

# HAVE TO WAIT ABOUT SURVEY

### Engineers Defer Action on the Coos Bay Request Until Congress Meets.

Vice-president C. F. McKnight this afternoon received a telegram from Senator Bourne saying that the Board of Review had postponed action on Coos Bay's request for a new survey until after Congress meets, the same being taken on the request of Congressman Hawley. No word has been received from President D. C. Green who was in Portland to try and hasten favorable action by the government on the new survey as well as for an appropriation.

Senator Bourne's telegram is self-explanatory and is as follows: Have received the following from Board of Engineers, Washington: "Your telegram about Coos Bay received and will be given careful consideration together with other communications from interested parties. Final determination of this matter has been postponed until after meeting of Congress on request of Mr. Hawley. The Board notes your agreement with its view that dredging should be tried before new project is adopted. Survey is not considered permissible unless information received indicates that revision of project is now advisable." Send me full particulars show harbor conditions responsible for wreck.

Congress will meet the first Monday in December and it is hoped that the matter will be brought up immediately thereafter.

**To Present Evidence.** Friends of Congressman Hawley who are familiar with the efforts he has been putting forth think that he probably will ask the Board of Review to defer action on the appeal from the Engineers' adverse decision against the new survey, in order that he might be able to personally present evidence showing the necessity of the new survey now. He would not reach Washington until about December 1 and possibly intended to take the matter up with the rivers and harbors committee.

**AMONG THE SICK.** Col. Brigham of North Bend who has been seriously ill is reported improving.

The many friends of Miss Mabel Mathison will be glad to know that she is rapidly recovering from her recent illness.

Mr. Hayden, a son of Dr. Hayden, sustained a broken finger and other minor injuries in an accident at the C. A. Smith machine shop, where he is employed, Saturday.

Charles Schroeder, foreman of the Randolph mill, who was operated on for appendicitis at Mercy hospital, North Bend, last week, is reported to be doing nicely and the physicians in charge of his case expect him to recover rapidly.

### WORK ON TUNNEL.

The crew at work on the Notl tunnel on the Willamette-Pacific has now reached a depth of 1,160 feet and are working right along at a good rate. The crew at the west portal has not got entirely underground as yet, but are right up to that point. When the two crews get to working towards each other they will soon cut down the distance to be excavated. It is probable they will not be able to finish it until spring.—Eugene Register.

The Tasmanian apple yield this year is 1,384,000 bushels. Times' Want Ads bring results.

# BRADBURY IS SUIT WINNER

### Christian Herrmann Loses in His Norman Fraud Case at Portland.

Judge John F. Hall has returned from Portland, where he was a witness in the case of Christian Herrmann vs. Charles Bradbury. The case was one of the several Norman suits which Herrmann has started. In this case, the first one tried, the finding was against Herrmann.

Herrmann's suit was to regain a tract of Coos river timber land, which Bradbury had purchased from Judge Hall, as attorney for Herrmann and executor of Mrs. Herrmann's will.

Christian Herrmann married the widow of the late John Norman in Germany. Soon after Mr. Norman's death, she returned to the old country. She had considerable Coos Bay property. She was considerably older than her second husband. Prior to her death she sold some of the local property and after her death, Mr. Herrmann, as her heir, had considerable property sold. A few years ago he came to Coos Bay and for a time resided on the former Chandler ranch on Coos river, which he purchased. While here, he discovered that some of the Norman property had increased in value since it had passed out of his hands or the hands of his first wife (Mrs. Norman) and instituted suit to regain it, charging fraud in the sale. A large tract of land in and near Eastside is involved in these suits. Herrmann has married a second time. Mr. Bradbury formerly lived here, but is now a resident of Portland.

### ALONG THE WATERFRONT

The Hardy arrived in today to load at the C. A. Smith mill.

The Redondo will sail at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning for San Francisco.

The Effield arrived at Bandon today from San Francisco.

The Elizabeth arrived in at Bandon Sunday and the Hugh Hogan sailed.

### Another New Coaster.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 4.—In tow of the steamer Olympic, the new steam schooner Siskiyou, launched at Aberdeen last week, is here to have her engines installed. The vessel was christened by Miss Manette Kelloff and will be commanded by Capt. H. P. Hanson when ready for sea. The Siskiyou is 205 feet long, 41.6 feet beam and 14.6 feet deep, and has a lumber carrying capacity of 1,100,000 feet.

### Ship's Officers Suspended.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 4.—United States Local Inspectors James Guthrie and Joseph P. Dolan have suspended Claus Mayns, master of the tug Elizabeth for 20 days for negligence in colliding with the tug Pilot on September 18 off Sixteenth street wharf. They suspended for five days Olaus Johnson, chief officer of the schooner Fairhaven, for colliding with the steamer Yukon near Point Adams on September 14.

Tourists will be able to reach the famous leaning tower of Pisa in Italy by an electric street car line in the near future.

# BROWN VICTOR OVER CARDWELL

### Prosecuting Attorney Scores Opponent in Roseburg Joint Debate.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Nov. 4.—In the presence of the largest crowd ever assembled in Roseburg District Attorney George M. Brown on Saturday evening charged Attorney W. W. Cardwell of being the brewery candidate for district attorney. In fact, Mr. Brown showed that Cardwell was backed by the Roseburg Brewing and Ice Co. in Douglas county, while in Coos county he had the solid backing of the saloon and "bawdy house" element. Mr. Brown presented document after document, all of which showed that he had been fearless and impartial in enforcing the laws of his district. Mr. Brown said that he was not responsible for making the laws, but that it was his sworn duty to enforce the laws as they were laid down on the statute books of the state.

The crowd was of a mixed variety, but it could be easily seen that Mr. Brown was the favorite. In fact, Mr. Brown was frequently applauded as he jabbed his opponent, while Cardwell appeared to have silent backing. In all, the debate proved a great boon for District Attorney Brown and it is generally predicted that he will carry Roseburg by a majority of not less than 500 votes. The voters who stand for good government favor Brown and are working diligently in hope of bringing about his election. Tomorrow's election, it is believed, will have a tendency to divorce the brewery and its backers from active politics in this county.

The debate was instigated by Cardwell, who said he would prove that he was not the brewery candidate. In this he made a decided failure.

### CHANGE LIFE SAVING STATION.

Victor Wickman returned Monday from a trip to the Coos Bay Life Saving Station where he had been since Saturday of last week visiting his friends of the life-saving crew. He was a member of the crew himself until about two years ago, and says he had a grand time with his former associates talking over their past experiences.

The crew consists of Captain Britt and eight men. Four of these men have but recently been assigned to this station but the others were there when Mr. Wickman was a member. The new captain, Mr. Britt, has had many years in the service and is a very competent man. He was transferred to this station from the station at the mouth of the Columbia where he had served several years.

Mr. Wickman says the boys look with much favor upon the proposed moving of the station from its present location to Charleston Bay. They think it will be the best thing that could be done to improve the service. It will be within a quarter of a mile of the bar which will enable them to get to the bar in five minutes instead of requiring twenty minutes in favorable weather and often forty-five minutes during a south-easter as has been the case in the past.

He says the work of moving the station is expected to commence early in the spring, and that the new quarters will be up to date and supplied with all modern appliances.—Coquille Sentinel.

### AT THE HOTELS.

COOS—Wm. Wilson, Roseburg; W. R. Hunt, San Francisco; G. C. Cook and wife, Coos River; S. Underwood, Camp 7; S. Cutlip, Daniels Creek; T. J. Thrift, Coquille. BLANCO—Howard Barrett, Florence; R. M. Rau, Portland; C. W. Parker, Coquille; S. Paerco, Sixes River.

LOYD—W. B. White, Portland; Chas. F. Johnson, Parkersburg; George Hayston, Empire. CHANDLER—S. S. Simon, San Francisco; W. G. Eggleston, Oakland; E. B. Martin, Portland.

Have your job printing done at The Times' office.

# Vote for Millage Bill Number 320 X Yes

It provides six-tenths of a mill tax for support of Agricultural College and University of Oregon, giving them permanent support and taking them out of politics. It also provides one Board of Regents, thus solving the problems of co-operation, consolidation, division of courses and economy of management.

It does not increase the average rate of taxation.

It repeals the \$500,000 University appropriation bill.

The Bill is endorsed by Governor West: "This Bill is in the interest of good business and should pass."

By L. R. Alderman, State Superintendent of Public Instruction: "Experience in other states shows millage bill principle to be correct."

By Will H. Daly, President, Oregon State Federation of Labor: "No argument can successfully combat the benefit to the state that will follow the adoption of the millage tax plan."

Endorsed by Portland Tax Payers League.

Bill prepared by committee of Governor's Commission, Boards of Regents, and administrative officers of the two institutions. W. K. NEWELL, CHAIRMAN OF GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION

# SCHOOL BOOK REFORM URGED

### School Board Could Effect Big Saving for District and Give Better Service.

Editor Times:

One of the worst drawbacks in the work of the High School is the difficulty experienced in getting text books and other supplies in suitable quantities and at the time they are wanted.

There are two reasons for this, and both seem unavoidable. First, the dealers will not order books in sufficient quantities, for fear of being over-stocked, and second, the small orders do not receive the same prompt attention that is accorded to large ones.

The dealers cannot be blamed for ordering cautiously. The number of books needed in any certain class can never be exactly determined until school has been in session for some time. The approximate number of pupils in each class can be ascertained far in advance, but each dealer must make a certain allowance for the number of books likely to be purchased from other dealers and for the number of second hand books likely to be used. Of course these allowances are mere guesswork and the inevitable result is an oversupply of some books and a shortage of others. This causes inconvenience and dissatisfaction to all concerned. The surplus books where too many have been ordered, and the high express rates on the small late orders to supply deficiencies, wipe out the dealer's profit. The lack of textbooks causes certain pupils to get behind in their work, crippling the class as a whole and lowering the standard of the course.

This convenience might be partly relieved by having the books ordered by only one dealer; but this solution has obvious defects. Other dealers could not be prevented from keeping the books, and if they kept only a very few it would be sufficient to make it impossible for the dealer selected to count on selling any certain number. Besides, agreeing to buy all text books from one dealer would be practically boycotting the other dealers.

Another and better way to avoid the difficulty would be for the school board to buy the books and sell them to the pupils. If several extra copies of each text book were ordered, and the books were sold to the students at the ordinary price, enough money would be received to pay for all the books and there would always be a few books on hand for those who enter late, or change courses. Without risking any actual loss of money, enough books could be ordered to enable all classes to start on time without any bookless students. After the first year, which should pay for the reserve books, there is no reason why students should not get textbooks somewhat cheaper than they can now.

But this plan is by no means the best. There are a few facts that we do not often think of that make another plan far preferable.

The average text book is good for five years of use. The average text book in the High School is used less than a year. In the grades, less than two years. The number of High School books that are used but one half year, more than offsets those used "second hand."

Nine text books out of ten are never used after they are finished in school and are of no more use than as if they had been destroyed. The school district can buy books at from 10 per cent to 40 per cent below retail prices and publishers will allow a school district liberal terms of exchange for their old text books when they change from one to another.

If the text books were bought by the school district and loaned to the pupils, the cost to the people of the district for text books would be not more than one quarter what it is now, and the pupils would have the book that they needed when they needed them. Such a plan has both economy and efficiency in its favor, and no real drawbacks.

The only serious objection that opponents of the plan advance, is the expense involved. But for every dollar added to the taxes in order to buy books, four will be saved, when once the plan is adopted. Most intelligent people would rather pay one dollar in taxes and get text-books free than to pay four dollars for text-books.

It is also argued that many people who pay taxes have no children in school, and that they should not be compelled to pay for books for other people's children. The same argument could be used equally well against anything connected with the schools. Did you ever hear anyone object to public money being spent on street or road improvements because he had no horses to drive on the street? Would it not be more reasonable to look at the matter in this way: The public, by law, compels every parent to send his children to school until they are of a certain age. Many men can not afford to keep their children in school and buy their books. The public, then, should pay for the books, without subjecting those children to the humiliation that now goes with the use of "town" books.

District owned text books are not a new thing. They are becoming more and more common among the best cities of the east. I base my opinion as to their advantage upon eight years' experience as student and as teacher, in a school where all books, and in the grammar school, even pencils and paper, were furnished by the district. The main advantage was economy, but the lesser advantages of all having proper books at the right time, and the respect for public property, taught by its daily use were not slight. In a district so

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MARSHFIELD BANDON

# NEW COUNTY IS NOW PROPOSED

### Porter Bros. Reported Interested in Plan to Make Florence County Seat.

EUGENE, Nov. 4.—A quiet movement is on foot at Florence, on the western coast of Lane county, to have a new county created out of the western end of Lane and a portion of Douglas, making Florence the county seat. The promoters of the scheme do not intend to trust the measure to a vote of the people, but to take it to the legislature, where they feel assured their wishes will be granted, as Eugene and other parts of Lane county do not object. That part of the county is so far removed from the county seat that people here feel it entitled to a county of its own.

Florence and the lower Siuslaw are growing rapidly, on account of the entrance into that country of the new Southern Pacific railway, which is building from Marshfield to Eugene, and which, it is believed, will eventually be extended south along the Pacific coast to connect with the Northwestern Pacific at Eureka, thus forming a through line from Portland to San Francisco.

To further the new county movement another paper will soon be established at Florence. Robert S. Huston, a former Eugene newspaper man, has bought a cylinder press and a paper folder here and has shipped them by way of Portland and the steamer Anvil. He has bought the type and the other necessary machinery in Portland. It is understood Mr. Huston has the backing of Porter Bros., who own the large sawmill in Florence, as well as large acres of timber land adjacent. It is also known that others who have heavy property interests in that section are favorable to the enterprise. The other paper published there is the West.

### MILK DIET IS ECONOMIC.

### Committee Shows Comparative Value of Fluid as Food.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—Would you down the high cost of living? Then drink milk, is the suggestion of the New York milk committee.

The committee's exhibit at the Pure Food Show here this week includes a chart saying that one quart of creamery milk costing 9 cents is equal in food fuel value to any one of the following:  
Three pounds fresh coffee, 54 cents.  
Three-quarters pound round beef-steak, 22 cents.  
Two pounds salt cod, 40 cents.  
Eight eggs, 40 cents.  
One and one-half pounds ham, 45 cents.  
One quart of oysters, 30 cents.

isolated as Coos Bay the one advantage of having a sufficient number of books at hand at the beginning of the school term would warrant the adoption of the plan.

Of course, if the taxpayers insist that they will not pay for books for other people's children, the same advantages—with some drawbacks—could be secured by having the district own the books and rent them at such rates that the rent on a book would pay for it by the time it was worn out. Of course under the system of free books, students would be required to pay for books that were lost or maliciously spoiled.

A. L. BARKER, Principal of Marshfield High School.

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# STATEMENT BY L. A. LILJEQVIST

### Says Grand Jury Evidence Is Not Secret After Indictment Is Returned.

L. A. Liljeqvist is in town today and stated that he understood there was some criticism as to revealing secrets of the grand jury room. He stated that upon an indictment being found and a person convicted, all testimony before the grand jury was public property. It is only where no indictment is returned that all minutes of testimony are destroyed and proceedings are kept secret. He stated further that statements he made were reiterated in open court. (Paid advertisement.)

### READY FOR PARCELS POST.

### Government Supplying Postoffice With Special Equipment.

Steel tapes, six feet long, scale for weighing up to 11 pounds, distinctive parcel post stamps, parcel post maps showing the different charge zones and parcel post guides are being sent out to all postoffices in the country in preparation for the starting of the parcel post service January 1. The tapes are for measuring dimensions of parcels, the scales for weighing them, the limit being 11 pounds the parcel post stamps take the place of the regular fourth-class mail stamps which are being done away with, and the maps and guides are to be distributed among employees in all offices, on the trains and among the rural carriers for their guidance.

None of these supplies have been received at the local postoffice, but they are on the way, according to a dispatch from Washington. The first of the general notices regarding preparation for the service are here, and more are expected from now on.

### CARD OF THANKS.

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