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The primary election will be held in April, and the registration books are now open. Register now and be sure of it.

With Hughes definitely in the race for the Presidency nomination for the Republican situation is even more complicated than ever. The number of avowed candidates in the field, each with more or less numerous following, makes the chances of the "dark horse" much better, and no doubt several of them are being quietly groomed for the race should the psychological moment occur.

A message of dire importance came rumbling under the sea a few days ago all the way from London to New York. It was from the syndicate of the former city, that controls the entire output of diamonds from two of the great diamond mines of Africa, to a diamond importing company of the latter, saying that the present price of diamonds will be maintained at all hazards.

Senator Fulton Monday secured a favorable report on his bill dividing Oregon into two judicial districts, one west of the Cascades, the other east of the mountains. Later, by unanimous consent, he called up and secured passage of the bill through the Senate. The bill provides that the judge in each of the present District Court shall be assigned to the western district and that new appointments be made for the eastern district.

Hendricks, Sleser and Mays must have felt proud of themselves when they turned State's evidence and went on the witness stand against Hall. "When thieves fall out, honest men get their dues," is an old and more or less true saying, but in this case it is just the fear of punishment and hope of immunity brought about the condition. It is the province of the prosecution, of course, to make its case stronger by confessions of accomplices in crime, but it doesn't raise the confessions in the estimation of the people.

There seems to be considerable unnecessary worry over the question of "what we shall do with ex-presidents." What's the matter with doing as we always have done. Let them alone to rest after the strenuous efforts of four to eight years in reconciling warring heads of departments and dodging applicants for soft snaps. There is only one ex-president now and he seems to be able to take care of himself, and when Mr. Roosevelt finally becomes an "ex" we have an idea that he will do about as he has done while in the executive chair—about as he wants to.

May Make Second Entry.

Both houses of congress have passed the bill introduced by Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, permitting the making of second homestead entries. The bill, as finally agreed to, was somewhat amended, but in effect it provides that any person who has forfeited his homestead entry through no fault or neglect of his own, or who was unable to perfect his entry because of an honest mistake a second homestead entry, but under such circumstances he will not be permitted at any later day to acquire title to the first land which he attempted to enter. A provision was inserted in the bill denying the sec-

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and homestead privilege to entrymen who have sold out.

Many honest homesteaders, through insufficient knowledge of the law, or because of adversity, have been unable to obtain patent under the public land laws and yet have not been permitted to make a second entry.

Such entrymen have been virtually denied the right to exercise their homestead rights, for in effect, though they attempted entries they acquired nothing. The new law will correct this and insure every honest entryman title to 160 acres of land giving him a second trial if he falls on the first.

Card of Thanks

We wish to extend our appreciations of the kindness of our neighbors and friends during the recent illness and at the death of our brother Thomas F. Young.

Peter F. Young,
Clara Young,
Mrs. J. A. Owens,
Mrs. George Givans

Another Bunch of Renewals.

When a newspaper can print a list of renewals like the following, it doesn't look very much like its publisher would have to walk out of town. It is little appreciations such as these that makes a newspaper man feel that not every foot of his pathway is strewn with thorns and cobble stones. These names below are only a few of the recent renewals. Others will follow later:

- A. D. Hall, Medford
- Lee Watkins, Central Point
- W. E. Scull, Ionia, Mich
- R. A. Pack, Lake Creek, Oregon
- J. W. Pruitt, Central Point
- M. H. Coleman, Talent, Ore
- Mrs. B. L. Parker, Butte Falls
- J. W. McCov, Klamath Falls, Ore
- F. P. Feehey, Reena, Calif
- F. P. Wagner, Applegate, Ore
- H. J. Buntin, Cincinnati, Ohio
- Herman King, Medford
- W. M. Martin, Beagle, Ore
- E. G. Perham, Marshfield, Ore
- Gus Newbury, Jacksonville, Ore
- Taylor House, Jacksonville, Ore
- John Morris, Ashland, Ore
- M. D. Wilson, Ashland, Ore
- W. T. Grieve, Pers Ist Ore
- Mrs. A. Lane Wyland, Eagle Point
- Ed. M. White, Climax
- E. C. Pomeroy, Beagle, Ore
- Wm Moore, Wimer
- A. B. Simpson, Phoe nix, Ore
- J. A. Morev, Medford, Ore
- G. W. Pugh, Ashland, Ore
- T. B. Higginbottom, Prospect, Ore
- H. A. Fergus, Hornbrook, Calif
- G. M. Jones, Medford
- J. W. Bonar, Medford, R. F. D.
- Wm Charley, Medford, Ore
- W. P. Morse, Medford, Ore
- H. L. Gregory, Central Point, Ore
- Adel Kallstrom, Bristol, Conn
- C. J. Clark, Talent, Ore
- R. C. Bruce, Derby, Ore
- E. J. Armstrong, Medford, Ore
- Chas. Beal, Rogersville, Tenn
- I. A. Armstrong, Medford, Ore
- E. Emmett Beeson, Talent, Ore
- A. C. Taylor, Medford, Ore
- Mrs. Mary Nye, Medina, N. D.
- A. J. Suga, Nugent Texas
- J. W. Ferguson, Union, Ore
- W. K. Carman, Rocklin, Texas
- W. W. Gregory, Central Point, Ore
- P. C. Bingham, Medford
- Chas. W. Austin, Derby, Ore
- C. C. Taylor, Medford, Ore

Resolutions of Condolence.

Whereas, It has pleased the Supreme ruler of the universe to remove from our midst our beloved brother, E. W. Calkins and,

Whereas, The members of Medford Lodge, No. 421, of the Fraternal Union of America, have suffered an irreparable loss in the decease of brother Calkins, therefore, be it,

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved relatives and sorrowing friends of our esteemed brother our sincerest sympathy and be it further, Resolved, That the charter of Medford Lodge No. 421, of the Fraternal Union of America, be draped in mourning for a period of 30 days, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this lodge, a copy sent to the local papers, and one to the Fraternal Union for publication.

W. H. Jackson,
Mrs. L. A. Jordan,
Sarah A. Jackson,
Committee.

Headquarters to H. Harrison Post No. 67 dept. of Oregon G. A. R. Central Point, Oregon, January 23, 1908.

Whereas Through the ruthless hand of the great enemy, death, this Post has again been called upon to mourn the loss of one of its most valued members in the person of Merritt Elliott, Co. A, 12th Illinois Cavalry, who died January 19, 1908, at his home in Central Point. He leaves a family and a host of friends who mourn his death and now be it,

Resolved That in the death of Comrad Elliott this Post has lost one of its most efficient members, the community an honest citizen, friend and neighbor, and his family a kind and devoted father and husband.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the post minutes and a copy sent to the Southern Oregonian, Medford Mail and Central Point Herald.

Comrade Elliott was a charter member of W. H. Harrison Post, No. 67 Dept. of Oregon G. A. R.

J. W. Hicks,
Geo. Perkins,
John Tewell,
Committee.

Greater Medford Club

The Greater Medford Club held its regular monthly meeting Monday, January 27. The attendance was large, and much enthusiasm prevailed, and there was a determination to start the library as soon as the new city hall is ready for occupancy. People in every walk of life are benefited by a good library. It will be a lasting monument to the generosity and progressiveness of the Medford people.

Good schools, churches, and a public library are always an incentive to new comers to locate in a town.

The committee appointed to solicit library funds from the business men reported very good success, but a more thorough canvass of the town will be made until the necessary amount is collected.

The library will be a great benefit to the young people and with the aid of the school teachers a small collection from each pupil, would be a great help—Each club member was to collect \$5 and bring to meeting—many responded and those that were not notified or are new members can bring the amount to the next meeting, on the last Monday of February.

Among the new members are Mesdames Carver, Miles, Kent, Welch, Walker, Page, Miller, Corey and Palm.

Controlling Bear Creek

A few small pieces of work done along Bear creek last fall to try and turn the channel shows what might be done to save much valuable land lying along that stream. If the work was done on a more extensive scale, E. Gibbs built a dam and breaker—this was built of brush and boulder placed slightly across the current—thus shielding the bank and turning the current, that has stood the high water so far. The secret of success seems to be that the water flowing over the obstruction must fall upon brush, or something that will not allow the washing away of the gravel below the dam thus built and the clearing of drifts and all obstructions in the way of a straight channel.

Subscriber.

Spread the News.

Colonist rates March 1st to April 3, 1908. The colonist rates in effect March 1, 1908, will be \$38 from Chicago. From Missouri river common points, Council Bluffs to Kansas City, Mo., including also St. Paul, and Minneapolis will be \$30. St. Louis \$35.00. Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo will be \$30.

Just received two barrels of 1 bat famous Houston sorghum at Hutchings & Lueders's.

A Desperate Chance



THE ESCAPE

"A Desperate Chance" built upon the lines of the famous Biddle Brothers case at Pittsburg, which is still fresh in the minds of the public, will be the offering at the Medford Opera House Friday, January 31.

The Majestic Amusement Company, under whose management this attraction is presented, have, after considerable trouble, secured the horse and sleigh in which Mrs. Soffel, the wife of the warden of Pittsburg prison assisted in the escape of the Biddle Brothers and will be seen at each performance of "A Desperate Chance." The police department of Pittsburg also furnished the pistols, handcuffs, and clothes used in securing these noted criminals after the long fight in the snow drift where the horse, tired of his long drive had, given out.

NORTH MEDFORD ITEMS.

(By J. G. Martin.)

Geo. Owens received the sad and unexpected news Monday of the death of his brother, Ephraim, who was found dead Saturday in a lonely place in Salina county, California. The remains will be brought to Medford and buried in Jacksonville cemetery.

Ed Hooker and son have one of their houses on the west side of North C street pretty well along.

J. E. Watt of north B street is having another of the old familiar landmarks, old fence and barn, removed from his pretty residence property, that was built in our city's infancy. Its removal will add beauty and attractiveness to our pretty North school building and surroundings.

I. J. Stacy, the G. A. R. veteran, of our city, is paying his son, G. W. Stacy and family, of Antioch section a visit.

John D. Owens and son, Ernest, took the train Saturday for their home in Gathenburg, Nebraska, after a few months pleasant visit with Mr. Owens' mother and brothers of North C street. They became very much infatuated with our growing valley and city.

Mrs. Chas. Turpin, of North C street is in attendance at the sick bedside of her aged mother, Mrs. Frank Wade, of Central Point, who is having a siege with the measles at this late day in life.

James Hriscoe, the well known farmer and stock raiser of Evans creek, tarried in the city Monday night.

Suggestions to Rural Delivery Patrons.

Postmaster Woodford desires to call attention to the practice of some patrons of rural delivery of placing loose coins in their boxes each time they desire to dispatch letters instead of supplying themselves with postage in advance of their needs.

This practice imposes undue hardship on rural carriers in removing loose coins from boxes and delays them on the service of their routes.

The postmaster, therefore, urgently requests that patrons of rural delivery provide themselves and keep on hand a supply of stamps consistent with and in advance of their needs. It is also very desirable that rural patrons place in their mail boxes small detachable cups of wood or tin in which to place coins, when necessary, in purchasing supplies of stamps.

Horticultural Society

The Rogue River Horticultural Society will meet in Medford on Saturday of this week at 2 o'clock. Topics of general interest will be discussed, especially spraying. All horticulturists of the valley, whether members of the society or not, are asked to attend this meeting.

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1—4 lots, new 4-room house, barn, woodshed and well, nice location. Price \$1300.

2—2 lots, 50x100 ft. each, 6-room house, in North Medford. Price \$1700.

3—1 lot, new 8-room house, two nice shade trees, south front. Price \$850.

4—\$1408 acres, combined stock, fruit, timber and mining ranch, well located, worth twice the money, if you can handle this proposition don't fail to look it up at once. Price \$25000.

5—100 acres, a fine mountain ranch, with irrigation. Price \$6000.

7—3 1/2 acres, fine garden land, well improved, joining Medford. Price \$2500.

8—1 acre, in North Medford, 5 room house, and barn well, woodshed. Price \$1000.

9—80 acres near Medford, good improvements, \$1000 outfit goes with place. Can be irrigated. Price \$9000.

10—18 acres near Medford, in the finest fruit district, with buildings and over half in fruit, mostly three year old. Price \$8000.

11—40 acres of fine bottom land, 5 acres of Newtowns beginning to year, 12 acres of alfalfa. Price \$8000.

12—180 acres fine timber and stock ranch, and mining proposition, near good road. Price \$3600.

13—160 acres, a splendid ranch, 80 acres farm land, 43 acres alfalfa, 200 inches mining irrigation, fine irrigation proposition, sandy loam land, 6-room house, two barns, new house, shop, 2 miles from good town, good well, berries, fine open range. Price \$8000.

14—50 acres finely improved, well located, choice alfalfa land. Price \$10,000.

15—160 acres fine timber proposition. Price \$2500.

16—4 acres joining Medford, nice new 5-room house, good well, barn, and chicken house. Price only \$1800.

17—10 acres, 6-room house, 3 acres in fruit, good location. Price \$2000.

18—50 acres of fine alfalfa land, near Phoenix. Price \$125 per acre.

19—20 acres, 6-room house, good condition, two barns, wood shed, smoke house, blacksmith shop good well water, springs. 2 acres of bearing orchard, 14 acres young orchard, 12 acres Spritz and Johnathan, 2 acres apricots and peaches, place well located, 1 1/2 miles to P. O. Price \$6000.

20—320 acres well improved, 100 acres cleared, fine springs, 9 miles from Gold Hill. Price \$5500 and a special bargain.

21—10 acres near Medford, well improved, all set to fruit, 5 acres bearing, 5 acres young trees. Price \$3,500.

22—1 lot close in, 7-room house, city water, small house on back of lot; rents for \$20 per month. Price \$2000.

23—2 acre, fine front, as nice a location as there is in the city, south front on 7th street, good 5-room house, well, woodshed, good barn, chicken house and park, fruit trees and lawn. Price \$3200.

24—1 1/2 acres, south front on 7th street; nice building site. Price only \$400.

25—160 acres splendid fruit and wood ranch, some improvements, 40 acres cleared, well located, near P. O., school and store. A bargain at \$2500.

26—27 acres in the "midst of choice fruit district of the valley. New improvements, 5-room house, half acre of strawberry patch, beautiful location, 3 1/2 miles from Medford, 12 acres in one-year old Bartlett pears. Special bargain at only \$3000.

27—43 acres, Medford corporation lines on two sides, a choice piece of bottom land, good house, some fruit, two large barns, would make a splendid place to plant in town lots. Price only \$400 an acre.

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SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Jackson.

F. W. Gaines, Plaintiff, vs. Ella Gaines, Defendant.

Summons in Equity for Divorce.

To Ella Gaines, the above named defendant: You are hereby notified to appear and answer the complaint of the plaintiff filed against you in the above entitled court and cause on or before the last day of the time prescribed in the order for publication of summons hereto, to-wit: on or before the 15th day of March, 1908, said date being the expiration of six weeks from the day of the first publication of this summons. And if you fail to appear and answer, for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in plaintiff's complaint, succinctly stated, as follows:

For a decree of the Court abrogating and dissolving the marriage contract now existing between plaintiff and defendant; for judgment against the defendant and in favor of plaintiff for the costs and disbursements of this suit to be taxed, and for such other and further relief as to the Court may appear just and equitable.

This summons is published in the Medford Mail by order of Hon. H. E. Hanson, Judge of the above entitled Court, which said order was made and entered of record on the 6th day of January, 1908, and in obedience thereto the date of the first publication hereof is the 31st day of January, 1908.

W. E. PHIPPS, Attorney for Plaintiff.

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed, by the County Court, of Jackson county, Oregon, administrator of the estate of Rebecca McDonough, deceased. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present same, with proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned at Central Point, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice. Dated and first published this 31st day of January, 1908.

W. E. KAHLE, Administrator.

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BEN A. LOWELL

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