

CREDIT MEN AT BANQUET

Members-elect of Legislature Are Guests—Legislation Is Discussed.

The Portland Credit Men's association entertained a number of the members-elect of the legislature at a dinner yesterday evening at the Commercial club at which proposed legislation was discussed. A. H. Devers delivered an address on "The Objects and Aims of the National Association of Credit Men."

One of the matters in which the credit men are especially interested is a law which would make it unlawful for any employer to advance wages to any of his employees before the money has been earned. This legislation is desired in order that the credit men may be enabled to secure bad claims by the garnishment of wages due from employers to employees who may be in debt. The association will urge the next legislature to enact such a law. It is also desired that a record shall be kept of all property claimed as exempt; that the names of all members of a partnership shall be made a matter of public record; that the state law shall define to what extent business may be transacted in case of such unexpired days as those obtaining during the recent financial panics.

The legislative committee reported unfavorably on the bill to fix a penalty for any person who should draw a check on a bank in which he had no funds. It was contended that this point was already covered by the provisions which allow such an offense to be classed as obtaining money under false pretenses.

During the evening the question of the laws came up, but no recommendation was made by the association. Thomas G. Greene also delivered an address on the subject of "Some Legislative Which We May Present to the Next Legislature." A number of the members of the legislature also discussed the different questions.

Among those of the legislature who were present as the guests of the association were: Senator Jay Bowerman of Gilliam, Sherman and Wheeler counties, Senators C. W. Nottingham, A. A. Bailey, Ben Selling, Dan Kellaher and John B. Coffey; Representatives E. C. Couch, A. W. Orton, W. J. Clemens, J. D. Abbott, J. C. Bryan, L. D. Mahone, C. J. McDonald, E. J. Jaeger, L. M. Davis and B. C. Altman.

Rust's Sentence Approved.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 17.—The sentence of Lieutenant Commander Armistead Rust commanding the torpedo boat Hist, convicted by a courtmartial of neglect of duty recently because of the grounding of the vessel and sentenced to be reprimanded by the secretary of the navy, has been approved by Secretary Newberry. The court met at the League Island navy yard at Philadelphia last week.

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SIDELINE STORIES OF GREAT NORTHWEST

ONTARIO IS NEXT

Oregon State Irrigation Convention in 1909.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Ontario, Or., Dec. 17.—At the Oregon state irrigation convention held at Baker City Judge Stephen A. Lowell of Pendleton was elected president and Walter Griffith, director in charge of the Malheur Water Users' association, was chosen secretary. Ontario was named as the next meeting place of the congress. The meeting will take place in September, 1909.

The Oregon-Idaho Development congress convened for a three days session at Vale this morning. Friday will be Malheur Project day and will be the banner day. A large delegation of Ontario business men, representatives of the Ontario Commercial club, will be present. Addresses will be made by prominent speakers, including Governor Chamberlain.

MACHINE MANGLES HANDS

Two Men Maimed in Sawmill at Springfield.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., Dec. 17.—Ira Bidwell, an employe of the Booth-Kelly Lumber company, in the sawmill at Springfield, lost his right hand yesterday afternoon by accidentally getting it caught between the rollers of an edger. He was brought to Eugene and the amputation was completed at the hospital. A peculiar circumstance in connection with the accident is that a few minutes previous one of T. A. Rathburn's hands became caught in the same piece of machinery and several fingers were ground off. While the doctors were dressing his wound Bidwell's accident occurred.

FREEDOM IS PROLONGED.

Supreme Court Work Delays Ex-Sheriff Smith's Hearing.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Prineville, Or., Dec. 17.—Word reaches here from one of his lawyers that former Sheriff C. Sam Smith of Crook county, who last year was convicted here of arson in a sheep and cattle war, will retain his liberty on appeal to the supreme court, at least until next spring, owing to the immense amount of work ahead of his case on the supreme court calendar. The ex-sheriff is seen about town frequently and conducts himself in much the same genial manner as before his conviction.

NEWBERG'S NEW CLUB

Home of Commercial Organization Formally Opened.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Newberg, Or., Dec. 17.—The Newberg Commercial club rooms were thrown open to its members Monday night for the first time. The rooms, five in number, are as fine as any in the state outside of one or two in the large cities. Though Newberg has a population of over 3000 the first game of billiards or pool that was ever played in the city was at the Commercial club Monday night. The club numbers among its members nearly all the prominent business men of the city and they are planning to take an active interest in the future of Newberg.

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VALLEY WINS PRIZES

White Salmon Apples Take Two at Spokane.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Husum, Wash., Dec. 17.—The White Salmon valley won out in capturing two good prizes at the national apple show held at Spokane last week. One prize was second best 19 boxes of Yellow Newtowns, exhibited by W. F. Cash of Underwood. The award was \$100 in cash and a medal. The apples were picked from the orchards of J. R. and P. E. McCracken, near Husum. Mr. Cash was also awarded \$25 cash and a silver cup for one best five-box commercial pack of apples on exhibit. This fruit was from the orchard of R. D. Cameron. The 100 boxes of apples exhibited at the Spokane show from Klickitat county will be shipped to Seattle and placed in cold storage until the opening of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition.

Klickitat county wheat is in demand by California parties. Two carloads of wheat raised in the central part of the county were shipped recently to Woodburn, Cal., where they will be used by a large milling firm at that place. The shipment was made on an order of Balfour Guthrie & Co., the large export firm of Portland.

One of the most flourishing small orchards in this county is owned and managed by Sookum Waples, a full blood Indian living in the Big Klickitat valley. Sookum has the reputation of being a worker as well as a good Indian.

Bickleton is making preparations for a big booster meeting December 19. H. N. Adams and Tom Richardson, officers of the development league, will be present.

POWDERS ARE TESTED

Dupont and Trojan Companies in Competition.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Chemawa, Or., Dec. 17.—The farmers in the vicinity of Chemawa attended a blasting contest on the farm of M. W. Cooper between the Dupont and the Trojan powder companies. The Trojan company manufactures a new blasting material to be drilled and does not have to be thawed, which is necessary with the old powder. The two powders acted in the same manner on the larger stumps, but in the blowing of the smaller stumps the Dupont seemed to get better results with a less amount of powder. A large number of interested farmers were present and Mr. Cooper was rid of a large number of various sized stumps as a result of the contest.

BEARS ARE PLENTIFUL

Crook County Men Are Bagging Much Game.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Bend, Or., Dec. 17.—A large number of black and brown bears have been killed in this part of the state recently. Bend hunters have an even dozen to their credit, and at Silver Lake, south of this place, in Lake county, seven were killed in one week. Despite the fact that the season for killing them has long since closed, many are known to be enjoying the toothsome venison. Last week a Bend man killed a deer with a six-shooter.

RAILWAY MEN TALK

Support Prominent White Salmon Publicity Campaign.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) White Salmon, Wash., Dec. 17.—Max Bass, general immigration agent for the Great Northern railway; Howard A. Noble, advertising agent for the Great Northern; and Messrs. Jenkins and Fow-

ler of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway met the business men of White Salmon this afternoon. Bass and Noble both made speeches along the line of getting people into this valley. Yesterday Mr. Noble presented a memorandum agent of the Northern Pacific railway, addressed the people along the same lines. All the speakers praised the work already begun and urged a steady campaign of publicity work on the part of the citizens, promising the cooperation of their respective roads.

CITY HALL ACCEPTED

\$45,000 Structure at The Dalles Is Completed.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dalles, Or., Dec. 17.—The new city hall was formally tendered by Contractor R. D. Maxon at a meeting of the council last night and was accepted.

The completion of this \$45,000 structure marks an important epoch in the history of The Dalles, for the municipality is about to remove from its old quarters into the new building. The new city hall is one of the most artistic and substantial buildings in the state. The design was made by C. J. Cranford, while the contract work was done by R. D. Maxon.

The old city quarters served well and long as a meeting place for the officials of old Wasco county, being built in 1859. Five years before Wasco county was formed from the Clackamas and Clatsop districts. The old city hall was used as a courthouse for a number of years and was the first courthouse constructed between the Rocky and Cascade mountains.

ERNEST NYE DROWNS

Alsea River Claims Nine-Year-Old Victim.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Waldport, Or., Dec. 17.—Ernest Nye, the 9-year-old son of Lyman Nye, was drowned in the Alsea river about noon Monday. The family resided eight miles above Waldport and all travel between home and town is done by boat. The boy was missed shortly after dinner, and as he had been seen going toward the float his mother became alarmed and a search was instituted. The body was found about 6 o'clock a short distance below the float, where it had lodged against some brush.

INCENDIARY NOT KNOWN.

No Clue to Burning of Eugene Public School.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., Dec. 17.—The officers have not secured a clue to the miscreant who attempted to burn the Geary public school in this city Tuesday night. A man residing near the school building saw some one running away just as the flames burst out, but the night was so dark no description could be secured. He had collected a bundle of rags and saturated them with oil. He placed them under the rear porch of the building and ignited them.

ELECTRIC PLANT BIDS

Eugene Will Install Power for Water Pumps.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., Dec. 17.—The Eugene city council is advertising for bids for the construction of a 24 horsepower electric plant on the McKenzie river, 15 miles east of Eugene, with which to furnish power for the operation of the pumps of the water plant recently acquired by the city from the Willamette Valley company. The machinery for the power plant will consist of two 1200 horsepower horizontal motors, two 500 kilowatt generators, pumps and other apparatus.

SNOWFALL IS LIGHT

Bend, Or., Dec. 17.—Stockmen from the upper Deschutes country report that less snow has fallen in their section this winter than in many years. They have had to do very little feeding, which assures them plenty of hay, even though the most severe weather should follow.

Pointers ON GRAND PIANOS

For those willing to pay for the costliest, most wonderful tone and only perfectly made piano in the world

Examine any grand piano a few years old. Note its lack of resonance and tin-panny quality. They all get that way on account of the inability of the sounding-board to retain its tension. WHY DOES A VIOLIN IMPROVE WITH AGE AND USE? Simply because the top of the violin retains its crown by being supported by the sounding-post, thus improving in tone each year. How long would the top retain its crown without the sounding-post.

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The marvelous tension resonator discovered by Richard W. Gerts, embodied in the Mason & Hamlin grand pianos, is considered the most wonderful invention of its kind, by the entire piano world. Ask any dealer how the sounding-board in his so-called "best piano" can possibly retain its original tension without a "tension-resonator," burdened as it is with the tremendous strain of a great number of strings bearing down upon it. Just ask him that question. His piano cannot do it. None but the Mason & Hamlin can, as the tension resonator is patented and is used in no other piano.

Two years are required to create a Mason & Hamlin upright and two and one-half years to create a grand. No other piano made requires over six months. Is it any wonder that they are the costliest in the world?

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Every great pianist, not paid by a certain manufacturer to play his piano, owns a Mason & Hamlin piano. Mason & Hamlin pay no artists to use or exploit their pianos. Nor will they present the crown heads of Europe with a piano for their worthless testimonials. A paid artist's testimonial is not worth the paper on which it is written. A recent visitor to Portland used in the Middle West for her concerts a certain make of piano, which she called the best; but out West another make was substituted, as the manufacturer in the first instance did not feel disposed to pay for advertising his piano in all the Western States, so her manager simply made arrangements for her to declare another piano the best, charging the manufacturer so much per state.

Since the discovery of the tension resonator, Harold Bauer, Gabrilowitch, Katherine Goodson, Emil Paur, Nickisch, Ganz, Kneisel, and others too numerous to mention, use absolutely no other but the Mason & Hamlin piano. They consider their artistic reputation more valuable than money.

We could only secure five Mason & Hamlin pianos for 1908, and are promised no more than that number for the next year. A carload of any other make of piano can be secured on 10 hours' notice.

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Misses' and Children's Coats, regular \$2.50 to \$3.50 values, in all other Portland department stores—Bankrupt Sale Price

\$1.42

Men's Suits, sold by the leading clothiers of Portland at \$10.00, and made by a firm with a world-wide reputation for good clothes—Bankrupt Sale Price

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