

**AUTO CAUSES
BAD SMASHUP****MR. AND MRS. JOHN MORELAND
ESCAPE SERIOUS INJURY.****COUPLE RENDERED UNCONSCIOUS****Machine Comes Up From Behind
Team Without Sounding Warning
—Driver Turns and Hurries From
Scene When Buggy Overturns.**

John Moreland and wife, living four and a half miles northwest of Ashland near the Van Dyke place, are fortunate enough to be alive today as the result of a serious accident that occurred just before noon yesterday at the covered bridge near Eagle Mills. Both are suffering from numerous bruises, although no bones were broken.

Mr. and Mrs. Moreland were driving to Ashland yesterday morning. As they were crossing the covered bridge near Eagle Mills an auto came up behind them, and as they emerged from the bridge, the driver, without any warning whatever, attempted to pass them. The horses became frightened and started to run, overturning the back suddenly and pinning the occupants beneath it. The team then broke loose, after dragging Mr. and Mrs. Moreland for some distance, and got away, leaving the buggy in a badly demolished condition and the occupants unconscious.

As for the driver of the auto, he had business in the other direction at that time and showed his great presence of mind by turning about and hastening back through the bridge, leaving his victims unconscious by the roadside. The accident was so sudden that it was impossible for Mr. and Mrs. Moreland to discover his number, and he did not stay to give it. He is thought to have come from Medford, though his identity has not been discovered. Local police officers are on the look-out and the case will have a thorough investigation in an effort to find out the name of the irresponsible driver. He was traveling at a high rate of speed and made no effort to slow down in attempting to pass.

Mr. and Mrs. Moreland were badly shaken up and are physically very sore but will suffer no serious results. The damage to the wagon and harness is considerable.

TRIAL COST \$25,000.**Likely Bain Charge Will Be Pushed
Against Darrow.**

Los Angeles, Cal.—District Attorney Fredericks refuses to make a statement in regard to the Darrow case, but his general attitude is meant to convey the impression that he will proceed to the second trial of Darrow on a bribery charge.

If the case comes to trial, Fredericks himself again will be the commander-in-chief of the state's forces. He will be assisted, as in the first trial, by Assistant District Attorney Joseph Ford and possibly Deputy District Attorney G. Ray Horton, who was his chief lieutenant in the trial of the McNamaras.

Darrow personally believes that he must face the bar on the Bain charge. He stated that if Fredericks decides to prosecute, he will be defended again by Earl Rogers and possibly Horace Appel.

Rogers maintains an air of indifference. He said:

"It is immaterial to us whether they proceed or not. If the district attorney actually believed the Bain case the stronger of the two against Mr. Darrow, the chances are that he would have tried him on that first. We are ready if there is anything to be ready for."

Fredericks admitted that the Darrow trial cost the state \$25,000.

250 feet regular 10c hose to close at 7c. A. J. Biege.

CONDUCTOR PROMOTED**George V. Gillette Receives Appointment as Superintendent of Transportation for Northern District.**

A bulletin posted at the Southern Pacific depot in this city announces the good fortune that has come to George V. Gillette, the popular conductor. Mr. Gillette becomes superintendent of transportation for the northern district and will move with his family to Portland at once. He took up his duties in the new field last Friday, the appointment having been made the day before.

The promotion of Mr. Gillette is a matter of extreme gratification to his many friends in Ashland. For the past fifteen years George has been a familiar figure in railroad circles in Ashland. For eleven years he has acted in the capacity of conductor, the last four of which have been spent as passenger conductor on the run south from Ashland. He has made his home with his family in Ashland for the entire fifteen years and their removal to Portland will be a matter of great regret. The promotion is a reward for continuous efficient service in the employ of the company. Mr. Gillette has the supervision of transportation on the Southern Pacific line from Portland to Red Bluff, Cal.

DEFENDS SINGLE TAX.**F. E. Coulter Speaks to Small Audience on Initiative Measure.**

F. E. Coulter, defender of the single tax and of the initiative measure that is to come before the people of Oregon this fall, spoke Monday evening in Memorial hall, the room being comfortably filled. Mr. Coulter met with considerable opposition on the part of members of the audience, who plied him with questions unceasingly. His arguments were forcibly put and showed that he had made a study of the problems that confront the American people today.

Quoting from the estimates as compiled from the present assessment rolls, he stated that Jackson county would receive in graduated tax over and above enough to pay her entire state tax and still leave some \$30,000 to be applied to her general fund.

He scouted as absurd and pretentious Mr. Shields' contention that the amendment meant the confiscation of land values and asserted that instead it meant the freeing of the labor value now confiscated by the interests, to the toilers themselves.

ROAD COST \$125,000.**Southern Pacific Paid Heavily for Acme to Coos Bay Road.**

Eugene, Ore.—The sum of \$125,000 is what the Southern Pacific had to pay the Pacific Great Western Railway Company, the West Coast Contracting company and the Coast Line Railway Company for their surveys and rights of way down the Siuslaw canyon and from Acme to Coos Bay, according to a deed to the property just filed in the office of the county clerk here. The purchase of this property by the Willamette Pacific, under which name the Eugene-Coos Bay Railway is being built, enabled it to push its work in the Siuslaw canyon without hindrance. The two surveys in the canyon overlapped in many places.

OLD WORLD IDEAS SOUGHT.**American Army Officer to Be Sent to Europe for Training.**

Washington, D. C.—The war department is extending the practice it recently adopted of sending to Europe for special training a limited number of young cavalry and field artillery officers.

Captain John S. Fair, fourth cavalry, now at the War College here, soon will be attached to a Prussian regiment; First Lieutenant E. P. Graham, fifteenth cavalry, goes to the military riding school at Hannover, Germany, and, if the Italian government is willing, First Lieutenant John C. Montgomery, tenth cavalry, will be sent to the Italian cavalry school at Tor di Quinto.

GOLD HILL IN QUANDARY**Situation in Municipal Government Raises Question of Exact Status of Mayor and Council.**

Gold Hill is in a dence of a fix. The town of many troubles does not know for a certainty whether it is a town or not, doubts that it has a charter, and thinks it is mayorless. To straighten out the tangle it may be necessary to go back to last November and hold two elections over again. Now the citizens are planning action, and Mayor Kelsey is in Medford Tuesday conferring with attorneys on the merits and demerits of the case.

Last November Gold Hill held an election and voted a \$25,000 bond issue for municipal improvements, including a water system. At the time a "mossback" was burned in effigy and a big celebration held. Because that election was not held according to the Oregon system, a San Francisco firm refused to buy the bonds, and the place is not what it seems.

To further complicate things they adopted a new charter in the spring and added luxuries in the shape of two new councilmen. Mayor Applegate resigned and Dr. R. C. Kelsey was appointed in his place, and now steps are under way to secure the ousting of the present council, reinstate the old, and hold another charter and bond election, to make the action acceptable to the bonding house. Unless the bonds are sold there will be little coin in the treasury and a hard winter is coming on.

Definite action in the adjustment of the complications is being delayed until the opinions of a number of attorneys can be obtained.

LAND CASES TO BE FOUGHT.**Special Counsel Provided for By Board—Savage Tract Rejected.**

Salem, Ore.—The state land board has decided to secure special counsel to assist Attorney General Crawford in the appeal of the Corvallis & Eastern tideland cases, the selection of the counsel being deferred by the board.

The board also decided to reject the purchase of the Savage tract of land which was recently condemned, the board deciding that the purchase price of \$2,000 for the five and a fraction of acres was too much. The costs of the case have been turned over to the superintendent of the prison, the law providing that such costs be paid by the institution which is to be benefited. As a result, it is probable that Governor West will order the bill of \$11.20 for automobile hire to pay for the jury being taken to view the premises be refused.

GOVERNOR WILL HIKE.**Will Make March That Caused Recent Militia Insubordination.**

Salem, Ore.—During the investigation of the suspended officers of the second battalion, third infantry, Tuesday afternoon, Governor West made the announcement that he will don a khaki uniform, equip himself in regulation army marching equipment of a total weight of 49 pounds and make the trip on foot from Gate, Wash., to Oakville, Wash., and return. This is the hike on account of which the suspended officers are alleged to have disobeyed orders. Governor West thus will be in a position to state his opinion on the merits of the case of the officers. Captain H. E. Williams, one of the officers, will accompany him. The hearing was not concluded until late Tuesday night.

BLUE PRINTS FOR ARMORY ARRIVE**PLANS ON EXHIBITION AT FIRST NATIONAL BANK—BIDS WILL BE OPENED IN PORTLAND SEPTEMBER 7, 1912**

Plans for the \$30,000 armory to be constructed in this city have arrived in Ashland and are to be found at the First National Bank. Three complete sets of plans and specifications are provided, with the intent that local contractors may have an opportunity to bid on the structure. Blue prints show every detail of a splendid modern armory, ten large sheets being provided. With the final arrival of these plans, it is hoped that construction of the building will be commenced without delay and that this winter will see the artillery boys safely housed in their quarters.

The building is a two-story and basement affair 100 by 150 feet, and will be located on B street between First avenue and Oak street. The front opens on Oak street, while side entrances are provided on B street. The style of architecture will conform to that followed by other buildings of the kind, being constructed of concrete, solid up to the floor of the first story, and reinforced the balance of the height. The exterior finish will be rough cast cement. A dome roof will give an imposing appearance to the building, while the general plan will make it the finest appearing structure in southern Oregon.

The basement will have a height of nine feet and will extend the entire length and breadth of the building. The floor space is divided so as to provide rifle range, gymnasium, bowling alley, toilet, bathroom provided with shower baths, dressing room, kitchen, dining room and boiler room.

The first floor comprises the auditorium and drill room, being 77 by 87 feet deep and provided with a stage 20 feet deep and 40 feet wide, with a 26-foot proscenium, besides a company room, store room and offices for captain, first lieutenant, first sergeant and quartermaster. All of these rooms will be finished for the most part in natural finish, some of the rooms being provided with fire-places to add to the comfort of the officers.

The second floor is divided into billiard room, reading room and balcony, the auditorium extending to a height of two stories. The billiard and reading rooms are directly above the officers' quarters of the first floor. The balcony will afford an excellent opportunity for spectators to witness drills, as well as adding to the seating capacity of the auditorium for public entertainments.

A gravity return system of steam heating is provided throughout the building.

Bids for the construction of the armory will be opened in the office of Adjutant General Finzer in Portland September 7, and it is expected the contract will be awarded at that time and construction be begun without further delay. Plans may be seen at the offices of Mr. Finzer in Portland, State Architect Knighton in Salem and L. L. Mault, at the First National Bank in Ashland.

NAT GOODWIN INJURED.**Boat Overturned in Breakers and Body Dashed on Rocks.**

Los Angeles.—Nat C. Goodwin, the actor, was seriously injured at noon Thursday at a rocky point 12 miles south of Huemene, by first being thrown from a skiff onto the rocks by the strong breakers and then struck by the boat itself as it was dashed ashore.

Goodwin in company with a woman of his company, who refused to give her name, engaged Captain Hyder and a launch of Santa Monica to make a trip up the coast with a view to locating some land when he said he wished to buy to turn into a summer resort. The woman had a note which she told Captain Hyder was for an Indian who lived near Huemene, and when that point was reached and she saw the hut on the shore, she demanded that Hyder take the note ashore and deliver it.

Hyder refused because of the strong tide and the breakers. Goodwin grabbed the note, jumped into a rowboat, telling Hyder to follow him. As the boat reached the breaker line it was overturned. Goodwin was thrown ashore and stunned. With the next wave the boat was brought ashore and thrown upon Goodwin, rendering him unconscious. Hyder got Goodwin into the launch and hurried to Santa Monica, where the actor was pigged in a hospital. His physician says the patient's condition is grave.

ASHLANDERS VISIT LAKE.**E. R. Smith and Nephews Pass Through Klamath Falls.**

(From Klamath Herald, Aug. 19.)

E. R. Smith of Ashland and his two nephews, Bert and Chester, arrived in a Ford car this morning from Spencer creek, where they spent the night, after having started from Ashland yesterday morning. They are well equipped for camping, and are on their way to Crater Lake to view the glories of nature there, expecting to stop tonight at Port Klamath.

"We've had no trouble with the car whatever," said Mr. Smith, "but some other folks along the route were not so fortunate, we noticed, and were laid up for repairs. On leaving Spencer creek we possibly took the worst road of the two, for we turned to the left. Maybe we should have picked out the route to the right. We found the roads seemed to be very poor, even for mountain roads, and they were washed out in a good many places."

The Smith auto has one of the healthiest sounding horns that has been heard in this region for some time, and it works by mere pressure of a button.

BOY RUNS INTO AUTO.**Forest Grove Lad Suffers Painful Injury in Head.**

Forest Grove, Ore.—Donald Miz, the 12-year-old son of Charles Miz, while riding a bicycle around a street corner here Tuesday forenoon, collided with the automobile of A. B. Croft and was hurled to the pavement with such violence as to cut a deep gash in his forehead. Medical attention was promptly given and the lad is not believed to be dangerously injured, as he did not lose consciousness for an instant. The boy rode around the corner at a high rate of speed, holding his head down as though to watch the pavement, and when Mr. Croft saw him and shouted to him, there was not time to turn out and the collision resulted. The boy's bicycle was completely wrecked in the collision, but the automobile, which was traveling at a very low rate of speed, was not injured.

Park Club Dinner.

A good dinner and supper at Chautauqua Park Club on Friday.

DOCTOR HAS TROUBLES.**E. B. Sibley Finally Submits to Amputation of Finger.**

Dr. E. B. Sibley of Maine is spending a few days with his brother, A. W. Sibley, of this city. He is delighted with Ashland and surroundings and A. W. says he will eventually become a citizen of Ashland. He has had considerable ill fortune since leaving home. Soon after starting on his trip, he began to suffer with a pain in his left forefinger, caused by blood poisoning, and was obliged to have it lanced. Later he found it necessary to have a second lancing and a part of the bone removed. Still later amputation of the second joint was found necessary, and a few days after the amputation he was laid up and a wire dispatched to his wife to come at once, as it was thought the poison had secured a hold upon his system. Then the whole of the finger and part of the hand was cut out and Dr. Sibley thinks he has the trouble in hand. Today he is enjoying the delightful air and scenery of Ashland, which he declares, far exceeds that of southern California.

COMPLIMENTS O'GARA.**Editor of Encyclopedia of Horticulture Pays High Tribute.**

Dr. Granville Lowther, editor-in-chief of the Encyclopedia of Horticulture, now in course of compilation, pays the following compliment to Professor P. J. O'Gara, pathologist for Jackson county:

"If it is possible, we want you to do two things for us. First, we feel that the Encyclopedia of Horticulture will not be complete without an article from you, on the 'Control of Pear Blight.' In fact, we wish you would take the whole subject of pear blight and handle it from beginning to end.

"Second, we wish, if you can, you would do us the favor to review the materials that we finally get together, on 'Pests and Diseases.' We are collecting, writing and arranging this material, but we want the criticisms and suggestions of a man who combines technical scholarship and practical experience. In other words, we want the best, as we hope our work will be the best of its kind ever published. We think you combine these elements in greater degree than any man in the United States."

Physician Arrested.

Dr. John V. Anderson of Central Point was arrested Monday for practicing without a license. He was given a hearing and fined \$50. The matter was called to the attention of the district attorney's office some time ago. Deputy prosecutor Cherry investigated and conducted the proceedings for the state.

RAILROAD MEN GATHER**Agent Kramer Returns From Big Conference With Representatives of Transcontinental Lines.**

G. N. Kramer returned Tuesday evening from San Francisco, where he went to attend a conference of railroad men regarding general business policies on this and other large lines. Representatives of all the transcontinental lines with terminals on the Pacific coast were in attendance, including the Santa Fe, Southern Pacific, Milwaukee, Union Pacific and O. W. R. & N. Party constituted the working force of the conference, this number holding day and night sessions throughout their stay in the bay city.

Mr. Kramer states that besides the accomplishment of a vast amount of important business, the company enjoyed numerous auto rides and banquets as guests of the commercial clubs of San Francisco and Oakland. They were taken in autos for a trip of inspection of the water fronts in the two cities. Mare Island, the seat of the government naval yards, San Quentin prison and Fort Alcatraz were also visited and a royal welcome accorded at each place.

As to the business of the conference and its effect upon this vicinity, Mr. Kramer is silent, stating that a bulletin covering the work accomplished will soon be published and sent out to the public. Mr. Kramer was the only representative from this section, none other south of Portland being in attendance.

PANAMA SERVICE BID FOR.**Postal Department Will Make Ten-Year Contract With Provisions.**

The United States postoffice department is advertising for proposals for ocean mail service between Portland and Panama. Contracts will be made for ten years, the service to begin not later than January 1, 1915. Vessels of the second and third class will be employed and the time fixed between the two points is 16 days.

The postmaster general reserves the right to require the steamers, when they can continue their voyage to a point on the opposite end of the Panama canal, to carry any portion of their mail to such port without additional compensation. Bids will be received for this work until October 15, 1912.

Measure Repassed.

Washington, D. C.—After a spirited debate the senate Monday repassed the vetoed legislative executive and judicial appropriation bill, still carrying the provision for the abolition of the commerce court.

MORE WALKS ORDERED IN**COUNCIL WOULD ALSO HAVE CURBS CONSTRUCTED.****POWDER MAGAZINE TO BE MOVED****Mayor Announces Changes in Committees to Give Place to New Councilman—Electroliers to Be Coated—Ordinances Passed.**

On account of a protest from citizens in the neighborhood of the Helman street septic tank against the erection of a powder magazine in that vicinity, the council last Tuesday evening voted to locate the storehouse on the old Gobie property up the canyon. A part of this property was accordingly leased to T. H. Simpson for the storage of powder. The matter of storing explosives in the city limits had been brought up at previous meetings and the septic tank site selected for the storehouse.

A general shakedown of committees was made in order to give Councilman Werth his proportionate share of responsibilities. The new councilman was given a place on four important committees, namely, fire and water, sanitary, sewer and license and ordinances.

An ordinance covering the issuance of city improvement bonds in sewer district No. 17 was adopted, as also one covering the storing of explosives.

After due consideration, the council voted to borrow \$2,500 for the electric light fund from the street fund, it being represented that the latter fund has a large surplus, while the former is depleted. The action was declared to be entirely regular and would at the same time be a means of revenue for the street fund, the interest rate of 6 per cent being voted.

The street committee offered resolutions calling for the improvement of a number of the principal streets of the city with sidewalk and curb. The streets included are on both sides of town, and improvement is contemplated within the next few weeks, before the fall rains set in. The resolution was adopted and the recorder directed to institute the usual proceedings.

The superintendent of the electric light plant was instructed to purchase a supply of coating with which to paint the city electroliers and make them waterproof. Considerable difficulty was encountered last winter with the electroliers becoming saturated with water, thereby forming a short circuit and burning out the lights. It is sought to avoid a repetition of this experience.

SEVEN MUST HANG.**Governor Johnson Finds Little Support for Abolishment of Death Penalty.**

Sacramento, Cal.—Because the agitation for the abolition of the death penalty in California failed to enlist more than a few thousand signatures to the petition seeking to make hangings impossible henceforth, Governor Hiram Johnson announced Tuesday that all of the seven men whom he relieved from time to time because of the existence of this petition must die. He declared that he had no other alternative and that the law must be enforced.

Alexander Szafscar and George J. ugero are under sentence to be hanged at San Quentin September 6, the week of the state fair and just preceding the celebration of Admission Day; Willie Luis, a Chinese; William Burk and Frank Bauerberts are to die Friday, September 13; Charles Carson, whose sanity has been denied by the warden and prison guards, is to give up his life September 20, and Ed Williams is under sentence to be hanged September 27.

FIRE DESTROYS BARN**Morse Realty Company Loses Building and Several Tons of Hay—No Clue to Cause.**

Fire at 3 o'clock this morning completely destroyed the barn located on the Morse Realty tract across Bear creek from Talent. The barn was well filled with hay, all of which was completely destroyed. Ashland citizens were awakened by the sound of the fire alarm and a few got out to learn the location of the blaze. When discovered, however, it was far beyond control and nothing could be done to save the building and contents. Cow sheds on the premises were also completely wiped out.

No clue to the manner in which the fire started has been discovered, but owners of the property conjecture that a wood rat may have been responsible by the gnawing of a match that had been carelessly thrown down. The blaze was plainly visible for miles around.

Fall Millinery.

The new hats at Madame Dihan's Millinery Store. For the last week in August, all summer goods at your own price. Come in and take your choice.