

**\$1,000 REWARD!**ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS REWARD WILL BE PAID BY THE UNDERSIGNED TO ANY PERSON WHO CAN SHOW BY AUTHENTIC TESTIMONY THAT ANY CITY OR TOWN IN THE UNITED STATES, OUTSIDE OF THE ROGUE RIVER VALLEY, HAS TRIBUTARY TO IT, WITHIN A 10-MILE RADIUS, A 20-MILE RADIUS, A 30-MILE RADIUS OR A 40-MILE RADIUS, AS MANY DIVERSIFIED RESOURCES AS MEDFORD, OREGON, HAS WITHIN A CORRESPONDING RADIUS.  
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# MEDFORD DAILY TRIBUNE

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## MONSTER STEAM SHOVEL HERE FOR WORK ON P.&E.

Huge Machine for Grading on Extension of Railroad Arrives Ready for Its New Job.

HAS WON FOR ITSELF ENVIABLE REPUTATION

Sixty Men Are at Work on the Line—More Are Constantly Being Added.

A huge 70-ton Bucyrus steam shovel owned by Porter Brothers arrived in Medford Saturday morning and will at once be sent out on the Pacific & Eastern and put at work in the cut to be made just beyond Eagle Point in making the raise to the Little Desert beyond that town. The shovel is modern in every respect and has proved her worth in the cut in the Cascade Locks on the North Bank road, where she tipped over, wallowed around in the mud, caught several boulders on her hood, but cut her way through. She is one of the best steam shovels owned by Porter.

The work on making the cut beyond Eagle Point is to start at once. The formation is of gravel and as fast as the shovel scoops it up it will be placed on flats and hauled back and used for ballast on the old line between Medford and Eagle Point, which is to be reconstructed.

H. N. Randall now has some 60 men at work on the hillside beyond the Little Desert. The work is mostly rock work and only seven or eight teams are employed. In fact, the contractors have found more rock work than they expected, as the line has been changed in a number of instances. More men are being added daily and will be strung out along the line for some distance until 400 or 500 men are at work. One camp has been established and arrangements for others made.

Within the next two weeks the work will get under full way and then the road will be rushed to Butte Falls.

## 146 CASES LEPROSY REPORTED AMERICA

Statistics Throw Light on Wide-Spread Distribution of Disease.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Virtually admitting the incurability of leprosy, declaring that the disease is contagious from person to person, that every country in whatever latitude should isolate those suffering from the disease, that children of leprosy parents should be separated from them at the earliest possible moment and lepers should not be allowed in certain trades or occupations, a resolution was adopted by the second international conference on leprosy

## SICKNESS OF JUROR FORCES A NEW TRIAL

Judge Hanna Dismisses Jury Which Has Been Hearing the Walsworth Murder Case.

JUROR HEARN UNABLE TO CONTINUE DUTIES

Court Will Meet Again Monday, October 11, to Start New Trial.

The trial of Charles H. Walsworth for the murder of James F. Mankins came to a sudden end Friday, when Juror Hearn was unable to continue as juror owing to a sudden illness. The jury was dismissed and the case will be called again on October 11 to hear the case again.

The trial started at the first of the week and continued until Wednesday. Juror Hearn was taken ill. The case was continued for a day and then when he was found to be unable to attend court the present trial was continued until October 11. Judge Hanna goes to Grants Pass next week to hear criminal cases.

To Chicago and Return.  
October 4 October 4. October 4.

Ten days allowed going trip, returning tickets good until November 30. Round trip \$82.40. For particulars, enquire at the local office or address A. S. Rosenbaum, S. P. Co. Agent, Medford, Or.

A. T. Kortum, a real estate man of Chicago is taking in the town and valley.

L. G. Dargon of Atlanta, Ga., is in Medford visiting friends.

held in Bergen, Norway, August 16 last.

A report of the conference was prepared by Dr. Donald Currie of the public health and marine hospital service, and director of the leprosy investigation station at Molokai, Hawaii, one of the official delegates from the United States.

"Every country, in whatever latitude," says the resolution, "is within the range of possible infection by leprosy, and may, therefore, usefully undertake measures to protect itself." In view of the success obtained in Germany, Iceland, Norway and Sweden, it is further declared, it is desirable that other countries should isolate lepers.

A somewhat startling prevalence and widespread distribution of leprosy is indicated by statistics furnished by delegates to the conference, there being approximately 200,000 cases of the disease through the world.

The fact must be kept in mind, it is pointed out, that a comparatively large percentage of leprosy is not recognized in the early stages of the disease, and further, that concealment of cases probably exists to a greater or less extent in every country on the globe which adopts any measures looking to the isolation of such cases.

India, it is stated, holds the world's record with 97,340 cases; Japan follows in close succession with 40,000 cases, and so on down the scale with 146 cases in the United States and the canal zone showing the minimum of seven cases.

## BITS OF EARLY DAY HISTORY IN THIS COUNTY

J. S. Howard, First Citizen of Medford, Tells of First Building Ever Erected in This City.

JACKSON COUNTY WAS ORGANIZED JANUARY 12, 1852

Was Formerly Part of Linn County—Interesting Facts of Early Days.

The secretary of the Oregon Historical society and J. S. Howard of this city have furnished the following very interesting items concerning the early history of Medford and Jackson county:

The first settler in Medford was J. H. Howard, who came to the location in December, 1853, and erected a building 16x30 feet on the spot where the Distillery saloon is situated. Here he opened a store, which was to serve as a branch to the one he already owned in Jacksonville, but which burned on January 1, 1854.

Mr. Howard also served as Medford's first postmaster, keeping the mail in a cigar box. He was also appointed agent for Wells-Fargo.

Three weeks after the arrival of Mr. Howard in Medford Dave Miller arrived and kept boarders. Then came George Crystal, who opened a blacksmith shop.

The town was surveyed by Mr. Howard's son, T. J. Howard, who also surveyed Phoenix, Gold Hill and Grants Pass. Mr. Howard bought the lot where the First National bank stands and was laughed at for buying on a "side street." It cost him \$300, was afterwards sold by him for \$6000 and could not be purchased today for \$20,000.

Mr. Howard arrived in Jacksonville in October, 1850, and lived there for 23 years. He was successful in getting for the city the three public blocks on West Main street which now furnish room for the park, water tank and West school.

The first wagon road in the county was built in 1849 to facilitate travel between Oregon and California. This followed the old Hudson's Bay company pack trail, leading from Fort Vancouver to Yreba Buena (San Francisco), first established in the early thirties.

Gold was found on the Rogue river in the spring of 1849 by men from the Willamette valley, who were on the way to the placer mines on the Sacramento; but no camp was established because the party was organized to "go to California," and nothing short of that would hold the company together.

The first settlement was in 1851. Three cabins were built that year—one at each of the three ferries—Long's, Evans' and Perkins'.

The first white woman in the county was Mrs. Lawless, early in 1852.

The first donation land claim was taken up by Judge Alonzo A. Skinner in the fall of 1851. Location, a little ways southeast of Table Rock.

The first mining camp—that is, continuous camp—was on Jackson creek and Rich gulch, beginning in January, 1852.

The first man to put up hay in the county was David Linn in the summer of 1852. This was wild hay, of which Mr. Linn cut about 40 tons a little ways east of Jacksonville. He would have cut more, but was

## HERE'S CHANCE FOR CHARITY IN THIS CITY

Family on North Riverside Are in Want for Simple Necessities of Life.

ENTIRE FAMILY IS SICK; LACK EVEN BEDCLOTHES

B. P. O. E. Went to Their Relief in Matter of Food—Other Aid Is Needed.

On North Riverside avenue in this city there is a family entirely destitute, and lacking even the most simple necessities of life. The entire family is ill, principally from privation, as they lack even bedclothes.

Their plight was discovered a few days ago by members of the B. P. O. E., who went to their relief with provisions. But the family is still in great want and there is a splendid chance for local charity.

The family consists of a father, mother and several children. Misfortune and lack of health brought them to their present dire straits.

Any charitable person can assist them by giving food, clothing or money, leaving the same with any member of the B. P. O. E.

ridiculed by those who maintained that the hay would rot on the ground before it was used. But the winter of 1852-3 was a hard one and Mr. Linn sold most of his hay for 25 cents a pound and the last two tons he sold for \$400. Mr. Linn built the first fanning mills in southern Oregon—20—which he sold at \$100 to \$125 each. He also made the first wooden pumps, and it may be that some of them are still in use in the county.

Jackson county was organized on January 12, 1852. Prior to that date it was a part of Linn county, the boundary of which was "all of Oregon south of Marion county and east of Benton."

The first wheat grown in the county was in 1853.

The first grist mills were built in 1854—One by Thomas Brothers, Emery and Morris, all of Ashland. The third mill was at Phoenix, or "Gasburg," by S. M. Wait. Some say the latter name was given on account of the extraordinary conversational powers of a certain lady who dwelt there.

The first sawmill was built in 1852 by A. V. Gillette.

Josephine county was cut off from Jackson on January 22, 1856.

The first cabin in Jacksonville was built in the spring of 1852 by W. W. Fowler.

The first United States court was held on September 5, 1853. Judge Matthew P. Deady presiding. This was at Jacksonville.

The first church in the county—Methodist—was organized in the fall of 1853 by Rev. T. F. Loyal, who had just arrived from a trip across the plains. He organized Jackson county into school districts and was instrumental in causing the first school to be established.

The first child born in Jacksonville was a son of Dr. McCully on August 5, 1853.

The first newspaper in the county was the Table Rock Sentinel, issued November 25, 1855, W. G. T. Vault, editor.

Dardanelles, near the present city

## 10,000 MINERS IN BUTTE IDLE; MINES CLOSED

Butte Miners' Union Vote to Continue Its "Boycott of Engineers"—Rioting All Night.

STRIKE WILL APPARENTLY SPREAD TO OTHER CAMPS

Miners Declare They Are Not on a Strike, but Living Up to Rule.

BUTTE, Mont., Sept. 25.—Ten thousand miners are idle in this city today. All of the mines are closed and a shutdown of the smelters is threatened.

After an all night meeting marked by a series of riots between opposing factions of the miners and mine engineers, the Butte miners' union early today resolved to continue its "boycott" of engineers union No. 83, which seceded from the Western Federation of Miners.

The miners declare their withdrawal from the mines is not a "strike," but adherence to the rule forbidding them to work with members of the federation in bad standing. The strike will probably spread to other camps.

## LIGHT TRUST IN EASTERN OREGON

Gigantic Deal Consummated Whereby Company Gets Control of Eastern Oregon Power Companies.

LA GRANDE, Or., Sept. 25.—The consummation of a deal involving the expenditure of several millions took place here today, when the Grand Ronde Electric company officials sold its bonds and stocks to an eastern syndicate already owning the Fremont and Baker Light and Power company. The local company bonded \$300,000 and these were all taken over. This gives eastern capitalists, most of whom are in Milwaukee, Wis., control of all the lighting facilities in eastern Oregon and east of Pendleton. Their headquarters will apparently be in Baker City.

of Gold Hill, was the first postoffice in the county. A very attractive young lady, Miss Lizzie T'Vault, was the postmistress. There were more calls to see the young lady than to get mail. This young lady is now Mrs. Elizabeth Kenney, Jacksonville.

General John C. Tolman piloted the first families into Jackson county direct from the plains, arriving in Rogue River valley late in August, 1852.

The first settlers near Ashland of today were R. B. Hargadine and Pease, on what was afterward known as the "Applegate place," and five days later Eben Emery, J. B. Emery, Dowd Hurley, J. A. Cardwell, A. D. Helman and A. M. Rogers settled near by. The first house built was that of Hargadine and Pease. The second building was the sawmill built by Dowd Hurley, J. A. Cardwell and J. B. Emery, finished June 16, 1852, and named "Ashland Sawmill," after Ashland, O., the native town of Mr. Helman.

## GREAT TRIBUTE TO MEMORY OF HUDSON AND FULTON

Two Million People Attend Greatest Pageant Ever Seen in the Western Hemisphere.

NAVAL PARADE GREATEST EVER SEEN IN WORLD

Eighty Huge Warships, Hundreds of Small Boats and Ocean Liners in Naval Parade.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—From the Battery to the Bronx on one side of the Hudson river and from Staten Island to Fort George on the other, nearly 2,000,000 people gathered today to witness the greatest pageant ever seen in the western hemisphere.

A tribute never before exceeded is being paid to the memories of Henry Hudson and Robert Fulton. Eighty huge warships, many ocean liners and hundreds of small craft appeared in the great naval parade. Even the historical welcome to Admiral Dewey has been surpassed.

Besides the warships of the leading nations of the world, a feature of the naval parade was the reproduction of Henry Hudson's famous vessel, the "Half Moon," and also the reproduction of Fulton's "Claremont," the first steam vessel, the latter being able to make only seven knots at the best.

On shore the feature of the morning was unfurling the rainbow flags of all nations, while Trinity chimes refrained "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace, Good Will Toward Men."

Tomorrow will be devoted to religious observances.

## QUARTER INCH OF RAIN FALL

Forest Fires Checked, Dust Laid and Orchards Benefited by Rain.

Up to noon Saturday .25 of an inch of rain had fallen, the first of the season, and local orchardists and farmers are pleased. The pear crop has been picked, the Cornice going forward last week, and the early rain means an additional color in the apples. The weather bureau predicts rain for tonight and tomorrow.

The greatest good the rain has done at this time has been in laying the dust in the city and country. For the next two months the roads will be in splendid condition and then the heavy rains will set in.

Another advantage of the rain has been the check it has placed on forest fires. No further fear of them may be entertained this season. But little damage has been caused by such fires this year in Jackson county.