

LEAGUE IS FORMED TO DEVELOP LAKE

Local Clubs to Be Organized in Precincts; Much Valley Land Still Open.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Lakeview, Or., May 22.—The Lake County Development League is the name of the new organization that succeeds the Lakeview Board of Trade and which will bend its energies toward development of the entire county and peopling the large areas of government lands open to homestead and other entry. The new organization is composed of representative citizens of Lakeview and it will be their endeavor to interest citizens of the other portions of the county. It is believed that with the coming of the Nevada-California-Oregon railway, which will be at Lakeview this year, and the contemplated completion of lines into the north end of the county, Lake will receive a great impetus. Goose Lake valley has 100,000 acres of fertile lands awaiting the plow, some of which can be homesteaded. Warner Valley has 500,000 acres of tillable lands and some homesteads. Chewaucan valley has 75,000 acres and some homestead lands. Summer Lake valley has 50,000 acres of land that may be irrigated from artesian wells struck at depths ranging from 122 to 260 feet, and nearly all of which can be homesteaded. Christmas Lake valley has 35,000 acres, some of which can be homesteaded. Horse Mountain valley has 75,000 acres, nearly all open to entry. Edith valley has 75,000 acres, half of it open under the 320-acre homestead act. Silver Lake valley has 50,000 acres, 50,000 acres of which is open to entry. Many other smaller valleys present homes for the homelose. The members of the new organization will visit every precinct in the county and organize local development clubs to cooperate with the parent organization and work to the development of their sections. This undertaking is not a small matter in a county of this size.

National Good Roads Congress.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Birmingham, Ala., May 22.—Delegates and visitors from many states are pouring into Birmingham to attend the annual meeting of the National Good Roads congress. It is believed that nearly 2000 delegates will be on hand when the gathering is called to order tomorrow by President A. C. Jackson of Chicago. The sessions of the congress will last four days. Governors, members of congress, mayors of cities and other persons of prominence will be among the speakers.

Train Kills Whole Family.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Newark, Ohio, May 22.—While driving across the tracks of the Ohio Electric railroad, D. W. Dodson and his whole family—wife and two small children, aged 7 and 4—were run down and killed here. According to the railway employees, the Dodson's were driving along the highway which flanks the tracks, when their horses became frightened and plunged onto the tracks in front of the streetcar.

GAS MANTLE COMPANY LOSES FREIGHT SUIT

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)
Washington, May 22.—The Western Mantle company of Portland has lost its suits before the interstate commerce commission against the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway, involving the freight rate on materials used in the manufacture of gas mantles. The freight was moved from Massachusetts to Portland and \$3 a hundred pounds was charged. The company complained that \$3.20 would be a just rate. The commission decided that \$2 was just. Although not a conspicuous case, it affords plain illustration of the intricate character of freight tariffs. The material shipped was a weaving of cotton that forms the basis of a gas mantle. The Portland company demanded its classification as cotton netting, while the railroad companies claimed it otherwise and gave it a higher rate than cotton netting would carry. Although it was plainly cotton netting, that is, cotton woven into net form, the commission upheld the railway in refusing to classify it as such, and it therefore took the higher freight rate.

MRS. P. S. KNIGHT, WHO CAME IN '47, IS DEAD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Salem, Or., May 22.—Another early Oregon pioneer, Mrs. P. S. Knight, died yesterday afternoon. She crossed the plains with her parents in 1847 and after three years in Yamhill county came to Salem. Rev. Mr. Knight came to Salem in 1856 and they were married in 1861. For a number of years prior to 1899 Mrs. Knight was matron of the state school for the deaf. Her maiden name was Eleanor Smith and she was born in 1839. For two years Rev. and Mrs. Knight resided at Oregon City.

MASS MEETING TONIGHT TAKES UP ALASKA COAL

Seattle, Wash., May 22.—Under the auspices of the Alaskan committee of Seattle commercial bodies, a mass meeting will be held in Arcade hall tonight to urge upon the government the patenting of those coal claims which are not contested. The speakers will be former Senator S. H. Piles, Falcon Joseph, Maurice D. Leehy and J. F. Callbreath, secretary of the American Mining congress. Charles G. Helfner will preside. Urging immediate action on the part of the government in granting coal land patents in Alaska, Right Rev. P. T. Rowe, Episcopal bishop of Alaska, said: "If the government would grant the patents it wouldn't prevent it from prosecuting the guilty ones and in the meantime everything wouldn't be tied up. Men have invested everything up there and their sufferings are due to the outrageous inactivity of the executive department. Ballinger was timid. He should have gone straight ahead."

GRANGE, BY 1 VOTE, DECIDES TO STICK

Scio Organization Will Try to Restore Oldtime 200 Membership.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Scio, Or., May 22.—Scio grange had its first meeting Saturday for several months. The main object was to decide whether to disorganize. By a majority of one it was decided to continue the organization. This was one of the largest granges in the state a couple of years ago, having started with a charter membership of over 200. Nearly all the business men were members and grange Saturday always meant a big crowd in town. During the past year the attendance has gradually fallen off until there were too few to make the meetings a success. It is now planned to have the meetings during the busy season held at night so both townpeople and farmers can attend. A canvass for new members is to be made, good speakers will be engaged for the meetings and it is hoped to soon have the former interest shown.

Races and Roses in Novel Show.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Scio, Or., May 22.—Arrangements are being made to hold a race meet and rose show here on June 16-17 under the management of the Linn County Fair association. The program will consist of speaking, baseball, running races, pony races, saddle horse races and a display of various kinds of roses and other flowers. Purse amounts to about \$500 are offered for the races. The Scio band will furnish the music. The rose show has been an annual event here for a number of years and heretofore has been under the management of the Ladies' Civic club, part of the receipts being used as a city park fund. The uniting of the rose show with a race meet is an innovation and came as a surprise to many. Some fear it may result in putting an end to future flower shows.

Brain Storm Has Defense.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
White Plains, N. Y., May 22.—The case of Corporal Lawrence Spohr, who is charged with the murder of Rosa O'Toole, came up for trial here today. Corporal Spohr is a musician and marksmen of battery G, First United States coast artillery, stationed at Fort Slocum. The murder of which he is accused occurred here on the night of April 21. Spohr found the girl out walking with a young railroad brakeman. He followed them to her home, seriously wounded the man and then killed the girl. It is understood his defense will be that he had "brain storm" at the time of the shooting.

To Fly Over Pike's Peak.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Kansas City, Mo., May 22.—Jack Cudahy of this city and Karl Von Fuhl of St. Louis, who will pilot the "St. Louis No. 4" balloon in the national elimination race here next July, will attempt to fly over Pike's Peak within a few days. Cudahy has left for Denver to make arrangements.

BOY DRAGS SHOTGUN BY MUZZLE; IS KILLED

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)
Salem, Or., May 22.—Shot near the heart by his own gun, Louis Dickey, a Salem boy 18 years old, was lifted into a boat and rowed across the Willamette river by his 13-year-old companion, Chester Fromader, yesterday noon. The two boys had started hunting from their homes in North Salem and had crossed the river in a row-boat. Just as the larger boy stepped from the boat he drew his shotgun after him muzzle foremost. The trigger caught and the charge entered the boy's left side just below the heart, some of the shot coming out back of the shoulder and some from his side. He lived but an hour. The smaller lad, seemingly endowed with extraordinary strength by the episode, seized the larger boy, lifted him bodily into the boat, rowed him hastily over the river and called the ambulance. Dickey was accustomed to carrying his gun muzzle forward and had been cautioned about the dangerous habit one week before it caused his death.

PROVES GRATITUDE BY LARGE PRESENT

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)
New York, May 22.—One year ago William L. Ralston of Pittsburg, wandered into the rescue mission on First street, Elizabeth, N. J., a physical wreck and without a cent in his pockets. Today he pledged \$50,000 to the mission in recognition of the successful efforts of Superintendent Howard T. Sheekler, to make a man of him. He is able to make the gift through the death of his aunt, Mrs. Jennie Ralston, who leaves him \$300,000. Ralston returned to Elizabeth today from Pittsburg, where he had been to settle the various business matters necessary before he could get the legacy. The money will be turned over to him within a month.

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