

UNITED STATES AFTER COYOTES

WILL PUT TRAINED MEN IN FIELD

Part of Congressional Appropriation To Be Used in Work—Rabid Animals Have Done Much Damage—Hunters To Get all Bounty.

(Portland Telegram.)

The United States department of agriculture, through its biological survey bureau, is planning to begin the destruction of coyotes with an organized force of hunters and trappers throughout Eastern Oregon, Northern Nevada and Northern California, as soon after July 1 as possible. An assistant of this bureau, Edward R. Sans, has investigated the existence of rabies, and reported the immediate need for vigorous action not only to stamp out the disease, but also to exterminate the animals that are spreading it.

Congress last March appropriated \$240,000 for the extermination of predatory wild animals, of which sum \$125,000 is to be spent in the national forests and the work of extermination is to be co-operative between the forest service and the biological survey. The plans of the latter are to establish districts and employ hunters and trappers who have worked in the forests. The money will be available July 1. Besides the salary paid by the government the hunters will get what bounties are offered by the state and county.

Rabid coyotes are numerous in Northern Lake county and many ranchers have suffered losses. Of late reports have been received of their attacking men. Frank Hollinger was attacked while plowing on the F. D. Duncan ranch near Silver Lake. He ran for his gun but when he returned the animal was gone. Two hours later a mad coyote was killed on the S. A. Lester ranch three miles away. J. L. Freeman lost a fine mare which went mad 70 days after it was bitten on the foot by a coyote. The same day a mad coyote attacked two calves and two dogs, one calf dying at the end of four days, the other calf and one dog dying in 24 days.

A. W. Long, an old resident on the shore of Christmas lake, tells the Silver Lake Leader that the coyotes are dying in large numbers in his part of the county, and that many could be seen scattered around in the sage brush. He says the general dying off of the coyotes has never occurred before since his settlement there. No poison being put out, it is presumed the rabies is doing the good work of exterminating the coyote. Dead rabbits are numerous also, yet there are apparently enough left to destroy this season's crops. Mr. Long has a number of hogs, and during the winter months they fed more or less on dead rabbits. Five or six have died that were in good flesh, and he attributes their death to feeding on the dead rabbits.

Mad coyotes have been killed on both West Branch and Bear Creeks, says the Mitchell Sentinel. Mahlon Grisham killed one in his dooryard after it had bit both of his dogs. One of the Stephenson boys killed one on Bear creek close to the house before he tangled with their dogs.

Alvin Groth and C. C. Wheeler, residents of Happy Valley, killed two coyotes that were undoubtedly in the first stages of madness. Mr. Groth also killed a rabid dog that had bitten a hog. The hog died, as also did a cow and later a horse died of rabies.

It seems a hard manner to convince some people that the hydrophobia epidemic is a well-established fact in this section, says the Lakeview Examiner, but maybe when they suffer the loss of some valuable animal or experience the infection of some member of their family they will come to realize the seriousness of the situation and co-operate with the county court in at least putting a ban on loose dogs.

Now that the coyotes are disappearing off the face of the earth, says the Condon Times, it will soon be time to ask for a bounty on squirrels and jack rabbits. It is some consolation to know that this is not in the nature of a jack rabbit to bite, even if he were mad.

On and after May 22, all skins presented to any county clerk for the collection of bounties must be presented by the person who killed the animals. The Fort Rock Times says that as far as northern Lake county is concerned, this means that the legislature has placed a \$3 bounty on coyotes and then fixed matters so that we are unable to collect the bounty on account of the great distance to the county seat. Two hundred and forty miles, the distance to Lakeview and return, is much too far and expensive to travel for the purpose of collecting a few dollars in bounty.

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Clean up and paint up. See Edwards.—Adv.

USE POISON BRAN MASH WHEN CUT WORMS APPEAR

By County Agriculturist A. E. LOVETT.

Cut worms have done a great deal of damage in many sections of Eastern Oregon this spring. There are several families of this pest and the one commonly known as "the Army Cut Worm" is the one doing the damage this year.

It is unnecessary to give a history of this pest at this time, and even though we recognize the miller or moth which lays the eggs, little could be done until the worm appear. The army cut worms travel in large numbers, usually going in one direction only. Ordinarily they devour all vegetation in their path, and are especially fond of cultivated crops. Some have already appeared in Crook county, attacking the trees, and in a lesser degree some of the wheat.

When the pest is discovered, a furrow should be plowed in his line of march, throwing the dirt toward the worms. About fourteen feet further in the line of march, plow another similar furrow, throwing the dirt in the same direction. In these furrows and between them, scatter a quantity of poison bran mash. Where the number of worms is small the scattering of bran mash without the furrows will kill a large number of them. The formula for the poison

bran mash, which is good for both cut worms and grass hoppers, is as follows:

Coarse bran, 16 pounds; paris green 1/2 pound; salt 1/4 pound; cheap syrup, 1 quart; and enough warm water to make a coarse, crumbly mash. Do not get the material sloppy; it should fall apart readily in the hand after pressing together. The addition to the above formula of the juice from two or three lemons has been found beneficial for attracting the worms and grass hoppers, and will do no harm in any case. This poison mash is dangerous for livestock. Scatter thinly on the ground or prevent all live stock from reaching it. This is one place where "A stitch in time saves nine." As soon as the worms appear, get busy. The object of the furrow is to stop the advance of the pest. The perpendicular side of the furrow is placed from the advance so that worms can not readily climb out of the furrow. After a large number have accumulated in the furrow, a log or board may be dragged over them in the furrow to kill them.

I should like to receive reports of any of these pests that may appear in the county.

OLCOTT WARNS OWNERS

Number Plates Must Remain on Machine For Whole Year.

Secretary of State Olcott has sent out the following notice of interest to owners of motor vehicles:

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EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATES ANNOUNCED BY SUPT. MYERS

Twelve Bend Pupils Pass—In All 292 Tried the Examinations—Full List Is Given to Those Passing.

Including those who took geography and physiology 292 pupils tried the recent eighth grade examinations according to a statement just issued by County Superintendent Myers. Of this number 75 passed, 20 have one or two conditions and seven failed. Twelve pupils of the Bend schools passed, the list being as follows:

District 12, Bend—Golda Carmon, Ardell Ottosen, Ida Niawonger, Claudia Triplett, Fern Reff, Gladys Fleming, Cora Bates, Frances Reff, Arthur Harris, Martin Vinyard, Charles Bozell, Viola Brown.

Other eighth grade graduates in the county are:

District 1, Prineville—Oran Noble, Ruth Dishman, Wallace Cadle, Blanch Shipp, Eva Street, Manly Wilson, Lynn Cram, Herman Short, Cleoria Kinder, Helen Ayres, Luther Claypool, Jessie Hiney.

District 2—Ruth Slayton.

District 4—Glenn Stanton, Geo. Russell, Jr., Nettie Scott.

District 6—Thelma Miller.

District 9, Sisters—Harold Allen, Opal Taylor, Claude Duckett, Maude Grube, Beulah Hoford, Ethel Vincent, Hugh Smith, Hazel Templeton.

District 17, Redmond—Dewey Moore.

District 19, Tumalo—Carolina Dayton, Harold Marsh.

District 25, Post—Ernest Gibson.

District 27, Paulina—Van Foster, Vernon Lister.

District 32, Lower Bridge—Signe Noren.

District 34, Harper—Pearl Miller.

District 38, Roberts—Hilah Bricks, Henry Carlin.

District 39, Prineville—Hulda Linquist, Ray Mattson.

District 41, Roberts—Laurence Burmeister, Sumner Houston.

District 43, La Pine—Beatrice Stephenson, Judith Donohue.

District 48, Prineville—Alice M. Blanchard.

District 53, Tumalo—Roland Clark, Freda Clark.

District 56, Powell Butte—Grace Blair, Beulah Landfare.

District 58, Alfalfa—Ada Ferry.

District 59, Redmond—Ruth Kneemeyer, Arthur Tuck, Helen Dittmore, Beulah Tinner, Clyde Fry, Mildred Smith, Myrtle Jarrett, Clarence Steinkopf.

District 60—Henriette Rodeside, District 60, Terrebonne—Mildred Lunker, Nina Elliott, Howard Peckman.

District 61, Gist—Frances Gibson.

District 62, Prineville—Gladys Pauls.

District 28, Dry Lake—Vernice Brown.

MARKET REPORT.

NORTH PORTLAND, May 27.—The receipts for the week have been: Cattle 1678, calves 9, hogs 2582, sheep 3599. While the cattle run for the week was not heavy the demand seemed somewhat light and prices sagged at the start. Good light killers sold at 7:30 to \$7:50; cows \$8.35 to \$8.60. After a week of small declines, 5 cents was the best that could be realized for choice light

hogs. Prices declined to \$7.75 and the market closed at this quotation. A fair run of 3700 sheep came forward during this week. Yearlings sold at \$7 and ewes at \$5.50. Eight twenty five was the high spot for lambs this week.

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