

CHARGED WITH FORGERY

do more than this—keep the price up during the season when butter is ordinarily a drug on the market.

Whether much butter will be put on cold storage by Salem manufacturers remains to be seen.

MAN AT EUGENE SAID TO HAVE USED HENRY CORBETT'S NAME

Presented check on Portland Bank—Arrested, he waived examination, and was lodged in jail.

EUGENE, Or., April 9.—J. H. Gates was arrested this morning by Sheriff Withers on the charge of forgery.

The morning, shortly before 11 o'clock, Gates entered the First National Bank, and presented to Cashier P. E. Snodgrass a check on the First National Bank of Portland for \$100, the name of Henry Corbett attached thereto.

The check was a forgery, and held Gates until Sheriff Withers could find a man who arrived, when he was turned over to that official.

It is evident that Gates, who has been in Eugene for two or three days, tried to pass the check on bankers before turning to the bank, but was unsuccessful.

He was seen to pick up and place in his pocket a check on the Portland Bank, which was destroyed.

STRONGLY DENIED IN BAKER CITY. Newspaper Article That Prominent Citizens Caused Death of Girl.

BAKER CITY, April 9.—The people of Baker City were in a ferment yesterday over a sensational article which appeared in the Boise Statesman.

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OFFICIALS CONDEMNED

DEMOCRATS WHO REMOVED G. A. R. MEN FROM POSITIONS.

Colfax Post Declares the Step is a Gross Violation of the Washington Law.

COLFAX, Wash., April 9.—Nathaniel Lyon Post, No. 19, G. A. R., in resolutions adopted, emphatically condemns the action of the Democratic Board of County Commissioners.

It is declared that a gross violation of the law has been committed. In support of this contention reference is made to the statutes of the State of Washington.

The action of the Democratic Board of County Commissioners in removing G. A. R. members from office is a gross violation of the law.

The law in question is the act of 1900, known as the "Act to Enforce the Rights of Union Veterans."

The law provides that no person who has been a member of the United States Army or Navy shall be deprived of the right to hold office or to be employed in the public service.

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FARMERS PROPOSE TO ORGANIZE AND DEAL OUT SUMMARY JUSTICE.

COLFAX, Wash., April 9.—What seems to be an organized gang of stock thieves, with prohibitive hiding grounds on the New Pease Reserve, is operating in Whitman County.

The farmers and stockmen of Tennessee Flat, north of Colfax, have risen in arms and are circulating a call for a "summary justice" against the thieves.

The call is in the name of the Protective Association, which a few years ago brought a dozen or more horses and cattle thieves to justice.

The association was then allowed to lapse for want of activity, and the thieves are again on the prowl.

The thieves have been successful in evading the law that the stockowners feel justified in reviving the old association.

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THEATER FOR EUGENE

CORPORATION FORMED FOR ITS CONSTRUCTION.

Work Will Be Begun at Once—Capital Stock of Company Is \$15,000.

EUGENE, April 9.—Articles of incorporation have been filed with the County Clerk by the Eugene Opera-House Company.

The incorporators are L. N. Rooney, R. A. Boot and F. L. Chambers. The capital stock of the company is \$15,000, divided into shares of \$10 each.

The company will proceed at once with the erection of an opera-house on property owned by Mr. Rooney on Williams street, between Sixth and Seventh.

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MYRTLE CREEK GROWERS, HOWEVER, HAVE A GOOD CROP EXPECTED.

MYRTLE CREEK, April 9.—John Hall, a prominent fruitgrower here, today received a letter from a Kansas City firm, asking the selling price of prunes here.

The firm states that it can use about 50,000 bushels of prunes in a couple of months. There is no surplus of prunes in this section, however, growers having received good prices by selling early.

Thirty-five carloads, or about 1,000,000 pounds, of dried prunes, were shipped from Myrtle Creek precinct last fall.

The average weight of a carload being from 25,000 to 30,000 pounds. The quality of the prunes in the orchards here are in excellent condition.

The trees being well-trimmed and the ground in good cultivation. Some of the larger growers express confidence of raising 100,000 pounds of dried prunes during the coming season.

The growers who did not prune or thin the fruit on the Petite trees last year have handled them so well that much has been learned that will lead to a better crop.

Some of the growers who have planted about 25 years ago, a fruit-riper promoter named Evans received a commission from nurserymen for making the sales. At that time prune-growing was an untried experiment in Oregon.

Evans, who had organized a company of local farmers to build a fruit-riper, pushed the sales of prune trees, giving glowing accounts of the profit in prunes.

On account of internal dissensions or other causes, he failed to prove a success on apples and peaches. Evans left the country in disgust, and the people generally blamed him for persuading them to set out prune trees.

He had planted better than they knew. Some of the orchards were neither trimmed nor cultivated, but in a few years were loaded with fruit. It was then discovered that they were a valuable crop, and the industry began to grow.

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WILL GIVE SITE FOR HATCHERY.

Tillamook Bay Fishermen Want Plant in That Locality.

ASTORIA, April 9.—Master Elias Warden Van Dusen receives a letter this morning from Hon. B. L. Eddy, of Tillamook, stating that those interested in the salmon industry on Tillamook Bay would secure a suitable site for a hatchery that is to be located on one of the streams tributary to Tillamook Bay.

He also received a letter from Water Bailiff E. C. Greenman, of Oregon City, stating that fishing had entirely stopped on the Clackamas River, and that he could find very little trace of any on the Willamette River.

Fishermen Making Ready to Fish. All the up-river seiners are making preparations for fishing, and the majority of them will have their gear in the water within a few days after the season opens. A large number of fish are said to be in the river, and the seiners hope to make several good hauls before the high water compels them to shut down.

New Creamery at Work. Eugene Plant Will Turn Out First Butter Today.

EUGENE, April 9.—The Eugene creamery has begun operations, and yesterday for the first time sent its teams into the country to gather cream from the dairies. The farmers are supplied with hand separators, and have the cream ready in cans when the wagons arrive.

The first creaming will be done tomorrow, and then the creamery will be kept in operation. Mr. Elissaph, the proprietor, is prepared to handle the amount of business that he expects to get this season, but is confident of a steady and rapid growth of business, which he has prepared to meet.

Farmers are taking much interest in the enterprise, but the wages are not so high as possible. However, the scarcity of dairy cows is something that cannot be overcome at once, but will have to be supplied by breeding.

Willamette Presbytery. In Session at Eugene—Rev. Mr. Snyder Transfers Membership.

EUGENE, Or., April 9.—The Presbytery of Willamette convened here this evening, two of its members having been transferred from Eugene to Astoria by Rev. W. H. Jones, the retiring moderator.

Rev. A. I. Goodfriend, of Dallas, was elected moderator for the ensuing session, and D. E. Duray, of Astoria, D. D. of Lebanon, permanent clerk pro tem; Rev. T. Brouillette, of Gervais, temporary clerk, and Rev. G. A. McKinlay, of Eugene, secretary.

Rev. J. E. Snyder, of Brownsville, was received from the Presbytery of Portland. Rev. Edward Eccleson was dismissed to the Presbytery of Sacramento, and Rev. J. M. McComb and Rev. J. L. Duray to the Presbytery of Southern Oregon.

New Regime at Eugene. Mayor and Councilmen Assume Control—Former Made Appointments.

EUGENE, April 9.—The annual meeting of the City Council was held last night, and the new Mayor, G. R. Christian, and Councilmen, W. M. Green, S. Barker and J. W. White were installed in office.

Reports of officers were presented and placed on file. The Treasurer's report showed receipts from all sources of \$15,824.25.

Disbursements for the year were \$11,515.58, leaving a balance of \$4,308.67. There are now outstanding warrants to the amount of \$18,737.70.

The Mayor made his appointments of standing committees and appointive officers. The officers are: City Marshal, Sidney Scott; Night Police, R. M. Pratt; Street Commissioners, James M. Turner; City Attorney, J. M. Williams; Surveyor, C. M. Collier.

The appointment of fire wardens was postponed until next meeting.

Labor Union Officers Disinformed. VANCOUVER, B. C., April 9.—A special has been averted by a narrow vote of the Roseland Miners' union, the officers of the union are much dissatisfied at the result.

The question of the inauguration of a new constitution was decided by a vote of 12 to 10.

Convicts Are Making Brick. SALEM, April 9.—The manufacture of brick has begun at the Penitentiary for use in the state sewer to connect the Asylum and Penitentiary with the sewer which now ends at the Capitol.

Cures Night Colds

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

cures night coughs, day coughs, all kinds of coughs. Help Nature a little and see what she will do for you.

Three sizes: 25c, 50c, \$1.00.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send us \$1.00 and we will express a large bottle to you at charges prepaid. Be sure and give us your nearest express office.

J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

of the strike was primarily whether the muckers should be sustained in their demand for an advance of from \$1.50 to \$2.00 in the pay per day.

The temporary close-down of the Evening Star mine, at Rosaland, is said to have originated on account of the condition of the roads, and the likelihood of not being able to ship for the next 90 days.

Independence Briefs. INDEPENDENCE, Or., April 9.—John E. Kirkland, the well-known horse