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MILLIONS ARE SQUANDERED

After Oregon has accumulated a bonded indebtedness in excess of \$28,000,000 for highways, Highway Commissioner John B. Yeon makes the declaration that all of this has been literally thrown away if immediate steps are not taken to prevent trucks from carrying excess loads and traveling at a speed of more than 12 miles per hour, as the law provides.

Mr. Yeon is undoubtedly correct in his deductions to a certain extent, and apparently can see that there is going to be a day of reckoning in state highway matters. Taxpayers are going to become inquisitive. Unfortunately for them this will not happen until after the money is spent.

Oregon is spending its millions for highways under a system which would not be countenanced for one second by a business concern. The governor appoints three commissioners. They serve without pay, and consequently are answerable to no one. They devote what time they desire to the work and let it go at that. The commissioners have been given such unlimited authority, that it is not surprising that they appear to feel that they may do as they wish with one to say them nay.

As far as the overloading of trucks is concerned, it has been going on for years. This practice is universally followed on highway contractors. While the practice does not form any excuse for the truck owners or drivers, it is cited merely to show that there is and has been lax observance of law. In fact, there have been times when the highway commission has not conformed to the law, a specific case, being its highway routing in Polk county.

INTERESTING FOLKS ARE STOPPING AT AUTO PARK

Our auto park is an interesting place these days. Toward evening, cars bearing the licenses of many a distant state, gather under the trees, tents are pitched, fires are made and meetings exchanged, and a general atmosphere of good fellowship seems to pervade the place.

During the past few days, two families at least, who have been passing the summer on the road, are looking for a permanent location, being attracted to our valley by its climate and fertility.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lewis, who have lived for several years in the interior of Alaska, have tired of the cold, long winters of the north and at the close of summer expect to locate somewhere in the valley and enjoy life.

"These few hot days have been hard on us," said Mrs. Lewis, "but our Alaska dog, poor fellow, really seemed to suffer at first, but we're all becoming accustomed to the hot, dry weather and much prefer it to the climate of our former home."

W. W. Jordan, whose car carries a Missouri license, left Hickory county in that state the 15th of June and he and the five children have had a happy summer together. Mr. Jordan's 16 year old daughter, a fair, pleasant faced girl, has, since the death of the mother, 3 years ago, been mother and housekeeper for the four younger children.

"She's a good girl," said the father, "not many girls would have shouldered the burden as she has done, I promised them all the trip this summer and we may decide to locate here permanently."

Mr. Jordan has in view a small place of about five acres in the valley, where he can raise fruit and vegetables for market and keep his children in good schools.

WORK STARTS TODAY ON GRADING AT CEMETERY

Work will start today on grading the detour on the east side of the K. P. cemetery on the road south from Monmouth.

The steam shovel being used on the Helmick cut was out of commission yesterday, on account of a slight break in the machinery. It will resume operations today.

See H. M. Witherow for electrical wiring and general repairing. Residence Phone 8222. Business Phone 100.

BON LITTLE SOLDAT AT CYRIL RICHARDSON HOME

The Portland Telegram has a department termed "The Fighting Fools," devoted to the boys who won the war. In its issue of August 20 it tells of a visit of the stork to the home of Cyril Richardson, a former Independence boy, now a resident of Portland.

There's a sure enough little fairy in the home of Cyril Vernon Richardson now. 'Tis a wee "he" fairy, but his mother loves him just as much as if he had been a girl.

The youngster arrived without very much of a wardrobe Monday morning, August 15, and when he jumped onto the scales to get a weigh, he tipped 'em at eight pounds.

Gerald Alexandre Richardson's sweet mother was a little French girl, who fell in love wif zee bon A-mer-i-can soldat and came all the way to the City of Roses to marry him.

She was Mademoiselle Yvonne Burn, and she met Cyril while he was at Aix-les-Bains. Her name was changed to Richardson July 18, 1920.

The Alexandre part of the baby's name is after her father.

Cyril joined L. company, old Third Oregon infantry, early in the game, and with it became a part of the 162d infantry. When he got across the pond he was taken away from Captain Conrad Stafrin and scooped up to the doggone busy front.

Got attached to A company, 101st infantry, and with it started in to lick the Germans in the Argonne.

But while he was plowing through that forest of evil memory a machine gun bullet took a great liking to him, and decided to stick around. It stuck in his left arm.

The arm didn't take kindly at all to the bullet, as little Gerald will soon be told, and the doughboy spent many months in hospital. For a time it was feared the arm would have to be chopped off.

What would Yvonne say?" he asked the doctor who stood by with a meat saw.

"Give it up," replied Doc. "Don't think she would like it at all," advanced Cyril.

"Then we won't slice the arm off," said the doctor, as he walked away to take a horseback ride with the prettiest nurse in the hospital.

The wing isn't as powerful as it used to be, but the old soldier is still able to split the kindling and carry home the bacon. He works in an insurance office here, and his little love nest is at 431 East Tenth street.

EXPOSITION CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN PORTLAND

Salem—Oregon's 1925 exposition will be given its state-wide significance, when a conference of representatives of every county in the state will be held in the Multnomah hotel in Portland on September 8. Governor Olcott has reverted back to the war days in the selection of the committee, believing that those leaders in each county who so successfully served to place Oregon to the forefront in all Liberty loan and other war works, would be best adapted to devise ways and means for financing the great Oregon exposition. In addition to calling for the cooperation of the war leaders in each county, the Governor has increased the number of counsellors at the meeting requesting several state-wide organizations to send three delegates each.

All of the preliminary work in building up the foundation for the exposition organization was done by the people of Portland, but as soon as congress passed the bill authorizing the exposition and it was signed by President Harding, thus giving the exposition the governmental recognition which insured its success, Governor Olcott acted upon a pre-determined plan to have some of the best brains in the state get together and put in effect an efficient cooperative plan which would provide the finances necessary for the successful building up of the exposition.

The meeting of September 8 will determine the financial scope of the exposition and the best means for raising the money; it doubtless will endeavor to provide a means by which every hamlet, village, town and city in the state will have its part in the exposition, that every section of the state may be represented in the undertaking, the greatest movement in the history of Oregon for the cementing of the interests of the state in a grand plan for its exploitation.

The representatives of the various counties, as appointed by the governor, follow:

- T. G. Montgomery, Baker; A. J. Johnson, Benton; D. C. Latourrette, Clackamas; G. W. Sanborn, Clatsop; S. C. Morton, Columbia; Dorsey Kreitzer, Coos; Harold Baldwin, Crook; W. A. Wool, Curry; C. S. Hudson; Deachutes; Mark Tisdale, Douglas; Judge Parker, Gilliam; Harry Ford, Grant; James Donegan, Harney; Thurman Butler, Hood River; C. P. Gates, Jackson; Howard W. Turner,

Jefferson; George C. Sabin, Josephine; Bert Hall, Klamath; F. M. Miller, Lake; L. L. Goodrich, Lane; Edward Abbey, Lincoln; Edward Cusick, Linn; J. P. Blackaby, Malheur; Frank Deckebach, Marion; W. P. Mahoney, Marion; E. C. Kirkpatrick, Polk; W. H. Ragsdale, Sherman; Frank Rowe, Tillamook; G. A. Hartman, Umatilla; A. T. Hill, Union; George Hyatt, Wallawa; J. C. Hostetler, Wasco; A. C. Shute, Washington; L. L. Steiwer, Wheeler, and E. C. Appercon, Yamhill.

The appointees, during the recent war, were chairmen of the liberty loan committees of their respective counties.

In addition to the above list of delegates will be three representatives of the Oregon state chamber of commerce, the Farmers' union, the State Grange, the Taxpayers' league, and the County Judges' association.

Julius L. Meier, general chairman of the exposition and the acting board of directors has requested Governor Olcott to preside at the sessions of the state-wide committee. Mr. Meier and his associates will entertain the delegates at a luncheon for which over two hundred covers will be laid.

In The Churches

Christian Church. Victor P. Morris of Eugene will preach both morning and evening in the Christian church.

Bible school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

M. E. Church

Services next Sunday as follows: Preaching service in Buena Vista M. E. church at 11 a. m. and at Independence at 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Epworth League at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting and Bible study Wednesday evening at 7:30. Everybody cordially invited.

Next Sunday will be missionary day in the Sunday school. A good attendance and liberal offering is desired, it being the last missionary offering before the annual conference. Strangers are welcome to all services.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. Loop and family of Amity motored to Independence Sunday for a visit with relatives. They were accompanied by Curtis Grant of this city, who has been visiting in Amity for several weeks.

Pedee Affairs

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Kelly were at Pedee last Wednesday.

Mrs. Will Bush and son Wilbur, were at Kings Valley last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bush and son and daughter called on Will Bush last Monday evening.

Wayne Kelly has bought the Frank Kane berries.

Reuben Hastings was a Kings Valley caller Thursday.

Miss Ruby Bush visited her sister, Mrs. Will Ostrander, Thursday.

Will Bush was at Pedee last Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bush and children of Independence visited Mrs. Ernest Bush Sunday.

Wilbur Bush and Miss Alta Martin of Dallas were united in marriage at the Evangelical parsonage in Dallas by L. A. Lonsberry at 10:30 last Wednesday morning. After the wedding they went to Pacific city and Newkown. They were accompanied by the bride's brother, Merril Martin and wife, who were married the same day. On their return home they were given a party by Mrs. Will Bush, Mr. and Mrs. Bush will live at Pedee.

Joel Stow visited in Dallas last Saturday and Sunday.

The Bruden thresher is threshing for Will Bush.

Social Affairs

Saturday last being the birthday of Mrs. W. C. Bullis, her two daughters celebrated the day by giving a 5 o'clock dinner in honor of their mother at the family home. The rooms were prettily decorated with sweet peas and baby breath, the same color scheme of pink and white being carried out in the dining room, the long table being most attractive with its dainty decorations of these colors. The four course dinner was all that could be desired, the hostesses proving well their ability as culinary experts. The huge birthday cake with its lighted candles (Mrs. Bullis made us promise not to tell how many) was the crowning feature of the dinner. The evening was pleasantly passed with music and conversation. Invited guests were Tom, Bill and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bullis of Hoakins, George and Fairfax Parrish of Dallas and Miss Frances Donovan of Monmouth.

September Birthstone Sapphire. Dainty Flower Zola Days. Trucial Morning-glory Lily. "May Tantal increase thy life from me" "And give of happiness a seed and soil."

The Parting Gift. Have you been looking for a parting gift the boy or girl who is leaving for college this month? We have just the thing for you—a lovely sapphire ring or pin. Could anything be nicer than favoring them with something really worth while, something to prize all through their college life? We suggest a sapphire stone because it is the jewel of September, but any one of our big selection will be acceptable. A. L. KULLANDER JEWELER AND ENGRAVER Main Street Phone Main 4421

Card of Thanks. We desire to thank the Masons, the G. A. R. post and the W. R. C. also the many kind friends for their aid and sympathy during the death and burial of our father. Mrs. Dunn and Mrs. Graves. REMAINS BARON W. AGNEW SHIPPED TO PASSAIC. The remains of Baron W. Agnew were disinterred from the Calhoun cemetery by Funeral Home A. L. Keeney and Tuesday shipped to Passaic, N. J., in the family burial place. Agnew died May 10, 1920. Don't get the big head—it will cost you too much for hats.

1,000 Hop Pickers Wanted. to purchase their meat at this market during the hop picking season. Our facilities for handling your business are of the best, assuring you of prompt service. City Meat Market GUS MILLER, Proprietor. Independence, Oregon.

Men! Your Fall and Winter Clothes They're Ready. Never before have we had as large an assortment of Men's, Young Men's and Youth's suits and overcoats Over 1,500 Suits and Overcoats For You To Choose From. The home of Hart Schaffner and Marx and other reliable makers. Prices: \$25.00 to \$50.00. The big thing about Men's Clothes is the real satisfaction you get out of them—appearance, fit, value, wear. You get all of that here. If there is any question about it money cheerfully refunded. Men! Come in tomorrow. There is going to be a shortage of good clothes this fall. Get yours while we have plenty. Salem Woolen Mills Store C. P. BISHOP, Proprietor. The Home of Oregon Made Virgin Wool Products