cannot help but note with pride the finishing touches as they are being applied to our beautiful First National Bank, the large and modern equipped fruit dryer, the up-to-date macadamized streets and the many substantial residences.

While we do not in any way desire to cast any reflection on any administration of the past, we do feel like the approval of all the people of Cottage Grove should be expressed of the wisdom that the present administration is manifesting by utilizing all the home material and home labor that is possible, in our city improvements, thus keeping the money at home where it is so much needed.

We must be loyal to our town and to each other, not only with our money, but with our tongues and our sympathy. I firmly believe that we are driving prosperity from Cottage Grove every day by not sticking together, acting together, pulling together. We must manifest a closer friendly feeling for everyone, in business or out, from the most prosperous business man to the poorest wood chopper or street urchin.

It may have escaped you, but let me say we are the factor in making up the mental, moral and financial atmosphere in which we live; allow me to suggest that we dismiss that grouchy look, and wear a smile instead, it is far more becoming, and is a good advertisement for Cottage Grove. Always have a good word for your neighbor and fellow townsman, also for our neighboring cities and surrounding country, inasmuch as we cannot live to ourselves—lending a hand to the poudrous wheel of progress, and forever bury the spirit of strife. If we will do this the mental atmosphere will soon change around us to a warm and ever shining genial sun that will melt the good out of the coldest, mercenary heart, and Cottage Grove will grow and expand upon that broad, imperishable pyramid of "Good will toward all," without which our very existence is doomed. So let each one, singly and alone, form himself into a unit to lift up and not tear down, to go forward and not retard the development of our many latent possibilities, and thus make life enjoyable by enthusing everyone with the spirit that—it is not birth, nor wealth, nor state, But get up and get that makes men great. Always giving a cheerful, cordial greeting to the casual acquaintance as well as to the stranger coming into our city, and the effect will be magic.

It has been said that "Our life is what we make it," and if you do not find this to be the best community in which you ever lived, look to yourself and see if the greater fault doesn't lie there. We are well aware that it is possible to draw a mental picture that portrays the tints of perfection, which are lacking in the present state of Cottage Grove, but we know that our glory lies in building well, so let us lay aside the "knife" and make that mental picture a reality in Cottage Grove. There is much to do and the building may be hard, discouragements and disap-

pointments may be in the road, "But the man that is worth while, Is the man with a smile—When everything goes dead wrong."

It has been said, and truly too, that in every man's heart there is something good, noble and as true as steel. If we search for it we will find it and prize it, providing we have resolved forever to put away the spirit of strife. An unkind word, look or sneer sent here and there from day to day on its mission of ruin, oft repeated and

added to, soon creates a seething hot bed of discord in any community. Let's cut it all out and be men, not children, and from this on sing the song of "Good will to all." Standing together as one man let us take hold of the right end of each undertaking with courage and fairness to all, steadfastly creating a resistless force for the upbuilding of our suffering industries and the good name of our little city.

A FRIEND OF COTTAGE GROVE.

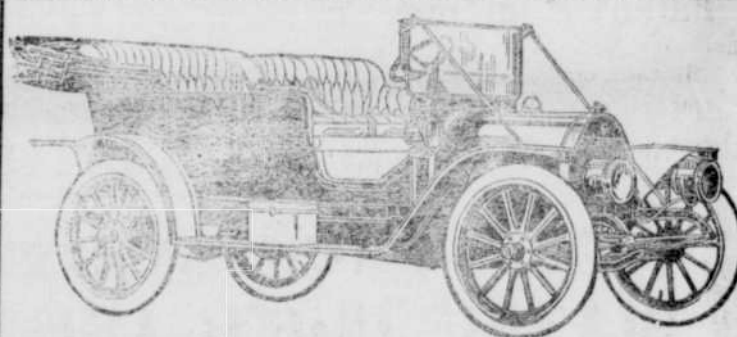


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OREGON TEAM RANKS EIGHTH

Camp Perry, Ohio, Aug. 30.—The navy team with 4263 points were victorious, concluding the contest of the national school. A national guard team with 4217 points, was second.

Portland, Aug. 30.—The Telegram this evening says:

Eighth place in the National team match at Camp Perry, Ohio, is the remarkable achievement won yesterday by the infantry team of the Oregon National Guard. Advices to this effect were received yesterday at National Guard headquarters from Camp Perry in an official dispatch.

With 50 teams representing every branch of the army and every state in the Union competing in the match the place secured by the Oregon riflemen is a victory of great importance. But two states are ahead of the Oregonians, the others in the lead being teams of the United States regular service.

Two Oregon riflemen were selected for the United States service team to compete in the international matches. The two are Sergeant O. P. Romaine, of Portland, and Sergeant Person, of Roseburg. Inasmuch as these two men were selected out of the thousands of military riflemen in the United States service, the achievement is an unusual and unexpected one.

Three thousand and five was the total score made by the Oregon riflemen. The ranges of fire were the most difficult known and the test of marksmanship the most exacting known. The ranges of fire in the contest were 200 yards slow fire, 200 yards rapid fire, 600 and 1000 yards slow fire and a skirmish run.

While for some years past the Oregon men have been in Class A, composed of the leading 15 teams of the United States, the showing made this year is several numbers ahead of any previous record.

The news of the signal victory caused great elation among local National Guardsmen yesterday, when the announcement was made of the team's position. The position is such as to win for the team a small cash prize. The team, composed of 12 riflemen, three alternates and four officers, went to Camp Perry early in August. To the advantages for practice offered by the Clackamas Station rifle range the signal victory is accredited among local Guardsmen.

EUGENE-COTTAGE GROVE IN LINE.

The members of the team are:
First Lieutenant Grover Todd, Third infantry.
Sergeant-Major Raymond L. Predew, Fourth infantry.
First Sergeant Orville A. Stevens, Company B, Third infantry.
First Sergeant Gilbert A. Pickard, Company H, Third infantry.
First Sergeant Horace T. Conner, Company E, Fourth infantry.
Quartermaster-Sergeant Adolphus A. Schwarz, Company K, Third infantry.
Quartermaster-Sergeant Charles A. White, Company B, Third infantry.

Sergeant Orie P. Romaine, Company H, Third infantry.
Sergeant Frank Guerin, Company B, Third infantry.
Sergeant Langdon H. Spooner, Company B, Third infantry.
Sergeant Archie N. Pickard, Company H, Third infantry.
Sergeant Raymond J. Snyder, Company H, Third infantry.
Sergeant Ainsley Q. Johnson, Company K, Third infantry.
Sergeant Frank M. Mapes, Company M, Third infantry.
Sergeant Steve Pearson, Company D, Fourth infantry.
Brigadier-General W. E. Finzer, adjutant-general, team captain.
Captain James C. Johnson, Fourth infantry, coach.
Captain Loren A. Bowman, Third infantry, spotter.
Captain Max S. Kern, ordnance department range officer.

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