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## RABBITS BANE TO FARM CROPS

### Destruction of Pests Important to Crook County

### Formula For Poisoning

### Farmers Are Advised to Fence Against the Jack As Well as to Poison

It is not necessary to go into details explaining to the farmers of this section what the jack rabbit will do to crops unprotected. Those who have been here one season know what the rabbit will do, and those who are new to the country have certainly heard of damage this pest may do. It is doubtful if a poison or a disease will completely annihilate this pest. The only sure method of growing a crop with the jack rabbit as a pest is to fence against him. A fence strong enough to hold livestock is not necessary to protect your field or farm from the jack rabbit. A twenty-four or twenty-six inch poultry fence will do the work as well as other high-priced fence, of course, will not last as long as the other, but it will last for three or four years and in that time you should have saved enough on increased crops to easily purchase a stronger, longer lasting fence for permanent use. A fence of this kind can be put in place for not to exceed \$2.00 per acre and in most cases, where the land is unfenced, from \$3.00 to \$6.00 per acre is lost annually, not counting the labor done on the fields. There are many who do not feel that they can fence their fields, and even after all the fields have been fenced, it will be necessary to proceed as rapidly as possible with the destruction of the pest. The use of poisoned grains and poisoned salt will destroy hundreds of rabbits on a very small area. The rabbits will eat these grains much more readily and in larger quantities before the green stuff starts in the Spring. They will eat larger quantities of the salt after the green stuff has started, especially during the fore part of the season. We must also figure that in killing the pest at this time, we are destroying not only the older rabbits, but also the increase from these for the season. The poisoned grain formulas that have been found successful in varying degree are as follows:

Boil one ounce of strychnine in a quart of water; add enough sugar to make a thick syrup, and add as much wheat, barley or oats as it will cover, while boiling. Then cool and put out the bait. The formula recommended by the men from the U. S. Biological Bureau, who were in Crook county last winter, is as follows: One ounce strychnine; three teaspoonsful of soda; boil in one pint of water. Mix separately a heaping teaspoonful of gloss starch in a little water, making a paste. Add this to the pint of water and mix thoroughly. Place in small pinches in runways and where stock can not get them. All of these poisons are dangerous to livestock, and great care must be taken in putting them out for rabbits. The poisoned salt is prepared as follows:

Salt—2 quarts; strychnine—1 ounce; and sugar—about 1 quart. Mix thoroughly and place in teaspoonful doses in the runs of

pests. If there is danger of stock getting to this salt, bore inch holes in boards and place the salt in three holes. The rabbits can get this salt, while the stock cannot usually get enough to hurt them. In using any poison for pests of any kind it must always be remembered that these poisons are dangerous for livestock; use them accordingly. Get your poisons out now and keep them out for the next two months. You will do more good at this time than you can the whole of the remaining season.

### C. C. H. S. Notes

The Physiograph class is making good progress in their work. An occasional class experiment adds interest to their work. At present they are making daily weather observations of temperature, barometric pressure, direction of wind, clouds etc., which they are tabulating in their note books.

The beginning German class is taking up the reading of Geschichten und Marchen in connection with the required text. They anticipate a great deal of pleasure in reading the stories. The advanced German class has completed the reading of Ein Sommer in Deutschland and have commenced the story of Der Schwiegersohn. This is a very interesting classic and they are enjoying it greatly.

The physics class is conducting experiments in electricity at the present time. They have just completed the study of electrolysis of water and electroplating, and the magnetic effects of the current as applied to the electric bell and the telegraph and are now studying the principle of induced currents in their application to the dynamo and motor.

The class in botany is beginning to plan field work for the spring. The appearance of the first flowers is giving greater enthusiasm for the work. It is planned to make as complete a collection of the local flora as possible during the remainder of the term. The bisecting microscopes with which the class is supplied are a great help.

The C. C. H. S. baseball team has been taking advantage of the last two weeks of beautiful weather, by having a good workout every night from 4 to 5:30 o'clock.

There seems to be more interest in baseball this year than ever before. If the boys keep turning out for practice as they have up to this date, we are sure of a fast team. Last Friday the Ochoconians and the Alphas met for the second time this year. The former team won both games.

Glenie McBain, Helen Wyman and Mabel Talbert are back to school from their week's vacation at their homes near Culver.

Mr. Myers and the senior girls of the normal department are visiting nearby schools this week. Monday they visited the district near town and Tuesday they went to Redmond.

Violet Lister left last Saturday to visit a few days at her home near Paulina.

The tryout for the oratorical contest will be held on Thursday and Friday evenings of next week. The Alpha contest will be had the first evening and the Ochoconians the second.

Miss Conway (assigning the lesson in American literature) Students tomorrow we will take the life of Holmes. Come prepared.

### Visiting Day at School

On April 4th there will be a visiting day at Lamonta school house. Everyone come and bring lunch. Rev Loree will preach at 11 A. M. and again in the afternoon.

## The Journal Takes Another Step in the March of Progress

Below is a cut of the Journal's new typesetting machine, the latest model Unitype, which is being installed this week. As soon as we become more acquainted with the gentleman we hope to be able to set up all the news our readers can read; to say the least we will give all the news each week.

The Unitype sets and distributes foundry made type. Distribution is accomplished while type for new matter is being set up, therefore when the paper is set up we don't have to put our type back into the cases, one letter at a time; that weekly drudge is done away with by means of the automatic distributing mechanism which constitutes part of the Unitype.

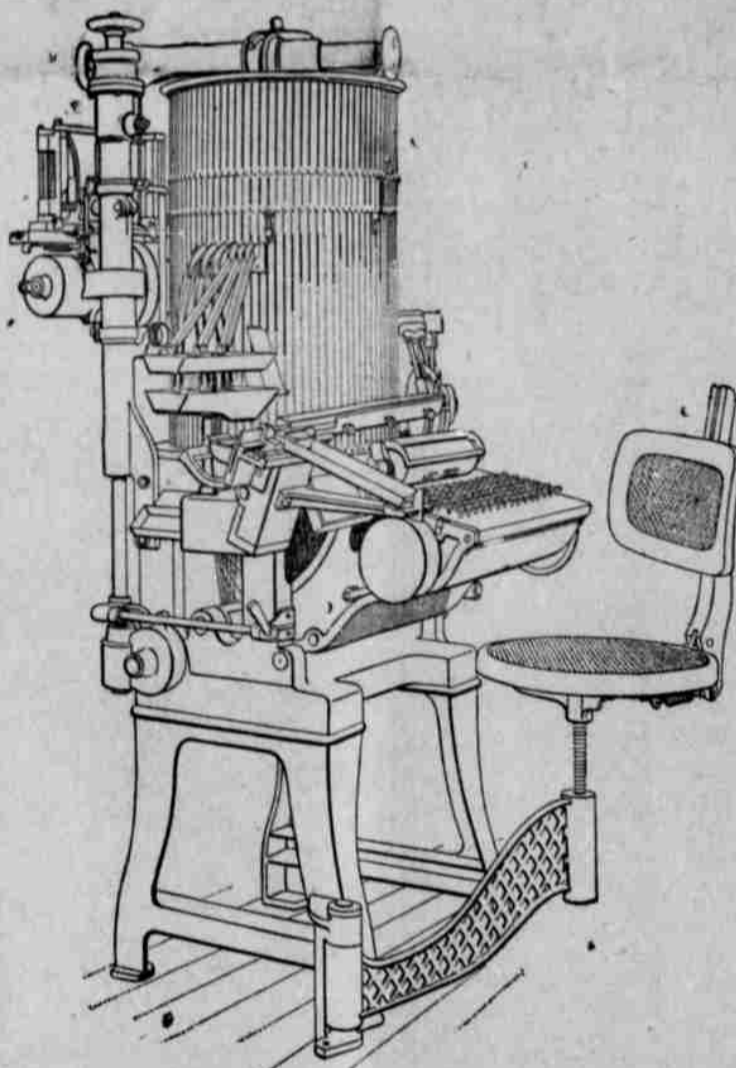
The mechanism is simple and positive and its speed is limited only to the ability of the operator. The setting is accomplished by pressing keys representing type characters, similar to the keys of a typewriter. When a key is touched a letter is ejected from the magazine onto a revolving disc, which brings the letter into the assembler where the letters are formed into words.

These words are adjusted into lines the desired length and placed into a galley. After being printed from this type is put back into galleys and placed in the loader where the type is loaded back into the machine at the rate of 120 lines per minute, and allowed to distribute as type for setting new matter is required.

Any errors in spelling is the fault of the operator, or operators—not the machine. The machine follows copy, or in other words gives forth the letters asked for.

This machine will enable us to get up a great deal more matter in a shorter time. We can handle later news in full, without being compelled to cut important stories short.

We invite friends and readers of the Journal to call and see the "elephant dance." The installation of this machine was one of the improvements we promised our many readers on assuming ownership on January first of this year. We take this occasion to thank our readers and the business people for their solid support. The Journal believes in Prineville and its future and we plan to build accordingly.



The Journal's New Unitype Machine Now in Operation

### Anti Saloon Man Will Speak Here Next Sunday.

The state superintendent of the Oregon Anti-Saloon League, Mr. R. P. Hutton, will speak in the Methodist church on Sunday at 11 A. M. Mr. Hutton's experience in anti-saloon work covers a period of twelve years in different sections of the country. He has led local option elections that have put thousands of saloons out of business. He superintended the campaigns in this state and West Virginia that put both states in the dry column.

### Episcopal Services

There will be an Episcopal service in the Methodist church Thursday evening, March 25th, at eight o'clock conducted by Deaconess A. J. Knight. All are invited.

### Farmers' Short Course Is On at Redmond

The Crook County Farmers Short Course is in full swing at Redmond this week and is well attended by the farmers considering the season of the year and the fine weather we have been having for the farm work. Only a few farmers managed to get out to the lectures by Profs. Larsen and Brown on Monday morning but there were thirty-five out for the pruning demonstration in the afternoon. The lectures on the housing of poultry and home gardening, which were illustrated, were fairly well attended Monday evening.

The number in attendance increases each day and those who

came the first day are practically all returning to complete the course. The course in domestic science is attracting the women from both the town and country and Miss Turle has had an average attendance of over fifty at her lectures, many of the women from the farms driving in to the meetings alone where the men think they are too busy to get away from work.

Prof. Fitts will discuss silos and silage crops at 2 o'clock Saturday. This does not appear on the regular program as published last week but has been added for the benefit of those contemplating the feeding of silage.

We all agree that this is great farming weather and that many of the farmers are rushed at this time but we must also insist that a few hours or even days spent in study of the problems we are bound to face will save us time, labor and money in the end.

### Real Estate Transfers

Weekly transfer report showing instruments filed in the county clerk's office; issued by Crook County Abstract Company, Prineville, Oregon.

Sheriff Knox to W. A. Booth, d ne ne 15; n 1-2 nw 14; nw nw 13-17-14; ne sw, se nw, lots 2, 3, 30-13-11. \$900.

Goddard & Co. to Andrew Jacobson, wd whf nw 16-20-16. \$400.

Thos. F. McCallister to Thos. W. Lawson, wd s hf nw, s hf ne 22-14-14. \$10,000.

Oregon & Western Colonization Co. to Francis V. Smith, wd nw 31-14-16. \$10,490.90.

C. P. Niswonger to Elmer Niswonger, qcd s hf se, ne se 4-18-12. \$25.

J. R. Booth to Elmer Niswonger, qcd tracts in 4 and 9-18-12. \$1.

Elmer Niswonger to Mrs. N. E. Frazier, wd s hf se, ne se 4-18-12.

Sheriff Knox to Geo. W. Watt, d ne sw whf se 8; nw ne 17-11-19. \$1075.

Alix Fraser to D. S. Bentley, wd s hf sw 4; nw 9; e hf ne 8-21-19. \$10.

U. S. to Susan Turner pat n hf 30-14-18.

Jno. M. Crenshaw to B. F. Childress wd nw nw 24-14-13. \$1050.

C. E. Rumelin to Bend Timber Co., wd ne 9-17-11. \$10.

U. S. to Wm. J. Johnson pat s hf 24-14-17.

U. S. to B. Henderman pat e hf sw, whf se, s hf ne, ne se 30; nw sw 29-17-18.

Norma G. Taylor to Ezra T. Sedgwick wd lots 1, 2, 3, blk 125, Hillman. \$1.

U. S. to Bert M. Wilson patent se 32-17-16.

### Ed. H. Mead Writes a Book

Ed. H. Mead who came to Prineville for a number of years with the Margaret Iles company and presented plays at the club hall during fair week on a number of occasions, has suffered a stroke of paralysis but has recovered sufficiently to write a book of his experiences. As he spent many years of his life in the show business in this part of the country, it is no doubt an interesting volume. A. B. Roller of this place will act as local agent for Mr. Mead who lives at Marshfield.

### A Rare Treat

Miss Knox reviewed Bjornsen's Gauntlet last Monday evening at the literary department of the Annex. The review was very interesting and more should have heard it. Next week there will be a short business meeting with the regular meeting. H. B. Harrison, Sec'y.

Will Ledford was in Prineville for a load of supplies the last of the week.

## WIRTZ UPHELD BY ATTY. GEN.

### Tax Money Is All to Be Turned Into Crook Co.

### Two Counties to Settle

### Money Now Coming in Will Be Used to Pay Off Indebtedness of Crook Co.

Attorney General George M. Brown upholds the contention of District Attorney Wirtz to the effect that tax moneys collected from within the boundaries of Jefferson County until the third Monday next June by the tax collector of Crook County shall be turned into the general fund of Crook County and the other county funds according to the law made in December. District Attorney Meyers of Jefferson County contended that the money collected from property in Jefferson County should be held by the county treasurer of Crook intact and be turned over to the treasurer of the new county in currency.

Instead the tax money now coming in will be used to pay off the indebtedness of Crook county and at the date of the settlement between the counties next June, Jefferson county will receive Crook county's warrant for the amount Jefferson is entitled to as arrived at at that time. District Attorney Meyers at one time threatened to bring suit to enjoin County Treasurer Jordan from turning the tax moneys from Jefferson county to Crook county coffers but the county court of Jefferson county advised differently.

The attorney general's opinion in part reads: "It would seem that the idea of the act is that the moneys collected by the tax collector should be treated as moneys belonging to Crook county until settlement is made by the courts of both counties, as provided in section 13, at which time a warrant should be drawn by the court of Crook county payable to the treasurer of Jefferson county. I can conceive of no objection to turning all the moneys so collected into the general fund of Crook county until such settlement is made, as the moneys are until the date of settlement mentioned considered as belonging to Crook county."

### Students' Loan Fund Benefit.

Friday evening April 9, the Methods class of the C. C. H. S. Normal department under the supervision of Mrs. Morse and Mrs. Walker will present a farce for the benefit of the students loan fund. The play will be given at the Commercial Club Hall.

A business meeting of the Ladies' Annex will be the opening number lasting twenty-five minutes. "The Ugliest of Seven," a farce with a point to it, will give you an hour of laughter. There will be some good music, all for 35 cents. The object of the loan fund will be explained in next week's Journal.

### Stock Shipments Numerous

G. W. Slayton and George Dixon shipped four cars of cattle into the North Portland market last Thursday. As usual the Crook county stuff topped the market. They received \$7.50 for the shipment. Mr. Slayton had 75 head in the lot that averaged 1254 pounds, which is not so bad for hay-fed steers.