

**FRANK W. BENSON
 QUITE SICK**

**Cancer of Stomach Attacks Official
 in San Francisco--Long Illness Assumes Most Alarming Aspect--
 Death would Cause Complications.**

Secretary of State Frank W. Benson now in San Francisco, is to have an operation performed for cancer of stomach. His condition is so serious that grave fear is entertained as to his recovery.

Next to the governor the secretary of state is the most important office in the state. Should Governor Chamberlain be chosen U. S. senator, Benson would succeed Chamberlain in the office as governor.

**RATTLER BITES
 FRUIT GROWER**

Fred Morgan was bitten by a rattler snake this side of the Tyler place on the Ashland-Klamath Falls stage road last Friday and badly poisoned. Mr. Morgan was taking a load of fruit to Klamath Falls and at the creek stopped to let his horses drink. A large rattlesnake was on the scene for the same purpose and Mr. Morgan felt the time worn instinct creeping into his blood and proceeded to get down off the wagon and bruise the serpent's head. The rattler was seemingly retiring to a clump of brush when Morgan grabbed at a piece of board in the vicinity of the rattler's tail and was startled with the rapidity with which the rattler fronted and socked his three-quarter-inch fangs into the middle finger of his right hand, clean to the bone with both strikes and discharging its load of poison into the flesh.

Morgan's companion soon dispatched the rattler, which measured five and a half feet in length, and was as thick as a man's arm and had his tail ornamented with eight rattles and a button.

Unexpected and unavoidable circumstances developed in his arrival in Ashland and it was five hours before Morgan arrived at the Southern Oregon Hospital with his arm tightly bandaged to obstruct the passage of the poison through his system. His finger was cut to let the poisoned blood run out and three pint of whiskey in his stomach and one pint injected failed to make him drunk. One-third of a grain of strychnine every two hours all night was administered to help the whiskey undo the work of the rattler's stock of goods. Mr. Morgan was unconscious and had a close call before being brought

through his critical poisoning.

Mr. Morgan had only been out of the hospital a brief time, as just a week to the very hour he met with an accident at the C. C. Fisher place near the Normal School that came within a moment of sending him to his eternity for a reckoning with the power that be. While employed sinking a well Morgan had lit a fuse and the horse had drawn him to the surface with a rope tied around his waist. As he was placing his hands on the curbing on the top of the well the rope broke and he went down 35 feet and struck the back of his head such a stunning blow that it required several stitches to bring the wound together. Though badly stunned he was just conscious enough to gather himself together and extinguish the burning fuse a second before the deadly discharge was prepared to take place.—Valley Record.

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JOINT INSTITUTE

Plans are on foot for the teachers of Josephine and Jackson counties to hold a joint institute this fall. The dates and place of holding the institute have not been settled as yet, but the date will probably be October 28, 29 and 30, and the place of meeting will be at Ashland or Medford. Superintendent Lincoln Savage of Josephine county was in this city Monday in conference with Superintendent J. Percy Wells on the subject of holding a joint institute. Able speakers will be in attendance and a good programme will be prepared.

This is another instance where Jacksonville is in need of an opera house. There would be no question as to what town would be entitled to the meeting place if we had a hall large enough to hold the crowds.

For the news read the Post.

**WATER WORKS
 BEFORE BOARD**

The Board Has Investigated the Water Supply in Jackson Creek and Cantrell Gulch--Engineer Made Measurements--Result Will be Presented to the Board at Next Meeting.

The water question has taken on new light and the prospects are good for a water system for Jacksonville. The proposed sight is in Jackson Creek just below the point where Cantrell Gulch intersects Jackson Creek. The board has investigated this water supply and were so encouraged that they employed a water engineer to make measurements and survey out a proposed sight for the dam. His report will be prepared and come before the board at the next meeting, September 1, when, if it be found that the report is favorable the board will take steps to float a bond issue.

How different will the city appear in 1909 with an abundance of pure and sparkling mountain water flowing through the city. With this vast supply of health and wealth at our very door there is no necessity for the city to be longer without pure mountain water to quench the thirst of our lawns and parks.

There will probably be another water proposition offered the city at the meeting of the board. The new water talk is to take water from Little Applegate, but when the city can get water at our very door what is the use to pipe from Little Applegate? It will not be necessary to operate a pumping plant on Jackson Creek because the intake is several hundred feet above the city level, while the Applegate water will require a pumping plant.

SIGN UP FOR WATER

Several petitions are being circulated on the streets this week as a result of the council meeting last Monday night, which ordered that the water committee ascertain how many residents would use city water. This is merely a feeler in the way of progress—anything to delay matters until the people have become so disgusted that they would vote down a bond issue. Sign the petition, it is not likely that we will have anything sprung this week.

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FIRES ARE RAGING

The forest fires in the Applegate district are raging. Forest Ranger Ira Tugate was in this city Tuesday to employ men to go out and fight the spread of the flames.

Mr. Tugate was unable to secure idle men in this city and went over to Medford on the morning train to secure men to fight the fire.

KEEP YOUR PAPERS

In a small town in this state a newspaper was established in 1864. It was a small weekly paper, but covered the field fairly well. A couple was married the same week that the paper made its first appearance, this news note was recorded, the couple subscribed for the paper—not on account of the notice but to help develop the country. The notice of the birth of their first child was published in this paper. A family of nine children and three deaths were also recorded in this same paper. The husband died a few years ago and the children married and settled in various parts of the state, all of which was recorded in this paper. The mother is now alive and to this day has a complete file of the paper which recorded her marriage.

This is a wonderful historical collection. The progress of that county is recorded in detail and this lady has her unbound history carefully packed in boxes in the garret of the old farm house.

A question arose one day about the age of a neighbor who claimed to be five years older than he actually was, the lady who had this collection of newspapers was the only one who could tell the exact age of the party in question. By referring to the index which she had prepared she found the box in which contained the birth notice.

of the party in question. It was February 14, 1865.

How nice would it be for you to keep the files of the Jacksonville Post for 44 years, and then look over this collection and note the progress of this city and county? I fear that you would not accept \$5000 for such a collection, with a complete history of your family and relatives. Think it over and save the files, if costs nothing. Get an old box put it up stairs and when the family has finished reading the paper fold it up and put it in the box. They will be worth more to you than a life insurance policy.

PIONEER'S NOTICE

All the resident pioneer's of Jacksonville will please call at the secretary's office and secure their badges before pioneer day.

ATTENTION ATTORNEYS!

You know the law pertaining to the printing of abstracts and briefs. How many such documents have left this county printed according to law? Why not send your manuscript to an office where you know that the work will comply with every requirement of the law. It costs no more. Try us next time.

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

Following is a list of the successful applicants for teacher's certificates at the recent examination held at Jacksonville:

FIRST GRADE
 Mae B. Nealon, Central Point; Rose L. Nealon, Central Point; Louise Ward, Talent; Nellie A. Crocker, Ashland.

SECOND GRADE
 Harriet I. Miller, Wimer; Ida E. Ditsworth, Peyton; Minnie R. Corey, Medford; Delmer O. Fredrick, Medford; Ruby E. Hesse, Medford; Bertha Smith, Jacksonville; Lola Phelps, Climax; Inez Willits, Climax; Bessie Haselton, Eagle Point; Chas. E. Johnson, Jacksonville.

THIRD GRADE
 Bessie Flippen, Rock Point; Eleanor Maule, Medford; Alma S. Hansen, Medford; Frances G. Miller, Medford; Lucie Marshall, Medford; May Hove, Climax; Nell C. Palmer, Ashland; Margaret Shuck, Central Point.

EAGLE POINT--JACKSONVILLE

The ball game played last Sunday between Eagle Point and Jacksonville was very interesting for the spectators. In the first inning Jones, Baker and Ross went 1, 2, 3. Jacksonville followed close. With two down and Wilson and Stout on bases, Brown went down. In the second inning the visitors scored two and the locals went the 1, 2, 3 route. The visitors opened the third inning with one run and the locals closed with two points to their credit.

Wilson pitched the first three innings but was relieved in the fourth by McIntyre who played his usual shut out game. In the fifth Jacksonville made four runs and one in the seventh.

The visitors made a pretty double, from short to second and from second to first, retiring F. Stout and McIntyre.

Several of the regular players are out of town, but the substitutes held their own in nice shape.

The score was 7 to 3, in the favor of Jacksonville.

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**REUNION OF
 THE PIONEERS**

Committees at Work Arranging Details for the Big Re-Union of Southern Oregon Pioneers in This City Next Thursday.

The various committees for the pioneer's re-union to be held in this city next Thursday, are working hard.

Several prominent speakers will be on hand, and the committee is expecting the secretary of the state historical society of Portland.

Clarence Reams, one of our able attorneys, will deliver the address for the pioneers.

The committee is figuring on a band and several vocal selections. They promise a good musical program.

SUICIDE AT

MEDFORD

With a prayer for his wife's forgiveness trembling on his lips, and after fully realizing the awfulness of the step he had taken, Frank L. Nelke died at 8:23 o'clock Tuesday morning. This after he had made a third attempt on his life.

The end came peacefully as far as a struggle was concerned. Until within ten minutes of his death, Nelke was conscious and was endeavoring to tell his reasons for the act. About a quarter after 8 he laid back on the bed, closed his eyes and apparently fell asleep. The only one at his bedside was William Handley, who was with him throughout the night.

Mrs. Nelke bore up bravely for a period after the news was conveyed to her, but at last reports she was prostrated. She refuses to see anyone and has turned all matters over to Mr. Handley. He immediately wired relatives in the east and replies are expected at any moment.

Nelke regained consciousness Tuesday afternoon about 4 o'clock, but was unable to speak to those about him. He would sink into spells of unconsciousness and then regain his reason. He was carefully guarded to prevent another attempt.

However about 10 p. m. he succeeded in getting a case knife from a nearby dresser and plunged this into his side. The dullness of the knife and his own weakness prevented him from inflicting anything more serious than a flesh wound. He was then handcuffed to the iron railing of the bed. Later in the night the handcuffs were removed, but Mr. Handley sat by his side and carefully guarded him.

The doctors at no time entertained any hope for his recovery. This fact was communicated to Mrs. Nelke and accounts in a manner for the way in which she was able to keep up after hearing that the end had come.

The last words uttered by Nelke were to Mr. Handley. He asked him to look out for his wife and child. About 8 o'clock he seemed to realize that the end was near and muttered a prayer for his wife's forgiveness. Finally he drew Mr. Handley to him and whispered: "Oh! Billy, why did I do it." Then came the end.

Endeavors were made to have Nelke tell why he had taken the step, but he was unable to explain. He tried a number of times, but failed to make his hearers understand.—Tribune.

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8,200.	275 acres, 100 acres meadow, stock ranch.
2,500.	25 acres, alfalfa, good ditch.
8,000.	40 acres, in young orchard.
3,000.	60 acres, good orchard land.
8,000.	32 acres, alfalfa or orchard land.
2,700.	26 acres, 10 acres in trees, balance timber.
23,750.	95 acres, orchard, alfalfa, grain.
4,000.	12 1/2 acres, orchard and alfalfa.
3,200.	160 acres, orchard land.
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