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LANE COUNTY VETERANS HOLD VERY SUCCESSFUL REUNION IN SPRINGFIELD

Over one hundred veterans of the Civil and Spanish-American wars, and members of allied women's organizations, attended the seventeenth annual reunion of the Lane County Veterans' association which was held in Springfield Thursday and Friday, October 7th and 8th. Social gatherings for the recalling of the stirring events of days long gone occupied the greater part of the time, and the largest item of business was the election of officers, which occurred Friday forenoon, and resulted as follows:

President, B. F. Crum, Eugene; first vice-president, James Offutt, Eugene; second vice-president, George McReynolds, Divide (Cottage Grove Post); third vice-president, T. W. Green, Springfield; secretary, Ed. A. Kreamer, Eugene treasurer, J. F. Beytien, Eugene.

The greater part of Thursday was given over to registration, and the first campfire was held in the evening. Rev. W. S. Gilbert, formerly pastor of the Presbyterian church of Eugene and chaplain of the Second Oregon in the Philippines, was the principal speaker.

The great moral principles that have been established by the American people served as the theme of Dr. Gilbert. First was established, he said, the big principle of individual political freedom, as evinced in the war of the Revolution. Next, by the war of 1812 was established the freedom of the seas, and then came the Civil war, which established the moral principle of political equality as between citizens. By the Spanish-American war the American people established the moral principle of responsibility for the welfare of the weaker nations at our door.

"And now," concluded the speaker, "we are engaged in establishing the fifth great moral principle that 'we are our brother's keeper.' May we not shrink from any responsibility that God may put upon us?"

Dr. Gilbert declared the United States had been remiss in its duty to China when it had failed, by the word at the right time, to stop Japan's aggressions in China. "There would have been no war," he declared. "Just an expression of disapproval from the American government would have been sufficient."

Dr. Gilbert also paid respects to the pacifists, declaring the American people are asleep in regard to national defense.

"The other day I was at the forts at the mouth of the Columbia," he said, "and I was told by an officer in charge that there was sufficient ammunition on hand to last the mortar batteries for seven minutes, and enough for the big disappearing guns to continue in action for 18 minutes!"

The address of welcome to the old soldiers was given by Mayor C. L. Scott, and the response by J. F. Beytien of Eugene. Other numbers on the program the first evening included a reading by Miss Bertch and a beautiful solo by Mrs. J. T. Moore. Rev. Mr. Moore delivered the invocation.

Parade Second Day. The business session of the forenoon of the second day was followed by a picnic dinner in

the hall at noon, at which nearly 200 sat down. Merry jokes passed back and forth as the veterans recalled less sumptuous meals of the 60's.

At 1:30 the line formed for parade, and the line of march led as far as Sixth street and return.

Rev. A. M. Spangler of Eugene gave the principal address of the afternoon, taking as his theme the value of conflict to bring out the best there is in men and in nations. In conclusion he said: "God give us men; tall men; suncrowned men who their duties know and knowing dare maintain; then shall the land be kept, for we shall then be 'a people kept by Jehovah.'"

Rev. James T. Moore of the Springfield Methodist church, was on the program for an address, but he asked to be excused on account of the lateness of the hour. Other numbers on the program were: Invocation, Rev. H. C. Ethell; solo, Mrs. A. M. Spangler; recitation, Mrs. Kizer; recitation, Marjorie Ruddiman; flag drill, pupils of the primary department; recitation, Doris Myers; exercise, "Little Flag Makers." Reading, Mrs. Wheeler.

Rev. E. C. Wigmore made the principal address at the closing session Friday evening, speaking on the readiness of the American people to take up arms whenever their is need. "Our men are our wooden wall and our protection," he declared, as he likened the army of '61 to the army of Cromwell.

Dr. Keeney Ferris gave two or three pleasing recitations, and Miss Leota McCracken sang "Who'll Be the Last Grand Army Man?" a song written by J. T. Foster of Springfield and dedicated to Iuka Post, G. A. R. Comrades Shelley and Beytien and Mrs. Kreamer of Eugene made short talks, and retiring President Dorrity, who had presided at the sessions of the reunion brought out a great cake, baked in layers of red, white and blue and decorated with an American flag design, to be served to the veterans present. The cake was the centerpiece for the big dinner at noon, and was baked by Mrs. William Horton of Springfield. Sixty-

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Rebekahs Attend Dist. Convention

A score or more members of the members of the Springfield Juanita Rebekah lodge went to Junction City Saturday to attend the District County Convention of the order. They returned late that night, reporting a most enjoyable time. The Springfield and Cottage Grove lodges reported 200 members each; Eugene 414; Junction City, 134; Coburg, 112; Creswell, 80; Marcola, 78; and Harrisburg 73. The meeting next year will be held at Harrisburg. Mrs. Rose Palmer, President of the Oregon Assembly was present at the convention and gave the members a very interesting talk which was greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Jennie Fry of Springfield was elected conductor for the

coming year. A fine dinner was served to the visitors at 6 o'clock and then following the business and social sessions of the evening ice cream and cake were served.

The officers elected for the coming year were: Chairman, Mrs. Emma Anderson, Harrisburg; Vice Chairman, Mrs. Hill, Cottage Grove; Secretary, Mrs. Walter Price, Marcola; Marshal Conductor, Mrs. Jennie Fry, Springfield; Inside Guard, Mrs. Finn, Coburg; Outside Guard, Mrs. Richardson, Creswell; Chaplain, Mrs. Cook, Junction City.

Those who attended the convention from Springfield were: Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Fry, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bally, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Durrin, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Walker, Mrs. Emily Dorrity, Mrs. R. P. Mortensen, Mrs. Wm. Donaldson, Mrs. Lee Clark, Mrs. M. L. France, Mrs. Jessie Newman, Mrs. Mary Magill, and Miss Alice Kseter.

Good Citizenship League to Meet

The Good Citizenship League of Springfield will meet in the Baptist church on Tuesday evening, October 12, at 7:30 for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year and to appoint the usual committees.

BROTHERHOOD WILL RESUME BANQUET TALKS

The Methodist Brotherhood will resume its work with a banquet and lecture next Monday evening at the church. District Attorney J. M. Devers will make the address, on a subject not yet announced. The brotherhood brought a number of interesting and instructive lecturers to Springfield last year, and is outlining a strong program for the coming winter.

OUT TO BOOST FOR LAND PRODUCTS EXPOSITION

Judge Wm. Colvig of the S. P., Rufus Holman, county commissioner of Multnomah county, and Ed. Werlein, will be in Springfield shortly before noon on Friday, October 22, to speak in the interest of the second annual Manufacturers' and Land Products show, which is to be held in Portland October 25 to November 13. They will talk particularly on the educational features of the exposition. The show last year was a great success, and indications are that the one this year will also be well worth while attending.

HIGH SCHOOL RECEIVES \$228.73 FROM THE COUNTY

School district No. 19, Springfield, will receive from the county high school fund the sum of \$228.73, based on the attendance of high school pupils for the past three weeks. The average attendance in all schools of Springfield is now 443.

CAR SHIPMENTS MULTIPLY THREE AND FOUR TIMES

Carload shipments of products into and out of Springfield have increased three and four times over the records of a year ago. For the month of September a total of 912 loads were received, of which 898 were logs. A year ago there were 258 carloads received, of which 212 were logs.

In the same month there were shipped out of Springfield this year 92 carloads, of which 84 were of lumber. A year ago the September shipments were 30 carloads, of which 24 were of lumber. The lumber shipments this year would have been larger if the cars had been available. At one time there was requisition in for 25 cars, and only five available.

The total carloads handled for Springfield business for the month was 1004, as compared with a total of 288 a year ago. In addition to the car shipments in and out of Springfield there are the shipments of less-than-car lots for Springfield, and also the car shipments of non-agency points on the Wendling and the Oakridge branches, billed out of the Springfield station.

Try to Reorganize Fire Department

Fire Chief H. E. Rice has issued a call for a meeting of all citizens interested in the fire department, to be held at the city hall Tuesday evening, October 12, at 8 o'clock. The department has not been active for several months, and now that the council has increased to \$2 the amount allowed firemen who attend fires, an effort will be made to re-organize and put the department on a proper basis.

317 Visitors Have Used Campground

The register kept of automobile tourists who have made use of the free camp ground in Springfield since it was opened six or eight weeks ago, shows a total of 317 persons have made use of the facilities there offered. Not only has there been full return for the money cost in the purchases made here by the visitors, but there has been a tremendous amount of good advertising received for Springfield by the kind words carried over the state and along the coast by visitors who have been pleased by their reception here.

One of the "Welcome" cards which are given all visitors, was handed to a Springfield-bound man in Ohio, thousands of miles away from the scene of the act of hospitality.

For the past several days the families of the Messrs. Dunbarr and Burroughs of Concordia, Kansas, have been camped here while they have been giving the country close inspection with a view to locating here.

LOGS FROM COBURG AGAIN

One trainload of logs was brought from Coburg today after the log trains had been off for a week, and two trains a day will be brought beginning tomorrow. There remain three million feet of logs to be put into the Springfield pond from Coburg.

Candidates Must File by Oct. 22nd

Under the Springfield charter, names of candidates must be filed at least ten days before the date of the election, if these names are to be printed on the ballot. Recorder H. E. Walker accordingly made the computation Saturday, and set 5 o'clock p. m., Friday, October 22, as the final hour for receiving nominating petitions. This allows ten full days to elapse between the time of filing and the day of the election, November 2.

As yet there has been very little general discussion of candidates. A few names have been suggested as possible candidates, but no one has avowed himself as a candidate on any ticket. A meeting of the Good Citizenship league will be held this week, and this organization will probably put a complete ticket in the field. It is probably, also, there will be another complete ticket, with the possibility of a few independent candidates.

But one measure will go on the ballot for the vote of the people—the jitney license ordinance, which was referred to the people by petition last January. The form of title for the ballot will probably be determined by the council at its meeting tonight.

To Carry Larger Distillate Supply

Material is being assembled in the Springfield railroad yards for the construction of a small building and the placing of a tank to carry a larger supply of distillate for use of the pump at the water tank. A 400-gallon tank has been received, and a carload of gravel has been shipped in from Corvallis. The lumber is here for the forms, but as some of the material is lacking, work could not begin this morning. New concrete work is to be placed in the pits in the oil pump house also.

GRAVEL WORK DELAYED

Failure of gravel cars to arrive from Sacramento prevented the beginning of gravel operations from the Natron pits today, and it is expected the work will not start before the end of the week. Five gravel cars arrived Friday, but nearly 100 are needed.

There will be a special meeting of Juanita Rebekah lodge Tuesday evening to meet Mrs. Rose Palmer, president of the assembly of Oregon.

STRAHORN PLANS RAILROAD LINES IN EASTERN OREGON

Portland, Ore., Oct. 7.—The first evidence of coming revival of railway construction on a considerable scale in the northwest was afforded in Portland today by the organization of the Oregon, California and Eastern railway, designed to supply some 400 miles of standard gauge lines for central Oregon and adjacent territory, at an estimated expenditure of \$7,000,000.

Some 40 leading bankers, merchants and others including J. C. Ainsworth, A. L. Mills, Wm. M. Ladd, Emery Olmstead, Julius Meier, Theo. B. Wilcox, H. C. Wortman, Adoupe Wolfe, H. L. Pittock, Wm. F. Woodward and Nathan Strauss met to inaugurate the enterprises and engaged Robert E. Strahorn, builder and former president of various Harriman lines in the northwest, to head the company by assurances of support.

The project, its promoters announced, promises a new and direct all-rail line directly south through central Oregon to Nevada, California and the east, saving several hundred miles over present routes to Reno, Carson City, and other Nevada and northeastern California points. It was said it also would open new and rich trade territory in central Oregon and northern California and Nevada.

The plan is for an east and west line of 150 miles to connect the Harriman and Hill lines at Bend, with the Oregon Short Line in Harney valley, a north and south line of 170 miles to connect Bend with the Nevada-California-Oregon line at Lakeview, a 60 mile branch from the latter in Silver Lake Valley, southwesterly to Kirk, the terminus of the Klamath line of the Southern Pacific, giving Portland and Spokane a direct line to Klamath Falls, and a 30 mile branch from the Lakeview line easterly to Warner Valley.

From reconnaissances and surveys already far advanced, it is believed the system can be completed and equipped in about three years.

KLAMATH FALLS HAS CELEBRATION BECAUSE OF RAILROAD NEWS

Klamath Falls, Ore., Oct. 9.—Klamath Falls celebrated its good railroad news on the streets last night with band music, dancing, bonfires and speeches. Several hundred people were gathered, filled with optimism as to the future of Klamath Falls and Klamath county, as the result of new Strahorn railway connections proposed.

C. C. Coit, of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, made the principal address. He said Portland business men have long seen the necessity of railway connection with the great undeveloped parts of Oregon, and that they have been working steadily, aided by the Klamath Falls Commercial club, in this direction.

Captain Siemens, president of the local commercial club, said Klamath county is under obligation to the Portland Chamber of Commerce for its important work in securing new lines.

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THE WALL PAPER QUESTION

is a troublesome one to many people. They want to get good wall paper, the kind that won't fade quickly, but it is difficult for the average person to determine its quality. The best way is to buy of a firm that is reliable. Our reputation for selling wall paper of the best quality is so well established, that you can make no mistake in purchasing of us.



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