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## RECALL OF COUNTY COURT.

In the matter of the proposed recall of the Jackson county court the Mail-Tribune, as is Putnam's habit, is trying to create an issue foreign to the question. He hopes to muddy the water by forcing another community fight. He says Benton Bowers launched the recall. This Bowers flatly denies over his signature and shows that the movement originated in Medford, and mostly by those who helped to put Judge Tou Velle into office.

The Tribune first mentioned the recall on May 4. Before that the Tidings had heard not an intimation in Ashland about a recall. After the Tribune's publication the writer visited Medford to learn what there was to the report, and found that city very much excited over the matter. Petitions were in circulation and were being freely signed. To this date no petitions have appeared in Ashland and we have heard the matter little discussed here.

This explanation because, no doubt, Putnam will try to muddy the issue by claiming the recall to be an Ashland move in the hope of arousing community rivalry. The voters of the county should not allow the issue to be thus clouded. Either the action of the county court justifies the move, or it does not, and if the issue is to be fought out it should be on its merits and not upon some foreign subterfuge manufactured by George Putnam.

The Tidings has not yet seen a copy of the petition, consequently cannot speak on the merit of it. However, it will be remembered that this paper rather vigorously opposed Tou Velle when he first ran for county judge. It claimed at the time that Tou Velle would prove the tool of "the Medford gang." At that time the writer was new in the valley, and while the evidence of a "political gang" was apparent, we were not then able to definitely locate the "personnel." Since then, however, the whole matter has come clear.

Putnam is the head of it. He has absolutely dominated every move of the county judge. In fact, this has become so apparent to everybody who had business with the court that it is a common remark. "See Putnam if you want the ear of the court." One story we heard on the streets of Medford, which fairly illustrates the situation, is this: A man in conversation with Putnam on county matters finally suggested that he would appear before the court and take the matter up. Whereupon, as the story goes, Putnam replied: "You are before the court now. I'm the county court." Whether this conversation actually took place we do not pretend to state, but we do know it is commonly reported and generally believed that Putnam has more to say what shall and shall not be done than the court itself.

Putnam is a sly old fox. He is a political dooper pre-eminent. He is a pastmaster in raising false issues. If the recall issue is to be fought out the Tidings is in favor of fighting it out on its merits. The voters should not allow Putnam to cloud it. There is no community interest involved—nor any Medford bridge issue—the whole issue is whether the county court, in its deliberations, has represented the people of Jackson county, or simply Putnam. In that respect it is as if the people had stopped to inquire: "Shall we longer allow Putnam to dictate the movements of the Jackson county court?" That is the issue, and it shall not be clouded by cunning subterfuges and false issues. The recall is against Putnam's domination.

The Tidings believes the taxpayers

# Talks With Screen-Struck Girls



Beatriz Michelena

A GIRL writes from Cleveland asking, "Does a motion picture actress have to work hard?" She asked other questions as well, but they counted for nothing, since this was her first, and after that I knew she had no business in pictures. The girl who starts out worrying about how hard she will have to work is not the kind that will ever get anywhere, for there is work and lots of it between the foot of the ladder and the top in the motion picture profession.

And yet I believe there are girls, and men too, who wish to get into pictures because they believe it all easy. How little they see of the real studio life in the film after it is finished for projection they cannot know. They see their heroine on the screen sail triumphantly through a scene with never a hitch. There is not the least semblance of an effort. Nothing could very well appear easier. And yet very probably that same scene has been the source of illimitable worry and nerve-racking endeavor. It has very likely been rehearsed and then taken and retaken until every one felt his patience worn to a ragged edge.

Moreover, it may have been taken under a blistering sun with glaring white diffusers to make matters worse. Or it may have been under artificial lights that generate a suffocating heat and almost blind one through the intensity of their rays. At many a day's end does the actress find herself completely fagged in body and mind. Her eyes and head will ache at almost bursting point. It is caused by the sun and the glare and the maddening irritation of a makeup that she must wear from morning until the sun falls at night.

Nowhere does one need a better stock of patience than in pictures. It is very largely a matter of details that require the most tedious and undivided application. Nothing counts but the day's work, and all thought of personal convenience must give way to that. If a girl is genuinely in love with the profession and it is a love that concerns itself with results to be obtained for the profession instead of with certain points of personal vanity, she can very easily discount these hardships. But if she is the kind to worry about how hard the work is, she should never hope for success in motion pictures.

of Jackson county are tired of his dictation and extravagant administration. Putnam has been responsible for the waste of too much of the county money during the past four years. The people will likely feel disposed to stop him, and the only way we can see for them to do it is to remove his willing tools.

Uncle Sam will have no difficulty in remembering those senators who are afflicted with india rubber backbones on ingrowing politics or both.

## Notice to Contractors.

Sealed proposals, addressed to the undersigned at Jacksonville, Oregon, and endorsed "Sealed Bid for Repairing Road" for repairing a county road between Medford and Jacksonville, Oregon, in accordance with the plans and specifications on file in the County Surveyor's office, over the Medford National Bank building, Medford, Oregon, will be received and filed until 10 o'clock a. m. May 12, 1916, and at that time the County Court will publicly open and read all bids.

Each bidder shall be required to deposit with his bid five per cent of the amount of his bid, which shall be forfeited to the county in case the award is made to him, and if he fails, neglects or refuses, for a period of ten days after such award is made, to enter into a contract and file his bond in the manner required by and to the satisfaction of the County Court.

A corporate surety bond will be required for the faithful performance of the contract in a sum equal to one-half of the total amount of the sum bid.

The County Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to accept the proposal deemed best for Jackson county.

Dated this 18th day of April, 1916.  
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## Thursday and Friday Federation Doings

**Thursday.**  
Thursday morning—Chautauqua Park hall. Meeting called to order at 9:15 by President Marian B. Towne of Phoenix. Patriotic song, "Star Spangled Banner," by audience. Following business was conducted. Appointment of committee on by-laws, by president; Mesdames Emma Jack of Ashland, Carles, Buchanan of Roseburg, French, C. L. Scheiffelin of Medford.

Report of the Women's State Confederation by Mrs. C. L. Scheiffelin of Medford. Mrs. Scheiffelin spoke of the first president, Mrs. Sarah Evens, of the timidity of the women, and of the wonderful growth and progress made until their meeting was held in the state house at the state capital, and whom the governor was proud to recognize as full-fledged citizens. This address was very good, and when the president offered it for discussion it was ably handled by Mrs. Gard of Ashland, Mrs. Clements of Grants Pass, Miss Towne of Phoenix and Mrs. Buchanan of Roseburg.

Mrs. C. B. Lamkin, chairman of the civic department, then took the floor and read a carefully prepared paper on "New Ideas for Civic Improvement." She offered for inspection illustrations of the new and the old way of doing things, especially the way the milk was handled from the cow to the baby, and showed the sanitary improvement which has been made. This was discussed from every point by Mrs. Scheiffelin and Mrs. Gard.

Reports and recommendations were then given by Mrs. C. L. Cleavinger of the legislative department, Grants Pass.

Mrs. Courtney then led a discussion, "Shall Women Serve on Juries?" which was taken up by Mrs. Clements and others and most wonderfully handled.

The address on juvenile work by Mrs. V. H. Clements was one of the best it has ever been our pleasure to listen to. The subject was handled carefully from every point, showing what had been done, what is being done, and what is to be done. It is a subject everyone should be interested in as the juveniles of today must take our places as citizens tomorrow. Mrs. Clements spoke of sex hygiene, it being her opinion that the school was no place to handle that subject, as it is a subject which must be handled with care or great danger will result. This address was left for discussion and was taken up by so many and discussed so fully that it seems impossible that anything about it was left unsaid.

The text-book problem was then taken up by Mrs. E. E. Gore of Medford. Mrs. Gore showed a thorough knowledge of this subject. She spoke of state publication, uniformity and free text-books. Cited the states which have the free text-books and those which have not. Showed that Oregon pays more for books than it should. A geography which costs 75 cents in Indiana cost in Oregon \$1.25, a difference of 50 cents on one book. The subject was discussed by Mrs. Norris and Miss Towne.

After a few announcements made by the president, the club adjourned to meet again at 1:15 p. m.

Thursday afternoon, 1:30—Meeting called to order by the president, Miss Towne. Opened by vocal solo by Mr. Loveland, accompanied by

Mrs. H. O. Furucker. A piano solo by Miss Edna Daugherty.

Miss Blanche Hicks then introduced Miss Marvin, state librarian, who gave an address on "Children's Books." This address told how we could have access to good books and laid great stress on the influence books have on anyone, especially children. Miss Marvin told how the state library was lending books to the people in the country or isolated districts. Miss Marvin submitted a carefully prepared list of children's books and told how we could secure the loan of them. It was a splendid address and one which everyone cannot but feel she has benefited by. The address was discussed by Mrs. Gore, Mrs. Norris, Miss Towne and Mrs. Roche.

An address on school lunches by Mrs. E. R. Seeley of Medford. Mrs. Murray took up this subject for Mrs. Seeley and did it with credit to herself and Mrs. Seeley. The subject was discussed by Mrs. McMurth of Portland in a very scholarly manner. Mrs. McMurth has been a teacher and spoke from actual experience and was appreciated by all. Mrs. George McMurth is the president of the Mothers' Congress and Parent-Teacher Association and believes implicitly in serving, not a whole lunch, but one hot dish—soup, chocolate or clam chowder—and let the child bring the main part from home. This subject was discussed by Mrs. Murray and Miss Towne.

Mrs. Ussher, chairman of the department of education, gave a report and recommendations.

Chairmen of the different departments reported the progress made during the year and what had been done for the betterment of the schools, and all showed progress made and more interest taken by both parent and pupil.

Club then adjourned to enjoy an auto ride arranged by the auto committee, Miss Lillian Patterson, chairman.

**Friday.**  
Regardless of unfavorable conditions, a goodly number of delegates and visitors awaited the Friday morning opening of the S. O. D. F. of W. C.

Mrs. G. S. Eaton of Grants Pass, chairman of the art department, presented her report and recommendations. She was followed by Allen H. Eaton of the University of Oregon, who spoke on "Household Decorations." Perhaps some of the ladies will start "curio rooms" in which to store furnishings not strictly utilitarian, as a result of suggestions culled from this excellent address and the recommendations which preceded it.

"Planning the Home Dietary," one of the most arduous and least understood duties of the housewife, was presented by Miss Francis of the Oregon Agricultural College, and was followed by a short discussion.

At noon a lunch was served and a

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social hour enjoyed.

The afternoon session opened with a trio of pleasing recitations by Miss Minnie Jackson, our popular assistant librarian.

The solo by Prof. MacMurray was so pleasing that an urgent request for another was granted. Two-minute reports of officers and reports of committees occupied the attention of the delegates for the next hour, and was followed by the election of officers. President, Mrs. W. W. Canby of Grants Pass; first vice-president, Mrs. E. D. Briggs of Ashland; second vice-president, Miss Marian Towne of Talent; recording secretary, Mrs. C. D. Hoon of Medford; treasurer, Mrs. Madge Buchanan of Roseburg; auditor, Mrs. F. C. Smith of Jacksonville.

Mrs. Isora Hodges of Gold Hill is visiting at the William Meyer home and undergoing treatment under Dr. Jarvis.

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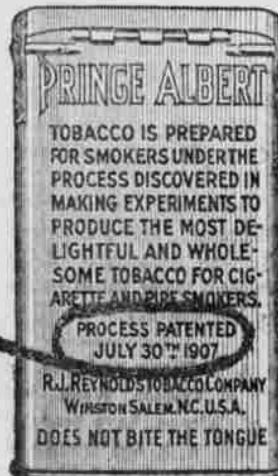
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