

### PRUNE GROWERS VOTE TO RETAIN PRESENT RULES

Dallas, Or., March 7.—Little in the way of fireworks took place Friday at the meeting of the Polk County Co-operative Prune Growers at which W. L. Taylor of Scotts Mills, president of the North Pacific Prune Exchange, was the principal speaker.

The matter of changing the optional date of withdrawal from the association from March 15 until after the annual meeting in April of the North Pacific Exchange, which had been advocated, was brought up but was voted down. The sentiment was expressed that if any grower wished to withdraw, let them do so now, and if they later felt inclined to return, the association would welcome them. Withdrawing members, however, must settle in full their obligations to the exchange.

Mr. Taylor, who has 66 acres of prunes, declared that he was satisfied with the prune exchange and felt that it would mean from 1 to 1 1/2 cents more this year to the growers, than prices which would have prevailed if there had been no exchange.

R. H. Kipp spoke upon the co-operative move, declaring that the association and exchange were exerting a stabilizing effect on the market that benefits both the association members and independent growers as well.

There has been some dissatisfaction expressed among members of the local exchange, and the Dallas unit has been designated as the one that has had the hardest sledding, chiefly because of the fact that packing interests are centered here.

About 35 growers were out for the meeting.

The exchange has now paid 1 cent on the 1924 crop.

### CHURCH SESSION HERE ON TUESDAY

On Tuesday, March 10, the church of Christ in Marion county will meet at the Court Street church in Salem for an all-day county missionary rally. The meeting will be one of a series conducted in the interests of Oregon missions among the churches of Christ in the state. They are being conducted by the Oregon Christian Missionary convention under the leadership of C. F. Swander, corresponding secretary.

The local conference will convene at 10 a. m. The morning session will be given over to a consideration of the subjects "County Fellowship" and "Pre-Easter Campaign." At the noon hour the delegates will be asked to bring a basket dinner and coffee will be furnished. Topics at the afternoon session will be "Oregon Missions," "The State Convention," and "Diamond Anniversary."

The local women will furnish a fifty-cent supper at 6 o'clock. The evening session will be a young people's rally and addresses on the "The Task for the Disciples of Christ." H. L. Putnam, local pastor will conduct the young people's meeting. Three things will be considered: "Christian Endeavor and What It Really Means," "Loyal Volunteers and Gospel Team Work," and "State C. E. Conventions."

### Men and Women in News Spotlight



BUCKY BURKE & MISS J. A. CECK

Charles A. Stoneham, millionaire stock broker and majority stockholder in the New York Giants, has been acquitted by a jury in New York on charges of conspiracy and using the mails to defraud. Billie Burke, famous actress, in private life Mrs. Florence Ziegfeld, wife of the noted New York theatrical producer, was seriously injured in an automobile accident in Palm Beach, Fla. Ex-Governor Charles S. Feneen, of Illinois, was appointed by Governor Len Small to fill the five-day unexpired term of the late United States Senator Modell McCormick. Mrs. John Francis Amherst Cecil, the former Miss Cornelia Vanderbilt, wife of the former First Secretary of the British Embassy in Washington, has given birth to a son, George Henry Vanderbilt Cecil, at Biltmore House, the magnificent estate she inherited from her father, the late George Vanderbilt, near Asheville, N. C.

great city, Marshall's new novel, "The Sleeper of the Moonlit Islands," a story of the volcanic islands off the Alaskan coast, will be published by Cosmopolitan Book Corporation in April.

"Ethan Quest—His Saga," a new novel of the Far East by Harry Hervey, who wrote "Caravan by Night," is to appear this spring under Cosmopolitan imprint. Mr. Hervey came upon the character which inspired that of Ethan Quest in Batavia. He was a beach-comber, dealing for the moment in native batik, but the blue cummerbund he wore over his white costume distinguished him, and his accent was of Georgia—the State that Harry Hervey calls home. As these two South-Seaers consorted in that far Japanese port. Something of the dauntless exile's wanderings Hervey heard—something he guessed during their intimacy. And upon this is based the romance "Ethan Quest—His Saga," a brilliant young author's first Cosmopolitan book.

Articles of incorporation were filed yesterday by the River Road investment company of Portland, capitalized at \$45,000. The incorporators are Clinton A. Ambrose, R. L. Peake and Seth L. Roberts.

Notices of dissolution were filed by M. M. Long & company of Corvallis and Restro-Lee company, Inc., of Portland.

### SNOW REPORTED NEAR MILL CITY

Mill City, Or., March 7.—After raining quite steadily Wednesday night, the weather suddenly turned colder and Thursday morning the hills surrounding Mill City were noted to be covered with a

fresh fall of snow, appearing to be quite deep in places.

The Women's club of Mill City met Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. F. R. Olin, the evening being devoted to the topic "Child Welfare." In addition to regular club members, there were present Dr. Brown of Salem, Mrs. Carson of Salem, president of the child welfare society, and Mrs. King, Marion county nurse, all of whom gave talks.

Next Wednesday night, basketball fans here are promised a treat when the girls' team of Silverton high school comes to Mill City to play. The local girls have only been beaten once this year and in that game several of their regular players were out.

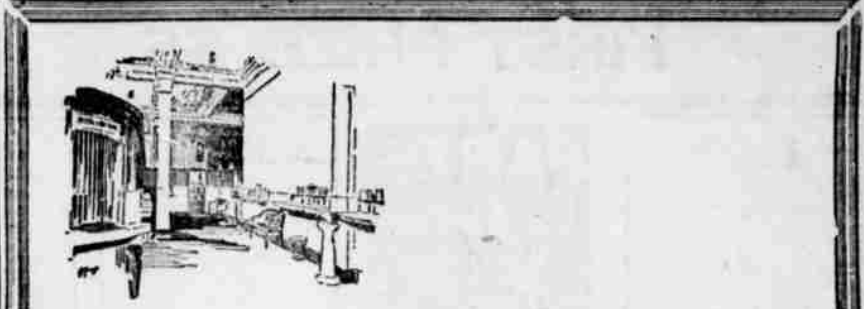
The basketball team of the Mill City fire department went to Caton, Wednesday evening, and defeated the Gates town team 28 to 9. This was a benefit game, proceeds being donated to the Gates high school to assist them in buying new showers for their gymnasium. In a preliminary game the Gates high school team trimmed the second team of the Mill City high 22 to 9.

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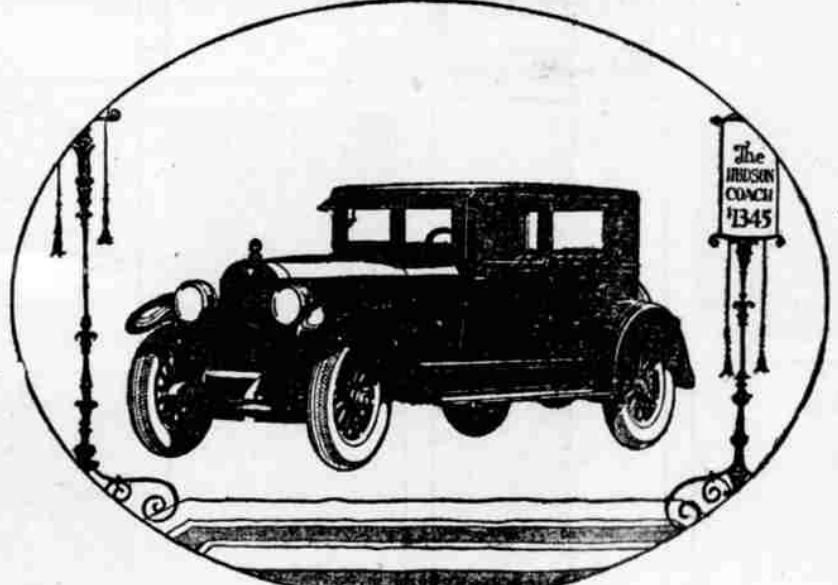
### Announcing Four New Books

"The Skyrocket," a first novel by that well-known short-story writer, Adela Rogers St. Johns, is to be brought out by Cosmopolitan Book Corporation the last of March. It is described as a spectacular novel of the movie lots. The author, a Los Angeles newspaper woman, has a vantage point of observation and has made the most of it in "The Skyrocket." Although herself very young, Mrs. St. Johns has been referred to as "mother confessor" and "trouble lady" for half the picture colony of Hollywood. "The Skyrocket" tells something of what she knows of the tears and heartaches of the "gay" film folks.

In thirty years of newspaper work even a man comes to know something authentic about women. As "idea editor" for a big New York daily, William Johnston has "met the ladies" under a variety of trying and pleasant circumstances, and in a forthcoming book entitled "These Women" he sets forth with pungent humor the result of his experience and observation. This book (which is Mr. Johnston's twelfth, by the way) with its title stimulating to both masculine and feminine interest, is specially recommended to husbands with a grouch, wives with a grievance and young people of both sexes who are afraid to get

married. Cosmopolitan Book Corporation will publish it in March.

Edison Marshall, whose home is Oregon, whose playground is Alaska and whose stories of the wild are among the most admired of their kind, has recently made his first visit to New York. After adventuring among subways and skyscrapers for three days, he fled away, declaring that the volcanoes of Alaska and the huge Kadiak bear which he has so often hunted there held nothing of terror compared to the pandemonium of the



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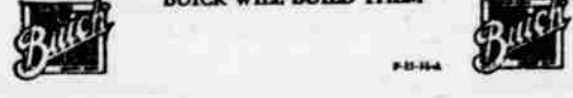
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