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**MURPHY ITEMS.**

E. J. Davidson was a visitor from Missouri Flat to Grants Pass Saturday.

Clinton Cook took a load of apples and potatoes to Grants Pass Saturday. He reports that their daughter is able to be up and around the house and is improving very rapidly.

Those who were visitors from here to Grants Pass Saturday were Homer York and family, Hugh and Chester York, Mrs. Hong and John Bohl.

As the sunshine commences to show itself you can hear a little talk about baseball and some of the slab artists are trying to get their act so that it will hold a ball again and also getting that arm in shape so that they will have the proper control of the spheroid for the coming season. It is a good thing that the baseball fever does not last the year round, for if it did the chances are a number of the fans would have to give up other kinds of work all together.

If the weather continues the way it looks now it will not be long now until the many farmers of these parts will be getting things in shape to start their spring plowing. They were not able to get in as much fall grain as usual owing to not having the desired early rains last fall. This weather now will start the fall grain to growing and will give promise of a bountiful crop this coming fall.

Just a little more rain and it is all for some good, as we have to have about as much to make a winter.

K. J. Kubli and P. R. McFadden were over in the vicinity of Rogue River this week looking for some of Mr. Kubli's cattle that had strayed over that way. They made the desired capture all right, but were unable to get them nearer home than the Anderson ranch for the present owing to the snow being too deep on the summit of the mountain.

Ward Hyde is having an attack of appendicitis and at present is resting real easy and from what we can learn is going to be able to overcome it without an operation. He is being attended at present by Dr. Flanagan.

Where are those correspondents from the different points of Josephine county? It seems to me as though they have got a whole lot of news in store for the Courier. News from the different places is what I like to hear. Let us hear from a lot of them and we will always try to keep up with our items from here as there is always some little thing to write about that is of interest to some one, no matter where they are as the Courier has a large circulation.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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**TEXAS WARRANTS ISSUED FOR OIL TRUST LEADERS.**

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 28.—Warrants for the arrest of John D. Archbold, H. C. Fogler Jr. and W. C. Teagle, all prominent in Standard Oil, were mailed to New York today by United States District Judge Meek. The trio are charged with violating the Sherman anti-trust law in Texas.

"If there is any difficulty encountered in getting these men," said Judge Meek, "I will send Texas officers who will bring them here."

**THE PUBLIC FORUM.**

(Articles bearing on public questions, free from personalities or other objectionable matter, will be published under this head. Publication does not necessarily imply endorsement, and the Courier assumes no responsibility for statements made. Communications must be limited to 400 words.)

**SENATOR SMITH EXPLAINS PROPOSED ELECTION CHANGE.**

Editor of the Courier.—On your editorial page of the 19th inst. you were kind enough to give me some notice to which I trust you will give the needed space to reply.

In the first place if the direct primary is good this is better in that it does not have a candidate for an office to go before the people in one election and be opposed by the unsuccessful candidate and his friends in the general election, in many cases amounting to the reversal of the people's choice in the primaries. In fact every independent candidate for office against the regular nominee is a repudiation of the principle that the people should nominate and elect their own officers.

And as regards to obliterating party lines, by my bill the reverse is true, as under the direct primary with two elections the members of one party can vote in the nominating election by falsely registering as a member of that party and in the election vote against him. My bill makes the nomination and election by the people direct and is the only way that such nominations can be made and the will of the people carried into effect.

This bill makes nominations and elections direct and saves the expense of two elections, amounting to something like \$50,000 to the taxpayers of Oregon each election year, an item well worth considering.

And United States Senator Harry Lane in his speech before the joint session of the legislature, said such a measure was a proper measure, and afterward I asked him about my bill and he said it was a good bill, but ought to have a second choice provision.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. C. SMITH.  
Salem, Ore., Jan. 24, 1913.

**SEPARATE JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR JOSEPHINE.**

To the Editor of the Courier:

An effort is being made to discredit the attempt to get a judicial district comprising Josephine and Curry counties by circulating a petition based upon a law that has been introduced providing for a judge of the court calling a member of the bar to hold court in certain cases. I hope nobody will be deceived by this subterfuge. This county has been tacked onto Jackson county for fifty years. If the conditions were reversed how long would Jackson county wait before she would ask for a separate judicial district? The little opposition to the bill for the judicial district seems to center about a fight on who is to be judge. This is too unworthy to receive the consideration of any person.

It seems it is impossible to start any question for the benefit of this community without degenerating into a fight over somebody's personal interest in the matter. Personally I have been charged with fathering the bill to build up a political machine. This is a lie almost too absurd to be noticed. I desire to say that I have no candidate for the office of judge. I am not a candidate under any circumstances and I am willing to endorse as far as my influence goes any one of a half dozen lawyers in this town.

To get up a controversy at this time over who might be judge is too petty and small to be considered. The creation of a judicial district as outlined in the bill introduced would save this county and litigants thousands upon thousands of dollars. The compensation of the officers would be paid out of the state treasury and the cost to Josephine county would not exceed \$7.50 per month.

People who come here from other places wonder why we have no judge of our court of record here. One of the first things they ask at the court house is who is your judge, and we have to tell them that our judge lives in Ashland. It gives people an idea that this is a very small community with very little business.

I trust that every person who believes in the progress of this community will sign the petitions for a judicial district, and will not be influenced by the petty jealousies that seem to be fostered for the purpose

of continually harrassing every good movement, but can never be utilized to stop any bad movements.

ROBERT G. SMITH.  
Grants Pass, Jan. 25, 1913.

**MR. HOUGH SUPPORTS NEW JUDICIAL DISTRICT.**

Editor of the Courier:

There are a number of measures vital to the interests of Josephine county which should be enacted by the present legislature and among these is a bill to create a new judicial district out of Josephine and Curry counties. A bill has been prepared and sent and petitions are being circulated among the citizens, asking for its enactment. The bill provides for the creation of the Twelfth Judicial district which shall comprise Josephine and Curry counties; that upon the act taking effect the governor shall appoint a judge and prosecuting attorney who shall serve until the general election in 1914; that the terms of court shall be as follows: In Josephine on the first Monday of the month, except the months of May and August, and in Curry on the first Monday of May and third Monday in September of each year; that a jury shall be drawn in Josephine county only at such terms as may be designated by the judge, not less than two in each year.

Curry and Josephine are the two southwestern counties in the state and the means of road communication between the two are now better than that to any other county. This judicial district as it now exists can more business than one judge could be required to attend to or well can, and if a new district is created it will keep one judge busy to attend to the business of Josephine and Curry counties. One objection heard is, that it will increase taxation. It will, to the extent of ninety-six dollar per annum for Josephine county. It must be remembered that the state pays the salaries of judges and prosecuting attorneys, and if a judge and prosecuting attorney be appointed for this proposed new district Josephine county's proportion of increase toward the payment of their salaries will amount to \$96.00 per annum.

Another matter which should have the attention of the members of the legislature is an amendment to the present fish law. The closing of Rogue River was due to the fear on the part of a dozen fly fishermen in Jackson county that Rogue river was being depleted of its fish. Without regard to the rights of others, the bill to close Rogue river was initiated and adopted by the people of the state at large. As an illustration of how the vote stood Clackamas county gave an enormous majority for it as did also Willowa, the northeastern county of the state. In that county the vote was almost unanimous in favor of the bill, and what the good citizens of Willowa county could know concerning the conditions in the three southwestern counties of the state, eight hundred miles removed by rail, one can hardly imagine. The bill, however, should be amended or repealed, and if Jackson county does not care to permit commercial fishing within its territory a bill should be enacted providing for commercial fishing in Josephine and Curry counties.

Another piece of legislation which is needed in Josephine county in particular is one giving cities and towns the right to condemn lands for the purpose of constructing railroads, telephone and telegraph lines owned or constructed by them, and it is altogether likely that Grants Pass will need such legislation to enable it to secure right-of-way over which to construct its proposed road towards the coast. I think this and some other legislation is vital to the interest of Josephine county and to the end it may have the support which it deserves, a meeting will be held at the opera house on Monday evening, January 27, 1913, at half past seven o'clock. Other announcements of this meeting will be made and I hope the house may be filled with the representative people of the city and county when a discussion of the matters may be had.

Yours very truly,  
A. C. HOUGH.

Mrs. A. R. Tabor, of Crider, Mo., had been troubled with sick headache for about five years, when she began taking Chamberlain's Tablets. She has taken two bottles of them any they have cured her. Sick headache is caused by a disordered stomach for which these tablets are especially intended. Try them, get well and stay well. Sold by all dealers.

Mining Blanks at Courier office.

**MEMORIAL.**

We, the membership of Bethany church, in annual meeting assembled do recall at this hour that one who was wont to be a counselor and a leader among us has gone from our midst, and remembering the many years of devoted service which he rendered to this organization, out of the fullness of a kindly and generous heart, his constant watch-care over its material interests, his loyalty to its spiritual and social activities through all its pastoral and official changes, there comes upon us a sense of heavy loss in the departure of our brother and fellow-worker, Elder H. C. Kinney. And being in a measure shares with them in their sorrow, we would hereby express to the family our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in this time of bereavement, assuring them that in public prayer and private devotion we have held them up to the throne of him who alone can sanctify heartaches to hearts that ache, and grant the blessing of tears to those that weep. And we would assure them further that as the most enduring memorial of the departed in this church, we shall take up as a sacred trust the message of song he has bequeathed to us and bear it on into the coming years to the glory of God and the church; and the example of fidelity he has set before us shall be perpetuated by other lives in the future activities of this body.

Respectfully submitted,  
H. S. PRESCOTT,  
CHRISTINA McLEAN,  
JOSHUA PARDEE,  
Committee.

When you want a reliable medicine for a cough or cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

**STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the Grants Pass Fruit association will be held at the commercial club rooms in Grants Pass on Monday, February 3, 1913, at 1 p. m. for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the stockholders.  
1-3-4t G. H. WOOD, Sec'y.

Mrs. C. Boddell of Pasco, Wash., who has spent a few days with her aunts, Mrs. Eclis Pollock and Mrs. J. D. Fry, left Wednesday for her home. She has also visited her mother at Klamath Falls.

**NOTICE OF BOUNDARY BOARD MEETING.**

Notice is hereby given that the District Boundary Board of Josephine county will meet at 1:15 p. m. on Thursday, Feb. 6, 1913, to act on a petition to form a new school district out of territory now belonging to school district No. 20, described as follows: Beginning at a certain point on the south bank of Rogue river on one quarter section line between lots 6 and 7 in section 14 of township 36 S range 7 west, thence running south to the center of section 14, thence west three-fourths mile; thence south one-fourth mile; thence west one-fourth mile; thence south one-fourth mile to the south line of section 15; thence west on said line to the west line of the township; thence north to the northwest corner of the township; thence east on the north line of the township to Rogue river; thence up said Rogue river to the place of beginning.

Done this 24th day of January, 1913.  
LINCOLN SAVAGE,  
County Supt.

**NOTICE OF BOUNDARY BOARD MEETING.**

Notice is hereby given that the District Boundary Board of Josephine county will meet on Thursday, February 6, to act on a petition to change the boundary line between school districts No. 12 and school district No. 26 so that the north half of section 2 of township 37 south of range 6 west, shall be taken from district No. 12 and become a part of district No. 26.

Done this 17th day of January, 1913.  
LINCOLN SAVAGE,  
Co. Supt. and Sec. of Board.

If your children are subject to attacks of croup, watch for the first symptom, hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be warded off. For sale by all dealers.

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All other druggists have D.D.D. Prescription—go to them if you can't come to us—but don't accept some big profit substitute.

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**DENMARK IN ON 1915.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 28.—President C. C. Moore of the Panama-Pacific exposition received today official information from Washington that Denmark has accepted President Taft's invitation to participate in the big 1915 fair.

**INSPECTOR HOLDS ORANGES.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—Twenty-two carloads of California oranges are held up here today by order of Dr. S. E. Sherman of the city food inspection bureau. Examination of the fruit to determine its fitness to be sold in Chicago will be made.

**HOME-MADE CANDIES**

You should use as much discretion in buying candy as anything else. Always be sure it is pure and fresh. The way to be sure is to purchase same at the Spa Confectionery. Our candy is made fresh every day; if we have not what you want tell us and we will make it to your order. We make all our candy and are always at your service for the best that is made.

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