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CALL ISSUE FOR COUNTY WARRANTS

County Treasurer Has Funds on Hand to Pay Many Outstanding Warrants.

There are funds in the treasury to pay all warrants protested to January 1, 1904. Interest will cease from this date, April 19th, 1907.

J. T. TAYLOR, Treasurer of Josephine Co., Ore.

KUBLI

Mr. Luce of Grants Pass is now visiting friends at this place. Victor Bailey and Willie Wool-

bridge came very nearly being planted in a bed of quicksands last week, while crossing the river. The boys say they were obliged to dismount from the horse, which they were riding and wade through sand and water up to their eyes.

Willie Woodridge was visiting friends at Provelt last Sunday.

Willie Harris and G. W. Meek were in Grants Pass one day last week. David Roberts of this place has been doing some work for Messrs. York and Knutzen, our new hop men.

Say, it's a good thing there is a fence between "Monty" and "Shorty." Be careful, boys, the fence is liable to fall down. "Monty" seems to be most terribly anxious for me to hear from Provelt and even suggests that the telephone be used in my behalf.

James J. McFadden, seems to be the leading figure at Laurel Grove of late. Jess York is now staying with his sister, Mrs. Messenger of New Hope. Jake Brown was in Jacksonville on business one day last week.

C. M. Rexford made a trip to Grants Pass last week.

Bert York, one of our most enterprising young men, has been purchasing some cattle near Grants Pass.

We notice that Joe York has been purchasing a new wagon.

James Cook returned home last Sunday from the Maid of the Mist mine where he has been employed for some time past.

Homer York was in Grants Pass one day last week.

We are pleased to notice the splendid condition of J. W. York's hop yard, which is now in a better state of cultivation than ever before, a fact that promises an enormous yield of hops this season. WINDY.

LAUREL GROVE

Our reporter was visiting in your city last Saturday.

Mr. Haberman was in your city last Saturday on business, also Ruby Root and mother.

Mr. Root left last Saturday for California to visit at his son's home while Mrs. Root and Ruby go to the mill this Summer.

Jas. Gilmore, our genial merchant and townsman, paid your city a visit last Saturday, accompanied by his wife.

H. T. Day has been busy hauling rails the past week and fencing some new ground.

A party was given at the home of Jeff Lindsay on last Saturday night and a good time was enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. Caldwell and children are visiting at the home of Mrs. Emily Day this week.

"Eben" is always telling someone else to go after the grafters; now why don't he go it himself?

Charles Swinden has been on the sick list the past week, having had the chills and ague.

Loid Lindsay paid your city a visit last Saturday.

We have a new neighbor in our midst as Mr. Basshard has rented the Hill place.

Amos Williams went to your city last Saturday after a load for Mr. Basshard.

C. Swett and wife paid your city a visit last Saturday, also Roy Reed.

Walter Farra left on Wednesday for Klamath Falls where he goes to look after his property in that country.

Most of the people of Laurel Grove took in the circus in your city on April 29th and report a good time.

Elmer Williams is expected home from Klamath Falls in a few days. J. L. Williams returned home a few days ago but was unlucky about getting that cook. Try again, old man.

The North 6th St. Furniture House

In cleaning up stock for Spring trade, we find quite a few odd pieces of Furniture, Carpets, Linoleums, Etc., which are offered at reduced prices until sold, some Rockers exceptionally cheap. The Wall Paper sale has been a success and will continue, it is the largest stock in the city to select from.

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HOW TO GROW CROPS WITH LITTLE RAIN

Department of Agriculture Gives Free Instructions on Dry Land Farming.

Rogue River Valley needs irrigation but until that can be had much of the land in this Valley can be made to produce very good crops by a system of conserving the natural moisture of the soil, that comes from the Winter rains, through what is known as the dry land method of farming. The Department of Agriculture has for several years past been giving much attention to devising methods for so storing the rainfall in the soil that crops may be grown in semi-arid sections. Those interested in this new method of farming should address the secretary of Agriculture at Washington for a copy of Farmers' Bulletin No. 266, on the management of soils. It is particularly designed for semi-arid regions. Being a document of 30 pages, we cannot reproduce it, but it is an exceedingly useful document, which gives the philosophy of many practices employed by the best farmers who may never have read anything on the subject and should save those who have got some part of the art to learn a great deal of very costly experience. The object of tillage is to conserve moisture in dry soils, and get rid of the excess in those which are too wet and also to assure the free admission of air to any depth penetrated by roots, without leaving large air spaces to promote evaporation. This bulletin, however, devotes most space to the management of soils in countries of dry Summers and to that form of agriculture known as "dry farming." The better the farmer the more he will learn from this bulletin. The problem of dry farming is the storage of water in the soil, and certain methods not usually practiced in humid districts or on irrigated land have been found by experience most expensive. It is well to know them and the reasons for them. The Summary at the end of the bulletin is as follows:

"A deep soil of good, tilth will absorb and hold for the use of plants a large part of the rainfall. Such soil is in good condition for the growth of common crops.

"Soils can be put in the best of tilth, when in proper state of moisture, by deep plowing, disking and harrowing.

"Evaporation from soils can be lessened by covering them with mulch. The best mulch and the only practicable one on a large scale is a soil mulch. This can be produced and maintained by surface cultivation. To be most effective, the cultivation must be repeated after rains that puddle the surface soil. To reduce the labor of frequent cultivation, implements that cover a large surface may be employed.

"In semi-arid regions special effort should be made to utilize the rainfall. The ground should be plowed soon after the removal of a previous crop; it should then be settled and smoothed. By frequent cultivation of fallow land moisture may be stored for a crop the next year. In this way crops have been grown in semi-arid regions once in two years when crops every year on the same land have failed.

"In dry climates the corn crop succeeds better when put in with the lister. It roots deeper, stands up better and the work in growing a crop is less than when planted in level plowed soil.

"Strains of plants that have originated or been grown for many years in dry climates should be selected for the semi-arid regions, and the rate of seeding should not be more than one-half that common in humid regions. Strayer, taller, rooted and more hardy plants will thus result. Organic matter should be maintained in soils to improve their physical condition. This may be accomplished by green manuring, and by the plowing in of manure, straw, stalks and other vegetable refuse.

"Leguminous crop, such as clover, alfalfa and cowpeas, used as green manure, not only increase the humus of soils, but supply nitrogen from the air. This is the cheapest way of adding this important fertilizer ingredient.

"Any one who proposes to begin farming without irrigation in a region of high rainfall should be properly cautious. He should not be misled by glowing accounts of large crops; he should investigate carefully the possibilities of the particular region in which he expects to settle; he should have clearly in mind beforehand the kind of crop which he will produce, and he should not undertake dry farming if a failure of crops at the beginning will mean to him complete and permanent disaster. It should be clearly understood that farming in the semi-arid regions,

without irrigation cannot in the nature of things be as certain or as profitable as farming under favorable conditions in the humid regions.

TELEPHONE SYSTEM FOR APPELATE VALLEY

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not cover the expense they will have to make up the deficiency and be paid back by the Company from the money received from additional telephones that may go on their section of the line, but they get no money from those who put an extension to their section of line.

Last Saturday a meeting was held at Wilderville of those interested in extending the rural telephone system to that section of Applegate Valley. The Applegate Valley Telephone Company was represented by Charles Meserve, one of the directors, and he was accompanied from Grants Pass by J. E. Hair, who is half owner in a sawmill near Wilderville and is interested in getting telephone connection with this city. The decision was made to join the Applegate Valley Telephone Company and to put in a central office at Wilderville with branch lines up the Applegate and Chaney Creek, up Slate Creek, down Applegate and Rogue river to as far as possibly Limpy Creek, and to Jerome Prairie. The main line to Grants Pass will be run on the Jerome Prairie road for about five miles and across to the Murphy road where the main Applegate pole line will be used into town. When the Murphy central is installed the line up Applegate will be connected with the New Hope line so as to give connection between Wilderville and Murphy without loading extra work on the Grants Pass office, as well as to give a free and direct telephone service from one end of the Applegate Valley to the other.

As a committee to solicit members and to take charge of installing the telephone system for the Wilderville district C. F. Lovelace was made chairman, J. O. K. McCann secretary and treasurer, R. M. Robinson for Chaney Creek, J. T. Robinson for Slate Creek, Henry Rich for Lower Applegate and J. H. Robinson for Jerome Prairie. It is expected to secure at least 20 members at once and fully as many more within a month or two.

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