

e investment.

al committee appointed to apthe value of the real estate and rights of the Coos Bay Water pany, the Mashfield city council evening discussed the proposiin detail without agreeing defy to submit the matter of puring it to a vote of the people at cial election before May 1. Mayraw and Councilmen Powers and ge argued in favor of submitting n's \$160,000 proposition, while other members of the council he ground that it was certain to urned down by the voters and the special election would simbe needless expense and delay. illy it was proposed to submit a ber of other questions to ascerthe sentiment of the voters on manner in which the water quesshould be handled and this reed with this understanding-the ial election was tentatively ed to, but the date was not def-ely fixed. It probably will be at pecial meeting of the council to held Wednesday evening.

nder the special report of the mittee, the valuation of the propranged anywhere from \$123,-50 under City Engineer Gidley's mate, \$138,357.50 under E. G. ham's valuation to \$153,357.50 er Arno Mercen's estimate. The t committee of the North Bend Mashfield city councils last fall, ng under estimates furnished by ineer Richardson, estimated the ae at about \$138,500, which some them claimed was a very liberal uation.

Anxious for Election.

layor Straw during the evening led earnestly for submitting the ter at a special election. He said he had promised in the last city tion to submit the water question the best possible shape to the votat as early a date as possible. He d that he could see no reason for osing its submission to them. He

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Indemnity Demands Are Met.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay in fact making the state law apply to Times.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.-Chinese warships have been ordered to the Island of Java under instructions troduced it last evening only that it to begin bombardment of the Port seemed necessary that action be taken choose the site for the Coos county opposed to submitting it alone of Batavia if the Dutch government does not pay the indemnity demanded for the killing of Chinese said to have been attacked by Dutch soldiers

> government yesterday, Provisional actly with the views of City Attorney attack on Java would be begun if should amend the city charter. Mr. the indemnity was not paid within a Goss said that he would draft a new week. This information was con- one if given a little time, but he veyed today in a private dispatch found that he could not do it for the Free Press, published here.

Dr. Sun declared in his ultimatum ister of war.

here declare an attack on the Java wards. killed and many others arrested.

The Chinese here explain the pro-Sun Yat Sen to the Dutch minister, challenging of votes, etc. who is said to be in Shanghai, on the ground that the Manchurian governthe revolutionists, although the re- vote of the people. He said that the public has not been formally recog-

The matter was brought up by Threaten to Attack Java Unless Councilman Copp'e introducing a preliminary draft of an amendment to the charter providing for dividing the town into wards for registration and elections here. Mr. Copple stated that the draft had been drawn hurriedly and that he would not have inon it before March 1 if it was to be submitted at the special election proposed to be called before May 1 to vote on the water question. The amendment was drafted in the form

of an initiative petition instead of an In the ultimatum sent to the Dutch ordinance and did not correspond ex- Better Conditions on Islands Than in President Dr. Sun Yat Sen said an Goss as to the manner in which it from Sun's private secretary to Tong council last evening, and the special tween them and the United States, King Chong, editor of the Chinese meeting was ordered for Wednesday to take the matter up.

The proposed ordinance divided the that a passport would be given the city into three wards, the First ward States has shared in this prosperity Dutch minister to China if the in- embracing that part of the town demnity is not paid according to the south of Elrod avenue, the second Tong's information. Three cruisers that part of the town between Elrod left Shanghai today. They are fully avenue and Market avenue and the revenues to the Filipinos in sugar provisioned and equipped and under third that part of the town north of orders from Wong Chung Wei, min- Market avenue. It provided that

Dispatches to a Chinese newspaper large and one from each of the resulted in stimulating industry and It provided that all voters Chinese by Dutch soldiers, news of should be required to register bewhich was received from Nanking iween September 1 and November 15 last night, was made without provo- of each year, that the registration be cation and that three Chinese were conducted by the city recorder and that there be a separate registration

book for each ward and for the state posed issuance of the passport by D. law to govern the swearing in and lands never have been better than

City Attorney Goss, after the reading of t'e amendment said that all it and GLOVES at MILNER'S. ment no longer exists and that the provided for could be enacted by the Dutch government must treat with council without submitting it to a

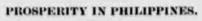
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Friedberg and others opposed to clos-

ing the slough to stop it. The matter has been brought up in the Chamber of Commerce a number of times and it is expected that definite action will be taken on it as it is regarded as a public matter on which that body should act.

A number of other matters, includexhibit at the Panama exposition in

San Francisco March 14, are to come UD



Many Years.

Associated Press to Coos Bay Times)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.-Unprecedented prosperity is being enjoyed by the Philippine islands principally as a result of free trade be and the cry of "hard times" there no onger can be raised, say the members of the Philippine commission in their report for 1911. The United by increasing its exports to the Archipelago to \$49,800,000, or more by than \$12,500,000, during the year. Free trade has resulted in increased and tobacco and an improvement in the market for copra.

The opening of new railway lines three councilmen should be elected at in various parts of the islands has fostering production, the territory through which they pass having awakened to the development of agricultural industries. A steady and healthy growth of the postal savings bank, Filipino deposits having increased 171 per cent over the number of the previous year.

Health conditions of the entire isduring the past year.

SPALDING Baseballs, BATS, Mitts

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Coos county politics is not livening up very much, despite the fact that it is only about two months until the primaries will be held.

A number of candidates are in the field for the Republican nominations vide prosperity unless the prosperity and are now circulating their pri- is there to divide and that to secure mary petitions. Most of the old coun- the well being of the business world ty officers, in fact all of them, it is is emphatically in the interest of ing the selection of a committee to understood, will be candidates for every citizen of the United States." re-election.

> The Democrats are less active. Hugh McLain, chairman of the Coos county central committee, stated yesterday that he was considering the advisability of calling a meeting of the committee with a view of bringing out candidates for the various offices.

Mr. McLain stated that although a number have been urging him to be the Democratic candidate for state senator, he had decided not to make a fight for the nomination and will not even circulate petitions to get his name on the primary ballot. However, if a sufficient number of Democrats write in his name to give him the nomination, he probably will not refuse the nomination.

W. H. Meredith of Port Orford will mills, and one man accused of throwbe a candidate for the Democratic ing pepper in a policeman's eyes, nomination for joint representative from Coos and Curry countles.

COOS INQUIRY BEGINS MARCH 1.

commission appointed to make an in- may be no little ones sent away in spection with a view to moving the Coos Bay life saving station to Charleston, will not begin work be fore March 1.

For House CLEANING use SHER-WIN-WILLIAMS PAINTS and VAR-NISHES at MILNER'S

GRAND ASSEMBLY DANCE for ALL scholars and their friends; FOUR-PIECE ORCHESTRA; L.O.O. HALL, Wednesday night. PROF. RAYMOND.

TROUT LEADERS with LOOPS 30 inches apart at MILNER'S.

the farmer alike. As I then said, I most emphatically believe that it is necessary to have equitable division of prosperity, but that it behooves us to keep in mind that we cannot di-

ORDERS PROBE AT LAWRENCE

Attorney General Wickersham Takes Up Action in Strike Situation.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LAWRENCE, Mass., Feb. 27.-Five women pickets, who are said to have used persuasion which approached violence to keep employes Mr. McLain has been apprised that from going to work in the textile were arrested today.

The plan to export the children to Philadelphia has been abandoned and aside from the children who are to be sent with the committee of strik-WASHINGTON, Feb. 26. - The ers to Washington tomorrow there groups. City Marshal Sullivan intimated that he may prevent the children from going to Washington unless the court decided he was acting contrary to law. Indications are that the mills have made further gains in the number of operatives at work. It is estimated that 18,000 operatives are at work and 2000 are still on a strike.

> TROUT FLIES, Silk Lines, LEAD-ERS and POLES at MILNER'S.