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THE WEATHER

Fair weather is promised for tonight and Wednesday.

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## SQUADRON SENDS NO MESSAGE

### Fleet not Heard From—Cortelyou in Bed With Grippe—Metcalfe Also Ill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Up to 2 o'clock this afternoon not a word has come to the navy department from the Atlantic fleet since it left the Virginia capes yesterday. Wireless messages are known to have passed between some of the vessels and the wireless station at Norfolk, but they were not relayed to Washington.

### DARROW TO ILL TO SEE PETTIBONE TRIAL

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 17.—Clarence Darrow was again too ill to attend the Pettibone trial today, and Edgar Wilson continued in charge of the defense. Charles Johnson, cage man at the Viduicator mine in 1903, told of the explosion which killed McCormick and Beck. He corroborated Orchard's narrative. Cross-examination was devoted to showing the manner in the witness was subpoenaed, defense showing that he received expense money from the Pinkertons at Denver.

### NAVAL EMPLOYEE IS BOSS OF BREMERTON

PUGET SOUND NAVY YARD, Dec. 17.—A. H. Froerksen, formerly clerk of the board of labor employment at Puget sound navy yard, while holding such a position by virtue of civil service regulations, was twice elected mayor of Bremerton. He is now standing trial for the third time on the charge of undue political activity. Twice he was ordered discharged by the civil service commission, and this third trial is a public hearing ordered by the navy department, with a view to his possible reinstatement. The evidence submitted tended to show that the civil service combine controlled navy yard politics, and that Froerksen was in the combine. Other employees, it was charged, dared not oppose the ring for fear of losing positions.

### GOVERNOR-GENERAL MAGOON CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENCY

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 17.—C. O. Whedon, law partner of Governor General Magoon of Cuba, today wrote to all members of the republican state central committee asking them to institute a direct primary to ascertain the choice of republican voters. Whedon is actively pushing Magoon for president.

Cuts Made Receiver.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—George P. Cutts, national bank examiner of New York, has been appointed permanent receiver of the National Bank of Commerce at Kansas City.

NOTICE.  
The Medford Automobile company, a copartnership, composed of George H. Merritt, A. W. Walker and J. Elmhirst, all of Medford, has disbanded copartnership. George H. Merritt takes all of the accounts and has exclusive right to collect outstanding accounts, and agrees to pay and assume all the outstanding debts of the copartnership. J. A. ELMHIRST, A. W. WALKER, G. H. MERRITT.

Too Late to Classify  
WANTED—Japanese wants to learn English after 7 p. m. Mail Box 204.

MISTLETOE FOR SALE—Have your store or residence decorated for the holidays in mistletoe, laurel, fir and Oregon pine. Leave orders with O. T. Whitman, care of the Tribune. Your work will be promptly attended to.

## ROJESTVENSKY SAYS CRUISE PRACTICABLE.

Russian Admiral Says Warships Can Make Trip Safely From Atlantic Coast to Puget Sound—Straggling of Fleet Greatest Obstacle.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 17.—Admiral Rojestvensky, who commanded the Russian fleet, which sailed around Africa and later met defeat in the sea of Japan at the hands of Japanese, states that he considers the voyage of the American battleships to the Pacific entirely practicable, either in peace or in time of war. According to Rojestvensky, the criterion of Admiral Evans' success will be his ability to bring every vessel of his squadron through on schedule time to various stopping places. Straggling, due to mechanical defects, will be hard to overcome.

### JACKSONVILLE ITEMS.

Miss Leona Ulrich spent a few hours in Medford Saturday evening.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McDaniel were in from Applegate Saturday trading with our merchants.  
Chris Kinsey and wife returned from their wedding trip Saturday afternoon after an absence of about four months. Preparations are being made to extend them a hearty if noisy welcome Monday night.  
Miss Osie Saltmarsh has gone to Squaw lake on a visit to Mrs. John Haskins.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Barnum expect to leave for the east this week. Before returning they will visit Mrs. Barnum's old home in Ohio.  
Attorney C. D. Briggs and Reporter F. M. Akins came down from Ashland Monday morning to be present at the opening of circuit court.  
Peter Deisch has returned from a business trip to California.  
Dr. Bowersox of Ashland spent a few hours in Jacksonville Monday.  
Dr. R. T. Burnett went up to Ashland Tuesday morning to be present at the city election.  
Benton Bowers was down from Ashland Monday on legal business.  
A. E. Kellogg, coroner for Jackson county, spent a few hours at the county seat Monday.  
Dr. J. F. Reddy and George Putnam, editor of the Medford Tribune, were in town Monday as witnesses before the grand jury in the Barnum-Roddy assault case.

## TO TEACH GARDENING IN SCHOOL

### Professor Would Add Horticulture to Studies—Dr. Ray Offers Land.

Professor J. C. Evans of Pataskala, O., is in Medford with a view to establishing an agricultural experiment station and teaching the subject of horticulture in the public schools. Mr. Evans has taken an agricultural course at the Ohio state university and has taught agriculture, including horticulture, in the public schools of Pataskala. He has had considerable experience with both the theoretical and practical phases of the work. Besides, he has made an investigation of the work being done along these lines in a number of eastern cities.

### ROMETTO IS DYING FROM BLOW ON HEAD

A telephone message from Portland last night stated that Michael Rometto, the man injured through being struck over the head with a shovel by Bacchino, the Greek now in the county jail, is dying in a Portland hospital.

## PLAN TO REPLACE CANTEEN IN ARMY.

Association Is Formed in New York to Work for Permitting Sale of Beer and Light Wines at Army Posts—Abolitionists Admit Great Mistake.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The Army canteen association has just been formed in New York for the purpose of working for the re-establishment of the army canteen. The association will use efforts to induce congress to repeal the law forbidding the sale of beer and light wines at army posts.

### HIGH SCHOOL DEBATING LEAGUE ORGANIZED

Twenty-eight high schools have entered the lately formed High School Debating League, and are preparing for the first preliminary debates, most of which are set for December 20. The second and third preliminaries will be held in January and will determine the champions of the four districts.

## CASE SET FOR NEXT JANUARY

### Heny to Try Land Fraud Cases Himself—to Visit Roosevelt Beforehand.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 17.—On motion of Francis J. Heny, who arrived in Portland yesterday, the United States district attorney today set January 13 next for the resumption of the trials of the Oregon land fraud cases, which have been hanging fire for more than a year.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Minnie Barr to Frank L. Laird, property in Barr's addition to Medford, \$2,200.  
George Merritt to Isidore McCull, property in Jacksonville, \$1,000.  
George H. Merritt to Isidore McCull, lots 3 and 7, block 22, McCull's addition to Jacksonville, also land in section 23, township 38, range 3 W, \$1,000.  
C. A. Payne to M. M. Murray, lot 2, block 2, Pracht's addition to Ashland, \$100.  
Ed Haer to Ellen H. Wagner, 100 acres in section 4, township 40, range 2 E, \$275.  
William C. Reuter to J. C. Emerick, land in section 2, township 38, range 3 W, \$500.  
Sarah C. Woody to William J. Scott, property in Medford, \$850.  
William W. Hevener to city of Ashland, land in section 5, township 29, range 1 E, \$1,000.  
Stanford Snyder to H. E. Conger, land in township 37, range 2 W, \$900.  
State Land board to Walter A. Thomas, 216 acres in section 16, township 41, range 2 E, \$270.

### New Cases.

William Zimmerman vs. Cecil Baker et al.; suit to quiet title. Gus Newbury, attorney for plaintiff.  
John A. Nywander vs. Jennie Nywander; suit for divorce. Gus Newbury, attorney for plaintiff.

### A CHANCE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

The Tribune school boys and girls contest is now on and as large numbers of the students are busily engaged in securing new subscribers for The Tribune as a condition of the beautiful prizes offered, high school students should avail themselves of this opportunity to secure a diamond ring, gold watch, suit of clothes or Winchester rifle.

## NEW POSTMASTER FOR GRANTS PASS.

G. W. Donnell Slated for Federal Job—Wins Fight Over Many Candidates—Is Now Superintendent of Pacific & Eastern.

George W. Donnell, superintendent of the Pacific & Eastern railroad, has won the fight for the postmastership at Grants Pass and has been unanimously endorsed by the Oregon delegation, which means that his appointment will be sent to congress within a few days. Mr. Donnell is well known and very popular in Medford, and he is receiving the congratulations of his many friends. He was for many years superintendent and roadmaster of the Southern Pacific at Grants Pass, but last spring resigned to take charge of the Pacific & Eastern.

The Oregon delegation has decided upon other appointments as follows: La Grande land office—Receiver, A. A. Roberts, reappointment; register, P. C. Bramwell.  
Lakeview land office—Receiver, J. N. Watson, reappointment; register, F. C. Cronmiller.  
Cottage Grove postoffice—D. M. C. Gault.  
Klamath Falls postoffice—R. A. Emmitt.  
McMinnville postoffice—H. M. Haskins.

### LATE LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

E. D. Lewis, who has been engaged in the laundry business at Medford and Ashland, has returned to Yreka, Cal., with his family, where he will start a like enterprise.  
C. W. Evans, the mining man, and W. G. U. Jones, who is here from London as representative of an English syndicate, have returned to Ashland on a fortnight's visit to the Buzzard mining property on Trail creek, with which they seem to be very well pleased.  
Miss Alice Hoekersmith of North Medford precinct, Everett and Ivan Culbertson of Lake Creek and Pearl Mulkey of Lakeview have entered the southern Oregon state normal school.  
Will L. Ireland of Grants Pass was at Jacksonville last week making arrangements for having assessment work done on a promising mining claim which he owns on Forest creek. He also visited at Medford on his return trip.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Tungate of Jacksonville have been at Grants Pass visiting their daughter, Mrs. A. R. Ellison, and her family.

## GRAND JURY FINDS THREE TRUE BILLS

### Court in Session at Jacksonville—Page Indicted for Horse Stealing.

Circuit Judge Hanna at Jacksonville yesterday decided that the mix-up caused by the bank holidays did not affect the legality of court proceedings, and opened court.

The grand jury was empaneled and in 15 minutes voted three indictments—one against James Page for horse stealing, one against Mrs. Charity Halley for keeping a disreputable resort, and one against C. L. Hammelsley for obtaining money under false pretenses by passing a bogus check at Ashland. Witnesses in the assault complaint against W. S. Barnum were heard, but, as Mr. Barnum requested to appear before the grand jury, action was postponed until today.

### New Cases in Court.

Charles Nickell vs. J. B. Welch; action to recover money. Gus Newbury, attorney for plaintiff.  
P. E. Swayne vs. Henry Worth; action to recover money. Gus Newbury, attorney for plaintiff.  
Celestia L. Maegley vs. W. C. Kitto, administrator estate G. Karamski, deceased; suit to quiet title. Gus Newbury, attorney for plaintiff.  
J. D. Hanberg vs. the Opp Mining company; suit to foreclose lien. Gus Newbury, attorney for plaintiff.

### LARGE AREA INCLUDED IN FOREST RESERVES

Of the 60,518,400 acres of forest area of the state of Oregon, 16,463,535 acres have been embraced in national forest reserves.

### CITY NOTICE.

The city council at its meeting held on December 13, 1907, instructed the recorder to purchase house numbers and to furnish the same to all property owners at as near cost as it was possible. The numbers can be had from the city recorder about December 20. The recorder will also furnish the correct number for each lot.

# The Lid Is Off

## Its Time To Build

In fact, the lid has never been on to any appreciable extent in Medford, but its off for good now, and you can commence building at once.

It's cheaper to build now than it is to wait till summer, when everybody will be busy and you can't get men or materials.

Building has increased 30 per cent in Portland in the past month. They appreciate the situation there. You ought to, also.

Don't delay. We have all kinds of lumber in stock, both native and Booth-Kelly lumber. You may have to wait later on.

All signs point to big building boom. Get in early.

### Iowa Box and Lumber Co.