

supervised gymnasium." Lack of space makes it impossible to only mention the needs suggested by other teachers such as: "Practical Nurse," "Compliance with playground law," "Larger playgrounds and apparatus," "Supervised study supervisor," "Law to close theaters on school days," "Well forced evening curfew," and a better Public sentiment toward schools.

EDDY'S SUPPORTERS STILL HAVE

PORTLAND, Dec. 3.—Supporters of H. L. Eddy of Douglas, announced that the eastern Oregon delegation will stand with him Jay H. Upton of Crook who has 16 votes for the presidency.

Much may happen before the legislature opens, January 3, and a president is elected on the floor of the senate chamber, the Eddy men give him the needed 16, while Upton. This is among the probabilities, although it does not seem probable.

Be that as it may, Upton's camp now consist of enough votes to give him, provided he can hold them together until the votes are counted in Salem, whereas Eddy's 14 votes have no intention of making a headstampede over to Upton. All eyes in both camps are sitting tight for the next move.

Notwithstanding the outcome of the conference of the eastern Oregon bloc at Pendleton Wednesday which apparently clinched Eddy's grip on the presidency, the Eddy followers are strangely hopeful. They are not down-hearted, even though it looks as though they had lost the battle for presiding officer.

It is no secret that the Eddy men looked for and predicted a loss from Upton by the latter's eastern Oregon friends. Consequently the decision of those friends to stand with Upton came somewhat as a bit of a surprise. At least three of the seven eastern Oregon senators are members of the way developments have unfolded and it is known that they have pushed their personal feelings and inclinations to the background in agreeing to be faithful to Upton.

The Upton ranks as at present constituted, are a coalition of interests diametrically opposite. There is very little in common between two elements which are marshaled under the banner of the senator from Crook county. It will be, consequently, impossible for Upton to ride herd on his supporters and maintain his organization intact after he is once in the chair of presiding officer.

There is too much of all and water in his camp and these have never been known to be completely united. The only point of agreement is the only common goal on which the Upton people stand is their wish to make him president.

Although he did not participate in the caucus at Pendleton Upton was confident that his friends would be true to him. He presumably based this confidence on the compact which had been made before the outbreak that the seven senators from east of the mountains would form an offensive and defensive alliance compared to which the alliance of the three guardsmen was not worth anything. This ironclad agreement overrode the personal inclinations of some of the delegation.

Viewed from this angle it is difficult to understand the breakdown by the Eddy men that they expect a break from Upton before the voting commences at Salem. A month is a long time.

FARM NEWS

(By County Agent Cooper)

The importance of proper handling

The importance of careful handling the nursery stock cannot be overestimated. Douglas County orchardists plant about 100,000 fruit trees each year valued at \$100,000.

Success with this investment depends in a large way on the care of the stock prior to planting and care hereafter. Care should be given in protecting the stock from frost injury, especially the roots. Soil can have its roots exposed to frost for many hours without serious damage to the tree to a great extent. Carelessness in this matter will cost the orchardist a large amount of money.

Fall shipments, if they are to be planted until early spring, should be carefully heeled in the trenches and the soil firmly packed about the roots. Very little or no packing material should be allowed to be placed in the trenches the trees are to be damaged by field mice.

Planting the Tree

It is a good policy to not remove trees from the trench until they are planted in one or two boxes, retaining the tree for planting. Hack all broken and bruised branches with a sharp pruning shear or knife. The tree is in the hole about 1/2 inch roots carefully and cover with soil, then firm the soil with the feet, being careful to leave no pockets under the roots. Before filling the hole and firming the soil level has been reached. The tree, when finally set, should not be planted more than two inches deeper than it was in the nursery row. This is important and should be given special attention. Orchardists planting in rows should have the soil level as far as possible and then give it proper care.

The residents of Glide will give a pie social at the church on Friday evening. The proceeds of the sale will be put into a fund for the piano. Everyone who is able can are urged to attend. A evening of fun has been promised for all.