

R. H. BOOTH HONOR GUEST AT MEETING

Corvallis Citizens and Agricultural Short Course Students Addressed.

DISCUSSION IS INFORMAL

Candidate for Republican Senatorial Nomination Originator of College Loan Fund and Attendants See Him as Friend.

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—In response to an invitation from 250 short-course students at the Oregon Agricultural College, R. A. Booth, of Eugene, candidate for the Republican nomination for United States Senator, was guest of honor and the principal speaker at a meeting held in the Court-house tonight.

It was more of a gathering of students and citizens to meet Mr. Booth than a political rally. For many years he has been a subscriber to the college loan fund here, which was originated by him, and otherwise interested in college activities and the students regard him as a warm friend.

John Goldsberry, of Parkdale, Hood River county, president of the short-course students, under whose auspices the meeting was held, presided. He introduced Mr. Booth, who discussed in an informal way some of the issues of the coming campaign. Before the meeting, the Corvallis High School Band, which had volunteered its services, played selections in the streets of the college town. The band also opened the programme in the Court-house.

Mayor Taylor, of Corvallis, then delivered an address of welcome. After the introductory remarks by Mr. Goldsberry, Mr. Booth took the floor. He was followed by the college quartet with college songs.

Earlier in the evening, on his arrival from Eugene, Mr. Booth was met at the train and escorted to his hotel by the following reception committee from the short-course students:

John Goldsberry, chairman; F. B. Kimball, of Hood River; Ernest E. Hyland, of Oak Ridge; A. W. Peters, of Hood River; Carl Edgell, of Medford, and L. E. Warford, of Portland.

RURAL MUNICIPALITY AIM

Hood River Orchardists Have New Plan to Obtain Power.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The newest phase of the contention of residents of the orchard district here for cheaper light rates is a proposed plan of initiating a bill at the next general election for a law making it possible for communities to establish municipalities for the purpose of establishing plants for electric light, heat and power.

The members of the orchardists' investigation committee have constructed various schemes for establishing a country municipal plant. It was proposed that the city extend its limits. However, it was found that this plan would have been opposed by residents of the city.

Judge A. J. Derby told the orchardists that the state plan might be applied to lighting and heating as it is now applied to the operation of irrigation systems.

WATER PROJECT OPPOSED

Some Persons Say Bull Run Plan Too Costly for Milwaukie.

MILWAUKIE, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The movement started here to lay a pipeline to Portland and secure Bull Run water for this place has caused some opposition on the ground that the cost would be too great. Mrs. Maggie L. Johnson, secretary of the Milwaukie Commercial Club, in speaking of the plan today said: "I don't think Milwaukie can secure Bull Run water for the \$20,000 bonds authorized at the last election. It probably would require \$40,000 or \$50,000 to lay the main and construct a distributing plant here. Minthorne Springs here at home will supply ample water for fire and domestic purposes." There would be enough money from the \$20,000 bond issue to supply Minthorne Springs water, but not Bull Run water.

LAND BOARD RULINGS MADE

Project Engineer Lourgard's Pay Increased \$50 a Month.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The State Board of Land Commissioners at a meeting Tuesday, increased the salary of Project Engineer Lourgard, of the Tumalo project, from \$300 a month to \$350 a month.

An order was made providing that 25 per cent of the land under any unit must be signed up for its completion before the work would be done. Authority was given the project engineer to build a road under any unit to take the place of the one now running through it. It also was decided to build a core wall for a dam at a point where a drain through the upper part of the reservoir drops into a feed canal.

"GO TO CHURCH" IS SLOGAN

Pendleton Pastors Inaugurate Move for General Attendance.

PENDLETON, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—A "Go to Church Sunday" observance has been inaugurated for Pendleton and next Sunday is to be the first "Go to Church" day. The movement was launched in Chicago several weeks ago and since that time has rapidly spread throughout the country. The idea is to make at least one Sunday in the year an occasion when everybody will go to church.

BAKER GIRL WINS DECREE

Rupert Van Buskirk Allows Divorce to Go by Default.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Circuit Judge Anderson today signed a default divorce decree in the suit

brought by Carmen Van Buskirk, daughter of one of the wealthy Baker families, against Rupert Dea Van Buskirk, a young man who flashed in Eastern Oregon for a short time and then disappeared. The young woman, still in her teens, was Miss Carmen Koster, which name she asks to have restored.

She was married to Van Buskirk at Union July 29, 1913, and alleges that her husband at the time of the marriage represented himself to be a wealthy sheepman in the employ of Singfield Bros. She tells of her wedding trip on which her husband insisted many fictitious checks and compelled her to endorse them until such time as she found out the illegality of such proceedings, whereupon, the complaint alleges, she returned to her home. Van Buskirk made no defense to

JOSEPHINE COUNTY BABY IS PRIZE CHILD.

Mary Ritchie.

HUGO, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Hugo, the prize baby of Josephine county, was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ritchie, of Hugo, Or. It is a little over a year old and a fine baby for her age. At the last fair, she was in Josephine county Mary was the prizewinner among her class.

the suit, which was brought on a charge of cruel and inhuman treatment.

ALIENATION IS CHARGE

EX-HUSBAND SUES PRESENT HUSBAND FOR \$50,000 DAMAGES.

Charles Stocking, Vice-President of Pacific Glass & Paint Company, and Postmaster's Son, Plaintiff.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Suit for \$50,000 against Charles Stocking, vice-president of the Pacific Glass & Paint Company and son of Postmaster Stocking, for alleged alienation of affections of the wife of Charles E. Larson, of Seattle, was filed in Superior Court today.

The former Mrs. Larson is now the wife of Mr. Stocking and he has adopted the six-year-old daughter, Helen, of the Larson marriage.

The complaint alleges that for three years Stocking endeavored to alienate Mrs. Larson from her husband and that the woman finally left Mr. Larson, taking her young daughter with her.

The papers filed do not mention the obtaining of a divorce by Mrs. Larson, but this was explained by Postmaster Stocking. His son was out of the city today.

"My son married Mrs. Larson a year ago last June and that was about a year after she had obtained her divorce," said the postmaster. "Mr. Larson has made trouble continually and has tried to get the custody of the child. This is blackmail, pure and simple, in my opinion. The woman left her former husband because she was unable to live with him in peace."

Believe Larson now has a position in Olympia, although he is an employee of the state. I could not say."

CATHLAMET MAN IS DEAD

J. M. Edwards, Prominent in Politics, Expires at Sumner.

CATHLAMET, Wash., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—J. M. Edwards, of this place, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Arthur C. Edwards, at Sumner, Wash., today. The funeral services took place Sunday from the Congregational church, the pastor, W. W. Heald, officiating.

Mr. Edwards was born at Lincoln, Ill., June 18, 1837. He served from 1862 until the close of the Civil war. In 1882 Mr. Edwards and his family came to Eastern Washington and to the state of Washington in 1885. He was elected Representative of the county.

The following children survive: Mrs. Frank C. Edwards, of Pomeroy, Wash.; Mrs. J. Taylor, of Bellingham, Wash.; Mrs. N. B. Thornton, of Sumner, Wash.; Mrs. Richard Gerdes, of St. Helens, Or., and Mrs. N. P. Owen, of this place.

PHONE MERGER IS DENIED

Oregon-Washington Company Officials Say Reports Untrue.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Rumors that have been current here as to the purchase by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company of the system of the Oregon-Washington Telephone Company have been flatly denied by E. C. Hall, secretary of the company, and W. N. Winter, manager. Mr. Winter said today that he was at loss to know how such rumors emanated. "Our president, Charles Hall," he said, "is in Los Angeles, and if any such transactions were being conducted, our president would be necessary for him to be present."

The Oregon-Washington Telephone Company was formed last year by the amalgamation of the Home Telephone Company of this city and the companies operating in Goldendale and White Salmon, Wash.

Ship Edward Sewall in Distress. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 28.—The American ship Edward Sewall, out 163 days from Philadelphia for Seattle, which put into Bahia Blanca, Argentina, December 19, with spars and rigging gone, and sailed January 6, returned there yesterday again in distress, with her spars and rigging gone. This information was received today by the marine department of the Chamber of Commerce here.

Dufur Will Now Get Stockyards. DUFUR, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The State Railroad Commission has ordered the Great Southern Railroad to construct stockyards at Dufur. This order is the result of a hearing held here recently by the Commission. The yards now in use here are the property of private parties and are inadequate to the needs of the shippers.

INFLUENCE USED, CONTESTANTS SAY

Testimony in Huffman Will Case Is That Calls for Sister Unheeded.

NEIGHBOR AIDS ACTION

Mrs. Minnie Bastian and Frank S. Hamilton Give Striking Evidence for Contestants—Huffman Sought Relative.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Before a well-filled courtroom, the contestants in the Huffman will case presented the first part of their testimony before Court Judge Carter today, two witnesses—Frank C. Hamilton and Mrs. Minnie Bastian—taking up the greater part of the day. The testimony of both witnesses was sensational and went to bear up the contention that Mr. Huffman really had in mind, prior to his death, the sister from whom he had been separated for 15 or more years.

That Mr. Huffman, while on his deathbed, repeatedly called for "Mary" (Mrs. Mary Speak Darby, the contestant) and that the others around the deathbed refused to pay attention to his repeated calls, was the testimony of Mrs. Bastian, who for eight or 10 years had lived as a neighbor to Mr. Huffman on Snake River. She told how she, and she only, had heeded the dying man's calls and had said word to Mrs. Darby and asked her to come, and that Mrs. Darby had come, arriving just after her brother's death.

First Witness Makes Statement. The most striking statement of Frank S. Hamilton, the first witness for the contestants, was that just before he went with Mr. Huffman to Huntington he had suggested that Mr. Huffman go to Baker for medical attention. To this he said Mr. Huffman replied: "You and Hindman want me to go to Baker, but I am going to Huntington to be near my sister."

At another time the witness said Mr. Huffman told him "Hindman no good." Mr. Hamilton said that Mr. Hindman, whose right to inherit under the will is being attacked, had tried to "court" Mr. Huffman, who he said, thought Mr. Hindman was trying to get his property.

The witness told how Mr. Huffman and he had gone to Huntington for medical aid and how he had cared for the dying man, returning to Durkee September 3, two days before the man's death. He then, he said, saw Mr. Hindman and told him Mr. Huffman was dying, whereupon, he said, Mr. Hindman hurriedly left for Huntington, where he arrived in time to be at the bedside of the dying man and to draw the will which made him virtually the sole beneficiary of his neighbor's property.

Bill Payment Refused. Mr. Hamilton said that after Mr. Huffman's funeral he presented a bill for \$200 to his services to Mr. Hindman and Mr. Hindman refused to pay this. The proponents of the will failed to obtain from the witness an admission of an alleged conversation with Mr. Hindman in which Mr. Hamilton is said to have demanded transportation to Los Angeles with a threat of legal action against him in the will contest.

Mr. Hamilton insisted he was actuated purely by altruistic motives; that he believed that Mrs. Darby was wronged and that he intended to see, if possible, that the wrong should be righted.

He declared that Mr. Huffman was in a pitiable condition when he went to Huntington and said that he would help while getting, when taking medicine, when walking and when sitting in a chair. He declared that it was impossible for the dying man to remember what was said around him at the time just prior to his death.

REPORT ON DEATHS IS IN

TYPHOID, WHOOPING COUGH, MEASLES DEADLY IN WASHINGTON.

State Health Officer Records 29,602 Births and Passing of 1,818 Persons During 1913.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—While only one person died in the State of Washington from smallpox during 1913, typhoid deaths numbered 127 and against 129 in 1912, whooping cough claimed 113 victims and the measles 89.

This is shown in the annual report of Dr. Eugene H. Keyley, State Health Commissioner. Outside of the contagious diseases the sharpest increase is shown by Bright's disease. The comparison of the number of deaths for the two years follows:

Table with 2 columns: Disease Name and 1912-1913. Rows include Organic heart disease, Accidents, Diphtheria, Measles, Smallpox, Typhoid fever, Scarlet fever, Epidemic cerebro-spinal meningitis, Anterior poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis), and Tuberculosis.

This year's report is regarded as containing the first birth records ever secured for this state approaching completeness. A total of 29,602 births were reported to the State Board of Health, and 1,818 deaths.

Seattle officials are grilled in the report for failing to make efforts to curb the spread of rabies, which originated there and now is spread throughout King and Pierce counties. The rabid plague situation is referred to as "the most sinister epidemiological development of the year."

BIG DELEGATION IS GOING

Centralia Business Men to Attend Convention at Hoquiam.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The coming meeting of the Northwest Washington Development Association will be held at Hoquiam on February 13 and 14, was discussed in detail at the noon luncheon Monday of the Centralia Commercial Club.

L. H. Brewer, of Hoquiam, president of the association, was the guest of the club, and he outlined the plans being laid by the Hoquiam club toward making the meeting the best in the history of the development league. Governor Lister and a long list of men



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prominent in public life have been secured for address at the Centralia Commercial Club will send a full delegation to the meeting, at which immigration and agriculture will be the principal topics for discussion.

COURT HAS BOISE CASE

CHARGES AGAINST MAYOR ARE NOW BEING CONSIDERED.

Executive is Charged With Allowing Disorderly Houses to Remain Open in Idaho Town.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The question of whether Mayor Arthur Hodges, of this city, shall be ousted from office now rests with the Superior Court. The charges against Mayor Hodges are that he has knowingly permitted, as head of the commission government of this city, disorderly houses to remain in the heart of the city in violation of the laws of the state, as well as allowing the illegal sale of liquor in these places.

The charges were filed in the District Court. The court has granted a writ of prohibition to prohibit the trial of that case, Mayor Hodges having made the application.

The Mills ouster action was filed last Spring and during the late Summer went to trial, Judge Walters, of the Fourth District, having been called in to sit on the case in place of Judges Davis and McCarthy, of the Third District. The evidence introduced at the trial was that the charge that Mayor Hodges knowingly permitted houses of prostitution to operate in Boise.

Last fall, while the appeal in the Mills case was still pending, John Tucker instituted a second ouster proceeding against Mayor Hodges, making the allegations that houses of prostitution were being operated in Boise with the knowledge of Mayor Hodges.

WHEELER IS GROWING FAST

Population of Tillamook County Also Is Increasing.

WHEELER, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Wheeler has grown rapidly in population as has Tillamook County. This city can now determine its voting precincts this being allowed by the County Court to accommodate the increased number of voters. The population of the city limits of Wheeler has increased from 50 to 450 in one year.

Eleven new precincts were added in the county since the last election. Election officers named for Wheeler precinct are E. A. Rowe, J. E. Bradley and E. A. Brenner, judges; H. H. Cady, Tom Patchell, Alex. Anderson, clerks. Nehalem precinct officers are A. C. Anderson, W. Thompson and H. W. Tont, judges; W. F. Effenberger, H. V. Alley and C. C. Foster, clerks.

New precincts in the county are: Wheeler, Foley, Rockaway, Garfield, Hebo, Littletonucca, Nekowin, Blain, Marrow, Cloverdale, Sandlake, Beaver, South Prairie, Trask, Bay, Kitchin, Wilson, Fairview, Goodspeed, Stillwell, Sunnymeade, Tillamook, Hoquiam, Hays, Mapleleaf, Carnahan, Notarts, Bayocean.

Councilman Zimmerman is arranging to make a trip in his 25-foot launch from Wheeler to San Francisco. He will carry a message from the Mayor of Wheeler to the Mayor of the southern city and expects to make the trip in 50 hours.

DANCE MATRON REQUIRED

Tacoma Commission Also Bars Applicants for Short Periods.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Public dances in Tacoma, Wash., are provided with a matron hereafter, the City Commission today having passed Commission of Public Safety's new dancehall ordinance. Besides a matron, it provides that no person will be allowed to leave the hall and return again during the evening.

The law originally required a policeman at every dance, but on advice of the City Attorney this was changed to a matron.

Petit Wants Postoffice. PICKSBURG, Or., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—A petition for a new postoffice to be established at Petit, six miles south of



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Government has recently declared the Benson-Hyde scrip on North River claims illegal, the contest between Mrs. Ross and Mrs. Vanderpool for possession of the claim becomes more keen.

Boy Breaks Leg While Playing.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—While at play at the Burnt Ridge school, near Alpha, Chester Martin, an 8-year-old son of Jake Martin, fell backwards while attempting to run up an embankment and broke his left leg. Eight months and a half ago the boy broke his right leg while playing on the opposite side of the school-house.

Meningitis Takes Athlete.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 28.—Hugh Bowman, former captain of a University of Washington track team, died

today from spinal meningitis, superinduced, it is believed, by an injury he received last November at Renton, when he was struck on the head by a rock thrown by a discharged employe of a coal company. Bowman was 25 years old.

Lewis County Resident, 74, Dies.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Mrs. Frances Hylak, of Forest, aged 74, died yesterday from the infirmities attendant on old age. She had been a resident of Lewis County for more than 40 years past. A sister, Mrs. Frank Drabek, of this city; a daughter, Mrs. Edward Deggeller, wife of City Commissioner Deggeller, of Chehalis, and a son, Anton Hylak, survive.

Antony and Cleopatra, 8 parts, Peoples Theater next Sunday—Adv.

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Spread On Arms to Elbows and Face. Red and Raw. Cuticura Soap and Ointment Cured.

Maple Valley, Wash.—"A form of skin disease was so on my hands that the skin was all just as if it was eaten away. The irritation was especially bad at night and kept me scratching till the blood came. At last I spread on my arms up to the elbows, and it even started on my face. The skin trouble started as a rash. It was red and raw and sometimes it was covered with little yellow spots."

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