

COUNCIL MAKES STATEMENT TO VOTERS REGARDING PENDING ISSUE

The two propositions submitted for the next Monday election next Monday are of such importance to the city that the council has deemed it necessary to make a statement to the voters regarding the same.

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EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS CONTINUE IN MANY PLACES

It Will Require Two Thousand Men Six Months to Clear Cartago Ruins

San Jose, May 13.—Earth tremors continue today, and in the month since April 13, four hundred distinct shocks have been recorded. The volcano and its vicinity showed no especial activity. It is estimated that it will take a force of two thousand men six months to clear the ruins of Cartago.

Earthquake Recorded.
Washington, May 13.—An earthquake of moderate intensity was recorded by the seismograph at the weather bureau early today.

At Cleveland Station.
Cleveland, May 13.—The seismograph here showed a heavy earthquake shock at two o'clock this morning. The tremors lasted an hour and seventeen minutes.

Kansas Records It.
Lawrence, Kas., May 13.—An earthquake lasting three hours, at times severe, was recorded by the seismograph at the University of Kansas today.

Needles, Calif., May 13.—A sharp earthquake was felt here at ten thirty last night.

LARGEST WARSHIP IN NAVY FLOATS

Dreadnaught Florida Launched With Unusual Ceremonies Today

New York, May 12.—In the presence of President Taft, prominent navy officials and an immense concourse of spectators, Uncle Sam's newest Dreadnaught, the Florida, was launched today. Miss Elizabeth Fleming of Florida, who was appointed for the purpose by Governor Gilchrist, cracked a bottle of wine over the bows of the leviathan as she slipped down the ways. The hull, which is about 65 per cent completed, already weighs 9,000 tons, making her the heaviest vessel at the time of launching ever sent into the waters of this country. So great was the momentum of the unwieldy mass as it plunged into the East river that a great fleet of tugs, pulling with all their might, were necessary to prevent the naval monster from plunging into the Williamsburg bridge.

The Florida is the largest warship ever built in an American navy yard, being 521 1/2 feet long, 88 feet 2 1/2 inches wide, with a displacement of 21,825 tons. With her sister ship, the Utah, she outranks all Dreadnaughts in size now afloat, except the Colossus, of the British navy, launched a few days ago. The Florida will cost approximately \$10,000,000.

FIVE LIVES LOST IN DWELLING FIRE

Fairbault, Minn., May 13.—Bert Sperry, his three children and their grandmother, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home here today. Mrs. Sperry and two children were saved.

SICKENING SCENE ATTENDS EXECUTION OF MURDERER AT WALLA WALLA PRISON

Walla Walla, May 13.—Richard Quinn, the convicted wife murderer of Everett, Washington, went to a horrible death on the scaffold here this morning. Nerve to the last, the condemned man walked to the gallows as cheerfully as he would take a morning walk in the woods.

The usual formalities were proceeded with and after Quinn had made a statement, declaring his innocence and saying the shooting of his wife was accidental, the trap was sprung. A horrible scene followed. The drop apparently had no effect on Quinn. He swayed from side to side, moaning:

"For God's sake, take me up and drop me again boys. Boys, this is awful!"

His brain was so clear that he was able to unbuckle the straps which bound his arms.

Finally, after a terrible scene, lasting many minutes, during which the spectators and officials stood horror stricken and unable to aid in hastening death, unconsciousness came, the body ceased to sway, and after 22 1-2 minutes of the sickening scene, life was pronounced extinct and the body was cut down.

An investigation showed the cords in the back of Quinn's neck were abnormally developed, preventing the rope sinking into the flesh to strangle the victim expeditiously, and he died a lingering death.

Quinn refused all religious consolation. He was the thirteenth man to be hanged here and today is Friday, the thirtieth day of the month.

FRANCHISE FOR COLLEGE HILL LOOP GRANTED

Few Changes Made in Ordinance As Originally Drawn —Mounce Franchise Next

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KEENEY SLATED FOR TAYLOR'S PLACE

Will Be Appointed Regimental Adjutant, With Rank of Captain

To succeed F. E. Taylor, who recently resigned, Harry Keeney is slated for the appointment of regimental adjutant of the Fourth Regiment, O. N. G. The appointment is expected to be made in a few days.

Mr. Keeney is not at present a member of the Guard, but he has previously served several enlistments here in Eugene. He is a thorough military man, and will doubtless fill the position satisfactorily. He is paying teller at the First National Bank.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET

Chicago, May 13.—May, 114 1-2; July, 104 5-8; September, 102 3-8.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON APPEALS TO EUGENE VOTERS

To the Voters of the City of Eugene:

The faculty of the University of Oregon is deeply sensible of the impropriety of interfering under ordinary circumstances in the municipal affairs of the people of Eugene, but it cannot refrain from requesting the voters of the city to approve at the polls next Monday the proposition for a gravity system of filtration of the city's water supply.

A sense of responsibility to the people of the state for the health of the students attending the University compels it to urge favorable action by the voters on this question.

A dreadful epidemic having its

source in the water supply of the city was suffered a few years ago. Confidence in the character of its water supply has not been restored, either at home or abroad. A large proportion of the residents of the city are put to the trouble of boiling all water used for drinking purposes.

Plans for a gravity system of filtration have been perfected. This system of filtration has been tested under the most severe conditions the world over, and has proven safer than any other means of securing pure water for cities.

Only through the approval of this

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HYDE'S FATE IN JURY'S HANDS BEFORE NIGHT

Defendant in Celebrated Case Is Confident of Acquittal

Kansas City, May 13.—By tonight the jury which will decide the fate of Dr. Hyde, accused of murder and poisoning in connection with the monumental Swope mystery, will have retired to consider the verdict. Perhaps this will prove unlucky "Friday the 13th" for the accused physician. However, he does not think so. "I will be acquitted," he said this morning before court convened.

The arguments continued today.

EXPULSION OF RUSSIAN JEWS TO BE RESUMED

Kiev, Russia, May 13.—The expulsion of Jews residing illegally in Kiev will be resumed tomorrow. In some instances a delay was granted to permit a settlement of their affairs, but all those marked for expulsion must leave the city June 14.

In Asiatic Russia.
Tashkent, Asiatic Russia, May 13.—The police have given forty Jewish families, declared illegally residing here, three days in which to leave town.

The Simpson Lumber Company has started the construction of a new bar tug at the Kruse & Banks shipyard at North Bend. She will be similar to the old Columbia and probably will be called "The Simpson."

La Grande is said to be the biggest payroll town between Portland and Salt Lake.

Over \$1500 has been raised toward building a new Baptist church in Prineville.

IS J. F. MOUNCE WORKING FOR STEVE CARVER?

Belief That Railroad Projected by Him Will Connect With Alsea Line

Mayor Matlock at the council meeting last night expressed the belief that the railroad proposed by J. F. Mounce, of this city, to enter the city from the west by way of First and Clark streets, a franchise having been asked by him to cover these streets, is to be built by Stephen Carver, who built the road from Corvallis to the timber line on the Alsea river, and that the two lines will join somewhere west of Eugene and proceed to tidewater on the Siuslaw.

Mayor Matlock's belief has been shared by several other people who have studied the situation. The mayor also expressed the opinion that Carver's road is owned by the Southern Pacific Co., but this is doubted by many. The Corvallis road was poorly constructed with light rails and since its completion Carver has maintained poor service and has used the road principally for the purpose of hauling logs. It is thought that if the Southern Pacific owned it a better service would be maintained, yet it is argued by some, the big corporation has not yet taken actual control of the line for the reason that it desires to extend it to the Siuslaw and will let Carver secure the right of way because he thought he might obtain most of it more easily and more cheaply than could the corporation, owing to the general prejudice against the company on the part of a majority of the people.

Whether it is the Southern Pacific, Carver or someone else that is behind Mounce, the mayor and council seem favorable to granting a reasonable franchise, and will take the matter up and probably grant the franchise at the next meeting of the council which will be held on Monday evening, May 23. Each councilman has a copy of the proposed franchise and he will have had plenty of time to study it and to suggest any needed changes.

Friday and Saturday Great One-Half Price Carnival

of a series of great sales which we will conduct during the season preceding moving. Our stock is very large and will require a long time to re-stock. We will make compelling prices, with genuine reductions. Every day will be "Buy Day" right through the season. Keep Your Attention Centered on the Bargains.

Women's Suits Reduced to One-Half Price

20 light-colored gray and tan suits, all new 1910 models; perfectly cut and tailored; jackets satin-lined; very desirable styles; Friday and Saturday's Carnival sale; price **ONE-HALF**

Ladies' Suits of a very desirable material; \$25 to \$65 values; Carnival Sale at one-half price **\$12.50 to \$32.50**

COATS REDUCED ONE-HALF
20 Spring Coats; light colors; all 1910 garments; regular price, \$12.00; Carnival price Friday and Saturday, one-half, or, each **\$6.00**

LINEN WAISTS REDUCED ONE-HALF
Pure Linen Tailored Waists, sizes 36 to 44; regular price, \$6.00; Carnival price, each **\$3.00**

COLORS WOOD VOILES AT HALF-PRICE
20 Pieces Wool Voile, ranging in price from 75c to \$1.35 a yard; colors, navy, brown, tan and champagne. The most dressy wool fabrics of which skirts are made. Friday and Saturday's Carnival price 1/2 yd. 37 1-2c to 67 1-2c

GREAT EMBROIDERY OPPORTUNITY
The most exquisite qualities; elaborate designs in bands, flouncings, 54-inches wide, all colors, white and Persian colors. The most charming collection ever offered to the trade are now on display in our window.
Pink or blue Flouncing, wide enough for dress, worth regular \$22.00 pattern; these and all others, half price; the pattern **\$11.00**
\$12.00 patterns **\$6.00** **\$6.50** Flouncing pattern **\$3.25**



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These shirts are worth one dollar of anybody's money; they come in all colors; plain or pleated bosom; you can buy them **75c**

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They are fancy colors and good wearers; look as well and wear better than some 25c ones! your choice, the pair **12 1-2c**

50c NECKTIES, 25c

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