

COOS BAY TIMES

M. C. MALONEY Editor and Pub.
DAN E. MALONEY News Editor

Address all communications to
COOS BAY DAILY TIMES,
Marshfield, Oregon

Entered at the postoffice at Marshfield, Oregon, for transmission through the mails as second class mail matter.

Dedicated to the service of the people, that no good cause shall lack a champion, and that evil shall not thrive unopposed.

Official Paper of Coos County

An Independent Republican newspaper published every evening except Sunday, and Weekly by The Coos Bay Times Publishing Co.

AN IMPORTANT REQUISITE.

THE experience of Mexican presidents and the desperate situations which the government is continually encountering points to an old moral which the people of America do well to remember. It is not the form of government which makes a great nation, but the citizenship which supports the government. For this reason the disloyal erratic populace of Mexico is forever breeding disorder and revolution.

The founders of the Mexican republic came to the country largely through mercenary impulses which are narrowly selfish impulses and never likely to produce a sane and dependable environment for any sort of government.

The forefathers of our own nation were men with traditions of mental and physical significance. They came to our shore, not seeking the gold of the early adventurers but a land in which they could live simple and exalted lives. They were narrow and intolerant very often, but they had the zeal of a great purpose and the belief in a standard of living which is true and intelligently democratic.

It is the support of a citizenship such as this upon which any nation must depend for its greatness. Laws and statutes can do little without the fundamental stability of blood and brains and clean, reliable individual living.

MORE RIOTING IN JAMAICA

Two Killed and Thirty Injured During Outbreak by Mob in Kingston.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
KINGSTON, Jamaica, Feb. 27.—Kingston was given over to mob rule throughout the night and as a result of collisions between the police and populace two men were killed and 30 or more injured.

FRANKLIN HAS NOW CONFESSED

Clarence Darrow's Detective Admits Having Tried to Bribe Juror Bain.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 27.—Bert Franklin, formerly a detective employed by Clarence S. Darrow, pleaded guilty today to having attempted to "influence" Robert Bain, the first juror sworn in for the trial of James B. McNamara, the confessed dynamiter now serving a life term in the San Quentin prison. The original charge against Franklin of having bribed Bain was dismissed.

Franklin was released on his own recognizance after pleading guilty in the Bain case and was instructed to appear in court Friday for sentence. The maximum penalty is five years imprisonment and a fine of \$5000, but in view of the practical certainty that Franklin will appear as the state's chief witness when Darrow is brought to trial on the charge of having bribed Bain and George Lockwood, probation or suspended sentence is expected.

After the show try a Turkish Bath
Phone 214-J

LONG SESSION ABOUT WATER

(Continued from page 1.)

said a special election would only cost about \$60 and the council could make up this expense by eliminating a few meetings which cost about \$14 each.

Finally, he said that he would pay one-half of the expenses of the special election himself and said that he thought there were sufficient others present who would defray the other half. Councilman Powers said that he would pay his share of it and later said that he would pay one-half of the expense.

Mayor Straw, after a number of the councilmen had stated that they thought it was useless to submit the \$160,000 proposition because the price was so high that the voters would be sure to reject it asked C. R. Peck, Mr. Nolan's attorney, if \$160,000 was the least Nolan would take. Mr. Peck said he understood it was.

Mayor Straw said you couldn't always tell what the voters were going to do. He said that he had figured one time that Bryan was going to be elected president and had bet all his ready cash at Klamath Falls and lost it.

He said that even though the reports of the committee and engineers showed the value to be high, he didn't think it would be fair not to let them vote on it. He said that he was satisfied in his own mind that the people would vote down the \$160,000 proposition, but he thought they ought to have a chance to vote on it anyway. And then, he said, you can't always tell how the people are going to vote. "Can you, Copple?" he humorously added. "And besides, what are we going to do?" he inquired. "Supposing we reject Nolan's offer and try to condemn the plant and the value fixed through the courts is more than \$160,000? We have been backing and filling on this water matter for months and we might as well shift again and throw the responsibility on the voters through a special election. It don't mean that we endorse it by simply putting it up to them." He also added that the sentiment or wishes of the community might be ascertained through some other questions at the election.

Councilman Powers said that he thought something ought to be done and done now. If it isn't, he declared, no improvements would be made this summer. He said that the people's health and property demanded that the service be improved. He said that he had heard constant complaints about the water service for five years and wanted to see some action taken. He said the voters would be amply informed inside of 60 days to know how to vote intelligently on the questions to be put up. He said he was in favor of submitting any other questions desired along with the other proposition.

He declared it would be "dead wrong to continue to stand the thing off and quibble over it." He declared that the election should be held before May 1. He said the old council favored a vote on it. He said the new high school is without fire protection and that neither his home, the home of Councilman Ferguson and of Councilman Allen had any fire protection and that it was time for something to be done about it.

Views of Others.

Councilman Ferguson said that he had heard nothing but kicks against submitting the \$160,000 proposition. Councilman Allen said that he didn't see any use in submitting the \$160,000 proposition when the council knew it was going to be turned down by the voters. Later when it

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength in building up the constitution and so forth in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Sold by all Druggists, The F. J. CROWEY & CO., Toledo, O. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

was explained that other questions could be submitted at the election, he said that probably a special election would be the only means of ascertaining definitely what the community desired done. He suggested first that the private owners be allowed to continue to furnish water to the city for five years or so until the growth warranted the city going ahead and securing another good water supply.

Councilman Merchant said that he couldn't see any use in submitting a proposition to buy at \$160,000, because the people are sure to vote it down. He said he thought the people would be willing to take it at \$130,000. Otherwise, he thought a special election useless and that the best thing to do would be to try to force the private owners to give better service. He said Nolan had stated that he was going to take it over and make some improvements in it.

Councilman Savage said that he hated to see the matter dropped or delayed now after all the work they had done on it. He thought it ought to be put up to a vote.

Copple Against It.

Councilman Copple said that he was against submitting a proposition to buy the plant at \$160,000 to the voters in the face of reports showing it to be worth \$20,000 or \$30,000 less than that amount. He said it was not businesslike to do so. He said that he had not found one man who favored a special election on the \$160,000 proposition because all thought it was too high. Besides, he said, to submit the \$160,000 proposition and have it voted down might be used by some as an expression by the community against municipal ownership. He said that if it was submitted he wanted other propositions or questions submitted with it to get a true expression of the community on it.

He said that the council could force the company under the old franchise, according to the city attorney, to give better service and improve the plant. Mr. Copple said the council had rejected the \$160,000 offer because it was too high and could do so again.

City Attorney Goss said that he wished to explain that Mr. Copple was only partly correct in quoting him about forcing the company to give better service. He said that he thought the city could but that the only penalty that could be imposed would be to annul the franchise. This would do little good, as the city still had to have water and the company would have the city at their mercy unless another water system could be secured.

Nolan Wants Expression.

C. R. Peck said that Mr. Nolan was very anxious to have an expression of the people here on municipal ownership at this time. While he was going to buy the water works anyway, he wanted to know how the community stood on it. He said that in view of this, Mr. Nolan favored the plan of submitting his \$160,000 offer as one proposition and another proposition increasing the city's limit of indebtedness for the purpose of improving the water service without restricting it to the present plant. However, Mr. Peck said, he was confident that the present plant was the only one the city could now consider on account of the greater cost of the other projects. At any rate, he said the city if it thought \$160,000 too high a price and wanted to condemn Mr. Nolan's property would have to arrange for bonding itself to take it under condemnation proceedings.

Extent of Present Supply.

Councilman Powers wanted to know of Engineer Gidley if the present water system would not supply a community of 40,000 or 50,000 people. Mr. Gidley said that he had so reported, but that in order to do so it would be necessary to utilize practically every bit of water in Pony Inlet. He said to do this would necessitate putting in big reservoirs and would be very expensive. He would not estimate just what the cost might be.

Councilman Copple wanted to know if the value of the water rights on Pony Inlet would not decrease as the population increased owing to the danger of the source of supply being contaminated. Mr. Gidley said that was a matter the special committee appraising them had been thrashing out all day without being able to agree on it. Councilman Powers did not think it would.

Councilman Merchant said that the watershed embraced about six and one-half square miles, while the total area of the peninsula was about 13 square miles.

Relative to the cost of improvements, Mr. Gidley said that he had estimated that it would require the expenditure of about \$60,000 to improve the Marshfield system alone without making any improvements in the North Bend system.

Increase Debt Limit.

Finally City Attorney Goss presented an ordinance providing for a charter amendment increasing the

limit of indebtedness of the city. The present limit is 5 per cent of the assessed valuation. The present assessed valuation is about \$2,253,000 while the outstanding bonded debt of the city is about \$54,000.

In view of the fact that if the present system is taken over at \$160,000 and that it will require about \$60,000 to improve it, the council finally decided that the debt limit should be increased to at least 15 per cent. This ordinance was passed and can be submitted at any election after the expiration of 60 days.

Some of the councilmen wanted to know what the city would have to do if it decided to take up the Clear Lake or some other source of supply in case the voters turn down Nolan's \$160,000 proposition. All of these will cost more than the city will be able to raise under a 15 per cent bonded debt limit. It was explained that another special election would have to be called.

Other Questions Up.

City Attorney Goss explained that any question relative to the water works matter could be submitted to the voters at the special election if presented to the council ten days or so before the date of the election.

Some suggested that the people also have an opportunity to express themselves on condemnation proceedings, on the Clear Lake water supply and on other phases of it. These will be determined later. The vote on the latter questions would not be legally binding on the council, but would be morally as representatives of the people.

REAL MILK and REAL CREAM delivered to your home on FIVE MINUTES' NOTICE. PHONE 329-J. F. A. Sacchi.

TELLS THE CAUSE OF APPENDICITIS

Lockhart & Parsons Drug Co. states that much appendicitis in Marshfield is caused by constipation, gas on the stomach or sour stomach. These troubles are almost INSTANTLY relieved and appendicitis guarded against by taking a SINGLE DOSE of simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as compounded in Adler-ka, the new German appendicitis remedy.

SEE THE Royal Tailored WINDOW

500 Samples up to the minute, absolutely all wool. Made to fit you.

Suits \$18 to \$35

FIXUP

Marshfield & North Bend

DON'T

Buy your Butter, Cream or milk from the Coos Bay Ice and Cold Storage Company unless you want only the

BEST

PHONE 73J
Delivery 8 a. m.—2 p. m.
Bean Pot Cheese

Try It.

First Class Auto Service

Special calls anywhere—anytime. Stand at Smokehouse. Phone 66-J until 11 p. m.; after 11 p. m. Phone 66-J. Residence Phone 28-J. Good cars and careful drivers.

D. L. FOOTE, Proprietor.

Women Appreciate Clean Electric Lighting

It will surprise you to know how reasonably you can equip your home for electric lighting.

The cost is a sound, dividend paying investment—not an expense.

Our representative will visit you, plan the installation and make cost estimates without charge.

The work can be done quickly and without tearing up your home.

Telephone 178.

Oregon Power Co.

Important Notice to Property Owners

Give us a description of your property and we will obtain for you amount of taxes on same. Sheriff does not notify you.

First National Bank

FLANAGAN & BENNETT BANK

MARSHFIELD, OREGON.
At the close of business, Feb. 20, 1912.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$425,000
Banking House	50,000
Cash and Exchanges	100,000
Total	\$645,000
LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock paid in	\$ 20,000
Surplus and Undivided Profits	57,000
Deposits	528,000
Total	\$645,000

Home Permanency vs. Home Monotony

This is a vital question for present day homebuilders—whether to have a house which in appearance must always remain the same or a house that will permit of a little refreshing occasional change. Neighborhoods change as do individual tastes—a frame house easily be made to harmonize with its surroundings—a fresh coat of paint often will make it as good as your neighbor's new house—the same as a new suit makes you feel like a new man. At any rate a frame house is susceptible to most any change you might desire and while it is permanent it does not necessarily need become an eyesore or a monotony. There are lots of things we've observed about houses and lumber that you should know before building—come in and we'll give you our views.

C. A. Smith Lumber & Mfg. Co.

RETAIL DEPARTMENT SOUTH BROADWAY, MARSHFIELD

Abstracts, Real Estate, Fire and Marine Insurance

Title Guarantee and Abstract Co.
HENRY SENGSTACKEN, Mgr.
Coquille Office Phone 191 — Marshfield Office 14-J.
Farms — Timber — Coal and Platting Lands a specialty.
General Agents "EASTSIDE"

I Have Some First Class RESIDENCE LOTS in Eugene to Exchange for Coos Bay Property.
What Have You Got?
AUG. FRIZEN
58 Central Ave., Marshfield.

Have That Roof Repaired NOW
See CORTELL
Phone 3181

GET YOUR JOB PRINTING DONE AT THE TIMES' OFFICE



Snow Drift Flour

Highest Quality