

VARIABLES' PROBLEM FORESTERS' WORRY

Government Official Speaks Before Institute on Subject of Grazing.

PESTS PROVING TROUBLE

J. T. Jardine Talks on "Grazing as it Affects Forest Lands"—H. S. Graves, Head of Department, Expected Here Tomorrow.

"Twenty prairie dogs equal five jack rabbits equal one cow."

This is a proposition that confronts the men in the forestry service in handling some of the problems of grazing on forest lands, according to J. T. Jardine, inspector of grazing in the Government service, who addressed the foresters' institute yesterday on the subject of "Grazing as it Affects the Forest Lands."

"Varmints" such as prairie dogs and jack rabbits are one of the great pests that have to be combated in maintaining the grazing lands of the forests of Oregon and other states, and extensive experiments have been carried on in order to find effective means of exterminating them.

The main effort of the Government at present, said Mr. Jardine, "is to increase as much as possible the carrying capacity of the grazing lands, and by continual experiments the department is gathering a vast fund of information to aid in increasing the range capacity and consequently in aiding stockraisers of the state."

Much of the range land in the Government forest preserves was overgrazed and in many cases almost totally denuded when the reserves were created. The effort of the Government has been, since the creation of the reserves, to restore the denuded sections and, if possible, increase the area which may be grazed.

Improvement has been made in the area of grazing by the carrying work to the benefit of the stockraiser.

Grazing areas are extended by seeding of forage plants, eradication of poisonous plants and the destruction of wild animals that ravage the supply of forage. Rotation of grazing is also found beneficial in restoring and maintaining the grazing area in the forest reserves.

Last night's session was devoted to a discussion of fire and its problems. F. A. Elliott, chief of the forest fire department, was the principal speaker.

Co-operation between state, Government and private foresters in the task of fire fighting was the theme of the entire discussion. Mr. Elliott maintained that the most important feature in handling the forest fire problem in this state was the education of the people to the importance of forest protection.

He recommended that the forest fire problem in each district of the state, to handle the fires that might arise.

H. S. Graves, United States Chief Forester, reached Portland tomorrow and will take part in the closing sessions of the foresters' institute. The Oregon Forest Fire Association has arranged to entertain him at a dinner in the Carlton Hotel Friday night, for the purpose of discussing the situation in Oregon and laying plans for future improvements.

TRUST ISSUE IS RAISED Bathub Makers Hold Decision Eliminates Criminal Feature.

DETROIT, Jan. 16.—Whether the recent Standard Oil decision of the United States Supreme Court eliminated the criminal feature from the bath tub trust, anti-trust law was a question that arose today in the United States District Court here.

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Cordelia Dutton Guild, aged 33 who died January 8 at the residence of her parents, Mrs. J. D. Wharton, 121 East Eleventh street, this city, was born in Warren, Trumbull County, Ohio.

She removed with her parents, to Rock Island, Ill. when 13 years old. She was married there to H. A. Guild, in 1896 the family removing to Columbia City, Or., where Mr. Guild died in 1897. Following the death of her husband, Mrs. Guild resided with her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Wharton, of this city. Mrs. Guild is survived by a daughter and three sons—Mrs. J. D. Wharton, Portland; George A. Guild, Meriden, Conn.; John B. Guild, Rainier, Or.; and Henry G. Guild, Vale, Or.

the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company might build the extension. J. W. Kaste announced that the five ways of getting the line are by the Mount Hood Railway & Power Company, the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, Jacob-Stine Company, a railroad man who proposes to build from Clackamas County, and lastly, the people may build the line themselves.

It was decided to push the circulation of the agreements with all possible energy. Edward Peterson, W. P. Powell and H. W. Rand were appointed to make a contract with the Lumbermen's National Bank for the custody of the money raised. There was great enthusiasm displayed at the meeting for the construction of the branch street railway for South Mount Tabor.

LEADERS TO BE AIDED CALIFORNIA BUILDING TRADES STAND BY TWELVEMOE.

State Organization, in Session at Fresno, Probably Will Vote to Indorse Them.

FRESNO, Cal., Jan. 16.—At the afternoon session of the California Building Trades Council the report of the Los Angeles Building Trades Council set forth a large increase in membership in its various affiliated unions.

An official statement was made at the close of the secret session to the effect that promises of support were made by the local councils to Twelvmoe and his associates, who were recently arrested on charges of conspiracy.

"The trades delegates in San Francisco have neither been deceived nor led astray by the vicious and cowardly attacks that are being made upon our leaders. We are determined that, come what may, regardless of whatever trumped-up charge capital may endeavor to fast upon them, we will not and must not be deceived. We are going to give every protection and every aid to our leaders, who are going to stand upon a sure deal and upon justice; we are going to continue to fight for the rights of labor upon the same legitimate lines that we have fought for many years, and urge our brothers in California to do likewise."

These resolutions are now in the hands of the resolutions committee.

BRIAND'S ASSAILANT FREE Request for Release Minister's First Act in New Cabinet.

PARI, Jan. 16.—President Fallieres at the request of Minister of Justice Briand today signed the order of the release of Lacour, the Royalist who was suspended in December, 1910, to three years' imprisonment for assaulting M. Briand when he was Premier after the ceremony of the unveiling of the monument to the memory of Jules Ferry in the Tuilleries Gardens.

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PARIS, Jan. 16.—A ministerial declaration setting forth the policy of the new French cabinet was read today in the Chamber of Deputies by Premier Poincaré and in the Senate by Minister of Justice Briand.

The declaration insists that France intends to remain faithful to her alliances and friendships and that to be strong and respected "we must have a government that really governs."

The first duty of the government, according to the declaration, will be that of satisfying the Franco-German accord on the subject of Morocco and negotiating a loyal accord with Spain. This will permit France speedily to organize her protectorate over Morocco, which is the logical climax of France's African policy.

The ministers say that the cabinet desires changes in the electoral law, granting proportionate representation to the political parties.

The development of the workmen's pension scheme is given great attention. It promises to defend the public schools against all aggression and urge rigorous economy and the granting of assistance to the country's commercial activity.

In conclusion, the declaration says that the strengthening of the army and navy will receive attention. The Chamber of Deputies this afternoon passed a vote of confidence in the government 440 to 82.

FRENCH SHIP ARRESTED Italians Seize Exhibitors' Aeroplanes as Contrabands of War.

TUNIS, Jan. 16.—A wireless message received here today says the French steamer Carthage, bound from Marseilles for Tunis, has been arrested on the high seas by Italian torpedo-boat destroyers and taken to Cagliari, island of Sardinia.

The Italian authorities consider that an aeroplane belonging to Aviator Duval, and parts of another, belonging to Aviator Obre, aboard the Carthage, were contrabands of war.

Duval and Obre, who are both here to give exhibition flights, learned of the seizure of the machines and lodged a protest with the President-General. Obre points out that he recently made flights at Cagliari and Suzara and had been authorized by the Italian authorities to take his machine back to Marseilles.

CONVENTION RATES UP \$5 Union Pacific Expects Largest Business to Coast in History.

OMAHA, Jan. 16.—(Special.)—Delegates and visitors to conventions on the Pacific Coast this year will pay \$5 more railroad fare than they have in previous years, but the regular tourist traffic will be handled on the old basis.

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MAN IS WHIRLED TO DEATH Belt Catches Clothes of Employee in American Can Factory.

Caught in a rapidly revolving pulley, James G. Turner, 54 years old, was whirled to his death at the factory of the American Can Company yesterday, both his legs having been broken completely off when he was extricated. In addition he had a fractured spine and many other injuries. He died almost instantly.

Turner was working with a Campbell and attempted to pass a wrench to him across the moving belt. As he did so the pulley caught his clothing and he was whirled around many times before the machinery could be stopped. The body was turned over to the Coroner, who will hold an inquest today. Turner leaves a widow. He lived at 663 Savier street. A nephew, R. G. Turner, is superintendent of the Orpheum Theatre. A nephew, Bud Turner, machinist in the composing room of The Evening Telegram, is a nephew of the dead man.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS ASKED Oregon and Washington Members of Congress Introduce Bills.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 16.—Representative Hawley today introduced a bill authorizing the erection of a public building at Roseburg to cost \$150,000.

Representative La Follette, of Washington, today introduced four public building bills calling for appropriations as follows: Payette, \$100,000; Davenport, and Waterville, \$100,000 each.

Senator Jones today introduced the following public building bills: Ellensburg, \$200,000; Wenatchee, \$200,000; Aberdeen, \$150,000; Anacortes, \$50,000; Blaine, \$50,000; Centralia, \$150,000; Elsie, \$100,000; Gresham, \$150,000; Waterville, \$50,000; also increase in appropriations for building at Everett from \$150,000 to \$250,000.

Senator Polk introduced a bill appropriating \$45,000 for establishing additional aids to navigation in Puget Sound, also a bill making appropriation of \$50,000 for a public building at Wenatchee.

NEW KALAMA CLUB ELECTS Commercial Body Active Now for Civic Improvement.

KALAMA, Wash., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—The Kalama Commercial Club met last night and effected a permanent organization by the adoption of a constitution and by-laws. The plan of government is modeled after the common form in which a board of directors consisting of five members have full control of the club's affairs. Those elected were: A. H. Imus, A. W. Estes, H. A. Taylor, G. B. Roberts and George N. Campbell.

The board met immediately after the adjournment and appointed A. H. Imus president and A. W. Estes secretary. Among the enterprises that the club will promote is the paving of the streets and the building of a public dock.

60-CENT BUTTER IN SIGHT (Continued From First Page.) prices are fixed, and convince the court that fictitious reasons are given for advancing prices.

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SEATTLE, Jan. 16.—Officers of the Alaska Steamship Company are investigating the disappearance of Allen W. Jackson, second assistant engineer of the steamship Santa Ana, who disappeared from the steamship Northwestern last Saturday night. He was a passenger aboard the Northwestern from Seward, Alaska, and is believed to have leaped into the sea while the vessel was steaming for Seattle.

Officers of the Northwestern say that Jackson was laboring under the delusion that his wife and daughter, who live at San Pedro, Cal., had been burned to death.

He left several letters to be sent to relatives, including a brother, Harper Jackson, of San Francisco. He also mailed a letter to C. S. Follet, business manager of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, asking him to look after his affairs.

Jackson, who was 42 years old, had been followed by misfortune throughout his seafaring career. He was first assistant engineer of the steamship Ramona, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company's fleet, when that vessel was lost on Spanish Island last September and was aboard the steamer Perdita when she burned to the water's edge off Port Ludlow last October.

His thrilling escape from the burning Perdita when he leaped into the sea and the hardships endured at the time of the wreck of the Ramona, are believed to have unbalanced his mind.

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Change of Time and Trains ON THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC SHASTA LIMITED INTERURBAN MOTOR CAR WEST SIDE AND YAMHILL DIVISION CHANGES OSWEGO TRAIN THROUGH SERVICE TO TILLAMOOK CHANGES, LEBANON and SPRINGFIELD BRANCHES