

BRUCE IS GIVEN FULL LIMIT

MUST SPEND ONE YEAR IN JAIL AND WORK FOR COUNTY.

Other Prisoners Plead, Some Guilty and Others Not.

Wife desertion was a subject handled in considerable detail this morning by Judge J. W. Knowles in a cutting, word-lashing to Thomas Bruce, the young man who Saturday pleaded guilty to having deserted his wife

and child and neglected to support them. That Bruce was sentenced to one year in the county jail and the county court allowed to force him to work on roads or any other project the court may name and that the wife and children are to be paid by county, faded into insignificance when the court "opened up" on the prisoner. The one-year sentence is the limit of the law.

Court Has Evidence.

It was plain that the court has evidence against Bruce which heretofore had not been made public. "You told me when you pleaded guilty," said the court, "that when you went to Wallawa county recently you intended to support your wife and child. I have evidence to show that you lied when you said it and that you intended to 'skip out' when you were released from jail."

"Not content with ruining one girl of tender years and then deserting her," continued the court, "You proceeded to attempt to ruin another girl after your incarceration this time. I have evidence to show that you wrote a letter to a girl of 15 years of age and good parents in this city, that you wished to elope with her as soon as you got out of jail this time. This girl is now attending school, and is a daughter of an excellent family in this city. I intend to place you where the court can make you work and where you cannot ruin girls, or attempt to ruin them."

Other Arraignments Made.

There was a long string of them this morning in the court room when the judge appeared on the bench.

Samuel Peck, one of the men accused of stealing a bicycle, pleaded guilty and will be sentenced Wednesday. Thomas Cady accused of sodomy, pleaded not guilty.

Kit Doval, whose real name is Walter Hittleman, accused jointly with a man named Harold Stodgill, of stealing some clothes, pleaded not guilty as did his partner, and their cases will come to trial separately, on motion of Attorney Baker.

Paul Less, represented by Attorney Ashwell and who is accused with Peck of stealing a bicycle, pleaded not guilty and will stand trial.

Alleged Murderer Arraigned.

Ellexson, the man accused of killing Waldo Perry at Union in an atrocious manner, was brought before the court today, unkempt and showing signs of his long imprisonment. His

case was set for trial two weeks from today.

Circuit court opens tomorrow with the trial of Jess Parker, accused of killing his father-in-law at Elgin.

HAS NOVAL PLAN OF TRAPPING

HOUSE CAT IS TRICKY BAIT FOR COYOTES.

Local Man Has System of Catching Predatory Animals.

Necessaries Required.
 Ordinary house cat.
 Smooth pole, driven in the ground and sharpened on top end.
 Half dozen traps tied to light gloves so that they cannot be dragged endwise.
 Hitching chain with ring attached to hold cat at the pole.

Warfare against coyotes, the worst predatory animal in this section of Oregon, is being carried on with marked success by G. G. Tall, a farmer living near this city who hopes that his plan will be generally adopted throughout Union county and the Northwest for that matter. The scheme is a simple one, appealing to the sweet tooth of the animals. A common house cat is the bait, though the bait is always able to save its own skin, by crawling up a post placed in the ground for that express purpose. Using the cat as bait, permitting it to take refuge on the pole which is sharpened so that the cat cannot find a "roost" on the top of it, and when tired, must come to the ground and plenty of traps are the principals involved in this unique manner of trapping coyotes. These animals are too keen to foolishly fall into a trap, but when they are called to an isolated spot by mewing of the cat and a false meat bait, effected by dragging meat to the end of the pole the day before from various directions—they invariably move up toward their

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			3.98
			4.19
			4.68

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prey and accidentally step into one of a half dozen traps set about the stake. The traps are not securely fastened and when the trap springs and seizes the victim the coyote makes off with the trap dragging the piece of wood to which it is tied, but seldom if ever beyond a few hundred yards.

Mr. Coyote has obligingly moved away with stake, allowing others of his kind to fall into the same pitfall. The cat all this time is held securely by the stake with a ring arrangement to which the cat is tied with a short chain. This ring slips up and down the pole with ease, permitting the cat to run up the stake when in danger of being eaten by coyotes, but soon tiring, returns to earth and is bait again. The traps of course are set back from the stake to prevent the house cat from coming to grief in them.

Mr. Tall has caught scores already this winter in this manner. He has found it so successful that he believes it will be generally accepted as the most feasible method of ridding the country of the predatory animal.

Chief of Police
 Treasurer

One Councillman from each ward.

That at said election there will be submitted to the voters of the City the following question: "Shall the Council of the City be authorized to issue and negotiate bonds of the City in the sum of \$10,000 to bear interest not to exceed 5 per cent per annum, to run for a period of twenty (20) years from date, redeemable and payable at any time after ten (10) years from date at the option of the City, which bonds are to be issued and sold for the purpose of completing the sewer system in the City of La Grande."

That at said election there will also be submitted to the voters of the City the question: "Shall sections 6 and 7 of the Charter of the City be amended so as to provide for the appointment of Chief of Police by the Mayor, instead of being elected by the voters of the City."

The polling places designated for said election, and the judges and clerks appointed to conduct said election are as follows: First ward—Polling place, Court House. Judges: M. P. Sheasley, Jacob Baker, M. McMurry;

ray; Clerks: Elmer Curtis and E. W. Kammerer.

Second ward—Polling place, Council chambers. Judges: H. W. Stoner, Merritt Reynolds, George Ball; Clerks: J. E. Reynolds and Perry Oliver.

Third ward—Polling place, tent at corner of 4th street and Adams avenue. Judges: J. M. Hilts, M. A. Harrison, W. D. Grandy; Clerks: Adna Rogers and Lee Leavitt.

Fourth ward—Polling place, Goddes' store. Judges: G. W. Allen, E. S. Brasel, J. T. Williamson; Clerks: J. M. Kochensperger and John Ladd.

Said election will be held and conducted and the returns thereof filed as provided by law in the case of general city elections of said city.

The polls of said election will be opened at the hour of 9 o'clock a. m. and closed at the hour of 7 o'clock p. m. on said day.

All qualified voters of the City will be permitted to vote at said election. By order of the Council of said City of La Grande, Oregon.

Dated November 30th, 1910.

F. L. MEYERS, Mayor.

Attest: D. E. COX, Recorder.

Nov. 30-Dec. 12.

THE CENSUS BY COUNTY

COMPLETE COUNTY POPULATION NOW ANNOUNCED.

Wheeler County is Smallest of the Entire List in 1910.

The census of Oregon by counties is as follows:

Baker	18,076
Benton	10,633
Clackamas	29,941
Clatsop	16,106
Columbia	10,580
Coos	17,959
Crook	9,315
Curry	2,044
Douglas	19,674
Gilliam	3,701
Grant	5,667
Harney	4,059
Hood River	8,016
Jackson	25,766
Josephine	9,567
Klamath	6,554
Lake	4,653
Lane	33,783
Lincoln	5,587
Linn	22,662
Malheur	8,601
Marion	39,780
Morrow	4,357
Multnomah	226,261
Polk	13,469
Sherman	4,242
Tillamook	6,266
Umatilla	20,309
Union	16,191
Wallowa	8,364
Wasco	16,336
Washington	21,522
Wheeler	3,484
Yamhill	18,285

The population of the various cities and towns of Oregon will be announced in a few days.

Election Notice.

December 12th, 1910.
 Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of December, 1910, a general election will be held in the City of La Grande, in the County of Union, State of Oregon, for the purpose of electing the following officers:

Mayor
 Recorder



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