

NO HELP FOR BIRDS

Chinese Pheasant Law Did Not Pass House.

ERROR OF READING CLERK

House Revision Committee Discovers the Miscount in Looking Over Journal of Lower Body of the Legislature.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—In revising the House Journal, it was discovered that the bill prohibiting the killing of Chinese pheasants prior to 1906, did not receive a majority vote of all the members elected to that body, and hence did not pass. When the final vote was taken, it was declared by Reading Clerk, Charles A. Murphy, that the bill had received 21 affirmative votes. This total was noted on the tally sheet and announced by the Speaker and it was declared that the bill had passed.

The revision committee found that upon the roll call the names of 21 members had been checked off as voting "no," eight of them being absent, leaving only 29 to be recorded as voting "aye." The error was due to a miscount by Reading Clerk Murphy. The bill was passed by the Senate, signed by both presiding officers and filed by the Governor. The constitution provides that a majority of all the members elected to each house shall be necessary to pass a bill. There were 50 members elected, and one Representative, Murphy, of Union, died. The bill received the votes of a majority of all the members of the House, but not all the members elected.

In recording the vote upon the passage of a bill, the reading clerk has a sheet of paper upon which is printed the names of the members. As the roll is called, the clerk marks with a "V" shaped check the name of each member voting "no," and draws a horizontal line through the name of each member absent. The names of those voting "aye" are left unmarked. The sheet is left in this condition until the journals are revised, when the clerk inserts with pen and ink the names of the members voting no, or who were absent. The pencil mark on a name is all that shows the vote at the time it is announced. This method is necessary in order to save time. As the record upon House Bill 41 stands now it shows the final vote as follows:

Aye—Adams, Booth, Burgess, Burleigh, Cantrill, Carnahan, Eddy, Edwards, Emmitt, Fisher, Gault, Ginn, Hahn, Hale, Hanabrough, Harman, Hays, Johnson, Johnson, Kay, LaFollet, Malarkey, Olwell, Phelps, Purdy, Reed, Robbins, Shelley, Simmons, Wheldon—36.
Nay—Bailey, Bilyeu, Blackley, Claypool, Cobb, Cornett, Damsman, Galloway, Hawkins, Hudson, Hume, Jones of Lin. coln, Jones of Multnomah, Kramer, Miles, Olson, Paulsen, Riddle, Test, Webster, Mr. Speaker—31.

The record declares that the bill passed, but the revision committee appended the following note upon that page of the journal:

"Upon revision of the journal it was discovered that there had been but 29 votes in the affirmative, so the bill failed to pass."

It has been repeatedly declared by men who were in the House at the time the anti-gambling bill was voted upon that the bill did not receive a majority vote, though the clerk announced 21 votes in the affirmative. One officer of the House who kept tally on his own for his own information found only 24 "ayes." Another man who was present declares that he counted the members on the floor and could not find a quorum present. Whether an error was committed in the instance is immaterial, for the bill did not get to the Senate.

NEW FACTORY FOR ALBANY.

Plant of Organ Company Will Be Moved From Corvallis.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Albany citizens have subscribed the bonus for the big carriage and organ factory at Corvallis, and work has already begun preparatory to removing the plant to this city. The amount of money raised to cover moving expenses of the factory is \$25,000. There are 140 names of Albany people on the subscription, showing that while no large sums were subscribed, many people are interested in securing the new industry.

This is the factory which Eugene was to have secured a year ago. It is an important affair and will add greatly to Albany's large manufacturing interests. In ground space and working-room the new factory will be the largest in Albany, covering a space 300 x 500 feet. There will be two buildings two stories high in which 30 men will be employed on the start.

The factory will be located at the junction of Hill and Ninth streets, near the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad. The original cost of the factory building was \$17,500. The machinery is appraised at \$12,500 and the organ at \$10,000. This gives Albany a factory worth, in round numbers, \$38,000 for a bonus of \$2500. A company will be organized to conduct the business and will be capitalized at \$50,000.

ARTIST ALLEN LOSES A FINGER

While Cleaning Mud From Gun-Barrel the Load is Discharged.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 31.—Tom Allen, chief of staff of the art department of the New York Journal, and whose "rough kid" pictures have made millions laugh, met with a painful accident while hunting at Nesqueally Lodge yesterday. In company with the gamekeeper, Mr. Allen was shooting ducks, when some mud got stuck in his gun barrel.

In attempting to remove the mud, the weapon was accidentally discharged and the index finger of his left hand was shattered. A physician was hastily summoned and dressed the wound, but expressed the opinion that the injured member would have to be amputated to save the hand.

Tom Allen is an Olympia boy and has been spending Christmas with his father, Judge S. N. Allen. He will leave to take up his work again as soon as he recovers.

HERDER FOUND MURDERED.

Sheepmen on the Flathead Reservation Swear Vengeance.

KALISPELL, Mont., Dec. 31.—An unknown sheepherder in the employ of McDonald & Fruit, a large stock farm near here, was found murdered yesterday on the Flathead Reservation, and his sheep roaming at large. A deadly feud is on between the sheepmen and cattlemen of Northern Montana, and this murder, it is believed, is one of the results.

By the side of the dead man lay his revolver, cocked and ready for use. The man evidently was killed before he could

fire. The sheepmen are swearing vengeance, and it is feared more blood will be shed.

GREETINGS TO THE PRESIDENT

Thurston County Club Will Work for His Election.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—An organization known as the Thurston County Roosevelt Republican Club was formed in this city last night. This morning the following telegram was sent to the President:

"Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, Washington, D. C.—The Theodore Roosevelt Republican Club, of Thurston County, Washington, was organized in this city last evening under the most favorable auspices. The club has for its object the nomination and election of yourself as President of the United States and the protection of the principles of the Republican party. We wish you a happy and successful New Year."

"D. C. M. DYER, President."
"W. M. HAGEMEYER, Secretary."

REED ELECTED PRESIDENT.

Dairymen Fill All Offices and Attend Farewell Banquet.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The dairymen's convention closed here tonight with a banquet at Hotel Yakima. At the session this evening Professor E. A. Bryan, of the State College, made the address to the dairymen. The following officers were elected for the year:

President, R. P. Reed, of Ellensburg; Vice-president, Otto Tamm, of Enumclaw; Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. E. Carmichael, of Yakima City; directors, H. L. Blanchard, of Haddock; E. E. Elliott, Pullman; E. J. Ross, Bothell; J. L. Smith, Spokane.

GRAVELLE FOUND GUILTY.

Sent Blackmailing Letters and Dynamited Northern Pacific Trains.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 31.—The jury at 3:10 P. M. returned a verdict of guilty against Isaac Gravelle, charged with sending blackmailing letters to the Northern Pacific officials and dynamiting its trains. Gravelle will be sentenced Monday. The trial was begun December 14. One hundred witnesses were called and in all respects it was the most notable criminal trial in the history of Montana courts.

NORTHWEST DEAD.

Henry Samson.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 31.—Henry Samson, a prominent pioneer of 1852, died on his farm near Needy yesterday of paralysis. He leaves six grown children, as follows: W. H. H. Samson, of this city; Marion Samson, Mary C. Hardesty, Miss Lottie Samson, of Needy; Mrs. Charles Spangler, of Carver, and Mrs. L. Jackson, of Ely. He was a native of the state of Pennsylvania and came to Oregon City over 50 years ago, settling near Needy, where he took up a donation land claim. Molalla Corners are on his original claim. Mr. Samson was 88 years of age.

Astoria Receipts for the Year.

ASTORIA, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The receipts from fines and forfeitures in the Police Department during the present month were \$1130 and the total for the year just ending is \$10,845.96. The receipts from the same source for the corresponding month of last year were \$885, and the total receipts for the year 1903 were \$7322.50, showing an increase this year of \$3463.46. The total cost of maintaining the Police Department was \$9434.84, leaving a balance in the city's favor of \$1408.62.

Dog Attacked Robber.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 31.—Steve Madison's collie dog saved him from two hold-up men the other night. Madison, who is foreman of the water works, was on Dunlevy avenue when a burly ruffian grabbed him by the throat and another fellow seized him round the body. The dog sprang at the first robber, caught him by the middle of the pants and started to worry him. The footpads let go and took to their heels. And so did Madison.

Pacific Coast Fears Undue.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 31.—The order in council permitting the export from Vancouver of halibut from American vessels in bond over Canadian railways to points in the United States expired today. There was some fear on the Pacific Coast that this order was not to be renewed. This is not correct. The order extending this privilege for one year is now before the Cabinet and will be passed in due course of time. Meantime, the Customs Department has instructed the Collector at Vancouver to continue to bond fish as at present.

22-Caliber Rifle Killed Him.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 31.—A special from Atlin says F. B. Gorrell, telegraph operator at Atlin River, 20 miles south of Atlin, died last night as a result of a bullet wound. He was out hunting in the morning with a 22-caliber rifle and attempted to clear his way through snow-covered bushes. The rifle was accidentally discharged and the bullet entered his abdomen. Gorrell died last night.

Prepare to Pay Off Debt.

LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—At a school meeting held Tuesday afternoon in the school building for the purpose of levying a tax sufficient to maintain the present high standing of the school, it was decided to make it 10 mills in order to pay off a \$2000 bonded indebtedness falling due in 1905.

Laundry Will Be Rebuilt.

LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 31.—The A B C Steam Laundry, totally destroyed by fire Monday night, will be rebuilt at an early date. The managers have sent to Portland for new machinery and are making all arrangements to begin operations as soon as possible. The company is doing business as usual, shipping washing to a Baker City laundry.

Looney in Charge at Reform School.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—N. H. Looney, of Jefferson, today succeeded H. E. Bickers as superintendent of the State Reform School. Mr. Bickers left this afternoon for his former home in Puddingtown, where he will conduct a hotel. Mrs. Looney succeeded Mrs. Bickers as matron, but no other changes have been made.

Hillsboro Saloon Robbed.

HILLSBORO, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—A burglar entered the W. V. Wiley saloon late last night and stole about \$40 in nickels and quarters. Nothing but money was touched. Entrance was effected by breaking the door of the warehouse in the rear.

Grading on Street Railway Begins.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—C. W. Greenman today began the preliminary grading for the Latourette street railway on the West Side.

LOSES LITTLE TIME

State Board Is at Work on Celilo Canal.

MEETS FEDERAL OFFICERS

Begins the Negotiations Whereby Oregon Will Obtain the Right of Way and Present it to the National Government.

Officers of the state and National Governments conferred yesterday about the Celilo Canal. The meeting signalled the beginning of the negotiations whereby



Gilbert Dawson, Age 8.

Oregon will secure right of way for the waterway.

Major W. C. Langitt, United States Engineer, and John H. Hall, United States District Attorney, represented Uncle Sam. Governor Chamberlain, F. L. Dunbar, Secretary of State, and A. M. Crawford, Attorney-General, represented the state. The meeting was preliminary to others that will be held from time to time. Next week another conference will take place, at which F. A. Moore, State Treasurer, will be present, thus making a full attendance of the State Board.

All the parties to the conference were hopeful that right of way can be secured for the canal without serious obstacles. The O. R. & N. is understood to be offering no objections to the canal, and frequent remarks to that effect from officers of the railroad have reached the ears of the men who met yesterday. In a short time O. R. & N. representatives will be invited to talk the matter over with the state board.

Next week the board will interview other owners of ground which will be used by the canal. Among those owners are J. H. Staff, Seufert, Biss, and Eversding & Farrell. Part of the land which they claim, and which will be secured for the canal, is below the high-water mark of the Columbia River, consequently their rights will have to be investigated closely. The State Board will endeavor to expend just as little of the \$100,000 as possible. Governor Chamberlain said at the meeting that he believed half the appropriation would suffice. It is well understood by the state officers that the owners of the ground will get just as much of the \$100,000 as they can.

Major Langitt exhibited maps to show the proposed lines of the canal. The waterway will be nearer the river than the boat railway would have been; therefore the damages to the O. R. & N. will not be so heavy as they would have been from the other project.

The portage railway was only incidentally mentioned. Governor Chamberlain said after the meeting that the State Board will hasten negotiations just as fast as possible, but that the members have a large amount of other public business to attend to just now and until after the first part of the month will not have much time for the canal.

Mr. Dunbar and Mr. Crawford returned to Salem yesterday afternoon.

END OF HERCULES CASE.

H. L. Day Wins From the Ambergia Company.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Dispatches received today from Wallace state that J. G. Morgan, of the District Court of Shoshone County, has decided the noted case of the Ambergia Mining Company vs. H. L. Day and others, who own the celebrated Hercules mine, in favor of the latter. This case, which was known as the "Hercules case," attracted a great deal of attention because of the interests involved and the personality of the litigants.

The Hercules is now conceded to be one of the most valuable properties in the Coeur d'Alenes. The Ambergia Company claimed title to certain ground in the Hercules group, and brought suit in the District Court to establish their alleged rights.

Judge Morgan announced his decision today in favor of the defendants. The property claimed by the Ambergia Company is exceptionally valuable, and the decision is a distinct triumph for Day and his associates.

LEVY OF SCHOOL TAXES.

Act of 1903 Unchanged, Says State Superintendent.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman has been deluged in the last few days with letters making inquiry as to the status of the law regarding the levy of school taxes by the County Courts. In answer to these questions, which seem to have grown out of a belief that the law was changed at the special session, Superintendent Ackerman has replied that the act of 1903 upon this subject remains unchanged. That act amends section 374 of Bellinger & Cotton's Code, which is identical with section 3065, so as to read as follows:

"Section 374. School Tax.—The County Courts of the several counties of this state are hereby required to levy, at the same time they levy other taxes, a tax upon all the taxable property in their counties for school purposes, which shall aggregate an amount which shall be at least 35 per cent for each and all of the children within the county between the ages of 4 and 20 years, as shown by their

last preceding school census, which tax shall be collected at the same time, in the same manner, and by the same officers that other taxes shall be collected. Provided, that the per capita amount so levied in any county shall not be less than the per capita amount of the school tax levied in the county for the year 1903."

The method above described has superseded the old method of levying a 5-mill school tax and is now in force by virtue of the act found on page 214 of the Session Laws of 1903.

VERY DAINTY AT TABLE.

Lowe Denies Stories of Dunsmuir's Slovenly Habits.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 31.—John A. S. Lowe, manager of R. Dunsmuir's Sons Company, at San Francisco, gave evidence in the Hopper-Dunsmuir will case this morning to the effect that Alexander Dunsmuir, as president of the company, had always carried on the business properly and had never come to the office intoxicated. Lowe spoke of having dined at times with Dunsmuir and denied stories of his having dropped food and of the necessity of cutting his food for him. Lowe told of directors' meetings at San Francisco, of making a fishing trip along

ENTERPRISING NEWSBOY AT SHEDD, OREGON

One of The Oregonian's enterprising newsboys is Gilbert Dawson, aged 6, of Shedd, Or. He sends a letter increasing his order, and I may grow up to be useful to The Oregonian. Have you got any articles? "I am 6 years old. I hope younger newsboys than 17 I wish The Oregonian and the Portland newsboys a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

There are younger newsboys in Portland, but it is doubtful whether they are better hustlers than young Dawson.

RECEIPTS OF LAND BOARD.

Higher Price of School Land Cuts Down the Figures.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The receipts of the State Land Office for the year ending today amounted to \$43,424.88. This is about \$1400 for each working day. The receipts for the previous year were \$43,388.85, and for 1901 they were \$36,235.70.

The decrease this year, as compared with 1902, is due to the fact that all sales of school land stopped on May 21, 1903, when the price was raised from \$1.25 to \$2.50 per acre. Very few sales have been made since the price was raised. The receipts for December were as follows:

Common school fund principal, sales of school land	\$21,554.34
Common school fund principal, sales of land	1,390.75
Common school fund principal, sales of title land	122.96
Common school fund interest, payments on certificates	6,681.07
University fund interest, payments on certificates	302.00
University fund interest, payments on sales of lands acquired by deed	443.20
Agricultural College fund principal, sales of school land	258.39
Agricultural College fund interest, payments on certificates	60.31
Agricultural College fund interest, payments and payments on sales of lands acquired by deed or foreclosure	45.90
Swamp land fund	4,190.22
Total	\$36,429.84

Her Death Suggests Poisoning.

HELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 31.—An autopsy was held today over the remains of Mrs. Norman Williams, who died under peculiar circumstances at her home in Fairhaven last night. The physicians in charge refuse to make any definite statement pending the investigation, but say indications point strongly to strychnine poisoning, probably with suicidal intent. She is the wife of Norman Williams, who was taken to Oregon recently to answer to a charge of forgery.

Shinglemakers Decide to Go Out.

FAIRHAVEN, Wash., Dec. 31.—Fairhaven local No. 8, Shingle Weavers' Union of America, decided at a meeting tonight to walk out rather than submit to the cut of 10 per cent in wages ordered by the Puget Sound Mill & Timber Company, taking effect January 1. Over 50 men are involved, and as a similar cut is contemplated all over Puget Sound a general strike may be ordered.

Heavy Fog Clears Away.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—For the first time in two weeks the fog that has been hovering over the Valley has cleared away, and the morning is brightly today. The fog has been so dense for a fortnight that objects were visible but a few blocks away, and the fog was accompanied with a chilling cold that rendered many people ill.

Press of Mail at Albany.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The great press of mail in Albany has made the employment of a third carrier necessary. A. E. Alexander was today appointed carrier, and Roland Hackleman named as substitute.

Philippine Officer Ends Life.

MANILA, Dec. 31.—Lieutenant Elmer B. Melton, of the Philippine constabulary, has committed suicide.

Cabmen Vote to Strike.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 31.—Three hundred



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RELIABLE CLOTHIERS

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ANNUAL Clearance Sale

Radical reductions throughout the entire store. 20 to 33 1/2 per cent reduction on our entire stock of Men's and Boys' high-grade Clothing, Hats and Furnishings.

Every Article in the Entire Store Reduced EXCEPT CONTRACT GOODS

All our Men's \$14.00, \$15.00 and \$16.50 Suits and Overcoats, now \$11.50

All our Men's \$18 and \$20 Suits and Overcoats, now \$14.75

All our Men's \$22.50 and \$25 Suits and Overcoats, now \$19.75

Great Clearance Sale Specials in Our Boys' Department

EVERY BOY'S SUIT AND OVERCOAT IN OUR ENTIRE STOCK HAS BEEN RECKLESSLY REDUCED

All our Boys' sailor and double-breasted knee-pants Suits in \$5.00 and \$5.45 values, now \$3.50

All our Boys' sailor and double-breasted knee-pants Suits in \$6.00, \$6.45 and \$6.85 values, now \$4.85

members of the cabmen's and carriage-drivers' union have voted to strike tomorrow for higher wages and other concessions. It is feared that the strike may spread to other drivers and tie up the traffic of the city.

Arkansas for Roosevelt.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 31.—The Republican State Central Committee today called the state convention for Little Rock on May 18. A resolution endorsing President Roosevelt was unanimously adopted.

Bond Refunding Offer Closed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Refunding operations under Secretary Shaw's recent offer closed today. The amount of \$2 and \$4 thus far received approximated \$15,000,000. The amount of \$2 received for redemption is about \$12,825,000.

Germany After Coaling Station.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Information has reached Washington to the effect that Germany is making a quiet but determined effort to get a coaling station at St. Thomas, one of the West Indian Islands.

OLD AGE

Depends Not Upon Years, but Upon Vital Force.

A GREAT DISCOVERY TO WARD OFF OLD AGE.

In Portland lately there has been a good deal of discussion in regard to old people. Some at 30 years call themselves old, and really appear so; while others at 70 years seem active, vigorous and young.

A reporter of the Oregonian happened in the store of Woodard, Clarke & Co., our local druggists, the other evening, and this subject was brought up. Said Mr. Woodard: "It is a fact, and we see it illustrated every day right here in Portland; it is not years, old age does not begin at any set time, but it is a loss of vital force that makes a person old. Weakened digestion, thin blood and poor circulation soon start functional powers and vitality on the wane, and then the symptoms of old age quickly appear. You know a man is as old as he feels."

"On the other hand," continued Mr. Woodard, "that old feeling may be warded off, and I wish every person in Portland who feels old, whether they are 30 or 70 years of age, would try the great discovery, Vinol. I know that it has vital principles which will in a natural manner strengthen digestion, assimilation and all the functional powers, send rich, red blood coursing through the veins and give new life to every organ of the body, and this is what makes the old feel young again."

Mrs. H. W. Avery, of Norwich, N. Y., writes: "At the age of 59 I felt the need of a tonic, something to strengthen and build me up. For a year and a half I have taken Vinol, and I have found that it brings vigor and life to the aged as nothing else will."

Mrs. Sarah J. Windrom (cousin to the late United States President, Zachary Taylor, 425 West Erie street, Chicago, who is 75 years old, says Vinol is a godsend to old people. So also does Mr. George L. Jones, Sr., of 19 Perine avenue, Jersey City, and A. J. Baker, of 73 Locust street, Evansville, Ind.

Vinol repairs worn tissues, checks the natural decline and replaces weakness with strength. It is an ideal body builder for old folks.

We promise you that Vinol is, first of all, agreeable, because it contains no fatty oil. Second, that it is a genuine cod liver medicine, containing all the medicinal curatives and strength-making elements taken direct from fresh cod livers; and third, we will return your money if it does not do exactly what we claim for it. Woodard, Clarke & Co., druggists.

WHY I HAVE MADE A SUCCESS IN PORTLAND

DR. TALCOTT'S TALK TO MEN

I want every man who is afflicted with any special ailment to come and talk with me confidentially about his case. A word of suggestion will often lead a patient to get on the right road to a quick and lasting cure, if his case is taken in time. Even diseases that have reached an advanced chronic stage yield readily to my medicines and distinctive methods of treatment.

Are you sick and need a friend? I have made many a man happy who had given up in despair. I can cure you of that unnatural discharge, give you strength and vigor and make you a MAN. I have made a specialty of disorders of MEN for years, and will guarantee to cure you or you need not pay a dollar.

Special attention given to: Varicocele, Stricture, Rupture, Piles, Hemorrhoids, Contagious Blood Diseases and Chronic Urinary and Prostatic Inflammation. Our institution occupies the entire upper floor, and our offices are especially arranged for privacy. Colored chart of the organs sent absolutely sealed, free, on application.

A physician is not entitled to advance. We are the only specialists in the West who conduct business on these principles.

NOT A DOLLAR ASKED FOR UNTIL A CURE IS EFFECTED. This is not limited to time or conditions in character.

F. L. Talcott, M. D.

What Weakness Is and How I Cure It

"Weakness" is merely a symptom of chronic inflammation in the prostate gland, brought on by early dissipation, or the improper treatment of some contracted disease. A complete and radical cure is therefore a question of restoring prostate gland to its normal state, and this I accomplish promptly and completely without the use of internal remedies. My treatment is a local one entirely. It is original and scientific, and has been proven effective by thousands of tests. I am convinced that by no other method can full and permanent restoration of strength and vigor be accomplished.

Specific Blood Poison. No dangerous minerals to drive the virus to the system, but harmless, blood-purifying remedies that remove the last poisonous taint.

No traces of the blood poison since my last letter. I have now been treating six months. Shall I continue?

I am satisfied that you do all you claim. Surely no worse case of "Weakness" existed than mine yet I am delighted to state that I am cured.