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## Misrepresents Commission Action

As usual, the Record misstates facts in relation to the springs water commission. It says: "The springs water commission voted Monday to accept the work of Smith, Emery & Co. after a ten days' tryout." The springs water commission did nothing of the kind. What it did do was to agree with Smith, Emery & Co. that a ten days' test run should be made, during which the plant would be inspected to see whether it filled the contract. There is no obligation on the part of the commission to "accept" the plant after the run unless it comes absolutely up to the contract. Today two experts from Portland, who were recommended by State Engineer Lewis, arrived and will thoroughly inspect the plant in operation. The springs water commission will be guided largely in its future acceptance or rejection of the plant by the reports from these experts.

## Stevenson And Duryea Resign

Publicity Manager Duryea has handed in his resignation to the springs commission, to take effect on March 1. Mr. Duryea states he has no statement to make at present regarding reasons for his resignation.

The resignation of Chester Stevenson from the springs commission was accepted Tuesday evening by the council without any great amount of discussion, it being the consensus of opinion that whether they wished him to remain on the commission or not, his desire to resign made acceptance of the resignation their only possible course. Several of the councilmen spoke briefly regretting the necessity of accepting his resignation but accepting it as inevitable.

Mr. Stevenson's resignation as read to the council was as follows:

"To the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Ashland, Ore.

"Gentlemen: I beg to hand you herewith my resignation as a member of the springs water commission of the city of Ashland.

"I regret the necessity for this action on my part, but because of my inability to agree with my associate members on the commission in regard to matters that I consider vital to the welfare of this community and the success of the project that we have undertaken in connection with the springs development, it is impossible for me to continue any longer my connection with the commission.

"I desire to have this resignation take effect immediately, therefore I will appreciate prompt action on your part in its acceptance.

"Respectfully submitted,  
"CHESTER STEVENSON,  
"Commissioner."

## Portlanders Will Play Here Tonight

Franklin high school basketball team of Portland will furnish the first opportunity that Ashland has had to see what an Ashland team can do against the much-vaunted Portlanders at the high school gymnasium tonight and Saturday night. Last night the Medford team managed to garner a 13 to 3 victory from the Portlanders, who showed the effects of the long railroad trip across the state and displayed occasional dazzling bursts of speed which promise a lively time when they are rested up and accustomed to the altitude, as they will be tonight. The Portlanders played in hard luck last night with their basket shooting, missing easy ones by a hairbreadth time after time, while Williamson of the Medfordites converted some miraculous shots which made even he himself blush. The preliminaries tonight between the fast Phoenix team, which has not lost a game this year, and the Ashland second team promise to run the main event a close second for interest.

Medford has renewed the agitation against the habit of locomotive engineers of indulging in excessive whistling while in the Medford city limits. Past agitation resulted in loud promises and louder whistling. The city threatens to get out an injunction against whistling in Medford environs.

## Next Four Days At the Vining

On Friday night at the Vining Theatre Marie Doro is starred in the Paramount feature, "The White Pearl." The story is laid in a Japanese setting and Marie Doro assumes the life and mannerisms of a Japanese geisha girl.

The love interest of the story develops from the ties between a young American of rich parents, who falls in love with Nancy, daughter of a skipper. In order to dissipate his affection for the poor girl, his father sends him to manage the Japanese office of his establishment in Yokohama. At the same time, the skipper takes his daughter on his voyage to the Orient. How these divided souls are reunited under overpoweringly dramatic and mysterious conditions is picturesquely and logically set forth in the photoplay.

An admirable cast, quaint and beautiful settings, the intensely interesting romance, and, above all, the magnificent and indescribably tender portrayal of Marie Doro, will cause this five-part feature to be termed one of the greatest yet produced by the Famous Players Film Company.

Saturday.

On Saturday, both matinee and evening, George Beban, who made a hit as the Italian in "The Alien," which was shown here some time ago but which by its exceptional strength is still fresh in the memories of picture fans, will appear in a feature, "The Italian," which gives him still greater opportunity to exhibit his wonderful emotional powers. A good clean comedy, "The Home Cure," will be an added attraction Saturday.

Sunday and Monday.

On Sunday evening the Vining seven-piece orchestra will present some new and late orchestral concert music in the regular concert which is rendered between 7:15 and 7:45. Following the concert the "Challice of Courage," a great Blue Ribbon Vitagraph feature in six parts, will be shown with especially selected music. The play is a virile, stirring story of the west and is said to rank better than "The Juggernaut" and "The Shooting of Dan McGrew." A matinee will be given Sunday afternoon and the same picture will be shown Monday evening.

## Malone Invites Visitors To Armory

Captain C. A. Malone of the first company Coast Artillery Corps appeared before the city council Tuesday night to make an appeal through them to the citizens of Ashland for their co-operation and moral support toward the first company. Mr. Malone stated that Ashland had put several thousand dollars into the armory building and then left the company to take care of themselves, with the result that the company was at one time within a dangerously disorganized condition and at the point of being mustered out.

At present the company is on a sound financial basis, and while they have no trouble in spending the \$600 a year which they get from the state, it is not financial support but the interest and moral support of the city which they ask. Under the captaincy of Mr. Malone the company has weeded out the undesirables and raised its standard until it is now made up of the best young men of the city. Mr. Malone asked specifically that the citizens and business men occasionally visit the armory on drill nights from 8 to 9:30, and assured them that the company would welcome them and gave them an interesting time. Drills occur every Monday night.

Several of the councilmen remarked that they had not known that visitors were invited, pled guilty to not taking as much interest as they should in the company, and promised to visit the armory on coming drill nights.

To the company boys especially and to the citizens of Ashland on the whole, who have come to recognize Mr. Malone as a valuable citizen and a live booster, the news that he will remain in Ashland and can reassume the captaincy of the Coast Artillery company comes as very good news indeed. When the California-Oregon company turned over their distribution system to the city, Mr. Malone expected to be transferred elsewhere, but the company has decided to establish offices here, over which Mr. Malone will preside.



Marie Doro in "The White Pearl," at the Vining, Friday, Feb. 18.

## Business Men Have Profitable Meet

The Ashland Business Men's association held their regular monthly meeting at the Commercial club rooms Monday night. A very good turnout of members was present and profited by a harmonious and productive meeting.

President Shinn called the meeting to order and after several minor business matters had been disposed of, presented M. J. Duryea, who talked upon the relation of the merchants to the farmers and the advantages to be gained for both by the development of better acquaintance in both a social and business way.

H. O. Frohbach outlined the work which the Fourth of July celebration committee was doing and asked the financial and moral support of the business men of Ashland. The gathering endorsed the committee in much the same manner as did the Commercial club and promised to do all in the association's power to aid the project. A proposition for securing financial aid from the city at large which was endorsed by the Commercial club, met with the endorsement of the Business Men's association.

W. Y. Crowson spoke on an individual co-operation and competition giving a very interesting discussion of an interesting subject.

Ex-President L. S. Brown told of the origin of the club and the results gained during the year of its existence, stating that a better and more economical administration of business throughout the city both from the standpoint of the merchant and the customer has been effected by the association.

President Shinn then outlined the hopes which he held for the future work of the club and made an impression which gave every member a determination to help make his hopes come true during this year.

Among other projects which Mr. Shinn outlined and which were extensively discussed and will probably be carried out by the club were a Valley Business Men's picnic in Ashland park and a monthly bargain day. He suggested that a day be set aside this summer when all of Ashland's stores be closed and all of the valley stores if possible and all of the business men join in a great picnic and get-together meeting in Ashland park. The bargain day idea may also become a reality, the idea being to have a monthly dollar bargain day on which every merchant would offer a real bargain at that price, thus drawing trade from all over the county.

Monte Briggs, who has been acting as recording secretary, resigned. D. D. Norris was elected managing secretary at a salary of \$20 a month.

The college papers urgently ask the students to cut out slang.

## Council Meet Is Short and Sweet

Following the reading of the minutes, Mr. Malone and Mr. Eubanks appeared before the council in regard to matters which are discussed elsewhere.

The hotel owners asked permission to tap the water main in front of the Hotel Oregon with a two-inch pipe to be conducted into the hotel for fire protection purposes. This was granted and a matter regarding water rates for the hotel was referred to the water committee.

Miles Pinion stated that he had taken care of the trees and lawns of Mountain View cemetery during the past summer and asked that the council pay him \$20 per month during the summer for the same services. His request was referred to the cemetery committee.

A number of residents of the Iowa street vicinity petitioned that certain intersections be put into shape. The petition was referred to the street committee.

The resignation of Chester Stevenson from the springs commission was accepted by the council.

The electric light committee reported the successful synchronization of the electric light systems as a result of the installation of the copper wire from the plant to the city substation.

By reconsideration of previous action the dates for payment of electric light bills was put back on the old basis which provides for payment from the 1st to 10th of the month after which they become delinquent. At the previous meeting it was decided to change this to the 15th but investigation had proven this an accommodation to the few rather than the majority and also placed additional and needless work upon the collecting department.

Several other minor matters were taken care of with dispatch and the council adjourned at 8:55 o'clock.

## Wild Steer Feeds Only at Night

Inspired by the story of Fred Swingle's unridable broncho, Judge Dunn has entered the lists with a Mexican steer which he proclaims to be the wildest creature he has ever seen or heard of. The judge states that the steer is so wild that it only comes down out of the hills at night to feed, going back before daylight and never allowing a man to get within a half mile of it. He says he would like to see it ridden or bulldozed and will try to round it up for the wild west features of the dedication celebration which will take place this coming July.

Phone job orders to the Tidings.

## Roseburg Dims Championship Hopes

The local high school basketball team lost the second game and their chances at the state championship to Roseburg Monday night on the Roseburg armory floor, by a score of 28 to 13.

The boys returned home Tuesday. They have nothing but the highest words of praise for the treatment received at Roseburg and on the other hand the Roseburg papers refer to the Ashlanders with the following:

"The Ashland boys played a clean, fast game and were good losers, from the very first whistle they battled hard for their school but were outclassed and outgeneraled by their heavier opponents. Ashland has a right to the boasts she has made of her team, as no cleaner or more sportsmanlike players have ever visited the city."

Upon arriving in the Umpqua valley town the boys were met with a band and escorted by a parade of rooters to the best hotel in the city. Throughout their stay they were impressed with the cordiality and hospitality advanced by everyone whom they met.

The second game was won by Roseburg by more accurate basket shooting and closer teamwork. The big floor seemed to have the Ashlanders at loss and team play was lacking. Shots from the center of the floor were resorted to by the Ashlanders, but the success which attended their shooting at home was lacking on the strange floor. The redheaded Roseburg guard whose work made such a hit upon the visit of the Roseburg team to Ashland, was a tower of strength for the winners. Jowett and Ackley did most of their scoring. Grisez, Fraley and Harris divided scoring honors for Ashland.

All interest is now centered upon the Portland games this week, the A. O. C. varsity appearance next week and finally the Medford-Ashland games which conclude the season.

Medford is much elated over Ashland's defeat and see rosy visions of victory when the old rivals meet. The locals are chastened by their defeat and are pitching into practice with a vim which augurs ill for their next opponents.

## Shake-Up At S. P. Roundhouse

A shake-up in the Southern Pacific roundhouse force, which threw six men out of work, occurred last Monday night. Five men from the night shift were laid off and Foreman Cane of the roundhouse was given his discharge. The men laid off of the night shift were Messrs. James Ferguson, George Culy, George McNab, Sam Oslin and Ramsey. The day and night forces are now rearranged so that several less men are used. Mr. Anguin, formerly backshop foreman in the Dunsmuir shops, is now day foreman.

The men were discharged by Master Mechanic Small of the Shasta division, toward whom, however, there is little bitter feeling as it is believed that he was acting upon orders from "higher up." Conflicting stories are told of the cause for the shake-up, the most generally circulated being that the night shift men were caught laying around when their work was done instead of hunting more work to do. Several of the men are old employees of the company, Jimmie Ferguson having worked twenty years for the S. P. All of them had good reputations as far as can be learned, and railroaders predict that most of them will be put back on before two months have passed. Several of the discharged men have families, and the circumstances make the shake-up most distressing.

The reasons for Roundhouse Foreman Cane's dismissal are even more obscured than the others. Mr. Cane has but recently finished fitting up a beautiful home which he purchased in Ashland. His wife finds the climate here particularly beneficial to her and several opportunities to transfer to better paying jobs elsewhere have been recently turned down by him, according to report. It will be remembered that F. G. Allard, the foreman preceding Cane, was discharged on a trumped up charge of stealing a sack of onions from a freight car when he had decided not to accept a master mechanic position at Minah, Nev., which pays more than the Ashland foremanship. After he was discharged he was again offered the Minah position and is now holding it.

## Would Buy Wedge And Build Store

C. J. Foster has put up a proposition to buy the triangular-shaped piece of property which enters as a wedge at the intersection of Iowa street and the Boulevard, offering \$1500 for the property. There is \$1900 in paving assessments due on the property and in the official opinion of several of the councilmen the city would be getting out easy to get \$1500 out of the place. A shack stands on the place which was at one time used as a voting place.

Mr. Foster wants to buy the property on installments, paying \$100 down. Mr. Banta suggested a plan to properly protect the city's interests, which he had discussed with the city attorney.

The matter was referred to the realty committee which was appointed by the mayor and consists of the following councilmen: Lamb, Banta, and Cornelius. This committee and the city attorney, mayor and recorder, were given authority to consummate a satisfactory deal.

Recorder Gillette stated that he understood Mr. Foster intended to build a store on the property.

## Tries To Stage Wild West Show

The peaceful quietness of Ashland was broken last evening when a man dressed in the true western style, high-heeled boots, cowboy hat and corduroy clothes, and a desire to stage one of the old stunts of the days of '49, or put on a wild west scene, appeared in one of the local pool halls. The show began, attracting the attention of Patrolman Wimer, who, having a desire to preserve the peace and quietness of the town and save all round-up stunts for the big Fourth of July celebration, promptly called the show off and landed the main performer in the city bastille, and after unloading him of his merrymaker, alcohol, left Sam to sleep on the hanging beds furnished free by the city to all occupants, and await the coming of morning, when the program was changed from a wild west show to a court room scene, with the new city liquor ordinance the main story.

Last night while supposedly peacefully reposing in the bastille, the would-be wild westerner busted the electric stove all to pieces and demolished everything he could. Prosecuting Attorney Kelly was up this afternoon and gave the over-exuberant gentleman a ten-day sentence. The drunk was attainted on pure alcohol. Part of the contents of a quart bottle was confiscated by the police, and the man who gave the alcohol to the victim fined \$5 and costs.

## Will Stop Betting At School Games

George Eubanks of the Ashland school board appeared before the city council Tuesday night and asked that some kind of police aid be furnished the school authorities in putting a stop to betting, which he stated had become prevalent at the high school gymnasium preceding and during basketball games. The betting referred to was not indulged in by school boys, but by the young men of Ashland and Medford. Mr. Eubanks asked that a couple of plain clothes men be sent out to the basketball games. It is believed that announcement of the intention of the authorities to put a stop to the betting will effectively accomplish that end.

## Jackson County Registration

Following is a complete list of registration, showing the number registered in the various parties for the week ending Feb. 12, 1916:

Republican—Male 454, female 174. Total 628.  
Democrat—Male 268, female 100. Total 368.  
Progressive—Male 7, female 1. Total 8.  
Prohibition—Male 15, female 16. Total 31.  
Socialist—Male 19, female 5. Total 24.  
Miscellaneous—Male 48, female 41. Total 89.  
Total registration 1148.

Some men who have been disappointed in love are lucky and will never know it.