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NEW FIRM BUYS COX & COX STORE

Business Is Largest of Kind in Lane County Outside of Eugene.

A deal completed Saturday at noon made Director brothers and I. Weinstein owners of the general merchandise store owned by Mr. and Mrs. James Cox for the past 15 years. The new proprietors took possession of the business at 1:30 Saturday afternoon.

Director brothers, N. Director, Sam Director and Simon Director of Portland, and I. Weinstein of Burns, will continue in the same lines of business handled by Mr. Cox. During the past few years Director brothers have been engaged in buying and selling stocks of merchandise all over the state, recently having disposed of the Chambers Furniture Co., Imperial Furniture Co., Spencer Hardware Co., and the Pomeroy Jewelry store, all in Salem. They are at present conducting a market for meat and fish in Portland which they will retain. Mr. Weinstein has been engaged in the general merchandise business at Burns.

Mr. Weinstein, N. Director and Sam Director have already arrived to make their home here, having decided to remain in business here instead of disposing of the stock. Simon Director is in charge of the Portland market.

Mr. and Mrs. Cox, who were members of the firm of Jacobs & Cox until 16 years ago, went to Brownsville after disposing of their interest in that business. After remaining there for three years they returned to Springfield and again established a general merchandise business which has been gradually increased to the present stock. They have built up a trade not only local but one that branches out into all parts of the county. It is the largest general merchandise store in the county outside of Eugene.

Mrs. Cox will remain at the store until April. In June both Mr. and Mrs. Cox will go to California for an extended visit, although they intend to make Springfield their permanent home. The trip to California is planned for Mr. Cox's health which has been very poor since an operation nearly two years ago.

DIFFICULT TO DRAW JURY FOR I.W.W. TRIAL

Montenano, Wash., Jan. 28.—After three days of work only five men and one woman had been accepted as temporary jurors in the trial of 11 I. W. W. men charged with the murder of Warren O. Grimm at Centralia on Armistice day.

One of the accused I. W. W. has taken charge of his own defense.

A large number of I. W. W. are reported to be gathering at nearby towns, especially in Elma.

WIFE OF FORMER SPRINGFIELD MAN IS DEAD

Friends of S. W. Cranmer, who left Springfield about four years ago will regret to hear of the death of his wife recently at Lockhaven, Pa. Besides her husband Mrs. Cranmer left a small child.

BOOTH-KELLY COMPANY TAPS NEW TIMBER BELT

The Booth-Kelly Lumber company is extending their line of logging railways above Wendling. The new line will cross the summit of the ridge to the McKenzie side of the mountain and will open a new tract of timber which is said to be one of the finest in Lane county. Two giant scrapers and a steam shovel with a locomotive crane is being used in the work.

The company has also added a new 100-ton Mallet type locomotive to their equipment. This is expected to arrive from the Baldwin locomotive works of Philadelphia some time in April.

A six-foot horizontal re-saw is also on the way and a new 100 K. W. general electric turbine for the Wendling plant, which will be used to avoid running the big turbine at night. All planing machines are to be equipped with gravity rolls, doing away with horses and trucks.

Watch for the next installment of "Crooked Trails and Straight"

RURAL HOME IS A BASIC FACTOR

Conference on Community Life Adopts Resolutions Favoring Better Rural Conditions.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Jan. 28.—Community life interest is the supreme rural interest, recites the resolutions adopted by the community life conference which met at Farmers' week, O. A. C. Sociability, health, education and moral and religious welfare are named as these interests.

"The rural home with its family life is the basic social institution of the country," says the report. "Whatever makes the farm home a more congenial social center—modern conveniences, indoor art, our door plantings, music, reading recreations—contributes to the worth of community life."

School, church, women's clubs and all social and civil organizations are advised to cooperate in safeguarding the interests of the country child. Competent medical supervision, a community hospital and a visiting nurse should be the goal of every rural community.

The rural school course should provide for the country child as complete preparation for life, both in subject matter and duration of schooling, as the city school provides for the city child.

"The local newspaper, the farm periodical and the agricultural magazine—pioneers in service to rural community life—should be part of the equipment of every farm home, school and community center, and should be fully enlisted in the campaign for country betterment."

CHURCH HAS GOOD MEETINGS

We have appreciated the attendance of the people of the church and friends during the special meetings. God richly repaid us for all the effort that has been put forth. The church itself has been blessed by a richer experience. Besides this quite a few were converted and added to the church for which we are very thankful.

FUNERAL OF MRS. TOTTEN TODAY

The funeral of Mrs. J. J. Totten, formerly of Springfield, but recently of South Pasadena, Cal., where she died last week, is being held this afternoon from the Walker chapel. Interment will be in Laurel Hill cemetery. Rev. J. H. Ebert, of the Methodist church, is in charge of the services in the chapel and the Rebekahs who have made all arrangements for the funeral, will conduct them at the grave.

Mrs. Totten has been a member of the Rebekah lodge of Springfield since 1909. She has been ill for a long time.

CHAMBER WILL MEET FRIDAY

Important Business to Be Considered at 7:30 in Stevens Hall—Be There.

A meeting of the membership of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce has been called by President M. C. Bressler to meet in Stevens hall Friday night at 7:30.

There are several important matters to come before the members, one of them being the choosing of permanent quarters for the chamber.

The membership committee has been at work and a number of new members have been signed up.

All members and anyone who is interested in the welfare of the city is requested to be present.

TEACHERS URGED TO COMBAT SMALLPOX

The state board of health has sent to each teacher of this county a letter warning of the present prevalence of smallpox throughout the state, and asking that the teachers cooperate in an effort to stamp out the disease. Their attention is also called to several sections of the Oregon laws on vaccination. The letter says in part:

"Owing to the unusual prevalence of smallpox in the state of Oregon, it is the intention of the state board of health to rigidly enforce the provisions of the sections referred to, and to insist that every child, in any community where smallpox exists, shall be vaccinated or prohibited from attending school unless such child furnishes, to the school authorities, the certificate of the jurisdictional health officer, or some other regularly licensed physician, to the effect that such child has been successfully vaccinated within seven years or has had smallpox."

"Section 2 of the chapter referred to provides that 'the state board of health shall have direct supervision of all matters relating to the preservation of life and health of the people of the state' and provides, further, that 'the board shall have full power in the control of all communicable diseases.' It is not the desire of the state board of health to close any school in the state of Oregon and thereby handicap the children in the attainment of their education, but the epidemic, which threatens to involve every part of the state, must be gotten under control."

"We advise that you seek the cooperation of your co-workers and all teachers and children under your supervision in the matter of immediately securing vaccination. All children, desiring to attend school and who have not obtained a certificate, as above provided, should submit to vaccination at once. All physicians in your district are qualified and equipped to give this vaccination, and county and city boards of health will arrange to provide free vaccination to those unable to pay for same. Should this co-operation be denied, the state board of health has no other recourse than to refuse to permit your school to remain open so long as the epidemic maintains its present threatening aspect."

HAWAII ORDERS EGGS FROM CORVALLIS MAN

Corvallis—Sam Hartsok, a local man who raises chickens in his back lot for amusement, has found it to be a profitable investment by producing a laying strain. He recently received an order for eggs from a man in Hawaii. Hartsok's hens recently took the blue ribbon at the Benton county show as 300 egg producers.

GRAVELING MCKENZIE ROAD EAST OF SPRINGFIELD

A large tractor is now hauling gravel and spreading it on the McKenzie road, working from the east limits of the city. The tractor draws five large wagons, each of which is capable of carrying eight yards of gravel.

TEN MEN MAY TALK AT SAME TIME ON PHONE

New York—The perfection of a method of "wired wireless," by means of which at least 10 and possibly more, conversations may be carried on simultaneously over a single wire by persons thousands of miles apart, will soon be announced by Maj. Gen. George O. Squier, chief signal officer of the United States army, it was learned today.

The method, it was said, makes the long distance telephone virtually limitless. The "wired wireless" is a system of guiding radio currents by means of a wire. Under the method discovered by Maj. Gen. Squier, the message is confined to the vicinity of the wire, thus insuring reliability and secrecy.

In addition to its other uses, it was said that the new method will enable conversation to be carried on between persons on moving trains and friends at fixed points.

The new method entails no additional expense to the telephone and telegraph companies except generators to generate at the high frequency current at either end of the line.

Was It Reproduced?

(The following is taken from a copy of The News nearly a score of years ago, tells of the "high life" of several local people):

Having a Big Time.

"Mr. and Mrs. Will Clark of Junction City, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Clark, of Springfield, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Washburne and Mr. and Mrs. Will Cheshire are spending the week at Montgomery's hotel, 35 miles up the McKenzie. It is said that at this time of year the hotel is crowded and it was necessary to put the entire party in one room. Shortly after they retired the crowd downstairs, who were less fatigued, started dancing. This made Jim Clark feel young again and he jumped out of bed, and to the amusement of the rest of the party, danced the 'can can' in his nightie. The music also inspired Bill Cheshire who gave them a sample of his ability along the same line. After growing exhausted he picked up his coat and carelessly let a bottle drop to the floor. The contents was past saving but as he claimed it was only gun oil, the explanation was accepted. Later he went down stairs and was gone for a considerable length of time and when he came back he could not find his bed. The story as reported to us, is that Will tried to get in every bed in the room and at last gave up in despair and crawled off in the corner by himself. The crowd are having a dandy fine time and the picture of Jim and Will doing the 'cuttashark' will be reproduced at the Gem theater in the near future."

THIEF TAKES CLOTHING

While Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bruce and family were away from home last Thursday afternoon some unknown person entered their apartment in the Elite hotel, presumably between 2 and 3 o'clock, and took away with them a suit belonging to Miss Bertie Bruce, valued at about \$60 in addition to other articles of clothing.

It was necessary for the thief to pass through three rooms in order to obtain the clothing. Miss Bertie Bruce is away from home teaching west of Eugene.

OREGON MAY HAVE THIRD POLITICAL PARTY

Salem, Jan. 29.—Delegates from labor unions and granges from all parts of the state are convening here today.

At the annual convention of the state federation of labor at Bend in October it was decided that the labor unions should make an effort to form another political party in Oregon, in conjunction with the farmers.

It is not yet known what attitude the farmers may take toward the new plan. It is also understood that the farmers are attending at individuals and not as representatives from granges. A number of planks proposed are taken from the Non-Partisan league of North Dakota.

FARMERS ADVISED ON FRUIT PRUNING

Warns Growers to Delay Until Extent of Frost Damage Is Determined.

An extended survey of the experiment division of horticulture of Oregon Agricultural college has shown that damage to Oregon orchards is spotted, varying from slight damage to winter kill in some places.

W. S. Brown, chief of the horticultural division has issued the following report:

"All gradations of injury are found. Among the causes for this difference are condition of tree at time of freezing, variety of tree and location. In a few instances the portion of the tree just above the snow line was entirely killed, while in others the bark and wood were not so seriously hurt as to prevent recovery, though the crop will not set for next year. "In some trees the limbs on the south and southwest sides of the trees may be killed while the remainder will recover. On some limbs patches of bark may die, having later to be cut out and painted and the place bridge grafted."

"Pruning, except on neglected trees is not advised until the extent of the injury appears in April or May. Limbs that are needed later might be cut now and the uninjured buds in the tops will be needed to help pull up the sap in early spring. The more of these buds removed the less will be the circulation pull. The sap should be taken to all parts of the tree to prevent drying out and to give the injured cambium a chance to recover."

A statement on methods of pruning the injured tree will be issued by the station horticulturists as soon as the character of the injury definitely appears.

YOUNGSTER FALLS FROM SECOND STORY OF HOUSE

Last Saturday noon about 12:30 when John Wesley Ebert, the small son of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Ebert, was playing in the upstairs sleeping porch, he fell against the screen windows, which opened outward, letting him fall to the ground, twenty feet below, his stomach striking the paved walk. His head and shoulders struck on the turf, which probably was the only thing that saved his life.

He was taken to a physician but aside from extreme stiffness for a few days no serious results were detected as a result of the accident.

WALTERVILLE SCHOOL PURCHASES VICTROLA

Kenneth Tobias of Walterville was in Springfield Monday on his way to Eugene with representatives from the Walterville high school who were sent to buy a Victrola for the school. Money for the machine was secured from a play given by the students.

FARM EDITOR APPOINTED AGRICULTURAL SECRETARY

Washington, D. C., Jan. 27.—E. T. Meredith has been appointed by President Wilson as secretary of agriculture to succeed David S. Houston who has been appointed secretary of the treasury. Former Secretary of the Treasury Carter Glass resigned to become United States senator from his state.

RED CROSS WOMEN TO GATHER FRIDAY

All women of the local Red Cross chapter who won service stripes for their work during the war, are requested to meet at the home of Mrs. A. B. Van Valzah Friday afternoon. They are asked to bring their questionnaires in order that they may be properly filled out.

A. E. F. SOLDIERS HOME

New York, Jan. 24.—The transport Northern Pacific arrived today with the last of the American soldiers to sail from France.

**Attention,
Farmers!**

There are a number of ex-service men in this state without employment. You are asked to send inquiries for help on your farm to the Springfield American Legion Post, No. 40, through The Springfield News. Or you may phone 2. Specify particularly what you want men to do in order that your needs may be wisely filled.