

# CUT-OFF PLAN IS DISCUSSED

### Project For Closing It to Be Taken Up In January— Three Mill Port Levy.

The Port of Coos Bay Commission after an extended discussion of the proposed closing of the Coos River cut-off decided to make the matter a special order of business at the January meeting and to give notice to those favoring and opposing it to be present and present their reasons why.

This morning only those opposed to it were represented. C. F. McKnight appeared for them and there were a dozen or more ranchers from Coos River and Catching Inlet present.

L. J. Simpson suggested that the objection of the ranchers to the closing of the cut-off be laid before Capt. Polhemus who had urged the closing in his special report and get his opinion. C. F. McKnight said that the ranchers were not willing to accept the report of an engineer on a proposition which long years of familiarity had made them good judges of.

The commission voted to levy a three mill tax for the coming year to raise revenue for general improvements in the harbor and inlets. This will raise between \$20,000 and \$25,000.

The commission also agreed to go ahead and build the dock for the Standard Oil company just as soon as the contract is fixed up. The company is paying twelve cents per ton dockage. The company wanted to lease the ground and build its own docks but the commission would not consider this. The dock will cost about \$400 and the revenue from this one contract alone will pay for it in a few years. Then it can also be used in connection with the large dock which the commission plans eventually to build there.

### FRANK MONROE INJURED.

F. J. Monroe came near losing the middle finger of his left hand last Wednesday. He was out hunting and while climbing over a log he slipped and fell. His whole weight was thrown on his gun while that finger was caught between the gun and log in such a way that the finger was nearly severed. He returned to Florence and the injury was dressed by a surgeon who hopes to save the finger.—Florence West.

### SIMPSON HEADS RESERVE.

Officers Will Name New Captain for Boston Next Month. Lieutenant - Commander Edgar Simpson of Marshfield, who is navigating officer of the cruiser Boston, of the Oregon Naval Militia, is in full command of the organization as a result of the resignation last month of Captain J. J. Reynolds. Adjutant-General Finzer has ordered that officers above the rank of lieutenant, junior grade, hold an election for captain and ballots are to be in his office at 3 o'clock p. m., December 9.—Portland Oregonian.

### TURKEYS ARE HIGH.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 13.—The highest price ever known at this time of the year was last week obtained for dressed turkeys. Sales were made of ordinary quality at 28 cents per pound, which means 30 cents per pound for selected stock. Dressed turkeys are still going forward to the north. Live birds are still selling at 25 cents a pound, the highest price ever reached here for similar goods.

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# SAYS MOTHER IS MISTAKEN

### Heart-Broken Eugene Woman Hears Highly Educated Son Deny His True Identity.

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 13.—"Some day, the real Bernard Marvin will hear of this fuss that is being stirred up here about dual personalities and lost memories and come back to this town, and there will be an awful row," was the statement made Thursday by a man who in the face of his almost heart-broken mother, maintains that he is George A. Lewis, a working man, and not Bernard Marvin, the son of Mrs. Leiberg, and a Berkeley graduate.

"He will be one of the maddest men in the United States," he continued. "I am mighty glad that I have kept clear in the matter, all the way through. He can't have anything on me when he does come back."

### Mother Positive of Son.

His case is a complete puzzle to all who have spoken to him. It is beyond belief that a mother could be mistaken in her own child, when she had seen him less than two months ago. Mrs. Leiberg is a practicing physician, and a woman of brilliant education and wide knowledge of the world. She does not even attempt to verify her knowledge, because she is positive.

On the other hand, Marvin, who persists that his name is Lewis, is equally positive that he is a strange victim of a case of mistaken identity. He talks rationally and clearly, and when listened to it is almost impossible not to believe him, for he is so unmistakably sincere. His haziness as to his past previous to two months ago is the only irrational mark about him.

"If there is a man in the world whom I would like to meet more than any other," said he, "it is this Bernard Marvin. Imagine yourself being taken for her son by a woman you never saw before. I read a story not long ago where a woman mistook a man for her husband, and was positive for a time that she couldn't be mistaken, but I never supposed that I would find myself in about the same position. It is unheard of. I sometimes get to wondering myself if it could be true, but I know who I am."

Notwithstanding that he maintains he is a plain logger, he talks entertainingly, and at considerable length of the classic writers. He knows Virgil well, and is familiar with the philosophy of Plato and Aristotle. He is a close student of Homer, and the wanderings of Ulysses through strange lands and amid strange adventures hold a peculiar fascination for him, he says.

Dr. W. Kuykendall, who has made a careful examination of young Marvin, says that there is no doubt whatever that it is a strange case of dual personality. There is not the remotest possibility, says Dr. Kuykendall, that Mrs. Leiberg could be mistaken, and, in addition, young Marvin's mind is a blank beyond six months ago.

"The cause might have been a blow on the skull and it might have been overwork and eye strain," said the doctor. "He is likely to change back to his former self at any time without specific cause."

### CULLINGS OF COQUILLE.

### Coos County Seat News as Told by The Sentinel.

Mrs. Crocker, of Ashland, Oregon, State Inspector of the W. R. C., met with the local Relief Corps Thursday afternoon for inspection. In the evening a reception was held in her honor at the home of Mrs. D. P. Strang.

Announcement was received at this office yesterday of the marriage at Holtville, California, of James Percy Wells and Miss Minnie Maye Brady, October 31, 1911. Mr. Wells and his bride will make their home at Jacksonville, California.

The regular meeting of the school board was held Wednesday evening. Bills were ordered paid and a new teacher, Charles Wallace, appointed to fill the place of Miss Hettie Raker, resigned. A special election was ordered to be held at the school house November 24 for the purpose of voting a special tax for the school expenses.

Married—At the Advent church in Redding, California, Oct. 27, 1911, R. E. Boyd and Miss Blanche Wright. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. W. H. Thomas of this city. The newly wedded pair will reside in Redding.

J. A. Gardner, a former resident of Coquille, has sold his black sand mining claim at Whiskey Run to a California corporation for \$10,000.

A. Dunham, general manager of the Coquille River Transportation Company, returned from a business trip to Portland on the Alliance Monday. While in Portland, Mr. Dunham made the necessary arrangements with the head of the North Pacific Steamship Company whereby the Steamer Coquille will get new boilers and be otherwise remodeled. This will make the Coquille not only the fastest boat on this river but one of the fastest passenger boats on the inland waters of the Northwest.

The railroad company has finished laying its new track along the water front and is now ready for travel. The old track on Front street will be torn up as soon as the weather permits.

J. W. Tawse has sold his saloon business in Bandon to Jos. Coach. Mr. Tawse will continue as mixer of drinks at the Club saloon and will move his family from Coquille to Bandon the first of next week.

# TO USE CRUSHED ROCK ON ROADS

### Side-Track to Be Constructed There—Report on Allegany-Cooston Road.

The Coos County Commissioners have arranged with the local railroad company to construct a sidetrack to the county stone quarry near Coquille and next year will ship crushed rock to a number of points along the line to be used in permanent road building. The commissioners now figure on taking out about 15,000 yards of crushed rock next season, considerable of which will probably be used on the Coos Bay side.

The commissioners also approved of the report of the viewers on the proposed new highway from Allegany to Cooston. County Surveyor Gould did not have his survey completed sufficiently to furnish an estimate of the cost but it is expected that it will be in the neighborhood of \$20,000. No work can be done before spring at the earliest. The survey for the balance of the road from Cooston westerly has not been completed.

The commissioners instructed all the road supervisors to keep men out all winter to promptly repair any

damage and to keep the roads well drained.

The court also ordered a special election December 19 when the voters of the upper Coquille will pass on the proposition to organize a new port district, embracing the headwaters of the Coquille river to a point about a mile above Johnson's mill.

### DRAFT MAGNA CHARTA

### Chinese Scholars Complete Constitution for China.

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times)

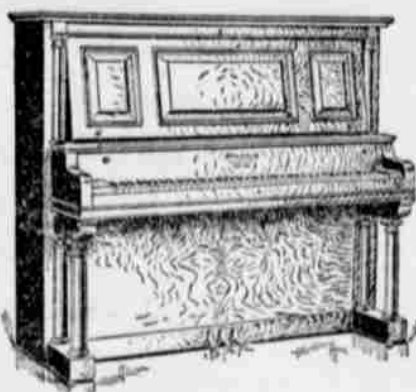
LOS ANGELES, Nov. 13.—Eighteen Chinese scholars engaged at the task for thirty years have completed the Magna Charta of China, according to Ho Lee, president of the Young China Society's Lodge in Los Angeles. It will be promulgated as the constitution of the United Republic of China, he said, as soon as the fall of Peking is announced. While republican in form, the government prescribed by the savants will be far in advance of that in vogue in the United States or elsewhere, Ho Lee declared.

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