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COMMUNITY SPIRIT.

Do you believe in fellowship and brotherhood? Of course you do.

Then you must also believe that a genuine community spirit is a good thing. It makes for happiness, good will and prosperity in a town.

We understand that there is a move now on that would foster this spirit in Springfield. It is commendable.

Why not have a great get together meeting on Sunday morning, July 4th, our national birthday and holiday?

The chautauqua will be here on that date, but they will have no morning program. Hence it is believed that their tent could be used in which to hold a great mass meeting. A speaker could be secured from outside to speak on some subject suitable for the occasion. Music could be furnished by local talent.

A program could be put on that would justify all the churches in joining and that would also bring in and please those outside of the churches. It would be profitable for everyone. If desired it could be set for a time that would not interfere with the Sunday schools.

We solicit the earnest attention and consideration of this plan by all those interested in the welfare of this community.

The chautauqua to be held here from July 2 to 7, will be the greatest event of Springfield this year. An interesting and instructive program that is unexcelled is billed for those dates—twelve great programs. They will all be educational and the whole program will be of great benefit to Springfield and her citizens. Everyone should have a ticket and attend all they possibly can. Have you bought your ticket yet?

BEYOND UNDERSTANDING.

President Wilson in failing to sign the water power bill recently passed by congress caused the measure to go by default and blocked constructive legislation for increased production. This comes at the end of a twelve year fight for the passage of legislation which would permit the use of our waterpower resources which now waste to the sea.

Why talk coal and oil conservation in the face of such a policy.

Refusing to permit development of

Elsie Mae Gordon Returning to Chautauquas



In every line of human endeavor there are those who naturally excel—Miss Gordon is one of these. She has made a careful study of the genuine Southern Negro and her crooning impersonation of a "before-the-war mammy" is accredited the best thing of its kind on the platform. You are swept from laughter to tears and marvel at the ability of this slip of a girl. From the pathos of the aged mammy you are transported with incredible reality into the joys and sorrows of childhood, for Miss Gordon impersonates a child as few ever have been able to do.

The Chautauqua management is justly proud of the privilege of presenting Miss Gordon on the opening night.

American waterpowers under the present necessity of saving labor and fuel, can only be likened to Nero fiddling while Rome burned.

The excuse given for his not signing the bill was lack of time to study the measure. Why did he not study the bill as it progressed in congress and then be ready to pass on the bill according to its merits?

We shall expect better things from a Republican administration after March 4.

Write that letter now inviting your friends to spend July 3rd with you in Springfield. And phone your neighbors about it.

Sixty Thousand Shriners Let Joy Loose, says an Oregonian headline. Poor Joy! No doubt she feels good to be free again.

South Bend Tribune—Palmer sets limits on sugar profits, says a headline. The sky, we assume, judging from bitter experience.

LUMBER INDUSTRY CHANGING.

Lumber production is adjusting itself to changing conditions and under all circumstances is doing its part in the readjustment.

Many mills have announced reduction in prices from 10 to 20 per cent and retail prices generally have been taking downward slides.

The fact remains that accumulating stocks at Oregon and Washington mills is influencing decreased production.

The serious shortage of cars and ships has again developed a physical congestion which is automatically curtailing the output.

During the last week of May 119 West Coast Lumbermen's association mills produced 883,612,202 feet of lumber and shipped 46,860,000 by rail, 22,860,512 by water. This leaves the unshipped balance orders at 119 mills, 356,908,555 feet.

Buying, always light on a falling market, is showing signs of life. Many large buyers are planning to stock up ahead of increased transportation charge.

SUPREME COURT SAVES SUFFRAGE.

The supreme court has upheld the plain wording of the constitution that amendments to that instrument shall be ratified by state legislatures, and has denied that states have any right to provide for a popular referendum of such questions. To have ruled otherwise would have destroyed all chance of women voting in the coming presidential elections, as about ten states could have rescinded their ratification of the suffrage amendment until such times as their voters had passed upon it. The procedure of future amendment would also have been greatly complicated, as each state could have provided its own method of granting assent. The action of the court is a sufficient answer to the movement, sponsored by certain Democrats, to deny the court the right to interpret the Constitution.

ONE PUBLIC DOLLAR FOR AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY; \$155 FOR OTHERS.

The necessity for farmers, and rural communities in general, to organize for equal representation in government with the cities and with city industries, is most aptly told by Senator Capper in a few words of a recent speech made in the United States senate. He said:

"One-third of the population of the United States is engaged in agriculture and more than one-quarter of the national wealth is invested in farm enterprises. The financial needs of the government for the next fiscal year may exceed five billion dollars. The agricultural bill calls for thirty-two million dollars, which means that out of every \$155 of the public funds \$1 will be spent on the nation's most vital industry."

Think of it—one paltry dollar for

the vital industry in which a quarter of the nation's most vital industry."

Think of it—one paltry dollar for the vital industry in which a quarter of the nation's wealth is invested, and \$155 for the other three-quarters of public affairs.

The injustice—the CRIMINAL FOLLY of it on the part of a nation—is obvious at a glance. It is plain that the captains of industry, the lawyers and the like, have so extended their own influence as to absolutely rule the government. The rural town merchant and the business man of the farm have been too busy producing the country's needs, to pay much attention to the fact that they have been themselves retreating farther into the background.

It is time for the farmer, the rural merchant, the country editor, the agricultural college graduate to force themselves into the councils of the nation—not so particularly for the advantage of the rural community and farm business, as for the sake of the nation itself.

Think it over.

A GREAT TASK COMPLETED.

It is not too much to say that T. M. Vail did more than any other man to make the United States united. He gave it such a system of wire nerves as no other nation possesses. He linked together town and country, home and workshop. He fitted telephony like a garment around the habits of the people; and when at last he sat in his office in New York and talked through to San Francisco, his stupendous lifework naturally came to an end. Like Drake, he could truly say: "And all that I said I would do, I have done."

This is a typical example of results of American initiative in developing a great enterprise for the benefit of all the people. It was done without expense to the government or the taxpayer. The telephone is an every day item in the American home instead of merely a luxury for the rich and official classes as in Europe where the lines are government controlled with resulting lack of incentive for development and service.

In Society

A delightful afternoon for members of Needlecraft was the one last week at the home of Mrs. George Catching. Caroline Testout roses were used in decorations. This will be the last regular meeting until next fall but a picnic for club members will be held in the near future.

Special guests bidden by the hostess for the afternoon were: Mrs. John Tomseth, Miss Mildred Redmond of Portland, Mrs. Ernest Skinner, Mrs. Robert Sidwell and Mrs. John Hutchins. The club members present were: Mrs. Carl Olson, Mrs. Ethel Bally, Mrs. H. E. Walker, Mrs. W. H. Pollard, Mrs. O. H. Jarrett and Mrs. R. P. Mortensen.

A picnic at Stafford school house on the Mohawk was a pleasant diversion for a party of young people Monday night. Those who made up the group were: Ethel Wakefield, Ethel Newland, Ruth Scott, Helen Coffman, Grace Male, Mildred Newland, Frances Bartlett, Audrey Perkins, Dorris Sikes, Verdon May, Randall Scott, Ben Davidson, Milton Coffman and Norman Byrne.

More than 40 of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Graves gathered Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Coffman, Sr., for a surprise party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Graves who leave about the first of the month for their former home in Nebraska. The guests also brought flowers and made the event a flower shower for Mrs. Graves.

Mr. and Mrs. Graves have been residents of Springfield and the near vicinity for a number of years and their return to the middle west is being regretted very much by the host of warm friends they have made while here.

Those who were at the party Tuesday night were: Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Graves, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Vaughn, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bachelder, Dr. and Mrs. N. W. Emery, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Pollard, Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Mt. Joy, Mr. and Mrs. C. Meacham, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Blenis, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Myers, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Eastman, Rev. James T. Moore, Rev.

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SPRINGFIELD MILL AND GRAIN COMPANY

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, May 24, 1920.

Notice is hereby given that Nason Harwood, of Winberry, Oregon, who, on July 24, 1915, made Homestead Entry, No. 010279, for Northeast 1/4 Northwest 1/4, Northwest 1/4, Northeast 1/4, Section 24, T. 19 S., R. 1 E., W. M.; and on June 13, 1916, made additional Homestead Entry, No. 010635, for the East 1/2 Northeast 1/4, Section 24, T. 19 S., R. 1 E., W. M., has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before register and receiver, U. S. Land Office, at Roseburg, Oregon, on the 15th day of July, 1920.

Claimant names as witnesses:

Stephen S. Edson, of Eugene, Ore.
 Una M. Edson, of Eugene, Ore.
 Charles McBee, of Winberry, Ore.
 Jack Renfro, of Winberry, Ore.

—W. H. CANON Register.

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TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

The semiannual examination for teachers will be held at the Junior High school building, 14th and Olive, commencing at 9 a. m., Wednesday, June 30, and lasting three days. Teachers desiring a schedule or program, please apply at my office.

—E. J. MOORE.

County School Superintendent.
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Miss Abbie Massee of Portland visited for a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. N. W. Emery.



Mrs. Cozy Home:

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