

They Saw a Cougar.

A few nights ago while several Marshfield people were indulging in a pleasure romp on the beach at Rocky Point they were suddenly surprised by a large sized panther coming out across the road and crossed in front of them, then disappearing in the brush.

No two of the party saw the panther with the same eyes. One saw his feline majesty as a long, lank hungry looking beast, with glaring eyes, while another saw only a phantom like object, cross in front of them, others only saw a panther. Several of the crowd only heard his plaintive cries after he had disappeared in the brush, but they were one and all satisfied that they saw a panther and the more they thought on the subject the more certain they were.

Those who visit the neighborhood should be on the look-out. While the panther did not get scared out it somewhat shocked the ladies of the party.

Later.—Yesterday some parties went to the place where the panther was reported to have been seen the night before and his tracks were plainly visible and, furthermore, could be traced along the road where he had been following the pleasure party who were afterwards confronted by the animal. This is undoubtedly the same panther which was seen by some school children two weeks ago in that vicinity.

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Surprise Party

Mrs. D. L. Rood, who leaves on the steamer Alliance for Portland, on her way to Douglas City, Alaska, was agreeably surprised Thursday evening by a number of her old time friends, mostly Marshfield's pioneers and early settlers here. Coming home Mrs. Rood found nearly thirty of these old friends in possession of her home. The surprise was complete and the entire evening was spent in sociability of all sorts, cards, ping pong and other games were enjoyed; and reminiscences of by-gone days in Marshfield were among the leading topics. In all, this was a joyous reunion long to be remembered by the hostess as it is a tribute of high honor to Mrs. Rood to be encircled at her time of parting by a throng of Marshfield's staunchest people to wish her God-speed to her new home in the frozen north.

At the proper time refreshments were served, after which the guests departed for home, leaving with an expression of wellwishes to their old friend in her new home.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. E. O'Connell, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Golden, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hirst, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Seeley, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Robertson, Messdms. Heavert, McKnight, Mark, Bennett, Tower, Siglin Hutchinson, Edmunds, Weaver, Daebner, E. Nasburg, Z. M. Noble, Dr. J. T. McCormac.

From Coquille Herald

Gus Sanderson, an aged inmate of the county infirmary, died Saturday afternoon.

We are sorry to report the fact that Grandpa J. L. Roy, of near town, was seriously hurt Saturday by falling from a horse, or rather by being brushed from the animal by the limb of a tree. The injuries are a broken rib and other bruises. We hope the old gentleman may be all right in a short time.

Chas. and George Baxter, of this city, received word by wire yesterday of the sad intelligence of the death of their sister, Mrs. Pearl Draper, which occurred at Hoquiam, Washington the same day. The deceased was born at Sumner, and was known and loved by many of Coos county's good citizens.

Moonlight Party Wednesday Night

Moonlight on the beach, was indulged in by a party of Marshfield's coming young people. The moon-shiners were a happy band, chaperoned by Mrs. J. R. Rochon. There were eight couples and to say they made the woods ring between here and Rocky Point would be putting it mildly.

The Blanco Tally-HO carried the participants. When they arrived at the beach a bon fire was built, which lit the country round for miles, so it seemed, and while the fire tongues of the crackling beachwood licked the murky heavens, a most delicious spread prepared by the fair ones of the happy band was gracefully eaten by the flight of the moon. The young gentlemen drank sea water while the young ladies ate ice cream and lapped the dewy heavens to refresh their parched tongues.

The party returned in the little hours after spending a delightful night.

The moon-shiners were: Mrs. J. R. Rochon, chaperone. The Misses Clara Johnson, Millie Johnson, Stella Gulovson, Agnes Gulovson, Genevieve Sengstacken, Alice McCormac and Sedie Kruse. Messrs Edgar Campbell, Sidney Smith, Albert Sleep, Tom Bennett, Russ Tower, Albert Campbell Jay Tower.

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"Wind, well yes, I should say it did blow," said a Marshfield young lady, when asked over the telephone to the country home where she was stopping "if the wind had been blowing any up there." Being of the matter-of-fact kind, a cruel country lad gave her this yarn. He told her that the wind carried a haystack, containing a large quantity of hay all the way from Anson Rogers' place to Bessey's creamery and she related the entire story, and knew it was so because B—— had said so, however, she did not see the hay when it went up, neither did she see it come down. The party to whom she related the story ventured to suggest that likely hay was rising. "Oh! yes, the air was full of loose hay. My but it blew."

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Birthday and Farewell Party

A very delightful birthday and farewell party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Eickworth Wednesday evening, in honor of the seventeenth birthday of their daughter, Miss Jennie, who expects to leave on the Arcata for an extended visit in California. After spending the evening in games and singing, a bounteous luncheon was spread to which all did ample justice, and had a very pleasant time until midnight, when they departed for their homes wishing Miss Jennie many happy birthdays and a safe voyage across the briny deep. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Eickworth, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Deubner, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Sacchi, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Ploeger, Mrs. Bergman, Nellie Bernitt, Ella Lichtwerk, Anna Frost, Mary Bergman, Hazel Colstrop, Lillie Klahn, Jennie Eickworth, Maud Brown, Anna Johansen, Susie Eickworth, Willie Bernitt, and William Eickworth.

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