

# MANY BAD DEBTS, SAYS LADD

## Claims of the Johnson Estate Considered Worthless Were Not Listed.

### SOME NOTES DRAWN FORTY YEARS AGO

#### Administrator Explains Matter of Warrant of the City of Portland for Two Hundred Dollars Belonging to the Estate.

The testimony given by William M. Ladd this morning in the hearing of the petition of the heirs of A. H. Johnson's estate to have Mr. Ladd ousted as administrator related to the charges made by the heirs that claims of the estate aggregating \$14,000 had not been included by Mr. Ladd in his inventory. The contention was read by Attorney Linticum, who asked Mr. Ladd to explain it. Mr. Ladd said:

"When I came to make up the inventory of the estate I got from Mr. Richard Williams, attorney for the estate, a list of the notes, accounts, stock and real estate belonging to the A. H. Johnson estate. I went through the list with Mr. Williams and asked the bookkeeper of the estate about them and listed in my inventory all I thought it was possible to do anything with."

A number of notes were produced by Mr. Ladd, some of which had been drawn in 1866. He picked out the notes he had listed and said the others would be accounted for if it was ever possible to collect anything on them.

"One of the notes I thought might be collected," said Mr. Ladd, "was drawn by the Barnes Heights & Cornell Mountain Railway company for \$1,000. This was appraised as valueless. The company has since failed. Several of these notes that were not included in the inventory had been returned to Mr. Johnson by a San Francisco collection agency, saying they had been unable to collect them."

Attorney Linticum read from the complaint the charge that Mr. Ladd had included in the inventory of the city of Portland for \$250 belonging to the estate, which had been appraised of no value, and later sold for \$200.

"There was such a warrant," said Mr. Ladd, "issued for the city of Portland and it was appraised as of no value, and as far as I could find it had no value. Richard Williams, the estate's attorney, told me it could not be collected. Afterward Fred R. Strong came to me and said it was like a lien against some property owned by a Mr. Jones, who wanted it and would give me \$200 for it. I gave Jones the warrant for \$200 and credited the \$200 on the estate. Mr. Williams advised the acceptance of the \$200 and I thought it was a wise thing to take it, and did so."

Mr. Ladd explained that he had paid 27 per cent of the debts of the estate and gave the dates on which these dividends had been paid. He said the payments applied on the claims as originally filed with Mrs. Cordelia Johnson, the executrix, but as they stood in September, 1902, when the first dividend was paid.

The hearing is being continued this afternoon.

## WILL GIVE BANQUET TO HOMER CASTLE

The reform forces of Portland will tender a banquet to Homer L. Castle of Pittsburg, who will come to Oregon for the purpose of delivering an address at Gladstone Park July 4. The banquet will be given July 2 at the First Baptist church.

Brief addresses will be made by speakers representing the Anti-Saloon league, Prohibition Alliance, Port and Municipal Association, Single Tax League, International Socialist Party, Young Men's Christian Association, W. C. T. U., International Order of Good Templars, Equal Suffragists, Loyal Temperance Legion, Y. W. C. A. and other associations.

At 8 o'clock in the evening, before the banquet, a reception in honor of the distinguished visitor will be held in the parlors of the church.

## PLAN VACATION NOW.

"Potter" Goes on June 30—Low Upper Columbia River Rates.

June 30 the "T. J. Potter," the popular O. R. & N. seaside excursion steamer, makes its first trip to North Bend, touching Astoria going and returning. Very low excursion rates now in effect.

Delightful outing trips may be made to upper Columbia river points, the new local O. R. & N. train leaving Union station at 8:15 a. m. daily and returning at 6 p. m. the same day, making it possible to spend a day at any of the points of interest along the river between Portland and The Dalles. Very low rates in effect.

For particulars about the summer resorts and trips ask at Third and Washington streets, Portland. C. W. Stinger, city ticket agent.

Cashier Is Director.

# DOGS FED PRODUCTS OF PACKING HOUSES GET THIN AND SURLY

(Journal Special Service.)  
Topska, June 22.—The effect of benzoate and borax, the two chemicals most generally used as meat preservatives, on the health and disposition of their consumers was today demonstrated before the state convention of the county and city health officers. Dr. J. S. Crumline, secretary of the state board of health, conducted highly instructive experiments upon three dogs during May and June.

He found that a dog fed on meat containing benzoate became surly and finally refused to eat. One fed on meat containing the customary amount of borax declined in health, lost weight and finally refused food. The third dog, fed on meat containing no preservative, fattened and improved in disposition and activity.

The points thus gained showed the benzoate dog became crabbed and lean and the borax dog became listless. On the strength of these experiments the state will ask for a law forbidding the use of these preservatives in any but meat destined for long shipments.

The physicians say the same effect would be shown in experiments conducted with human subjects. Borax milk at first readily lapped by the two dogs being fed preserved food was rejected after the second week and meat containing the tasteless borax acid refused after the third week, although the dog was almost in a starving condition.

## UMATILLA FARMERS PLAN PRISON JUTE MILL

Scheme Being Discussed for Convicts to Make Grain Sacks at Reasonable Rate.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Pendleton, Or., June 23.—The Umatilla county farmers who have organized the Inland Empire Wheatgrowers' association are taking up the matter of starting a jute mill in the Oregon penitentiary for the purpose of furnishing Oregon farmers and Oregon stockmen with grain and wool sacks at reasonable prices.

A meeting is being held in the city today for this purpose and a persistent campaign for a jute mill will be started.

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The success of the Portland Railway, Portland General Electric and Oregon Water Power & Railway companies in a new corporation capitalized at about \$30,000,000 illustrates the rapid growth of public service corporations in this city. The total capitalization and bonded debts of these companies two years ago did not exceed \$14,000,000.

Changes Will Be Made.  
A number of official changes will follow the reorganization. H. W. Good, president of the Portland General, and F. I. Fuller, president of the Portland Railway, are now in New York in conference with the Seligman and Clarkes as to the details of the merger. It is expected that the men will be president and the other will be vice-president and active manager of the consolidated companies.

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## FRIEND OF DUKE BORIS IS HEIR TO \$50,000

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San Francisco, Or., June 23.—Julius Clerfayt, the friend of Duke Boris of Russia and other titled Russians and Eastern European representatives of the Trans-Siberian railroad and Hamburg-American Steamship company, has fallen heir to \$50,000 in cash. This sum has been left him by the will of an uncle in Belgium, who died several weeks ago. Mr. Clerfayt is in receipt of cable advices to this effect.

Clerfayt landed in San Francisco 16 years ago without a cent. He is a remarkable linguist, speaking Russian, French, German, Japanese and English with equal fluency. His industry and linguistic accomplishments enabled him to quickly mount from the bottom of the ladder in his chosen work which brought him in contact with the progressive and strong in the financial game, and will give Portland and Salem one of the best railroads in the country.

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## CACTUS PLANT BUILDS LUTHER BURBANK'S HOME

(Journal Special Service.)  
Pasadena, June 22.—Luther Burbank, the California wizard, is building himself a \$5,000 residence at Santa Rosa. Two cactus leaves which he raised on his own land will pay for it. This is the interesting statement made by Burbank to L. W. Coolidge, secretary of the Pasadena board of trade, who has just returned from a visit to the Burbank home. It practically means that the \$5,000 was the reward he received for producing the new spineless cactus.

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## TIDE IS TURNING

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Malarkey's examination of the Word ballots became almost microscopic in nature and when the lead was down to one his face was hot with perspiration. His repeated changes in opinion finally brought reward and his client climbed back to a lead of four votes.

Courtroom Is Crowded.  
The courtroom was jammed to the doors when precinct 37 was reached about 11 o'clock. Everybody seemed to think that "something ought to drop" from the ceiling. The trial was not opened. This impression was deepened when it was found that the box had not been merely sealed, but nailed down. Interest was at a high pitch, but the counting of the ballots when they were finally brought to light was as tame as the proceedings of the rest of the morning. The election board returns had been correctly computed, the only difference being that small defects found in two Word ballots caused their rejection.

Marked Ballot Rejected.  
In the thirty-fourth precinct some individual wrote "This is rot" after the local option amendment and "rot" many other places on his ballot. It was accordingly rejected. The marks which invalidated the other rejected slips were all of lesser consequence. In all, six Stevens votes and four Word votes were thrown out during the morning.

Two of Stevens were thrown aside in the thirty-third, one in the thirty-fourth and three in the thirty-fifth. One of Word's was cast away in the thirty-fifth and the other two in the thirty-sixth. In the thirty-seventh Word was credited with an extra vote in precinct 33, a vote which had evidently been overlooked by the election board in its computations.

The work of recounting is progressing more rapidly than those concerned had hoped. Judge Frazer announced at noon today that at the present rate the end would be reached next Wednesday afternoon. In these circumstances, it was announced, would be more brief than any of the previous ones, extending only from 1:30 to 3 o'clock.

## LINN PIONEERS HOLD MEET IN BROWNSVILLE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Brownsville, Or., June 23.—Never before have the Linn county pioneers held their annual picnic and reunion under more pleasant conditions, never had so large a crowd before and the entertainment afforded this year is also in many respects superior to that of former years. The largest crowd of people ever in Brownsville assembled in Coshow's park, coming from every part of the county and many from other counties.

The annual address Thursday was delivered by Hon. S. M. Yoran of Eugene, other speakers were Hon. Fern Cochran of Woodburn, Colonel E. H. H. Salem and others. Hon. Charles V. Galloway delivered the annual address yesterday.

Officers of the association elected for the ensuing year: J. R. Pearl, president; H. Blain, first vice-president; D. B. F. Irvin, second vice-president; D. S. Bussey, third vice-president; D. P. Coshow, secretary; James Hume, treasurer; H. R. Powell, Peter G. Calloway and G. B. Godey, directors.

Brownsville was chosen as the place for holding the nineteenth reunion.

## UNDERTAKERS TO PAY FOR BABE'S BURIAL

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Hoquiam, Wash., June 23.—The case brought against Beardley Brothers, the Aberdeen undertakers, by Mr. Wright for the improper burial of his infant child was decided in the superior court at Montesano yesterday. The jury returning a verdict for Wright of \$5,000. It is asserted that the infant was dead at birth, and these undertakers were asked to bury it, which they did, charging \$10 for their services. When the mother was able to go to the cemetery to seek the grave of her child, they would not let it out to her. She and her husband then became suspicious and feared that the body had been turned over to medical students. The services of another undertaker were then called for, and the child's corpse interred in a top of another coffin in land owned by the defendants. Beardley Bros. say that they gave the case much attention as they were paid for and say that the suit was instigated by business rivals.

## TO FLOAT BONDS FOR REPAIR OF BRIDGE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Weston, Or., June 23.—The city council of Weston has arranged to submit to a mass meeting a proposition to borrow \$5,000 for immediate use in bridge building to repair the damage caused by the recent floods. A bond issue will likely be floated, and it is proposed to widen Pine creek channel to near its bottom. The bridge is a trestle that flows through the city limits. The main street bridge will be rebuilt with bulkheads of concrete.

## HAVE YOU A COUGH?

A dose of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will cure a cough, a proposition to try it for whooping cough, for asthma, consumption, for bronchitis. Mrs. Joe McGrath, 327 E. First street, Hutsenbaker, says: "I have used Ballard's Horehound Syrup in my family for five years, and find it the most palatable medicine ever used." Sold by Woodard, Clarke & Co.

# RUSSIAN SPIES FREQUENT GOTHAM'S LIBRARIES

Czar's Secret Service Agents Permitted to Keep Tab on Those Who Read Books.

(Journal Special Service.)  
New York, June 23.—That the Astor branch of the New York public library permits agents of the Russian government to spy on readers who call there for reference books became known today through the arrest of Henry Melnyk, a 19-year-old boy, on the charge of having stolen two volumes from the library.

The astonishing revelation was made in Jefferson market court, where Melnyk was arraigned, where it developed the arrest of the alleged book thief was due to the watchfulness of one of the Russian secret service agents, who had the permission of the library authorities to keep close tabs on everyone who looked up any works bearing upon the revolutionary movement in Russia.

It is understood there are Russian spies at all the New York libraries, and that they have assistants who trail persons found reading anarchist books to learn their habits and associations.

## SOCIETY FLOCKS TO SEE PLAY OUT OF DOORS

College Women Present Piece on Green Hillside and Win Much Applause.

When civilization outgrew the play out of doors, the players adjourned indoors, and they have been spending years ever since trying to make the indoor stage look like the outdoor scene they had deserted, when lo, in one night comes a group of college women to unveil the idea that the best way to get an out-of-door scene is to stay out. And had nature prepared a place expressly for Tennyson's "Foresters" when she allotted the hills and trees to their various portions of the globe ages ago, she could not have built a more appropriate spot than Cedar Hill in Portland, Oregon.

A charming little dell, with a heavy background of evergreen trees—just the kind Robin and his followers would have chosen to hide among—represented the stage last night, and no shifting wings, no false exits into seeming woods which are only the usual canvas racks of scenes were needed. When Robin came among the trees, he went deeper and deeper into the woods instead of going into a mused up dressing room smelling of paint and powder, and maybe kerosene oil. And it was the consciousness of this that made the presentation of the adventure of the charming outlaw of King Richard's age so entrancing last night. The seats, arranged to accommodate 800, were on the raised knoll above the stage, and the audience was housed just like the best parquet seats at a theater. Everyone was out and the scene was almost as heart-gladdening to one looking on the summer-grown audience as the scene was to the actors.

But after all the play is the thing. And if anyone thinks Robin or his merry friars suffered by women's presentation he is due to receive enlightenment. Miss Eleanor MacDonald made delightful Robin. Her make-up was excellent, her voice was good, and her acting was better. With Miss Lucy Lombardi as a dainty Maid Marian their scenes were delightful. The Friar Tuck of Miss Gertrude Bomberger was irresistible, and Eleanor Towar's playing of Little John was droll. Miss Eula Bennett's sweet singing as Alan-a-Dale was delightful, and all the attendant train played up to their parts satisfactorily.

It was evident from a glance at the audience that the first-nighters of the theaters were there and that Henrietta Crozman's production must have suffered. With the patronage of the following women that was to be expected: Mrs. Holt C. Wilson, Miss Luella Clay Carson, Mrs. James T. Gray, Mrs. Sigmond Frank, Mrs. Harriet K. McArthur, Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett, Mrs. H. D. Gray, Mrs. C. H. Lewis, Miss May Felling, Miss Martha Hoyt, Mrs. W. M. Ladd and Mrs. A. E. Rocky.

It is understood that a goodly sum was netted toward the proposed establishment of the college alumnae of a scholarship at the University of Oregon.

## SOUTHERN OREGON TIMBER IN DEMAND

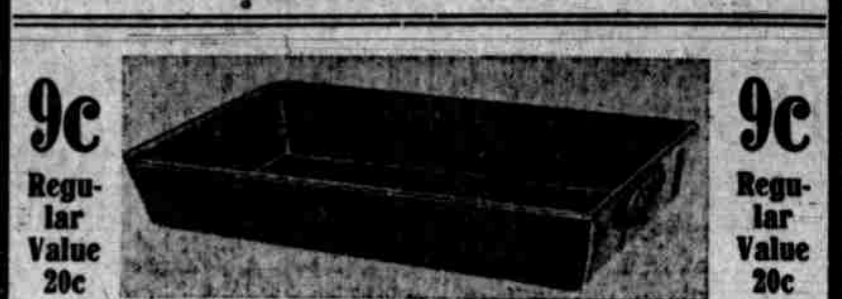
Southern Oregon timber is receiving unprecedented attention from buyers connected with the large timber-lacking corporations and from Oregon millmen. Frederick Weyerhaeuser, R. L. McCormick and George S. Long, of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, came to Portland last night and left this morning's Southern Pacific overland train for southern Oregon and northern California to inspect a large tract of timber

# SATURDAY SPECIALS

6 P. M. TO 9 P. M.



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the company recently purchased. They will look at other tracts, comprising sugar pine and redwood. Edgar Hafer, of the Iowa Lumber & Box factory at Medford, has just purchased a tract of 6,000 acres of Jackson county sugar pine. Negotiations are under way between Portland timber men and southern Oregon timber owners for other large tracts. The southern Oregon forests are among the largest and most valuable in the state. Rogue river sugar pine ranks next to Port Orford cedar in lumber values and by some is regarded as equal to the latter for all purposes and superior for inside finishing lumber.

Clarence Allen Dead.  
Echo, Or., June 23.—Clarence Allen of Echo died at the hospital in Pendleton at 4 o'clock last evening from the effects of typhoid fever. The deceased was a young man, being 25 years of age and unmarried. His brother, Ira P. Allen of Echo, survives him.

The Dalles Will Celebrate.  
The Dalles, Oregon, will hold a monster Fourth of July celebration this year. As an inducement for this and other celebrations that day the O. R. & N. Co. will sell one and one third fare tickets July 2, 3 and 4 with final limit July 6.

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