

The agitation for a new county down in one corner of Crook, is the forerunner of a season of pruning which will soon have to begin on the edges of the great empires of interior Oregon, which we call counties. There is room to hide half a dozen eastern states in the vast area of Malheur, Crook, Lake or Harney and as enough people drift out into these regions, to hold offices, new counties must be laid out to accommodate them.—East Oregonian.

A State High School at Burns is the object of a bill introduced in the house by Mr. Test, of Malheur. The measure appropriates \$10,000 from the general fund of the state for the school, the money to be paid in four annual installments. The board of directors is to consist of the county judge and two county commissioners, the county treasurer and county school superintendent. The money is to be expended under the direction of this board. The bill cites the fact that citizens of Harney county are remote from the regular educational institutions of the state, and that many of them are therefore unable to attend them. This is the first measure of the kind that has yet appeared. Strong opposition will undoubtedly grow up around the bill, as the sentiment against state schools seems to be decided among many law makers. In view of Governor Chamberlain's utterance in his inaugural address he cannot be expected to support the bill, although he and Mr. Test are Democrats.—Oregonian

Pertinent Paragraphs.

The coal troubles will be settled about the time our quarrels with the iceman begin.

Practical jokers caused the death by suicide of a New York fireman who has repeatedly demonstrated his bravery and faithfulness.

The Mississippi "colored lady" now drawing pay for postmistress may not be a good cook, but she has got the administration into hot water.

Washington has progressed as far as to get a corner stone for the long desired memorial bridge across the Potomac.

Marble bends and flows under pressure like a viscous fluid. Its movement is slow, but in centuries quite appreciable, and this may explain some of the twistings found in mountain strata.

Senator Cullom fears that he sees in the Hoar anti-trust bill an obstacle to the Cullom measure provided for fifty sinecures to draw salaries from the national treasury and the senator from Illinois is indignant.

A black cat its feet shod with walnut shells, nearly caused a panic in Statuary hall in the national capital about midnight on New Years. The noise caused by the one poor cat sounded to the sleepy watchmen like a troop of cavalry and, after the full guard was called out, was the actual trouble discovered.

Mr. Oxnard has concluded that a 20 percent reduction of the tariff to Cuba will do the beet sugar industry less injury than continued agitation of the question of tariff reduction. His decision is a great disappointment to certain senators who would kill the Cuban treaty because it lowers some of the sacred Dingley statutes.

THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

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serve. I have no doubt but this can be accomplished, and it will result in vesting in the state a large body of valuable land, which can be sold at prices commensurate with its value. Such course, if it

can be adopted, will have the effect, too, of cutting off the present system of speculation, which is indulged in at the expense and discredit of the state.

He recommends a liberal appropriation for the Lewis and Clark Fair.

He praises the work of the Oregon Historical Society; recommends the redistricting of the state and says in conclusion:

In conclusion, gentlemen, I promise you my undivided support in whatever is for the best interest of the state. Providence has blessed us with a most delightful climate and a soil so fertile that "it needs but to be tickled to smile forth an abundant harvest." Our mountains are covered with magnificent forests, and bear within their bosoms untold millions of mineral wealth.

These things all combined are inviting to our confines the home-builder from the great sisterhood of states, and capital and investment from all the world, and Oregon is on the eve of an unprecedented industrial and commercial development. But the tide of immigration can be checked, the march of improvement stayed, and the hope of an era of commercial and industrial prosperity blighted by unwise laws and the imposition of burdensome, unnecessary and unjust taxes upon the people. That this may not be, I sincerely trust that your deliberations may be harmonious and characterized by the supremest wisdom and the loftiest and purest patriotism.

College Notes.

The incorporators of the Citizens Business College met at the college Friday of last week and adopted a constitution and by-laws by which the incorporation will be governed. The first annual meeting of the stockholders will take place the 24th of Feb., at which time officers will be elected and general business attended to.

The "Orion Club" meets at the College rooms on Friday of each week and spend the time from 7 till 9 o'clock p.m. in the discussion of psychology and current events.

Students devote one and one-half hours each Monday evening in study and general work after which follows their debate and literary work. The public is invited.

The College Alumni will meet on Feb. 14. A spicy program has been arranged for the occasion and a supper given. Students are looking forward to the event with the happiest anticipations.

Alfred Johnson is spending the week with his parents on Silver creek.

A special teachers' course will be taken up at the College, commencing March 1.

New students are Claude Smyth, Happy Valley; J. J. Simerville, F. O. Jackson, Earnest Smith, Daniel Campbell, Burns; Wm. Gray, Lawen; Nannie Cross, Silvies; Ora Hill, Harney.

Students organized their literary society Saturday night with F. O. Jackson president, Vivian Hendricks vice-president, J. J. Simerville secretary.

STRAYED OR STOLEN.

Forty-five head of steers from the head waters of the South Fork of the John Day. Twenty-five yearlings branded J (reversed) on right ribs. Also branded with one or the other of the following: P on right shoulder, E on right shoulder, III on right hip, or J S connected (J over S, the latter horizontal.) Eighteen head two-year olds branded with one or more of the last four named brands, also F H connected (F being backward and forming the first vertical line of the H.) Two three-year-olds branded same as two.

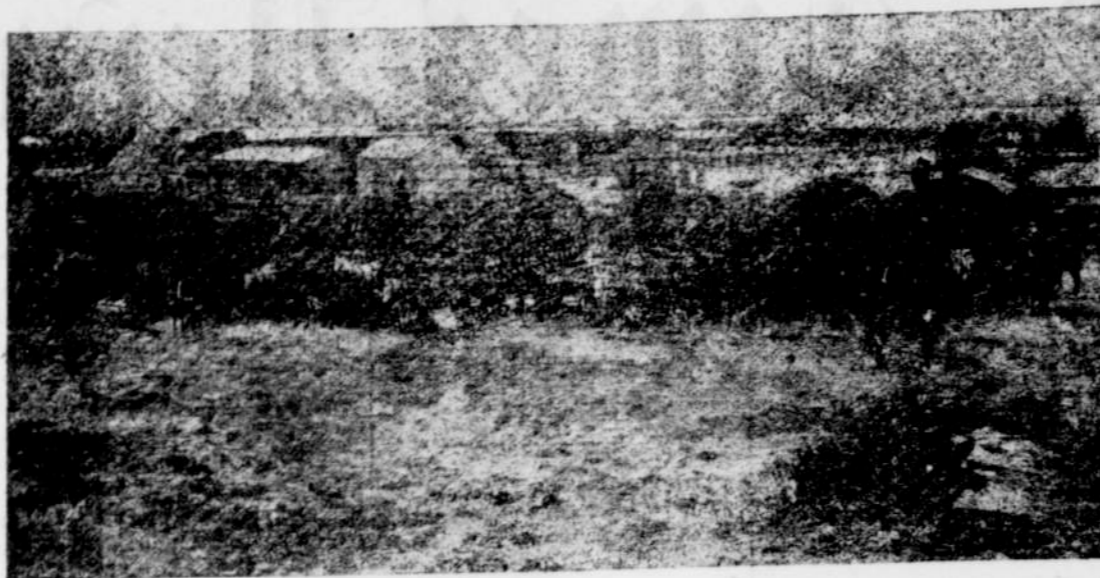
A liberal reward will be given to parties taking up any of the above described stock and notifying the undersigned at Paulina, Crook county, Oregon.

E. E. MOGAN.

NOTICE OF EXECUTRIX SALE

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance to an order made by H. C. Levens, Judge of the County Court of Harney county, Oregon, on the 27th day of December, 1902, I will on or after the 31st day of January, 1903, offer for sale at private vendue all the following de-

A FAMILIAR SCENE--HAULING HAY TO CATTLE.



This is from a photograph taken by John McMullen at the Wm. Mauley ranch near Burns.

THE RABBIT DRIVE.

The rabbit drive scheduled for last Wednesday was not such a success as was anticipated or hoped, for several reasons. The first and most important of which being the change in the weather. A snow began falling Tuesday which soon turned to rain and it kept it up all night as well as most of Wednesday. This sudden change caused the snow to melt rapidly leaving it a slush. Many who had made arrangements to go were disappointed and remained at home not relishing a long tramp through the wet, while others thought there would be no attempt made to drive on account of the dampness of things and failed to go.

A drive was made, however, 125 or more going out from town who were joined on the battle field by quite a number of the ranchers of the neighborhood waged war against the little pests for a short time. Although only about 300 rabbits were corralled, the drive was very satisfactory considering the conditions. Many were on horse back and not a few vehicles were in line, while others brought up a solid front on foot.

It was demonstrated that the most successful way to drive was on foot, as when the rabbits were crowded they would run out under the horses and carriages, while the line drawn up by the footmen was rarely broken through. Another drawback was the unorganized forces which would not listen to the commands of those in charge. The participants seemed bent on enjoying the sport to the fullest and when a rabbit broke through the line a dozen or more drivers would leave their post and try to outrun it allowing many more to escape through the gap in the ranks. We are also told that on account of not enough people many hundred rabbits went around the wings and escaped.

After looking over the situation upon arriving on the ground it was not expected to make a big or very successful drive with so few people, but it was thought a good idea to experiment in order to have the benefit for today's drive when it was expected a large crowd would attend.

The weather has been unfavorable all week and the rain of last night will prevent many of the school children from participating as the flat country, especially the low swails are flooded to such an extent that it will be impossible for the children to tramp over the country without danger to their health.

It seems no one in particular has charge of the weather in this particular section and the Times-Herald cannot find whom is to blame for this disappointment. It is to be deplored. We hope however that our enthusiasts will not lose heart and give up. "There'll come a time" and now that the proposition is fairly launched and the corral and wings in position we will yet have one of the biggest rabbit drives on record.

We learn from those who participated that it is very exciting sport and all who took part will go again if possible.

scribed property belonging to the Estate of John W. Jones, deceased, to-wit: What is known as Block two (2) in Brown's Addition to the City of Burns, Oregon, on the following terms, to-wit: One fourth Cash, One fifth of the remainder to be paid each year in yearly installments of that amount, purchase to give notes secured by a mortgage on the property sold for the deferred payments.

ELMA A. JONES. Dated this 27th day of December, 1902.

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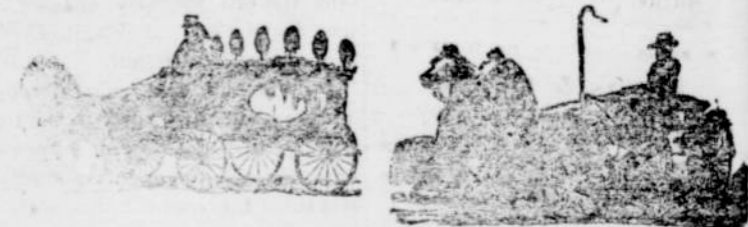
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