

FOUR MILE "SMOKELESS"

Farming has commenced.

Jap DeOs is working for John Hurley.

Miss Kate Willoughby is visiting friends on Bear Creek this week.

M. W. Treadgold was a caller at the De Long ranch last Thursday.

D. W. Gardner was a business visitor at Four Mile Saturday and Sunday.

Road Supervisor A. Davis was out with the grader and a crew of men smoothing up and repairing the highways last Saturday.

The dance at the Four Mile hall Saturday night was quite well attended. About 30 were present and

all report a good time.

Manton Treadgold has again taken up his residence on his homestead after a five months' leave of absence. Mrs. Treadgold will visit in Coquille for a short time before coming out to the ranch.

N. Rambo, our Four Mile bee man, who has been visiting his two sons at Rodeo, California, returned home on the last "Lizzie." Mr. Rambo is glad to get back and thinks our weather and climate far ahead of that of the part of California in which he visited.

The Young Shingle mill on Rada-baugh creek is preparing to run both day and night shifts. The shingle business having picked up to such an extent prices are now good. Mr. Young believes in keeping the wheels

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Figuring Out the Acreage for One Cow; Applicable to Coos County

Tillamook county is famed as one of the leading dairying sections on the Pacific coast. Conditions there are so much similar to those of Coos county that whatever is of interest to one should also appeal to the other. Under the caption "Acreage for One Cow," Roy C. Jones in the Oregon Farmer, figures out this important dairy problem in a very comprehensive manner in the following:

"Most of the farmers of Tillamook county grow on their own farms practically all the feed consumed by their cows.

"Two-thirds of the cows freshen in or near early spring, are fed hay and roots or kale until grass is abundant, about the middle of April, and then are pastured until the first of November, when they are again put on to hay and roots, turned by in early winter and maintained on hay or hay and roots until they freshen again.

"Feeding in this manner the average man on the bottom farm uses about two acres of land per cow. Of this two acres one-tenth of an acre will be required for the root or kale crop and the balance used for pasture with the exception of one-half to three-fourths acre, which will grow the hay crop from May 20 to July 10. The man on the prairie requires about twice the land for this purpose, but as this is valued at about

half the price of the bottom land the investment is the same.

"If a bottom land farmer has all his land in condition to plow there is no reason why he cannot supply all the roughage required by purchasing about one-half ton of concentrates per cow a balanced ration can be supplied.

"To do this requires a five year rotation as follows: The old pasture is broken up, well manured and put into corn or corn and roots. Twelve or 15 tons of corn or 35 tons of roots can safely be relied on for a yield. The corn is put into the silo and the ground seeded to oats and vetch or possibly to wheat and vetch on account of the oat rust.

"By actual weight we have obtained 25 tons of green feed per acre from this crop. This will be put into the silo about June 1. The ground will be disked at once and seeded to bald barley, with red clover seeded with it. This will last for about 3 years, the last two years to furnish pasture and the first to be used for green feed and hay.

"This will enable one to fill the silo in the spring and use the silage to supplement the pasture in late summer, then in the fall to refill with corn to use through the winter and spring. I believe that under this system there might easily be kept as high as two cows to the acre."

FRUIT INSPECTOR ABOLISHED

County Court Does Away With Office—A Cut of \$105 Per Mo.

The office of fruit inspector has been discontinued in Coos county by action of the county court. The services of Nick Johnson were dispensed with in this connection some time ago.

Judge Watson said that the court felt sure there is no need at the present time for such an office at the rate of \$105 a month and that it would be economy to do away with it. The duties of the fruit inspector was to inspect orchards in the county to see whether or not they were afflicted with scale of any kind. Fruit and vegetables coming in here from outside points also came under this inspection and any produce sold in markets could be condemned if found to be afflicted with any fruit disease.

Will Not Incorporate

The proposed incorporation of the town of Gold Beach was defeated at the special election Saturday by a vote of forty-eight to eighty-two. Fear of how municipal taxes graft sometimes goes with city affairs, is assigned as the reason for the defeat by most people. The boundary described in the petition was another objectionable feature to some.

FIND PLATINUM SUBSTITUTE

Gold and Silver Alloys Found to Be Just as Good.

Substitutes for platinum which will materially relieve the scarcity of that metal in this country because of the war have been discovered by American chemists. The price of platinum has jumped from about \$40 to \$100 an ounce. It is asserted that gold and silver alloys of palladium have been found to be excellent substitutes for platinum in its softer forms. It is expected that experiments now being made with these alloys will revolutionize the work of the dental profession.

Rumors of a sharp decline in platinum prices are of interest to local black sand miners, who are now making good profits from the platinum obtained along with the gold.

A Road to the Beach

County Roadmaster Murdock returned to Coquille yesterday, after spending a couple of days inspecting the road from North Bend to Sunset Bay and arranging to expedite the improvement of the highway. Plans have been made to complete the planking of the highway for practically the entire distance, a number of stretches of the road already being improved by planking.—Marshfield Times.

Action is Natural

P. S. Meehan, Hancock, Mich., writes: "I have given Foley Cathartic Tablets a thorough trial and can positively state they are the best laxative I ever used. Their action is natural, no pain or griping, and they clean the system in fine shape." Stout persons say the buoyant, free feeling they bring is a blessing. Orange Pharmacy.

NATIONAL GUARD

SUBMITS A BILL

Federalization of State Troops Is the Plan Now Before the Military Committee.

Washington, February 14—The proposals of the National Guard association for federalization of the state troops were before the military committee of congress in the form of a bill drafted by Representatives of the association at the request of the senate committee. The regulations contemplated are given force by a provision limiting participation in the federal pay features to officers, men, or organizations complying with certain specified requirements. The scale of annual pay proposed is as follows: Major generals, \$800; brigadiers, \$700; colonels, \$600; lieutenant colonels, \$550; majors, \$525; captains, \$500; first lieutenants, \$300; second lieutenants, \$250. Enlisted men, would be paid on the basis of 25 per cent of the pay rates of the regular army, a private receiving \$45 a year approximately.

The maximum of troops provided for by the bill is 500 for each congressional district of a total peace strength of approximately 200,000; an increase of 70,000 over the present strength of the national guard. They would form a separate branch of the regular army in time of war when called into the Federal service. The bill provides also for organization of a junior guard composed of boys between 12 and 18, available for active service only after every other class of militia has been called out. The juniors would be divided into two classes, cadets or those of 15 and above, and cadets of the second class, those less than 15.

Contract is Required

An enlistment contract would be required under which the soldier would bind himself to serve the federal government "within or without the continental limits of the United States" for a period of two years or until discharged should the guard be called out at any time during his 3 year enlistment period. The enlistment period of any soldier whose time was close to expiration when his regiment was called out would be extended automatically. It is proposed to do away with the choice of officers by election, and commissions would be limited to specified classes and granted only after examinations by the war department. Promotions during active service would be made by the president from the commissioned force or ranks of the organization. This clause is aimed at appointments from civil life. At least 48 drills a year and participation in annual field maneuvers would be required. The act would be effective, July 1, 1916. Radical revision is anticipated in Congress, before such a measure will pass, say the committee on military affairs.

Curry county Democrats want F. B. Tichenor of Port Orford to run for joint representative at the coming election.

Superior Printing—Western World

Two Important Dates

Saturday, Feb. 26 "Millinery Opening," at Morrison's.

Saturday, April 22, "Special Easter Display," at Morrison's.

The ladies of Bandon and vicinity, are cordially invited to attend.

RAILROAD WILL NOT AFFECT 'FRISCO RATE

Cannot Compete in Either Freight or Passenger Traffic With Boats to the South.

Supt. Miller of the Southern Pacific stated other day that the railroad did not expect to compete with water carriers to San Francisco from Coos county, but did expect to compete for the Portland freight. He said: The rate of \$3 per ton between Coquille and the California port would amount to only about seven and a half cents per hundred for many kinds of goods, and that sort of a rate would never compensate the railroads for the haul.

As to passenger rates the same was true. The fare from Coquille to San Francisco by rail he expected would be about the same as from Portland to that city, and the steamer rate of \$10 would get the traffic with which the cost was the main consideration.

As to the rates between Coquille and Portland, he seemed to expect that the railroad commission would allow them to charge four cents a mile this side of Eugene, which would make a rate of about \$8.75 between Coquille and Portland.

To Repair Bandon Road

Just as soon as the floods receded and the danger of further inundations was over for the season, the county court proposes to get to

work on the Bandon road west from this city. There will be comparatively little to do where piling was driven last year, as that broke the force of the floods; but in the next two miles a great deal of the bank has been washed away and in some places cuts have been made the whole width of the road. The whole distance will require permanent work to protect this road against future floods; but temporary bridges will be built at once where these washouts have occurred, so as to put the road in condition for travel at the earliest possible moment.—Coquille Sentinel.

Myron Wickham was struck by a falling log from one of the dolphins of the booms at Cedar Point Thursday, and sustained a crushed skull, but it is believed his injury will not prove fatal. He is a son of Mrs. Sarah Wickham who conducts the Wickham hotel at Coquille, is 45 years old and married.

After Lagrippe—What?

F. G. Prevo, Bedford, Ind., writes: "An attack of lagrippe left me with a severe cough. I tried everything but I got so thin it looked as if I never would get well. Finally, two bottles of Foley's Honey and Tar cured me. I am now well and back to my normal weight." A reliable remedy for coughs, colds, croup, Orange Pharmacy.

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