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CLEVER JOB OF BURGLARY

While Farmer Sleeps his Purse Containing \$65 is Taken From Under His Pillow

The home of Frank Jackson, six miles north of Cottage Grove was entered some time last Wednesday night and a purse containing \$65 was stolen. This act was committed while Mr. Jackson was asleep, the purse being taken from under his pillow, where he had put it when retiring, without awakening anyone in the house. No clue as to who stole the money has been found but it is evidently the work of some one who watched Mr. Jackson put the purse under the pillow, or knew of a transaction which brought him that sum of money that day. Officers along the line have been notified of the theft.

GAME WARDEN AFTER OWNERS OF HOUNDS

E. C. Hills, deputy state game warden made a hurried trip out of Eugene Saturday night upon word from Dorena, ten miles east of Cottage Grove, that the game laws were violated. He returned with a year old deer which he has now at his home and exhibited on the street, which he claims was run down by a dog owned by Bake Stewart, of Dorena. He states that the law provides for a penalty of from \$25 to \$500 for allowing dogs to run deer, whether directed by the owner or not. The young deer was badly bitten by the dog before being rescued by residents in the community, but will recover. It is alleged that the running of deer by dogs has occurred in other instances. Mr. Hills today sent notices to John Trunnell, residing on Row river at Red Bridge, and to Chester Gillen, near London, that their dogs have been seen running deer, and that the dogs must now be kept tied.—Eugene Guard.

Of all the notoriously fool laws some sections of the present game laws are about the limit. With such orders as the one issued above how is the stockmen or farmer with a bunch of sheep or goats back in the foothills going to protect his stock from the ravages of coyotes, wolves, cougars and wildcats? If a farmer takes his hounds out to try to tree a destructive cougar or cat, or chase a coyote out of his neighborhood and his dogs should perchance come upon a deer and give chase to it the farmer is liable to a fine of from \$25 to \$500, or is ordered to keep his dogs tied up. This renders sheep, goat and calve raising in the timbered hill sections practically impossible. This freak law should be killed or amended at the present session of the legislature.

Shasta Limited Changes Time.

Effective Jan. 15, the Shasta Limited No. 12 will pass through Cottage Grove about 9:15 a. m. All of thirty minutes earlier than formerly.

OREGON LEGISLATURE NOW IN SESSION

Salem, Or., Jan. 11—W. Lair Thompson of Lakeview, was elected president of the senate and Ben Selling of Portland was chosen speaker of the house at the opening of the twenty-eight biennial session of the Oregon legislature here today. Both are republicans.

Interest centered in the contest for speakership between Selling and Allen Eaton of Eugene, both sides having waged a spirited campaign within the republican party. Selling received 37 votes to Eaton's 22. Thompson had practically no opposition in the senate, W. D. Wood of Hillsboro receiving three votes to his 26.

Hare, of Hillsboro, nominated Selling, and Allen, of Salem, nominated Eaton. Porter, of Roseburg, seconded Eaton's nomination.

After the vote was announced, Eaton made a complimentary speech and moved that Selling's election be made unanimous. Eaton and Hinkle escorted Selling to the chair. He made no speech. Selling it is said will treat Eaton kindly and give him a good committee appointment.

SENATE OFFICERS

President—W. Lair Thompson, Lake County.

Chief Clerk—John W. Cochran, Multnomah County.

Assistant Clerk—John P. Hunt, Marion County.

Calendar Clerk—James Church Clackamas County.

Reading Clerk—Frank Motter, Multnomah County.

Sergeant-at-arms—W. G. D. Mercer, Lane county.

Doorkeeper—Roy Corey, Baker County.

Mailing Clerk—J. I. Moreland, Hood River County.

Inauguration of Governor.

Dr. Jas. Withycombe was inaugurated governor to succeed Governor West Tuesday before a joint legislative session. At the request of the new governor, the ceremonies were simple. In his message he advocated consolidation of state departments, declared executive clemency will not be used as in the past, urged strict economy, a dry state and law enforcement.

A PROFITABLE BUFF LEGHORN EGG FARM

C. F. Handy, after sorting and culling his hens for the past three years, has established a strain of heavy winter layers, which are bringing him a good profit, although feed is high.

He has a flock of 160 Buff Leghorn pullets, the best he has ever raised. They laid 148 dozen eggs during the month of December. The cold snap the last of the month caused the output of his yards to decrease slightly, but eggs were the highest price that month, therefore his receipts were about the same as usual. His old hens are doing well too and will soon be at their best. Mr. Handy make the poultry business pay.

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WASHINGTON MILLS START

Lumber Revival is Anticipated By Everett Manufacturer Who is Visiting Eugene

Eugene, Jan. 9—F. W. Sumner, of Everett, Washington president of the Sumner Iron Works, one of the largest manufacturers of sawmill machinery on the coast, is wholly optimistic over the lumbering situation. It was his company that built the machinery for the new Booth-Kelly sawmill at Springfield, and also part of the machinery for the Buck box factory in Eugene, and he made the trip to Eugene to look over these plants.

"The lumber situation all over the country is improving," he said today. "The mills all along the coast are starting up again—most of them have done so already, and things are beginning to appear normal.

"The advance of five per cent in the freight rates has stimulated the railroad companies to building again—for months they had purchased little lumber, and there is a general wearing off of the scare. Every farmer has high prices for everything he has grown, and there is a sound basis for a speedy revival of activity. Up there we are even more dependent upon our lumbering industry than are you here in the valley. For you have your farming resources to depend upon.

COUNTY EXPENSES REVEAL INCREASE

Lane county paid out more than \$100,000 more during the last six months than it did during the same period in 1913. This is exclusive of the special road, school, city and port funds, and is shown by the semi-annual report filed with the county clerk by S. W. Taylor, county treasurer. The total expenditures, exclusive of the special funds, for the last half of 1914 total \$368,688.95; the figure for the same period in 1913 was approximately \$240,812.17.

The increase is partly accounted for by heavier state tax, which was \$62,000 in the report and but \$43,910 in the 1913 report. The armory fund was a new item. The increase in the general fund during the relative six months period was from \$118,924.99 to \$126,736.

The Leader also observes that the cost of the Lane county sheriff's office ranks second highest in the state. For the 9 months ending Sept. 30, it was \$6,882.70. Douglas sheriff's office was only \$3,954.66, Jackson, Josephine and Clatsop about the same. Linn only \$2,890.02 and Marion \$4,144. Warrant interest paid by Lane for the same time was \$3,744.85. Looks like there is room for more retrenchment in expenses.

The Mexican problem, like the poor, we always have with us.

DON'T THINK THE FRUIT CROP INJURED

Several berry and fruit growers have called upon the Leader since the announcement was made by the county fruit inspector that the sweet cherries and logan berries in particular, were seriously damaged in this community by the late freeze, and these local growers take a different view of the matter, declaring they can detect no damage to their fruit buds and vines whatsoever. W. Nichols who resides south of this city brought in some logan berry vines Saturday, some of which still retained their green leaves and the buds were green and perfectly formed and no berry and fruit tract in this neighborhood is more exposed to the north wind and the weather than Mr. Nichol's place as it is located on the foothills overlooking this valley and city on the London road between the Boyd and White farms. The writer has about 20 10-year-old Bing, Lambert and Royal Ann cherry trees and an examination reveals little or no damage to them. It seems Mr. Stewart based his conclusions regarding damaged fruit and berries on what he found along the railroad and river between Creswell and Cottage Grove, where, it is said, some damage to the berry crop and cherries has resulted, but taking south Lane as a whole we believe the damage, if any, to be very slight.

CROW GRANGE PASSES PERTINENT RESOLUTION

The Crow Grange is out with strong resolutions opposing any further appropriations by the legislature for the Eugene armory. The resolution also opposes the appropriation of money by the Lane county court to keep a man at the Panama-Pacific exposition, declaring that those who were instrumental in sending a county exhibit there should bear this expense. Another resolution reads:

In-as-much as there is a great deal of dissatisfaction in regard to the way our county affairs are conducted, and whereas our county court is dealing in county warrants, we believe this to be a bad practice and tends toward graft and extravagance.

If Judge Thompson really wishes to do the citizens of this county a favor he could do no better than to resign from the office of county judge. The resolutions continue:

Inasmuch as there is considerable dissatisfaction in regard to the County Budget and many think the levy too high, and whereas, we believe it is unjust to exclude the cities from three mills, since we all paid for the roads that have been built in the immediate vicinity of these cities. Therefore, we are opposed to the extra Road Tax as advocated by the Court. And we would suggest that many of the salaries could be cut some as there are many just as competent who would do the work for much less.

G. W. HOLLAND, Master.
NETTIE E. FLECK, Secretary.

THE FARMERS INSTITUTE

Two Days Sessions Were Well Attended and Proved Interesting and Instructive

A very interesting and instructive farmers institute was held in this city Friday and Saturday under the auspices of the local grange and was very well attended. The sessions were held in the Armory, except the domestic science demonstrations and lectures, which were held in the high school building. The opening address was made by Prof. W. S. Brown of the Oregon Agricultural College on the care of young orchards. This address was very interesting to many of the farmers of this vicinity who have a large acreage of young orchards in this district.

Prof. C. C. Lamb, of the poultry husbandry department of the O. A. C. gave one of the most interesting lectures of the series when he told us of the care and Marketing of Poultry Products.

In this lecture he points out the inefficient system of marketing the egg and guarding against unnecessary losses of eggs on the farm which might and could be avoided with proper care.

He also advocates a more direct system of marketing the product to the consumer instead of allowing it to pass through the hands of so many middlemen. He pointed out the importance of regulation the feed of the hen to make her a good layer. Corn and wheat are the best cereals to feed the hen because of the mineral qualities contained in them.

Friday evening Prof. W. S. Brown, O. A. C. horticulturist, gave a very interesting lecture on pests and diseases that affect berry vines and fruit trees. He used slides in his illustrations and demonstrated very clearly how the different insects work on the bark of the trees and on the fruit. Codling moth, anthracnose, crown gall, pear blight and many other pests and diseases were defined. Mr. Brown told how to fight these diseases and pests and recommended a number of different spray solutions for this work. Some of these diseases, he said, could not be killed but could be prevented.

Saturday afternoon was one of the most interesting sessions and was devoted principally to the dairy and dairy stock, interesting talks and demonstrations being given by E. B. Fitts prof. of dairy husbandry of the O. A. C. and R. E. Reynolds of the animal husbandry department of the O. A. C. About a dozen dairy cows owned by citizens of this city and community were brought before Prof. Fitts on West main street and were judged according to the rules, in the presence of an interested crowd and the good and inferior qualities of this dairy stock was pointed out, the cow receiving the highest score as a dairy animal belonging to John Spray.

L. P. Harrington of Creswell, addressed the students at the high school on agricultural topics and Miss Anna Turley, of the Home Economics, of the O. A. C. gave lectures and cooking demonstrations in the domestic science room at the high school building. This was for the benefit of the ladies and these sessions were well attended. The demonstrations proved very interesting and helpful, being on bread baking and the cooking of meats and other eatables.