

VALLEY CLUBS UNITE TO EXPLOIT CROPS

Dr. J. H. Robnett, of Albany, is Elected Chairman and By-law Committee Named.

NEW MARKET PLAN SOUGHT

Co-operation for Development of Willamette Resources and Recognition in World Market is Discussed.

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—To reap the full benefits of the advantages given the Willamette Valley at the 1915 exposition at San Francisco and to take steps to obtain proper recognition for valley products in the world's markets as well as work co-operatively for local development, representatives of the Valley Commercial Club and County Courts at a meeting here this morning sanctioned a movement to effect a permanent valley organization.

Dr. J. H. Robnett, president of the Albany Commercial Club, was selected temporary chairman, and Otto H. Luck, secretary of the Salem Commercial Club, temporary secretary.

A resolution committee—C. H. Stewart, Albany; E. B. Fretzmann, Cottage Grove; U. S. Langhary, Dallas; George S. Sargent, McMinnville, and O. H. Luck, Salem—in recommendations, outline the work the organization should undertake.

Proposed Functions Discussed. The discussion as to the proposed functions of the organization occupied the greater part of the afternoon.

The resolutions proposed by the organization to be known as the Willamette Valley Development Association, a clearing-house for the interchange of ideas and information to provide a means for concentrated effort in any line of development work.

Declaring that the products of the Willamette Valley are not receiving the attention in the world's markets, the resolutions suggest marketing under a uniform brand. If possible, it is planned to work out a system of selling in large quantities.

Frank in Raising Crops Cited. It was asserted that there was no market for much of the fruit and garden truck raised in the Valley because not enough of any one kind is produced to make handling it profitable.

The organization proposed a uniform production to the end that a uniform product may be placed on the market.

The issuing of literature, together with a common Valley trade-mark and slogan, were among the other things urged in the resolutions.

The resolutions also called for a uniform effort in improving the roads of the valley, promoting the drainage work and by concentrated efforts obtaining legislation to assist in attaining these ends.

Constitution Committee Named. Among the speakers on the afternoon's program were J. B. Cornett, Shedd; Arthur L. Martin, McMinnville; A. J. Armstrong, Cottage Grove; W. D. Kester, Lebanon, and J. L. White, Albany.

A committee consisting of D. C. Freeman, Portland, and A. L. Fisher and C. H. Stewart, of Albany, were appointed to prepare a constitution and bylaws to be presented at the next meeting, which will be held in Albany on Saturday, February 11.

All the commercial clubs and County Courts of the eight valley counties will be invited to send representatives.

Following the afternoon session the visitors were guests of the Albany Commercial Club at a banquet at the Hotel Albany.

30,000 RABBITS KILLED

PEST IS BECOMING EXTINCT IN MOST OF COW VALLEY.

Preparations to Make Hats of Pelts is Arousing Interest Because of Market it Would Open.

ONTARIO, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—If the Philadelphia manufacturer who is making a felt hat for "Nick" Sinnott, Representative in Congress, finds that Oregon jackrabbits fur is suitable for his purposes, many of Mr. Sinnott's constituents in Malheur County will rejoice at the prospect of a market for their most prolific livestock. But they are not waiting for the commercial clubs to be slaughtering the rabbits in immense quantities while the snow is deep and slaughtering is good.

The latest word from Cow Valley is that the rabbit is practically extinct. Hunting parties and poisoned hay squads have done the business. A farmer in Bonita, in Cow Valley, says one can traverse the entire length of the valley and see only three or four rabbits. At Christmas time they could not be counted.

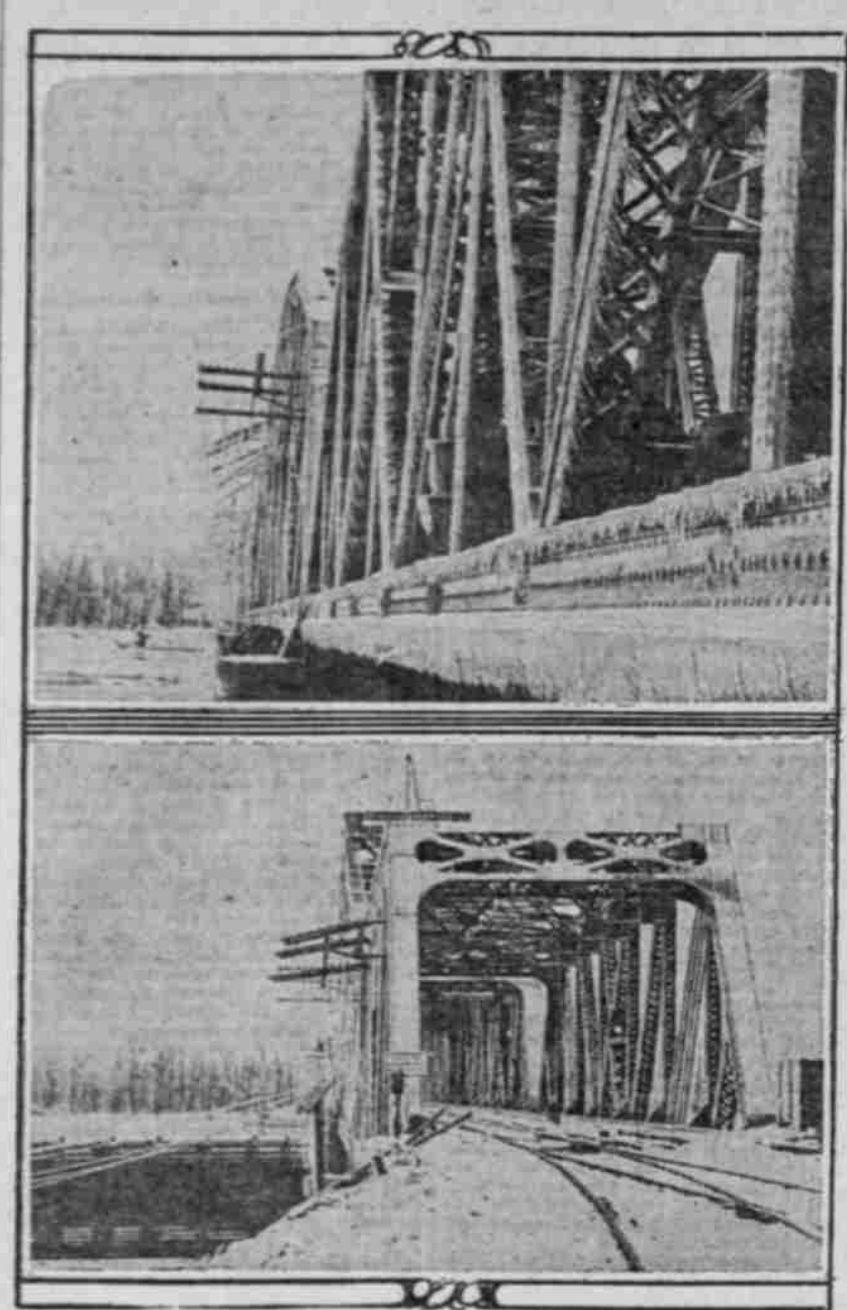
The farmers around Brogan, on Willow Creek, are also rapidly exterminating the pest. A short while ago two drives were organized. Sides were chosen and competition arranged. The losing side paid all the expenses of a dance and banquet. Each side had more than 15,000 rabbits.

Further south and west, toward the Harney County line, spontaneous efforts are being made to combat the rabbit pest. At Pangallano, Corvallis, Mooreville, Crowley, Skull Springs, Watson and Harney they are making a bounty of 5 cents each on rabbits.

DOG'S ALARM SAVES LIVES Watchman Sleeps, but Terrier Barks Fire Warning.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 28.—Forgetting her puppies, three weeks old, in her fidelity to her master, Ivy, a fox terrier, probably saved 25 persons in the Terminal Hotel from suffocation the other day.

HILL BRIDGE, CROSSING COLUMBIA BELOW VANCOUVER, SHOWING WINTER-BOUND CONDITION.



TOP—BROKEN WIRES ARE SHOWN AT LEFT. NOTE FRINGE OF ICE BELOW MAIN DECK. BELOW—ENTRANCE TO BRIDGE.

NEW STORM FEARED

Thousands of Trees Near Vancouver Face Destruction.

ORCHARDS ARE HARD HIT

City Again Has Water Supply and Phone and Power Service is Being Resumed—Attempt Made to Thaw Railway Bridge.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The storm situation in Vancouver and vicinity was somewhat relieved today, but late this afternoon it began sleeting and another storm is feared. Thousands of trees are now at the breaking point and a few more pounds would mean their destruction.

Many prune orchards within a few miles of the Columbia River are from 88 to 75 per cent destroyed, the tops having been broken out of the trees. The apple and cherry trees, however, were not injured, being stronger and able to stand the strain. The orchards near Hazeldean, seven miles out on the Main-street road north, escaped, but the Mill Plain district suffered heavy loss. In a distance of nine miles from Trane Hill to Vancouver there are only 25 telephone poles standing.

Vancouver today started to clean up, but a heavy snow fell most of the day, making progress uncertain and slow. Electric power was furnished to some downtown districts today and probably most of them will have service by Monday if the storm rows no worse.

The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company had 25 linemen here today to assist in the work. Eight hundred of 1200 lines in Vancouver are down.

Two or three blocks on Main and Washington streets were lighted up last night and more will be put into service tonight. The second pump has been connected up with electric power, so the water situation is nearly normal again.

The North Bank road had two locomotives on its bridge here today, and with steamships attempted to thaw the ice off the drawspan that it may be opened.

ASTORIA TAX INCREASED

Completed 1915 Roll is Placed in Sheriff's Hands.

PORTLAND WOMAN CALLED BY DEATH

Mrs. S. S. Humphrey.

Mrs. Leah Miller Humphrey, wife of Attorney S. S. Humphrey, died at the family residence, 167 King street, in the Hanover Apartments, January 17, following an illness of some weeks.

Mrs. Humphrey was well known in Portland and in Oregon City, where she lived for several years. She was 39 years old and leaves, besides her husband, a mother, two sisters and a brother.

The Lord Mayor of London receives a salary of \$24,000 a year.

SCHOOL LOSS \$40,000

HISTORIC INSTITUTION AT ROSEBURG TO BE REPLACED.

Arrangements Made for Temporary Quarters and \$75,000 Building is Proposed.

ROSEBURG, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The Lane High School building, which was burned here late Thursday night at a loss of approximately \$40,000, was one of the pioneer educational institutions of Southern Oregon. The school derived its name from the late Governor Joseph Lane, Oregon's first Governor, and one of the early jurists of Roseburg.

The original school building which occupied the site of the burned structure was erected in the early '60s and was a rival institution of the Willbur Academy, which was closely connected with the early educational history of Southern Oregon.

The members of the school board met in extraordinary session yesterday and arranged for temporary school quarters. The necessary equipment will be provided soon and it is believed that work in the high school will be resumed some time next week.

Arrangements are already under way for the erection of a modern high school building to cost not less than \$75,000. To erect this structure the voters will be called upon to issue bonds.

The same site as the burned structure.

FIRE LOSS IS \$29,109

FORESTER REPORTS BIG INCREASE OVER PRECEDING YEAR.

Greater Part of Damage Done to Improvements in Jackson and Josephine—371 Incendiary.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Oregon's forest fire loss last year was \$23,199, as compared with \$18,935 in 1914, according to the fifth annual report of State Forester Elliott, completed.

Of the total monetary damage during 1915, \$19,755.50 was to improvements, logs and logging equipment and \$3,343.50 to stumps.

The greater part of the damage from fire last year was to improvements, most of this being in Jackson and Josephine counties. An area of 193,494 acres was burned over last year, but only 24,762 acres was in merchantable timber.

The sum of \$14,594.31 was expended during the year in fighting forest fires. Timber owners paid \$4019.33; patrol associations \$11,977.77 and the state \$1284.21.

Of the total of 1355 fires during the year 271 were of incendiary origin, 152 of unknown cause, 85 from lightning, 436 from burning slashings, 52 were caused by careless hunters, 38 by campers, 23 by locomotives, 42 by stockmen and 25 by miscellaneous causes.

Springfield Holds Hygiene Meeting.

SPRINGFIELD, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Three hundred men attended a meeting here held under the auspices of the Oregon Social Hygiene Society.

Dr. W. C. Robbins presented a paper, M. C. Bressiah talked on the conditions of Springfield, and R. S. Hamilton, of Eugene, also spoke. The local committee in charge was continued and is composed of R. L. Kirk, superintendent of schools; O. H. Kessey, cashier of the Commercial Bank, and Dr. J. E. Richmond.

CAPITAL IS ENLISTED

Boise Named as Terminal of Proposed New Road.

ENGINEER MAKES REPORT

Contract for North and South Line May Be Signed Soon—Northern Terminal May Be Extended Even Beyond Lewiston.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Boise will be the southern terminal of the North and South Railroad if the financiers behind that projected line carry out their plans, while the connecting link between North and South Idaho will be extended farther north than Lewiston. This information was contained in a letter received by Governor Alexander from the engineer who inspected the route, went back East and interested capitalists in it and who is now awaiting the arrival of State Senator Jerome J. Day in Chicago to take up signing a contract to build the road.

Senator Day is a member of the North & South Railroad Commission. He left at the Governor's request for Chicago to carry on the negotiations.

In the last letter received by the Governor from this engineer he says in part:

"This is to confirm my message to you of the 14th. To the effect that myself and associates have located the money for securities on the proposed North & South Railroad, and requesting representation of this project to come here immediately to negotiate a contract for financing with representatives of the syndicate who are here temporarily."

"I regret that you are unable to come here personally, but am pleased to have you telegraph stating that the chairman of the commission having this matter under consideration will leave Tuesday."

"It is fortunate and also unusual that we are enabled through our commendation of this project to obtain assurance of the nature which we have, without the preliminary work having been completed. These parties are able to furnish all the money that is necessary for a high-grade railroad, and would desire it carried as far as Lewiston, and probably further north. On the south it may be desirable to reach Boise and southeast directly."

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LODGERS GO IN NIGHTIES

BLUE MOUNTAIN HOTEL, HISTORIC LA GRANDE STRUCTURE, BURNS.

Fire Department Handicapped by Snow, but Manages to Save All Abutting Buildings.

LA GRANDE, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—By leaping from their beds and seeking safety through stairways and second-story windows, with scanty attire, 17 lodgers in the Blue Mountain Hotel, a wooden structure on Jefferson avenue, escaped in safety when the place mysteriously caught fire this morning.

The fire department was handicapped by drifts which stalled the fire truck, but an emergency hose cart drawn by horses got the department on hand in time to save adjoining frame structures. One lodger sustained severe burns on his hands and neck when cornered by the flames on the second floor. He later died of a snowdrift, striking an onlooker in his fall.

The place is more or less a landmark and has often been on fire in recent years. The loss was complete, all furniture and contents being burned. The origin is not known. When discovered most of the building was afire. Good fortune attended the rescue of all inmates.

MILLS SOON TO RESUME

Snow is Melting Rapidly in Mountains Near Mouth.

MONMOUTH, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Owing to the fact that the "chink" winds and warm rain which is falling are melting the snow in the mountains rapidly, the millmen and loggers in the woods soon will be able to resume operations.

Most of the mills in the county were forced to close because the loggers could not work.

Y. M. C. A. Tax Exemption Void.

OLMPIA, Wash., Feb. 5.—The Supreme Court today, in affirming the King County Superior Court, held unconstitutional the law of 1913, exempting Y. M. C. A. property from taxation, on the ground that it was special legislation. The law specifically exempted Y. M. C. A. property used wholly or solely for religious purposes and made no mention of property used for religious purposes by other similar associations or organizations.

MISSIONARY, WELL KNOWN IN OREGON, LAID TO REST.

Rev. Calvin M. Bryan.

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Rev. Calvin M. Bryan, whose death and burial took place here this week, was one of the best-known missionaries of the state, having resided here approximately 35 years, and established churches at scores of towns, almost every hamlet of the state.

Many clergymen who had been identified with Mr. Bryan in his ministry attended the funeral services here. He is survived by a widow and several children.

WOMAN DIES AFTER LODGE

Mrs. Seymour Becomes Ill Suddenly, Is Rushed Home, Expires.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The funeral services of Mrs. Seymour, wife of M. O. Seymour, were conducted at Knapp's funeral parlors last Friday by Rev. Templeton, of the First Presbyterian Church, of which she was a member, and by the ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.



KEYSTONE COMEDY "HE DID and HE DIDN'T"

The Green-Eyed Monster Jealousy Has Possession of Fatty. You Will See One of the Greatest Comedies of the Year. Remember, It Is New—Absolutely First Time Ever Shown. A Guaranteed Laugh Producer.

A New Courtesy—Tea Served Daily in Our Handsomely Appointed Rest Room From 3 to 5 P. M.

ORRIN JOHNSON

Star of "Ben Hur," Supported by Gladys Brockwell, in D. W. Griffith's Powerful Story of the Cotton Mills.



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The Theater of No Disappointments Sixth and Washington

MABEL NORMAND FATTY ARBUCKLE

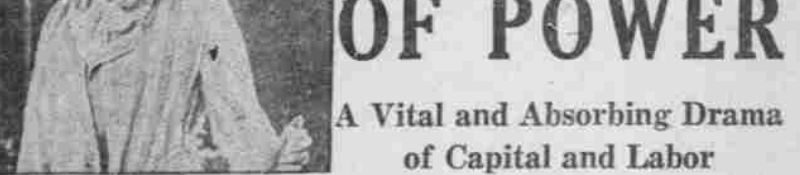
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THE PRICE OF POWER

A Vital and Absorbing Drama of Capital and Labor



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ROSEBURG PIONEER DIES

EDWIN M. MOORE ENDS LINE OF REVOLUTIONARY OFFICER.

Native of Maine Came West Via Isthmus of Panama in 1849, Engaging in Mining and Business.

ROSEBURG, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Edwin Marshall Moore, one of Roseburg's earliest residents and its oldest citizen, who died here late Thursday night in the dwelling which he erected in 1858, was the last of a family of eight children, and is said to end a line who trace their ancestry to Major John Moore, who participated in the battle of Bunker Hill.

Mr. Moore was born in Maine November 25, 1834, and left that state in 1849 for California, where he engaged in mining. He made the trip via the Isthmus of Panama.

In the Fall of 1850 he came to Oregon and located at Oregon City, then the metropolis of Oregon. He left there later and went to California, but returned to Oregon and took up a donation land claim at French settlement, in Douglas County.

He farmed there until the year 1855, when he moved to Roseburg. He then opened a hardware store and furnished goods to the settlers of the vicinity, with supplies for a number of years. His store was located near the old McChesney Hotel, the pioneer hostelry of this locality.

Mr. Moore was a charter member of the Philatelian Oddfellows' Lodge, of this city. In spite of his 91 years, he spent much of his time in the open. Occasionally he enjoyed a trip to the Coast.

Mr. Moore is survived by his aged wife, a daughter, Miss Lillian, and George Kimball, son-in-law.

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She walked a long way to the Grand Army of the Republic meeting, January 25, but she had never missed a meeting, and took her place in the junior vice's chair. She became ill suddenly, a taxicab was called, a doctor summoned and she was rushed home, expiring soon after reaching home. Interment was made in the City Cemetery, beside her son, who died in the Philippine Islands.

CREAMERY PAYS \$55,677

Receipts by Chehalis Plant for Year Are \$70,647.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The annual report of the Lewis County Co-operative Creamery, located in Chehalis, shows that \$48,320 pounds of butter were sold. Butter sales brought in \$70,647.61. The farmers produced for the creamery \$55,677.59 worth of butterfat and for the year a net profit of \$2460 is shown. The cream-

ery paid during the year for butterfat an average of 30.4 cents a pound. The plant is of concrete. Its product is rated near the top of Washington creamery products and the "Chehalis" butter, by which name the output is branded, is one of the most popular solders after it has been used once. T. J. Long is president and manager of the company and C. B. Perkins secretary, with W. S. Short treasurer.

CUT OUT MEATS IF KIDNEYS ARE TROUBLING YOU

Uric Acid in Meat Excites Kidneys and Irritates the Bladder.

Noted Authority Says We Must Flush Kidneys With Salts if Back Hurts.

IMPORTANT EXPERT TREATMENT OF YOUR TEETH

Dr. B. E. Wright

Don't grudge your teeth the best service procurable. You will have only one set of teeth. Treat them accordingly. My 20 years' experience is at your disposal at moderate prices. My skill has never been questioned.

PAIN IN BACK, MISERABLE ALL OVER.

Dear Mr. Editor: All last Winter I suffered from a terrible pain in my back. I felt miserable all over, and could not walk but a short distance. Was unable to work and did not sleep well at night as I was obliged to arise frequently. I learned of Dr. Pierce's Anuric, that cures such troubles, and sent to him for a trial package. This relieved me of getting up at night in a short time, and I have gained considerable. I am better now than I have been for some time; sleep better, have less rheumatism and do quite a lot of work for a woman of my age. I had brick-dust settlements in my water before using "Anuric" now there is none.

Kindly print this letter, it may help some one else who suffers as I did, or worse.

(Signed) MRS. ELLA A. GARRISON. Note—Every man or woman ought to use occasionally, a proper remedy for the headache, backache, languor, nervousness and depression to which he or she may be subjected. When the kidneys are weak or diseased, these natural filters do not cleanse the blood sufficiently, and the poisons are carried to all parts of the body. There follow depression, aches and pains, heaviness, drowsiness, irritability, headaches, chilliness and rheumatism. In some people there are sharp pains in the back and loins, distressing bladder disorders and sometimes obstinate dropsy. The uric acid sometimes forms into gravel or kidney stones. When the uric acid affects the muscles and joints, it causes lumbago, rheumatism, gout or sciatica. This is the time to try "Anuric," the new discovery of Dr. Pierce for kidney trouble and pains in back and all over body! Write Dr. Pierce, send 10c for a large trial package, or ask your druggist now for a 50c-out box of "Anuric"—Adv.