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COULDN'T FARM

Oris Johnson Met With All Sorts of Bad Luck As a Renter.

An interesting case was decided in the Circuit Court here Monday by Judge Coks. In December, 1916, Thos. J. McAdams rented his 80 acre ranch on the Marshfield road to Oris Johnson with a bunch of cows and a brood sow, for \$250 a year, \$50 of which was to be paid by the slashing of five acres of willow land. As security for the payment of the rent Johnson gave McAdams a bond for \$960 with his mother, Amanda M. Johnson and W. J. Benedict as sureties.

About 8 months later after the house on the place burned the Johnson family deserted it, leaving the cattle to the care of a neighbor until McAdams should call for them. Johnson had paid McAdams \$51.52 in rent meantime. But he had used up the \$240 worth of hay McAdams had turned over to him on condition that he should pay for it or replace it. He had neither paid anything for it nor had he harvested any more hay. He also owed McAdams \$21.80 for a brood sow and \$40 for some calves he had bought and there was another \$40 charge against him for letting one of the cows die.

All these items, with the \$140 still due on rent, amounted to about \$632, and McAdams also wanted \$20 for damages to a buggy and \$70 on account of Johnson's failure to breed the cows, but the latter items were not allowed by the court, although Johnson claimed the rent was too high.

Mrs. Amanda Johnson had given a mortgage to secure the bond and the court in holding her and Benedict liable for the \$532 on the bond also ordered the mortgage foreclosed.

McAdams was also allowed \$50 for attorneys' fees and costs of suit amounting to about \$50 more. Attorney Stanley was attorney for the plaintiff and B. D. Pulford for the defendant.

Johnson had been divorced by his wife and remarried to her since the lease was made and her testimony that he had worked faithfully every day slaved to make something to pay the rent given in this case, contrasted very strangely with her testimony in the other case, where she accused him of spending his time "running around" and said she did all the work on the place.

Invite Them to Valley.

This year's meeting of the Oregon Editorial Association will be held at Marshfield Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 9, 10 and 11. We have not yet received a copy of the program but suppose that, as usual, Marshfield has got it fixed so that no opportunity will be afforded the visiting newspaper men to see the Coquille valley.

We would suggest, however, that the Coquille Commercial Club invite the country pencil pushers and their families to come over here on one of those days, take a picnic dinner in the park and enjoy a ride up the valley to Myrtle Point. Although they may not be able to accept it we are sure they will appreciate the invitation.

Dr. Boyd Lectures Here.

At last the Ellison-White people sent a lecturer here Saturday night to fill that belated engagement in the person of Dr. Elliott A. Boyd, who was down in this section to fill Chautauque engagements at Myrtle Point and North Bend. His excellent address had been delivered on time it would no doubt have been greeted with a packed house as were the other numbers of the course, but as it was this out of season entertainment was only attended by about one-fifth of the holders of season tickets and the doctor talked about "The Advantages of a Handicap" largely to empty benches.

Neckties Match Aprons.

The ladies of the Mooseheart Legion will hold a necktie and apron social at W. O. W. hall on Friday next, July 26. There will be a Hooverized lunch, each lady bringing a box. The neckties will be sold in envelopes unsealed and unseen. They will be sold for 50 cents each and for every necktie some lady will wear an apron that matches. That is the way in which supper partners will be identified.

Dance for Cow Wednesday.

The Home Guard dance for the benefit of the Red Cross at Anderson's Hall next Wednesday evening, July 24, bids fair to be the largest and most successful ever held in Coquille. The tickets, which include a chance to win the \$100 Jersey cow, are going rapidly, good sales being reported from the rural districts as well as from this city. One Red Cross member has sold about 40 tickets since they were put on sale this week and many others have sold their quota and gone back for more.

The Honor Guard has been requested to take charge of the decorations of the hall and they will also have charge of the refreshment stand.

Buy a ticket whether you can dance or not. You will be aiding the Red Cross and you may draw the cow.

State Engineer Approves It.

Judge Watson is in receipt of a letter from State Highway Engineer Nunn in regard to that much abused road from North Bend south. He says Mr. Dunn from his office was sent out to inspect that road and finds it on good grade and alignment. Also that the workmanship is good, and that is adapted to meet its present purpose. The only criticism he makes is that the second course of rock is so coarse that with only automobile travel over the road there is no grinding action on the road and screenings must be applied occasionally to keep it from getting too rough.

BOY MAKES HIS GETAWAY

Last Monday Hark Dunham went over to Marshfield with Arthur Johnson, the automobile kleptomaniac, who had consented to enlist in the navy. But he was too young and the navy wouldn't have him, so Hark took him to the Dew Drop Inn and let him go out in the kitchen to talk to the cook.

The next Hark saw of him he was showing a clean pair of heels as he dashed up the street. The probation officer is not as agile as he used to be and Johnson made a clean getaway, nor have the police been able to locate him since.

Two days later, on Wednesday, Hark made another start with Beasie Phennegar, of Bandon, and Frank Maupin, of Powers. The girl had been an inmate of the Industrial School for girls at Salem before, but had been paroled in care of her father, Edward Phennegar. He had placed her in charge of Rev. A. A. Baker, of Myrtle Point, but she fell into wild ways again and drifted back to Bandon into the company of her old associates and now, at 16, goes back to the Girls' school.

It's much the same way with Frank Maupin, of Powers, who was in the Training School four years ago but was paroled, and couldn't resist the temptation to steal again.

Only 39 Are Promoted.

Of the 450 men below Class I whom the attorneys boosted into that class, Assessor Beyers, of the local board, says that only 39 have staid there. The cases of thirty more who in part applied for industrial exemption and in part have been appealed by the local board as really belonging in Class I go to the district board for review and decision.

Not more than 20 of the young men of the class of 1918 listed elsewhere in this issue still remain to undergo medical examination.

Apple Jack Peddler.

Last Monday W. C. Bostwick, a Dement creek rancher, was arrested by an officer of the Spruce division at Powers, on a charge of bootlegging. He was at once taken before Justice Zimmerman, pleaded guilty and was fined \$200. He raised the amount by mortgaging 8 head of cattle and went on his way. The stuff he sold was a sort of apple jack with a great kick, and it was thought he had distilled it on his place but no still could be found. He had five gallons and was saking \$18 a gallon for it.

Dam May Be Raised.

Mayor Johnson informs us that the plan of raising the dam at the head of the Rink creek pipe line is under consideration. The Walker creek intake is so much higher that water from the joint pipe line backs up into the Rink creek spur and retards the flow. A higher dam would also mean more water stored there for a dry season like this.

THE EARTH SHOOK

Distinct Quakes Felt Here in Coquille Last Sunday Afternoon.

Three distinct earthquake shocks were felt here at 5:17 last Sunday afternoon, the principal one lasting about five seconds. Lamps in chandeliers were noticed to swing several inches, doors were swung open as houses rocked and crockery rattled on sideboards, while people who were taking an afternoon siesta were awakened with the idea that someone was shaking their beds. E. E. Fraedrich, who was reading a story of a storm at sea, wondered if he was getting nutty when he began to sense the rolling movement of the house.

This was a comparatively new sensation in Coquille as the most recent of which we hear reliable stories occurred 25 years ago. Sunday's shock was also felt in Eureka, California, a few minutes later, though if it was manifest about San Francisco bay, they kept still about it in all the languages they knew. Indeed, it is nothing short of high treason to mention a slight chock down there.

We have later read of tremblers being experienced down in South America the same day, so the rumbling of the globe's innards then must have been quite extensive.

The most generally accepted theory of earthquakes is that they are due to the gradual shrinking of "this terrestrial ball" as it cools, everything in the earth being a melted fluid except a crust of less than 200 miles thickness—a smaller proportion of the whole than the rind is of an orange.

We are reminded, too, that among the portents of the final end of things cosmic, as foretold in the Scriptures, are not only "wars and rumors of wars," famines and pestilence, but also "earthquakes in divers places." How uncertain and transitory all things seem now compared with conditions four short years ago.

Spruce Production Pictures.

Under the auspices of the L. L. L. L. there will be shown at Anderson's Hall on Saturday evening, July 27, several reels of motion pictures depicting life in the cantonments here in the U. S. life in the trenches on the western front, as well as actual fighting scenes, and the various phases of aeroplane manufacture from the spruce in the forest to the flights from the aviation fields. Lieut. Jones, who showed a similar assortment of spruce division pictures at the Masonic Hall here last winter, will again have charge of the entertainment. On account of the limited seating capacity of the hall the Loyal Legion members and their families will have the preference in admission to the show, which will be free.

Sugar For Everybody.

L. A. Liljeqvist, food administrator in Coos county, states that there has been much confusion throughout the county about sugar for canning. Without permit and merely on the statement of the buyer, a housewife is entitled to 25 pounds of sugar from her grocer.

When this is used up she may secure more by going to the chairman of the council of defense in her city and from him securing a permit for another 25 pounds. At this time she swears that the first 25 pounds has been used for canning and the next 25 pounds will be used for canning. She may secure as many more 25 pound quantities as her canning needs require. There is no limit so long as the sugar is used for canning.

Only Pioneer of 1842.

Vail N. Perry, who claims to be the only living Oregon pioneer who came to the state in 1842, and who looks younger than his 78 years would seem to warrant, was here Monday and spent the night with his brother-in-law, J. F. Schroeder. It was a remarkable fact that three of Mr. Vail's sisters married three of the Schroeder brothers in this valley. Mrs. Emily Schroeder, the deceased wife of J. F., being one of the trio. Both she and Mrs. Gus Schroeder, of Myrtle Point, were born at the mouth of the Columbia river. Mr. Vail, who now resides at Clallam, Wash., a few miles east of Cape Flattery, was the first Mason to be initiated in Coos county and was a charter member of Chadwick lodge here.

TWO FINE TALKS

Mrs. Zehner and Toshi Yamamoto at the Chautauque This Week.

It was a rare treat to listen to Mrs. Zehner's inspiring lecture at the Myrtle Point Chautauque last Sunday night. She had very much to say about America's part in the great war and she said it in a way to arouse the patriotic ardor of her hearers and bring it to a white heat. She had a rapid fire delivery, a rich vein of humor and a sane and logical viewpoint. She was from Texas and the slight hint of a southern broadening of the vowels came very pleasantly from a woman of remarkable charm, who carried her fifty years and her two hundred pounds avoirdupois jauntily. Besides she confessed to a Scotch Irish ancestry and had unquestionably kissed the blarney stone. All of which we fear conveys but little idea of the magnificent patriotic address the foremost woman speaker on the American platform today delivered with such strenuous energy, such patriotic fire, such heart appeal, such well chosen words, and with such noble purpose. Certainly the powers at Washington made no mistake when they delegated this wonderful woman, with her 21 years experience on the Chautauque platform to go forth and preach patriotism to all the people.

Minosaku Toshi Yamamoto talked about the relations between America and Japan at the Myrtle Point Chautauque Wednesday afternoon. We are sure that the large audience which listened to him were satisfied that the danger of war between these two countries was infinitesimal. The speaker said that for Japan with 20 billions of property to engage in war with the United States which has 150 billions would be to commit suicide. He also told of the work of Japan in this war and what she had contributed to the cause of the allies.

Speaking of the trouble over Japanese immigration in this county he affirmed that since the Gentlemen's agreement with Japan made in 1908 during Roosevelt's administration 3,000 more Japanese laborers had left this country to return to Japan than had come from there.

Yamamoto was particularly severe on the Kaiser, who was the original inventor of the "Yellow Peril," and the entire German bunch who had for years been doing everything they could think of to foment trouble between America and Japan. That Japan has only friendly feelings toward our country all who heard him were more fully convinced than ever before. He is certainly doing good work on the platform in showing what are the real sentiments of the Japanese towards us.

At the first round on Tuesday evening the Myrtle Point people went over the top to the number of 71 signers to the guarantee needed to secure a Chautauque next year. They have since increased the number to 106 which the Ellison-White people say tops their record.

More War Workers Wanted.

Every community will be combated for war workers. War industries are short nearly 400,000 common laborers, and lack of workers in the coal-mining industry is imperiling all war production. There is also a serious shortage of skilled labor. One of the largest munition plants, turning out heavy caliber guns, is short 2,000 machinists. The war plants of Connecticut and Maryland are undermanned 35,000 machinists.

The United States Employment Service will begin an intensive recruiting of workers for war work from the non-essential industries. Employment offices will be increased and the force of local agents and traveling examiners will be enlarged and sent into every community that relief may be given before the ban against private labor recruiting goes into effect on August 1.

He Was Hit Hard.

T. J. Thrift suffered a painful but fortunately not serious accident at the Sitka mill Tuesday. He was turning the crank which raises and lowers the carriage to fit to the size of the log when the clutch slipped and the handle spun around striking him on the shin. That his leg was not broken is a wonder.

Huns Headed for Home.

The following associated press dispatch from London yesterday makes it look as if the tide had turned at last and the American were getting the Huns started toward Berlin: London, July 18.—The Americans west of Soissons have taken four thousand prisoners, thirty guns and much other material.

The Americans have captured the town of Vierzy, six miles south of Soissons and have advanced three miles beyond the town.

The French on a five mile front gained the ravine at the river Crise running into Soissons which means a maximum advance of five miles at this point.

The French also progressed to a hill within one mile of Soissons.

Court Didn't Incur Bill.

A Bay paper abuses the County Court and charges it with trying to "get even" in instructing the district attorney to sue the bondsmen for the expenses of surveying the Daniel's Creek road. There was no feeling of enmity on the part of any member of the court in the matter. Nor was the court in any way responsible for the fact that the viewing and survey of this road cost \$1354.35. The law makes it the duty of the viewers of whom the surveyor is one, to view and survey a proposed road and the court has no power whatever in connection with the survey, further than to pay the bills properly rendered.

MILL WILL BE REBUILT

With an inaccuracy which is not unusual where Coquille matters are concerned, the Coos Bay Times stated last night that the Johnson mill here would not be rebuilt because the Mehl tract of three and a half acres could not be secured. The statement is entirely erroneous. Mr. Johnson said last evening that the piling for the new mill is expected this week. Furthermore the loading of machinery, which went through the str. for shipment to the Bay where it will be trued up and repaired, will begin at once. There has been some delay in this work because of the desire to obtain the additional land if it could be secured at a price Mr. Johnson could afford to pay. That hope has practically been given up and the plan is now to rebuild as quickly as possible on the old site.

If the location had been changed, Mr. Johnson was figuring on running all the machinery with motors which would have made a difference in what he sent to the Bay for repairs.

The insurance adjustment is nearly complete, there only being one policy on which figures have not yet been received, but no differences are expected to develop on that.

It is hoped to resume the cutting of lumber at the mill within 90 days.

New Christian Minister.

Rev. Walter L. Straub preached his first sermon as pastor of the Christian church last Sunday morning and again in the evening at the union services at the Presbyterian church. Mr. Straub is a strong and forceful speaker and made a favorable impression on those who heard him.

Rev. Mr. Straub comes highly recommended by the church at Meridan, Idaho, which he has just left, by the state missionary boards of Idaho and Washington, and by the Organ-Mell evangelistic company. He evangelized for two years with the famous Webb singers and is the author of nine tracts which are used by many pastors and evangelists. He is equipped with complete stereopticon machine and several hundred slides. Mrs. Straub is also an ordained minister and she with the two children will arrive soon.

Julius Larson's Bunco Suit.

Julius Larson, the king bee of Larson Inlet, is suing Coos county for \$2,500 damages caused by taking a right of way for a road across his land. The entire place from which a strip is to be cut for the road is assessed for only \$350. By the way we have long favored a tax system under which every man would assess his real estate at any sum he pleased, and the county should have the option to purchase it at the assessed price plus ten per cent. Under such a low Coos county could take Julius Larson's ranch by paying him \$385. As it was the viewers only allowed him \$1 for the right of way, which seems inadequate.

ORDER NUMBERS

The Registrants of 1918 and the Order in Which They Will Be Drawn for Service.

The following is the result of the drawing of the names of the young men who have become 21 years of age during the past year, to determine the order in which they shall be called for training and active service:

154 E. L. Culbertson, Myrtle Pt.	1
10 T. J. McCulloch, Lakeside	2
28 Raleigh G. Watson, Empire	3
17 John S. Hurd, North Bend	4
74 C. M. Bogard, Lampa	5
136 Lloyd B. Hess, Bandon	6
145 Elmer A. Miller, Bandon	7
57 E. B. Sjoeyen, North Bend	8
76 M. H. Chappell, North Bend	9
78 Stanley Clausen, Coquille	10
122 Wm. J. Blake, Marshfield	11
67 Daniel D. Turpin, Marshfield	12
177 Stanley D. Lake, Powers	13
4 Jas. Steinlechner, North Bend	14
130 F. C. Merrill, Marshfield	15
70 Lester F. Cook, Coquille	16
108 R. C. Chase, Marshfield	17
28 Frank Martin, North Bend	18
89 Arthur D. Wise, Marshfield	19
151 Julius L. Harrison, Broadbent	20
90 Harry Smith, Marshfield	21
65 Geo. Ford, Bandon	22
125 Jos. G. Beale, Marshfield	23
45 Ralph B. Shaffer, North Bend	24
72 Edwin L. Kay, Bandon	25
185 Benj. E. Belding, Bandon	26
61 Dewey N. Anderson, Eastside	27
91 Ralut F. Richardson, Mfld.	28
51 Harry D. Paulor, Bunker Hill	29
63 Ansel E. Johnson, Marshfield	30
41 Harry J. Smith, North Bend	31
84 Andrew L. Maiden, Norway	32
32 Oscar Napier, Ward, Iowa	33
66 Ralph E. Caughron, Coquille	34
16 Alden T. Lemanski, N. B.	35
191 Jesse L. Sparks, Bandon	36
153 Wm. I. Anderson, Myrtle Pt.	37
82 Andy Doyal, Coquille	38
147 Clayton Warner, Broadbent	39
55 Otto H. Erickson, Mfld.	40
33 Bert Kirkwood, North Bend	41
56 John N. Jarf, South Inlet	42
102 John H. Adams, Marshfield	43
48 Momme Jacobson, Norway	44
13 Antonio U. Minervini, Portland	45
3 Sanfred Stonelake, Lakeside	46
64 Edwin D. Lund, Coquille	47
168 Jos. Knight, Myrtle Point	48
137 Walter K. Hack, Prosper	49
193 Frank Anderson, Bandon	50
55 Wm. E. Brady, Gravel Ford	51
158 Chester I. Root, Myrtle Point	52
11 Albert M. Stiffer, Lakeside	53
69 Levi S. Billings, Myrtle Point	54
35 Andrew W. Sandquist, N. B.	55
113 Edd Bailey, Marshfield	56
62 Walter A. Rehfeld, Marshfield	57
18 Claud E. Lamm, North Bend	58
143 Chester Van Forren, Bullards	59
54 Wm. E. McLellan, Marshfield	60
81 Albert R. Lackey, North Bend	61
173 Henry T. Price, Powers	62
189 Loyd Hunt, Bandon	63
184 Lloyd H. Wise, Powers	64
88 Frank D. Brannan, Marshfield	65
188 Marvin L. Bird, Norway	66
192 Fern H. Johnson, Bullards	67
114 Jas. Divalbis, Marshfield	68
39 Howard M. Taylor, North Bend	69
30 Tracy Huntsucker, North Bend	70
119 John C. Mercer, Marshfield	71
187 Ralph E. Cox, Powers	72
160 John T. Arnold, Myrtle Point	73
98 Douglas Anderson, Marshfield	74
49 Chin Wing Dong, Marshfield	75
25 Henry W. Bock, North Bend	76
58 Ernest G. Granfors, Delmar	77
12 Costantino Vocino, Portland	78
34 Arthur G. Centers, North Bend	79
149 Chas. A. Billings, Myrtle Pt.	80
112 Wm. E. Lingo, Marshfield	81
2 Grant Waters, Houser	82
95 Carl A. Sandquist, Marshfield	83
77 Chas. L. Frost, Coquille	84
46 Alfred W. J. Schmidt, Bandon	85
8 John B. Bowron, Lakeside	86
107 Phillip A. Janetting, Marshfield	87
93 Willie DeVine, Marshfield	88
99 Gele E. Mitchell, Marshfield	89
190 Lloyd V. Foster, Marshfield	90
131 Jos. L. Lanagan, Marshfield	91
123 Cavour Z. DeMenles, Mfld.	92
186 Miles M. Brown, Powers	93
120 W. L. Stemmerman, Allegany	94
150 N. W. Perkins, Myrtle Pt.	95
94 Chas. H. Williams, Marshfield	96
148 C. L. King, McKinley	97
156 E. L. Thomason, Gravel Ford	98
67 Geo. A. Stevens, Coquille	99
40 Harvey A. Brand, North Bend	100
182 C. C. Fairchiles, Portland	101
38 Jos. A. Cumbert, North Bend	102
7 E. D. Jordan, Lakeside, Indian	103
27 A. B. Coleman, North Bend	104
163 Paul W. Adams, Myrtle Point	105
179 Lloyd G. Ackerman, Powers	106
1 Anton W. Noren, Lakeside	107

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