

WINTER RENEWAL FORCES SMUGGING IN ROGUE VALLEY

PORTLAND, Ore., April 6.—Clearing skies today sent the thermometer to move normal points in western Oregon while points in the eastern section of the state continued to report unreasonable weather.

Smugglers pots were lighted in the Medford area by a cold front, while in the Rogue River valley, fruit men saw the cold snap as a boon to the crop as blossoming was held off until after the danger of severe frosts.

Government weather predictions indicated the late winter spell may be broken over the weekend.

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He states that either the Redwoods or Granta Pass roads are all year highways, and that the Redwood highway is expected to be open clear through from Granta Pass south by May 15. At the present time there is 8 miles of the old road out of Crescent City east that is used until the completion of the bridge across Smith river.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

"Unreality" was the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, April 7.

The golden text was, "The Lord knoweth the way of the righteous; but the way of the ungodly shall perish" (Psalms 1:6).

Among the citations which comprised the lesson-sermon was the following from the Bible: "Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire" (Matt. 7:19).

The lesson-sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "Truth spares all that is true. If evil is real, Truth must make it so; but error, not Truth, is the author of the unreal, and the unreal vanishes, while all that is real is eternal" (p. 474).

REEDSPORT TELEPHONE GIRL SEEKS DAMAGES

COQUILLE, April 6.—The Coss & Curry Telephone company and the West Coast Telephone company were made defendants in a suit for \$35,000 personal injury damages filed in circuit court yesterday by Betty B. Rockliff, an ex-telephone operator in the company's exchange at Reedspoor. Her complaint alleges that an inflammable oil was regular used to start fires in the office at Reedspoor and that on January 16, 1928, the fire went out and that she was asked to rekindle it. In using the oil an explosion resulted. The fire caught her dress and she was burned seriously, it was said.

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