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RURAL CREDITS MUST WAIT.

Two years of constant agitation have failed to bring about a national law or even to crystallize a plan to meet the situation in rural credits. President Wilson tells Congress that "The great subject of rural credits still remain to be dealt with, and it is a matter of deep regret that the difficulties of the subject have seemed to render it impossible to complete a bill for passage at this session." It is noteworthy that he does not refer to the new Banking Act as even a partial solution of the problem. Perhaps the President has been reading the reports of some of his economists and realizes that the claims that this Act would aid farmers directly have proved erroneous.

The commission on rural credits has pointed out that there are more than eight thousand state and private banks in the United States with smaller capitals than the twenty-five thousand dollars required by law of member banks in the new system. These banks are mostly in country villages and do most of their business with farmers. Investigation has shown that these small banks will not increase their capital so as to join the new system, since such increase is not warranted by the volume of business they do. Thus the advantage of Government rediscounting, which is essential to all approved systems of short-time rural credit, will be withheld from farmers in most sections. Perhaps a change in the Banking Law can be made to enable the rural banks to have the advantage of Government rediscounting.

Men who have spent a lifetime in studying agricultural credits told President Taft that this was one of the hardest nuts Congress could ever attempt to crack. The frank acknowledgment of President Wilson confirms that opinion.

Representative Allen Eaton is making a vigorous and honorable fight for speaker of the house. Mr. Eaton has served five terms in the Oregon legislature and while among the younger men in years, he is now in point of service, the oldest man in the Legislature. This fact alone makes him the logical candidate for speaker, to say nothing of his excellent qualifications and fitness for the place. He is the candidate of the country districts and will succeed regardless of Portland's rather questionable fight against him.

We observe that a bill has already been drafted for presentation at the forth coming session of the legislature providing for the creation of more inspectors. All bills of this nature should be promptly killed as we already have too many inspectors.

Almost every father of a family can understand at this time of the year why Santa Clause' whiskers are white as well as long.

A reduction of 12 miles in the total tax levy for 1915 is the New Year greeting to the Cottage Grove taxpayer.

Since General Scott has been sent to the front, Mexico is wondering where she's heard that name before.

Among Mexico's principal exports now might be named provisional presidents.

Servia is the most uncrushed nation that history has yet presented us with.

Now is the time for bargains in Constantinople real estate.

Brown Estate Probated

W. W. Brown has been appointed administrator of the estate of Willis E. Brown. The personal property is said to be valued at \$34,000 and the real property at \$51,500. The appraisers of the estate are: Alex Martin, J. S. Maglady and L. O. Beckwith.

Good 25 ct. coffee only 19 cts. per lb., at DesLarzes Bros. during Removal sale. See our ad.

Notice of Road Meeting.

Notice is hereby given to the voters of Mosby Creek road district that there will be a meeting held at Ishmael's place Saturday, January 16, 1915, at 1:30 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing a road supervisor for said road district.

H. B. YANCEY.
J. F. SPRAY.

Oregon counties will be represented at the Panama Fair.

NEW ARC LIGHTS ARE INSTALLED

Cottage Grove is now the best lighted city in the valley. The Cottage Grove Electric Co last week installed the new nitrogen filled tungston arcs, seven of which on Main street are of 1150 candlepower, and the 24 installed on other streets being 750 candle power each. The Main street lights are 150 candle power stronger than the contract calls for and the other arcs 50 candle power above the contract price. The new arcs give a soft, mellow light, which is far more penetrating than the old carbon arcs and give an even, steady light. Messrs Kem & Shinn are now certainly giving the city its moneys worth in light service.

CHAMBERS MILL TO START UP SOON

A force of men went into the big logging camp on Lang creek this week to begin logging operations for the Chambers saw mill. Mr. Chambers has a force of men at work putting everything in shape at the mill for active operations, and hopes to be able to start his mill up next week and keep it running regularly. The Brown Lumber Co. of this city, has made no announcements, but it is observed the mill has been put in shape to resume operations at any time.

Basket Ball Game

In the basket ball game Saturday evening between the girls of the Cottage Grove and Creswell high schools, the home team won the honors, by a score of 19 to 2, it being a good fast game. At the close of the game a good social time was enjoyed entertainment being furnished the visiting team.

The income from subscriptions to a newspaper is an important item. Like snowflakes they are individually small, but when they are aggregated they pile up wonderfully. They should be coming in every day in the year. They must come if the publisher pays his bills which falls due every month in the year.

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

Are all your good resolves still intact?

There's much in making a good start.

A town is like a girl; it's a wonder what a little fixing up will do for it.

Solution of the Mexican trouble is in sight. Three hundred saloons will move across from "dry" Arizona.

The more people know about a good thing, the more popular it becomes. This has reference to the Leader.

"What is the first thing that usually gets broke about an automobile?" asks a fellow who contemplates buying. We have observed that it is usually the owner.

Salemites saw two Mt. Hood's last Saturday—a phantom mountain just above the real Mt Hood. It being the "day after" there is nothing strange about it, except that Salem is supposed to be a "dry" city and permeated by sober, moral influences.

An exchange breaks out as follows: "Early to bed and early to rise, cut the weeds and swat the flies, mind your own business and tell no lies, don't get gay and deceive your wives, pay your subscription, use enterprise, and buy from the merchants who advertise."

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Society Notes

The New Year's day meeting at the Christian church was a success, as well as a most enjoyable occasion. The people met in the forenoon to enjoy the social intercourse, and then gathered around the tables "groaning" with good things. When the large crowd had been satisfied, the tables were not groaning, but some of the people were. After dinner, the church roll was called, and this was followed by reports from the various departments of the church work. These reports show the church to be in good working order, financially and in its activities. Bros. Fuller, Reed, Zacharias and Protzman, made short talks on the work of the church. The following officers were chosen for the year. Elders. E. B. Grable, Daniel Reed, V. O. Huff, Max Dorward and T. B. McDonald. Deacons: A. L. Zacharias, LeRoy Woods, A. L. Woodward, Claude Plaster, John Allen. S. L. Lewis, George Carlisle. Deaconesses: Mrs. C. D. Brown, Mrs. L. M. Thompson, Mrs. Sarah Knox and Mrs. Chas. Walker. Max Dorward was chosen treasurer, with A. L. Zacharias as assistant. J. B. Protzman was re-elected as Supt. of the Bible school. With this list of efficient officers, the future of the church looks bright, and much should be done for the glory of God, and the good of the community.

The B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist church held their regular business and social meeting at the home of Mrs. Burton. The election of officers for the coming year and other business matters was transacted, after which a social time was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

Mr. Jas. Hayes of Eugene and Miss Audrey Langdon, of this city were quietly married at Albany Sunday, Dec. 27, 1914. They will reside in Eugene, where both are well known and very highly esteemed.

Complimenting Mrs. Roy Romaine of Portland, who is visiting her mother, Mrs. A. W. Kime, Mrs. B. S. Swengel and Mrs. Jennie Fishburn are entertaining at their home this afternoon.

The Misses Lola and Mabel Wilson entertained a number of friends at their home New Year's

eve with a watch party. The occasion also being the birthday anniversary of their brother, Roy. Rook and other games were enjoyed until midnight when dainty refreshments were served. Those partaking of the kind hospitality of the Misses Wilson's were: Misses Ella and Esther Anderson, Lena Holcomb, Nancy Whitsett, Emma and Caroline Shilling, Janette Davidson, Myrtle Purvance, Hazel Hazleton, Mrs. Maude LeRoy, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Purvance, Messrs Jack Goddard, Ben King, Ernest Wyatt, Martin Anderson, Hugh Trunnell and Albert Woodard.

The salesladies and office girls of this city assembled at Hotel Oregon Monday evening where a special six course dinner was served for them and a more dainty and sumptuous banquet was never served in this city, at the conclusion of which several toasts were offered and a number of short readings were given by the young ladies. The table decorations were carnations and smilax. After the banquet the young ladies formed a theater party and thoroughly enjoyed the program at the Arcade. A most pleasant evening was the verdict of all those attending. The company included: Misses Mildred Pringle, Nancy Whitsett, Ipha Widdersheim, Bessie Griffin, Mabel Wilson, Dessie Harms, Mary Bartels, Eunice VanDenburg, Jessie Cole, Josephine Wright, Veta Holderman, Marguerite Johnson. The ladies speak in the most complimentary terms of the service and excellence of the dinner served them at this popular hostelry, Hotel Oregon.

One of the merriest of the holiday parties was that given by the Freshmen and Sophomore classes of the high school to the Juniors, Seniors and the faculty in Woodmen's hall last Thursday evening. The hall was beautifully decorated, and a very enjoyable program was rendered, including a number of selections by the High school orchestra. Refreshments were served and at midnight the company dispersed wishing all a Happy New Year.

Miss Mary Bartels was hostess for a merry watch party at her home on Cherry court.—Games and a social time was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

Much mistletoe was shipped out of Oregon this season.

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