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INOCULATE SAGE RATS

Government Expert May Come
to Madras and Experiment

DESIRES A SHIPMENT OF RATS AT ONCE

Should Tests Prove Satisfactory Mr.
Stanley Piper, Biologist, Will Con-
duct Field Work Here

The correspondence published below
will be of interest to the ranchers of this
locality, who in past years have suffered
from the sage rat pest. Mr. Piper de-
sires 50 or 100 sage rats for experiments,
and steps will be taken at once to sup-
ply them.

Several ranchers who are interested
in the matter have been communicated
with, and an effort will be made to ship
a box of sage rats to Pullman during the
coming week. It will be noted that Mr.
Piper promises to conduct the field
experiments in person, should the tests
prove satisfactory.

The eradication of the sage rat pest,
which was so serious a matter last year,
is of great importance to the settlers of
this section. The correspondence fol-
lows:

Mr. Stanley Piper,
Pullman, Washington.

Dear Sir:
I am informed that you are at Pullman,
co-operating with the experiment station
at the agricultural college, in an effort to
eradicate the ground squirrel pest by a
process of inoculation. As this section of
Crook county, Oregon, has suffered for
several years past from large numbers of
sage rats, which I am confident are simi-
lar to, if not identical with, the ground
squirrel of that locality, from what has
been told me, I have been suggested that
I correspond with you, to ascertain if any
of the virus used in the inoculation of the
ground squirrels there would be available
for use in this section; and, if not, whether
it would be possible or practicable to send
a number of sage rats to that place from
here, and have them inoculated and re-
turned to this locality. The farmers of
this locality are very anxious to find some
method of eradicating the county of these
pests, and would appreciate any sugges-
tions you can make.

I thank you in advance for a reply, I
am,
Yours very truly,
MAX LUEDDEMANN.
Madras, Oregon, April 11, 1907.

Mr. Piper's Reply
Mr. Max Lueddemann,
Madras, Oregon.

Dear Sir:
Your letter of April 11 received this
morning and contents noted. It is quite
true that we are carrying out experiments
along the line of introducing contactus
bacterial disease in a species of ground
squirrel closely related to your "Sage-
rat"—Kennebec's Ground Squirrel.
These experiments have so far been labora-
tory tests on caged animals. The results
obtained are very promising, and we are
introducing experiments in the field this
season. I am quite certain that the dis-
ease will be found of value in combating
your sage rat, but would like to test it on
the species before sending out any of the
virus. If found successful, I will either
personally conduct a field trial in your
locality, or send material to you. Even if
it is not possible to take up field experi-
ments in your locality this season, I am
anxious to determine the susceptibility of
the species in order to begin work on them
early in the season next spring.

If you can send me by express 50 or 100
of the animals, or a less number, I will
be greatly obliged. The animals are quite
easily caught by drowning them out. I
will be glad to refund any reasonable ex-
pense incurred in capturing them. You
can, perhaps, get boys to catch them at 5c
or 10c a piece. They should be shipped in
a light box covered by screening or by
papered tin; a quantity of soft material
for bedding, and to prevent jarring, should
be given them. A little rolled barley and
cut cow beets, which retain sufficient
moisture, will do for food enroute. You
may send them by express, C. O. D.

I am much interested in trying the dis-
ease on your species and hope to be able to
conduct field experiments on them during
the present season. Trusting that your
interest in the matter will furnish me a
supply of the animals and thanking you
in advance. Respectfully yours,
STANLEY E. PIPER,
Assistant, Biological Survey, U. S.
Department of Agriculture,
Pullman, Washington, April 15, 1907.

ELK TOOTH KING HERE

E. R. Pelz, Man Who Has \$125,000
Collection of Elk Teeth

E. R. Pelz, the "Elk Tooth King",
who is making interior Oregon in the
interest of a pottery firm in which he is
a partner, was in Madras last Saturday
evening. Mr. Pelz is known as the elk

tooth king because he owns the largest
collection of elk teeth in the United
States, or in the world for that matter.
His collection comprises more than
13,500 pairs of elk's teeth, or over 27,000
single teeth, and last year he was offered
\$125,000 for the collection, which offer
he refused.

Elk teeth are rated according to their
markings, and Mr. Pelz has in his col-
lection many very valuable ones. One
pair he was offered \$350 for, and for
several others he paid as high as \$100.
Some of the teeth are what is known as
"grave teeth", having been buried with
some Indian brave, and being stained
from the blanket in which the Indian
was wrapped for burial. Others of his
collection were stained by the mineral
in the ground where they were buried.

Elk teeth are of ivory, and absolutely
indestructible.
Mr. Pelz had a number of elk teeth
with him, as well as a fine collection of
Indian pictures, taken on the various
reservations from which his collection of
elk teeth had been gathered.

LAND OFFICERS NAMED

President Appoints Register and
Receiver at The Dalles

MOORE AND ARNESON ARE THE MEN

Moody and Bourne Credited With
Naming The Appointees—Will
Open Land Office at Once

The President has appointed Charles
W. Moore of Grass Valley to be Register
of the land office at The Dalles, to suc-
ceed M. T. Nolan, removed, and Louis
H. Arneson of Hood River to be Re-
ceiver, to succeed Miss Anne M. Lang,
whose four years term expired last
month. The new officers will take
charge of the land office as soon as their
bonds are approved, and the regular
transaction of business will be resumed
at the land office. Since the removal of
Register Nolan the land office has only
been open for the receipt of papers and
for the information of the public.

The appointment of Mr. Moore and
Mr. Arneson to be Register and Re-
ceiver respectively at The Dalles land
office is regarded in political circles as a
victory for Hon. Malcolm A. Moody in
the distribution of federal patronage.
Mr. Arneson was doubtless selected by
Mr. Bourne as he is a brother of Miss
Ida M. Arneson, his private secretary,
but the appointment of Mr. Moore, who
has always been identified with the
Moody faction in this district, is re-
garded as a distinct recognition of the
Moody influence with the Administration,
which is understood to be quite
potent.

The Dalles land office has been the
scene of a heated controversy since M.
T. Nolan, the Register, tendered his
resignation and coupled with it charges
which reflected upon his associate. The
resignation was not accepted, and the
charges acted as a boomerang upon
Nolan, who was removed from office af-
ter an investigation had been made.
Since then the land office has been
closed to the transaction of regular
business, which has been accumulating
pending the appointment of new officers.
This condition will now be relieved, as
the office will be opened at once.

Charles W. Moore, the new Register,
is a brother of Walter H. Moore, for-
merly of Moro and at present at the
head of the Oregon Savings Bank in
Portland. He is Mayor of Grass Val-
ley, and president of the Citizens' Bank
of that place.

Mr. Arneson, the new Receiver, is a
school teacher who has been teaching at
Jordan Valley, Oregon. His home is at
Hood River, and it is said that he has
not been in any manner identified with
politics in this district.

MRS. F. H. LADD DEAD

Fred H. Ladd, who arrived here the
latter part of last week, has just re-
turned from Michigan, where he went
on the sad mission of conveying home
for burial, the remains of his wife, who
died at a Portland hospital in January
last. Mrs. Fred Ladd is pleasantly re-
membered by a number of friends in
this locality, who will learn with regret
of her death.

Mr. Ladd expects to be here for some
time, and is living at his homestead east
of town.

Cow For Sale

Fresh milk cow for sale. For particu-
lars inquire of Dave Peck at ranch on
Opal Prairie.

ARE COMING IN DROVES

Homeseekers Coming West-
ward By Thousands

ESTIMATED AT 7000 EVERY DAY

People Are All Turned This Way And
Many Extra Daily Trains Required
To Handle Passenger Traffic

Oregonian: After making a careful
estimate of the colonist business coming
West, A. D. Charlton, assistant general
passenger agent for the Northern Pacific
who has just returned from the East,
estimates that between 5000 and 7000
homeseekers are leaving Eastern gate-
ways daily and that this tremendous
movement will continue during the
season.

Mr. Charlton paid particular atten-
tion to the colonist movement while
away. He personally visited the depots
where crowds of Westbound home-
seekers are flocking to the trains and
crowding the coaches. Many, not
finding seats, are even willing to stand,
he says, so eager are they to get to the
new promised land.

The Northern Pacific, according to
Mr. Charlton, is hauling between 2500
and 3000 colonists out of St. Paul, Minne-
apolis and Duluth every day. The
Great Northern and "Sooner" lines, of
course, take a great many more. Tak-
ing the southern gateways into consid-
eration, Mr. Charlton believes that the
total number leaving for the West with
the avowed intention of making their
homes here will run close to 7000 every
day of the 60-day season.

"The Westbound business has never
at any time been so heavy as at present,"
said Mr. Charlton yesterday. "We are
moving out of St. Paul and Minneapolis
five trains a day, which are in addition
to the regular trains. This shows what
a volume the movement has attained.
These trains are loaded down with col-
onists and the travel is, of course, due to
the special colonist rates.

"The depots are crowded with people,
and they are actual settlers. It is easy
to determine that when you see a sturdy
father, accompanied by his family, and
the group carrying between them a
washbowl full of kitchen utensils and a
clothes-basket of food. These sights
are very common at the St. Paul termi-
nal.

"Inquiry everywhere is of this terri-
tory. On the trains and in the hotels of
the East, the cities of the Northwest
furnish the subject of conversation. The
people are all turned this way. The
great railroad development now going
on has attracted widespread attention
and the big movement of settlers is also
a great advertisement."

EXPERIMENT FARM AT WARMSRING

C. C. Covey, superintendent, and L.
J. Rising, one of the Agency farmers,
were in town last Friday from the
Warm Springs Agency. Mr. Covey says
they are conducting a small experi-
ment farm over at the Indian school,
where they expect to make a number of
interesting experiments along agricul-
tural lines. Among other things they
will try "dry farming" methods upon a
part of their land, with a view to testing
its adaptability to soil of the character
of that on the reservation, which is
quite similar to that of Agency Plains.
Mr. Covey has ordered one of the sub-
surface packers advocated by Mr.
Campbell, the originator of the Camp-
bell method of dry farming, and will
give that method a thorough test. The
tract upon which experiments will be
conducted will consist of about 80 acres,
40 acres of which will be put in crop on
alternate years, the remaining forty to
be subjected to the Campbell system of
summer-culture.

PIGS IN CLOVER

Last Thursday afternoon some pigs
belonging to Mrs. L. M. Lamb broke
into the cellar at her home just south of
town, during her absence, and after the
manner of pigs, proceeded to devour
whatever they could find of an edible
character. Choicest of their discoveries
were three or four large fruit cakes
which had been stored away in the
cellar for safe keeping. These were
eaten up entirely. Then the pigs con-
tinued their search and found ten gal-
lons of homerendered lard, which they
also ate and destroyed, as well as a
number of other articles. The pigs got
into the cellar by reason of a faulty
hasp, which failed to catch and hold the
door when it was closed.