

INCENDIARY STILL KEEPS UP HIS WORK

(From Monday's Daily Guard.)

It seems that the wretches who have been guilty of setting several fires, killing a number of horses and committing other depredations in the neighborhood two or three miles southwest of the city for the past several months, is still at his nefarious work. Last night a barn on the Hovey farm in that locality was destroyed by fire, and the origin of the fire is not known unless it was started by this miscreant.

The blaze was plainly seen from various parts of the city about 8 o'clock last night. It appeared to be within the corporate limits of the city and an alarm was turned in. The chemical engine was taken out South Willamette street, thence west on West Seventeenth street several blocks, but the location of the blaze was then seen and the driver turned back.

Several tramps were seen in that neighborhood a day or so ago, and it might be that they set the barn afire accidentally or maliciously, but in view of the past depredations of the individual who is suspected it is more than probable that the fire last night was his work.

It will be remembered that a young man living in that vicinity was arrested some time ago charged with insanity, it being the belief that he set the previous fires and killed the horses. Further investigation will probably be made and if possible the culprit will be brought to justice.

The barn was an old structure, having been built about 30 years ago. It was valued at about \$250. A small amount of hay was burned.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL INTERVIEWED ON CHANGE IN FOOTBALL

Says Oregon Will Continue the American Game if Reasonable Changes Are Made

"If reasonable changes are made in the present football rules by the rules committee at its coming meeting, in all probability the University of Oregon will continue to play the American college football," said President P. L. Campbell, when asked what effect the Trainer Hayward's declaration at Vancouver, B. C., that Rugby should be substituted, would have on athletics here.

The object in sending Hayward to British Columbia to see the Rugby games played there was merely for the purpose of giving the British game a fair investigation. The athletic council and faculty at Oregon have never, by resolution or otherwise, expressed themselves as desiring a substitute of Rugby here for the American game. However, we know nothing at all about Rugby. In fact, none of us has ever seen a Rugby game played, and it was decided in simple fairness to send Hayward to make a full investigation of its merits or demerits, and its relative safety for the players as compared with college football. Hayward was the best man we could possibly have sent, for he has had wide experience as a trainer in both games, and is better able to judge the chances of injury in each than any other man in Oregon."

Hayward Only Investigator
"My own personal attitude in the matter is simply to make a fair investigation of Rugby so that we can know something about the game. I have always been very friendly to football, and do not know of a single serious injury that has resulted from playing it in Oregon. If it is true, as reported, that Mr. Hayward has declared himself in favor of Rugby, this would mean nothing definite so far as determining any immediate action by the University faculty. Our action in sending him to British Columbia was only significant in showing our desire to learn something of the English game."

"I have no doubt that the football rules committee will make changes in the rules that will be entirely satisfactory but we are waiting for their action before deciding the status of football here next year. However, the Oregon faculty is not unfriendly to football, and the present athletic council is quite favorable to it. In case the new rules should not be satisfactory it would then be time enough to talk about substituting the Rugby game. This would involve the necessity of action by our faculty, the athletic council, and the calling of a meeting of the other Northwest conference colleges to discuss the case."

Students Oppose Rugby
Among students at the University, the sentiment is almost unanimous against Rugby football. If it should come to a question of abolishing the game altogether, or taking up the English sport, it is not at all unlikely that the first action would be the most popular. Members of the athletic council, composed of faculty and students, who comprise the athletic governing board, are understood to feel much the same about it. At present a committee is taking steps to secure a football coach for next season. Howard Jones, Yale head coach this season, is the man wanted.

MRS. BRIGGS DIES AS RESULT OF A FALL
Well-Known Resident of Irving Receives Fatal Injury and Dies Soon Afterward

Mrs. Sarah E. Briggs, an old and highly-respected resident of this county, died at her home a few days ago. She was 81 years of age, and had been ill for some time.

She was born in the town of Newbury, England, and came to this country in 1840. She was married to Mr. J. H. Briggs, who died in 1880. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and was a very active worker in the church and in the community.

She was a very kind and generous person, and was loved by all who knew her. She was a very good mother and a very good wife. She was a very good friend and a very good neighbor.

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Lord Mount Stephen.

One of Two Canadian Members of the Peacery.



Lord Mount Stephen is one of the two Canadian members of the British peacery, the other being Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal. Lord Mount Stephen is known as a capitalist and railroad builder.

In the kitchen of her residence between 8 and 9 o'clock the same morning when she slipped and fell to the floor, sustaining injuries from which she died a few hours afterward. She was doubtless injured internally, but the physicians were unable to determine the nature of the injury.

Mrs. Briggs had not been in good health for a long time, but up to the time she fell was in her usual health. Her death was a great shock to the members of her family and friends.

Mrs. Briggs, whose maiden name was Carey, was born near Rochester, N. Y., on September 17, 1827. She was married in Michigan on March 11, 1856, to John Briggs, who survives her together with three children, E. G. Briggs, Miss Maude Briggs and Mrs. J. E. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Briggs came to Lane county in 1880, and lived here continuously since, most of the time around Irving.

Deceased was a faithful member of the Methodist church, and lived a beautiful Christian life. The funeral will be held Tuesday at 10 a. m., with interment in the Oak Hill cemetery.

A short service will be held at the home.

SPORT CHAMPIONS FOR YEAR 1909
Amateur athletics—M. J. Sheridan. Archery—G. P. Bryant. Automobile—Louis Chevrolet. Billiards (amateur)—H. A. Wright. Billiards (professional)—R. S. Calvin Demarest. Bowling—Larry Sutton. Boxing (heavyweight)—Jack Johnson. Boxing (middleweight)—Stanley Ketchel. Boxing (lightweight)—Battling Nelson. Boxing (featherweight)—Abe Attel. Boxing (bantamweight)—Monte Attel. Cycling—F. L. Kramer. Chess—Frank J. Marshall. Fly-casting—Fred N. Peet. Golf (open)—George Sargent. Golf (amateur)—R. A. Gardner. Golf (women)—Miss Dorothy Campbell. Jockey—E. Dugan. Motorcycling—J. E. Rosier. Pool—Thomas Huston. Racquets—Harold McCormick. Rodeo—H. Bosworth. Rowing (professional)—John W. O'Neill. Shooting (rifle)—W. B. Martin. Shooting (trap)—Fred A. Shattuck. Shooting (revolver)—Lieutenant R. Sayre. Skat.—Dr. C. F. Glinner. Skating (professional)—Morris Wood. Skating (amateur)—Edmund Lammy. Skill—John Evanson. Swimming—C. M. Daniels. Tennis—W. A. Larned. Tennis (women)—Hazel Hotchkiss. Tennis (Western)—M. H. Long. Wrestling—Frank A. Gotch.

PROMINENT IDAHO JUDGE IS HERE
E. L. Bryan, of Caldwell, Who is Mentioned for Governor, Arrives to Visit His Parents

Judge E. L. Bryan, of Caldwell, Idaho, arrived in Eugene last night to attend the golden anniversary of the wedding of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Bryan, at Springfield tomorrow.

Judge Bryan has been mentioned by many Idaho newspapers in connection with the next Democratic nomination for governor. He was formerly the attorney for Harry Orchard and was elected judge in the district in which the trial of the noted criminal subsequently took place. Judge Bryan would have been the judge in whose court the trial would have taken place, but on account of his former relation with Orchard declined to try the case, although counsel on both sides announced their willingness for him to preside.

Every article in our toy department reduced to make room for our new line of toys. Jan. 2, 1910, at 3 o'clock. See was working.

Official statistics recently issued show that the population of Japan numbers 51,458,027. Tokio now has upward of 2,168,000 inhabitants, and Osaka 1,218,000.

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The measure does not provide for a special court to hear interstate commerce cases, as it has been reported would be the form of legislation on this subject that Taft would recommend. It provides, however, in the department of commerce and labor, a bureau to be known as the "bureau of transportation," where the shipper may file a complaint against a railroad and if the complaint be a just one, it will be referred to the attorney-general, and upon his further investigation and recommendation the complaint will be taken up by the interstate commerce commission, and prosecution carried on at the expense of the government. The shipper, if he prefers, may file a complaint direct with the commission and prosecute the same at his own expense.

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The Humphrey bill provides for an increase in the pay to American ships carrying mails to South America, China, Japan, the Philippines, Australia, bringing it up to \$4 per mile for an outward voyage of four thousand miles or more. An increased tonnage tax on trans-oceanic trade is provided, and it is proposed to admit foreign built ships to the American register for foreign trade.

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GOLDEN WEDDING OF REV. AND MRS. C. A. WOOLEY

At their residence in Fairmount last Wednesday afternoon and evening, Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Wooley celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Wooley have lived for nearly twenty years in Eugene, and their faithful work and kindly words are known to a wide circle of friends. They have served the Cumberland Presbyterian church of Eugene, and more recently the Fairmount Presbyterian church, besides their work in other fields and have won for them a host of friends.

About a hundred and twenty friends from Cottage Grove, Creswell, Eugene, Fairmount, and elsewhere showed their regard by their presence and greetings, and those who could not be present sent gifts. Among the gifts may be mentioned the following:

Cold coin to the amount of \$42.50; three beautiful clocks; one large rug, two pair of spectacles nine beautiful spoons; a knife and fork for carving; seven sets of cutlery; a gold watch, representing a low price; a hatpin, a handkerchief box, a draw work table cloth, each a beautiful specimen of its kind. After these gifts were presented, some original verses were read by Mrs. Carrie Day of Fairmount. Mr. and Mrs. Wooley were deeply touched by these various expressions of regard, and their words in response decidedly showed.

The guests were served with a substantial repast, and about ten o'clock they dispersed to their homes. About a hundred and twenty people gathered during the afternoon and evening, and gifts were received to value of more than \$125. The verses by Mrs. Day are given below:

As we have gathered here on this bright golden day,
That we might show our love and highest honor pay,
There seems to come to the mind of each one here
A vision of another scene in by-gone year.

Methinks I see a cottage on some fair site,
All radiant with life, long ere approach of night.
For vines and orange blossoms are being entwined
To speak of love when the wedding bells are chimed.

While Elizabeth Houston, queen of Trenton, Mo., in bridal robes attired—her heart as pure as snow,
Now sits by the window ready her lover to greet
When he shall come to claim this "fair queen" so sweet.

For Carey A. Wooley, who was faithful and bold,
Had wooed and won her heart like a young knight of old.
And to the marriage altar in the evening time,
Would lead this fair bride in December, fifty-nine.

So when the friends had assembled from near and far,
The bride and groom came forth at the appointed hour,
And vowed to love, cherish and faithful be thru' life,
God's blessing was then asked, and they made man and wife.

As the ministry of Christ was his chosen field,
They earnestly sought "all of self" to yield.
And out into the world where sin and darkness reigned,
They carried love and told of the Lamb for sinners slain.

Into the homes of the sick they have found a way
To turn their thoughts from self to wanderers astray.
In homes where sorrow had lain a withering hand,
These faithful servants were seen at their side to stand.

To brighten these lives three children have been given,
Two are still living, but one has gone to Heaven.
Her form and face no more on earth shall ere be seen,
But here spirit still inspires those with whom she has been.

Many years have flown and it finds them far away
From the dear home they left on that bright wedding day.
Yet, surrounded with loving friends, old and new,
Just because their lives have been beautiful and true.

As you stand this golden anniversary day
With steps less sprightly, your aural bursts have turned gray,
You are wretched in a beauty 'twas not yours to wear,
In early life, for years of service placed it there.

Now as you travel on to'd your Heavenly home,
May your path be strewn with flowers where ere you roam.
To you, may time of only Golden Hours relate
Till Christ bids welcome at the Golden Gate.

Saved at Death's Door
The door of death seemed ready to open for Murray W. Ayers, of Transit Bridge, N. Y., when his life was wonderfully saved. "I was in a dreadful condition," he writes; "my skin was almost yellow; eyes sunken; tongue coated; emaciated from loss of weight; growing weaker daily. Virulent liver trouble pulling me down to death in spite of doctors. Then that matchless medicine, Electric Bitters, cured me. I regained the 40 pounds lost and am now well and strong." For all stomach, liver and kidney troubles they're supreme. 50c at W. A. Kaykendall's.

It is funny how a man will hang patiently around the church door for an hour or so to take his girl home, and kick up a terrible hullabaloo a year or so later when his wife delays him five minutes.

TAFT FAVORS RAISING MAINE
Washington, Jan. 4.—Pres. Taft is heartily in favor of the plan to raise the battle-ship Maine from the bottom of Havana Harbor. He has informed Representative Lord of Michigan that he desired to see the latter's bill appropriating money for the purpose enacted into a law.

An exchange says that the farmer moves the world. If the editor had said the farmer moves the earth he would have made a statement that could not have been contradicted.

RECEPTION BY EUGENE LADIES SOCIAL SUCCESS
The second annual reception of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Eugene Commercial club was held this afternoon between the hours of three and six in the Commercial club parlors.

Those participating in this reception were the ladies of the auxiliary, Commercial club members and families the purpose of which was to meet the new comers to the city and promote acquaintanceship.

The reception committee consisted of Mrs. Robert McMurphy, president of the Ladies' Auxiliary, and other officers, who are Mesdames Calkins, E. J. Frasier, Julius Goldsmith, J. W. Kays, and Miss Minnie Schwarzschild; also President Thompson of the Commercial club; President F. M. Wilkins of the board of governors, and D. C. Freeman, the next promotion and exploitation manager.

The parlors were beautifully decorated for the occasion and music was furnished by the Warren Mandolin club. Mesdames F. L. Chambers, F. W. Cummings, and F. M. Carter presided at the punch bowl, assisted by Mesdames Mary Chambers, Lois McMurphy and Evelyn Bristow.

Light refreshments were served in the dining room by Mesdames Drew Griffin and J. A. Lash, assisted by the Mesdames Veda Quackenbush, Jessie Calkins and Mrs. R. M. Gilbert. This gathering is one of the most important social events of the year and is successful in accomplishing its purpose.

DIED
At Coburg, Jan. 3, 1910, at 8:30 p. m., George L. Hunt, aged 60 years, 2 months and 24 days, from paralysis. He leaves a wife and three sons as follows: Lloyd, Eugene, Owen, Coburg, and Herbert, of Rainier, Oregon. He was a member of the Masonic order. The funeral will be held at Gordon's undertaking chapel in Eugene at 2 p. m. Wednesday, with interment in the Masonic cemetery. Rev. F. E. Billington will have charge of the services at the chapel, and the Masons at the grave.

At the home of his son, Henry, corner of Washington and Clark streets, Eugene, January 3, 1910, John Kissinger, a pioneer resident of Fall Creek, aged 84 years. Death was due to pneumonia, aggravated by heart trouble. His wife died in 1902. He is survived by four sons, all of Eugene and vicinity. They are: Chas. W. A. J. H. M. and J. H. Kissinger, Jr.

The funeral will be held at the residence of H. M. Kissinger, 147 Washington street, at 10 o'clock Thursday morning, January 6.

At the General hospital in Eugene, January 3, 1910, M. Hanley, aged 30 years. He was an employee of the Utah Construction Company in the building of the Natron-Klamath railroad.

At the family home in Noti valley, January 3, 1910, the daughter of Jas. Flak and wife, aged five or six weeks. The child was found dead in bed when the parents awoke this morning. It had probably been smothered. The funeral will be held Tuesday with interment in the cemetery near the home.

FIGHT ON TUBERCULOSIS COST \$8,000,000 IN 1909
New York, Jan. 3.—More than \$8,000,000 was spent in 1909 fighting tuberculosis in the United States. This money was used, according to a bulletin just issued by the New York Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, in treating 12,000 patients. New York state leads in the amount of work done; the next seven states are Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Illinois, Maryland, New Jersey, California and Colorado.

MRS. KOLA NEIS DEAD AT ALBANY
Albany, Jan. 3.—The funeral of Mrs. Kola Neis will take