

SQUIRREL POISON IS NOW READY FOR DISTRIBUTION

Mr. F. E. Garlough assistant in the biological survey of the U. S. department of agriculture has been engaged for the past two or three days in preparing the poisoned barley and will probably be kept busy for several days to come. A quantity of the poisoned grain is ready for distribution and can be obtained at the Rogue River Fruit and Produce association. By having one central mixing plant it has been possible to prepare this poison at a minimum cost. The price to the farmers will be six cents per pound cash on delivery.

Existing organizations should arrange to distribute this poisoned grain from some central place that will be most accessible to their members. Districts that are not already organized, should do so at once in order to handle this in the most systematic manner.

For assistance in the organization of clubs and for other information call at the county pathologist office.

ASHLAND AND VICINITY

The observance of an 88th birthday was made an interesting social event on Wednesday evening in honor of Mrs. Elizabeth J. Calhoun, at the home of her son-in-law A. M. Beaver, 916 Iowa street. The actual birthday was Feb. 23, but its observance was postponed until a more propitious season owing to the weather conditions prevailing at that time. Three generations of relatives were represented at the gathering including Mrs. J. M. Beaver and her daughter Mrs. Orville Glick. Other guests were Mrs. Hatch and daughter Mrs. Eason, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. James and Mrs. Fox. The birthday of Mrs. Hatch and Mrs. James occurred on the same day of the month as Mrs. Calhoun's, but in different years, and

these ladies for several successive anniversaries have naturally celebrated the event in extending greetings to the honored guests whose passing years are made overflowing with pleasing recollections due to these reminders.

Mayor Lanlin was a visitor to Medford on Wednesday inspecting crop outlooks on his big grain ranch in that locality.

The city will make a permanent investment of about 4000 feet of electric wire stringers duly equipped for illumination purposes. This assures the Roundan and general celebration features of material in plenty for street decoration. The expense will be about \$600.

A Chalmers and Stanley Steamer car disputed right of way on Wednesday evening at the corner of Main and Church streets. An expert inquest revealed that each driver was to blame after viewing the wreck of both cars, the steamer being driven by George Barron of this city. The Chalmers was in the danger zone and was conveying a party from Medford. Nobody was injured except the feelings of the respective drivers. An opportune warning to the visiting motorists is the admonition: "Let the lower lights be burning," inasmuch as the hour was after sunset with their cars without illumination at the dusk period.

Grand Master of Odd Fellows, H. H. Westbrook of Portland, is due for an official visit to Ashland lodge No. 45 on Thursday, April 19.

On Thursday evening, Mrs. Maybelle Jordan, worthy matron and Mrs. Caroline Schuerman, associate conductress of Alpha Chapter, No. 1 of the Eastern Star, entertained the chapter officers as a body at the Schuerman home, 214 C Street. A prelude to the house party jollities was a special theatrical attraction at the Vining. Some of the costumes worn by the Stars who monopolized the proscenium boxes were decidedly "humoresk". Owing to the Lenten season, Rev. P. K. Hammond, worthy pastor, and Bill Day, unworthy sentinel—the only two men on the official board—were compelled to forego the pleasure of accepting invitations, and instead sent their regrets and proxies.

The vote at the special election had scarcely been officially canvassed before the dismantling of the old Chautauqua igloo commenced. C.

W. Root is not only bossing the job but will also be superintendent of new construction. F. D. Briggs is chairman of the building committee and G. W. Trobren secretary.

A. W. Gorham, Southern Pacific employee, has been summoned to Medford by the death of his mother. His wife accompanied him and they will be gone about a month.

R. J. Johnson has gone to Taft, Cal., where he has secured employment in the oil fields of that vicinity.

Hornee Mitchell left for California on Thursday. He will visit Chico and other central portions of the state, with the view of locating in that section of the state.

Ashland's annual clean-up-day has been fixed for Tuesday, April 3 and not Friday April 3 as announced by error in local papers. The time is near at hand and none too early to begin a systematic campaign in behalf of improving the appearance of residence and street surroundings. The advice is to destroy what refuse can be burned and have the indestructible stuff ready for cartage to the municipal junk cemetery.

Lieut. Frazer and four other officers from the navy yards at Bremerton, Wash., have been in Ashland this week, investigating opportunities hereabouts for securing enlistments in the various branches of the naval service, more particularly the Coast Defense Reserve.

The California-Oregon Power Co. has secured a long-time lease of the Keno canal, with resulting permission to construct a dam in Links river, near the outlet of Upper Klamath Lake. Ashland parties owning land in that locality consider the lease movement one of mutual benefit to both the farming interests and the power company.

The high school annual publication is considered as good as secured for the current year. It will retain the familiar title of "The Rogue". Leith Abbott will be editor in chief, with Fern Murphy and Fred Payne as associates. Cleo Kirk will act in the capacity of business manager and details as to securing advertising patronage and pledged subscriptions to the popular volume are already being arranged.

The seven days, beginning Sunday, March 25th has been appointed by Governor Witherby as patriotic week, to be observed by an exhibition

of enthusiasm in line with what the term implies. It follows that sooner or later we will have from dissenting headquarters an appeal for the observance of "pacifist week". Should this occur, some of the immortal words of American heroes would need be metamorphosed to suit the emergency. Patrick Henry for instance might be quoted as having said: "Give me safety first, instead of death." Or the gallant Lawrence, prostrate on the deck of the Chesapeake in the sea fight with the Shannon, could have shouted: "Better give up the ship, boys, somebody might get hurt." Or when the fate of the union was trembling in the balance, Grant might have sent his defiant note: "I propose to fight on this line even if I run all summer."

At the meeting of the Auxiliary club next Monday evening, Mrs. Maude Rocho will deliver an address on Women in American Progress.

N. W. Gorham has sold to Miss Grace Chamberlain of Boston, a five-acre tract in Overlook addition southeast Ashland, on which the purchaser will build a new bungalow and make other notable improvements. From this property one of the most beautiful views of the valley is obtained. The Beaver Realty Co., negotiated the transfer. Miss Chamberlain has traveled extensively both in Europe and America, and has decided to locate in Ashland permanently, being attracted by the natural scenic environment here and the added charm of the literary and social advantages on every hand.

Another ancient landmark is secured for destruction or at least removal. This applies to the old bell tower on Chautauqua grounds, which antedates some of the block houses in the effete east. Word has been passed around that this relic will mar the appearance of the grounds, and the fire alarms emanating from the belfry might distort the serenity of chautauqua gatherings close at hand. A traditional diving rod is being employed to locate an eligible site on which to locate the structure which during this renaissance period is no longer classified among historic ruins as being either a tower of strength or silence.

Assemblyman Ream of Siskiyou county is winning the gratitude of matrimonialists by introducing a bill in the California legislature prohib-

iting newspapers from publishing the ages of parties securing marriage licenses, giving as a reason that the prevailing law which governs in that state occasions embarrassment to prospective brides and bridegrooms without serving any good purpose. It has been a cause for wonder, if not amazement, in Ashland and surrounding towns for some time past as to the youthful age reported by some of the couples who lie themselves over to Yreka and Dunsmuir in search of marriage licenses. An average increase of 25 per cent in many instances would not exceed the correct age limit. Like the tariff, the schedules need to be revised.

Ancient the required display of the American flag by fraternal orders, the Masonic lodge in this city has "Old Glory" unfurled within its hall surroundings not only on special, but on every occasion. As a result all the allied branches of the order pay homage to the stars and stripes. This is in accordance with an edict issued by the grand lodge months ago.

THIRTY FOUR KILLED ON AMERICAN SHIP BY TORPEDO

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 23.—The American steamer Healdton was torpedoed Wednesday evening, according to a Terschelling dispatch to the Telegraaf. Three boats were launched, one of which containing eight men, one of the men badly injured, was brought to Terschelling by a torpedo boat. One of the men died on the way. Nothing is known of the other boats. It is believed that fourteen men were killed by the explosion.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—American Consul Mahin at Amsterdam cabled the state department last night that the American steamer Healdton, sunk by a submarine yesterday off Terschelling, Holland, was torpedoed without warning and that twenty of her crew were drowned.

The consul's dispatch follows: "Standard Oil ship Healdton, from Philadelphia for Rotterdam, cargo oil torpedoes without warning, 8:15 evening of 21st, 25 miles north of Terschelling, Holland. Twenty of crew drowned. One died of injuries. Others (taken) to north Holland. Submarine seen after torpedoing. More details to follow."

The sinking of the Healdton adds another grave chapter to the story of war waged against American shipping by Germany to be laid before congress by President Wilson at the special session he has called for April.

STAR THEATRE


TONIGHT

The Great

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THE KING OF HYPNOTISTS.

The Man Who Set the World a "Lafin"



Ask Your Friends Who Saw Him Yesterday

Evening performances	Admission
Only	First 16 rows.....35c
7:15 and 9:00 o'clock	Last 17 rows.....25c
	Children.....15c

THE World of Women

A Real Important Announcement Concerning Our Spring Coats, Suits, Dresses and Millinery

And the announcement is nothing more than that the garments we are selling have been made in modern factories where the sun shines, providing healthful conditions and contentment for the workers. This may not sound very much to you at first, but it does mean much in the finished garment. It means that the workers take an interest in their work. So the detail is given greater care and every effort made to turn out a finished product that will be a credit to them and their profession. And yet these splendid garments are in many cases priced LESS than ordinarily, because the very reason that they are made under improved conditions has made it possible to increase the output, thereby decreasing costs. Your inspection is invited.



IF WE COULD GET EVERY WOMAN IN MEDFORD TO TRY ON ONE OF THE NEW SPRING SUITS, WE'D SELL OUT OUR ENTIRE STOCK IN LESS THAN A WEEK'S TIME.

As a matter of fact, if they could all come to the store the same day, the suits would all be sold in a day's time. They are in such stunning, smart and unusual styles, while the materials employed in the making are so rich and attractive that every woman falls in love with the new suits just as soon as she sees them. And yet in the face of advancing costs these new, desirable and fashionable garments can be purchased at prices, in many cases, LESS than garments of similar character could have been had for in past seasons.

It is practically impossible for us to describe every garment in the store or even enough of them to give you an idea of their beauty and desirability. And whether it is a suit at \$25.00 to the most expensive model at \$50.00, the same satisfying degree of excellence prevails in all.

A VALUE THAT WILL CAUSE MUCH TALKING—SILK DRESSES AT \$25.00.

Just try and picture one of the prettiest silk dresses you ever bought for \$25.00 and then come here and see what these are. They are made of crepe de chine, crepe meteor and sports materials. All the good colors of the season in one style or another. And then note the trimming ideas; silk braid, metallic braid and some beaded. We say again these are the prettiest dresses we've seen in a good long time and particularly at \$25.00.

NEW SPRING DRESSES OF DISTINCTIVE INDIVIDUALITY.

Dresses that are charming in style, that lend an air of grace and beauty to the wearer. Dresses, too, that represent A REAL BIG VALUE. Now please remember that even though you can buy dresses here of the very finest qualities and the very latest fashion thoughts, prices are always based on the idea of giving you full 100% value. New styles do not mean higher prices at this store. The dresses are made of pongee, stantung, Georgette crepe and several sports fabrics. Beautifully designed and dressmaker made. The styles are really wonderful.

OF IMMEDIATE INTEREST WOMEN'S NEW SPRING COATS

Not every day from now on is to be so cold that furs and heavy coats will be needed. Even now we are having days when the sunshine is warm enough to impress upon you the thought that Spring is fast approaching. The well dressed woman and the woman who has learned that it is wisest to dress with the weather, are planning accordingly

Another thing, the very colors in which these coats are to be had, seem to permeate an air of happiness, of sunshine, of joy, of brightness. Such beautiful and pleasing shades we've never seen before. There is no need to say more. Simply come in and try one of the new Spring coats on. Learn how really effective and attractive they are, and buying their new Spring coats now.

Millinery Opening

Special Easter Display

of all the Newest and Noggiest in Pattern Hats on

Saturday, March 24

Special shipment just received for this occasion. Everybody is cordially invited.

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