

# TAFT WILL TAKE A VACATION

CINCINNATI, Nov. 6.—President-Elect Taft and Mrs. Taft left here tonight for Hot Springs, Va., where Mr. Taft will remain until Thanksgiving day. This is the quietest day Mr. Taft has had since the election. He had a conference with Myron T. Herrick, but said afterward no matters of significance were discussed. While no official announcement has been made, it is known on reliable authority that F. W. Carpenter will be Mr. Taft's secretary to the president, succeeding William Loeb, who can have the secretaryship of the navy if he so desires.

## Must Get License

President Roosevelt, not having signified his intention of asking special privileges for the hunting trip in British East Africa through diplomatic channels, it is supposed in London that he will take out an ordinary \$250 license from the colonial office. This, however, has not yet been applied for, though it is always usual to demand such licenses several months in advance. Under them each hunter is limited to 60 animals, except in cases of lions, leopards and crocodiles, of which he may shoot as many as he wishes.

As set forth in the new licenses, the president may kill two elephants, two rhinoceros, ten hippopotami, twenty-one antelopes, two buffaloes, two earth hogs, ten chevrolets, two marabou storks, two ostriches, two egrets and one chimpanzee. Giraffes, wild asses, secretary birds and a number of other species are forbidden to any hunter not armed with special privileges.

Ladies, if you want to sell your hair or have it made up, take it to Mrs. L. L. Reames, corner Fourth and J. Medford, Or.

## DENTISTS COMMIT SUICIDE

Son of Dr. F. B. Wilson Used Gas to End His Life at Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 6.—With the bed clothes pulled up over his head and a piece of rubber tubing, one end of which was attached to a gas jet near his bed, firmly grasped in his hands, Dr. James Lawson Wilson, aged 32, a dentist, and son of Dr. F. B. Wilson of Washington, was found dead in bed here today. Despondency and worry over a brother, Dr. Ross Wilson, of Oklahoma, to whom he was attached, are said to be the causes for the tragedy.

Dr. F. B. Wilson, father of the dead man, who was notified of his son's death, arrived in the city this afternoon and took charge of the body. "He was a good boy," he said, "and I had hoped for a bright future for him. I had given him every opportunity and he gave promise of being unusually successful in his profession. The only reason I can assign for his taking his life is that he was worried over his brother."

Dr. Wilson was a graduate of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, class 1901. He was first associated with his father in Washington, but about two years ago he opened an office here. He had a large practice. Besides his father he is survived by his mother, who lives in Cumberland; one brother, and a sister, Mrs. Dr. Henry Hodgson of Lonsdale, Md.

## PORTLAND SCANDAL

Big Sensation Caused by Exposure in Postoffice.

PORTLAND, Or., Nov. 6.—That several leather carriers' satchels were found in the vaults in boxes supposed to have been filled with stamped envelopes was brought out yesterday in the hearing before United States Commissioner Cannon of Charles A. Straus, the suspended cashier of the Portland postoffice who has been charged with embezzlement. They were discovered May 5 or 6. Straus left the office in April. The stamped envelopes supposed to have been in the boxes were worth \$212.

That someone else got the money is evidently to be the defense of Straus, who has been charged with a shortage in his accounts of \$4000. The defense has also endeavored to show that there has been considerable personal feeling between the postmaster and Straus for some time and that incidentally politics had been injected into the game.

Miss Ella E. Bollman, who has been in the cashier's office three years as Straus' assistant and who is now in charge of the work, was on the stand and stated that she had heard a conversation between Mr. Minto and Mr. Straus which was to the effect that she (Miss Bollman) was to be replaced by Dr. J. J. Storey from Washington, who had worked in the department there.

Mr. Straus, it seems, objected to placing Storey in his office on the grounds that he was incompetent and that he was not a stenographer.

Postmaster Minto on the stand officials had asked him if he had a position here for Storey as he had requested to be transferred. He said that he had never discussed the matter of replacing Miss Bollman by Storey and that his intentions were

to give the finance clerk additional help.

Miss Bollman said that she had overheard the conversation about putting Storey in her place.

Charles J. Schnabel, Straus' attorney, clashed with the postmaster while on the stand, and it was necessary several times for the commissioner to interfere. It was intimated by the attorney that Minto had written to Washington, endeavoring to have Storey placed. This the postmaster denied. The question of salary was a discursive one at length, the defense endeavoring to bring out that while others in the local office had received an increase in salary the postmaster had written to Washington recommending that no increase in Straus' allowance be made. Mr. Minto also denied this statement.

The most startling evidence brought out, beyond the details of the satchels taking the place of the stamped envelopes, by Miss Bollman was a statement that on June 30 she had been ordered to make certain changes in her bookkeeping accounts at the direction of Mr. Minto. This was for the sum of \$313, representing stamps supposed to have been sold.

"Mr. Minto had me change the debit of \$313 from red to black ink," Miss Bollman said, "saying that he didn't want the inspectors to know anything about the shortage."

Miss Bollman explained that she had put the figures in red because of the discrepancy and to keep them separate from the other accounts.

This was brought out by counsel for the defense. Later, upon cross-examination by Walter H. Evans, assistant district attorney, Miss Bollman said that the entry had been made to make the cash receipts balance with the stock of stamped envelopes and postal cards. Nineteen thousand stamped envelopes couldn't be accounted for, it seems, and the entry in the books was made to account for them. The black ink was made, she said, at the direction of J. J. Shipley, the assistant postmaster.

This all happened after Mr. Straus left his office. Mr. Shipley, the witness said, started the checking up of accounts. His first discoveries were that between \$1300 and \$1400 was missing. Several letter carriers' satchels, the witness testified, were found in boxes which were supposed to have contained stamped envelopes worth about \$212.

## MINTS MAKING NEW COINS

Turning Out \$5 Gold Pieces With Depressed Faces.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—The mints of Philadelphia, San Francisco and Denver began today coining new \$5 gold pieces, struck on a different plan from any heretofore coined in the world. It follows an idea expressed to President Roosevelt by Dr. William S. Sturgis Bigelow of Boston, that to permit the coins being piled to a uniform height, a higher or stronger relief might be obtained by depressing the design below the field or face of the coin, instead of raising it above, as usual, in all coinage operations. This would provide a flat field and a uniform thickness, the flat surface taking the wear and protecting the relief, the shape of the depression following the outline of the relief.

The same design will be used on the new \$2.50 gold pieces and all will bear the "In God We Trust" motto.

## ARMY OFFICER'S WIDOW

She Committed Suicide Because Her Taxes Had Been Raised.

ELKTON, Md., Nov. 7.—Mrs. Annie Evans, widow of Colonel Andrew E. Evans, of the United States army, committed suicide at her home here by hanging. She was greatly worried on account of the county assessment law increasing her taxes on securities. She feared it would greatly reduce her income.

## One More Dreadnought

DAVENPORT, England, Nov. 7.—The Colingwood, the most powerful of all British battleships, and the sixth vessel of the Dreadnought type, was successfully launched this afternoon.

## WILL STICK TO GOMPERS

Omaha Labor Union Instructs to Vote for Him for President.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 7.—The Central Labor Union of Omaha adopted resolutions tonight instructing its delegates to the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, which will meet at Denver next week, to vote for Samuel Gompers for president, first, last and all the time.

## INLAND SHIP CANAL

CHICAGO, Nov. 7.—The proposition submitted to the people at Tuesday's election to bond the state for \$20,000,000 to construct a canal from Lockport, Ill., to Utica, Ill., on the Illinois river, was carried by a large majority. The United States government has promised to complete the canal beyond the Illinois state line. Thus a ship waterway from Chicago to the Mississippi is assured.

## The Springfield fugitives are flocking to the south for safety.

Mail Want Ads Bring Results.

# OUR COUNTY Correspondents

## STRINGTOWN ITEMS.

(By M. O. C.)

Mrs. E. M. Cox and Mrs. J. B. Meehan of Medford were out the first of the week buying vegetables and eggs and butter.

E. M. Reese and H. G. Parker of Ashland were guests at the home of C. Corey and wife Monday.

D. O. Toole, our old-time section boss, was among his many friends here Monday. He will go on to Dunsmuir.

Members of the Ladies' Aid gave a dinner in W. O. W. hall in Phoenix on election day. This dinner was a good one and they realized a goodly sum off both dinner and supper.

Although there was quite a large crowd gathered here on election day, all was quiet and orderly.

## JACKSONVILLE NEWS.

### Marriage Licenses.

Walter L. Lowe and Winifred Conner; Walter Bergman and Lena Watkins; George Nichols Jr., and Hazel Charley.

### Personals.

Mr. Walters, who has been employed in Jacksonville for the past year by the Jackson County Abstract company, left Monday for his home in Kansas City, to remain.

County Commissioner Joshua Patterson came in from Talent Wednesday to attend the monthly session of the County Court.

C. E. Whitesman, representative of the Dodd-Mead Co., publishing company, was in Jacksonville Wednesday.

Rev. Mr. Day of Woodville has been in Jacksonville several days this week on business before the County court.

The County court went to Antelope Thursday to inspect the new bridge which has just been completed to Antelope by the court. The contract was let to Jose Hartman; price \$2120.

Mr. Edgington of Ashland, who has been in the employ of the Jackson County Abstract company, came to Jacksonville Monday and will be employed at the county seat in the interests of the same company.

### Circuit Court.

In the matter of the application of Travers H. Lynch to register title to real property; default and decree granted.

T. E. Pottenger vs. Lulu Phillips; suit to quiet title; default taken and decree granted.

Court adjourned until November 10, 1908, at 10 o'clock.

### New Cases Filed in Circuit Court.

E. C. Morse and J. A. Lennery, copartners, vs. J. M. Easterling—Action to recover \$300 alleged to be due as commission for making sale of certain real estate belonging to defendant. F. M. Calkins attorney for plaintiff.

State of Oregon vs. J. M. Williams—Transcript from justice court of Jacksonville, charged with peddling without a license.

P. M. Morse vs. Rogue River Valley Orchard company, a corporation.—Action to recover \$347.50 due for labor performed by plaintiff for defendant, according to an agreement entered into by the parties to the suit. Forty-five dollars attorneys' fees is also asked. Attorney for plaintiff is H. K. Hanna, Jr.

### Probate Court.

In the matter of the guardianship of Daniel Whetstone, an insane—Order appointing Christabel Rose Whetstone guardian.

Estate of James D. Weeks, deceased—Final report of administrator filed and approved and administrator discharged from further liability in the matter.

Estate of David Allen—Final report of administrator filed and approved and administrator discharged from further liability in the matter.

Estate of D. Polk Mathews, deceased—Order for sale of real property.

Estate of Huldah Colver, deceased—Order for sale of real property.

Estate of M. P. Phipps, deceased—Semi-annual account of administrator filed and approved.

Estate of Jacob Hugger, deceased—Report of final account of administrator continued until November 27, 1908.

Estate of Matilda Jane Reeser—Order continuing final hearing until December 2, 1908.

Estate of Walter S. Jones, deceased—Order confirming sale of personal property.

Estate of Benjamin F. Wagner, deceased—Order appointing Benjamin F. Wagner, Jr., administrator.

Same estate as above—Order appointing G. F. Billings, E. C. Payne and Ed Farlow appraisers of said estate.

Estate of Granville Sears, deceased—Final report of administrator filed and approved and administrator discharged from further liability in the matter.

And tried Massachusetts fell into line and tried to pull off an old-fashioned lynching.

## LITTLE BUTTE WATER.

People of Medford Decide for Hamilton's Proposition.

A special city election was held in Medford, Thursday, November 6, to determine the different propositions submitted to the voters for supplying the city with an adequate water system. There were two propositions voted on, the Little Butte water system, submitted by I. L. Hamilton and the one of the Condor Water Power Company. The result of the election, follows:

Little Butte.....535  
Condor Water & Power Co.....35

Majority for Little Butte.....500

Some people had the impression that there was an election being held yesterday, but along about 6 o'clock they changed their minds and concluded that it must have just been a vote taken on one proposition only—and that one Hamilton's Little Butte.

There were 580 votes cast in all. Out of this, 535 were for Little Butte water, 35 for the Condor Water & Power company and 6 for Hater's Big Butte proposition. At no time during the day did there appear to be any doubt about the result or many others would have gone to the polls and voted for Little Butte. They simply felt certain that it would carry anyway.

When the result became known on the streets and around town last night many expressions of satisfaction were heard. The people in general appeared to think that the getting of a good and sufficient water supply for the city of Medford will soon be consummated. The following was the vote on the propositions by wards:

First Ward—  
Little Butte.....158  
Condor Water & Power Co.....6

Majority for Little Butte.....152

Second Ward—  
Little Butte.....209  
Condor Water & Power Co.....29

Majority for Little Butte.....187

Third Ward—  
Little Butte.....168  
Condor Water & Power Co.....7

Majority.....161

There were five rejected ballots, all of them being thrown out because they had "No" written on them. Two of these were cast in the first ward, one in the second and two in the third.

### Wedding Bells.

Last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Koozts, on South Riverside avenue, occurred the wedding of Emmett Koozts and Miss Anna Tracy, both of this city. The ring ceremony was pronounced by Rev. G. Le Roy Hall, pastor of the local Baptist church.

The wedding was a quiet one, only the bride's brother, Henry Koozts, and Mrs. H. Koozts being present. Mrs. Emmett Koozts has recently come from Nebraska. Mr. and Mrs. Koozts will reside in Medford.

### Notice to Farmers.

Highest cash price paid for oats, barley, corn, wheat and baled hay. Hay bought by scale weight only at the Russ Mill. 50-11

### NEW THIS WEEK.

#### Notice of School Indemnity Selection.

United States Land Office, Roseburg, Ore., Nov. 6, 1908. NOTICE is hereby given that the State of Oregon, on October 30, 1908, applied for NE 1/4 NW 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4 and lots 1 and 2 of Sec. 18, Tp. 34 S., R. 3 W., of W. M., and filed in this office a list of school indemnity selections in which it selected said land; and that said list is open to the public for inspection. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land or any legal subdivision thereof, or claiming the same under the mining laws, or desiring to show said land to be more valuable for mineral than for agricultural purposes, or to object to said selection for any lawful reason, should file their claims or affidavits of protest or contest in this office. I hereby designate the Medford Mail, published at Medford, Oregon, as the newspaper in which the above notice is to be published. Not coal land. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

### COAL ENTRY.

Land Office at Roseburg, Ore., November 5, 1908. Notice is hereby given that Atrah Meeker, of Medford, County of Jackson, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office Application to Purchase, under the provisions of Section 2347, U. S. Revised Statutes, the NE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 14, Twp. 37 South, Range 1 West, W. M. Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described, or desiring to object for any reason to the sale thereof to applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office on or before the 22nd day of December, 1908, otherwise the application may be allowed. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

### COAL ENTRY.

Land Office at Roseburg, Ore., November 5, 1908. Notice is hereby given that William H. Meeker, of Medford, County of Jackson, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office Application to Purchase, under the provisions of Section 2347, U. S. Revised Statutes, the NE 1/4 of Section 14, Township 37 South, Range 1 West, W. M. Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described, or desiring to object for any reason to the sale thereof to applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office on or before the 22nd day of December, 1908, otherwise the application may be allowed. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

## TRANSFERS IN REAL ESTATE.

List of Real Estate Deals Registered at Jacksonville.

Jacob Thompson to J. Merley, land near lot 2, block 15, Oak street, Ashland; \$10

Ellen Bond to Joseph Miller, lots 3, 4, 5, 6, block 52, Jacksonville; \$600.

Daniel J. Winters to Thomas Buckman, 10 acres in township 59 south, range 1 east; \$600.

J. A. Wright to Elizabeth Breeze, lot 26, 27, 28, Phoenix; \$400.

Peter N. Pick to Gottlieb Elkhat, two and three-quarter acres Pool & Klippel's Addition, Jacksonville; \$600.

William Addison to Leona M. Kent, land in Miner's Addition, Ashland; \$100.

R. W. Addison to Leona M. Kent, lot 44, Miner's Addition, Ashland; \$1500.

Frank Allard to Peter Degen, lots 28, 29, block 1, Railroad Addition, Medford; \$10.

Alta E. Sanders to C. E. McComb, lots 1, 2, block 7, Ross Addition, Medford; \$10.

E. S. Root to T. W. Dally, land in township 37 south, range 2 west; \$10.

Thomas Gill to M. P. Jacoby, 40 acres in township 36 south, range 2 west; \$500.

Harvey Richardson to Etta May Richardson, 5 acres in township 56 south, range 2 west; \$100.

Wells Lounsbury to John Banish, land in township 37 south, range 2 west; \$10.

V. A. Dunlap to O. B. Turner, land in township 38 south, range 1 west; \$415.

W. H. Hamlin to N. S. Bennett, 10 acres in township 38 south, range 1 west; \$546.

John R. Robison to Emmett Benson, 160 acres in township 39 south, range 1 west; \$10.

R. T. Burnett to W. E. Sanders, lots 9, 10, block 3, Park Addition, Medford; \$200.

United States to William T. German, 160 acres in township 37 south, range 1 east; patent.

United States to Charles E. Nunniger, 160 acres in township 37 south, range 1 east; patent.

Julia L. Orr to Richard Schuler, one-quarter acre in Park Addition, Medford, near block 5; \$2500.

Hiram Doubleday to Rogue River Timber Co., land in township 34 south, range 3 east; \$10.

William C. Reuter to Frederick Schneider, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, block 4, Meeker's Addition, Medford; \$1250.

D. M. Grisham to Jane Carroll, lot 15, Constant Addition, Central Point; 150 acres in township 37 south, range 2 west; \$1200.

S. S. Pentz to B. H. Harris, trustee, land in Galloway's Addition to Medford; \$1600.

John Banish to Lillian M. Lounsbury, title bond for land in township 37 south, range 2 west; \$5000.

L. P. Maury et al. to Wells Lounsbury, 59.17 acres in township 37 south, range 2 west; \$5700.

Eugenia L. Atkinson to J. W. Richardson, lot 20, Hunsaker's Addition, Ashland; \$1.

George H. Jones to W. J. Stockham, 2.75 acres in township 36 south, range 2 west; \$250.

W. M. Smith to N. S. Bennett, 10 acres in township 38 south, range 1 west; \$1.

Louis Pierson to Sarah Wolverton, lots 9, 10, block 5, Ross Addition, Medford; \$10.

Joseph Ball company to Edmonds Land company, 640 acres in township 32 south, range 4 west; \$1.

Benton Bowers to C. B. Lamkin, 10 acres in township 39 south, range 1 east; \$4000.

T. J. Keisoe to H. B. Stevenson, lot 3, block 55, Central Point; \$100.

E. R. Reames et al. to E. R. Reames et al., 70 acres in township 38 south, range 1 west; \$1.

S. A. Pattison et al. to J. H. McFall, lot 7, block 70, Central Point; \$50.

S. B. Holmes to J. N. Coghlan, 93.53 acres in township 35 south, range 1 west; \$12,000.

C. M. Bordman to Alfred J. Weeks et al., 33 acres in township 37 south, range 2 west; \$1.

H. K. Mathews to G. B. Mathews, land in township 35 south, range 1 west; \$1.

B. H. Harris to N. S. Dewing, land in township 35 south, range 2 east; \$15,000.

B. H. Harris to W. S. Dewing, land in township 35 south, range 2 east; \$5000.

State of Oregon to H. F. Pohland, 1280 acres in townships 33 and 34 south, ranges 1 and 2 west; \$1600.

W. I. Vawter to W. O. Covert, land in township 36 south, range 3 west; \$1.

W. O. Covert to G. H. Church, land in township 36 south, range 3 west; \$10.

W. B. Jackson to J. W. Smith, lot 2, block 2, Jackson's Addition, Medford; \$350.

F. L. Sunderman to G. A. Snively, 42 acres in township 35 south, range 1 west; \$5000.

Lucy Coons to Harmon A. Fredenburg, lot 7, block 6, Park Addition, Medford; \$50.

Lucy Coons to H. A. Fredenburg, lots 8, block 6, Park Addition, Medford; \$50.

Jacob Thompson to J. E. Castien, land in township 39 south, range 1 east; \$300.

Henry Robson to J. H. McFall, lot 6, block 70, Central Point; \$120.

L. G. Porter to Hiram Doubleday, land in township 37 south, range 1 west; \$2300.

Ezra Webber to L. L. Shelley, 40 acres in township 35 south, range 2 west; \$1100.

S. B. Chastain to D. B. Soliss, 120 acres in township 35 south, range 1 east; \$160.

L. L. Duffield to Abe Delovage, 160 acres in township 37 south, range 2 east; \$1500.

Herman G. King to Belle Nickel, lot 15, block 2, Palm's Addition, Medford; \$500.

Frank Vanina to C. M. Boardman, east one-half lots 1 and 2, block 18, Beatty's Addition, Medford; \$1000.

Fulgencio Vanina to C. M. Boardman, 36.32 acres in township 37 south, range 2 west; \$3000.

Delia Nunan to J. M. Hurley, land in township 37 south, range 2 west; \$3720.

Jane Carroll to D. M. Grisham, title bond for land in township 37 south, range 2 west; also lot 15, Constant Addition, Central Point; \$1200.

James Savage to Margaret Savage, land in township 36 south, range 4 west; \$1.