

SEES PORCUPINE AND LION FIGHT

Mark Applegate On Elk Creek Has Interesting Experience — After Lion Had Disposed of Enemy Mark Disposes of Mr. Lion.

To see a porcupine and a mountain lion engaged in a battle to the death and to watch it at a distance of no more than 100 feet was the interesting experience of Mark Applegate on Elk creek a few days ago. Mr. Applegate was in Medford Saturday relating his experience. The lion succeeded in putting the porcupine out of business and then Mr. Applegate took a hand and killed the conqueror.

"I was coming down the creek," states Mr. Applegate, "on about three and a half feet of snow when suddenly I noticed just across the gulch from me a mountain lion striking with his paws at some animal which was crouched in under a ledge of rocks. I stood there for fully 10 minutes watching the battle. The lion had run across a porcupine and was after it for food. The porcupine would rush out and put a few of his quills into Mr. Lion and then retire. Finally the lion succeeded in slapping it and it was all day with the porker.

"In the battle the smaller animal succeeded in getting a mouthful of the lion's paw and tore away part of his foot.

"When the lion had finished the porcupine and started to sneak away, I shot and killed him. He measured 11 feet 4 inches from tip to tip.

"The quills of the porker, I found, had penetrated the tough hide of the lion. It was an interesting fight."

Has'ns for Health.

PAVING WORK TO START SOON

Clark-Henry Construction Company's Grader Will Arrive Next Month to Start Season's Work In This City.

The Clark Henry construction company will start work early in the coming month on the completion of their paving contract in this city. Arthur W. Clark, who is in charge of the local work, having written to his company asking them to have the grading outfit here by March 10. Only inclement weather will retard the work.

Last season the Clark Henry company laid over 120,000 square yards of pavement in this city. They still have 150,000 square yards to lay under the old contract.

So satisfactory has been their work and so well has their pavement, asphalt, pleased local people that during the coming season many additional streets will be paved by them if the petitions now piling into the recorder's office asking for asphalt pavement be any criterion.

Not alone are Medford people pleased with the pavement but other cities in Oregon are adopting this pavement. They have, many of them, sent representatives here to examine the pavement and have returned home well pleased. No doubt the Clark Henry people will find their hands full with new work.

Sister Gets Phillips' Coin.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—David Graham Phillips, the novelist recently shot on the street by Fitzhugh Goldsborough, willed all his property to his sister, Mrs. Caroline Frevort of New York. This became public today with the estate consist principally of royalties on twenty one books.

MEDFORD WINS B'BALL GAME

By Over Whelming Score of 31 to 11 Local High School Team Takes Honors From City to the South—Boys Play Good Game.

With a final score of 31 to 11, the Medford High School team defeated the Ashland High School after one of the fastest games ever seen on the Natatorium basket ball floor.

During the first half of the game, when the score was 11 to 9 in favor of the home team, Rader, one of the Medford forwards, made a number of brilliant plays. He scored one foul out of two tries and later in the game threw the ball into the basket twice out of five attempts from the foul line. Three different times, when in possession of the ball at times when no help was at hand, he threw three goals from long range.

The line up of the teams was:

ASHLAND.
Fordney and McWilliams, forwards; Poor, center; Mills and Klum, guards.

MEDFORD.
Rader and Radcliff, forwards; Childers, center; Scoggins and Ware, guards.

Referee—Shaw.
Scores—First half, Medford, 11; Ashland, 9; final Medford, 31; Ashland, 11.

Probate Court.

The following matters are of record on the Probate Docket of the County Court:

The will of the Herro Kennedy Hanna, deceased, was admitted to probate and Helena Hanna appointed administratrix.

The will of Hans K. Hilland, deceased, was admitted to probate. Charles Lindsay is appointed administrator.

SAM RASH IS RASH INDEED

Sent to Insane Asylum in Company With Guard—Had Been in Asylum, but Made His Escape, His Sister Shielding Him for a Time.

Sam Rash, of Woodville, was taken from the county jail in Jacksonville Saturday afternoon to the state asylum for the insane at Salem by Traxelling Guard Cameron. Rash has been held in the county jail since last Wednesday.

Four years ago, Rash, who lived with Mrs. Merrick, a sister, at Woodville, was discovered to be suffering from a mental breakdown and a lunacy commission ordered his incarceration in the state institution.

He was kept there for three years, when, his position as a "trustee" making it easy for him, he made his escape.

He returned to the home of his sister and as he seemed to be so much improved she shielded him until last week, when, becoming suddenly insane again, he wrecked a phonograph, broke up the range and was buying himself upon the family clock when Deputy Sheriff Sam Sandery took charge of him. He was kept in confinement in Woodville overnight and brought down to the county jail.

During his incarceration he caused Jailor Wilson no trouble, but it is expected by the guard that he will raise objection when he discovers that he is nearing the asylum.

Jacksonville Boys Fight.

While Frankie Edwards and Fighting Dick Wheeler were battling for ring honors in a sixteen foot arena in the Medford Opera House last Tuesday night, Sam Walsh and Edward Mowery, both of Jacksonville,

held an informal and unannounced bout in front of the city hall in the county seat town.

The struggle came as the climax of considerable rivalry between the two and resulted in the swelling of

the municipal coffers of Jacksonville by \$20, as each was assessed \$10 by Police Judge Dox for fighting.

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