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## Civil War

### Veteran Dies

**Francis Marion Crabtree of Forest Grove Died Sunday from Paralysis; Wife Survives**

Francis Marion Crabtree was born June 15, 1840, near Litchfield, Illinois, where he spent his childhood and youth on a farm with his parents. He attended the common schools there, receiving such education as was given in the little old red schoolhouse about which we hear so much.

On the seventh day of July, 1861, he enlisted to serve 3 years or during the war, was mustered into the service in August as First Sergeant of Company E, First Regiment of Illinois cavalry, commanded by Col. Thos. A. Marshall. The regiment was ordered from Alton, Illinois, where it was mostly enlisted, to Missouri, where it joined with the Irish Brigade. They participated in the Battle of Lexington, Missouri, where the place was overwhelmed and after 52 hours of fighting was surrendered. The men were paroled and returned to their homes to await exchange, and were later mustered out. Mr. Crabtree received his discharge on the 14th day of July, 1862, at St. Louis, Missouri.

He re-enlisted at Springfield, Illinois on the 13th day of August, 1862, was mustered into the service as a Private in Company E, 7th Illinois Volunteer Cavalry, Col. Edward Prince, commanding, and formed a part of Hatch's Division, Cavalry Corps of the Army of the West, which participated in engagements in New Madrid, Mo.; Island No. 10, Tennessee; Farmington, the siege of Corinth, Sumnerville, in the pursuit of Price, Coffeeville, Miss.; in Grierson's Raid, Platts Store, Port Hudson, Louisiana; Bhalia, Miss.; Moscow, Campbellville, Hart's Crossroads, Franklin, Brentwood Hills, routing Hood's Army at Nashville, Tennessee.

After the surrender of the Confederate Army the corps moved to Camp Butler for mustering out.

After Grierson's Raid Francis M. Crabtree was detailed as Chief Wagon Master of the 16th Army Corps for the Quartermaster Department, and rendered faithful and meritorious service to his country at all times. He was sick in the hospital at Memphis, Tenn., for about two months after the surrender of the Confederates, and there received an honorable discharge.

He was united in marriage to Ann E. Gibbs, in Montgomery County, Ill., July 4, 1866 from which union were born eleven children, nine of whom are living; William H. Crabtree and Nellie E. Barrett, of Forest Grove; Mamie J. Hamilton of Wilder, Idaho; John B. Crabtree, of Newberg; Frank M. Crabtree, of Portland; Fred J. Crabtree of Seattle; Leslie M. Ludwig, Libeaulah, Wash.; Grace H. Ray, of Beaverton; and Charles J. Crabtree of Portland.

They came to Oregon March 31, 1890, and lived on a farm near Dayton, until 17 years ago last August when they moved to Forest Grove, where they lived until his death.

A week ago last Wednesday, he was stricken with paralysis. He died Sunday evening at about 6:30. He was buried from the Buxton and Priokett Chapel in Forest Grove at 11 A. M. Tuesday, in the I. O. O. F. Cemetery at Dayton. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Marey of the Methodist Church of Forest Grove, assisted by the pastor of the Congregational Church there.

Besides his widow and nine children, he is survived by eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

D. C. Hempstead, who is putting in the new Ford agency, has received a few sample cars and is daily expecting a shipment of parts. He has his quarters in the Raynard building fully equipped, with steel bin, partitions, etc. He will be open for business probably the first of the week.

## LOCAL NEWS

Daffodils are blooming out on the Harry Briggs ranch near Rock Creek.

Mrs. Brown of the Service Lumber Company was in Hillsboro on business Tuesday.

The Special Agent in charge of the Standard II station here has been transferred to Albany. W. D. Hostetter of Portland will succeed W. R. Soden here.

Gladys Bristol of Beaverton was chosen with fifteen other girls out of a large number of aspirants to serve on the Girls' Rifle team at the University of Oregon. Eleven matches will be held this term with universities of other states, the first one being February 13.

Harry Briggs was down from his farm Thursday. He reports that he is plastering his new house on First Street.

It is rumored that several new stone tile houses will be built on the Tucker block between Front and First Streets. Some of the tile is already on the ground.

## OBITUARY

G. W. Smiley was born in Illinois about 1880. He received a college education in one of the larger universities in Chicago. Later he took up the trade of roofing and went to Canada, from there he came to Spokane in about 1920, after having spent about ten years north of the line.

He was married in 1921 to Elsie Stephens, sister of J. E. Stephens, proprietor of the Studio Barber Shop here.

He arrived in Portland from Spokane about four months ago and not finding anything in the roof line he hired out as laborer for one of the companies wrecking a building in Portland when a wall unexpectedly gave way, killing him and the foreman.

Undertaker W. E. Pegg went to Portland for the remains. The funeral was held from the Pegg chapel here, Rev. Taylor officiating. He was buried in Crescent Grove Cemetery at 2 P. M. Thursday.

He is survived by his wife and daughter two and one-half years old, Claudia Stephens. He had often visited with his wife's brother here in Beaverton.

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, January 24th, is to be a special fellowship day for the Church of Christ. We are specially desirous of having a full attendance of the membership.

10 A. M. Bible school.  
11 A. M. Communion and preaching service.

Following the sermon, we will enjoy an old-fashioned basket dinner with business meeting of the membership.

Bring your eats and eating equipment and let's have a great time of fellowship together.

J. Frank Cunningham.

## BETHEL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

The Revival Meetings conducted by Rev. Robt. Kay, which have been of great benefit to the people of this community, will draw to a close Sunday evening. A free will offering will be taken for Brother Kay, which will be all the remuneration he will receive. He will preach both morning and evening. The choir will sing in the morning and the orchestra will play in the evening.

## BEAVERTON METHODIST CHURCH

"Candidates for the Bible Hall of Fame" will be the subject of the morning sermon by Rev. J. H. Irvine next Sunday. A group of workers from the Portland Young Men's Christian Association will conduct a rousing service at 7:30 P. M. Hear these young men.

The fine band of young people from the North Pacific Evangelistic Institute rendered a great service last Sunday.

Dallas did not lose a single building by fire during the year 1925.

Ground has been broken in St. Helens for a new \$1,500,000 paper mill which will be built there.

## FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

Interesting Little Notes from the Surrounding Country as Told by Our Active Special Correspondents Weekly

### SKOOKUMVILLE NEWS

Mr. Wirth has completed tiling his property.

Johnson and Sons shipped 2 carloads of onions this week.

The girls at Barnes school have great fun playing ball nowadays.

Ed Young has been constructing a barbed wire fence around his property.

Robert Johnson Jr. purchased a new bicycle Monday. It runs on high!

Two good singers visited the Barnes school recently, Mrs. Spies and Mrs. Nixon.

Mrs. Ewing of Portland has been stopping the past few weeks with her niece, Mrs. Roy Berst.

Gladys Young has been the school organist the past week. She will be a great musician a little later.

An onion buyer from Portland bought a truckload of onions Monday from Berst and Son, local growers.

John Barry and family visited at the Ryan home Saturday evening. Sure! The Irish have good times.

All the children are present at school, the school house floor has been oiled, and everything is running fine.

Buddy Young, 4 years old, ran away from home Thursday. Where did he go? He went down to visit the school.

Mrs. Nixon was suddenly called to Portland Friday to be at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Berg, who suffered a stroke.

Mr. Anacher, formerly of this place, now of Sherwood, R. 2, was at the Winiger Milk Ranch on business the first of the week.

"The Owl," the first newspaper printed in Skookumville, has been flying around the last two Fridays, and no chickens have disappeared yet!

J. B. McNeil, the photographer from Portland, arrived on Tuesday, played ball, took our picture, and said some nice things about Barnes school.

John Johnson and Henry Johnson, two prominent onion growers in this locality purchased two new sedans last week, both 1926 Oakland.

Mrs. N. P. Johnson was a guest at school Friday. She is interested in educational work. Curtis and Roger, her boys, are good students in school.

Mrs. Roy Berst visited school Wednesday. Mrs. Berst takes a deep interest in school work, also she formerly enjoyed newspaper work and remembers many interesting stories in the journalistic profession.

Chas. Spies is a pretty good natured fellow with a smile—but not last Sunday morning! Why? Well, he didn't have any cream for his coffee Sunday morning. Joe Murray, local milk dealer, put the milk on Spies' front porch about 4 A. M. A little later another guy came along and scooped the milk. When Chas. Spies looked for the milk it was gone.

### SERVICE LUMBER COMPANY IS SOLD

One of the most important business deals of the season was completed this week when James McCreedy of the McCreedy Lumber Co. purchased the Service Lumber Co. in Beaverton.

It will be remembered that McCreedy was interested in the Copeland-McCreedy Lumber Co. who owned a series of yards throughout the Willamette Valley operating yards in Portland Hillsboro, Forest Grove, and other places. Recently Mr. McCreedy disposed of his interests in that company and is now doing business under the name of the McCreedy Lumber Co.

Mrs. Brown has become quite famous throughout not only this section but the U. S. as one of the few women successfully operating lumber yards. An article highly commending her was published in one of the national lumber dealers magazines last summer together with photographs taken in the yard here in Beaverton.

She has not definitely decided on plans for the future, and may remain in Beaverton, where she still owns considerable property. It is possible that she will go to one of the newer oil fields in Texas, where she has relatives. Still another possibility is that she may return to her old home in Oklahoma. She has been offered positions as salesman and advance agent. Whatever line she may take up she will be practically assured of success, for a woman with her energy, ability, and business experience can hardly fail in any line that she may give her attention to.

The Review, and we believe the whole of Beaverton wishes her every success in whatever line of endeavor she may engage.

E. E. Swenson has been ill several days this week.

Stuart Hanna returned from the hospital at Port Angeles Tuesday. He has just completed a year's enlistment in the Coast Patrol service where he has been chasing bootlegging vessels.

## GIRL SCOUT NEWS

Beaver Troop No. 8 held their meeting Tuesday, Jan. 19. The second class girls cannot go their first class requirement of training a tenderfoot until eight girls or a full patrol is secured. Any girls wishing to join please see one of the following scouts: Helen Tefft, Alice Johnson, Rose Kamberger, Ruth Denny, Betty Huntley, and Barbara Cady.

The tenderfoot troop worked on the compass and then took the test. One part of the Second Class requirement is to plan and prepare a meal. Eunice McGlasson got the meal Tuesday night at Mrs. Cady's.

Has anyone seen a Girl Scout wearing her pin upside down? She is only wearing it that way as a Good Turn reminder. The slogan is "All pins right side up by noon."

We learned a new song Tuesday. The name is "The Hiking Song."

The meeting closed with Taps.

## GRADE SCHOOL

(Alice Miller and Lawrence Drewery, reporters)

Neil McGlasson, our librarian, reports that he has received \$3.91 from books which have been borrowed and not returned within the two weeks time that is granted.

A seagull made us a pleasant visit the other day. It was perched on top of the high school for about fifteen minutes. It came during a very hard rain storm and left after it was over.

Laura Chinn has been absent with the grip all week.

The fifth grade has twenty perfect days and will have a half day off this Friday.

The eighth grade's spelling contest stands like this for last week: Erna Nelson's side, 96.8%; Lawrence Drewery's side, 97.7%.

The grammar school is getting several sets of new library books.

There will be two more basketball games between the grade school teams. The team that wins two times out of three is the first team.

We have new musicians to play the piano and the triangle for the march. They are Harold Dean and Alfred Johnson.

Some furniture for the new rest room has been purchased, but not all of it has arrived as yet.

## TRUCK DAMAGED IN COLLISION

Monday the Aloha Dairy milk delivery collided with a truck from Portland. The dairy truck was being driven by Mr. Watson, father of Marion Watson.

About \$75 damage was done to the dairy truck, which it is rumored will have to be paid for by the Portland truck, as the Aloha truck had the right-of-way.

## Local Poultry

### Leads In Contest

**Hens Entered in Egg-Laying Contest by Local Man Win Over Many Competitors**

E. L. Van Kleeck was in town Wednesday and handed us the December report from the 7th Egg Laying Contest conducted at the Western Washington Experiment Station at Puyallup, Washington. The report states that Mr. W. A. Van Kleeck's Barred Rocks held second position in this contest and had a total of 142 eggs from 5 hens.

There are three entries from Beaverton in this contest: W. A. Van Kleeck, J. J. and E. L. Van Kleeck, and E. R. Stromquist. There are about 125 entries in this contest, representing about fifteen states, two provinces in Canada, and one entry from Alec Wales, England.

W. A. Van Kleeck's pen of 5 Barred Rocks stands second in the list for production of the pens for two months.

The Van Kleeck flock heads the list for the production of the pen for the month of December and one bird from the flock is second in the production of the highest individual birds, being surpassed by only one other bird.

W. A. Van Kleeck holds first and second of individual birds producing at highest value of eggs for December and first in individual birds producing the highest value of eggs for two months.

Birds are entered in this contest from Oregon, Washington, British Columbia, Idaho, England, California, Alberta, Missouri, New York, Michigan, Illinois, New Mexico, Iowa, Minnesota, Indiana, Utah, Ohio.

## LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

To the Editor of the Beaverton Review, Beaverton: In your issue of the 15th inst. I read the following:

"With all our modern conveniences of good roads and rapid communication, with all our new efficient methods of business we retain the antiquated system of educational administration of 100 and 150 years ago. If other conditions traveled as slowly as our educational administration we would still be swinging a scythe in the field, sending our produce to market in an ox cart, and getting our news from the town crier."

I have been of the opinion that our great State of Oregon stands as high educationally as any state in the Union, and that our high school ranks among the best in the state, and should feel very sorry if I should have to change my mind. But if your correspondent is using 100 to 150 year old methods, I have been badly mistaken and I hope that if he is right, that he will emigrate to some other state or territory, because if there is anything that I am interested in, it is first-class education for our youth.

In another paragraph he says that a Chamber of Commerce is indispensable, and I think he is right about that, but he goes on to say that the history of such an organization in Beaverton is largely a record of its birth and demise.

I was President of the Chamber of Commerce in Beaverton for three years, and during that time the 150 year old teacher was not present at a single meeting. Why don't you practice what you preach?

If we were to have a successful Chamber of Commerce in Beaverton it would be very necessary for all the business men, preachers, and professional men as well as all the rest of it citizens to take a spirited and active part in sustaining such an organization.

I will not enumerate or even try to enumerate all that the Chamber of Commerce did. But I will mention that when a stranger comes within our gates he can at least know on which street he is traveling.

E. E. Swenson.

## Barred !!



THE JANUARY THAW

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## LETTERS

From Our Readers

### OUR HOME TOWN

#### AND COMMUNITY

(By D. U. Cochrane)

I had intended writing up some of the possibilities of a consolidated school district in this article, but it has been suggested to me that some features of Chamber of Commerce work as related to civic improvement should also receive early attention. I will take up this matter now.

A month or so ago a resident of one of the many beautiful homes on Watson street remarked to me what a fine thing it would be if the people who owned property on this street would only get together and agree upon some scheme to be followed in beautifying the street. It would be a fine thing, also a very public-spirited thing to do. The cost of it would be slight compared with the increase in value to the property and the greater satisfaction in living on such a beautiful thoroughfare as Watson Street would become.

A definite scheme of walks, parking, and tree planting which would allow for individual taste and treatment would make the street a thing to be proud of. What is said of Watson Street is true of any other residential street in town. Everyone at some time and some people many times have passed along city or village streets and been delighted by the beauty of them. Shade trees, well placed and harmonious shrubbery, and well kept lawns have touched a responsive chord in our hearts because of the happiness, contentment, and peace they suggest, and our thought has been, "What a delightful place to have a home." What these streets are, Beaverton's streets may be if we so desire.

Why cannot the property owners of Watson Street or any other street hold a mass meeting and organize an association to take up the matter of beautifying the street?

Arbor day is two months away. Why not make it a red letter day in Beaverton history? Why not get behind a slogan such as "A thousand trees by the first of May and a thousand trees a year?"

This is less than one tree for each person in Beaverton. A special rate on nursery if we all go together. In fact, I would advise that a committee be chosen and all purchases of trees and shrubbery be made through it.

A warning should be here given against desultory planting, or setting out of trees along the street without any reference to what your neighbor, or might want, or do. It is only logical and the only ultimately satisfactory way is the formation of the association before mentioned. If all cannot go ahead with the improvement now, probably you can next year, or the next. The idea is that all agree now to the general scheme favored by all and then each improve in harmony with it as they found it convenient.

It is up to somebody to start something. The fact that we are starting something will get plenty of publicity and cause people to sit up and take notice. A committee is at work on a proposed reorganization of a Chamber of Commerce, and a new and vitalized Chamber is bound to materialize out of it, but nothing of importance can ever will be done without the hearty cooperation of all public spirited citizens. Any improvement association would have the hearty backing of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Committee is even at this time offering its services to the public in the cooperative work mentioned above. Anyone who wishes to improve their lawn or entire lot may have professional aid as to the best layout. Send a diagram of your lot to the Reorganization Committee with a brief statement of your choice of plants, if any, and you will get back expert advice as to a possible layout. This service will cost you nothing but your good

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