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According to newspaper reports, the party on whose information Governor West started the Copperfield invasion was Rev. Robert C. Lee. This is undoubtedly the same Lee who once cut a wide swath in Marshfield for a number of years, being in the height of his glory about twelve years ago. At that time he was pastor of the Methodist church and was "running the town." The people lived and moved and had their beans by the gracious will of R. C. Lee, and nothing of a public nature could be pulled off without his sanction. With all the aggressiveness of the cockney Englishman, and unlimited self-esteem, he had succeeded in impressing his own idea of R. C. Lee's importance upon the town, and what Lee said went. The first break in the brilliant sheen of his armor came when his royal coronation happened to be inadvertently stepped on by the little daily paper, then just started. Lee announced his intention of running the editor of that paper out of town, and as a starter he filled his church by the announcement that something of great importance to the town was to be discussed. Then he gave an hour to the discussion of the personal shortcomings, real and otherwise, of the editor, not failing to use the name, as there were two men interested in the paper. This alienated many who had previously been his friends, and when the paper came back just once with a critical estimate of the character of R. C. Lee and the heavens did not fall still others came out of their state of hypnosis and sized him up for themselves. Finding his influence waning, he tried to regain his lost pre-eminence by starting a campaign Sunday closing of saloons. Like many other time light performers, however, instead of trying to assist the officers by the forms of law, he announced his intention of forcing the city council to do the closing act. To this end, he marshalled quite a number of misguided women one evening and led them before the council, acting as spokesman in the "demand" that the saloons be closed. As it happened the city attorney at that time was a very courteous and suave gentleman who has since attained a position of considerable prominence in the judiciary. He acted as spokesman for the council, and the way he wound the Rev. R. C. Lee up, made a donkey of him, and left him wildly clutching the air for support was worth witnessing. Of course this grand stand play had no effect in the matter of the closing of the saloons on Sunday, which was put in force some years later when the town was ready for it; but it resulted a heavy loss of his remaining prestige for the Rev. R. C. Lee. Without going too much into his private habits it may be said that they were such that he later vacated the pulpit which he did not honor and engaged in business as manager of a music house for a local brewer and capitalist. His business methods were not such that he could retain this job, and after a short time he quietly left the country, with quite a heavy cloud resting over him. From time to time reports have come back that he had braced up, quit drinking and got back into the ministry. It seems that he has again attained a position of some prominence, and it is not to be wondered at that our erratic governor has hooked up with him in the Copperfield grand standing stunt.

J. J. Stanley, who at the request of many of his friends, has announced his candidacy for the county judgeship, ought to prove a strong candidate. Mr. Stanley has been a resident of Coos county for many years, and at one time he served several terms as county clerk to the perfect satisfaction of the people. He is one of the solid, level-headed and reliable citizens of the county and is in no sense an office seeker. It was only after many of his associates had urged

him to do so that he concluded to become a candidate. If he is selected the people will be making no mistake.

## THE RAILROAD IDEA

The Herald is in receipt of a pamphlet containing an address delivered by Wm. F. Herrin, the well-known railroad attorney who was so wholeheartedly hated in California during a term of years. His subject was "Government Regulation of Railways," and it is worth reading for the light it throws on the railroad attitude of mind.

Mr. Herrin argued, with justice, that rates should not only be fixed above the point where they would be confiscatory of the railroad property, but they should be high enough to return a good interest on the investment, to the end that new capital can be easily secured for extensions and betterments. If he had stopped there he would not have exposed his underlying thought which is that there should be absolutely no limit on the rates except the old limit of "what the traffic will bear." He lets this crop out in just one place, in the middle of a paragraph, as follows:

The shipper has no real complaint if he is on an equality with all other shippers and his merchandise readily moves at the higher rate which assures him the most efficient transportation facilities.

There you have it in a nutshell. The shipper has no real complaint if no one else can ship any cheaper than he can and if he has anything left of the proceeds of his goods after the freights are paid; or, on the other hand, if on the goods that are shipped in the freight is not so high that he can not buy them. As long as "merchandise readily moves" the rate cannot be too high. The community which depends on railroad transportation for the marketing of its products and the receipt of its supplies has no real complaint if it is allowed to live at all, even though the railroad may be taking all the profits of its industry, that is the railroad idea, baldly expressed by Mr. Herrin, under whose advice and guidance the policy was for many years followed by the Southern Pacific in California. In Oregon also the same policy was followed, and in neither state did the railroad feel under obligations to expend some of its immense profits in "extensions and betterments" until the advent of other roads forced it to some show of activity.

To the railroad mind, the rate-regulating power has no right to take cognizance of railroad profits so long as they are high enough. Nothing must be done that would reduce their profits below the point where the obtaining of new capital becomes difficult, but so long as "traffic moves freely" no power on earth should have authority to say that the railroads are making too much money at the expense of the public.

It has been this policy of squeezing the ultimate cent from their enforced patrons that has created the sentiment among the people which has forced the legislation against which Herrin and his like now complain. It is the same policy which is now in force wherever its operation has not been interfered with by railroad commissions. It will always be the natural policy of privately owned railroads or any other monopolies.

## Poor Bandon

The Coquille Commercial club met last Tuesday night with large attendance, says the Sentinel, and considered some important projects. The Bandon Commercial club met Friday night with three in attendance and nothing was done although important business was on hand. What accounts for the difference? Has Bandon lost its public spirit entirely?—Western World

## Nothing for Upper River

A Washington dispatch says: The board of Army Engineers has reported adversely on a plan to improve the Coquille River between Coquille and Myrtle Point. The project was recommended by the District Engineer, who reported that a 60-foot channel, 3 1/2 feet deep, could be established at a cost of \$15,000, with \$4000 annual for maintenance. He recommended the adoption of the plan, provided the local interests would bear half the cost. The Board of Engineers says the proposed dredged channel would deteriorate rapidly, and that the project was not feasible

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sible also because the prospective commerce was insufficient to justify the Government's undertaking the improvement, even with half the cost borne by the local community. An appeal from the decision can be filed within 30 days.

## M. W. A. Officers Installed

Beaver Camp No. 10,550, M. W. A., at its regular meeting, Jan. 3, held its annual installation of officers. The officers chosen for the ensuing year are:

- Venerable Consul, C. D. Hudson.
- Esteemed Past Consul, M. O. Hawkins.
- Worthy Adviser, J. H. Smith.
- Excellent Banker, M. C. Tozier.
- Clerk, Lloyd H. Irvine.
- Escort, H. B. Tozier.
- Watchman, R. T. Newton.
- Sentry, James McGriffin.
- Managers, O. Wilson, J. H. Oerding, W. A. Darling.
- Physician, Richmond Culin.

After installation some candidates were conducted through the mysteries of Woodcraft by the Degree Team, following which a bountiful repast was spread by the lunch committee. After lunch a meeting of the M. W. A. Club was called and the following officers were elected:

- H. B. Tozier, President; L. H. Irvine, Secretary and Treasurer.
- The above named with R. T. Newton, constitute the Executive Board.

Do you desire good neighbors? Then be a good neighbor.

## To Hold Revival

The Coquille Ministerial Union is planning to hold a union revival, to commence about February first. The M. E. Church, the M. E. South, the Presbyterian and the Christian churches will unite in these meetings. Arrangements have been partially completed to secure the services of Geo. W. Taylor, of Los Angeles, who is quite a noted revivalist. He is now at Rupert, Idaho, and a telegram was sent to him last night to close the arrangements. The place of meeting has not been fully settled, but it is desired to secure a place roomy enough to accommodate the large audiences which are confidently expected.

## NOTES ON THE PHOTOPLAYS

### Of Interest to Those Who Patronize the Movies

Cleo Madison, the charming actress who was here with her company last summer, has broken into the moving pictures and is now playing leads with the independent companies located near Los Angeles.

Margarita Fisher is another former dramatic visitor to Coos county who is making quite a name in the movies. Her husband, Harry Pollard, is a director for one of the independent companies in southern California.

Those who saw the Vitagraph picture, "Blanca," at the Scenic last week saw one of the best pieces of character acting that has appeared here in quite a while. Marguerite Gibson, who is a very bright and pretty young actress, played the part of the heavy-featured, ignorant and timid Dago girl in a manner that completely sunk her personality in the character she portrayed. Keep your eye on this young woman and you will see some good acting.

The advance in the power and endurance of the aeroplane is realized when it is stated that John Bunny was recently taken aloft and the machine stood the strain and returned him safely to his millions of admirers.

The new Grand opened Saturday night with a large attendance, and four reels of excellent pictures were shown. If all joker comedies are as funny as "Throwing the Bull," they are certainly worth seeing. The changes in the front of the house have greatly improved its appearance, and the enlargement of the operating room is another great improvement. By having two machines in service, the waits between the reels are eliminated, and the absence of advertising slides is a welcome relief to the nerves of the audience.

The "Whistling Rufes" act put on at the Scenic for several evenings was a decided novelty and took well with the audience. The old gentleman, whose right name the Herald has been unable to extract from the

## SUNDAY SERVICES IN COQUILLE CHURCHES

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**  
Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.  
Sunday School at 10 a. m.  
Frank H. Adams, Pastor.

**M. E. Church**  
Sunday school at 10 a. m.  
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.  
Prayer meeting Thursdays at 7:30 p. m. C. H. BRYAN, Pastor

**Christian Science Society**  
Corner Third and Hall streets.  
Services at 11 a. m. next Sunday  
Subject lesson sermon, "Life."  
Sunday School 10 a. m.  
Wednesday evening meeting 8:00

**M. E. Church South**  
Sunday school at 10 a. m.  
Preaching Sunday 11 a. m. and 7:30  
Epworth League at 6:45 p. m.  
Prayer meeting Wed. 7:30 a. m.  
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T. B. McDonald, Minister

## Good Reading

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management, has a remarkably well-preserved voice for a man of his extreme age, and the old ballads he sang aroused many memories in the elderly portion of his hearers. The Jewsharp as a musical instrument also brought memories of an earlier day, and in the hands of an expert it is no mean competitor of some of the others which are more familiar on the vaudeville stage.

With high-class vaudeville in addition to the regular pictures at the Scenic, and 6000 feet of pictures at the Grand, the show patrons were offered an embarrassment of riches for ten cents last evening.

## A Puzzle.

"Did you ever help put a puzzle together?" "No. My wife always assembles herself alone."—Judge.

## CURRY COUNTY CULLINGS

(From the Port Orford Tribune)  
After a two weeks' vacation, our public school was resumed last Monday.

George H. Guerin and wife, pioneer residents of Curry county, owners of valuable property in the Eckley country, are now residents of Oakland, Cal.

An exchange, commenting on the immense numbers of clothespins manufactured, asks, "what becomes of them?" That's easy: They get about three sheets in the wind and go off on a tar.

Port Orford's oldest landmark, the "old Tichenor house," built by Capt. William Tichenor in pioneer days, and occupied by him as a residence up to the time of his death, collapsed during the storm last week.

## (Gold Beach Globe)

M. E. Demeritt, whose life was spared of some ten days ago, is now fast recovering so much as to be able to be about the house and yard.

The editor of the Globe made a trip to Roseburg last week in the capacity of deputy sheriff to bring from that point A. R. Cooley who is charged with the crime of killing Thos. Van Pelt some sixteen years ago. We found Mr. Cooley in rather a pitiable condition, the

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effect of unnecessary abusive treatment perpetrated by the arresting officer. However he is fast recuperating, and will be given a preliminary hearing in a few days, or as soon as the state's witnesses get here. W. W. Cardwell of Roseburg, and J. Huntley of this place are the defendant's attorneys.

## (Curry County Leader)

Port Orford back to the days of '49. The heavy sea caused by the recent storm, panned the sand down to the lowest it has been seen for many years. All the men and teams available were rushed out at low tide, scooping up the gold and black sand by the wagon loads.

S. N. Croft of Fourmile, was transacting business in Langlois Tuesday. Mr. Croft in speaking of clearing land says: The best is the greatest method of clearing brush land, also they thrive and like the swamp flag, which if left grow, would soon kill out the grass. He has a herd of 80 head, which are housed in a barn 50x100 feet and built on the plan of a base ball stand, thereby insuring a place for the goats to sleep and keep clean.

## Notice to Taxpayers

Coquille, Oregon, Jan. 1st, 1914. Taxes for the year 1913 will be due and payable Jan. 15th, 1914. If not paid by the 1st of April, 1 per cent a month for every month thereafter will be added until Sept. 1st, when 10 per cent penalty will also be added. No rebate allowed. Tax bills will be mailed upon receipt of description of property on which you desire to pay taxes.

## T. M. DIMMICK,

1914 County Treasurer.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Coos County

Mary Hart, Plaintiff,

vs.

George E. Hart, Defendant.

SUMMONS.

To George E. Hart, the above named defendant.

In the Name of the State of Oregon You are hereby notified that you are required to appear in the above entitled Court and answer the complaint on file against you in the above entitled action within six weeks from the 23rd day of December, 1913, and if you fail so to appear and answer on or before the 3rd day of February, 1914, the last day of the time prescribed in the order for publication of this summons, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint, and will take judgment against you for a decree dissolving and annulling the marriage contract now existing between you and plaintiff

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