

COURT ASTOUNDED AT GIRLS CRIME

Judge Cleeton Orders Thorough Investigation of Attempt at Poisoning.

SAYS FACILITIES ARE
IN DOUBT AT SCHOOL

Court Surprised by Evidence
Convicting Inmates; Wants
Charges Classified.

(Continued from Friday, January 9)

Salem, Or., Jan. 9.—Declaring that the evidence in the cases of Mrs. Effie Creswell and Stella Morgan, inmates of the state industrial school for girls, convicted in his court of attempting to poison the other inmates and attaches, warranted a thorough investigation, Circuit Judge Cleeton, of Portland, who has exchanged benches temporarily with Judge Kelly, today reconvened the grand jury and ordered it to make a thorough investigation of the institution. The penalty for the crime is imprisonment in the penitentiary of from one to three years.

May Be Paroled.
The Creswell woman was found guilty by a jury Wednesday. Ernest Blue, attorney for the defense, moved the court for an arrest of judgment, in order to have time to file papers, showing he has further evidence or that the verdict was not in accordance with the testimony or that the accused should be granted a new trial. Stella Morgan pleaded guilty after the trial of Mrs. Creswell and it is expected that sentence will be passed on her this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. It is the belief that an application for parole will be made in her behalf, as it was shown that she did not know she was giving a deadly poison to the girls. She testified she knew the white powder was a drug but believed it was merely a sleeping potion.

"I never had any idea these girls were guilty of such heinous crime until I heard the testimony," said Judge Cleeton tonight.

Object Was to Escape.
"The evidence showed Mrs. Creswell induced three other girls to put poison in coffee which was to be drunk by all persons connected with the institution. Their object being to escape. I shall give the grand jury specific instructions regarding the investigation, for it must be thorough. The whole state is interested, for girls are sent to the institution from all counties. It seems from the facts brought out at the trial that there is a lack of facilities or something at the school. The extremely wayward associate with the less wayward, and it appears there is no way to administer the proper discipline.

"Unless means of segregating the girls is established there is no telling what the consequences may be. The evidence shows that one wayward and desperate girl can cause absolute confusion and disruption."

Matron Detects Poison.
The Creswell girl, according to the testimony, gave three other girls strychnine and told them to put it in the coffee, saying that it would put the matron and other employees to sleep and the girls could escape. After drinking a little of the liquid the matron detected something was wrong with it and one or two of the girls who partook of it were made ill. None of them drank as much as half a cup, which accounts for there being no fatalities. It is understood the other two who put the drug in the beverage will not be tried.

Dr. Smith, of Brownsville, attended business matters here this morning. Walter Roswurm, of Forest Grove, a well known chicken fancier, is in the city attending the chicken show. He has several entries.

Schultz Sued Again.—Asking judgment for \$118.22 and \$50 attorneys fees, Charles C. Miller has filed suit against W. C. Schultz in the circuit court, to secure wages alleged due him and one W. F. Cassidy. H. Bryant and the Albany State Bank are named as defendants also, as it is claimed that each buys a claim against Schultz, which is inferior to the plaintiff's claim. Attorneys Hewitt and Sox represent the plaintiff.

Firemen's Banquet.—An event of more than usual interest in Albany will be the banquet and formal disbandment of the Albany fire department, which will be held on Tuesday evening, January 13, at the Moose lodge hall. The committee in charge of the arrangements are making elaborate preparations for the event and a special program will be presented.

NEWSPAPER MAN TAKING LONG WALK ARRIVES HERE

David S. Ricker and Wife Are Reporting Actual Conditions on Highway.

Arriving here yesterday afternoon, aloof, David Stringer Ricker, (Stephen Wentworth) accompanied by his wife, both dressed in heavy outing clothes, wearing mackinaws and high top shoes, spent the night and left this morning on their journey to San Diego, via the Pacific Highway. They expect to reach Eugene sometime tomorrow and will make their headquarters at the Register office.

It is for the express purpose of reporting actual conditions along the highway, that Mr. Ricker, who is a prominent newspaper man and formerly Sunday editor of a big Eastern Daily, has undertaken the journey. At various stops he writes articles and sends them to the papers he represents. His first story appeared in Sunday's Oregonian, written at Brooks, Or., just north of Salem.

Mr. Ricker represents the Oregonian, the Seattle Sun, the Tacoma Tribune, and the Opportunity Magazine, of Chicago. The couple are making the trip leisurely and say they are enjoying it immensely. In the past three days they walked 45 miles, encountering many bad roads and rubbing elbows with the farmers.

**DOG HAMILTON IN TOILS
FOR CRUELTY TO BALDY**

Hailed in Police Court and the
Judge Suggested That He
Return Home.

Cruelty to animals was the charge on which Doug Hamilton, the wonderful character from Scio, was hauled before Police Judge Van Tassel yesterday afternoon by Officer King on complaint of a person who saw "Preaching Bill" unmercifully treating his horse, Baldy.

In the police court Hamilton suggested that the fact of the case be suppressed for fear of the ruination of his reputation. He was given a kindly lecture by the police judge, who was thoroughly conversant with the circumstances surrounding Hamilton, and the judge suggested that Hamilton return to his home. He was missing this morning.

MRS. HASSLER GRANTED DECREE OF DIVORCE

Charged Husband Deserted Her
Few Minutes After They
Were Married.

Convening court this afternoon at 1 o'clock Circuit Judge Galloway granted one decree of divorce and is hearing evidence in another divorce matter.

The decree was granted to Pearl Hassler, of Lebanon, from Orrin Hassler, on the ground of desertion. Default was entered. Mrs. Hassler alleged desertion a few minutes after marriage, which was performed five years ago in Multnomah county. Mrs. Hassler was given the custody of a daughter of the union.

The other case is that of Halsey vs. Halsey and is over a petition filed by the wife to open a decree of divorce granted them several years ago, with regard to custody of children.

FUNERAL OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT TO BE HELD

Banquet and Features of Entertainment to Be Given on
January 13.

W. H. HULBERT ISSUES STATEMENT TO TAXPAYERS

(To the Editor.)—To tax payers of district No. 31: Dear Friends: I give you a statement of the road funds drawn and expended during my administration.

1911 was \$ 632.00
1912 was 1225.00
1913 about 1240.00

Besides this the county pays me \$2.50 a day for each day I work on the road, no more nor no less, which is paid out of the general funds, and my team work is paid out of the road fund. Please do not think that I received two days work for one. If there is any taxpayer doubts this statement, I will be pleased to show him that I am correct. I have each days work on road and the county clerk has a record of all of the money I drew and also each day's work.

I am satisfied you have turned down the best friend the tax payers of district No. 31 ever had. Do not say or do anything you will be sorry for in the future.

W. H. HULBERT.

POULTRYMEN ELECT SET NEW OFFICERS

Ed. School of Albany Re-Elected President of Central Willamette Association.

FIVE ALBANY MEN NAMED AS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Show Closes Tonight—Additional
Awards Were Made--
January 6-9 Next Year.

Meeting last night the members of the Central Willamette Poultry Association elected officers for the ensuing year and decided to hold the next annual show here January 6 to 9, the dates of this year's show. After a most successful run the show will close tonight. The Oregon branch of the American Poultry Association and the O. A. C. Food and Poultry display has been run in conjunction with it.

School Re-elected.
Edward School, of Albany, was re-elected president of the association and other officers chosen are as follows: Vice president, W. E. Baker, Albany; Prof. James Dryden, of the poultry department of O. A. C.; R. M. Cain, Scio; Roy Warfield, Alsea; Mrs. J. S. Northrop, Lebanon; Gene Simpson, Corvallis, and J. F. Isom, Halsey. Mrs. Vank, secretary; Alvin C. Baker, assistant secretary; M. H. Worrell, treasurer, and C. B. Winn and C. C. Bray, all of Albany.

Seavers is Superintendent.
F. F. Seavers was chosen superintendent of the next show and was given the power to select his own assistants. It was decided that comparative judging rather than score card system would be employed next year in making the awards.

Awards Made today.
Awards made today are as follows: Golden Wyandottes—E. O. Watrous, Albany, third hen; Pearce and Harrington, first cock, second hen, first and second pullet.

Partridge Wyandottes—A. E. Randall, Scio, first second and third pullet; Mrs. J. N. Wagner, first hen, third cock.

Silver Spangled—Walter Roswurm, third hen, second pullet; Mrs. B. L. Holmes, Albany, third pullet.

Silver Composites—A. G. Propst, Albany, first cock, first and second cockerel, first, second and third pullet.

S. C. Ansones—Mrs. C. G. School, first hen, second and third pullet, third cock.

Black Japanese—Edgar A. Miller, Roseburg, first cock.

Bantams—Walter Roswurm, second cockerel, second and third pullet; Edward School, first pullet, third cockerel, third hen; Warren Gray, first cockerel, second hen, first hen.

Buff Cochins—Bantams—A. J. Steele, first cock, first hen, second hen, third hen.

Japanese Bantams—Walter Roswurm, first cock, first cockerel, second hen, second and third pullet.

White Cornish—George Door, second and third pullet; W. F. B. Spantil, first cock, first and second hen.

Buttercups—P. P. Wright, first cockerel, first hen.

Bronze Turkey—A. G. Propst, first hen, first cockerel, first pullet, second hen; Ed. School, first old tom, second hen.

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CITY NEWS

Sergeant Kantee Here Yesterday.—Sergeant K. K. Kantee, of the Oregon Coast Artillery Reserves, who is detailed from the U. S. Artillery Corps, as an instructor under Capt. R. W. Collins, U. S. A., was in the city last evening and instructed the local militia. Sergeant Kantee makes his headquarters at Eugene.

Poultrymen Return Home.—Tom and Roy Warfield of Alsea, well known chicken fanciers, returned home today after attending the poultry show. They had several entries at the show and captured some premiums.

Correction Made.—In chronicling the facts of the secretary's report submitted at the annual meeting of the Albany Creamery Association, an error was made. The total business for the year should have read \$159,635.99. The average price paid for butter fat was 35 1-2 cents.

Transact Business Here.—Two well known Linn county farmers are in the city this afternoon attending business matters and trading. They are A. B. and C. E. Bond, of near Tallman.

Missouri Family Arrives.—J. D. Head and family, of La Clede, Mo., arrived in Albany last night and are at the Vandran Hotel. They are here as prospective locators.

MINE OWNERS ARE BLAMED IN REPORT

Department of Labor Issues
Statement Concerning Strike
Situation in Michigan.

GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS
REJECTED BY OWNERS

Miners Not Permitted to Leave
Bunkhouses by Armed Guards
Stationed in Camp.

(By United Press Association)
Washington, Jan. 10.—The federal labor department issued a report criticizing the treatment by mineowners of both strikers and strikebreakers in the Michigan country.

Five mediation propositions were outlined, all of which the mineowners rejected.

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Money

We are prepared to furnish money on farm loans in the Willamette Valley at the lowest current rates of interest. Will give five years time and allow the borrower liberal options of prepayment. If you can make more money from your farm by adding livestock and new machinery and new buildings we will let you have the money for that purpose. If you want to dispose of your place, the quickest way to make a sale is to add substantial improvements. When in need of funds call on us.

We are the only established company making long time loans in this county.

**The Oregon Title
and Trust Co.**

ALBANY, OREGON

News Beginning With This Head
1s From the Daily Issue of
SATURDAY, JANUARY 10

Snag Boat in Harbor.—The U. S. Engineers snag boat Mathlona, of Portland, docked here this afternoon after a trip up the river from the Rose City. Many snags were encountered due to the recent rains, and removed.

The Mathlona will proceed to Corvallis this afternoon, returning probably sometime tomorrow afternoon.
C. J. Sanford, of Alsea, returned to his home this morning after attending business here.



PRICES DOWN

TO CLEAR

OUR STOCK

The above bargain lots are odds and ends of left overs which can be made over or worn for a rainy day tog. Garments with a little fullness can be cut down, but the narrow skirt, if it should pass out, could it be cut up? Yes, dear readers, these items are all far below what it costs to make, but we must say good bye, Good luck.

It is truly wonderful what a response we got to our advertisements that announced additional bargains. We trust the people will compare our price quotations with the goods we have to offer and do it with the intention of finding out "Who is Who" in the dry goods lines. Some stores can only quote our headlines, that's as far as they get.

We want you to know that it's a clearing we have on hand and prices cut no figure with us when we set our head to clear out a line. The balcony bargains are without a doubt the best values ever put up by any Albany store. All next week the bargains will be plentiful and we are going to hit the high water mark for a January clearance sale.

We Must Close Out
Next Week Without Reserve

30 Ladies' Coats
at \$2.98 each

35 Child's Coats
at 1.48 each

27 Junior Suits
at 2.98 each

39 Ladies' Dress Skirts
at 1.98 each

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THE BIG SALE IS ON

Hamiltons' THE POPULAR STORE FOR THE PEOPLE

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Unless You Get the Benefit of
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Now Quoted
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