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SAW MILLS STARTING UP

Active Season in the Mills and Logging Camps is Assured.

All of the Booth-Kelly sawmills, which have been closed since the last of December, with the exception of Springfield, will soon be in operation, according to the statements of officials of that company. The Coburg mill has begun and is running a regular shift. Wendling commenced operations Wednesday with its regular shift and Saginaw will resume operations during the present month. All the crews are back in the woods and the prospects seem to be that the lumbering depression which has placed half a thousand men of this county out of employment during the past month, is now over and spring operations are beginning early. When a lumberman or any corporation official is asked what is to be done this spring in this county in construction activity, he says with a meaning expression:

Wait until good weather comes and see."

Appearances indicate that this will be a busy summer for Lane county.

CLOSE RACE BETWEEN SPENCER AND ROBISON

Regarding the oratorical tryout at the University of Oregon last week in which a Cottage Grove boy came out victor the college paper, the "Oregon Emerald" says:

Carlton E. Spencer, '13, was chosen after a close and interesting tryout last night to represent the University in the Intercollegiate Oratorical contest. Charles Robison, '11, won second place, with the oration, "The Scape-Goat," dealing with the position of the Jew in modern American society.

Spencer's theme was "The Rust on Our Legal Machinery." He dealt with the technicalities of American judicial procedure, cited illustrations to show the absurdity and injustice of the present system, and as a remedy suggested that appeals on slight errors of judges be refused unless one of the parties be materially injured by the errors.

The contest between Robison and Spencer for first honors was the feature of the evening. The former is unsurpassed in originality of subject matter, while the latter excels in logical development. Both are persuasive speakers and at ease on the rostrum, both proved themselves to be real orators.

The other oratorical aspirants also earned the applause of the audience. Leon Ray's, "The Old Order Changeth," and William Beal's "Democracy's Savior," were both effectively delivered. David Pickett made his debut as an orator in an admirable manner by speaking on "Universal Peace." His argument was that peace can best be secured by preparation for war.

Carlton Spencer is a sophomore majoring in economics. He hails from Cottage Grove and a member of the Acacia Fraternity. When a freshman he surprised the student body by winning the alumni medal awarded each year for the best debater in college. He was on teams which won debates from both the University of Utah and University of Washington. He is at present president of the sophomore class.

HOW COMMERCIAL APPLES ARE RATED

There are many Leader readers who will be pleased to know the commercial rating or valuation placed on the various standard varieties of apples. This information is given below, the ideal or perfect commercial apple being given "10" denoting the highest rating. The apple growers association rules, giving quality ratings were adopted in 1898, and there has been no revision, despite the fact that improvement has been made in certain apples, also that new varieties have come into vogue. While it is more likely that the society will revise the rating at its next meeting, at present the only guide the judges have is as follows:

Apple	Quality.
Arkansas.....	7-8
Arkansas Black.....	5-6
Bailey Sweet.....	7-8
Baldwin.....	5-6
Belmont (Waxen).....	8-9
Ben Davis.....	4-5
Blue Pearmain.....	6
Canada Baldwin.....	5-6
Canada Reinette.....	7-8
Carolina Beauty.....	7
Cox Oregon Pippin.....	8-9
Delicious.....	9-10
Fall Pippin.....	9
Garden Royal.....	10
Golden Russet (N. Y.).....	5-6
Gravenstein.....	8-9
Green Newtown.....	8-9
Grimes Golden.....	9-10
Jersey Sweet.....	8
Jonathan.....	8-9
Louise Princess.....	5-6
McIntosh.....	5-6
Maiden Blush.....	5-6
Maryland Maiden Blush.....	7-8
Monmouth (Red Cheek Pippin).....	6-8
Northern Spy.....	8-9
Red Canada.....	8-9
Rhode Island Greening.....	7-8
Romanite South.....	6-7
Rome Beauty.....	6-7
Scott Winter.....	5-7
Sierra Beauty.....	7-8
Spitzenberg.....	10
Stayman Winesap.....	8-9
Sterling (American Beauty).....	7-8
Swozy Pomme Gris.....	8-9
Sweet Winesap.....	6-7
Tompkins King.....	8-9
Wagener.....	7-8
Wealthy.....	6-7
White Pearmain.....	8-9
Willow Twig.....	5-6
Winter Banana.....	8-9
Winesap.....	7-8
Wolf River.....	5-6
Yellow Bellflower.....	8-9
Yellow Newtown.....	9-10
York Imperial.....	6-7

SUMMARY OF LOCAL AND LANE COUNTY HAPPENINGS

Taxpayers' Meeting at Eugene Last Saturday Demanded a Lower Tax Levy and Strict Economy in County Expenditures.

The local Elks are planning a swell ball to commemorate Washington's birthday.

The ground hog saw his shadow, now according to commonly accepted theory, we are to have six weeks more of unsettled weather—but all signs fail in Oregon.

S. B. Morss, the nurseryman, received 10,000 pedigreed Delicious apple scions for grafting from the celebrated Chelan, Washington, fruit district last Thursday.

W. P. Tyson and wife, of Gardiner, arrived in Eugene this afternoon to visit at the home of J. R. Ford and wife. Mr. Tyson is a brother of Gilbert Tyson, of Cottage Grove, who has been very ill. —Guard.

Many home seekers are looking about Cottage Grove and vicinity, but those who are looking for big farms here are disappointed to find most of the big farms subdivided into small acreage tracts. About the only big farms left in Oregon are east of the Cascades.

J. Henderson McFarland requests the Leader to state that if no more convenient and central location can be had for a fruit drier site, he will give, under the usual provisions, a site for a drier and cannery from his acreage just north of the Masonic cemetery.

John Barker and Walter Baker sold what is known as the Baker or Kizer place of 160 acres on Mosby creek last week to Finley Whipp of Minnesota, together with the stock and farm implements for \$9,000. Mr. Whipp is a relative of Mr. Schrepel of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Conner, of the Cottage Grove Leader, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Lundy, of Myrtle Point, spent Friday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Cochran, returning to Cottage Grove in the afternoon. Mrs. Lundy was formerly Miss Laura Jones and was the first lady editor in the state, being connected with the Nonpareil at Drain for a long time. —Eugene Register.

Frank Woodruff, on Tuesday, purchased the Richard White property on Main street, comprising a lot 25x100 and a two-story frame building, the consideration being \$2,700. Mr. Woodruff will move his plumbing establishment thereto from the West side, and will add greatly to his stock of supplies.

There arrived in Cottage Grove from the south, on Wednesday, a youth having the appearance of a college student, accompanied by a buxom lass several years his junior. They visited the Methodist parsonage and giving their names as Scott West of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and E. Jennie Morse of Josephine county, requested Rev. Sutcliffe to unite them in the holy bonds of wedlock. The ceremony was performed and Mr. and Mrs. West departed on the night bound train. Further than this nothing is known of the contracting parties.

That was a very business-like meeting of taxpayers held at the Eugene court house Saturday to protest against county court extravagance and burdensome taxation. The county court was reminded that the people of rural Lane, Cottage Grove in particular, do not favor the proposed \$1000 appropriation for the county fair, the creation of a county road boss on a salary of \$150 per month, nor the contribution of county funds toward building an armory in Eugene, all of which was embodied in resolutions from Cottage Grove. J. F. Spray of this city addressed the meeting, endorsed the resolutions and protested against the commissioners voting themselves a salary of \$5 a day and he urged that needless county expenditures be curtailed that taxes may be kept down. J. M. Williams spoke in favor of the fair appropriation and the Cottage Grove resolution was voted down or ordered tabled. The resolution declaring for lower taxation and economy in county affairs was unanimously carried, the county court also being requested to reduce the county levy from 10 to 6 mills.

COLLIER IN REPLY TO DRYDEN ARTICLE

Editor Leader:—The professor who has charge of the poultry at the Oregon Agricultural College, has proven that I was right in not mentioning his name when referring to bulletin No. 10 of the college on the subject of "Cross-bred Poultry." The readers will remember that I said that the director of poultry of the college was after notoriety when he attacked the pure bred in favor of cross breeds.

The professor came back in just the kind that I expected. The weapon of some men is "billingsgate," knowing full well that gentlemen never argue that way. The man who can throw the most dirt sometimes wins an argument down among the "riff raff" but among men of culture such men are seldom noticed. To be called a "blackguard" by some men is a compliment for then we know that they have run out of decent language with which to fight their cause.

Those readers that read my article will remember that I said that chicks hatched in incubators start out free of lice. The chick hatched under hens, as a rule, have to fight lice from the time they come out of the egg. Lice is the cause of more mortality among chicks than any other cause. No one ever saw a sick chicken in his life that was free of lice. The chick that is free from lice will not take disease for the reason that its vitality is high and it can throw off most any kind of ailment. Roup is one of the worst forms of sickness with which fowl life has to contend here in the northwest, and in all my experience, I never saw a case of roup unless the fowl was lousy.

Like the professor I advise all of your readers to get a copy of the bulletin referred to and if they do not agree with me that a college might be in better business than putting out such trash I miss my guess.

I would not have paid attention to the professor but several of my Oregon friends felt that I should answer him. I have thought for some time that the Oregon Agricultural College had a poor man to represent the poultry industry, but I did not know that they also had professors who lacked the qualities that go to make gentlemen.

Tacoma, Washington.

NEW CHURCH IS DEDICATED

Services Largely Attended and New Edifice Free of Debt.

According to the announcement made in these columns one week ago, the new Baptist church was dedicated last Sunday with appropriate services. A congregation of two hundred people assembled at the hour of morning service, nearly filling the house. Among them were about twenty people from Eugene, Springfield, Saginaw and other adjacent points.

The music for the morning and afternoon services was furnished by a mixed quartet from the First Baptist church of Eugene, consisting of Mrs. Henry W. Davis, soprano, Miss Lottie Pengra, alto, Oliver B. Needham, tenor and Leonard W. Rae, basso, with Mrs. Carl H. Young, accompanist. For special numbers at the morning service the quartet sang "In Heavenly Love Abiding," and Miss Pengra sang as a contralto solo, with great sweetness and tenderness of expression, "But the Lord is Mindful of His Own."

The services of the day were in charge of Rev. H. B. Foskett, one of the state workers of the Oregon Baptist convention who came here some time ago to superintend the work of completing the building for the convention. The morning sermon was by Rev. F. C. W. Parker of Portland, general missionary of the convention and was a thoughtful, earnest and scholarly portrayal of the true aim and mission of a christian church. His subject was "A Baptist Bethel," taking his text at Gen. 18:17; "This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of Heaven." The speaker dwelt particularly upon the spiritual atmosphere of the church and its supreme function, to bring God and man together. If it is truly the house of God then it must become also the gate of heaven. It brings the ministry of heaven for the needs and sorrows of man and becomes also the gate to heaven to every seeking soul.

After the sermon, Mr. Foskett made a brief financial statement, showing a balance of only \$125.76 necessary to pay out in full upon the building fund, for furnishings and all local current expense accounts to date. One hundred dollars was secured in cash and pledges in a few minutes, and arrangements made to provide for the balance.

In the side-rooms upstairs, the ladies of the church, under the management of a committee consisting of Mesdames Ingram, Spriggs and Walker, served a bountiful dinner to their outside guests and the membership of the church who could remain to the afternoon service. About sixty people sat down together.

Rev. H. B. Foskett addressed a fine congregation at the 3 o'clock service upon "The 'Go' of the Gospel." It was a vigorous presentation of the function of the church and the personal, individual service of each member for "the other fellow," just outside.

The quartet sang "The Lord is my Light," and Mr. Needham and Miss Pengra rendered a beautiful

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