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Plymouth Rock Hen Just Can't Stop Laying Eggs

Only Loses Nine Days from February 3 to July 1, This Year

CHESTER Skelton, of Disston, has a remarkable Plymouth Rock hen. She was born June 8, 1915, and began laying February 3, 1916. From that time until July 1 she missed but nine days. She then lost 12 days in trying to persuade her owner to let her follow out the feminine instinct to raise a family. She was dissuaded from this idea in 12 days, however, and has been laying an egg a day ever since.

This remarkable egg producer comes from the O. A. C. strain and the egg from which she was raised was purchased from S. S. Thomas, of Anlauf.

Mr. Skelton will keep a careful record of her laying and expects the hen to establish a record.

POWER OF A MOVING DOLLAR IS FORCE UNREALIZED

National Pay Up Week Illustrates What Money Can Do When Prodded.

We always say, "Money makes the wheels go 'round," and we usually think it takes a great deal of money, tremendous sums of it, to make these wheels go, but when you stop to think about it, a very small amount does a great deal of work. Just think for a moment. A small coin put into circulation will wipe out many debts and perchance be turned in to the man who first set it going. This is the idea back of National Pay Up Week. For example, we will say that Mr. A, who is a merchant, owes Mr. B, a garage man, \$5.00. B in turn owes Mr. C, the butcher, \$5.00. Mr. C owes Mr. D, a farmer, \$5.00 for a load of feed, and Mr. D, the farmer, owes Mr. A \$5.00 for groceries. A pays his bill to B, who passes it on to C, who in turn gives it to D, and D returns it to A. Four accounts are paid with the same \$5.00, and it returns to A for use in payment of his account to the wholesale house which in turn pays its help and its places of supply, and so it goes. Any of the four men can start the ball rolling. The only thing necessary is for some one of them to pay his account to date and put the money in circulation. This, with an honest desire on the part of everyone to pay his debts, helps the entire community. The object of National Pay Up Week is to wipe out all accounts possible in this community. Everybody is in it and everyone will be helped. Every time a debt is paid a load is lifted. Men of every calling in life all over the United States, farmers, doctors, lawyers, merchants, bankers, working men, are attracted by the possibilities of National Pay Up Week because it is not a bad debt collection device but a plan which results in the payment of good debts. Do you know which dollar it is that is the most trouble for business? It is the dollar that is as good as "old wheat in the mill" but which does not move on when it is most needed. It is the debts people owe that they could easily pay but simply neglect to pay that cause the trouble. It is not the dead beat accounts that worry you or any other man.

When National Pay Up Week publicity gets into action it focuses the attention of careless folks on the subject of community payment and gets them to realize that those few dollars they owe to local people have an enormous number of idle brothers, sisters, uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins, and other near kin which might be doing a lot of good in business circles but are loafing around and not doing the community any good by circulating.

It is the circulating dollars, the busy, rolling dollars, that make the lifeblood of local business. That same rolling dollar may pass in one day through fifteen or twenty different hands and pay off \$15 to \$20 in small debts. The problem is just to start the rolling.

National Pay Up Week solves that problem. It impresses the perfectly good but indifferent, careless, forgetting debtor with the fact that he is imposing upon a man who has done him a favor when he persistently neglects to pay his small debts. Not only is he imposing upon one man, but he is imposing upon the community. He is imposing by keeping lazy dollars that should be doing useful, beneficial work by circulating.

Pay Up Week comes in the time of year when business needs just a little added impulse to make it go faster than it ever did before. National Pay Up Week gives every man a polite means of letting every other man know that he is indebted to him and that small favors are appreciated. All good people will take the hint and net upon it.

If a Sentinel want ad. doesn't sell it, throw it away.

COAST ARTILLERY LADS GLAD TO GET HOME

Lack of Patriotic Display in Portland Is the Subject of Considerable Comment.

Boys Are Put Through a Strenuous Course of Sprouts at Annual Encampment and Make Usual Envious Record.

After two weeks of hard work on the big guns at Fort Stevens, Sixth company, C. A. C., N. G., arrived in Cottage Grove late Saturday evening. A special train carried the national guard companies all the way from Fort Stevens to the home stations, but the troops were forced to detain and change cars again in Portland.

On their way from the North Bank station to the union depot the eight companies of coast artillery paraded over a mile of Portland's business district in heavy marching order—each man carrying blankets, haversack, first aid packet, canteen and rifle—and during the entire parade the Portland people showed no sign of enthusiasm. Not even the colors were saluted. This lack of patriotism was the subject of much comment.

Members of the local company state that they had a fine encampment but that the work, for the first few days, was rather strenuous. The time not used in practice on the big guns was given over to infantry drill or some sort of a parade, and the men were pretty well tired out by the time service firing was completed.

For service practice each company fires three shots under as near actual war conditions as it is possible to obtain. Some of the companies made enviable records in their service firing, coming close to the world's record for accuracy and efficiency.

The drilling of Sixth company at the fort was probably more noticeable than that of any other company of the coast artillery. Some of the regular army officers and non-commissioned officers stated that for smoothness and efficiency in drill, Sixth company was the equal if not the superior of many of the regular companies. This speaks well, not only for the intelligence of the members of the company, but for the ability of the company officers.

Sixth company was warmly welcomed when it returned home Saturday night, and as the boys are unanimously of the opinion that home feed is better than army rations, the prospect of putting his feet under a real table again made each member of the company appreciate the welcome.

Captain Lee Roy Woods stopped off at Rainier on his way home and the company returned in charge of First Lieutenant C. C. Cruse.

LANE COUNTY'S FLAX NOW BEING HARVESTED

About One-quarter of the Acreage Has Already Been Cut.

Nearly one-fourth of the Lane county flax crop has been cut, and the harvest will be fair, according to George Quayle, secretary of the Eugene chamber of commerce, who has been spending the past several days with Eugene Bosse, manager of the plant, who is directing the work of harvesting the crop. Two machines are at work, one northeast of Eugene, and the other in Pleasant Hill territory.

In cutting the flax a special attachment has been placed on the mower, whereby the cut flax is gathered into bundles with the butts even before it is dropped. By this method it is in better shape for binding into bundles.

Old Soldiers Win in Drawing.

I. J. Taylor and Doc Adams, both members of Appamattox post, G. A. R., were winners in the drawing for home-lands in the Colville Indian reservation. Mr. Taylor got number 5468 and Mr. Adams got number 4605. The old soldiers were permitted to draw by proxy.

Late Dukes Ripening.

All of Cottage Grove's cherries have not yet been picked. J. H. Shortridge brought into The Sentinel office Tuesday a couple of limbs of late Dukes that were so heavily laden that they had broken from the tree.

Minorca Pullets Break Records for Early Egg Laying

J. D. Million claims the record for early layers this year. He has Black Minorcas hatched this spring and now only four months and three weeks old which are making regular daily contributions to the egg basket. About ten of the pullets are now laying.

FARMERS can't be expected to tie to a city that hasn't hitching racks to tie to

Woodburn Berry Raiser Town of Thirty Years Ago Found Here No More

The possibilities of berry culture are well illustrated by the success this year of Mr. Bentley, of Woodburn, who has received \$5000 for his berry crop.

Woodburn formerly had a cannery but so little interest was taken in it by the producers that it failed. The business men took it over, threw out the canning machinery and started a juice plant. It has since then been a huge success and is now selling his berries for the making of juice that Mr. Bentley realized the \$5000 this year.

There is no country where berries grow more profusely or to greater perfection than in the Cottage Grove country. Cottage Grove producers can just as easily take a \$5000 crop off of 14 acres as can anyone at Woodburn or anywhere else.

Stealing Clothes Again.

It is again dangerous for Cottage Grove people to leave clothes out over night. Several families report the loss of numerous articles of men's wearing apparel from their clothes lines.

Blank notes and receipts for sale at The Sentinel office apr 7th

Thos. Jones, of La Plata, Mo., a former resident of Cottage Grove, visited during the past week with his nephew, J. L. Jones. Mr. Jones left here some 30 years ago and can find but few of the landmarks that were so prominent here at that time.

Ben Lurch is probably the only one in business at that time who is still in business. There were at that time no paved streets, no brick buildings, and not even a depot. Where the business part of the city now stands there were only grain fields.

Putting On Metropolitan Airs.

Cottage Grove will not take water from any city when it comes to traffic regulations. New sign boards have been placed at important street crossings directing traffic to keep to the right. To keep to the right of the signs will make it necessary for the traffic to obey the ordinance regulating the manner of turning corners. These signs have the directions on all four sides and appear at the intersections of Main avenue with Sixth street, Fifth street and Pacific highway.

Legal blanks—The Sentinel.

Five Generations, Oldest Only 90



Above—Mrs. M. C. Willis. Below, back row, left to right—John Hubbard, Cresswell, Ore.; Virgil Fisher; Mrs. Joseph Fisher, of Hillsboro. Below, front row—Mrs. S. E. Hubbard, Cottage Grove; Mrs. M. C. Willis, Portland.

The above picture shows five generations and the oldest member of the family has only just celebrated her ninetieth birthday anniversary.

Mrs. M. C. Willis is the head of this remarkable family. Although she celebrated her last anniversary with her daughter, Mrs. T. W. Jenkins, of Portland, nearly all of her 43 years in Oregon has been spent in Cottage Grove.

Mrs. Willis has seven children living. Her health is very good, she is very active and still enjoys reading the papers. She is still spry and vigorous and the comfort of her guests as in younger years and frequently offered her chair to guests for the moment unseated.

The birthday cake had 90 candles and an elegant dinner was served. The presents were beautiful and numerous. The decorations were sweet peas and nasturtiums. The invited guests were: Mrs. S. E. Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hubbard and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Gill and son, Mr. and Mrs. Fisher and three children, Mrs. Ella B. Jones, Mrs. Olive Willard, Mr. and Mrs. W. Dubiez, Mr. and Mrs. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. VanSchooneck, Mrs. T. W. Jenkins. Mrs. Ella B. Jones furnished the musical program.

Grandma Willis is a niece of James Madison, the fourth president of the United States.

SPECIAL ROAD TAX ON CITIES HELD TO BE LEGAL

Case of Roney vs. Lane County Is Affirmed by the Supreme Court.

It Is Held That Section Upon Which Plaintiff Based Action Is Not Mandatory When Levy Is Part of General Tax.

County courts of Oregon may levy a general road tax upon all the property of the county and expend it entirely outside of the cities which would pay the larger proportion of such a tax. That is the opinion of the supreme court, which has affirmed the judgment of Circuit Judge G. F. Skipworth in the case of L. N. Roney against Lane county, in a suit brought to resist the payment of taxes in the special road districts of Eugene, Springfield and Cottage Grove.

The supreme court holds that it is not mandatory for county courts, in raising funds for road and bridge purposes, to follow section 6320, Lord's Oregon Laws, revised in 1915. The opinion of the court holds that sections 937 and 6278 include many things more than the mere building and improving of thoroughfares. In short the general fund is derived from taxation on all taxable property in the county where situated and may be applied to the operation of the road system of the county.

Appeal to the state supreme court was taken from the decision of Judge Skipworth, handed down March 17. The suit had been filed earlier in the year by L. N. Roney, who maintained that, inasmuch as Eugene is a separate road district, the county court has no right to levy a special road tax within the city. Reliance was made on section 6320 of the statutes, which provides that the county court may levy a special road tax of not to exceed 10 mills, for road purposes, but that 70 per cent of this amount so raised, shall be used within the districts, including incorporated cities, supplying the money. This section, Judge Skipworth held, is permissive, and does not prevent the county court from apportioning a part of its general fund for road purposes. And he held that the publication of the item of \$110,000 for roads and bridges, as made in the county budget, did not constitute an appropriation for a special road fund, but was so published purely for the purpose of informing the taxpayers of the purpose in raising this portion of the general county fund.

A total of \$5000 would have been withheld had the county lost the suit, and until it was known whether or not the tax could be collected, the county court did not use all the money on hand.

PROPOSED RAILROAD IS POSSIBLE UNCERTAINTY

J. H. Chambers Says Plans Are Not Very Far Advanced.

The proposed railroad into the timber owned by J. H. Chambers near Lorane was up for discussion at the commercial club Monday night, but nothing was accomplished. Mr. Chambers was present and said he had little to say; that he did not know when the road would be built and was not certain from where it would start; that very little of even the preliminary work had been done and that if the commercial club wished to boost the thing along they might dig up the money to do the work with.

Falls and Dislocates Shoulder.

Mrs. Ralph Linch, of Lorane, sustained a dislocated shoulder Sunday as the result of falling from the porch of her home. She was standing on a chair on the edge of the porch twining a vine about a string when the chair slipped, throwing her off the porch to the hard ground several feet below. She was brought to Cottage Grove in an automobile for an examination of her injuries. It was found that no bones were broken, and she will soon recover.

Criticize Lack of Stock Yards.

L. H. Limburger, of Ventura, Calif., and E. C. Conant, of Santa Barbara, were here this week buying cattle, which they had to take to Creswell to load. They said Cottage Grove was getting poor service from the railway company to be without means for loading cattle.

Traveler Can't Resist Lure of Grove Country

B. B. Parker, of Kennett, Calif., was so favorably impressed with the appearance of the Cottage Grove country that this was the only stop he made on his way to and from Wenatchee to register for the drawing at the Colville Indian reservation. He may become a resident here. While here he ran across his old time friend, L. A. Ralston.

California Visitor Highly Compliments This City

Says Folks Here in Cottage Grove Do Not Appreciate "Arid" City

"IF YOU people of Cottage Grove would fully appreciate your city you should do as I have done and spend several months in the saloon towns of California." That is the statement of A. E. Fitch, representative of a publishing house, who is spending a week here.

"I was never so thankful for anything in my life," he continued, "as I was to settle down here a little while after my experiences in a saloon state. In towns the size of yours there are as high as 40 saloons. The regular business cannot prosper under such conditions. You do not see the pretty paved streets and handsome brick business blocks that you have here."

Cottage Grove has been "dry" about eight years.

COUNTY AND STATE WILL CONSTRUCT OWN ROAD

Long Contemplated Improvement Between Here and Divide to Be Made at Once.

Two and a quarter miles of Pacific highway between Latham and Divide will be built this summer, jointly by the county and the state, according to a contract signed by the members of the county court for the county and W. D. Clark, assistant engineer for the state highway commission, for the state.

This piece of highway is entirely new construction and will take the place of a similar stretch now in use, but the route of which is undesirable. The new route will parallel the S. P. railway track all the way and will eliminate a very dangerous crossing.

This improvement has been contemplated for a number of years. The road will be greatly shortened and several grades eliminated. The highway will go below the railroad tracks at the southern end of the improvement in order to eliminate a crossing. The completion of this improvement will put the road in an almost straight line from Cottage Grove to Divide. The work will start as soon as possible and the road will be of macadam construction.

Bids for the construction of this stretch of highway were called for by the county court and engineers of the highway commission, representing the state.

Mr. Mathews' bid for the construction work was 35 cents a cubic yard for excavating and 43 cents a cubic yard for the dirt to be borrowed. For placing the pipe culverts he bid \$195 and for the concrete culvert \$780. For increase in yardage due to possible lowering of footings below elevation he bid \$12.

Taylor & Higgins, of Cottage Grove, submitted a bid of \$675 on the concrete culvert. The bids were rejected and the county and state will do the work.

According to the estimates filed by County Engineer H. W. Libby for this work there are 4073 cubic yards of earth to remove and 7607 cubic yards of earth to borrow. There are seven small culverts and one large concrete culvert to construct.

DECLARES FIRE BLIGHT HAS BEEN ERADICATED

Fruit Inspector Destroys Last Infected Tree Known of.

Fire blight is no longer a menace to the orchardists of Lane county, according to C. E. Stewart, county fruit inspector. Mr. Stewart said last week that the blight has been entirely eliminated from the Lane county orchards, at any rate so that it is no longer a menace.

He said that the last case of blight that he knew of in the county was destroyed by him Friday. This was near Thurston, where there was a tree that was infected. Another case was found by him two or three miles south of Trent Monday and this tree, too, was destroyed.

At one time, a year or two ago, the blight situation seemed to be very serious in this county, but by prompt and active measures on the part of the fruit inspector, backed up by the county court, the pest has been practically eradicated.

The annual Adventist camp meeting will be held at Roseburg August 17 to 27. All are welcome to attend and special rates will be given by the Southern Pacific railway. These rates will be on the certificate plan and purchasers must get receipts for their tickets. When countersigned at the meeting the receipt will entitle the holder to return trip at one-third fare.