

## RAISING DUCKS

Editorial Writing of Magazine of the Ducks on Long Island

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Our last day on Long Island is certainly a delightful one, with a cool and bright morning. We are busy with preparations for the homeward journey, which will begin at 6:00 tomorrow morning and will, we expect, take seven weeks, including a couple of days each in New York, Philadelphia and Washington, to complete. We also plan a couple of days' stop at Galva, Illinois, which is the birthplace of Mrs. Young, and the place where we were married and began the journey of life together thirty-three years ago. This with another day or two to visit friends at Kansas City we shall finish the first half of our return journey at Independence, Kansas, where we spent life's wedding, going there when we were in the early thirties and leaving thirty years later, when the shadow of life's afternoon had begun to lengthen, to find a sunset home on the shores of the Pacific. As in life's pilgrimage, the writer spent the first quarter century within a few miles of the Atlantic and is probably entitled for what may remain of the last quarter no further from the Pacific, this return journey, which we are preparing to begin tomorrow, will be in some extent a replica of the one begun a half century ago in the order in which we reached them before.

Yet 6:00 in the morning left us early as it seems for Riverhead, the most of the other towns of the state is lying a fair way that is, it gets so close to a hour ahead of them, the legislature trying to make the daylight-saving plan we all enjoyed during the war, optional for the ten millions of people in New York state. The farmers generally object to standard or sun time, but in all their business with the outside world, and in the purchase of goods, they are bound to conform to the standard time.

8:00 on town, which is both inconvenient and confusing. There is also the same sixty minutes between church time in town and country, and in advertising that date at which an evening entertainment is to given, the Sound Avenue people, for instance, add to the hour the initials "S. T." to indicate that their clocks are still safe and sane. While there we feel perfectly secure in referring to the town time as "fast time." Some of our country cousins, however, solve the problem of the dial by having two clocks an hour apart.

That recalls an anecdote about one of the Sound Avenue deacons at whose home a cottage prayer meeting was being held, current in our boyhood. There were two clocks there too, and they didn't run at exactly the same gait, one of them having got five minutes ahead of the other. While Deacon Harman was praying he heard one of the clocks strike, and before he had concluded his appeal he was a little disconcerted to hear the other strike also. Of course, he wasn't able to count the strokes either time; but after the last one he drew his player to a speedy close, and as soon as the brothers and sisters were gone anxiously questioned his good wife: "Amanda, can it be possible that I prayed an hour?"

As the local time here is fifteen or twenty minutes slower than sun time it really puts the clocks only about forty minutes ahead of meridian time; while in Coos county, as we are west of the Pacific meridian, and never less than fifteen minutes ahead of the sun, war time was seventy-five minutes fast for us.

Almost everyone here, though, is agreed that optional time is a nuisance and that clocks should be set the same in town and country alike.

Nothing in changed conditions here during the sixteen years since our last previous visit has impressed us more than the effect of the general use of the automobile. Then only a few people from the cities had cars and the farmers' teams still shied at them. Now practically everybody has a car and one can see at least 350 gas wagons parked here on a Saturday evening. At the same time the roads, although not yet everywhere ideal, have been generally improved, the state, county and township often co-operating, and, while some of the farmers have trucks, even those who still drive their teams to market can

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## School Opens Sept. 12

September 12th was the date for the opening of school by the local board of education. All high school students are to report at the high school building on Thursday of Friday morning, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. All grade pupils will register the first day of school.

The sixth, seventh and eighth grades will occupy the main rooms that they had last year in the high school building. The first five grades will use the grade building.

In addition to the regular courses offered in high school, domestic science and dramatic art will be given this year. A course in history and literature of the Bible will be offered as prescribed by the State Board of Education. Superintendent Churchill has granted permission for the organization of a teachers' union.

Lynn A. Parr, Supt.

**Another Contract Let**  
The State Highway Commission on Wednesday awarded a contract of \$1,100,000 for grading an 11.5 mile section of the Beavercreek-Myrtle Point Highway for \$70,000. It lies between Weston and Coos Bay. No bid was received for the Beavercreek-Myrtle Point section of this highway, although we have been informed that bids had been received for it.

## AFTER OVER-LOADED TRUCKS

C. W. Gilman and Sam Arnold, drivers of county trucks were summoned to appear before Justice J. J. Stanley this morning at the charge of driving trucks over the highway with excessive loads. The summons was issued by Traffic Officer Williams, who stopped them near Hayden yesterday. The truck Gilman was driving was 4000 pounds overloaded and that of Arnold 2500 pounds.

The same conditions exist in the case against C. E. Paquet, who drives a truck for McCollum & Pappas, of North Bend. Mr. McCollum entered the plea of guilty and prosecution of the case was deferred.

D. A. Harwood, driver of the Union Oil Co. truck, was summoned to appear last Monday on the same charge, but on the Oil company intends contacting the case, its trial was postponed until next week, as were those against the following drivers of logging trucks: Sol Brownson, J. B. Edleman, Loren Knight, R. E. Bender, and J. L. Harry. The latter operates a truck for J. L. Anson, while the others are driving for themselves. These cases were not filed because the overloaded trucks had been driven over the new highway, as many of them had not been, but because of the violation of the state law regarding the use of overloaded trucks on any highway in the state.

## Juice Off Four Hours Today

The fact that the Sentinel is late cannot be laid up against the office. The fault is entirely with the Mountain States Power Co., whose power line for this valley crosses Isthmus Slough at a point where the steamers going up to the Oregon Export mill at Millington invariably cause the wires to come down. Today the steamer North Bend started out loaded and the wires were taken down to allow her to pass, the juice being off over four hours. The logical thing for the Power company to do is to lay a cable under the Bay instead of stretching their wires over it.

## League Cases Next Tuesday

While the trial of the twenty-one cases filed by the Oregon dairyman's League against twenty-five dairymen will not come up until the regular term of court next month, the first step in the proceedings will be taken next Tuesday, Sept. 6, when the defendants have been told to appear in court and show cause why they should not deliver their milk to the league according to the contracts on which the suits are based.

There is talk of organizing a team for indoor baseball this winter, and the formation of a county league may be attempted. A few on which to play the game in the greatest handicap in Coquille.

## WIN O. E. S. CUP I. O. O. F. PICNIC

Local Chapter No. 1 Won It Over 600 Participants and Enjoyed a Day's Outing Here Sunday

Over 600 Odd Fellows, Robbers and their families gathered in the South Grove here last Sunday for the first annual picnic of the South Fork Oregon I. O. O. F. Association. A special train of five coaches brought the Odd Fellows, Gardner, North Bend and Marshfield; many came from the lower river by boat, while some of others came from Myrtle Point and elsewhere by auto.

Colfax was served by the committee in charge of noon and the jolly crowd spread their lunches on the tables in the park and proceeded to get acquainted.

The delegates to the association meeting held in Odd Fellows hall at 10 a. m. and elected the following officers for the coming year: President—G. E. Oerding, of Coquille.

First vice president—L. H. Hurst, of North Bend.

Second vice president—J. B. Gray, of Marshfield.

Third vice president—E. H. Hunt, of Bend.

Secretary—F. M. Stiles, of Marshfield.

Treasurer—John F. Hall, of Marshfield.

Chaplain—A. Hagemeister, of Marshfield.

Entertainer—Gen. H. Hughes, of Myrtle Point.

After the dinner a two and a half hour program was listened to with great interest by the crowd, which remained attentive throughout. It was a very enjoyable program, too, each number being well received and liberally applauded. It was as follows:

Favorite—Coquille Orchestra.

Favorite—Led by the Chaplain.

Favorite—Mrs. M. S. Roberts.

Favorite—The Players.

Favorite—Coquille Orchestra.

Solo—Mrs. S. S. Roberts, of Gardner.

Reading—C. C. Price.

Address—H. H. Smith.

Music—Coquille Orchestra.

A band composed of visiting Odd Fellows and Coquille members was formed at the depot on the arrival of the train and headed a procession of several blocks in length. This band also played at frequent intervals prior to the program.

From every point of view the affair was a success from start to finish and there was no unpleasant incident of any kind to mar its enjoyment.

## Drumfield Is Indicted

Dr. E. M. Drumfield, of Beavercreek, was indicted at noon Wednesday by the grand jury of Douglas county for the murder of Dennis Russell on the evening of July 13th. Yesterday the accused dentist was arraigned before Judge J. W. Hamilton in Circuit Court, when Drumfield entered a plea of not guilty. A motion by his attorney, Dexter Rice, to quash the indictment was overruled by the court. He then filed an affidavit of prejudice against Judge Hamilton and asked that the supreme court appoint another judge, and announced that he would not for a change of venue. He asked that the trial be delayed so affidavits might be obtained in California, Ohio and Canada.

Nearly fifty witnesses were examined by the grand jury before they made their decision to indict Drumfield.

It is not considered likely that there will be much delay in starting the trial of this noted case, but if the petition for a change of venue should be granted it will give the defense a little breathing time.

Attorney Rice, in speaking of the case, stated that a jury would be difficult to secure. Just what significance the authorities place on the story related by George Crase, a well known Beavercreek farmer, to the effect that on July 14, the day following the murder, he was called by telephone from Portland by Attorney Herbert Hermann, a former Beavercreek lawyer, who requested that Crase see Mrs. Drumfield and tell her to keep quiet concerning the case, is not known yet.

crushed between its machine and tree, which headed the about thirty feet down and he carried a dent in his head yet, saved by his head hitting a rock. Suspecting a thrashing machine is not all profit.

## Getting Ready for School

The school board for the Coquille district met this week and definitely determined that school would open on Monday, Sept. 12, as has been anticipated for some time.

At the same time Miss Irene Whitfield, of Portland, was employed as a teacher of English in the High School at an annual salary of \$1200.

Superintendent Lynn A. Parr was instructed to investigate domestic science and dramatic art equipment, such as sewing machines, dishes, cooking utensils, etc., as to prices and make recommendations as to what is needed for conducting these courses this year in the high school.

The bond of Paint Bros. for building the sidewalks at the new school house was approved. They began placing their forms for the concrete work last Friday and will have the job completed in a week or two days.

H. J. McDiarmid was last Friday nominated by President Harding to be postmaster at Bend. He has been acting as postmaster there since the death of E. E. L. Bodillion.

## FRAEDRICK SELLS OUT

On page seven of this issue of the Sentinel will be found a page advertisement for Fraedrick's Grocery, in which Mr. Fraedrick announces that he is retiring from business and offering his entire stock of groceries at cost or below, as well as his fixtures and lease on the building.

But the ad is dead. None of the prices quoted there stand. It happened this way: Wednesday Mr. Fraedrick had decided to quit business and in the party he had been making with credit and some to his terms he decided to close the stock out at retail. Accordingly he prepared the advertisement and yesterday the Sentinel set it up and printed it after supper last evening.

About three o'clock yesterday afternoon Mr. Fraedrick went over to the Bay to confer further with R. C. Dunham, of Dunham's Groceries there who wanted to purchase the stock and secure the room in which Fraedrick's Grocery has been operating. Along in the evening, about the time the advertisement was being printed, Mr. Fraedrick and Mr. Dunham came to an agreement on price and the entire stock was sold to the Coos Bay man.

However, the ad had been printed, and when the Sentinel representative met Mr. Fraedrick at seven o'clock this morning it was decided to kill the ad in this manner.

Mr. Dunham is reported to have been looking toward Coquille for some time with the idea of operating a grocery here similar to the one he runs in Marshfield, and it is probable that he will use his purchase of yesterday in opening such a store here.

## Myrtle Point Road Probable

J. S. Barton tells the Sentinel that the semi-official talk he has heard in Portland recently indicates that the State Highway Commission intends doing just what the Sentinel reported last week—start the improvement of the Coquille-Myrtle Point road this fall. Whether the paving will be macadam or hard surface he did not learn but in view of the commission's declared policy of hard-surfacing no road until after it had been macadamized for two years, he leans to the opinion that the work this winter will be surfacing only—macadam.

However, a large portion of this road has been macadamized in the past, although much of it was taken up when the grades were re-established, and if the commission is so inclined they can very reasonably consider that the road has been macadamized for more than two years.

Everything we hear tends to confirm our statement that the important link in the Beavercreek-Coos Bay highway is to be done this winter and the coming spring.

## THE BONUS LAW

Col. Geo. A. White Here to Explain the Rulings of the Commission

Col. Geo. A. White, Adjutant General of Oregon, and Lyman Elen, member of the Oregon World War Veterans' State Aid Commission, are in Coquille today and at 4 o'clock this afternoon will address a meeting of ex-service men and Coquille business men at the Liberty Theatre. The purpose of their visit is to give information concerning the rulings and operations of the Oregon Bonus Commission. Following are the more salient features of the State Bonus Law, which tell explicitly who are eligible to receive the bonus or loan, the amount of such bonus or loan, and the time limit for taking advantage of the act:

- Cash Bonus: \$15 for each month or major fraction between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, exclusive of first sixty days. Total not to exceed \$500.
- Loans: Not to exceed \$5,000. Not to exceed 75 per cent of the appraised valuation of the real property offered as security.
- Applicant Must Have:
  - Been enlisted, inducted, warranted or commissioned in the military or naval forces of the United States.
  - Served honorably therein between the dates of April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918.
  - Served longer than sixty days after enlistment, induction, or commission, part of which must have been between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918.
  - Been an actual resident of Oregon at the time of entering service.
  - Been honorably discharged or separated from the service, or retired or furloughed to the reserve.
  - Served in some branch of the service other than the student army training camp as a student.
- Applicant Must Not Have:
  - Induced on connections, political or other grounds to subject himself to military discipline or to render unqualified service.
  - The husband, wife, child, mother, or father, or dependent sister or dependent brother, in the order named, and none other, of any deceased person, male or female, who was enlisted, inducted, warranted or commissioned, and who served honorably in active duty in the military or naval service of the United States, shall be paid the bonus that such deceased person would have been entitled to hereunder had such deceased person lived.

Application for the Cash Bonus must be made before May 25, 1922, or within one year after discharge if applicant was in service on May 25, 1921. Applications for the loan may be made at any time.

Ex-service men who wish to apply for either the cash bonus or for a loan under the provisions of the law can secure blanks for the purpose from Walter F. Oerding, commander of the local American Legion post.

## Woman's Club to Give Dances

The Woman's Club has leased Goulds' Hall for the fall and winter and the first of October will begin giving dances. Whether they will be a weekly affair or every other week is not definitely decided. Mrs. L. C. Newman has been placed in charge of this feature of the Woman's Club's activities. It is the intention of the club to give clean dances with good music, and absolutely eliminate the "rough stuff" that sometimes seems to accompany a Saturday night dance. This applies not only to the loose tendency of some of the local dance patrons, but as well to the objectionable manner of dancing. Offenders will be asked to leave.

It is also planned to try and interest the parents of young girls who desire to dance, so that they may be properly chaperoned, but falling in that the management agrees to see that all girls, whose parents desire it, arrive safely at home.

Mrs. Edna Perrett's orchestra has been engaged to furnish the music.

Engineer Chandler is reported, as saying that the pavement on the Highway between the Sentinel corner and the Burtholder place would have to be 25 days before being opened to traffic, which means that it will be a week from tomorrow, or Sept. 16, before the High School detour can be abandoned.