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LANE COUNTY VETERANS MEET IN SPRINGFIELD

17th Annual Session Brings Many Visitors for the two-day Program

Springfield took on gala attire today in honor of the old soldiers who are holding a county reunion here today and tomorrow. The big flag was hoisted on the butte south of town, and the business houses generally responded to the request for decoration by displaying flags and bunting.

Registration began at the W. O. W. hall at 10 o'clock, and by noon a goodly number of the red badges were in evidence on the streets.

This afternoon the visiting soldiers are the guests of the Rudrauff brothers at the Bell theatre, where a special matinee is being run.

The reunion will be formally under way this evening when a "campfire" will be held in the Woodmen hall. Rev. W. S. Gilbert, chaplain of the third regiment, O. N. G., and formerly pastor of the Eugene Presbyterian church, will be the principal speaker. Mayor C. L. Scott will give the address of welcome, and J. F. Beytein of Eugene will respond. Patriotic songs and recitations will also be on the program tonight.

Election of officers and the business session occur tomorrow morning, and there will be another campfire tomorrow night.

The following letter by the Development League was given out today:

At the regular meeting of the Springfield Development League it was unanimously voted to extend to the defenders of the Union, who are now meeting in our city, the hearty welcome of that organization.

We remember that, though we are now enjoying a life of peace while half the world is torn in deadly strife, that our power of unity is due to your battle where your comrades gave their lives to preserve that Union.

We are proud to see you on our streets in a body and with our hats off in honor of your splendid victorious we bid you, the members of the G. A. R., thrice welcome to our city.

J. E. RICHMOND, Pres.
W. A. DILL, Sec.

CARS FOR LUMBER RUSHED

Southern Pacific Reports 115 on Way to Willamette Valley Points

Salem, Ore., Oct. 4.—Speedy relief for the lumber industry sister-in-law, Mrs. Martha Niccoper because of lack of cars, was again promised by the Southern Pacific officials in San Francisco today, when notice was sent to the Public Service Commission that 115 empty cars had passed Ashland, bound north to Willamette Valley points.

A few days ago in response to inquiry by the Commission, President Sprule, of the Southern Pacific, telegraphed that 400 empty freight cars were on the way to Oregon to relieve lumber shippers. As these failed to appear with the speed deemed desirable, the Commission again took up the matter.

O. W. R. & N. Co. payroll at LaGrande takes 545 checks.

Central Point—Farmers and taxpayers league organized to scrutinize raising and disbursement of taxes, etc.

Program

Seventeenth Annual Reunion of the Lane County Veterans' Association at Springfield, Oregon, Thursday and Friday, Oct. 7-8.

October 7—First Day

7:30 p. m.—Campfire, at the W. O. W. building, with the following program:
Song, "Star Spangled Banner."
Invocation, Rev. J. T. Moore
Address of Welcome Mayor C. L. Scott
Response Comrade J. F. Beytein
Solo Mrs. Moore
Song, "America."
Benediction.

October 8—Second Day

10:30 a. m.—Election of officers and business session.
12:00 noon—Picnic dinner.
2:00 p. m.—Public parade, participated in by all veterans, auxiliary organizations and school children.
2:30 p. m.—Program at the Woodman Hall.
Invocation.
Solo Mrs. A. M. Spangler
Exercises by school children.
Address Rev. A. M. Spangler
Song, "America."
7:30 p. m.—Program at Woodman Hall.
Invocation.
Song Mrs. Richmond, and Miss Gilbert
Select reading Miss Busch
Recitation Ralph Dansfield
Address Rev. E. C. Wigmore
Song.

The old soldiers request that business houses and residences be decorated with the national colors during the time of this reunion.

OREGON'S DAY AT EXPOSITION WILL BE A VERY GREAT EVENT

Oregon Building, Panama Pacific Exposition, October 7.—Oregon State Day at the Exposition has been set for Monday, October 30. This is an Exposition arrangement and on that day all the honors that can be heaped upon the Beaver state by the Exposition officials will be forthcoming. This means that the chief dignitaries, as well as the lesser luminaries, of this greatest of all fairs will don silk ties and other prescribed paraphernalia, gather themselves into automobiles and with Governor Withycombe in the front car, will follow the Exposition and Marine bands to the Oregon building, and there in the shadow of the modern Parthenon wax eloquent over the glorious achievements of the state to the northward. Governor Withycombe, whose business in life it has been to make two blades of grass grow where but one has grown before, will probably be asked to plant a tree where none has grown before, and in the name of the great state of Oregon he may receive a plaque, or, more artistocratically speaking a "commemorative medal." The guns at the big forts will probably boom, the battleship Oregon may let loose some six inch salutes, flags will fly, Oregon cider will flow and at no time, before or since, will the Oregon building be in such gala attire.

After the parade—which the people at the Oregon building and the Oregon Society of California will endeavor to make the

largest and most memorable in Exposition history, and all the orating has been done to the delight of the assembled multitudes, Governor Withycombe and the chosen few will be carried away to the California building and there wined and dined until their stomachs as well as their hearts are filled to overflowing. In the case of Governor Withycombe, the wine will be water, of course, but San Francisco water is of such thickness and color that even the tinner nearest him will not notice the substitution unless it is announced.

After the feast and laudations of the greatest state in the Union by the highest officials of the greatest Exposition that ever happened, there will be a reception at which the people gathered here from the four corners of the earth may have opportunity to greet Oregon through its

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The S. P. officials who are making an inspection of all the company's lines and property, are expected to arrive here late this afternoon—probably not until dark.

GRAVEL TRAINS ARE DELAYED A FEW DAYS

Operation of gravel trains, which was to have begun yesterday has been postponed until Monday on account of the lack of the necessary dump cars. A supply is now on its way from Sacramento, but will not be in before tomorrow night and perhaps not until Saturday. At any rate the intention is to start the hauling Monday.

The cars which were used all the early summer for the Willamette Pacific operations, were taken for service out of Corvallis on the main line, and on the P. R. & N., and they could not be returned at this time for use out of Springfield. As a result, a new supply had to be brought from the Sacramento shops.

When operations are resumed they will continue for many months, and during that time the crews of three or four engines will make their headquarters in Springfield.

STREET LIGHTS OUT OF COMMISSION FOR TIME

The street lights could not be turned on until nearly 8 o'clock last night because of a break in the circuit at Mill street and the railroad. In passing under the railroad bridge some time during the day some vehicle loaded high had caught and torn off the lamp, placed to illuminate the passageway under the bridge. All the lights of the town are on one circuit, so the one break prevented the turning on of any street lights until it could be found and repaired.

Heavy team traffic is going by way of Mill street while the recently filled approaches to the Second street bridge are settling.

RESUME HAULING LOGS FROM COBURG MONDAY

Because the Booth-Kelly pond here was getting so full of logs, the train which was hauling the logs from the Coburg pond was taken off Tuesday. Hauling will be resumed next Monday, however, as room has been found for the logs now. Between 3,000,000 and 3,500,000 feet of logs remain to be brought from Coburg, or about one-third of the amount stored there. The finishing of the work of removal will require a month or more yet.

W. F. Turnidge wants farmers around Albany to raise mint and will take all oil obtained.

Ralph McKechnie has six acres of corn near Albany averaging 14 feet in height. Sutherland—Leona mills operate after 8 months idleness.

COMMERCIAL COURSES ESSENTIAL PART OF HIGH SCHOOL COURSES

Head of University School of Commerce Explains Scope of New Department and the Need it Fills.

"What the business men and the parents are demanding of the public schools today is that the pupils know business practice; that they know how to write a business letter; and understand some of the methods of business life. At this time but 40 out of the 300 high schools in Oregon offer commercial courses, but I predict the time will soon come when there will be 140 offering such courses."

This was the summary of the talk made before the Springfield Development league Tuesday evening by Dr. D. W. Morton of the school of commerce of the University of Oregon. Dr. Morton had gone into detail as to the courses offered in the school of commerce, the purpose of the school and its prospects for filling an important place in the life of the state. He had shown the recent development of the commerce school idea, and had pointed out how it is the natural outgrowth of the commercial departments of the high schools, supplementing and completing the work of the secondary schools.

"But when you consider," he continued, "that only two per cent of the high school graduates ever go to college, you see how important it is that the commercial courses in the high schools should be made as complete as follows. The University of Oregon is going to take up the duty as the University of Wisconsin did and do all possible

WOULD USE RAILROAD GRANT LANDS MONEY FOR SCHOOL AND ROADS

Oregon City, Oct. 5.—S. W. Williams, special assistant to the attorney general of the United States, held a conference yesterday afternoon with taxpayers and business men in the Commercial club rooms regarding the proposed action of congress in the Oregon-California grant lands case. T. W. Sullivan, president of the Commercial club, acted as chairman and talks were made by Judge J. U. Campbell, County Judge Anderson, D. F. Skene, O. D. Eby, C. H. Dye, C. Schuebel, J. E. Hedges, W. A. Jones, of Sheridan, and Phillip Streib, of Milwaukie.

The meeting adopted a resolution favoring selling the lands at near their actual value and dividing the surplus over \$2.50 per acre between the irreducible school fund and a fund to build permanent highways throughout the state.

The resolution protested against any of the lands being placed in the forest reserves, and declared that the interests of the railroad company should be protected so far as its equity may require. Mr. Williams came to learn the sentiment of the people of this county regarding the manner of disposing of the lands.

Hood River gets a \$7,500 concrete movie theatre 50 by 100 feet.

S. P. Payroll at Eugene for past month was \$11,304.

to raise the efficiency of these secondary commercial departments.

"Back in Wisconsin, where everybody has to make out an income tax statement for the state or the federal government, we induced the teachers in the high school commercial courses to make the work practical by teaching how to make out these statements. The children might just as well learn something that would save dad \$5 as to learn something in theory."

Mr. Morton traced the history of the commerce school idea, beginning with the traveling teachers of penmanship and book-keeping into the development of the private business college and the more recent extension of this class of instruction into the public schools. Within the past 15 years the colleges have undertaken to teach business in schools of commerce, the University of Wisconsin opening its school in 1901, the University of Illinois in 1903, and Chicago university and James Millican university at Decatur in 1905. Mr. Morton has been an instructor at James Millican university, and at Wisconsin.

The University of Oregon, he says, has the opportunity for the development of a fine school of commerce, in that it has for its head Hon. H. B. Miller, who was American consul at Pekin in the Boxer uprising, later was consul at Harbin and at Belfast. His knowledge of the world's markets, together with his connection with the United States consular service, makes him a most excellent man for the position. Already under Mr. Miller's direction a survey of the world markets for potatoes has been completed and the results embodied in a University bulletin. Box shooks have also been reported upon, and a survey is now being made of the milk supply of the world.

Dr. Morton went on to explain in detail the different courses that are being offered or in contemplation for the University school of commerce. These include accountancy, cost accounting, qualifications for a certified public accountant, banking, retail selling and store management, credits and collections, municipal administration, business organization, and kindred subjects.

Another course being given is concerned with the resources of the Pacific Northwest, and in this connection Dr. Morton explained the survey that is being made by the department, under the supervision of J. Frederick Thorne. This survey will include a history of every manufacturing institution in the state, with a statement of the volume of its business, samples of its products and statement of the possibility of increase.

The League extended Dr. Morton a vote of thanks, and also instructed the president and secretary to extend the greetings of the league to the Lane County Veterans association at its session here this week.



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