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It is our ambition to leave no thumb prints nor torn edges on this new page. Therefore be it resolved: That during the coming year it shall still be our constant effort to put out only the best goods and thus merit the continued patronage of our old customers who have been loyal to us during the past year, and as many new ones as would appreciate trading at a clean, square grocery store. Start right by giving us a call. Phone 2381



WE OPERATE OUR OWN DELIVERY

YONCALIA ITEMS.

Breezy Bunch of News From Northern City.

Prof. Barton Hellwell made a business trip to Cottage Grove the first of the week.

Frank Finney and son, George, were visitors at Cottage Grove last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Caley and Miss Ruth Swinney have returned from their visit at Central Point.

Roscoe Andrews visited with relatives at this place a few days this week.

Wm. Johnson and wife, who have been at Springfield for several months, have returned to their home at this place.

Mrs. J. J. Brown and son, Ernest, have returned from their visit at Albany.

Miss Emma Gross, of Albany, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gross, of this place.

Miss Della Ohlsen having finished her school near Grants Pass, has returned to her home near this place.

Mr. Audley Applegate has returned to Portland after quite an extended visit with relatives at this place.

Rudolph Harness, of Roseburg, was a business visitor to this city the first of the week.

Dr. and Mrs. Knott have returned from their visit at Ashland.

Marshall G. B. Bunyan is on the sick list and as it is a risky piece of business to allow the city to go unpatrolled the council has seen fit to appoint a deputy and as a result Phill. Huntington is now wearing a star. It is to be hoped that the old policy will not be pursued.

A. L. Lee, residing near this city, claims the distinction of being the first man in the United States to thresh in 1910, he having stacked his last year's crop in a shed and did not get it threshed until Jan. 3, 1910, when he rigged up his thrasher and reduced the stack to a pile of straw and about 200 bushels of sacked grain.

The passing of the old year and the birth of the new were duly observed at this place, watch services being held at the M. E. church. After the watch services had been dismissed, some persons, or persons, apparently not satisfied as to the extent of festivities took it upon themselves to toll all the bells in the city to their hearts' content, apparently oblivious to the feelings and rights of the remainder of the citizens. A certain amount of gesticulating and proclaiming is always appreciated but this is no call for anyone taxing themselves by remaining up and pulling bell ropes to the extent of an hour or longer, simply to benefit someone else. The sooner such sentiment as that expressed by the New Year's exploiters is eliminated the better off will those harboring it be, for if persisted in it will eventually lead to desperation and some one will certainly be left to a lamentable fate.

MRS. MCGIN, I.

GRATIS ADVICE TO DAMSELS.

Some Poetry and a Pot of Wholesome Truth.

When a damsel has a steady, who's a pretty decent man, and who shows a disposition to perform the best he can; who is shy of sinful habits, and whose bosom holds no guile, and who labors in the vineyard with a gay and cheerful smile, then she shouldn't make him promise that he'll do a seraph stunt, when they've stood up at the altar with a preacher man in front; and she shouldn't spring a lecture when he comes around to court, for a man is only human, and his wings are pretty short. When

PLUCKING LIVE GEESE

An Operation Necessary to Procure Good Feathers.

LOCKING THE BIRDS' WINGS.

This Trick Performed and Their Legs Banded Together, the Helpless Geese Are Ready, if Not Willing, Victims For the Expert Pluckers.

"Yes," said a manufacturer and dealer in bed furnishings, "it is necessary that goose feathers should be taken from the live geese if we are to study the health and comfort of people who think they must have feather beds and pillows. Dead goose feathers are not much better than husks to lie on and have not that great virtue of husk-wholesomeness.

"They say it doesn't hurt a goose to pluck it, but it seems to me that one might as well say that it wouldn't hurt a man to have his whiskers yanked out by the handful. The reason they give for believing a goose doesn't suffer when its feathers are being plucked out of it is that it never squeaks or squeaks or makes a fuss while the plucking is going on.

"Now, I believe it hurts a goose like the mischief to have its feathers pulled out, coming as they do from the tenderest spots on its body, and the reason the fowl doesn't utter any protest prompted by pain is, according to the way I have sized geese up, because it is such a blundering fool. A goose will squawk and clatter and cackle as if it were suffering more agony than a horse with the colic just at the mere sight of you, but if you corner it up and pluck it with stones it seems to forget that it has a voice and will take all the punishment you give it without a further word.

"The Pennsylvania Dutch farmers pluck geese today just the same as their forebears did time out of mind, and I don't know as there is any other way. It certainly couldn't be made any pleasanter for the goose unless the plucker held chloroform or something like that to its nose while the plucking was going on. The geese to be bereft of their feathers are first got together in an inclosure used for the purpose. The perspicacity of geese may be strikingly made known to you when they are being rounded up in such an inclosure if there should happen to be a knothole in one end of it, the door being at the other. That door may be six feet high and three broad, but geese after geese will ignore it and try its best to get through the knothole. Indeed, though, to try the door, every goose will bob its head down as it passes through for fear of knocking it against the top of the door jamb, six feet above.

"There is a man or a boy in every neighborhood where geese are plucked who is an expert in getting the geese ready for the process. Not every one can do that. The wings of the geese have to be locked together by a peculiar arrangement of the two near the shoulder, and, while they are not tied or fastened in any other way, the lock is such that no goose can unlock it. The geese's feet are tied together with a broad band of soft muslin. Then it is ready for the plucker.

"The pluckers, who are almost always women, go among the geese with their heads and faces entirely covered with hoods fastened around the neck with a shir string. There are holes in the hoods for the eyes and also at the nose to supply fresh air for breathing. From the neck down the pluckers are covered with a glazed muslin garment to which no feather or down will cling. The pluckers will sit on low stools around a large and perfectly dry tub. Each takes in her lap a goose made helpless by its interlocked wings and bound legs and with rapid plying of her fingers separates the feathers from it. This is done with such skill, though, that the plucker rarely breaks the goose's skin or causes blood to follow the plucking out of a feather. The air is constantly filled with the light feathers during the plucking, but they settle into the tub at last.

"But there isn't as much call for the geese to undergo this rapping of its feathers as there used to be. Not one pound of goose feathers is used today where there were fifty pounds twenty-five years ago. Odd as it may seem, asthma and hay fever long ago began to have a good deal to do with decreasing the demand for feather beds and pillows. It was discovered that asthma and hay fever had an affinity for such couches and head rests; that nothing would start an asthmatic off for a cheerful night's wheezing so quickly as a feather bed. This discovery spread, and the goose owes a great deal of its later day comfort to the asthma."—Detroit Free Press.

She Had Enough.

As Mrs. May of Birchdale Corners was leaving the exhibition hall of the county fair a man stepped out of a booth and accosted her.

"Won't you enter," said he, "and see the startling specthariscopic scintillations of radium?"

Mrs. May shook her head—with a smile, however, for she is courteous if not scientific.

"I'm obliged to you," she said, "but my bag is chock full of samples now."

Made Very Clear.

Tommy—Pop, which is correct, "I shall" or "I will"? Tommy's Pop—it depends on the sex, my son. A man says "I shall" and a woman says "I will."—Philadelphia Record.

Make your life your monument—Ben Jonson.

THE STATE TAX.

Nearly That Amount Shown by State Board of Equalization.

The amount of money to be raised for state tax purposes is \$1,529,400.79. The total value of all taxable property in the state, as equalized by the state board of equalization is \$694,727,631.99, says the Salem Statesman. Although not so officially announced by the state board, it is practically assured that the levy will be two and two-tenths mills on the assessed valuation.

The state board has practically completed its work and just evening filed with the secretary of state a report showing the total value of all property as equalized by the state board, and the per cent of equalization value to the total, and per cent of the state taxes to be paid by the several counties. The announcement of the board's equalization is expected to stir up a hornet's nest in more than one county as the valuation of some counties has been nearly doubled. Clatsop has been increased from \$8,881,221 to \$15,089,490. Baker county has been increased from \$10,903,500 to \$16,284,420. Lane county goes up from \$22,006,920 to \$28,205,960. Jackson county is reduced from \$26,000,000 to \$23,000,000. A reduction is made in the Marion county valuation from \$33,668,400 to \$32,443,800. Multnomah county is reduced from \$251,391,887 to \$247,267,520. Umatilla county is cut from \$41,917,202 to \$33,965,255.50.

The amount of state tax to be paid by the various counties is about as follows, although not officially determined by the state board of equalization:

Table with 2 columns: County Name and Amount. Includes Baker, Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Crook, Curry, Douglas, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Hood River, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Malheur, Marion, Morrow, Multnomah, Polk, Sherman, Tillamook, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wasco, Washington, Wheeler, Yamhill, and Total.

One does not need a perfect knowledge of grammar to speak good and true words all the time.

LOCAL MARKET

- Cereals: WHEAT—\$1.00; OATS—50¢ bushel; HAY—Vetch, \$12 to \$14 ton; grain, \$12 to \$14; alfalfa, \$17; ROLLED BARLEY—\$30.00 ton. Livestock: STERS—Alive, 3¢ lb; COWS—Alive 2 1/2¢; VEAL—Dressed, 5¢ lb; HOGS—Dressed, 5¢; Alive 6¢; SHEEP—3 1/2¢; POULTRY—Mixed chickens, alive, 10¢ to 12¢; dressed, 12¢; ducks, alive, 9¢ to 10¢; dressed, 14¢ to 15¢; Turkeys, alive 17¢ and 18¢; dressed 20¢ and 21¢; BUTTER—Creamery, 42 1/2¢ lb. country, 37 1/2¢ lb; EGGS—40¢ doz; POTATOES—New, 1¢ lb; WOOL—Spring, 24¢; fall, 20¢; year clip, 24¢; HONEY—12 1/2¢ c; CABBAGE—1 1/2¢ c. lb; ONIONS—2¢ lb.

LODGE DIRECTORY

- A. F. & A. M.—Lauri Lodge, No. 13, holds regular meetings on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. No members invited to attend. DEXTER RICE, W. M. N. T. JEWETT, Secretary. U. R. M.—Improved Order of Red Men meets in Maccabee Temple first and third Mondays. Visiting members welcome. W. C. GADDIS, Scribe; F. H. VINIOL, O. of R. UNITED ARTISANS—Umpqua Assembly No. 205, meets second and fourth Fridays of each month in Maccabee Hall. Visiting members will receive a cordial welcome. BELLE STEVENSON, M. A. BOHKA, PATRIC Supt. MRS. EMMA PAULKNER, Secy. WOODMEN OF THE WORLD—Oak Camp No. 125, meets at the Odd Fellows Hall in Roseburg, every first and third Monday evenings. Visiting neighbors always welcome. J. EARL PICKENS, O. G. E. N. KWART, Clerk. ILLUM. CIRCLE, No. 49, Women of Woodcraft meets on first and third Monday evening of each month in the I. O. O. F. hall. Visiting members in good standing are invited to attend. MARY O'NEAL, G. F. CLARA BOREN, Clerk. B. F. O. E.—Roseburg Lodge, No. 426, holds regular communications at their Temple on second and fourth Thursdays of each month. All members requested to attend regularly and all visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend. W. W. CARDEWILL, E. R. G. W. STALEY, Secretary. O. T. M.—Roseburg Hive No. 11, holds regular meetings on every Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Maccabee Hall. Sisters of other Hives visiting in the city are cordially invited to attend our services. JOSEPHINE SUGALNESS, Com. MRS. JESSIE HAY, E. R. O. E.—Roseburg Chapter No. 8, holds their regular meeting on the first and third Thursdays in each month. Visiting members in good standing are respectfully invited to attend. MARY E. HOECK, W. M. FRED JOHNSON, Secretary. O. E.—Roseburg Aerie No. 189, meets 2nd and 4th Mondays in I. O. O. F. hall at 8 p. m. F. O. MCKELL, W. P. F. P. G. ARK, Secy. O. U. F.—Rising Star Lodge, No. 174, meets in Odd Fellows Temple every Friday evening. Visiting brethren always welcome. W. F. FOWELL, R. F. M. FICKLE, F. S.

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