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THE K. K. K. OPEN AIR INITIATION

Spectacular Display Put on on Emerald Heights Monday Night

The ceremony of initiating a large number of men into the Ku Klux Klan was performed in the open air on the northeast shoulder of the butte in the northwest part of Springfield, known in late years as Emerald Heights. That is, the outside world was given to understand, in various and devious ways, that what was going on. It is understood that the initiations were into the Eugene organization of the Klan. The candidates are said to have been from Eugene, Springfield and all the upper part of the Willamette valley.

A long procession of cars came over from Eugene soon after dark, and cars from all about kept coming all through the hour from 9 to 10. Great numbers of cars were parked along Mill and intersecting streets, and great numbers of Springfield people on foot gathered in that quarter, where a fair view of that part of the butte where the proceedings were going on could be had.

Toward the latter part of the proceedings, a light in the form of a tall red cross was displayed on the shoulder of the butte; and, from the beginning of the gathering, two other lights, of neutral hue, were displayed at stations farther back on the butte. These lights at times died down, disappeared and reappeared. Whether this was accidental, or whether there was any significance in these changes the uninitiated spectators could only guess. The crowd taking part in the ceremony numbered some hundreds, and there were hundreds of spectators below.

Apparently, the object of a gathering of that nature, where the spectators could see that something unusual was going on, without knowing, except from rumor, just what was going on, and could see that numbers of people were concerned, was to impress the populace with the significance and the strength of the Ku Klux Klan.

It seems homelike to see and hear again the airplanes as they pass up and down the valley on their daily flights. Several planes, furnished by the war department have been stationed at Eugene for forest patrol service.

The stockholders of the Springfield Manufacturing and Investment association will hold a meeting at the office of the association, Wednesday evening, July 26, at 7:30, to consider the further course of procedure of the association. All stockholders please attend.

Dorothy Dalton in "The Idol of the North" at the Bell Saturday.

Dr. S. Ralph Dippel, dentist, Springfield, Oregon.

Vivian Sands, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Sands, died at Fischer's mill, above Marcola, at 1:45 a. m., Saturday, July 15th, aged 1 year, 3 months and 11 days. The funeral was conducted at the Marcola cemetery Sunday, the 16th, at 2 p. m., by Rev. Levi Day. The burial was in charge of W. F. Walker.

Fin Male came up from Portland Monday for a week's visit.

Lost. Key ring with about 8 keys, including one Ford key. On or about June 12. Leave at News-office and receive reward.

The state convention of the Oregon Editorial association will be held at Corvallis Friday and Saturday of this week. A banquet will be given by the Corvallis chamber of commerce. A special train will take the visitors to the beach at Newport Saturday afternoon, returning Sunday afternoon.

The W. O. W. meets every Tuesday evening in their own home.

You who saw Dorothy Dalton in the "Flame of the Yukon" know what to expect in the "Idol of the North."

The Girls' Guild of the Baptist church will give a Shadow social and lawn party Friday evening, July 21, at the home of Dora Harvey, between A and B, on Mill street. Everyone is invited. The proceeds from the social will go for home missionary purposes.

F. M. Stroud, who lives near Trent, had his left hand badly burned with boiling oil last Monday, while engaged in some wagon work.

BUILDING HERE AND COTTAGE GROVE

The Sentinel says: "Cottage Grove is enjoying the greatest residential building boom in recent years. A number of new homes already have been completed, and yet the supply is not equal to the demand." There was more building work done in Springfield during last year than for six or eight years past, counting additions, remodelings and repairs. From appearances up to this time, the amount done this year will greatly exceed that of last year; and yet it is not keeping pace with the demand, and does not amount to what we should call a building boom. Springfield badly needs more houses.

WITH THE TOURISTS ON THE AUTO CAMP

Among those visited on the camp ground early one evening, these variations in personalities, aims and objectives were observed:

Two men and the wife of one of them were traveling from Sacramento to northern Oregon or Washington, keeping a lookout for seasonal work along the way. As in a large share of cases, when told that there is a big sawmill here they inquire about it with some show of interest. One of the remarkable things about this group was that the husband in the case was getting the supper, while the wife sat by the car some distance away, and took no part in the cooking or in the conversation. Perhaps it was her outing and his tanning.

Across the ditch from this group were a middle aged couple and two little couples, from Yakima, who had gone down the Yakima river, crossed the Columbia near Pasco, gone down the Columbia to Hood River, inspected the fruit conditions there, and were headed for Medford, "looking" and inquiring as they went. They wanted to find cheaper land, better water and a better climate than the Yakima valley afforded. When they found the desired combination, they wanted to purchase a tract of 10 acres or more, and make a home and a fruit farm out of it.

A man, his wife and a son about 25 had come from Champaign, Illinois. The wife and son had driven all the way—the longest drive any of our visitors have made this season, so far as this country has noted. The father had come by train to Seattle, and met the others there. He was brought up in Southern Michigan, and had never been in the far west before. He has for several years had charge of a department of the work of the registrar's office in the University of Illinois. The son is an electrical engineer, and is keeping a lookout on the way for a job in that line. The family were going through California and home by a southern route.

In the issue of the 4th, there was a note of an elderly couple, their son and their little granddaughter, from Oregon City, who camped here the night of the 3rd, and went up the McKenzie to spend a part of the 4th. They got back into Oregon City late the evening of the 4th, fitted themselves up better for camping, and were back on our camp ground again last Monday night. They expected to go as far as Roseburg on Tuesday, and from there into Curry county, on an exploring expedition.

M. C. Van Dyke and family and Lewis Dewet and family, neighbors from southern California, were here in the early part of May, picked fruit while in the Hood River valley, and worked their way as far as La Grande. They were back on our camp ground Monday night, on their way to their old stamping ground in Southern California.

An infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Phillips, of East Main street, died soon after birth, Thursday morning, July 13th. Funeral services were held at the Odd Fellows' cemetery in Eugene, the afternoon of the 13th, by Rev. Francis Aarut. The burial was in charge of W. F. Walker. Mrs. Phillips was formerly Miss Amy Carson.

All orders of hemstitching left at Eggmann's, 8c per yard for all colors.

Herbert Taylor, son of Frank Taylor, of Thurston, who is employed by the Coast Range Lumber company, at Mabel had the great toe of his right foot badly mashed by a timber dropping upon it, last Thursday.

W. L. Wilnot has been appointed administrator to the partnership estate of John Innis. Mr. Wilnot's former partner in the service station on Fifth and Main.

ENTERPRISING FIRM AND ITS OPERATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hallinger, from Boardman, Oregon, and G. G. McPherson, from the Lost Creek ranch, on the upper McKenzie, have been brought together in Springfield by some business matters in the past few days. Mr. and Mrs. Hallinger at present are spending a few days at Lost Creek. This is a busy season with McPherson & Swartz, who are carrying on a general tourists' resort at the ranch. They run a hotel, and keep all sorts of goods and supplies that tourists specially need. They fit out hunting and fishing parties, and furnish them with guides.

With all the other attractions and conveniences of the place, they are preparing to open next season a summer school for boys; for the boys in advanced grades of tourists spending the season in that region, and for boys who might like to spend the vacation amid healthful and helpful surroundings and at the same time bring up their studies or advance their grades. They have been in consultation with the county superintendent, with the view of being prepared to furnish such an instructor as the superintendent, local school authorities and parents would approve.

These are enterprising and enlightened men, and will do the country some good before they are through with it.

Dr. S. Ralph Dippel, dentist, Springfield, Oregon.

Hadley & Sons' small sawmill, at Hadleyville, was burned last Saturday. The fire spread into the timber, and did considerable damage.

Dr. Rehban was called to Seattle Monday, by the sickness of his sister. He started late that afternoon; and, barring accidents, expected to go through by car some time during Tuesday.

1/4 acre lot on 5th st. Make me an offer. Need the money. A. M. Platt 1573 E 56th street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Woolley expect to start today on a long round of visits to relatives at several points in Minnesota, in Nebraska and to a daughter near Delta, Colorado. Mr. Woolley said they were going to stay until they got homesick. Their daughter, Chloe, who returned about three weeks ago from a prolonged stay with her sister in Colorado, will keep house while they are gone.

"Golden Dreams," a Goldwyn picture, at the Bell Theatre Sunday.

Hallinger and McPherson sold the Bell Theatre last Saturday to Paul Coleman, of Walse, Idaho. Mr. Coleman takes charge at once. He and his family are settled in Mrs. Wm. Dunlap's house, on South 3rd and D. S. V. Ward, who has until this sale continued to manage the theatre for Hallinger & McPherson, has no definite plans to announce yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Snodgrass left this morning for Portland to visit a few days with relatives.

The attendance at the Sunday school group gathering at the fish hatchery, last Sunday, was estimated as high as 1500.

Mrs. Tom Thomas was discharged from Mercy hospital Tuesday.

Harrisburg Bulletin, 13th: "Actual paving commenced on the Halsey-Harrisburg section of the highway this morning."

The state highway commission has commenced a movement to secure the removal of all billboards from the highway except those necessary for guidance of the traveler. The reason is that they sometimes divert the attention of a driver, and cause accidents.

It was reported in some of the news papers last week that R. A. Booth, of Eugene, and W. A. Barrett, of Heppner, were about to resign their position as state highway commissioners. The report proves to be incorrect.

Rev. T. D. Yarnes will be absent next Sunday, in attendance upon the Epworth League institute at Ashland. See notice of Sunday services elsewhere.

Subscribe for the News at \$1.25, and get a photograph of yourself or any member of your family free.

Wednesday, Douglas McLain in "Chickens." The crowing romance of a rich young rooster who started out to search for himself. At the Bell Wednesday.

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TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS—ONE WEEK'S CRIST

Violations of the traffic ordinance, especially in the matter of excessive speed, had become so common and productive of so much danger that the council, at its June meeting, decided to appoint a traffic officer. Fred Knox was appointed; but his work at the mill was lately changed to another shift, and he resigned. At the July meeting, the council appointed another man whom Fred recommended. He commenced work July 13. The convictions for traffic violations since that time, with the amounts of the fines, have been as follows:

Failure to carry tail lights, \$2.00 in each case; W. S. Sweet, R. E. Morris, A. B. Veris, N. A. Rowe, N. A. Chamberlain, John Doe, C. H. Minturn, G. B. McQuinn, H. R. Bierly, Albany; Edwin Hansen, W. A. Edwards.

Speeding: H. F. Shaffer, \$15; Marion Simmons, \$20; A. L. Mathews, \$15; Jack Howell, \$25.

Parking near hydrant, \$2 in each case; A. H. Wetzel, Dewey Scarborough, Haines Bros., G. E. Mendel, Palmer Rumford.

The names are those of the owners as shown by the record books, and may not in every case represent the real offender.

As the river runs lower, day by day, the time seems near at hand when the ferry at Harrisburg can no longer make a landing, on account of the condition of the bank on the Harrisburg side. Meanwhile, the Harrisburg council and the commissioners of Lane and Linn counties, after repeated conferences, have thus far failed to agree on a method of repairing the approach.

Mrs. Nell Donnovan, representing the Van Wie company, manufacturers, of Portland, was in Springfield last week, and, with the approval of the school board, canvassed the business district for subscriptions to install a fine scenic curtain for the stage of the high school auditorium. It will cost in the neighborhood of \$250. The subscription list is not full, but the curtain has been ordered. The board will assist to some extent financially. You are not too late to come in on this.

Dr. S. Ralph Dippel, dentist, Springfield, Oregon.

Geo. Brasfield, who has been detained here by various matters of business since the death of his brother William, left for home Monday. He and his family have lately moved from Baker county to The Dalles. He will engage in the livestock business there.

Rolland Coleman, a farmer living near Coeur, was bitten on the arm by a rattlesnake last Friday afternoon. The snake was in a load of hay which he was putting into the mow, and dropped from a forkful upon his arm. He was taken to the Eugene hospital, and an antidote applied. He was dismissed from the hospital Saturday, and was thought to be out of danger.

S. D. Cairns went down to Reedsport to attend the 4th and the balance of that week. His son Roy is bookkeeper at Mack's mill, and, during the frequent absences of Mr. Mack, has to assume a large share of the management. Mr. Cairns reports Reedsport as building up rapidly, and business in that region active.

The Ellison-White chautauqua failed to pay expenses at Harrisburg or Junction City. The Harrisburg Bulletin scored the company for holding back the last performance until the deficit was made good. The Junction City Times thinks one reason why the affair did not pay expenses there was that there were not enough tickets sold. Quite likely.

Mrs. J. T. Moore is spending a short season with her two nieces, the daughters of her brother, the late O. W. Hurd, at Florence, Oregon. Their father died several years ago. Recently their mother died, and the two bereaved daughters came and spent several weeks at the Moore home, northeast of Springfield. When the time that they must return to their lonely home came they decided it so that Mrs. Moore went with them for a brief stay, to break the force of the change.

D. S. Beals, who was formerly connected with the First National bank of Springfield, but is now engaged in banking at Riddle, Douglas county, was in Springfield a short time, Wednesday evening and Thursday of last week. Mrs. Beals and the children had gone on a visit to Pasadena, their former home. Mr. Beals was going north by auto, touching at Eugene, Corvallis and Portland. One of his

Wm. LANSBERY AND SONS MAKE SINGULAR FIND

Wm. Lansbery and three of his sons were fishing on July 4th, about two miles above their cabin, on the South Fork of the McKenzie. Claude was wading in water about knee deep. The water was very clear. His attention was attracted to a rather singular looking object lying on the bottom. He took it at first to be a piece of bark or wood, but thought it worth while to raise it. It proved to be a pocketbook. Upon examination, it was found to contain five \$20 bills and one \$5 bill and a fishing license bearing the name of Ed Wood, a forest ranger. They communicated with Smith Taylor, forest supervisor, who came and took the pocketbook and receipted them for it. At the time of their report of the occurrence, they had not learned how Wood came to drop his pocketbook in the river.

LYON FAMILY PARTY ON CANADIAN TRIP

The manuscript of a very interesting narrative of the vacation trip of the Lyon family party, written by Mr. Lyon from notes taken by the way, was submitted to us last week too late for us to take care of a story of such length. This week The News is shortened up to its ordinary size again, with much less than its ordinary available space.

The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lyon, their two little boys and C. A. Brady, Mrs. Lyon's father. They left Springfield June 3rd in a Paigo Sedan with a trailer; their ultimate objective being Calgary, Alberta, where Mr. Brady's son, Mrs. Lyon's brother, W. H. Brady, is engaged in the lumber business. They went via Brownsville to Portland, up the Columbia highway to The Dalles, on to Umatilla, via Pendleton to Walla Walla, via Lewiston to Spokane, through Sandpoint and Bonner's Ferry Idaho, crossing the boundary at Kinggate. They reached Calgary on the 11th.

They and their hosts visited Banff, in the Rocky Mountain National park (Canadian) and other resorts not far from Calgary. They started on the return trip on June 23rd. They came back nearly the same way they went, passing a little more to the west and south of Spokane. They got home the evening of the 29th. The total mileage of the trip was 2340 miles.

They fell in with a number of acquaintances on the journey. At Arlington on the way out, Mr. Lyon found one of his old customers at Brownsville, George Hendrickson. At the same place, they found a man named Berry, who inquired after his cousin, Jim Clark. At Walla Walla, they called on Mr. Welk, one of the partners in the Springfield Mill & Grain Company. Near Spokane Bridge Idaho, they visited through the evening with John Allen, a nephew of Mr. Brady. Near McLeod, Alberta, they visited at the ranch of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Donahue. Mrs. Donahue is a niece of Mr. Brady, and a sister of John Allen. On a trip from Calgary, they passed near the new home of Marion Powell, who lately went there from Springfield, but missed seeing him.

We only wish the News were big enough to print the entire sketch, for the information and interesting observations it contains.

CALL FOR SCHOOL WARRANTS

Notice is hereby given that all School Warrants on District No. 19 Lane County, Oregon, to and including Register No. 950, dated March 3, 1922, will be paid at the county treasurer's office, on Saturday July 22, 1922. Interest will cease on that date.

EDNA WAPD, County Treasurer, Dated at Eugene this 20th day of July, 1922.

objectives was the state bankers' convention at Portland, which met on the 17th. Mr. Peals says that business conditions in Southern Douglas are very much better than they were last year.

R. R. Moon is back from a season at Kitsuon Springs. He does not think he has received much benefit.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McBurne, who returned from San Francisco June 29, went to Portland yesterday, to seek employment there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bryan, and daughter Crystal, left Wednesday morning for Portland for a visit of three days.

The Needlecraft club closed their meetings until fall with a picnic last Thursday afternoon and evening at the camp grounds. Twelve members and their families were present.

THE HILLS FAMILY PICNIC AT JASPER

Cornelius Hills' Descendants Hold Reunion and Picnic At Jasper Sunday

The second annual reunion and picnic of the Hills family of the Jasper reception was held at Jasper last Sunday. The head of the family, Cornelius J. Hills, took up a donation land claim, covering the present site of the town of Jasper, in 1847. His wife's maiden name was Sophronia Briggs. They both died many years ago. They left eight children, all of whom are alive and well, and all were present at this reunion. Their names, in the order of age, and their locations are as follows:

Mrs. Mary S. Smith, near Natron. Mrs. Henrietta Jacoby, near Jasper. Mrs. Jessie Humphrey, near Jasper. Jasper Hills, above Oakridge. John Hills, at the fish hatchery. Sheridan Hills, Jasper. Joseph Hills, near Dexter. Elijah Hills, Eugene.

The ages of these children of Cornelius Hills range from upwards of 70 down to fifty odd. All of them have children, most of them have grandchildren and there are one or more great grandchildren. The crowd at the picnic was estimated at from 700 to 1000. Something like a hundred of them were descendants of Cornelius Hills. As will be seen from the list of the first generation above, nearly all of the tribe are settled within easy driving distance; the great number of the people with whom they are mingled took great interest in the reunion; an open invitation to attend had been given out broadcast; hence the great gathering.

Saturday was spent in preparation for the great feast. A full grown beef was barbecued in the old style. A table 150 feet long was loaded with substantial and with a great variety of the choicest viands. This was provided mainly by the Hill family, though a number of others brought baskets of eatables. After the regular dinner, the table was kept loaded and people resorted to it all through the afternoon, whenever they felt like it.

There was a formal program in the forenoon. B. F. Koeny, of Eugene, former county assessor, made the principal address of the day. This was followed by a number of select readings. The exercises were interspersed with music: violin, piano and singing. In the afternoon a variety of foot races was run, and a baseball game between Trent and Creswell was played. Besides the regular dinner, which was free to everybody, a stand at which ice cream and lemonade were sold was kept up throughout the day.

The whole country will be on the lookout for the Hills family picnic about this time next year. It will be at Oakridge.

NOTICE TO CUT GRASS

In accordance with Ordinance No. 114, notice is hereby given that all owners, agents or occupants of any property within the limits of the town of Springfield will be required to "cut and remove any grass, weeds, thistles or bushes growing upon any lot, vacant or occupied, or in any street or alley adjacent to such property," within 10 days from the date of the publication of this notice. The penalty for failure to do this is a fine of not less than \$5.00 nor more than \$20.00.

Owing to the great danger of fire, on account of the extremely dry season, this ordinance will be strictly enforced.

Wm. DONALDSON, Marshal, Date of first publication, July 13.

METHODIST CHURCH

Next Sunday, July 23, will be a special day at the Methodist church. There will be special services both morning and evening. Mr. Randall Scott will occupy the pulpit at the morning service, at 11 a. m. He has been for two years past at Chicago in preparation for missionary work abroad, but is at home for the summer, and will preach in his home church at the morning services.

In the evening, at 8 p. m. there will be a service conducted by the laymen, four different speakers appearing during the program.

Special music is being arranged for both these services. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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