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OLD SOLDIERS HOLD REUNION

Cottage Grove Gave
Them Welcome

INTERESTING SESSIONS
OCCUPY TWO DAYS

Lane County Veterans Association Will Hold Next Reunion at Springfield

A most pleasant, interesting and successful two days annual reunion of the Lane County Veterans Association closed in Cottage Grove Friday evening. It was largely attended and all of the old veterans spoke in the highest praise of their very cordial reception here and the generous hospitality of the citizens of Cottage Grove. The Cottage Grove band donated its services as well as did a splendid local male quartet, so there was plenty of music to enliven the occasion. The registration and reception of visitors occupied the greater part of the first day. In the evening the band headed the procession to the high school assembly hall where an elaborate program was rendered for the edification and entertainment of the veterans and their wives who occupied front seats. Geo. Kerr, commander of the local Post G. A. R. presided. Mayor Chambers extended a hearty welcome to the old soldiers and Comrade Beytein of Eugene, delivered an eloquent response. Judge J. S. Medley delivered the address of the evening, setting forth the fact that no more patriotism, bravery nor heroic endurance had ever been demonstrated by the soldiery in any war than that displayed by the heroes of our own great war of the rebellion. He produced carefully compiled and authentic figures to show that the loss of life in the sanguinary struggle between the north and south exceeded by far the losses suffered by the Japanese in some of their desperate encounters with the strongly fortified Russian positions in the late Japanese-Russian war. The same was true, he asserted in comparison with the losses even at Waterloo and upon other celebrated foreign battlefields. He closed by paying a most eloquent tribute to the old soldiers.

Major J. C. Johnson spoke on behalf of the Spanish war veterans and said that while they were not afforded the opportunity to demonstrate their greatest possible efficiency as defenders of the stars and stripes, they had obeyed every command and accomplished fully every task devolving upon them during the campaigns in both Cuba and the Philippines and that the same valor and patriotism which had characterized their sires in bat-

tle had been displayed in them.

Among those who gave appropriate and entertaining readings were: L. A. Ralston, Velma Jones, Hazel Spray and Miss Eunice VanDenburg, the latter's reading being especially appropriate and charmingly presented.

The program was interspersed with excellent musical numbers—a piano solo by little Miss Hamloth, band music and a most harmonious male quartet comprising Rev. H. N. Aldrich, Bert Richmond, S. L. Mackin and C. E. Umphrey. The program closed with the song, "Star Spangled Banner" by all present.

BANQUET AND BUSINESS SESSION.

Friday at 10:30 a. m. there was a G. A. R. parade headed by the band, about the principal streets and to the high school building. At noon a bountiful banquet was served by the Womans Relief Corps at the Armory to which an invitation was extended to the merchants and band boys. Friday afternoon was given over to the annual business meeting and election of officers for the ensuing year at the G. A. R. hall, resulting as follows:

President, C. M. Dority,
First Vice, B. F. Crum.
Second Vice, Geo. W. McReynolds.

Third Vice, J. F. Beytein.
Secretary, Ed. A. Kramer.
Treasurer, Jas. Offutt.
Springfield was voted as the place for holding the next annual reunion.

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CITY FILES ANSWER IN LANDESS CASE

The city of Cottage Grove Friday filed answer to the suit of William Landess, who asked damages alleged due by failure to leave a reservoir site in the condition which the lease was said to have required. The city answers that the ground was left as agreed, and further charges that the plaintiff is not the owner nor the real party in the action.—Guard.

COTTAGE GROVE WANTS NEXT M. E. CONFERENCE

Rev. and Mrs. H. N. Aldrich delightfully entertained District Superintendent Abbott and the official board members of the M. E. church and their wives at a splendid luncheon served in the banquet room Tuesday evening. The two sons and little daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Aldrich served. Following the luncheon, the first quarterly meeting of the church for the new conference year was held and an excellent showing was made. Among the most important business transacted was a unanimous vote extending an invitation to the Oregon Methodist Episcopal Conference to hold its next annual session at Cottage Grove, no selection of a meeting place for next year having been made at the recent annual conference held in Portland. Cottage Grove was favored with one of these big gatherings four or five years ago, and it proved a most pleasant and interesting occasion all around. Including pastors and lay delegates it is estimated that at least 250 people will attend this next Annual conference in September 1915.

WILL BUILD NEW CHURCH

Baptists Secure New
Building Site

ARE SEEKING MORE
CENTRAL LOCATION

The Building Occupied at
Present will be Torn Down
and Material Utilized

Contractor Lester Phelps is exhibiting plans and specifications for a new Baptist church to be constructed partly from material to be taken from the present church, which will be torn down and moved to the newly acquired Robinson lot across the street opposite and east of the Cottage Hotel. The new structure will be more modern and convenient than the present edifice and will have a far better and more central location.

HARRY L. BOWN OUT FOR COUNTY JUDGE

His Official Record and Position on
Various Important County Affairs,
Frankly and Fully Discussed.

Having been nominated for the office of county judge of this county at the recent primaries, I desire to thank my friends for the interest they have taken in writing my name upon the nominating ballot for the office. While I made no active canvass for the nomi-



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nation my friends had my consent to write my name upon the ballot, if they so wished.

I am pleased to say that I am not a stranger to the voters of Lane county, having lived here about thirty years, and having served them for twelve years as Sheriff and Deputy Sheriff, having been twice elected Sheriff against a large adverse majority, and I believe my administration of the affairs of the Sheriff's office was not only economical but entirely satisfactory to the voters and tax payers of this county. During my term of office I had

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Rev. Bernard Visits Parents.

Rev. John Bernard was an over Sunday visitor in the Holland settlement at Verboort near Forest Grove, on the 18th. He conducted the services at the two masses that are said there every Sunday, and visited his parents the first of the week in McMinville. Rev. L. A. LeMiller pastor of the Verboort parish filled the place of Father Bernard at the Catholic church in this city on Sunday. He expressed himself as well pleased with the congregation and the city of Cottage Grove. He said he would like to spend a week looking at the beautiful hills around and about this city.

Recovering from Injury

W. C. Wilkins, who sustained a fracture of his left leg while working in a logging camp near Divide about four weeks ago is improving rapidly, his many friends will be pleased to learn, and he will be able to return home from a Portland hospital in about two weeks, we are informed.

Senator Chamberlain Coming

Senator Geo. E. Chamberlain will address the citizens of Cottage Grove at the Armory Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. All are invited.

David Griggs and his father killed a fine two-point buck near the Griggs home at Comstock Sunday.

MORE IMPROVEMENTS AT STEAM LAUNDRY

A large new modern mangle will be installed in the Cottage Grove steam laundry this week, we are informed by Mr. Woodson, to meet the increasing business of this local institution. With this improvement this will be one of the best equipped laundry plants in the county.

HUNGARIAN LOOKING FOR LOST BROTHER

Jos. Ernst, a native of Hungary who has spent much time and money looking for a brother, Frank Ernst, who was last seen at Ukiah, Calif. arrived at this place Sunday, after having been informed that his brother had sold his California farm and gone to Cottage Grove to reside. Up to this time the brother has not been located here and it is thought he might have located at Forest Grove. This young man is very intelligent, well dressed and is a Mason. However, his money is gone and he is growing dispondent, but local Masons are assisting him. He relates an interesting story regarding the European war and conditions in Austria-Hungary. He was supplied with a ticket and went to Portland Tuesday.

Tuesday was "apple day" throughout the great Northwest.

LOST ART RECOVERED

Secrets of Ancient
Arrow Makers

"RATTLESNAKE" BOB
VEATCH PROVES IT

Is Able to Make Beautiful Arrow Heads Quickly From
Flints and Glass.

Wm. Edwards, who was down from the Bohemia mines this week, informed the Leader that he is just in receipt of a letter and souvenir from R. W. Veatch, formerly of this city, now of Independence, who reports that he, after years of experimenting, has at last discovered the ancient art of manufacturing Indian arrow heads from flint and other hard stones, as it was accomplished by the Indian tribes of this country in ages past. In proof of his assertion, Mr. Veatch sends Mr. Edwards a beautiful gold mounted Indian arrow head which he had recently manufactured from a piece of a beer bottle, and he says that by his newly discovered method only a few minutes is required to manufacture these souvenirs from either glass or flint. It has been claimed that the Indian method was to heat the flint in a fire and then chip it in the desired fashion by means of dipping a straw in water and touching it against the hot flint. Mr. Veatch says this method is not a success and has proven another and equally as simple method far more speedy and practical and no doubt the one employed by the ancient Indian arrow makers. Mr. Veatch was born and raised in the Cottage Grove community and early in life developed an interest in nature study and research. He is credited with having rid this section of rattle snakes, for the hunting and killing of which he possessed a mania, which gave him the well known alias, "Rattlesnake Bob." One of his former favorite pastimes was to locate a rattler, confine it alive in a paper bag and bring it into this city in his coat pocket and then subject his friends to an attack of "cold chills" by having them peep into the open sack at his hissing, rattling captive.

LOCAL FIRE COMPANY RECEIVES NEW WHISTLE

Fire chief Frank Woodruff received the new Siren fire alarm whistle Tuesday. It weighed 125 pounds crated, is 8 inches in diameter and 24 inches in length. It has a brass base and is fitted with a sliding valve which gives it various loud screeching tones, which are guaranteed to arouse even the soundest sleepers from their peaceful repose whenever a midnight fire alarm is turned in. It is being installed at the electric light plant and will be given a tryout next Monday evening upon the occasion of the regular drill work of the local fire companies. The new whistle was secured at the special price of \$55. Look out for Monday evening!