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HUGE CROWD ENJOYS FOURTH AT BANDON

BEST CELEBRATION IN HISTORY ACCORDING TO OLD TIMERS—BIG SUCCESS.

Four Coos Guard Companies and Bandon Concert Band Participate in Battalion Review in Afternoon—Captain Fred Wagner of Portland Was Reviewing Officer.

Bandon's Fourth of July celebration, staged by members of Company A, Coos Guard, was one of the most satisfactory entertainments ever attempted in Coos county.

The day started out badly from a standpoint of weather, the north wind being unusually cold in the morning. However it had no effect on the attendance, for the crowds kept on pouring into the city from all directions until at noon when the streets were jammed. Apparently amazed at the crowd the hard-hearted weather man softened up a bit and from about 11 o'clock until evening the day was quite fair.

Program Was Complete
The program arranged and advertised in advance was carried out in practically every detail and almost every event took place on the time scheduled. The excursion boats were almost an hour later than expected, the one carrying the Marshfield company and a delegation of citizens from that place, arriving at noon. The Coquille and Myrtle Point crowd got here at 10:00.

Unfortunately the exhibition boat drill by the Coast Guard crew was scheduled too early in the day for many of the outside visitors. It was a very interesting attraction, the boys working like veterans in the cold wind and water.

The parade was formed on First street and was one of the spectacular events of the day. Headed by a car bearing Captain W. S. Wells, of Company A; Captain Fred Wagner of the Multnomah Guard; Sheriff W. W. Gage, commander in chief of the Coos Guard; and John Felzer, commander in chief of the local G. A. R. Post, the column was formed in line as follows: Bandon Concert Band; color bearer and color guard; Company A; Machine gun mounted on an auto truck; Coquille Band, Coquille Guard company; service flag carried by six local honor guard girls—Mrs. Dorothy Krantz, Marie Noah, Vernal Barrows, Louella Thorn, Verna Laub; members of the G. A. R.; flags of various Allied nations, carried by children; cars bearing patriotic citizens.

Flag Raising Impressive
The flag raising was a beautiful and impressive ceremony. It was largely attended. With the Bandon and Coquille companies at present arms and the band playing the national anthem, the service flag was drawn to the top of the pole by some two dozen or more relatives of the boys in the service. It contains 72 stars and one golden star. The latter is for Chas. Auer, the Bandon boy who was killed in action in June. A splendid patriotic address was rendered by Atty. J. T. Brand of Marshfield.

The ball game in the early afternoon was more exciting than anticipated. The Bandon Giants played against a combination team from Myrtle Point and Norway. It was close all the way through. Only six innings were played and the visitors won by a score of 7 to 6.

Review Attracts Crowd
Of major interest to the majority of the large attendance at the ball park, was the military review. A battalion review was scheduled, with the following officials: Captain Fred Wagner, representing Col. John B. Hibbard, Multnomah Guard as reviewing officer, accompanied by Sheriff W. W. Gage and Captain F. D. Fletcher of Marshfield; Captain Walter S. Wells, acting Major of the battalion; Lieutenant L. D. Felsheim, acting battalion adjutant. Four companies, divided into seven platoons, passed in review in platoon front in the following order: Bandon Coquille, Marshfield, Myrtle Point. The column was led by the Bandon Concert band, and the Marshfield color guard participated. It was the first time that anything of the nature had been attempted in Coos county, therefore proved very interesting. After the review each company gave a short exhibition drill, which also proved a good attraction. Considering the short time the troops of the county have been organized they are deserving of much credit for the efficiency they have thus far displayed in military matters.

Many See Sports
The sports on the street after the (Continued on last page)

Pershing Honors Bandon Boy Hero

Corporal Charles Auer, Killed in France, is Awarded Distinguished Service Cross.

Washington, D. C. July 5—Two Oregon men killed in action while fighting with the Marines at Chateau Thierry on June 6 have received the distinguished service cross posthumously, the award having been made by General Pershing.

The Oregon men to whom the distinguished service cross was awarded by the commander in chief are Corporal Charles Auer of Bandon, and Corporal William Hansen, of 1713 Portsmouth avenue, Portland.

"Killed in action at Chateau Thierry, France, June 6, 1918," says General Pershing, "they gave the supreme proof of that extraordinary heroism which will serve as an example to hitherto untried troops."

CITY TO IMPROVE ALABAMA AVENUE

Plans Adopted—"Lazy Mans Ordinance" Goes on Books—Rasmussen is Marshal

At the City Council meeting last evening a resolution was adopted declaring the intention of the City to improve Alabama avenue. Plans and specifications as submitted by Engineer J. S. Sawyer have been accepted. Ordinance No. 443, better known as "Lazy Man's Ordinance" was passed and was ordered published for the benefit of the general public. It will appear in the next issue of Western World.

Appointments were made as follows: J. S. Sawyer, city engineer; E. T. Wolverson, city treasurer; Chris Rasmussen, marshal and chief of police. The new officials have been sworn in and Marshal Rasmussen will be on the job tomorrow morning.

HEALTH SURVEY FOR COOS

Registered Nurse to be in County During July and August

Miss Jane C. Allen, a registered nurse, who is to be in Coos county during the month of July and August was in Bandon a few hours Wednesday. Miss Allen is to make a health survey of Coos county and is receiving the hearty support of the officials and friends of health campaigns. It is hoped that the work of Miss Allen will prove to the various local communities the value of public health nursing. Miss Allen comes to the county without any local expense, her expenses are paid out of the funds derived from the annual sale of the Red Cross Seals. The executive secretary of the State Tuberculosis Association, Mrs. Sadie Orr-Dunbar is accompanying Miss Allen for a few days to assist in introducing the health survey.

CALL YOUNG MEN

Class One of 21-year-old Men to Have Physical Examination at Once

Washington, July 6.—State draft executives have been directed by General Crowder to have the local boards call up for physical examination immediately all new registrants under the selective service act who have been placed in Class One. General Crowder wants the new men available for call in August.

Word has been received from Reed Gallier that he is enroute to actual service on the new flagship S. S. Taylor. Harold Balch of Bandon is also on the Taylor. He and Reed have been bunk mates ever since they enlisted together.

Flags of Allies Displayed

Those who admired the elaborate display of Allied flags at the celebration here are indebted to Prof. A. Richards for the inspiration and to Mrs. C. A. Jamieson for their realization. Prof. Richards spent the greater part of a week in designing, selecting materials and cutting out the various national colors and Mrs. Jamieson was the Betsy Ross who set them together and put on the finishing touches. Some were very difficult to make. It is unfortunate that the plan to have them carried in the parade had to be abandoned at the last minute, but they were on display during the day nevertheless, and are now in possession of Company A for future occasions. It was probably the first time in Oregon since the war began that the flags of nearly all the Allied nations were displayed at one time.

GOVERNMENT TO AID PLATINUM INTERESTS

LEGISLATION PROMISED THAT WILL PROVE BOON TO THIS LOCALITY

C. C. Inman Returns From East With Encouraging Information—Government to Pay Miners Standard Price for All Metals Contained in Amalgam—Platinum Necessary

National legislation that will be a boon to local mining is promised at an early date, according to C. C. Inman, vice-president and general manager of the Inman Mines Co., who arrived home last Thursday from a business visit in the east. This legislation is to cover the purchase of platinum-gold-silver amalgam by the Federal government.

Eliminate Middle Men

At the present time the government, through the mints buys such amalgam but it pays only for the gold that it contains. As a result miners have not been selling their products to the government directly, but to large refining and jewelry manufacturing concerns, who in turn have been furnishing the refined metals to the government. Since the war has developed an extensive use for platinum, the government has been dependent to a large extent on the middle men for this product. The middle men, being well organized, have held down the price to the producers and held it up to the big consumer. To dodge these intermediaries and make it possible for the miners to sell their products direct to the government, receiving standard pay for all the different values in the amalgam, Mr. Inman, as representative of local mining interests, has proposed the necessary legislation.

At Washington, D. C., on June 22nd he had an audience with the Military Affairs Committee, who expressed themselves very favorably. This committee suggested immediate action and arranged for an interview between Mr. Inman and Chas. B. Henderson, chairman of the committee on Mines and Mining. The latter is now in communication with the director of mints to secure necessary data and when that is secured the matter will be placed before Congress.

Big Benefit Here

The result of such legislation would be greatly beneficial to this section, according to Mr. Inman, as concentrates here produce practically altogether gold and platinum. It would have a tendency to stimulate production, giving the miners an opportunity to realize full value of their output and at the same time placing them in position to help Uncle Sam win the war. Platinum, says Mr. Inman, is absolutely essential in the prosecution of the war. It is utilized in the manufacture of sulphuric and nitric acids. The proportion of platinum necessary is minutely small compared to the quantities of acid made, yet that proportion is indispensable, and the demand far exceeds the present supply. For this reason Mr. Inman believes, the standard price of platinum which is now \$105 per ounce, will soon be advanced to \$125.

This community is being looked upon by government officials as a very favorable prospect for extensive platinum production in the near future, states Mr. Inman. More than ever since the favorable report made to the government by Dr. Day, after his recent visit here.

To Be Big Mine

The property of the Inman Mines Co., on Upper Sixes river, which is now being prepared for operations, will, according to Mr. Inman, be the largest placer mine and platinum producer in the United States. It has under construction a 30 inch pipe line, capable of carrying 3000 inches of water and operating six 6-inch nozzles. The minimum working capacity of the plant will be 6000 yards or 9000 tons of dirt per day. Mr. Inman left for the mines Saturday morning. He now has ten employed and is preparing to add fifteen more to the crew.

Bandon Boy in Italy

Rayner Geisendorfer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Geisendorfer, until recently resident of Bandon, has sent word to his parents that he has arrived safely in Italy; that he had a very pleasant trip and saw no subs. He is in the Ambulance service and had been stationed at Allentown, Pa., for almost a year. He was so anxious to get into active service that he gave up his job as corporal to be transferred as a private to another section that was leaving at once for the front.

LOCAL HARBOR JOB WILL LAST A YEAR

CREW OF TWENTY-FIVE MEN WILL BE EMPLOYED CONTINUALLY ON WORK

Superintendent D. A. Patterson with Small Crew is Preparing Machinery and Quarry—1600 Feet of Jetty to be Constructed to Connect Spur With Main South Jetty.

Construction work on the extension of the spur jetty in the local harbor to connect with the south jetty commenced the first of the week, with D. A. Patterson as superintendent. The job consists of building and rocking approximately 1600 feet of jetty and will require about a year to complete, employing about 25 men continually. A small crew is now busy getting the machinery ready and preparing the quarry to take out rock.

As soon as the pile driver gets on the ground and the first few bents are in place, the hauling of rock will commence. This, according to Mr. Patterson, will be in two or three weeks. All the necessary track equipment, engines and machinery are on the ground, the government having donated the use of the equipment and the rock in the quarry.

Captain J. S. Polhemus of the Government engineers office at Portland and his son, J. H. Polhemus of Marshfield, were here Monday to check up the equipment and turn it over to the Port.

The job now commencing is being done by the Port of Bandon in cooperation with the government, the latter furnishing the use of its equipment and the rock. The port pays the labor, which is the main item. A sum of \$20,000 is now available out of tax moneys for this job. Another \$8,000 will be available in the fall. However \$38,000 will not be sufficient to complete the work, but it will build the piling jetty complete and rock the entire length to the height of ordinary high water. Later more rock can be dumped on top if necessary.

TAKEN FROM BONE YARD

Old Government Drill Scow Being Repaired for Service at Coos Bay

Anything that can be made to float is resurrected from the bone yard these days. The latest "find" in the local harbor is the old drill scow, formerly owned by the government, that had been abandoned on the mud flats here year ago. It is now the property of the Coos Bay Shipbuilding Co. of Marshfield, but before it can be delivered it must be repaired so D. A. Patterson, who has the job, is placing the old wreck on the ways at the local shipyard site. He intends to put it in shape to carry lumber for the Cos Bay plant, and figures that it will cost about \$600 to do it.

Father Clancy Goes as Chaplain

Father Jos. P. Clancy, local Catholic priest, is preparing to leave for the Army. He has applied to serve as chaplain and has been accepted, expecting to be called within the month. He will go to France immediately. Father Clancy's place here will be taken by Rev. Thos. Talbot of St. Paul, Minn., who arrived here on July 4th from Portland.

Build Church at Langlois

Martin G. Clancy, prominent Portland builder, is here to erect a new Catholic church at Langlois. Work will begin next week. The building is to cost approximately \$800 and will be completed by August. Between 30 and 40 Catholics reside in that community.

DANGER WARNING

Beach Visitors are asked by Government to Beware of Mines.

MINES

Should never be touched but should be immediately reported to the nearest Coast Guard, Naval Base or Police.

NOTE

Mines are usually round or pear shaped and the most dangerous types have four or more horns or spikes. Some have a bar attached at one end. Mines which are being washed ashore by the waves are liable to explode on hitting the beach, and should not be approached within a distance of 500 yards. DO NOT PULL any line found attached to them. They are safe when high and dry. PROVIDED THEY ARE NOT TOUCHED.

New Lake Woman Passes Suddenly

Mrs. Elizabeth Bethel Passes Away Sunday Afternoon—Cause of Death is Undetermined

Mrs. Elizabeth Gertrude Bethel died suddenly at her home at New Lake Sunday afternoon. A telephone message from her daughter summoned Dr. R. V. Leep, stating that the mother was dying. Upon his arrival he found that she had already passed away and had been dead for probably an hour. The authorities were notified but as far as is known no autopsy or inquest was held. The cause of death has been undetermined. It is reported that she had been ailing for a week or more.

The deceased was born at Sacramento, Cal., on June 11, 1877. She was 41 years, and 27 months old at the time of her death. Funeral services will be held at the Ellingson Undertaking Parlor, Friday afternoon, July 12, at 2 o'clock.

ANOTHER CONTINGENT LEFT COUNTY FRIDAY

Several From Bandon Community Included in Thirty-Five Who Fill Draft Quota.

Thirty-five more Coos county men left Marshfield on the morning of July 5th for Ft. McDowell, (Cal.) receiving station from where they will likely be transferred to one of the several training camps in California. Among them were several from this immediate community, including: Lester L. Osborn, James R. Cox, Michael F. Stankevitz, Herbert A. Cottor and S. Richard Cottor. The others are: Horace D. Tiller, Jasper L. Fite, Ed Yeakam, Horace W. Ames, Charles E. Padgett, Carl J. Johnson, Wm. D. Major, James F. Stock, Carl A. W. Anderson, Harry Cottell, John Larsen, Lester L. Wayne, Ruben R. Jefferson, Bill Jeffries, James Kellond, Wm. Pope, Alex Hoagland, Archie Wilson, Irving Pittman, Alfred Leaton; Arthur Earl McCulloch, Oscar Robert Westman, Robert H. Kruger, John J. Berger, George B. Allen, Peter P. Lorusung.

Four men went from Curry county. Several of the men who were located outside the county when the call was made were absent and most of them arranged to go direct from their new locations. They included: Vincenzo M. Onoprio, Gullup New Mexico; Lester L. Mayse, Watsonville Cal.; Chas. H. Rose, Salinas, Cal.; Andrew Holmes, Albany, Wash.; Otho F. Yake, San Francisco; Robert H. Kruger, San Francisco; Arthur W. Peterson, Rochester, Wash.; Clarence T. Winkley, Everett, Wa.; John Purdy, Alto, Wash.; John R. Bailey, Forest Grove, Ore.; Jack Young, Bakersfield, Cal.

Another contingent will leave on July 22.

Ranch House Burns

The dwelling house on the W. J. Sweet ranch, located near the main road on Elk river, was destroyed by fire on July 4th. Mr. Sweet and one of his employees were eating dinner when they were attracted by a crackling noise outside. They found almost the entire roof afire, the flames apparently having broken out around the chimney. The roof was covered with dry moss and burned like tinder. The house was a large old structure. Practically all the household goods were destroyed. Mr. Sweet is now erecting a small bungalow building that will be used for a house temporarily and his family expects to join him this week.

Sutton Farm House Burns

Fire yesterday destroyed the farm house and a number of outbuildings at the ranch of Walter Sutton on Hubbard creek, three miles south of Port Orford. It is reported that very little of the household effects was saved.

Marshal Holman Resigns

F. A. Holman who has been city marshal of Bandon for the past eleven and one-half years has tendered his resignation, taking effect the first of the present month. Mr. Holman has been a faithful employee of the city and the fact that he held the job as long as he has is proof of satisfactory service. He is preparing for the fishing season which opens the 15th and after that is over will engage in some other occupation.

WORLD HONOR ROLL

Valle N. Ferry, Clellan Bay, Wash. Mrs. M. McLeod, Bandon. Miss Edna Jameson, Seattle, Wash.

FISHING SEASON TO OPEN HERE JULY 15

RAIN SHOWERS NEEDED TO ASSURE A GOOD RUN FOR THIS RIVER

Fresh Water in River After Long Dry Spell would be greatly Beneficial—Both Canneries Preparing To Take Care of Crop—Silverside is Natural Fish for Coquille.

If Jupiter Pluvius would loosen up and give this section a good soaking between now and the 15th, he would surely bring joy to the hearts of local fishermen. The spring Chinook salmon season opens on the 15th and both the Coquille Cannery Co. and the Prosper Canning Co. are preparing to take care of the crop. A fairly good run is expected but with a shower or two to add more fresh water to the stream the prospects would be at least 50 per cent better.

C. F. Johnson, manager of the Coquille Cannery Co., arrived recently from the Columbia and is getting things lined up for a busy season. New ground is being cleared and a larger force will likely be employed in seining and gillnetting. Mr. Johnson stated that the last season was better than any time for several years past and that his company looked for good returns this summer. It is his belief that salmon fishing should not be carried on farther up the river than Riverton as a great deal of the spawning takes place in the holes from Riverton on up, and to take out the fish that are spawning there means robbing the river for the future. He is also of the opinion that there should be more hatching of Silversides. The Silverside, he says, is the natural fish for the Coquille river and those caught here are superior to any caught on the Pacific Coast. The same is true of the Steelheads. But the Chinook here, he says, although larger is not as good in color as in the Rogue river. The Chinook is a snow water fish therefore thrives better where the water is coldest.

OREGON LOAN QUOTA SET AT 45,000,000

Fourth Drive to Start on October 1—Drastic System of Handling Slackers Approved.

Oregon's quota in the fourth liberty loan, the campaign for which will start October 1, will be between \$45,000,000 and 50,000,000 on estimates brought back to Portland by Robert E. Smith, state manager of liberty loan campaigns, who returned yesterday from San Francisco, where he attended a conference of officials of the Twelfth Federal reserve District. Oregon's quota last time was \$17,500,000, although the total subscribed was 27,000,000. The vast prospective increase in the Oregon quota has already stirred bankers to contemplative action, and Mr. Smith yesterday gave out word that it would go hard with liberty loan "slackers" in October.

W. C. T. U. CONVENTION HERE

Patriotic Contest to be Held at Which Eight Will be Entered.

The Coos county convention of the W. C. T. U. will be held in Bandon at the Presbyterian Church July 29-31, 1918. At that time a medal contest will be a part of the program but the readings will be patriotic selections and in place of the medal the amount will be placed in a Thrift Stamp, \$2.50, and presented to the successful contestant. The organization desires anyone who wishes to enter the contest to give name to Mrs. Blanche Faulds. The number of contestants is limited to eight and those who give names first will be accepted. The first accepted will be the first eight who might grade as equal in grade or age or both to properly compete as contestants. Those most desirable are from 6th grade to Seniors in high school yet if eight of 4th or 5th grade appear first such will be accepted. Further information may be had by inquiring at the World office.