

SPANKING MACHINE CURE FOR WILD SCHOOL BOYS

New York, Feb. 23.—Schoolboys here don't know that the "spanking machine" in the back room of the city hall is a barrel stove with a handle carried on it," said Mayor Whitaker of Bridgetown, N. J., over the telephone in response to a query, the general public not having been informed before even of the existence of the machine.

"That is," he continued, "the machine is three or four barrel stoves of various sizes designed to meet the various exigencies that arise."

"It has been very successful since I established it about six years ago. I should say that between 50 and 60 boys have successfully undergone treatment. And I have never noticed any lad who has tried it once hurrying back for more."

The mayor made it clear that no one who was officially waving a staff over that part of a lad's anatomy where reform starts in Bridgetown these days ever has tried to get away with that famous old recitation: "This hurts me worse than it does you."

He explained that he laid in the staves with the idea that many boys might be propelled by them along the path of rectitude, who might otherwise go to the state reformatory and from there to a life of crime.

The mayor said that one lad wore padded football pants under his regular trousers when he was brought in to be formally introduced to the "spanking machine." The padded tugs were removed, however—and then—

Only one adult has been spanked. He chose a spanking to 10 days in jail. According to those who know, he still is inclined to be chair shy and for a long time was noted for his politeness in a streetcar, never taking a seat even when ladies were not riding.—Oregonian.

Minor Bays Land.

C. A. Minor has purchased a tract of land consisting of 80 acres and situated on the head waters of Willow creek, from Mrs. Walter Kileup. There is valuable timber on the land. The deal was made through the office of Roy V. Whiteis, local real estate dealer.

Hinton Creek Road Improves.

The county road grader is working the Hinton creek road this week and as a result, a drive up this highway discloses one of the most enjoyable rides to be found in the vicinity of Heppner. The Hinton creek road bed is of substantial quality and offers a good foundation for hard surfacing.

Why Not An Airplane Landing Field For Heppner?

"One question which is receiving the attention of nearly every section of the state today is that of airplane landing fields," says George Quayle, secretary of the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce. "For your information, I will state that a route is now being established from New York City to San Francisco via Salt Lake and it is the plan that a branch from Salt Lake City shall come north-west to Portland and Seattle. This will bring one of the principal landing fields at Baker, La Grande, Pendleton or Heppner."

Heppner needs a landing field. Such a field is needed whether Heppner is made a station on the trans-continental air route or not. There will eventually be a strong local demand for such a field. It has been suggested that this landing field might be provided for in the new fair grounds, as there will be a considerable open space inside of the half mile track. It strikes us as a fine suggestion and one that might well be given a great deal of consideration.

Judge Thomas Hughes Has Tied The First Knot

Judge Thomas Hughes, city recorder, officiated for the first time in the capacity of "marrying parson" on Tuesday afternoon, when he pronounced the ceremony which made Jess E. Brown and Miss Orpha Hogeland man and wife. The wedding took place at the home of Mr. Brown's mother, Mrs. John Brown, in this city. Walter Drumm and Dora Howe were witnesses.

Local Sheepman Married Last Week In Pendleton

Ralph R. Justus, well known local sheepman and son of Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Justus of this city, was married on Tuesday, February 17 in Pendleton to Miss Hilda Helgeson. The bride is a Portland girl. Mr. and Mrs. Justus will be at home to their many friends on the groom's ranch east of this city.

Leap Year Ball.

Once in every four years the female of the species has her chance. That chance comes once more when the Leap Year Ball will be held next Saturday evening at the Fair Pavilion. Cochran & Arthurs will furnish the music and lady floor managers will keep good order and see that the ladies are supplied with partners at all times. It is said that every bachelor in the county will be present.

Concrete Pipe Company Puts Up Building Here

The Walla Walla Concrete Pipe company, which was awarded a contract for ten miles of pipe for Heppner's new gravity water system, will manufacture the pipe here. The company has secured land from the O. W. R. & N. company and has begun erection of a large building near the tracks where all the machinery and other equipment will be installed just as soon as the building is ready to receive them.

Hides Bring Money To

Dobyns the Trapper

Five mink hides and three coyote hides brought Harold Dobyns, government hunter and trapper, the tidy sum of \$127 when he sold them to Phil Cohn, local fur and pelt dealer in this city on Tuesday. This does not include the bounty which was paid on the coyotes by the state of Oregon. Mr. Dobyns has been putting in the winter down on Butter creek, where a number of sheepmen have had him employed to hunt and trap predatory animals. He is one of the most successful hunters in the Northwest.

New Theater For Condon.

Salem, Ore., Feb. 20.—Condon is to have a new theater, according to articles of incorporation filed here today. The company will be known as the Condon Amusement corporation and the capital stock is \$25,000. The incorporators are J. B. Sparks, Lila Cross and Dan Thouvenel.—Oregonian.

George W. Dykstra, who made a business trip to La Grande the past week, stopped off at Umatilla on his return home and had an enjoyable visit with his son, Ressie G. Dykstra, who is principal of the school in the railroad city.

Ralph Justus, who last week became a benedict, is starting married life off in the proper manner. His name is among the new ones added to The Gazette-Times' ever-growing subscription list, this week.

Chas. Erwin of Ione spent Tuesday evening and Wednesday in Heppner. Mr. Erwin is extensively engaged in growing wheat on his big ranch in the Ione section.

MAN WITH 8-HORSE TEAM—wants job on ranch for summer or by the year. For full particulars inquire at The Gazette-Times office. 2tp.

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