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INDEPENDENCE, OREGON, JULY 19, 1920.

GAS FOR LOCAL USERS

ASSOCIATION IS FAR FROM THE TEXAS

from Portland, re-
afternoon, assures
gasoline for Indepen-
The exact date of the
cannot be foretold but
ected that the delivery
the first of next week.

that gasoline is a very
actor in the business wel-
community, an effort is
to secure another car-
special meeting of the Re-
ants' association was held
afternoon, when it was de-
the gas if it is possible

and is enroute from Texas
having been ordered by
while dealers of that city
believed that one car can be
Independence. The ex-
cannot be determined, but
ated that it would be be-
and 40 cents.

other car handled by the
the gas will be sold as
at price as it is possible
The previous consign-
and a ready market and
are already been secured
to warrant the associa-
belief that another ship-
ould be readily absorbed.
ette in charge of the mat-
posed of F. C. McLean, C.
C. W. Irvine, George W.
C. Williams and W. E.

ence appears to be more
than some places. At the
the Standard Oil com-
supplying gasoline for busi-
ness and is turning over to
stations a small percent-
of requirements. Through
of distillate and coal oil
have been able to oper-
ations on a limited scale,
there is no assurance from
for future deliveries,
not probable that an ade-
quately will be available for
the time. Last week the
tor company had gasoline
ate brought here by truck
any where Mr. Sayles was
et hold of a limited quan-

IS DEFEATED BY INDEPENDENCE

developed into a pitcher's
Independence defeated Con-
the local grounds last Sun-
of the best exhibitions of
the final score being 5

was on the mound for the
"Babe" McCourt was on
the "Tigers." There was
by both pitchers, but the
did exceptionally effective
was accorded the best kind
all through the contest.
real hall team appears to
ing under the direction of
Barrick.

AN LEGION WILL DANCE WEDNESDAY

Independence Post No. 33, Ameri-
an, will give a dance in the
the next Wednesday night.
he will be furnished by the
orchestra.
egion has given several af-
this kind which were well
and this one will undoubt-
accorded the same consid-
public is invited and the
of the post will endeavor
a pleasant affair for all

Miss Dornise and Miss Se-
chardson returned Monday
rner, where they have been
the Christian church con-
which was held in the Tab-
here for 10 days.

SALEM LAD RISKS LIFE SAVING DROWNING SCOUT

Salem, July 14.—Executing with-
out hesitation a long flying dive into
a treacherous portion of Blue pool,
Salt creek, when he saw that a fel-
low scout, Lindley Edmundson, was
drowning, Arthur M. Hamilton, son
of C. S. Hamilton of 290 Front
street, grabbed the lad and battled
his way back to shore.

It was not until today that the
story of young Hamilton's feat, ac-
complished during one of the last
days of the Salem scouts' camp near
Oakridge, leaked out.

Climbing on an immense rock that
overhangs the deepest part of the
pool where the scouts camped, Ed-
mundson's foot slipped, allowing him
to fall into the water below and be
carried by the swift current to where
the pool is more than 20 feet deep.
No call was made for help and he
went unnoticed until spied by Scout
Hamilton.

Respiration was restored and first
aid given to Edmundson by Hamilton
himself.

"It was a beautiful piece of work,"
Scout Executive Harold Cook said
today. "The run and dive were
taken at great risk on account of
proximity of huge rocks in the water,
and the act of recovery was excel-
lently accomplished."

ODD FELLOWS HAVE NEW SET OFFICERS

The newly installed officers of
Valley Lodge No. 42, Independent
Order of Odd Fellows for the en-
suing six months are:

N. G.—Edward M. Wender.
V. G.—James S. Robie.
Secretary—J. D. Good.
Treasurer—C. W. Irvine.
Warden—George H. Grover.
Conductor—P. J. Dickinson.
I. G.—Adam Baskin.
O. G.—L. Damon.
R. S. to N. G.—W. E. Craven.
L. S. to N. G.—L. A. Sorg.
R. S. to V. G.—Ira Mix.
L. S. to V. G.—H. W. Birkholtz.
Chaplain—Verd Hill.
R. S. S.—Armin Cooper.
L. S. S.—Joe Birkholtz.

INDEPENDENCE TO CONTRIBUTE \$400

STATE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CAMPAIGN IS SUCCESSFUL HERE

Independence will raise \$400 as its
portion of the proposed \$150,000
budget of the State Chamber of
Commerce for the year beginning
July 1st. The Business Men's as-
sociation has pledged itself for this
amount and it is to be secured by
subscription from the business
houses.

Believing that there is opportunity
to accomplish much through the ju-
dicious expenditure of money a
state-wide campaign is in progress
for a budget of \$150,000 a year for
the coming three years to be ex-
pended under the direction of the
State Chamber of Commerce.

The movement appears to be a
popular one, having the endorse-
ment of more than 200 leading men
of the state. Using the bank de-
posits as a basis each town has been
given a quota. Many have already
pledged the full amount and some
have done even better.

This money is to be used in de-
veloping Oregon—fostering indus-
tries adapted to this country—farm-
ing, manufacturing and everything
else that has a legitimate call for
the welfare of the people.

The board of directors is com-
posed of:

President, Charles Hall, Marsh-
field.
Vice presidents, Emory Olm-
stead, Portland; F. S. Bramwell,
Granta Pass; J. T. Rorick, The
Dalles.
Treasurer, J. L. Etheridge, Port-
land.
Secretary, George Quayle, Port-
land.
G. C. Barlow, Warrenton.
J. R. Blackaby, Ontario.
E. E. Brodie, Oregon City.
C. C. Chapman, Portland.
W. W. Harrah, Pendleton.
H. Hirschberg, Independence.
T. B. Kay, Salem.
George H. McMorran, Eugene.
T. A. McCann, Bend.
Vincent Palmer, La Grande.
William Pollman, Baker.

O.A.C. STUDENT DROWNS HERE

WHILE IN BATHING AT HORST COMPANY'S RANCH GETS A CRAMP AND GOES DOWN

R. T. Deering, a student at the
Oregon Agricultural College last
year, was drowned in the Willamette
river at the Horst company hop
ranch a few miles north of town
last evening at about 8 o'clock. He
was about 18 years old and practi-
cally nothing is known as to his re-
latives or where his home was. He
had been employed at the ranch for
about two months.

In company with three other
young men he went to the river for
a swim. He ventured out in deep
water, and not being very profic-
ient as a swimmer, he apparently
became frightened or was taken
with cramps and went down. His
cry for assistance brought William
Crabtree and George Haas, the for-
mer jumping in the water with his
clothes on, but they were unable to
reach the young man in time.

Assistance was summoned from
the office, but it was about 25 min-
utes before the body was recovered
from the water. Dr. Hewett was
called from here and he made a
quick run to the ranch, and Dr. Fish-
er of Salem, arrived a little later
with a pulmotor. In the meantime
everything possible was done to re-
store respiration but without any
success, and so much time had
elapsed before the pulmotor could
be brought into use that nothing
could be accomplished with it.

The body was brought to the
Henkle undertaking parlors last
night and is being held waiting de-
finite information as to the location
of relatives. In the young man's
clothes was a letter from an aunt
who was apparently visiting at As-
toria at the time, and it was reported
that a brother lives at Corvallis.
The Horst company officials are
making the utmost endeavor to lo-
cate the relatives of the young man,
freely using the wires in following
every clue.

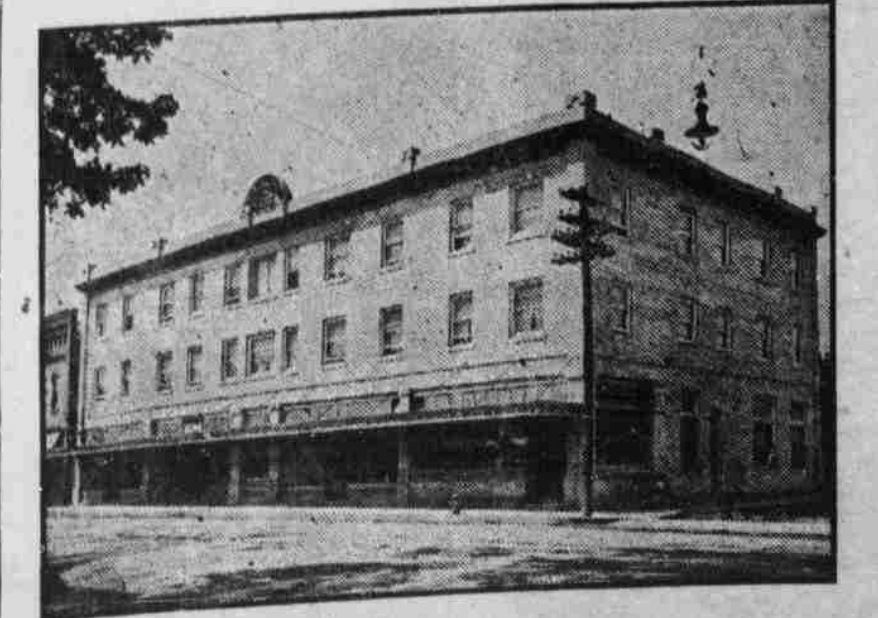
CLOVER LEAF REBEKAHS INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

The newly installed officers of
Clover Leaf Rebekah Lodge are:
N. G.—Mrs. Nellie Smith.
V. G.—Mrs. Artensia Wunder.
Sec.—Mrs. Clara Graves.
Treas.—Mrs. Ella Hart.
R. S. N. G.—Mrs. Ella Hart.
L. S. N. G.—Mrs. Anna White.
Con.—Mrs. Myrtle Williams.
Warden—Mrs. Winnie Irvine.
I. S. G.—Mrs. Bessie Grover.
O. S. G.—Mrs. Nellie Graves.
L. S. V. G.—Mrs. Irene Dickin-
son.
R. S. V. G.—Mrs. Maude Baun.
P. N. G.—Mrs. Eva Wood.
Chaplain—Mrs. Mary Fluke.

SHERIDAN WILL PLAY HERE NEXT SUNDAY

Sheridan will come here Sunday to
meet the "Tigers" on the high
school grounds. The visitors have
established a reputation for good
work this season, having lost but
two games, and it is expected that
the contest will prove exciting.
Independence has struck a pace
which will require exceptionally
good work to check it. As custom-
ary, the game will be called at 2:30.

Sperling Block Acquired by Moss Walker



WALKER BUYS SPERLING BLOCK

LESSEE BECOMES OWNER OF HOTEL BEAVER PROPERTY A THREE-STORY BRICK

A real estate deal involving many
thousand dollars was closed this
week when Moss Walker became the
owner of the Sperling block, the
principal part of which is occupied
by the Hotel Beaver, James L. Han-
na of Portland was the seller who
acquired a controlling interest from
A. L. Sperling a few years ago.

It is a modern three-story brick
with a frontage on Main street of
100 feet and extends back 69 feet.
On the first floor is a commodious
lobby and a spacious dining room,
and there are three office or store
buildings. The second and third
floors are devoted exclusively to ho-
tel purposes and there are 74 rooms.

The building was erected in 1912
by Mr. Sperling and the formal
opening of the hotel was held on
June 13 of that year with Mr. Walker
as the lessee. It has been success-
fully operated by Mr. Walker since
that time, and is recognized by
traveling men as a desirable stop-
ping place. This has been gained
through the excellent service which
Mr. Walker established more than a
decade ago, and which is being
steadfastly maintained.

BIG SAWMILL AT DALLAS TO REBUILD AT ONCE

The Willamette Valley Lumber
Company's sawmill at Dallas was de-
stroyed by fire last Saturday after-
noon. Originating from a hot box
on the slab conveyor at the noon
hour, in a few moments the big plant
was a seething mass of flames, and
the engine room and main part of the
mill, entailing a loss of approxi-
mately \$200,000.

It was only by herculean effort
on the part of the people of Dallas
that the lumber yard, planing mill
and other industrial plants in that
locality were saved from destruction.
The response to the call for assist-
ance was instantaneous, with mill
employees, firemen and citizens gen-
erally uniting in the struggle to keep
the flames confined to the mill build-
ing.

In this district is located the plant
of the Mountain States Power com-
pany, Southern Pacific roundhouse
and shops, Dallas Iron & Locomotive
works and a small fruit packing
plant. Handicapped by an insuffi-
cient supply of water at the outset,
it looked as though it would be im-
possible to save these institutions,
but fortunately it was possible to
operate the big pumping plant of the
mill, with the result that 12 streams
of water became available and the
flames were kept in check.

The mill was owned by the Ger-
linger & Pitcock interests, with
George T. Gerlinger as president and
active head of the institution. It
was built 14 years ago and had a
daily capacity of about 150,000 feet.
The plant furnished employment to
about 200 people.

A cheering aftermath of the fire
was the announcement that the big
mill would be rebuilt. Work is to
start at once and will be rushed with
all the speed possible, with a pre-
diction that it will be completed be-
tween 60 and 90 days.

STAPLETON-GIRARD WEDDING IS CELEBRATED AT HOME

Miss Pauline Stapleton became the
bride of Dean M. Girard in a pretty
home wedding which was celebrated
at the home of the bride's parents,
Mr. and Mrs. David P. Stapleton,
just to the south of town, Wednes-
day evening. The simple but im-
pressive ceremony was performed at
8 o'clock by an uncle of the bride,
Hon. George W. Stapleton of Port-
land, a circuit judge, and was wit-
nessed by relatives and a few inti-
mate friends.

The Stapleton home was prettily
decorated with white mock orange
blossoms and roses, and at the con-
clusion of the ceremonies a dainty
lunch was served. The bride was
charming in a beaded Georgette
gown.

Among the guests from out of
town were: Hon. and Mrs. George
W. Stapleton and daughter, Georgie,
of Portland; Judge A. L. Miller and
wife of Vancouver, Wash.; Harley
Alexander of Sevenson, Wash.; Miss
Edna Stapleton of Goldendale, Wash.

The bride and groom, with the
heartiest felicitations, departed by
auto at the close of the festivities
on a honeymoon of several days'
duration, their destination being
kept a secret.

The bride is a member of one of
the oldest families here, young and
deservedly popular. The groom is
the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Gir-
ard, likewise long time residents of
Independence. He did his "bit" in
the late unpleasantness in the mar-
ines and is now a valued employe of
the flouring mills.

BAKER GETS LETTER FROM MEXICO OIL FIELD

Charles I. Baker, a brother of
"Bob" Baker of this city, is in the
oil fields of old Mexico. In a letter
to the local man, received a few days
ago, he says in part:

"I am at Camp Orange, 120 miles
from Tampico. This is, I guess, the
biggest oil field in the world, with
125,000 barrels as the daily offer-
ing of one well. One produced 150-
000 barrels, but they let it get away
and it flooded the whole surrounding
country. The gate was finally closed,
but as there is a 1400-pound
pressure against it, they are afraid
to open it. The record well produc-
ed 250,000 barrels daily. It was
bled to death, and now if the gate
were opened the product would be
salt water.

"This is a rich man's field, a well
costing from \$60,000 to \$100,000 U.
S. money. There is no rock. It is
just hot mud all the way down. We
have to case the hole all the way
and oil is struck in about 50 places
which would be worth a fortune in
Oregon, but we pass it by, as a 500
barrel well is not regarded as profit-
able. Several have been plugged
with that capacity.

"All kinds of tropical fruits grow
wild here; also snakes, worms, spi-
ders, from the king down, all poison-
ous. There are a lot of deer with no
closed season. They hunt at night
with lights and sell the meat to
the camps. We have venison every
day.

"Things are just as quiet here as
they are at Independence. The
wages are \$275 per month and all
expenses paid from the time I left
home until I get back, and if I stay
12 months I will get an extra
month's pay."

GEORGE WERLINE BUYS WILLIAM PATTON RESIDENCE

George Werline has purchased the
William Patton residence on Log
Cabin street and will move his fam-
ily here from his ranch south of
town about the first of September.
The consideration was \$3500. Mr.
Werline is a successful farmer,
specializing on hops.

G. P. Looney, who moved here
about six weeks ago from Turner,
has purchased the Sam Hanna prop-
erty on Fifth street, the consid-
eration being \$1400. Mr. Looney is a
carpenter and last fall purchased an
acreage tract near town with the ex-
pectation of settling upon it, but a
few weeks ago had an opportunity
to dispose of it at a profit and did
so.

Both of these deals were handled
by the Independence Realty Co.

Livestock Exposition Dates

The tenth annual Pacific Inter-
national Livestock exposition has
been announced from Nvember 13 to
20 inclusive, in North Portland.

CRIMEAN WAR VETERAN DIES

JOHN WINTERS PASSES SUD- DENLY AT HIS HOME IN IN- DEPENDENCE.

A veteran of the Crimean war and
a participant in the siege of Sebas-
topol, John Winters, died at his
home in Independence Sunday morn-
ing at the age of 88 years. The end
came suddenly and unexpectedly at
9 o'clock.

Mr. Winters was born in Cam-
bridgeshire, England, May 15, 1832.
He served from 1854 to 1856 in the
English army and took part in the
struggle in which England, France
and Turkey were arrayed against
Russia. It was in this war that
the immortalized "Charge of the
Light Brigade" was made, and the
siege of Sebastopol lasted nearly a
year, terminating the war in an
allied victory.

In 1858 Mr. Winters emigrated to
this country, settling upon a farm in
Iowa, where he remained until 1903.
From there he moved to the state of
Washington and after remaining
there three years, Mill City, Oregon,
was selected as his abiding place,
and in 1906 he came to Independence
where he has since resided.

Mr. Winters, while still a resident
of England, was married to Mar-
garet Hartley. She died here Jan-
uary 26, 1918. Mr. Winters is sur-
vived by one son, James H. Winters,
who had been living with and caring
for him since the death of the wife
and mother.

Notwithstanding his extreme age,
Mr. Winters was a remarkably well-
preserved man and strong and vigor-
ous until the end.

Mr. Winters has been a life-long
member of the Methodist church
and the funeral was held from the
church in this place Wednesday
afternoon, Rev. Cook officiating,
and interment was made in the Odd
Fellows cemetery.

The pall bearers were: Peter
Kurre, Richard Gaines, W. J. Clark
and T. W. Hart.

Rev. T. D. Yarnes, a former pas-
tor of the Methodist church here,
was present at the funeral and paid
tribute to the memory of the de-
ceased.

WINTERS SELLS MINING CLAIM FOR \$10,000.

F. L. Winters has sold a mining
claim in the Quartzville district in
the Cascade mountains for \$10,000.
It is located 27 miles south of Mill
City. Mr. Winters was summoned
here to the funeral of his grand-
father, John Winters, and announced
the transaction.

Mr. Winters has been prospecting
in that district for about 10 years
and has several other promising
claims. He has returned to the
field of his operations with the ex-
pectation of remaining there until
December when he will come here to
spend the winter with his father, J.
W. Winters.

BOXING EVENTS FOR ELK'S SALEM CONVENTION

Salem, Or., July 15.—Two Pacific
coast ring championships will be at
stake when the boxers to take part
in the four bouts to be staged in the
state fair auditorium on the night
of July 23 climb through the ropes.
The bouts are to be the banner
sport event of the state convention
of Elks lodges to be held in this
city July 22-24.

Joe Gorman of Portland, and Earl
Baird of Seattle, are the headliners
of the card for the evening, and will
travel over the 10-round route for
the coast featherweight champion-
ship, now held by Gorman.

A second 10-round affair is the
championship battle between John-
ie McCarty of San Francisco, pres-
ent title holder in the welterweight
class, and Alex Trambitus of Port-
land.

Puggy Norton of Portland, who is
now in Salem training for his bout,
is slated to go eight rounds with
Eddie Shannon of San Francisco in
the 135-pound class.

Critics on the ring sport class the
card arranged by the Elks as one of
the fastest and most attractive ever
offered to fans in any Pacific coast
city.