

COUNTY SALARIES.

It has been said inadvisably by individuals, and otherwise publicly, that republicans of Benton county are opposing the reduction of salaries of County School Superintendent and of County Judge and consolidating the offices of County Recorder and County Clerk, proposed by Senator Avery. This is a mistake, or at least does not tell the whole story, as we understand the matter. It is claimed that the reduction and consolidation is proposed in behalf of economy and reduction of the expense of the county. To economize for the county is a laudable undertaking. Much discussion among our citizens has been indulged since the subject became known to them, which turned upon the question, of how is the best method to economize for the county and reduce expenses in an equitable way to the greatest extent. The discussion ran along the line that the proposed change only did a partial job; that if the salaries of the county officers were high that they were all high in about the same proportion; hence it was suggested that as the proposed change cut off the salaries of school superintendent and county judge about 20 per cent; that the cut be extended to apply the same ratio of reduction on all salaries of county officers, leaving the county recorder's office still in existence; while the cut on the school superintendent and county judge would only save the county six hundred dollars, if the cut is extended to all the county officers the reduction and saving to the county thereby will amount to one thousand seven hundred and forty dollar per year, and upon further discussion as it seemed like all county officers were paid in about the same proportion as to the value of service rendered, this plan was thought best and communicated to Messrs. Avery and Carter at Salem. We understand that republicans and many democrats are in favor of the reduction named on all county offices, serving all the same, and not opposing the measure as has been reported.

YOUTH.

"The way the twig is bent so the tree is inclined," was a common saying our fathers and forefathers generally remarked when speaking of training young children. In those days the child was taught by parent and impressed on the youthful mind the portance of being polite, to equals and elders, attentive and considerate to others, industrious in and out of school, and last but not least the importance of being gentlemen and ladies at all times. At the present time and for years past the important lesson expressed in regard to the twig and tree is never heard, while many children hello and use unseemly, impolite and rude language to elders and superiors on the streets, many of them pursue destructive habits towards the property and belongings of others, so much so that vandalism is common everywhere. Few parents ever think that the habits which they permit their children to indulge in, roaming the streets instead of finding employment for them at home or elsewhere, often leads the young to vandalism and oftentimes to malicious mischief. The State for years has supplied most excellent facilities in the way of schools, but the more important thing is to adopt some system by which the young shall be profitably and innocently engaged during the time they are not in school, adopting a system by which the youth will grow up to useful occupation instead of so

many becoming tramps, criminals and vandals. A busy brain promotes peace, happiness, prosperity and usefulness.

A merchant fleet is a national necessity, in order to furnish the reserve transports and supply ships needed in the war to supplement the navy, and second to furnish the reserve seamen required to put the country on a war footing at sea, in a similar way that the national guard of the states can put the country on a war footing on shore. The transportation of our ocean mails is a public service which should be intrusted, as far as practical, to American steamers.

During eight years of Republican control of Congress and the executive departments American shipping and ship building have developed rapidly under legislation beneficial to the interests of ship builders, the owners of ships, and seamen and to the general welfare of the country; yet, American ships still carry a diminishing proportion of our exports and imports.

Corvallis Chickens at Albany.

The Albany poultry show opened last Thursday, with a large number of Corvallis prize winning chickens entered. Corvallis poultrymen are making a high reputation throughout the Northwest, with their blooded fowls, which carry off prizes wherever they are entered. The following are the entries that took awards at Albany: White Wyandottes: Dr. Bowen Lester—1st cock, 1st and 4th hens, 3rd and 5th cockrel, 3rd and 4th pullet. Silver Pencilled Wyandottes: J. M. Porter—1st pullet, 1st cockrel, 2d pullet. Silver Laced Wyandottes. Mrs. J. H. Lindermau—1st cockrel, 1st pullet. Buff Leghorns: Simpson & Fisher—1st 2d, and 5th hens, 1st 3d and 4th cock 1st, 3d and 4th cockrel. 2d, 3d and 5th pullet, 1st pen. S. C. Brown Leghorns: S. E. Beal—1st cock, 3d and 4th hen. S. S. Hamburgs; J. M. Porter—2nd and 4th hens, 2d pullet, 2d cockrel, 3d cock. S. C. Buff Orpingtons: F. L. Miller—1st 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th cockrel, 1st, 2d and 3d hens. Barred Plymouth Rocks, James Horning—1st cockrel, 3d cock, 2d and 5th hen.

Road Supervisors for 1905.

Following are the road supervisors appointed by the county court Saturday, for the year 1905: District No 1 A R Locke District No 2 H M Flemming District No 3 Paul Schmidt District No 4 H L Hall District No 5 P F Altermatt District No 6 E M Doodle District No 7 John Price District No 8 W M Clark District No 9 A Cadwalader District No 10 W P McGee District No 11 J R Fehler District No 12 A Buchanan District No 13 J E Banton District No 14 E N Starr District No 15 D B Farley District No 16 J M Herron District No 17 John Gray District No 18 S R Strow District No 19 Henry Hector District No 20 B W Harris District No 21 J O Wilson District No 22 M V Leeper District No 23 A M Gray

A Correction.

In the issue of the Corvallis Times of January 18, in regard to the Spaulding land case, it was said that "the last resource of the Spauldings for holding the title to section 24, township 13, was gone." We desire to correct this statement by saying that the case is now before the secretary of the interior and we have 60 days to carry it up.

L. E. Spaulding.
C. W. Spaulding.
C. A. Spaulding.
E. A. Spaulding.

J. M. Cameron requests all those indebted to him to call at the harness shop of Mr. Winegar, who has his accounts and settle at once.

J. H. Warner, of Cottage Grove, arrived Saturday from Albany, where he attended the poultry show. Mr. Warner is quite an extensive poultry fancier, and raises the Hamburg breed of chickens. He is looking for some new stock for his flock but as nothing could be found to his liking in Albany, he came over and invested in some Corvallis prize winners.

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