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400 ARE KILLED AS STORM SWEEPS JAPAN

WITS: ENGINEER

MASS MEETING AT CITY HALL DISCUSSION; METER QUES-TION IS ARGUED BY ORCHARD-

Before a meeting of fifty interested citizens and irrigation farmers at the city hall yesterday evening, Kenneth Shibley, San Francisco engineer and manager of the California Filter company, reiterated his statement made before the city council Monday evening to the effect that an enormous waste of water was prevalent in Ashland His talk, which was virtually the same as that made before the council and published in yesterday's Tidings, was followed by a free-for-all discussion among the audience, members of which directed rapid-fire questions at the speaker.

At times the trend of discussion threatened to make the installation of meters, which would necessitate an expenditure of approximately \$30,000, the issue in the many-co nered debate.

Much opposition among the irrigation farmers against meter installation was expressed, not on the ground of the initial expense for such action, but because of the claimed added expense to the users. Opponents, among whom were in cluded John H. Dill, orchardist and farmer, asserted that metering o the water supply would make it in possible for the growers to continue on a money-making basis. The orchardists contended that, owing to nature of the soil here, which is said to be largely of granite composition, more water was needed here than in the majority of places throughout the country which have taken as a basis for figures of two acre feet of for irrigation Figures from the city water department show a use o three acre feet in Ashland.

In spite of all arguments brought out by the orchardists. Mr. Shibley maintained that a great amount of water was wasted in Ashland. He did not attempt to say how o solution should be left to the engineer and insisted that a water sur vey should be made. "The waste is existant," he said, "and at th most only 3,500,000 gallons of water can be accounted for, where as between 5,500 and 6,000,000 gal lons are being used daily. I'm not trying to blame the irrigators; don't know where the loss exists.

As a source of possible loss, Mr Shibley remarked that there were 2,000 water service taps on the city claimed, was five persons to every

It was contended by the irrigators that the greatest amount of waste if any, was by the owners of small tracts and city lawns. It was asserted by many that no waste at all existed. Some qualified their remarks with "not that much waste."

Ashland a Home City "This is a home city with gar dens; we need more water," re marked one resident. Another was applauded when he stated, "We have fine water here; very seldom any one

dies. No irrigation, no town." In advocating the filter, Mr. Shib ley explained that the purifying of the city's water would make the installation of meters possible by obviating clogged meters. The filter, he said, would cost approximately \$1 50 per capita per day to operthe interest and depreciation of the this no-inconsiderable sum. investment. It was stated the aver-

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Consolidate R. R.

teen systems was announced today by the interstate commerce commission.

The proposed plans are in aco cordance with the provisions of the interstate commerce act and is intended as a recommendation for the solution of the nation's transportation difficulties.

ASHLANDERS FORM DELEGATION

There will be eighteen or twenty cars at the Siskiyou county fair from Ashland today as a result of the Chamber of Commerce committee's efforts at having Ashland make a do. The start was not quite as unithan the schedude of \$.30 o'clock. The committee hopes that the plan of having all cars meet at the Yreka city limits and effect a parade will who hel dthat position.

gether there will be a delegation of 00 representative citizens, includpioneer descendants, at today's program of the fair and rodeo at Yreka.

Advance Seat Sale **Armory Program to**

Skovgaard, the noted Danish violinist, will give Ashland music lovers a music feast Thursday night at the Armory under the auspices of

Music lovers are requested to times. bring flowers of every kind and de-

once. The First company is under contract with Mr. Skovgaard whereby they receive a large portion of the advance seat sale, consequently every one wishing to help the First company is asked to buy seats in advance and thereby a large sum so paid goes to the First company. Practically all of the money received the night of the performance goes to Mr. Skovgaard, consequently the advance seat sale will be of the greatest help to the First company and will insure better seats for the ticket purchasers.

Mr. Skovgaard comes to Ashland as an artist and is being presented to the Ashland public at a price far less than is ordinarily charged at

his performances. Captain Briggs, of the First company, stated today that any one attending who did not think that he got his money's worth at the performance would have his money returned at the door, which is an extremely liberal offer to any audi-

The First company, in order to provide itself with club rooms, is indebted to the First National bank in the sum of about \$600, and it is necessary for the Ashland public to respond in order to help them pay

Clippings which have been reage home owner in Ashland spends ceived from newspapers from differat least \$10 per year in water pipe ent cities all over the coast indicate repairs, according to a local plumb-that Mr. Skovgaard has been reer, because of the debris gathering ceived with the utmost enthusiasm. They have all been lavish in their commendation .

Properties Plans French Money Misuse Is Charged By Germany

MEDFORD LABORER GRAVEL PIT JOB

MEDFORD, Or., Sept. 28 .- Milton W. Huson, an employe at the county gravel pit near this city, died yesterday noon at the Sacred Heart hospital from injuries sustained in an accident at the pit plant early Tuesday forenoon. He was 49 years old, resided at Sunset Place, between here and Jacksonville, and leaves a wife and several children. Every- new guy, just from a great center thing possible was done to save the of population, with a pocketful of unfortunate man's life, but to no

little noise at the neighboring coun- o'clock in the morning, incidental to look upon everybody in a small ty's annual showdown of what it can the starting up of the plant, which community who opened their mouth, occupation. had been closed down for some time offered a suggestion, or asked a ployes was assembled waiting for operations to be resumed, including Huson, who was in temporary charge in the absence of the regular man or the place would never have looked

operated by a fifty-horsepower motor, J. J. Skinner, of the California- hold on him, lest he pan out like ing quite a sprinkling of the old Oregon Power company staff, start- the stranger in "'Osler Joe." ed up the motor with Huson, who was to have operated the machinery after it had been placed in operation, beside him.

Scarcely had the machinery gotten in full operation when a wire on the cable of the drum of the electric hoist, to the horror of Mr. Skin-Huson's sleeve caught on the cable. drum to continue to revolve several house tax bill.

The injured man was extricated be decorated as attractively as pos- summoned to give first aid, and also an ambulance. It was seen at once are advised to get them reserved at hospital after being given first aid.

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money, a headful of ideas and a The accident occurred at 8:40 hatful of bunk, whether I would question, as a "gossip" and "moss- lied armies of occupation was esti- and places Oregon again in the fore- FILM ACTRESS back." Somebody with calous hands mated to be half that of the remain- most ranks. Last year the state had to come first and blaze the trail. der of Germany. attractive enough to some bf us

> SENATE BLOC STARTS FIGHT AGAINST R. R. TRANSPORTATION TAX

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 28 .-The senate agricultural bloc has SOUND KNELL OF First Company ner and all others in sight, caught started a fight against the retention Huson's sleeve and he was wound of half the present transportation tax around the drum four times before on freight, pullman and passenger the machinery came to a stop, al- railroad rates, as proposed by the though Mr. Skinner had turned off revision bill Senator McNary has The abolition of all private employ the current immediately he had seen offered an amendment for the re- ment agencies and the establishment

WASHINGTON, D C., Sept. 28 .- list of witnesses. scription in order that the stage may quickly and a doctor was hurriedly A drive for an amendment to the "Vicious, dishonest, and labor vul-Reserved seats are now on sale at that his injuries were probably the majority, instead of two-thirds the private employment agencies Rose Brothers, and Ashland people fatal, and Huson was taken to the vote, as at present, was started by a operate. They are described as inly to the administration today.

The End of a Perfect Day

REICHSTAG CAUSE

disclosures of the method in which the French used the money supplied by Germany for the upkeep of the French army of occupation at the time when Germany could barely meet her indemnity and obligations was unleashed today amid a storm of dissension in the reichstag

One itme in the official treasury report was that Germany, upon orders from the French generals, had supplied 731,000 marks for the erection of houses for immoral pur-

The cost of maintaining

After everything was put in read- even to light, and besides, sometimes Controversy is brewing in the Ger- A. J. McCallen and J. Q. Adams, iness to start the plant, which is it is not a bad idea to look a strang- man reichstag over the clause in that this medal was won this year. er over before we take too firm a volving of the reparations commis- In addition to competition with sion in the German-American treaty teams from every state in the union on the ground that it would make the local men went up against scores the present German government as- of men from rifle teams all over the sume for the German people respon- United States. sibility for the world war, according to official advices received by re- their way back to Ashland by way publican senators and which are un- of the Canadian Pacific route Their derstood to have been transmitted Ashland friends and the First com-

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 28 .peal of all transportation taxes by of a federal employment system to the First company, Oregon National The momentum, however, caused the January 1, 1922, as provided by the bring the workers and jobs together was advocated before the national unemployment conference by a long

senate rules to permit cloiture or re- tudes" were terms used by witnesses striction of debate, to be invoked by in describing, the manner in which group of republican senators friend-creasing unemployment rather than decreasing it.

Arrest Of River **Pirates Discloses** Chicago Wet Ring

Delieved by officers to have a @ shipment of liquor on board. The police and federal agents are endeavoring to find the

OCAL GUARDSMEN

A telegram has been received from A. J. McCallen stating that Oregon had won the twentythird place medal in the national poses in the French zone of military rifle matches recently held in Camp Perry, Ohio. This is a signal honor, only the local news. WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 28 .- skill of the local First company men

McCallen and Adams are now on pany boys will welcome their re-

NATIONAL CONFERENCE Gold Hill Bank Robbers to Start Prison Term Soon mainder of the clothing.

The mandate for the delivery to the state prison at Salem of Peter F. (Dutch Pete) Strauff and Frank Kodat, convicted of the attempted robbery of the Gold Hill bank last April, has been received, and the two men will be taken to Salem at once, exact day and time kept secret by the sheriff's office, which fears the two men will make a dash for liberty. The pair recently withdrew their appeals to the supreme court for a new trial. Influential friends have promised assistance in placing their cases before the board of par-

entire case hangs on the question of identification, and the testimony of an ex-convict that he had been "tipped off" that the robbery was to occur on a certain night. The chief witness for the state said he "couldn't tell them from a China man" at the preliminary hearing. but was very positive at the trial. though admitting the robbers had and it was midnight in the back at Medford, it will not be a Medroom of the Gold Hill bank.

Both men have prison records, which weighed heavily against them. Strauff was pardoned Christmas day, 1918. Both protest their inno- of apples this year. At no time in cence vigorously.

5,000 JAPANESE DOCK WORKERS

a 30 per cent increase in wages.

with the naval construction program which apples will be displayed. now being carried out in the Yoko- There undoubtedly will be plate dishama shipyards and will add to the plays of the various varieties and delay that has already been oc- instead of full-sized commercial casioned by the labor troubles in boxes, one-layer boxes will be subother Japanese shipyards.

THREE HUNDRED FISHERMEN DROWNED; DISPATCHES FROM ABROAD ARE STOPPED AND PAPERS CARRY LOCAL

NEWS ONLY.

TOKIO, Sept. 28 .- The death toll esulting from a terrific storm which has swept northern and western Japan mounted to nearly 400 today.

Three hundred fishermen are reported to have lost their lives in the Toyama district alone. It is estimated that more than 3,000,000 homes are inundated. Nogoya and Kobe are the centers the hardest hit by the storm. Reports received here state that the harbor of Nogoya presents a scene of disaster. Wire communication has been badly interrupted and no dispatches from abroad are being received. Newspapers here are going to press with

TESTIFIES AGAINST "FATTY" ARBUCKLE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 27 .- "We went into the room and found Virginia Rappe on the bed fully clothed. but with her hair down, moaning as if she was in pain." testified Zeh Prevost, one of the state's star witnesses against Arbuckle at the fifth session of his preliminary hearing on a charge of murdering the film

She testified that when she en tered the room Miss Rappe was screaming, "I'm dving; oh, I know I'm dying!" Miss Prevost said that the girl then started tearing off her clothing. Arbuckle helped her tear off her waist and then started tearing off the rest of her clothing. She and Mrs. Delmont finished the re

Miss Prevost corroborated the ice story told yesterday by Semnacher. manager for Miss Rappe She said that Mrs. Delmont ordered, "Don't do that!" and Arbuckle stopped.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Sept. 28 .-The Grand Army of the Republic in national encampment here, went on record as condemning the Ku

Mr. and Mrs W. A. Hudnell will take charge of the Vendome apartments and rooming house October 1

The men were convicted, and the Valley Apple Show **Preparations Are** Made-Next Month

An apple exhibition will be held at Medford in October, according to the plans of the Medford chamber of commerce. Although this display will be held at the exhibit room ford affair, but for all of the Rogue

It is estimated that there will be in the neighborhood of 1,060 cars the history of the Rogue River valley has there been the tonnage in apples as during this year and due to the moisture which fell during STOP SHIPYARDS last winter and spring the apple have attained remarkable size

YOKOHAMA, Japan, Sept. 28 .- The committee which is to have thousand dockyard workers charge of the Rogue River vs have struck here and are demanding apple exposition has not as yet been appointed, so that no announcement The strike will seriously interfere can be made as to the manner in stituted.