

## Ready for Work!

The value of fire protection depends largely upon the readiness of the fireman to respond to any call and his willingness to face any danger. The value of fire insurance depends largely upon the readiness of the company in which you are insured to respond immediately to your loss and its ability to meet any loss which may come to it.

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### BILLINGS AGENCY

ESTAB. 1883  
41 E. Main St. Phone 211-J.

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL

—Cliff Payne makes shelving.  
E. T. Staples went to Medford and Grants Pass Friday evening on business.  
E. P. Hughes was at Medford Saturday transacting business.  
The Tidings is for sale at W. M. Poley's Drug Store, 17 East Main St.  
M. C. Bressler was transacting business at Gold Hill Saturday.  
Wallace Woods went to Grants Pass on business Saturday morning.  
La Follette's Weekly Magazine and the Tidings one year for \$2.50.  
Charlie Moore was visiting home folks Sunday.  
Mrs. C. G. Rush returned home last week from near Tolo, where she was visiting her sons and husband.  
—Try Rose Bros.' homemade candies. 72-4t  
F. B. Herington of Grants Pass was in the city Sunday.  
R. A. Horner of Anaheim, Cal., spent Sunday at the home of G. W. Kennard in this city.  
—Homemade candies at Rose Bros. 72-4t  
Mrs. H. W. Orr of Gazelle, Cal., was an Ashland visitor Sunday.  
Cliff Payne can save you about 40 per cent on your fire insurance. If  
H. V. Richardson was a Medford business visitor today.  
Roy Gault is over from Hill to spend a few days at the home of his parents.  
—Crisp, fresh, bulk gingersnaps 12 1/2c pound at Ashland Trading Co. Phone 122.  
—The best cleaning and pressing is done at Fuller's. Ladies' work a specialty. Phone 119. We call.  
H. S. Palmerlee went to Medford this morning on business.  
—Fresh kippered salmon always on hand at the Ashland Trading Co. Phone 122.  
Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Connor and daughter Helen left for Los Angeles Saturday morning.  
Mrs. Simons is having the interior of her millinery store retinted and otherwise fixed up in preparation for the spring trade.  
—Orres does not have the only system of dry cleaning in the U. S., but he guarantees entire satisfaction. Phone 141. He calls and delivers.  
—We make our own chicken tamales. Rose Bros. 72-4t  
Mrs. DeBolt and daughter left Friday evening for San Jose, Cal., where they will join Mr. DeBolt and make their future home.  
The funeral of the late A. A. Wilson was held Friday afternoon at Stock's undertaking parlors, after which he was laid to rest beside his wife in Mountain View cemetery.

### A SAFE DEPOSIT BOX

Every one has documents of value, such as policies, deeds, wills, contracts, etc., the loss of which would be seriously felt.  
The bank depositor has, in his canceled checks, receipts for money paid which if destroyed by fire or otherwise might cause great inconvenience.  
Every household has its jewelry, heirlooms and other precious articles which can be kept about the house only at great risk.  
A safety deposit box in the fire and burglar proof vault of this bank will insure perfect safety for things of value. Rental nominal, and renter only has access to his box.

### Citizens Banking & Trust Company

ASHLAND, OREGON.  
Capital \$50,000.00.  
Surplus \$5,000.00.

"The Bank That Helps the People."

—Depot hotel wants chickens of every kind. Will pay 13 cents a pound. 61-tf

Miss Laura Silver left Saturday morning for Gold Hill and will teach school in the country near that village.

—If thinking of spring sewing, have a Grey dress form made now at Enders'. They are durable and reliable. 69-tf

Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson, 110 Laurel street, have gone to San Diego, Cal., where they will visit for three months or longer.

—Standard pack tomatoes, special this week, 10c per can. Ashland Trading Co. Phone 122.

Mrs. F. D. Swingle, 31 Gresham street, has gone to Phoenix, Ariz., for a visit with her sister. She will visit Pasadena and Fullerton, Cal., before returning.

—Get your homemade chicken tamales at Rose Bros. 72-4t

William Dunn of Talent was in the city today showing his friend, Mr. McCollom, from Montana, the best town in the Rogue river valley.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Pearson died January 31, aged 29 days, and was buried Saturday in Ashland cemetery, funeral services being held at the residence.

Will Dodge had the misfortune to fall while going down the back stairs at the store of Dodge & Sons, Friday forenoon, and bruised his right knee badly.

John Huntley, a well-known timberman, residing on Almond street, returned a few days ago from a three weeks' visit to Neilsville, Wis., on business.

—See the beautiful styles and woolsens for ladies' tailored suits for spring at Orres' Tailoring Shop.

Word comes from H. G. Enders, who is sick at Pasadena, that though not yet able to leave his bed he is improving.

D. D. Norris has accepted a position as clerk with the Ashland Fruit & Produce Association, taking the place of Clinton B. F. Wright, who was recently promoted to the position of manager.

Dr. Spear of Glendale was an Ashland visitor Friday night, returning to his home on the early train Saturday morning.

—At Orres' Tailoring Shop you will find the most up-to-date styles and woolsens for men's spring suits. Not expensive, either.

N. S. Rippey, station agent for the Chicago & Northwestern railway at Clearwater, Neb., spent a few days the past week at the home of M. C. Bressler, leaving for home Thursday night.

—W. D. Hodgson, 67 Scenic Drive, has \$1,000 or \$1,500 to loan on a good ranch. Phone 427-J. 721st

Louis Ratzberger of Milford, Ill., spent Friday in this city as the guest of M. F. Cyster of the Diamond C orchards. Mr. Ratzberger is well pleased with the Ashland district and expects to return here in the future for a longer stay.

—Come to the box social at the Bellview school house Friday evening, February 7, and meet the Wonderful Sweet Family. Program begins at 7:30 sharp. No admission. 72-2t

Mrs. Mamie Swanson and Miss Ellen Hansen of northern Michigan, who are touring the west, were the guests of Mrs. Charles A. Specht on Allison street Tuesday and Wednesday.

D. J. Raudebaugh has resigned his position with the Home Laundry on account of poor health and taken charge of the repair department of the Overland Garage. Mr. Raudebaugh is a fine mechanic and an expert electrician and will do well in that position.

—W. D. Hodgson, 67 Scenic Drive, has for rent 18 acres on Walker avenue, mostly full bearing peaches, prunes, apples and grapes. Seven-room house, barn, well. Phone 427-J. 72-2t

The Beaver Realty Company report exchange of property of Millard Triplet three-acre home on Beach street and 110 acres of land belonging to Charles Wimer near Bend, Cook county. Mr. Triplet has removed his family to Bend, and Mr. Wimer with his father and mother expect to remove here soon to make their future home.

Louis Ratzberger of Milford, Ill., an old-time friend of M. F. Cyster, stopped off in this section the last of the week to visit Mr. Cyster and incidentally note the phases of fruit culture which are in vogue at the Diamond C orchards. Mr. Ratzberger is a Hungarian, and dwelt very entertainingly upon the war situation in Europe, the Balkan states and Turkey being territory with which he is very familiar. He was on his way to the Yakima section, where he has property interests.

Rev. S. A. Douglas is shipping his household goods to Grants Pass today, having accepted a call to the pastorate of the Baptist church at that place. The local Baptist church has not as yet taken any action on securing a successor, although there have been several applications filed.

—The careful buyer can now secure some bargains in Ashland. W. D. Hodgson of 67 Scenic Drive has charge of a place on Nutley street. A small, good, plastered house; about 40 cherry trees 4 years old; 2 modern chicken houses; good fence, and about 1 1/2 acres good land. Price reduced from \$2,150 to \$1,750. Terms. 72-2t

—Anyone caring to assist in the collection of articles for the Art and Loan Exhibit to be held February 22 under the auspices of the Wednesday Afternoon Club, or those having articles to loan or knowing of any such articles that can be secured for this purpose, will please notify any member of the club or any of the officers and your services will be highly appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil A. Townsend returned Saturday evening from their bridal trip to California. Mr. Townsend was called home by business matters sooner than he expected and was compelled to go to Gold Hill this morning on business. Mr. Townsend reports that San Francisco investors are turning their eyes toward the Rogue river valley because of the heavy losses in California through the late cold snap. A party of four wealthy men, one of whom is a big wool manufacturer of Scotland, are expected here in the next week by Mr. Townsend.

### ALBERTA NEEDS TEACHERS.

American Teachers Are to Be Admitted.

Edmonton, Alta., Feb. 2.—Six hundred qualified teachers are required to fill existing vacancies in the public schools of Alberta. The need is so pressing on account of the rapidly changing conditions throughout the province that the school inspectors have recommended a modification of present regulations to admit American teachers under certain conditions. These recommendations are being considered by Hon. J. R. Boyle, minister of education, who said today:

"The department found it necessary last year to issue permits to 400 teachers to enable them to take up schools. Some of them had no qualifications. We have also allowed teachers from other provinces in Canada and from Great Britain to take schools, though their standards were not as high as our requirements; but it was thought to be better to keep the schools open than to have the pupils deprived of all educational facilities. Under the present system Americans, no matter how well qualified, cannot teach in Alberta."

Mr. Boyle said that after considering the matter from every standpoint most of the inspectors reached the conclusion that Americans, holding degrees from reputable universities and with academic standing as high as those of properly qualified teachers in Alberta, should be allowed to teach in Alberta schools, after passing examinations in Canadian civics and Canadian and British history.

"The recommendations were made by practical men who are on the ground," the minister added. "They are familiar with the needs and requirements in educational matters in this growing country."

The PORTLAND EVENING TELEGRAM and Ashland Tidings one year. \$5.00.

## California Farms

The recent cold spell "NEVER TOUCHED US." The SACRAMENTO VALLEY IS GREEN and GROWING NOW. ORANGES now on trees are absolutely UNHURT. Come and live where CROPS GROW every MONTH in the YEAR. Total average RAINFALL for thirty years, EIGHTEEN INCHES. Write for lists of ALFALFA, DAIRYING, FRUIT, STOCK RANCHES, \$50 per acre and up. LONG TERMS. WATER FROM THE SACRAMENTO RIVER AND WELLS. FARMS WITH ALFALFA, BUILDINGS, ETC., ALL READY TO MOVE IN AND TAKE A LIVING FROM THE JUMP.

### Lowry & Chesley

WILLOWS, CALIFORNIA

### DENIES REQUEST FOR A RAISE.

Recorder Colvig Declares Tribune Statement Without Foundation.

To the Editor: On the 28th an editorial in the Mail Tribune, entitled "Trying to Get Their Salaries Raised," stated that the county recorder was attempting to "raid" the county treasury by trying to get his salary raised through the legislature.

I want to state right here that I can prove by every member of the legislature that the statement is absolutely without foundation.

It was stated in the same article that in 1912 the recorder's office cost the taxpayers \$650 for extra deputy hire. Before I go any farther I will give you a statement of what the recorder's office did in 1912:

We filed and recorded 6,767 instruments.

Collected and paid into the treasury \$6,531.

Paid out for salaries and deputy hire, \$3,550.

Leaving a net balance of nearly \$3,000 clear money, which we paid into the treasury. So you see the office is more than self-sustaining, and I can prove by any person who has any business with the office that it would be absolutely impossible to conduct the office and keep the business up to date, the way it has been kept, with a smaller force than we have at the present time.

On January 29 in the Mail Tribune there appeared an article written by Commissioner Con Loeber stating that we should turn over all fees collected for certified copies to the county treasurer. In regard to this matter, will state that if Mr. Loeber will look in Vol. 2, Section 3096, of Lord's Laws of Oregon, he will find that "the county recorder shall make certified copies of the records when required, and charge a fee for same, which is not to be turned over to the county treasurer, but is to be kept by the recorder as his own."

I want also to state that the county court would do well to spend a little more thought in regard to the preservation of the records of Jackson county and direct their energies in that direction, as they have been warned by the grand jury that the vault is not fireproof and that he will lose every record in Jackson county if he should have a fire, instead of spending so much time discussing the proposition as to whether I should have one extra deputy or not.

You know, the clerk has four extra deputies, the sheriff one extra the assessor two extras, all sanctioned by the county court.

Hoping this explanation will be sufficient for the present.

FRED L. COLVIG,  
County Recorder.

### SEMI-CENTENNIAL.

Catholics to Celebrate Opening of Spokane Mission.

Father Joseph Caruana, first Catholic missionary among the Indians of the Pacific northwest and recognized as the founder of that faith in what was then known as Oregon, will be the central figure in the celebration at Spokane this fall of the fiftieth anniversary of the planting of the Catholic faith in this part of the country.

Fifty years ago, on October 10, 1863, Father Caruana baptized 75 Indian children and five adults, all members of the Coeur d'Alene tribe, the baptism being held on the spot where the Northern Pacific railway's passenger station now stands in Spokane.

In this connection facts of importance to the history of this part of the country have been learned through an investigation by Father George F. Weibel of Gonzaga University. He learned that Father Caruana, at the head of a band of 12 priests, found his way to the Spokane river falls in the early '50s. Father Weibel is authority for the statement that the first baptism of Indians in the Pacific northwest was conducted at the site of what is now Spokane in October, 1863.

So far as is known here, Father Caruana is the only one of the band of pioneer priests now living. After completing his work with the tribes around Spokane, he went to De Smet, Idaho, where he founded the first Catholic mission in this part of the country. The mission still stands, and the aged priest, known to the Indians as Sosep and patriarch priest of the tribe, is still the leading spirit of the community. He is 79 years old.

The president and faculty of Gonzaga University, in Spokane, are now planning a golden jubilee to commemorate the planting of their faith here, and Father Caruana will have a large part to play in the ceremonies.

A St. Louis man made \$64,000 as a rag picker.



### Odds and Ends

#### Clean-up Prices

A long siege of Winter weather has left many broken lots of goods in all lines which, for early February sales, will be used as trade-pullers.

Comforts and Blankets closed out for good. We do not expect to handle this line again and prices are cut still lower to close them out.

A remarkable offer on Flannelette Sacques, closed out for good. We do not expect to continue this line.

Choice any Flannelette Sacque worth up to \$1.49c; up to \$1.60 at 98c.

Ladies' Flannel Shirts cut from \$1.75 to \$1.49.

75c Aviation Caps cut now to 39c.

\$1.25 heavy fleeced Ladies' Union Suits 85c.

\$1.50 Misses' Wool Union Suits \$1.25.

Galatea Dresses to close out at one-third off. Just a part of our money back, for we will discontinue handling dresses of any kind.

Children's Dresses one-third less right at beginning of spring season, because we do not wish to continue this line.

### New Spring Goods Arriving

Satin charmeuse, 40-inch crepes, brocade charmeuse and other fancy silks. The new tub silks have sold to almost every one who has seen them. They are beautiful and they are heavy enough to stand hard wear. A riot of beautiful colorings is shown in the spring wool fabrics. Particularly good this spring are the small pin checks and striped patterns. Wide 56-inch goods in beautiful colorings that are surprising. It gives us pleasure to show these pretty things and they are already selling fast. Easter comes very early and spring sewing should be done early.

The Los Angeles city council is being urged to increase largely the city's inadequate police force.

Liberia is to have a wireless station, with 2,500 miles radius, provided by a French company.

Pittsburg women are advocating the opening of "curbstone markets" to cut the cost of living.

The demand for their hides in South Africa is met by hatching alligators in incubators.

Clevelanders are talking of having a roof garden on their proposed new city hall building.

It is said that a new business corporation is formed every 40 minutes in New York.

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## New Spring Goods

The first lot of the new Spring Skirts are here.

Pretty popular styles at popular prices

\$4.25 to \$8.50

Four Thousand Yards New Laces

—ON SALE AT—

### 5c a Yard

These laces include the newest patterns in Valenciennes and Torchons with insertings to match, and are worth 7 1/2c to 12 1/2c per yard. See window.

Five dozen broken lot Ladies' Winter Underwear, Cotton Fleece and Wool Vests and Pants and Union Suits, worth 50c to \$1.25, to close out at 75c.

## MINKLER'S

CLOAK AND SUIT HOUSE

ASHLAND, OREGON.