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ANTLERS CLUB FORMED

ORGANIZATION WILL HAVE A MEMBERSHIP OF FIFTY

Opening and Dedication of the New Heryford Building Will Be Celebrated by a Grand Public Ball

The Antlers Club perfected organization Tuesday evening and it is expected that the quarters in the Heryford Bros. building will be occupied about March 1. The permanent officers chosen were F. P. Cronmiller, president; Dr. E. H. Smith, vice-president; A. L. Thornton, secretary-treasurer, and W. F. Grob and Col. F. P. Light, members of the board of managers, the other members of the board being the president, vice-president and secretary. The board of managers will have the management of the club and they will soon formulate the plans upon which the club is to be conducted. It is expected that there will be a charter membership of nearly 50, and that number will probably be increased very materially during the next three months.

The proposed dance to be given by the club will probably not take place for at least a couple of weeks, for it is desired to have the building practically completed, lighting plant and elevator installed, and everything in readiness

for the inspection of the public when the dance takes place. It will in a way be a joint dedication of the building and the organization of the Antlers Club at the same time.

The club starts out under most auspicious circumstances, and the membership promises to be much greater than was expected. The club is purely a social organization, and its main object is to make life worth the living during hours of rest and leisure and to promote good fellowship. The rooms will be equipped with easy chairs, couches, and the like, and will also provide amusement in the way of cards and billiard tables, reading matter, etc.

The ballroom will be especially attractive with its maple floor and decorations. Practically every convenience has been provided by the Heryford Bros., there being waiting and dressing rooms for ladies, in addition to those provided for the use of the club members and the quarters as a whole will compare favorably with those in the large cities.

RAILROAD RUMORS STILL IN THE AIR

Reported That Hill Will Enter San Francisco Soon

More railroad talk that is worthy of reading is in the following interview which appears in the Lassen Advocate.

In conversation with Isaac Knoch, who came up from the city Monday, it is learned that agents and higher officials of the Western Pacific as well, are completely disgusted with conditions along the line of that road. Mr. Knoch had some talk with one who is in a position to know and from him received information that Hill is coming down through this section soon, and the logical conclusion is that the Western Pacific, disgusted and crippled by its expensive "scenic route" through Plumas county, will meet the northern road some where in Honey Lake valley. Hill may be depended upon to find a way when he gets ready to build, and from certain indications the chances seem to favor the entrance into Honey Lake valley down the Piute creek. The Western Pacific cut-off will give him as direct a route to San Francisco from the point of connection as he could find anywhere, and permit him to get to San Francisco much quicker than he could by going to Doyle over the narrow gauge lines to a connection at that point.

EMBODY SECURES VALUABLE HIDE

Accidentally Kills a Silver Grey Fox Near Silver Lake

Silver Lake Leader: One night last week, at the sawmill, Jack Embody was awakened by the howling of coyotes and the barking of dogs, they kept up such a ruck that he finally became so disgusted that he got up and opened the window and took a shot at the bunch, which was congregated about 100 yards distant. All but one of the marauders quickly dispersed and Jack went back to bed and peaceful slumbers. In the morning he went out to see what he had killed. He found it was a dark gray animal different from anything he had ever seen. Several of the mill hands had gathered around and were inspecting the strange animal, finally one of them offered Jack \$10 for the pelt, which was promptly refused. Someone in the crowd pronounced it a silver gray fox, which proved to be correct. Jack is a lucky fellow, as the silver gray fox is worth about \$1,000 at the present time. There is also a good moral to this story—shoot at all the howling dogs around at night, you may get a silver gray fox—or you may kill a worthless cur.

RUMORED CHANGE IN MAIL SERVICE

Mails Would Be One Day Later After February 1st

Postmaster Ahlstrom has received advice from the chief clerk of the Railway Mail Service at San Francisco that commencing February 1, 1913, and continuing until April 15, service in Lakeview and Reno Railroad Postoffice trains 1 and 2; will be performed daily except Sunday between Reno and Alturas only.

It is reported that owing to the change in weather conditions that this change is not likely to go into effect, as it is believed the N.-C.-O. applied for the change during the heavy snow period.

However, in the event it becomes effective this will make our mail service the same as last year when trains run to Alturas one day and to Lakeview the following day. This would give us mail on Sunday but none on Monday, making the double mail come Tuesday

BANK QUARTERS ARE CONVENIENT

Safety Deposit Boxes Insure Protection for Valuables

The First National Bank and Lake County Loan and Savings Bank are now comfortably adjusted in the enlarged quarters in the First National Bank building on the corner of Water and Center Streets.

A large archway has been cut between the rooms of the old bank stand and where the postoffice was located, which gives a large and roomy office for both banks with separate teller's windows. Entrance may be gained by patrons from one room to another through a passage just outside the railing of the office.

The vault for public safety deposit boxes is situated in the rear on the side of the Savings bank and can be entered without going through the office.

These boxes are arranged with two locks, the lessee having one key while the bank retains the other, thus insuring absolute privacy as well as against ever carelessly leaving the box unlocked. Later a booth will be provided in front of the deposit vault for the benefit of customers.

The new fixtures and furniture that has been installed adds to the convenience of the place as well as the attraction and the institution speaks well for the enterprise of its officials.

EAST SIDE HOLDS BIG RABBIT HUNT

Losing Side Furnishes an Oyster Supper to Victors and Families

The rabbit hunt on the east side of the lake ended last Saturday. The time of the hunt was confined to one week, with boundary of territory to be hunted as follows: north, Lakeview; west, railroad track; south, Deter ranch. The losing side furnished oyster supper to the winners and their families.

Following is a line up of the winning side and the number of rabbits each killed: Steve Down, captain 119, Ralph Vernon 101, Bill Vernon 65, Rob Cogburn 8, Grover Vernon 53, Jack Vernon 73, Willard Vernon 50, Ira McCool 10, George Down 50, Price Vernon 20, Charley Maban 13, E. Smalley 1, Frank Vernon, 6, Iv an Bode 1, Russell Ross 9, R. K. Funk, Tom Little, Jim Duke, I. Eccleston and Bill Powell 0. Total 579.

Losing Side: George Deter, captain, 68, Sam Cogburn 68, Tom Studley 57, Frank Deter 57, Clyde Cogburn 3, Fred Ross Sr. 25, Flint Vernon 59, Fred Ross 23, Ed Hartzog 81, George Barrington 12, Fred Sherrard 13, Andrew Deter 13, E. R. Patch 13, Earl Cogburn 12, Jud Sherrard 13, Jim Powell 11, Ross Duke 5, O. Pratt, Max Bode and Charley Pratt 0. Total 543.

TRAIN SCHEDULE TO BE CHANGED

Possible That Daylight Run Will Be Made From Alturas

A change in the time schedule of the N.-C.-O. is announced to take effect Saturday of this week. While Agent Glass has not as yet received a copy of the time table it is understood that Lakeview is to be given a daily train instead of the present service of six times a week. The time of arrival is 11:30 a. m., while the leaving time is 12 o'clock p. m. Trains will stop over near Alturas. This change is probably made necessary by the soft condition of the road bed in many places which makes it dangerous to operate trains after dark. It is presumed that through trains will be operated again between here and Reno just as soon as the roadbed becomes settled in the Spring.

night. Cut going mail would be dispatched every day excepting Saturdays,

GOOD ROADS SUPPORTED

LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS SEEK ADVICE ABOUT IMPROVEMENT

Judge B. Daly Suggests Highway Legislation That Would Be of Broad Benefit—Urges State Aid for Roads

The question of good roads is one of the uppermost in the present Legislative session, and it appears as if some sort of legislation tending to the betterment of our highways is sure to be enacted. However, there seems to be a woeful lack of knowledge among some of the members as to what would be just and equitable, and therefore the following letter from County Judge Daly in response to a letter from Hon. W. Irving, member of the House committee on Roads and Highways is of especial interest. It sets forth fully and clearly just what is needed in the way of legislation in order that the whole State, especially the sparsely settled portions may be developed rapidly by the aid of good roads. The letter to Mr. Spencer follows:

"Dear Sir: Replying to your letter of the 17th inst., relative to the proposed law providing State aid for County Roads, I beg to inform you that I am in favor of State aid for the purpose of building County roads, because through State aid all of the

taxable property of the State will share equally in the expense of constructing and maintaining the public highways, while under the provisions of the present law, all property situated in incorporated towns is exempt from a road tax, so that the agricultural, horticultural livestock and timber interests pay the entire cost of building and maintaining the public highways of Oregon. But the method which your Committee proposes, for appropriating to each County a flat sum of \$10,000 to be raised by a State tax, lacks every element of justice and equity, because the five Counties of Crook, Harney, Klamath, Lake and Malheur, contain almost one half of the entire area of the State, and while these counties have nearly one half of the total mileage of the County roads in Oregon, they would only receive \$50,000, and the other 29 Counties, with only about one half of the State's area, would get \$290,000. The mere statement of these facts should be sufficient to convince

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LEGISLATURE IS BREAKING RECORD

Second Week Sees Much Business Finished at Salem

Probably the most important event during the week's activities was the formal election in the legislature of Dr. Harry Lane of Portland as United States Senator from Oregon to succeed Jonathan Bourne. This as according to Statement No. 1 was merely carrying out the wishes of the people, as they virtually elected Lane at the general election last Fall.

The House bills that have already been acted upon and passed that body are:

H. B., 5, by Carpenter Repealing an old law providing that the Governor may publish the laws of the state relating to the collection of money due it.

H. B., 10, by Forstrom Repealing a law providing that when a county has no County Clerk, the clerk of the County Court shall discharge his duties.

Seven bills were also passed by the House in one day. Most of these bills were introduced just seven days before their passage. Two of them repeal dead sections of the statutes, two others amending existing laws, one abolishes the office of State Land Commissioner, another provides for inspection by the State Board of Health of all public and private sanitoriums, and another relieves circuit judges of the necessity of reading statutes in toto.

The Senate acted upon the bill for creating a legal holiday of Lincoln's birthday. Their vote makes this a

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Catholic Lectures

Lectures on Religious topics for educated people. Beginning from next Wednesday evening, Feb. 5, there will be given a lecture every Wednesday evening in the Catholic church. Lectures begin at 8 p. m. sharp and the following subjects will be scientifically and logically treated: On Feb. 5, Does God exist and what is there of religion? Feb. 12, Has man a soul and is it immortal? Feb. 26, Does reason oppose faith and what necessity of revelation? March 5, Are the bible and the scriptures to be held as authentic? March 12, Is Jesus Christ a divine person? March 19, Why am I a Catholic? March 21, Passion of our Lord and reason of our trials and sufferings. Non Catholic cordially invited.

Rev. P. P. Kern.

ASKS TO CHANGE NAME OF VALLEY

Sain Says Name Crooked Creek Valley Is a Misnomer

Summer Lake Dyke, Paisley, Oregon, Jan. 24. (To the editor)—I have received many inquiries from people who want to know if I found the watch I lost the day Mr. Malbery and I stopped to take photographs on Crooked creek, and one of these comes from as far as Lawrence, Kansas. J. L. Ratliff writes from that city, saying he is the owner of two 40-acre tracts in that section. He also wished to know the length and width of the valley. Is the land good for farming? Is the valley settled? Is there any prospect of a railroad?

First let me say Mr. Moss found my watch on the return trip. Next I would like to suggest that we change the name of Crooked Creek to Chandler valley. My principal reason for this is that the old name detracts from the commercial importance of one of the prettiest and most fertile valleys in the state of Oregon.

Crooked creek is a misnomer; it signifies nothing. The valley is a straight line for eighteen miles, and besides Crook county has already appropriated the name of Crooked to one of its streams.

I am indebted to Dr. Daly for the name of Chandler Valley, or rather the two of us devised it together. What could be more appropriate than this tribute to an old settler who has lived in this valley forty years? In his home stands the Jim Hill silver cup for the best general farm display in the intermountain country, and the products were all grown in Chandler Valley.

Chandler Valley is bound to become celebrated as offering the most available route for a north and south railroad through Antlers pass. To my mind the prospects for this railroad are very bright.

The people I am representing have appropriated all the surplus flood water in Chandler Valley. Our engineers will make the surveys and estimates next month, and if the expense is warranted we will build a storage reservoir to conserve all this water that now goes to waste.

This is why we wish to do away with the old name. But we can not do this without the cooperation of the residents of that valley, and especially of

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SWAMP LAND BILL PASSED OVER VETO

As Explained, Power Is Vested With State Land Board

The Oregonian of January 24 gives the following explanation of Senator Thompson's vetoed bill regarding swamp lands, which was recently passed by the House and senate notwithstanding the veto of the Governor in 1911:

The bill provides that the State Land Board, for and in behalf of the State of Oregon, is authorized to enter into contracts with persons or incorporations for the drainage of any lakes, marshes or swamps lying within the state, or for the drainage of that part which is in the state of any lake, marsh or swamp lying partly in Oregon or partly in another state.

It also provides for the reclamation of lands forming the beds of or submerged by any such lakes, marshes or swamps and for the sale of such drained lands to the persons or corporations which drain and reclaim the same.

The bill in itself does not automatically operate to deprive the state or any individual of such lands, but it gives to the State Land Board full and discretionary power to take such action as it desires toward entering into contracts for such drainage and reclamation. It is not particularly directed toward any particular lake, such as Warner Lake or Anderson Lake, but includes all the lands in the state.

There is a vast chain of lakes in Southern and Eastern Oregon which would come within the meaning of this bill. Around their shores are valuable lands which are now considered practically worthless, but which, under the operation of the bill, should become a law over the veto of the Governor, would furnish great and invaluable resources for the State of Oregon.

The bill makes further important provision that all of the money that shall be received by the State Land Board under its provisions shall be paid to the State Treasurer and be placed by him in the common school fund.

Through the operation of the bill large sums of money would be diverted into the common school fund at the same time that now undeveloped resources of the state would be opened up and placed under the process of development.

LAKEVIEW PARTY VISITS FAIRPORT

New Inn Has All Conveniences For an Ideal Pleasure Resort

The first step to bring the Fairport Inn, since its opening, in connection with Lakeview from a pleasure standpoint was made last Saturday night when about twenty people went down from here and enjoyed the evening in dancing and merriment.

The trip was made in two bob sleds each having four horses for motive power. The party left Lakeview at four o'clock in the afternoon, reaching the Inn about eight in the evening.

Upon arrival the guests were seated to a sumptuous dinner which had been prepared under the able supervision of Host J. N. Ford. The dinner which consisted of three courses was very nicely gotten up and served in a most creditable manner. V. L. Snelling, the affable mayor of Fairport, was there to assist in looking out for the crowd, in a manner in which only he knows how to do.

The new Inn is elegantly equipped with all necessities and many luxuries for the guests, and its capable management, upon this occasion, showed that guests are assured all the comforts of life.

Mr. Chas. Gott of Lakeview and Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. Parsons, of Fairport, who played the piano alternately, furnished the music for dancing.

Each of the visitors pronounced the affair to be one of the most pleasant incidents of their life and left with the avowed declaration of repeating the trip at the first opportunity.

Pen Did Not Look Good

Two rabbit drives were held Tuesday near the Hopkins ranch where the pen was set Sunday at which over 1300 more of the pests were destroyed. Another drive will be held Sunday at the same place, the crowd meeting at the Hopkins place at eleven o'clock.

The rabbit drive Sunday west of town had all appearances at the start of being the most successful of the season until the animal were herded in near the mouth of the pen when they deliberately stampeded and hundreds of them succeeded in forcing their way through the crowd, making their escape. It is estimated that nearly 5000 rabbits were surrounded but the final count showed that less than 1000 had been killed.