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Musings  
By an Innocent Bystander

How time does move along! Twenty years ago next Sunday this writer had a part in the Memorial day ceremonies in Medford. In that parade marched 21 veterans of the Civil War, headed by James C. Woods, proudly carrying Old Glory. As it was "wartime" and these feeble old men turned out en masse to show to the younger generation they still loved the old flag they had fought for.

And as the writer marched slowly down the street behind that glorious band of men who had done so much for their country, he often felt the tears start as he, too, carried the colors for the younger soldiers who marched behind. The picture will remain clear in our mind to our dying day.

And in honor of those men and the only survivor of that little company, James C. Woods of this city, we today reprint a poem written for that occasion by Burton Braley. And we are proud to say that Mr. Braley was right in his prophecy as to the manner in which those "new boys" would fight. Several who that day helped to honor the nation's dead later "Went West" in Flanders Fields.

**THE OLD BOYS AND THE NEW**  
Time was THEY marched with a swing and a lilt,  
With their heads erect, and their hats afloat,  
In the strength and glow of youth,  
When each man shouldered his pack and guns,  
And fought the fight that has made us one,  
A nation, in fact and truth.

Today their gait is a trifle, slow,  
And their ranks are thin, but their old eyes glow  
With a light that is clear and brave,  
As they trudge along on their tired feet,  
Or lift their faces again to greet  
The flag that they helped to save.

And now the test of OUR souls has come,  
As soldiers march to life and drum  
To join in the thick of war,  
And the Young Boys fight, as the Old Boys fought,  
Willing to count their lives as naught,  
In a cause worth dying for.

And somehow we know, that in War's red hell,  
These lads will battle as nobly well,  
As the grand Old Boys we cheer,  
Who falter by to a martial strain,  
Or those who under the sod have lain,  
For many a quiet year.

So we lift our eyes to the flag that flies,  
With its Red, and White, and Blue,  
And we cheer again for the kind of men  
Who have always seen us through,  
For that stalwart breed that meets our need,  
For the Old Boys and the New!

Tomorrow sees the closing of another school year in our local schools. Twenty-one young men and women will receive their diplomas tomorrow evening at the gym. And we are glad they are going to use the gym for the exercises this year. Our school has outgrown the small auditorium for such affairs. With the new arrangement the entire community can find comfortable seats and all are invited. Let's give the Class of '37 a rousing send-off.

During the past year we have had many contacts with this year's senior class, both in printing the Central Pointer and in the preparation of the school annual. We have enjoyed this association very much and hope they have also. And we predict brilliant futures for some of these young folks.

We understand the ladies of the Civic Club have succeeded in raising the necessary amount to pay for a building for the library. This is good news. Let us hope they will do as well with all their plans.

## CLOSE MONDAY

The grocery, hardware, implement, and Barber Shops will be closed all day Monday in Central Point in honor of Memorial Day.

## G. A. R. Veteran



James C. Woods, 90, is one of the three surviving veterans of the Civil War still living in Jackson County. Mr. and Mrs. Woods will celebrate their 54th wedding anniversary May 31 of this year.

Memorial Services  
Well Attended at  
Federated Church

Memorial services in honor of the soldier dead were held in the Federated church Sunday morning. Rev. Robert C. Lewis delivering the address.

The Women's Relief Corps attended the service in a body, accompanying Comrade James C. Woods, one of the three members of the Grand Army of the Potomac still alive in Jackson County. Mr. Woods has been a resident of the county for the past thirty years and has always been active in veterans' circles, until recently he always carried the flag in Memorial Day parades. Infirmitie due to his advanced age have compelled him to forego all such activities. This was the first time for many years Mrs. Woods was unable to accompany her husband on this sacred occasion.

## So what?--

GOD gives each man one life, like a lamp;  
Then gives  
That lamp due measure of oil; lamp  
lighted—hold high, wave high  
Its comforts for others to share.  
—Robert Browning

Ernestine Thompson getting hung up on fence on her way to the cheese factory last Tuesday morning.

Mercyn and Jimmy Gleason getting a big thrill out of the Pelican and porcupine they saw on their trip to Klamath Falls last Sunday.

Neil Stone leaving strict order that he wasn't to be awakened Wednesday morning as that was his morning off. He having been exempt from all examination in the freshmen class.

Smoky Morris painting the town red in spots even if he is trying to help us keep cool.

Mrs. E. E. Scott saying, "It's the little things that count," as she brushed paint on innumerable hinges and knobs on the cupboards and windows in both bath room and kitchen.

Mrs. L. H. Smith threatening all kinds of evil things if we doctor up her story in The American.

Can you see Jack LaCasse going to work without any breakfast? Believe it or not that is what he did Wednesday.

P.T.A. Completes  
Work for Year

The activities of the year of the Parent Teacher Association closed Friday evening with the Junior-Senior Banquet. The proceeds from the banquet and what was already on hand will be placed in a fund for the building of a play shed.

The last meeting of the association was held Friday May 7 at which time funds were voted out to buy a flag for the girl Scouts and also a flag for the Cubs.

Mrs. Lettie Gregory and daughter Lyle visited in Crescent City over the week-end.

J. C. WOODS, 90,  
CIVIL WAR VETERAN  
ONE OF FEW LEFT

James C. Woods, who will be 90 years old next October, has the unique distinction of being one of only three men in Jackson County today who fought with the Grand Army of the Republic under Grant at the close of the Civil War. Comrades Bailey of Ashland and Vroman of Gold Hill are the other two.

Mr. Woods enlisted in Company A, of the 163rd Infantry, Ohio Volunteers, in 1864 when barely 16 years of age. He took part in the fighting around Petersburg and in the great Peninsular campaign. While stationed in and near Washington he saw President Lincoln many times and well remembers the tall form and homely face.

At the close of the War Mr. Woods returned for a time to his home in Ohio, but later moved to Nebraska. There he met the lady who was to become his life companion and the two were married in the village of York, Nebraska on May 31, 1883. They later came to Ritzville, Washington and in 1907 moved to Medford, Oregon. After living in various parts of that city, they purchased a small farm in the Howard district and a little over a year ago bought the Mary Grim home in this city, where they now reside.

For many years the tall, straight, soldierly form of James Woods, or "Jim" as his wife calls him, was a familiar sight at all veteran affairs and especially on Memorial day when Mr. Woods always carried the flag in the parade. Infirmitie of age, however, have in recent years compelled him to forego that march, although he still carries the old flag from a car. This year at the Memorial services at the Federated church, Mr. Woods, sole veteran of the Civil War present, marched down the aisle behind the colors he had helped to save, carried by Hal Jewett, acting for the Boy Scouts.

Mr. and Mrs. Woods will celebrate their 54th wedding anniversary next Monday. Until very recently they have lived alone, doing their own work and driving their own car, but Mrs. Woods' failing health, which caused her to miss the Memorial service this year for the first time she can remember, has compelled them to secure help in their home. Mrs. Sarah Vincent is assisting Mrs. Woods at the present time.

Club Is Entertained  
At Potter Home

Mrs. Betty Potter entertained the Carnation club at her new beautiful home in the foothills last week with a covered dish luncheon. The following guests were present: Mesdames Langston, Richardson, McCoy, Brenner, Kelly, Root, Fernald.

Mrs. Keller who is visiting at the Potter home was a guest and the hostess Mrs. Potter. Mrs. Langston was assistant hostess. Games and a social time was enjoyed.

KITTEBALL LEAGUE  
FOR COUNTY ORGANIZED

A kitenball league has been organized consisting of nine teams in Medford and one here. The grand opening will be at the Medford high school grounds, on the evening of June 9.

All boys, young or old (no age limit) are urged to appear at the local high school ground Monday and Wednesday evenings to help organize the local team. For further information see Marshall Simmons.

## It Pays to Advertise

A party having neglected to call for some of the flower Mrs. Stella Obenchain advertised until Saturday, was informed that she should have called before as so many came for them not only from Central Point but all around—even some from Medford—that she only had a very few left.

## NOTICE

The next meeting of the Ladies' Civic club will be held at the library Wednesday afternoon, June 2. All ladies invited.

## Class of '37, C. P. H. S.



—Photos by Corley  
Top row, left to right—Richard Jewett, Janice Nealon, Norma Holland, Elden Stevens. Second row—Maryann Tucker, Clarabelle Brood, Roberta Vertz, Kenneth Hood. Third row—Gertrude Moore, Millie McCord, George Curtright, Bill Grimes. Fourth row—Erma Thompson, Everett Atkins, Donald Smith, Roberta Pankey. Bottom row—Libby Hamilton, Donald Niedermeyer, Roger Lawrence.  
(Two other members of the class of '37, Yvonne Landers and Robert Conger, were unable to get to the studio in time to be included in the above picture.)

Commencement To  
Be Held Friday  
Evening at Gym

CULMINATING A WEEK OF ACTIVITIES CENTERED AROUND THE SENIOR CLASS THE ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM WILL BE HELD IN THE GYMNASIUM ON FRIDAY EVENING AT 8 O'CLOCK.

The school has been fortunate in securing Dr. U. G. Dubach, Dean of Men of Oregon State College, to give the address of the evening.

Janice Nealon will deliver the valedictory; Libby Hamilton the salutatory.

Music will be furnished by the orchestra under the direction of R. A. Botts. The Girls' Glee Club, directed by Miss Zinser, will sing the selection, "Memories".

After the address of the evening, diplomas will be presented to 21 seniors by Arnold Bohnert, chairman of the school board.

The exercises are being held in the gymnasium so as to afford ample room for everyone who wishes to come. A platform has been constructed in the north end of the building. This stage will be backed by lattice work and greenery, and the building will be decorated, also. The junior class, under the direction of Mrs. Ross and Mr. Jewett, have charge of the decorations.

Seats on the main floor will be reserved for friends of graduates, while those who haven't reserves will find plenty of room in the bleachers on the west side and in the rear.

The program in detail is as follows:  
Processional ..... School Orchestra  
Invocation ..... Rev. Robert R. Lewis  
"Good Scouts" ..... Lawrence  
School Orchestra  
Salutation ..... Libby Hamilton  
Valedictory ..... Janice Nealon  
Vocal Solo ..... Roberta Pankey  
"White in the Moon" ..... Fox  
"Glennia mia" ..... Hauerbach-Friml  
Miss Norma Zinser, Accompanist.

Address ..... Dr. U. G. Dubach  
Dean of Men, Oregon State College  
"Memories" ..... Lehar-Parks  
Girls' Glee Club  
Presentation of Class ..... H. P. Jewett  
Presentation of Diplomas  
Arnold Bohnert  
"A Novlette" ..... Lawrence  
School Orchestra  
Benediction  
Rev. Clifton A. Phillips  
—From The Central Pointer

## NOTICE

The Women's Relief Corps will meet at the hall Saturday afternoon and go to the Cemetery to decorate the graves. All members are requested to be present.

## Graduates,

Be prepared,  
But be for peace.  
Now that the shouting has died  
And common clay been defied,  
Let us reflect  
And not forget  
Foolish forms are made to hold  
fools in abeyance.  
Why not recognize facts (instead  
of forms) and mind our own  
business?  
What are we,  
Idiot  
Or Thinkers?  
Not a man,  
Not a ship,  
Not a gun  
To support  
Foolish forms,  
But every man,  
And every ship,  
And every gun,  
And every cent,  
For Liberty  
Forever!  
Here at Home

FARMERS AND FRUITGROWERS  
BANK  
Member Federal Deposit Insurance  
Corporation

ALL-SCHOOL ANNUAL  
ISSUED BY SENIORS  
IS MUCH LIKED

The 1937 all school annual, consisting of thirty-eight pages, with all activities of the school represented, has just come off the press. This annual is the first of its type to be published in five years and according to all remarks, the public has received it well.

Under the editorship of Clarabelle Brood, work was started shortly after mid-year when the various heads of departments were appointed by the editor and they began collecting and arranging material. Also a campaign was conducted to sell the books before they were printed.

The annual this year, has a new type of printed picture which has proved to be a success. These pictures are clear, and were made at a minimum of expense.

Points of much interest to everyone in this book are the snapshot pages, which reveal a great many of the students in startling poses doing unheard of things.

Another striking feature is to be found on the athletic pages where news clippings and pictures taken in action portray the accomplishments of the year.

Read the page about the faculty and you will find that the teachers are something more than mere walking encyclopedias.

"The Pointer" this year has an unusual cover of birchwood paper with simple lettering which gives it a very distinctive appearance.

The undertaking was sponsored by the senior class, who raised money from the Gymboree, candy sales, senior class play, subscriptions, and advertising. Everett Atkins, business manager, deserves much commendation for the financial success of the annual.

On the whole, the book seems to be one that everyone has a right to be proud of and one that will not easily be equaled.

Mrs. Fleischer and Mr. Jewett were faculty advisors for the Pointer staff.

—From The Central Pointer

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cook of Medford were callers at the Powell home recently.

## The Churches

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Clifton A. Phillips,  
Pastor  
Bible School 10:00 A. M. Roland Hoyer, Supt.  
Communion and Preaching 11:00 A. M. Sermon Subject "The Church and Her Activities."  
Children's Church 11:00 A. M. Mrs. Phillips, pastor.  
Junior, Senior and Intermediate Christian Endeavor 7:00 p. m.  
Evangelistic Service 8:00 p. m.  
We are giving a Chart Sermon which will settle the question: Does the soul sleep or go directly home to God? and Where are dead now? Don't miss this service.

Soul and Preaching Class will meet Tuesday 7:45 P. M.  
Prayer and Bible Study Wednesday 7:45 p. m. Winnifred Morris, Devotional Leader and Miss Lyle Gregory will review the Book of Romans.

Let us be faithful to the Lord during the summer! Mt. 10:22.

**THE FEDERATED CHURCH**  
Rev. R. C. Lewis, Pastor, Phone 51  
Mr. Kamberg, Supt. Sunday School  
Sunday: 9:30 A.M. Bible School, everyone welcome.  
11:00 A.M. Morning Worship.  
6:30 P.M. Christian Endeavor, Junior and Senior Groups.  
7:30 P.M. Evening Worship.  
Wednesday—7:30. Family gathering, prayer and Bible study.  
The weekday Bible classes have resumed their regular schedule as follows:  
Tuesday—2:00, Chapter Summary. 3:00, Synthesis. 6:00, Fisherman's club supper. 6:30 Scofield Bible class. 7:30, Church Evidence.  
Wednesday—8:30, Bible Doctrine class.  
Thursday—7:30, Personal Evangelism. 8:30, Sunday School Method. Everyone is welcome to these classes.