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GRESHAM LOCALS

Mrs. A. Hammar, who has been ill for the past two or three weeks, is reported to be improving.

Mrs. E. Bonnett of Sandy is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. H. J. Pulfer, who is recovering from an illness.

Kathryn Metzger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Metzger, celebrated her 7th birthday last Wednesday by entertaining a number of her little friends.

Mrs. George Dietl was brought home last week from a Portland hospital, where she had undergone a surgical operation for appendicitis. She is rapidly regaining her strength.

Mrs. Grace Quick was in Gresham this week looking after business interests. Mr. and Mrs. Quick have moved from Mist, Oregon to Portland, where Mr. Quick is engaged in garage work.

Mrs. Maude Thom has gone to Camp Lewis in response to a telegram from her husband, Lieutenant Ernest Thom of the 346th Field Artillery, which arrived there yesterday from France.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Platts are moving from the Lindsey cottage on Third street to the Heiney house on Roberts avenue and Fourth street. The Heiney house has just been vacated by John B. Kerr, who has taken a room at the hotel.

News has been received of the death at Vancouver Barracks of Sergeant William Moore, who served for several months at the cut-up mill getting out airplane spruce. Sergeant Moore had been a frequent visitor in Gresham where he made a number of friends.

Services will be resumed at the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday morning. Sunday school will meet at 10 o'clock. At 11 o'clock the sermon will be by Dr. C. O. McCulloch of Portland. Every effort will be made to keep the church in a sanitary condition. A cordial invitation to these services is extended.

E. Schweidler, who was wounded two weeks ago by the accidental discharge of a revolver, is well on the road to complete recovery. He is able to be about and engage in light work. The bullet struck him in the right breast, struck a rib and was deflected to the side. It lodged under the arm and has not yet been removed.

A large barn belonging to Henry Metzger, on Metzger avenue, went down in the heavy wind storm of Wednesday morning. It was an old structure and was almost empty, except for about 100 pounds of beans that the Japanese gardeners were drying on the floor. The roof remains intact, the structure having collapsed beneath it.

HIGH SCHOOL TO OPEN AGAIN NEXT MONDAY

The Union High school will open again next Monday morning after two more weeks of "enforced vacation" on account of Spanish influenza. The health condition of the community is much improved and the school authorities hope to finish the year's work without further interruption.

Since the closing ban has affected high schools generally throughout the state and nation, full credits will be given all students who attend regularly during the rest of the school year in all subjects pursued, provided they make passing grades.

In this way students may earn their usual promotions and finish the work as originally planned.

During this vacation our school buildings have been cleaned thoroughly and the inside woodwork varnished. This evening the classrooms will all be fumigated and made ready for opening of school Monday morning.

The school day will remain the same for five weeks when the first semester will end, at which time the hours will be changed to the old plan. PRIN. ELMER F. GOODWIN.

ADMINISTRATOR FOR JOHN SCHRAM ESTATE

The Hawley Pulp and Paper company of Oregon City has filed papers for the appointment of W. L. Mulvey as administrator in the estate of John Schram, deceased. There are several heirs to the estate, and they have sold their claims to the paper company. The estate is valued at \$3,750.

No man is stronger than his stomach but some stomachs are stronger than men or they wouldn't be able to stand the abuse they receive.

Clothes do not make the man, of course, and sometimes the lack of them, indeed, seems to make the woman.

War Savings Stamps save lives.

FIELD ARTILLERY BOYS ARE COMING HOME

A Seattle dispatch of yesterday tells of the welcome given 346th Field Artillery, formerly a part of the 91st division which arrived there from France. The men were taken to Camp Lewis. Those mentioned below were taken to the Camp Lewis hospital. One of them, Guy R. Read, was formerly a Gresham boy.

Fully 400 men of the 346th Field Artillery are from Oregon as well as a dozen casualties who followed the three troop trains in a special on its way to the base hospital at Camp Lewis.

Among the Oregon casualties were George John Floyd, formerly of Company C, 182d Infantry, but later transferred to the 128th Infantry, with Russell Tisdale, 162d, 42d avenue southeast, formerly of Company B, 152d Infantry, later transferred to A Company of the 127th Infantry, wounded at Fismes by a shrapnel; Tony Volpe, 414 East 94th street, Company E, 363d Infantry, recovering from shrapnel wounds.

When the American soldiers started their offensive against the Germans in the Argonne forest on October 26, the Yanks faced a thick hail of machine bullets and shells. Machine gun nests popped forth their deadly fire from a hundred places. Guy R. Pickins, of Corvallis, Oregon, with the 361st Infantry, who is convalescing from machine gun wounds in his hip, said that 40 men near him were killed within a few minutes.

"Our artillery evidently got the wrong range, for we ran into our own fire," said Pickins. "We were between the cross-fire of the Germans and Americans. Believe me, I'll never forget that experience."

Guy R. Read, Jr., of Portland, also experienced his share of misfortunes. Read was in Company D, 1st United States Engineers, and was wounded in his right leg on the Picardy sector, near Montdidier May 28. Read was seven months in the hospital and survived five operations.

James A. Ryan, of Astoria, Oregon, of the 348th Gun Battalion, saw active service in Flanders. Ryan was advancing to the front lines on October 31 when a stray machine gun bullet struck him in the hip.

Charles Austin, of Oswego, Oregon, 305th Infantry, developed a severe illness while in the trenches in the Argonne Forest and was removed to the base hospital.

George Duke, of Sutherland, Oregon, of Battery C, 65th Coast Artillery Corps, was gassed on the Verdun front on October 17. He recovered in a base hospital.

Calvin M. Evans of Oakland, Oregon, was wounded five times in his right leg in the Argonne Forest battles. "We went into battle at 5 a. m., on September 26 and at 11 o'clock I felt machine gun bullets peppering me from all sides. I laid on the field until 9 o'clock the next morning before I was picked up. When discovered I was nearly dead from loss of blood," said Evans.

John B. Swaney of Pendleton, Oregon, was in the thick of the fighting in the Argonne Forest, when he was taken sick in the lines and removed to a field hospital.

Vernon Olson, of Portland, 103d Infantry, was removed from the trenches because of sickness, while C. C. Pflinger, another Portland boy, was wounded in the right knee by machine gun bullets.

All of the wounded soldiers were happy with the thoughts of nearing their final destination and all are reported in first class condition.

COTTON ESTATE LEFT ENTIRELY TO WIDOW

An appraisal of the estate of the late William W. Cotton reveals that the property he left was valued at \$135,026.41 at the time of his death. Such was the report before Judge Tazwell. The inheritance tax is \$2,450.65.

Mrs. Fannie Cotton, his widow, is sole heir to this fortune. Claims against the estate aggregated \$43,794.18, which amount was deducted from the total value of the property, leaving \$91,232.23.

The estate has been probated and is now in course of settlement. Mrs. Cotton is in the east, her interests here being in charge of her attorneys.

In the earlier stages of the war a lot of talkers alleged that the world was going to hell, and now the general assumption seems to be that it has been done over and is ready for heaven, but the truth is about half way between these two theories, in all probability.

Some excellent writers split their infinitives and invert their verbs, but some excellent writers also become intoxicated and occasionally beat up their wives.

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WOUNDED SOLDIER VISITS COMRADE'S HOME

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Ross received a visit yesterday from Arthur Howell, who was a comrade of their son Joe and who also knew several other Gresham boys who are in the service. He spoke of Wilson Eastman, Clark Stillions, Albert Camp and Tom Parker.

The young soldier has suffered the loss of an arm which was carried away by a shell. Shrapnel from the same shell inflicted a serious wound in the side and he was in a serious condition because of the loss of blood. He was a member of Co. D., 162d Infantry but was later transferred to another regiment. He had not seen the Gresham boys since March, when the old Oregon regiment was broken up.

INFLUENZA BAN OFF ON SUNDAY MORNING

Mayor Kenney has authorized the statement that the city council has upon the advice and with the consent of the medical profession, decided to lift the ban on influenza early next Sunday morning.

The situation has improved to such an extent that it is hardly probable there will be any further danger. All present cases are recovering and no new ones have been reported for several days of a serious nature. It is now considered safe to allow resumption of all social, church and school affairs.

Saturday night gatherings this week will not be permitted, as the order will remain in effect until Sunday morning, in time for all churches to resume their usual services.

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Madame Marie Lebaudy may never face trial for killing her rich eccentric husband, Jacques Lebaudy, at her Long Island home District Attorney Weeks in his first investigation after the shooting of the self-styled "Emperor of the Sahara"—found that for fifteen years the beautiful Madame Lebaudy had lived in terror of her life and twice within the last three weeks before the fatal affair—had suffered mistreatment which threatened her life. Although a jury may be employed—there are few legal minds who think a conviction will be made, and that 13-year Jacquene Lebaudy will be left motherless.

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