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## GIVE A FINE PROGRAM

### Pupils From the High School Building Make Excellent Showing on Platform

The Grand Theater was filled to overflowing by a pleased and jolly crowd at the school entertainment Monday evening. The doors were opened so that those who could only secure standing room in the lobby might view the performance.

After the first picture an unusually fine role representing the return of a young English gentleman to his mother, sweetheart, and fortune while triumphing over base intrigue; the school part of the program was started by the sunbonnet babies and over half boys in an unique and picturesque drill.

The trials of mother goose was replete in the pretty and quaint costumes of those characters in the folk stories that have charmed the children of each generation back to the infancy of the race. All parts were well rendered.

The child's caprice, a dainty drill by a bevy of sweet little girls, courtesing in filmy white dresses, was very pleasing, despite the fact that the drill was not too well learned.

The scare crow's drill was well executed by Harold Whitsett, Jesse Tucker, Henry Meyer, Austin Clinton and Walter Gibson, with music by Eva Webb. This was the principal attraction for the small boys, though some of the big ones seemed to be well entertained by it.

Max Pollock gave a fine characterization of a fussy old man in the dramatized fifth grade reading lesson "Hanging a Picture". In this he was ably supported by Florence Johnson, Carol Garfield, Fred Weinhart, Howard Leehart, Ernest Paunter and John Conrad.

It was never surmised by the audience that the leading lady was no other than a boy dressed up for the part. Clara Carpenter who had the part of leading lady suddenly became ill with the mumps. John Conrad filled the breach so capably that none knew the difference.

Pandora's Box, a short scene was well received by those present.

Edna Dipple, Mable Newman, Verma Laub, Melford Westleder and Irma Tucker gave an entertaining dialogue, "The Best Plan" in which they came to the conclusion that things are best as they are despite lessons hard to learn.

The duet "Sympathy" by Ha Johnson and Joe Gibson was worthy of special mention and praise. They both have very beautiful voices and in addition acted their parts very capably.

It is difficult to decide who acted their parts best in "How Jimmie saved his father". Maud Young, as the rather assertive Mrs. Becker or LeRoy Parker as the subdued and apprehensive Mr. Becker.

Merle Hicking as Jimmy saves his father's face by the timely placing of Mrs. Becker's new hat in the front hall.

Melford Westleder gave a violin solo in which he was accompanied by Claris Danielson and Theresa Button on the piano. This was so well received that an encore was necessary.

There was fine music by the High School Girls Glee Club and Kausrud's Orchestra.

After another reel of pictures the crowd dispersed.

Those taking part in the program and those who trained them are alike to be congratulated upon the high standard and success of the program.

Sabro Bros. Jewelers generously donated the use of a Stroud Piano for the entertainment and the piano was safely delivered to the theatre, free of charge by the Gatchell Bros. Transfer.

S. G. Whitsett, the local Ford man, also has the agency for the new eight cylinder Cadillac, the Cartevan and the Baxon "Six". With all these cars, Mr. Whitsett expects to do a big automobile business this summer, even though financial conditions do not look the best.

## RECEIVES PAPER ANNOUNCING DEATH OF BROTHER

A. G. Hoyt has received a copy of the Rocky Mountain News, of Denver, Col., of Jan. 15, announcing the death of his brother, A. B. Hoyt.

The account comes from Grand Junction, Col., and reads as follows: "A. B. Hoyt, who served three terms in the state legislature from Mesa county from 1903 to 1908, and one of the most prominent horticulturists in the western slope, died here at the age of 68 of heart disease.

He has lived in the county twenty-five years and was one of the best authorities on apple culture and orchard pests in the west. He was owner of the first highly cultivated orchard property in the Grand Valley.

He leaves a widow and two daughters. His funeral will be held here Wednesday.

The Elizabeth arrived in port Wednesday morning with a big cargo of freight but her passenger list was light. She had only seven passengers on board. They were Mrs. C. M. Spencer, Dora Dibbles, and Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Trott and three children. The Elizabeth will sail again at eight o'clock, tomorrow morning.

Mrs. C. R. Barrow of Coquille is in the city visiting at the Marshall home.

## SCHOOL ORATORS ON R. R. QUESTION

### High Schools of Coos County To Hold Preliminaries to Inter-District Debates

People of Coos county will be given some treats in oratory when the annual high school debate for the championship of the county will be held in the various schools of the county next Friday night. This series will decide which school shall represent the county in the inter-district debate later in the season.

The question for debate Friday night is—"Resolved: That the Government Should Own and Control the Railroads."

Each High School in the county will have an affirmative and negative team and in each instance the affirmative team will debate at home and the negative team will visit another school.

The Bandon affirmative team is composed of George Stoltz and Fern DeLong, and they will debate with the negative team from North Bend at the Bandon High School auditorium.

The Bandon negative team is composed of Jack Kronenberg and Helen Stoltz, and will go to Coquille to debate the affirmative team there.

The High School debates are one of the best educational features of the season in High School work and should be heartily patronized by the public and thus encourage the participants to their best efforts.

The four young people who are to represent Bandon in the debates are among our very best students in the High School and they are sure to give a good account of themselves Friday night.

## SUBURBAN IMPROVEMENTS

There is an improvement worthy of notice taking place on Johnson Creek about a mile out of town along the Township road. T. T. Hill and Wm. Shellhammer are each improving and clearing ten acre tracts recently purchased by them from the Lamont place.

Nathan Barklaw purchased last week fourteen acres across the road from Hill and Shellhammer. This land was from the Hoskins place and the purchase price was \$100 per acre. Barklaw is improving the land, building a house and making other improvements.

This is what Bandon needs. Home builders and land clearers. It is worthy of note that the men who are doing this work are old citizens who certainly understand local conditions.

Mr. Barklaw in particular, spent last summer in the Willamette valley at Newberg about twenty-five miles from Portland.

But he decided that there was a lot of place to establish a home here on his old stamping ground.

## BOX FACTORY SOLD MONDAY

### Plant of the Coquille River Manufacturing Company Sold at Receiver's Sale

The box factory belonging to the Coquille River Manufacturing Company and located near the Lyons-Johnson mill was sold yesterday at receiver's sale. E. E. Oakes, being the receiver appointed some time ago. Against the plant were accounts belonging to the Robert Dollar company for about \$7,000 and the First National Bank of Bandon held a claim amounting to about \$1,500. Each creditor bid in his own claim and the matter was thus closed up.

Just what will be the outcome of the sale, as to starting up the plant later on is not known at this time but it is possible that some adjustment will be made and the plant which is a good one and capable of doing a large amount of work, will be started into operation in the not far distant future.

## BIG REUNION OF MARINES ON OLD BATTLESHIP OREGON

When the old battle ship Oregon goes through the Panama canal it will be one of the greatest events of the kind in history in more ways than one but the men who will get the greatest amount of pleasure out of it are the 400 or over marines who manifested during the Spanish-American war as all of these men who are not totally disabled will be allowed to re-enlist for the trip. The enlistment must be for four years but there is an understanding that any of them may get a release or discharge at any place or port the boat may be, provided they waive all claims for transportation home. The boys are planning to make this a big re-union and it will certainly be a grand one as the boys have not been together for seventeen years and anyone can imagine about what will happen when they are united again in their former capacity.

Charles D. Felter of this city was a member of the Oregon crew that went around Cape Horn during the war and joined the Sampson and Schley fleet at Santiago, and Mr. Felter is preparing to leave on the Elizabeth to meet the Oregon in San Francisco, where the warship remains until February 1st, proceeding from there to San Diego where it will stay until February 10th.

Mr. Felter received the following telegram Friday from Victor Blae of the navy department at Washington, D. C.

Charles D. Felter, Bandon, Oregon.—Commanding officer of Oregon is authorized to re-enlist on board men who served on the Oregon April to July 5th, 1898. Average and physical disabilities will be waived where not a menace to the health of others. Under the law enlistment must be for four years; if discharged prior to that time must waive transportation.

Oregon will be at San Francisco, January 20th to February 1st; in San Diego February 3rd to 10th.

Mr. Felter is anticipating a glorious reunion with his old comrades and will probably remain with them for some time.

## TO START WORK ON THE RAILROAD TO EUREKA

According to an apparently well authenticated report received here the Southern Pacific is making plans to start active construction on the balance of the coast line from Coos Bay to Eureka this spring.

The official announcement has not been made but for some time rumor has it that it would be forthcoming in the near future.

According to the last report received here some of the contracts have been, or are being arranged for the last link of the line. It is said that Messer & Hauser, who are the contractors on about 18 miles of the Coos Bay to Eugene line, are to take the contract for fifty miles of the

extension between Coos Bay and Eureka. They are said to be preparing to start this work, if the plan for the extension goes through, about April first.

The Southern Pacific has several surveys of the coast route between Coos Bay and Eureka, the last one being made less than two years ago. Just what route was finally determined upon by Chief Engineer Hood was never made public.

It was generally believed that when the balance of the coast line was built the local line from here to Myrtle Point and the Smith-Powers line south from Myrtle Point would be used as links in it. They would make about fifty miles of the road completed and therout is said to eliminate some expensive work that would be necessary if they hugged the shoreline south from Coos Bay.

The understanding was when the contract was let for the Coos Bay-Eugene line that a contract would be let for extending the road as far south as Bandon so that the Bandon extension would be completed about the same time as the Coos Bay-Eugene road is. Nothing has been heard of this recently.—Coos Bay Times.

J. T. Conlogue of Conlogue's Camp was in the city on business Friday.

## VACATION HUNTERS MEET THE WARDENS

### Bar View Sportsmen Taken For Desperate Characters. And Closely Guarded.

J. Van Nortwick and M. F. Robison of Bay View, Ore., were in the city Friday and were incidental callers at the Recorder office. These gentlemen are two of those who were arrested in Curry County with George Fisher at the latter's cabin, near Pistol River a short time ago, and they have different stories to tell of the incident than the one which has been made public heretofore.

Messrs Van Nortwick and Robison, who are prominent business of Bay View had gone hunting, into the wilds of Curry County for some recreation. They had gone up and down the Illinois River and finally had got to Pistol River where they ran across Fisher, who told them that he knew of a convenient cabin near his place which they could live in while hunting in that part of the country and so they joined forces with him and accompanied him home. Incidentally they had killed two deer and were carrying them.

It was the closed season for deer but where the animals are used for home consumption and not for marketing purposes such lapses are not frowned on very heavily in Curry County.

As they approached the Fisher Cabin they were startled when two game wardens and five deputies, sprang out from behind various ambushes, with leveled rifles and with the ringing tones of the dime novel, ordered them to throw up their hands.

After the capture had been effected Robison was hand-cuffed to Fisher and a long rope was tied on Van Nortwick's arm, that they might not get away. The excitement under which the wardens were laboring, probably accounts for their strenuous measures in making sure of their captives.

VanNortwick and Robison were naturally alarmed at the turn their adventures had taken and the publicity which attended it and fearing the matter may reach their home papers, naturally want their story of the incident made known.

They say that Fisher, instead of having 400 pelts in his possession had forty and many of them were three or four years old. Seven of them were legally tagged.

The Bay View gentlemen are very much chagrined over the publicity given their outing but say they will return to the wilds of Curry county where cougars, bear and other wild game abound to finish their vacation.

W. T. White, Jr., came up from Wedderburn Sunday and was accompanied home Monday by Mrs. White who has been in the city for several days.

## MAKE A BIG GOLD STRIKE AT HEAD OF LOBSTER CREEK

### Two Men Spend Two Months in the Wilds of the Placer Country and Emerge With Nearly \$3,000 in Gold Dust. They Find a Nugget Valued at \$93.00

J. R. Smith and son, Owen W. Smith arrived in Bandon last night from the head of Lobster Creek in the extreme southern end of Coos County, telling of one of the biggest gold strikes ever found in this or any other country, and their story was no hot air either for they had the goods with them to back up their claims.

The Smiths went into that section of the country by trail, along the latter part of November and came out this week with nearly \$3,000 in gold. They have one nugget valued at over \$90 and many others of smaller values besides a big buckskin bag of smaller gold. All this and nearly as much more, which was sold or traded for provisions and supplies, has been taken out since about December 1st under the greatest of difficulties as it was necessary for them to split their boxes etc. out of cedar, and as they had 365 feet of this, one can imagine something about the time that it took them to do it. The Smiths were also handicapped in their mining work by the deep snow on the top of the mountains. Their mine is at the head of Lobster Creek about a mile and a half from the Curry County line and is said to be the highest point in that section of the country, having an elevation of about 4,000 feet. The snow at one time in December, Mr Smith says, was nine feet deep.

Mr. Smith says he has been mining 44 years and has never seen anything to compare with this mine in richness. They have taken out eleven pounds of gold valued at about \$250 a pound making between \$2,500 and \$3,000 in the short time they were there and with the crudest kind of material with which to work.

Mr. Smith expects to remain in Bandon a couple of days and will then go to Marshfield from which place they will take a boat for San Francisco to secure pipe, hose and other necessary material to promote their work and will return to the mine again in about six weeks to begin work in earnest.

During the winter they have secured their supplies from Agness but from now on they expect to get supplies from Illahe which is about seven miles from their camp.

Mr. Smith and his son have control of about 440 acres on one creek and 120 on another, and they say it is far ahead of any black sand proposition, being the richest of placer ground high bars, quick beds and lead deposits, so that there is an unlimited quantity of the richest kind of pay dirt and the large nuggets which they displayed at the Hotel Gallier this morning would bear out their assertions.

With such a strike as this in Coos county, if it holds out as Mr. Smith says it will, will make this region one of the Golden El Dorados of the world.

Mrs. C. M. Spencer returned on the Elizabeth from an extended visit with friends in San Francisco.

G. E. Trott and family arrived on the Elizabeth from San Francisco with their household goods and will make Bandon their future home.

Frank Catterlin was over from Coos Bay Friday calling on his customers.

J. R. McGee of the McGee coal mine at Riverton was in the city on business Friday and Saturday.

W. C. Bradley of the Bradley Candy Co. was over from Marshfield, Saturday calling on his customers.

Ralph Helmken left last week for the Sixes where he will look after business affairs for some time.

The Bandon public library is constantly receiving new books for the rent shelf. They have a number of the latest books in at present.

O. D. Turner and wife of Cherryvale, Kansas, arrived in the city Saturday for a visit with the J. & W. D. Marshall family.

## AGED CITIZEN PASSES AWAY AT COQUILLE.

Rev. F. M. Sanderlin, an honored citizen of this section of Oregon died at the Coquille hospital Saturday January 23, after a lingering illness. Mr Sanderlin was a minister in the Methodist Protestant Church and for a number of years was connected with the church in Ohio, his native state, later coming to Oregon where he did missionary work among the churches.

For some time he was pastor of the church at Riverton which is owned jointly by the Methodist Protestants and the M. E. Church South.

Mr. Sanderlin was born in Ohio and grew to manhood in that state and enlisted in the Union army from his native state. He had an excellent war record, having been in a number of the principal battles. He was a member of Bandon Post G. A. R. and the funeral is being conducted today at Coquille under the auspices of the G. A. R.

Mr. Sanderlin has lived on a ranch near this city for a number of years and has many friends here who will learn of his death with great regret.

## BANDON LOSES GAME TO COQUILLE FIVE.

Coquille gave Bandon a terrible drubbing at basketball Saturday evening the final score being 31 to 13.

The strange floor and the small arena are given as two of the principal reasons for the bad defeat and those who saw the game say that Bandon can turn the trick on the home floor as they showed better team work and superior knowledge of the game. About one hundred people went up from Bandon expecting to return the same night, but the boat ran into a fog just this side of Riverton and was compelled to tie up for the night, reaching the dock here about eight o'clock Sunday morning.

## SONS OF VETERANS INSTALL OFFICERS.

On January 19th C. B. Zeek, installing officer for the Sons of Veterans installed the following officers for the Bandon Camp: Wm Swart, commander; W. T. Griggs, Sr. vice commander; E. H. Divillais, Jr. vice commander; C. B. Zeek, J. L. Foster and Frank Carpenter, camp council; C. M. Knight, chaplain; E. R. Endicott, secretary and treasurer; C. B. Zeek, patriotic instructor; T. L. Marshall, guide; Walter Carpenter, inside guard; Jasper Hemmway, color bearer.

Frank Free and Roy Osborn were Coquille guests Sunday, going up on the morning boat.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Inman were in Bandon yesterday on their way from San Francisco to the Sixes River, where Mr. Inman is manager of the Hydro-Sixes Mining Company.

Rev. C. Mayne Knight pastor of the M. E. Church left for Myrtle Point today noon where he will deliver a lecture this evening on "Love, Courtship and Marriage" this evening. He expects to return to Bandon Thursday.

The Moose Lodge will give their third annual ball at Dreamland Pavilion February 13th. This will be one of the big social events of the season, with a fine floor, good music and the Moose will see to it that everybody has a good time.

Raynor Geisenfelder was host to the Senior class and faculty of the high school at his home on Garfield Ave. last evening, the occasion being his celebration of his birthday. Progressive games were the order of the evening and his 37 guests were loudly enthusiastic in their appreciation of the good time afforded them. The rooms were decorated in blue and white the class colors, and the scheme was further carried out on the tables and in the refreshments. Wishing their host many happy returns of the day, the young folks departed in true student style, rousing all of west Bandon with their yells.

Dr. J. L. Mason, veterinary surgeon of Myrtle Point will be at Garquiste Bros. livery barn, Saturday, January 24th.