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## WAGES TO BE CUT AT THE B.-K. MILLS

### Manager of Company Explains The Lumber Situation; Wage Reduction Forced

An important session of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen was held in the Woodman hall Monday night, Dec. 27.

After the usual business had been transacted A. C. Dixon, manager of the Booth-Kelly company, gave a talk on the lumber condition in the northwest and especially this section. He said that at present there was very little market for lumber. He also announced that the Booth-Kelly company had found that it would be necessary to reduce the wages of all its employees beginning with the first of the year.

A committee representing the 4Ls has been appointed to meet with the company in arranging a new wage schedule.

The 4L chairman has called a special meeting of the membership for Monday night, Jan. 3. All business men of the city will be invited to attend this meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to consider the present wage and business conditions and make plans for readjustment.

## NEW MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN WILL TAKE OFFICE FRIDAY

C. F. Eggmann, mayor-elect, Mrs. Vina McLean, as recorder, and L. J. Lepley, James Laxton, O. H. Jarrett and W. N. Long, as councilman and O. B. Kenney as treasurer will take the oath of office next Friday, Dec. 31.

Recorder John Edwards will administer the oath to Mrs. McLean and she in return will administer the oath to the other officers.

## TWO CARS DAMAGED IN ACCIDENT HERE SUNDAY

Two wheels and a fender were smashed on a Nash touring car and a fender on Bert Snook's car was demolished last Sunday afternoon at the corner of Main and Fourth streets. The Nash, driven by George Macklin of Eugene, was traveling east on Main street and was about to pass the street car when a Ford came from the north on Fourth and turned east on Main street. To avoid a crash between the two, Macklin applied the brakes, causing his car to skid around to the curb on Fourth, south of Main street, and hit Snook's car on the front, driving it upon the sidewalk.

The driver of the Ford did not stop but his number was secured.

Marahfield.—Lumber mills reduce wages to \$4.80 for mill employees.

## COMMUNITY TREE SPLENDID SUCCESS

### Three Churches Have Program; Happiness Brought to Everyone

They came, they saw, they were pleased.

If one is to judge from the large number of favorable comments heard on the streets every one of the large audience which attended the community Christmas tree and program at the Methodist church last Saturday night was well pleased with the affair.

Considering the time given to rehearsals an excellent program was rendered. A beautifully decorated tree occupied an important place. At the close of the program a treat was distributed to all present with some left over which was later given to children of the town who were not at the program.

On Friday evening each one of the churches put on a Christmas tree and a program. At the Baptist church a tree and program was put on with a treat for the children. The Christian church gave what they termed a "white Christmas". A tree and program was given and a treat for the children. Gifts were brought by everyone for the purpose of distributing to the missionary fields. The Methodist Sunday school put on a fine program and tree and at the close the children received a treat.

The committees in charge wish to thank the organizations who gave funds for the community tree, also all who helped in any way to put the affair over. The financial committee asks that any unpaid bills be presented at once. The financial committee, consisting of Fred Lemley, chairman, W. P. Tyson and Bert Snook, makes the following report.

Cash Received	
4th of July fund	\$122.05
American Legion	10.00
Civic club	13.00
W. O. W.	10.00
Liberty lodge 171 A.F.&A.M.	10.00
Knights and Ladies of Security	10.00
Neighbors of Woodcraft	5.00
I. O. O. F.	10.00
Cash (F. B. Hamlin)	1.00
4L Local No. 79	20.00
Rebekah lodge No. 85	5.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$215.05</b>
Expenditures	
Transfer and car hire	\$ 4.00
Ketels drug store	7.00
Farmers Exchange	3.15
Messenger service, etc.	2.50
Springfield News	7.00
C. F. Eggmann	70.90
M. C. Bressler & Son	2.03
McDowell Dep't store	1.95
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$102.63</b>
Refund from Eggmann	.70
<b>Total expense</b>	<b>\$101.93</b>
Cash in bank to credit of community fund	\$113.08
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$215.06</b>

The News \$1.75 in advance.

## DAIRYMEN SHORT COURSE WILL START NEXT WEEK

Butter, Cheese, Ice Cream Making and Factory Management Offered Oregon Operators

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Dec. 29.—The eight week course in butter and cheese making, cream freezing and packing, dairy chemistry and bacteriology factory management, starts January 3 at O. A. C.

The principles of creamery butter making will include construction management and care of cream, approved methods of manufacture, sampling and grading, pasteurization and ripening of cream, and churning and packing butter.

Commercial manufacture of Cheddar cheese will cover every detail of the process, factory construction and management, with records of different operations to note effect on finished product.

Ice cream study and practice will consider the different mixes for various frozen products and their freezing, packing and sale.

Factory management will help the man who is creamery manager to solve the problems of business management.

Creamery tests will show both standard and Babcock tests with short cuts and conveniences, quick tests for adulterants and preservatives, curd activity and sediment tests.

Dairy chemistry and bacteriology are very elementary, designed to enable the operator to make the simple tests for acidity, total solids, effect of pasteurization and understand general sanitation and cleanliness.

Men who have had experience in dairy factories will have more advanced work than those who are preparing to begin.

## THREE L WOMEN ARE ENTERTAINED BY 4L MEN

After the business meeting of the Loyal Legion last Monday night the men hastily got up a program which delighted those present. R. D. Wilson at the piano and Mr. Pardee with his faithful violin gave two numbers; Walter Gossler and George Signor rendered a duet, and P. A. Woolley sang and gave a reading.

Refreshments that approached the nature of a banquet were served by the men, women of the Ladies Loyal Legion being special guests. It is said that some of the 3L women have announced their intention of taking a vacation and let their men folk do the cooking at home, so well did they perform Monday night.

The next meeting of the Ladies Loyal Legion is to be held at the home of Mrs. Jess Smitson, on G street, between 7th and 8th streets, Wednesday, January 12. At that time there will be election of officers and all members are requested to be present.

## MORE BOY SCOUTS PASS THE TENDERFOOT TEST

At a recent meeting of the Boy Scouts investiture services were given at which those who had passed the tenderfoot test received the scout badges, thus becoming actual Boy Scouts.

Following are the names of the boys: Neil Nelson, Horace Myers, Earl Calkins, Earl Roberts, John Knight, Kenneth Dillard, Eugene Walker, George Jones, Carl Fisher, Byron Cowart, John Halsey, and Wilbur Brattain.

## EMIL SCHEIN AND MISS BLANCHE HAYNES MARRIED

On Christmas day Emil Schein and Miss Blanche Haynes were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage in this city. There were a few relatives present to witness the ceremony and bid the young couple God speed.

Miss Haynes is the grand daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Haynes, who live about three miles east of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Schein will make their home at Elmira, Oregon.

Adney Signor of Schofield spent Christmas with his parents here.

## CARE OF FARM MACHINERY TAUGHT

### Special Short Course at O. A. C. in Handling of Power Machinery

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Dec. 29.—The farmer of today operates more kinds of machinery and has more responsibility in their care and efficiency than the average professional mechanic in the city," says W. J. Gilmors, in announcing his tractor and farm machinery short courses at O. A. C., starting January 3. One course will run for two weeks and the other for 12. A second two-week course will begin January 17.

The two-week course is aimed to help the farmer select the type of tractor best suited to his needs, and to overhaul it and his other machines for upkeep and repairs. Much practice will be given in operating single and multiple cylinder engines, and in running tractors in and out doors.

The 12 week course will consist of instruction and practice in running tractors and in learning the construction and care of tractor motors and other farm machinery.

"Many small repairs and adjustments can be made only with the aid of shop experience," says Professor Gilmors. "This experience can be obtained with comparatively little training. Delays in making the repairs, though, are often expensive in both time and money."

Farmers and other students taking these courses will have the benefit of 12 makes and models of tractors, provided for the purpose. Several practical representatives of eastern factories have promised to be on hand to help out in the training.

Many types of farm machinery and equipment are brought in for overhauling by the students, under supervision of the instructors.

## ABE WEINSTEIN AND TWO PALS ROB PORTLANDERS

The following taken from the Telegram of Dec. 29 will be of interest to Springfield people. Abe Weinstein, one of the young men committing the holdup, is a son of L. Weinstein who formerly was interested in the Farmers Exchange here, and Abe was employed for a time at the store.

"The flash of diamonds on the fingers of Mrs. R. M. Cleveland, whose husband operates the cigar stands in the Selling and Northwestern National Bank buildings, is held responsible for the fact that two young men are in the city jail today facing charges of highway robbery, which carries a sentence of anything up to life in the penitentiary.

Joe Greenburg, said by police to be a Seattle gangster, and Abe Weinstein, who served a term in the county jail on conviction of complicity in the wool thefts last spring, are the men in jail.

According to police, they have confessed that, with a third companion, they held up Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland at Eleventh and College streets Monday night and robbed them of about \$2500 worth of jewelry."

## MISS SIKES TO WORK IN SALEM DURING LEGISLATURE

Miss Dorris Sikes will go to Salem the first of January where she will take a position on the Oregon Statesman as reporter during the session of the legislature. Miss Sikes formerly worked there while attending Willamette university.

## MARCOLA COUPLE WEDDED ON CHRISTMAS DAY

At a quiet home wedding Miss Flora Smith, of Marcola, was married to Henry May of Portland on Christmas day at noon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. M. Witham, of Marcola, at the home of the bride's parents. After the ceremony a wedding dinner was served and the couple soon left by auto for Portland where they will make their home. Only relatives of the couple and Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Witham were present.

## "Doings" of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen

By the 4L Publicity Committee, H. J. Cox, Chairman

## WHAT GOOD IS IT, ANYHOW?

So frequently the question is propounded in the spirit of being unanswerable, "What good is the 4L anyhow?" that it seems worth while to tell it over again in words of one syllable.

What has the 4L done? It has put thousands of dollars into the pockets of workers in advanced wages during 1919 and the first half of 1920.

It has put thousands of dollars into the pockets of workers since then in maintaining a wage-scale in a time when that scale was seriously threatened. Without the 4L, wages positively would have begun to decline last July. If the 4L had all the money it has put into the workers' pockets in the last four months it could live on the interest.

It has maintained the eight-hour day, and secured a signed statement from the majority of large operators to maintain it forever. No other labor organization could have done it. It turned the hose on the ten-hour talk, when the ten-hour talk was going like wild-fire.

It has saved thousands of dollars to workers by substituting the method of conference for the method of strike.

It has raised the standard of living conditions in camps and mill towns and has made the higher standard popular.

It has brought about the expenditure of a million dollars in improvements in camps and mills—better housing, better lighting, new hospitals, a flock of new recreation halls.

It has adjusted through conference almost innumerable items adding to the comfort of the worker, providing things like shelter, drinking fountains and lunch rooms.

It has established and made stick the principles of collective bargaining, right of organization, recognition of the worker and his family.

All these things the workers of the nation have striven for and struck for, bled for and died for—are still doing it today. In no other section of the lumber game are workers so well paid. In no other section is the eight-hour day in full force. In the Northwest, the aims have been ac-

complished with the minimum of fuss and the maximum of result.

Maybe some folks care more for fuss than they do for results.

Because some men are still asking: "What good is the 4L anyhow?" Some men still crab on paying 25c per month dues.

Some men still crab because the employer is part of the machinery that gets him better wages, shorter hours and improved living conditions because the boss is helping him get something he thought he had to take away from the boss by force. Can you beat it? No. You can't even tie it.

Said an I. W. W. organizer: "The operators ought to be in favor of the 4L's. It has saved them a hundred thousand a month in the past year in preventing strikes." By the same token the worker in the mills and woods, and the communities of the Northwest that live by lumber, ought to favor the 4L's for it has saved them more than that it has the operators. And this all-round saving by the prevention of industrial war has sacrificed no industrial good; the eight-hour day has been held, a high wage level has been maintained, and working conditions as to health, comfort, and safety have been steadily improved.—Oregon Voter.

## EXPOSE "C"

Sometimes, writers of just ordinary mental endowment like myself for instance, experience difficulty in making a beginning to their "write-ups", which are to be so attractive to the reader that interest will not be divided until the "wind-up"—after the ending; as it were.

This time I shall rely upon the readers' curiosity for the complete perusal of Expose "C".

During my daily rounds of pleasure I am compelled to listen to chin music about the 4Ls that would indeed be disgusting to most any profound thinker of this age.

The glissando articulations of the "knockers" are nauseating; nothing but a verbal expression of putrid mental vomit seeking an outlet. "The 4Ls is all hot air"; "a scab Union"; "The extreme limit of impracticableness"; etc. Such thoughts are hardly worth the time spent in rebuttal—however entertaining the idea of setting some individuals exactly right on the 4L proposition I shall stick in a response something after this

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