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**WHAT ARE LEGAL COUNTY EXPENSES**

**R. G. Smith Claims to Promote Irrigation Is Not, But Worked for a Big Fair Appropriation.**

Editor Courier: I see that R. G. Smith has seen fit to attack the county court for allowing a portion of my expense to the National Irrigation Congress, and to incidentally call in question my veracity concerning my warrant.  
Ordinarily I pay no attention to such silly vapors, but being a servant of the people, it may not be amiss to correct any wrong impression that may have been made. Mr. Smith misrepresents me in intimating that I promised to refund the money on his interpretation of the law. I did say that I could refund the \$21 if it was necessary. I still say that; but

no responsible tax-payer has made any complaint yet. The real burden-bearers of this county are well pleased with what Mr. Roy Watson and I did to induce the government officials at the congress to give early attention to the claims of Josephine and Jackson counties. We went in the interest of the entire county and I unhesitatingly say that \$21 was never spent for a better purpose. Irrigation of this valley means comfortable homes for many thousands of people, and it is very unfortunate that our country is afflicted with a few men whose only ambition seems to be to kick at every honest effort to better the conditions of the present time. Anything is legal that promotes the general welfare of the people.

Our government donated millions to the expositions at Philadelphia, New Orleans, Chicago, St. Louis and Portland and that, too, without one word of written law on the subject. Josephine county gave \$1700 to Lewis and Clark fair and R. G. Smith approved it. The city of Grants Pass recently donated \$1000 to the city of San Francisco, without law or even the advice of R. G. Smith. And, notwithstanding the importance of Mr. Smith as a legal advisor and general guardian of the people, I am inclined to believe that things terrestrial would move along as usual, even though he should conclude to let others people attend to their own business without his aid.

Mr. Smith misrepresents me again when he says that I have "talked much of grafting and extravagance." In my recent canvass for county judge, I said repeatedly that if mistakes had been made that they were made honestly—that I had no words of censure for any county official. As to the work of the present commissioners court, it can be shown that we have already saved several

hundred dollars to the county, and are preparing to save several thousand more by systematizing our pauper expenditures and our road work. No complaint has come from those who know and appreciate what we are doing to bring Josephine county to the front.

In conclusion, if Mr. Smith or any other kicker at public improvement will come to my office, I will pay him his proportionate share of the \$21, which will be about one cent. I shall not extend this offer to any others because no others would accept it. Those who sent me are not men of small caliber.

Very respectfully,  
**STEPHEN JEWELL.**

**Capt. Buck Takes a Trip.**

Captain and Mrs. J. S. Buck have returned from an outing of business and pleasure on upper Grave Creek, sojourning while there with Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Pease, who have a very fine residence, quite a band of high bred Jersey stock, also a fine garden and meadows. In connection with their ranch, Mr. Pease has a placer mine of 40 acres fully equipped, that he works during the Winter months, returning to him a good profit. This mine, in connection with his ranch, gives them a good living, without much hard work. This I can vouch for as during our stay we lived on the fat of the land, plenty of fresh meat, pigeons, quail and deer meat; good regular smoked bacon, not doped, such as we generally find in the market; something eatable that makes one smack their lips and wish for more; lots of fresh vegetables from the garden, also strawberries with good, yellow cream from their Jersey cows, all well cooked and seasoned by the lady of the house. Our only regret was that we could not stay with them longer.

The business part of my trip was to look at the mining section and must say that I found very much more good looking prospects than expected. Among those visited were H. Zimmerman, 40 acres, placer; Louis Conredon, 40 acres, well equipped; Luther Schmucker, 40 acres well equipped and in good working shape; Jack Porter, 80 acres, good looking ground, but no improvements; Sam Gibson, 280 acres, mine portion well equipped, most of the land covered with heavy timber.

These properties all have good earnings and would be good producers if worked in a systematic way. As now worked they give the owners a good living. That appears to be about all they require, and they can do that during the pleasant weather in the Winter months.

In my opinion, if most of these properties could be worked in a workmanlike manner by mining men, there would soon be a stamped to that section.

J. S. B.

**FRANK BURNETT**—Upholstering, mission furniture made to order.

**JOSEPHINE COUNTY FRUIT EXHIBIT**

**Grants Pass Fruit Growers Union**  
Getting Up a Display of Fruits and Nuts.

To show our own people and to prove to strangers that Josephine county is a fruit district not excelled by any other county of the state the Grants Pass Fruit Growers Union will make an exhibit that is to embrace every variety of fruit grown in the county and now ripe and also of nuts. Space for the exhibit has been donated by George S. Calhoun, the enterprising clothing dealer, he giving for the purpose the large and attractive display window on the Sixth street side of his store.

The exhibit will be tastily arranged and the name of each grower will be attached to the specimen box or receptacle. Samples are wanted from every grower and it is expected to have the exhibit embrace all varieties of apples, pears and peaches, grapes and all other fruits now in season. Samples of walnuts, almonds and other nuts are wanted. All samples are to be left at the office of the Grants Pass Fruit Growers Union and Secretary Meserve will attend to their being placed in the exhibit.

**CLASSIFIED ADS.**

**FOR SALE.**

**FOR SALE**—Improvements consisting of good house, barn, fencing on 50 acres, tools, garden crop, etc., on 160 acres unsurveyed land on Limpy creek, for sale for \$400. Inquire Samuel Hawkins, Wilderville. 9-14 4t

**THOROUGHbred** Poland China hogs for sale. J. H. Robinson, Wilderville. 8-31 tf

**FOR SALE**—\$14-in Bain wagon and single seat Studebaker buggy. Both nearly new. Address Box 500, Grants Pass, or call on E. J. Rogers on Wheeler place. 8-3: tf

**FOR SALE**—New five-room house and two lots, fence and outbuildings, good residence; corner Walnut and Pine, No. 204, price \$650. M. J. Young, P. O. box 178. 8-10 tf

**KLAMATH BASIN**, where the United States is building irrigation works to reclaim 250,000 acres of land, offers the chance of a lifetime to homesteaders and investors. Not cheap land, but good land cheap. Farmers are needed in Klamath county and land can be had on favorable terms. Write to Frank Ira White, Klamath Falls, Oregon, for further information. 9-21 2t

**FOR RENT.**

**OFFICE ROOM** for rent—Courier building. Apply to A. E. Voorhies or J. W. Howard. 8-21 tf

**FOR SALE OR RENT**—The property known as the Downing Warehouse in Grants Pass near depot. Enquire of J. H. Downing, Central Point Ore. 9-28-2t

**WANTED.**

**WANTED**—Wood in exchange for wagon and carriage work by J. M. Newman, successor to G. M. Caldwell. 9-23 tf

**WANTED**—Grain Sacks, Tools and other second-hand goods. Harrison Bros., Second hand-store, corner Sixth and J streets. 9-9 tf

**C. L. NOEL** of Odessa wants loggers and timber cutters to deliver 2,000,000 feet of logs to mill by contract before saw flies; short haul, level roads, one 4-horse team, two trucks, chains, etc. furnished. Also left hand 3-gang edger wanted. Write or call at mill Odessa, Ore. 8-3 tf

**LOST.**

**LOST**—Child's white cassimere cloak last Saturday between P. O. and Jones Creek. Return to Hotel Western. 9-28 tf

**GOLD WATCH**—Ladies small size, hunting case, monogram LMV on case. Return to Billiard hall and receive reward. 8-31 tf

**FOUND.**

**FOUND**—Key to house or store door. Left at Courier office for owner. 9-28 tf

**HELP WANTED.**

**WANTED**—Salesmen. Many Make \$100 to \$150 per month; some even more. Stock clean; grown on Reservation, far from old orchards. Cash advanced weekly. Choice of territory. Address Washington Nursery Company, Toppenish, Washington. 9-28 tf

**SITUATION WANTED.**

**NURSE**—Firstclass nurse can be found on L street, near 4th—Mrs. Alice Weiser. 9-21 4t

**TO EXCHANGE.**

**TO TRADE**—A fine horse, of 1650 pounds, for sheep or goats. Address P. O. Box 643, Grants Pass. 8-17 tf

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

**DRESSMAKING SCHOOL**—Ladies wishing to learn Dressmaking should see Mrs. J. C. Clark 216 Moss street, who teaches the McDowell system. 9-28 1t

**PIANO TUNING**—Leave orders at the music store.—D. F. Armstrong. 9-28 tf

**FASHIONABLE** dressmaking and tailoring. Mrs. T. C. Horr, 107 C street. 9-14 tf



**Dutchess Trousers for Fall**

We have this week received the complete line of Trousers for Fall and Winter in those nobby gray Stripes and Plaids. Some patterns are cut special, knee 21, 19 across the shoe. Call and see them.

Also Schloss Clothing that can't be beat for STYLE and WORKMANSHIP, regardless of PRICE—\$12.00 to \$27.50.

Caterers to the neat dressers.

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**Weather Reports for Farmers**

The United States Weather Bureau, with headquarters at Portland, has arranged, with the co-operation of the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph company to furnish the farmer subscribers of company daily weather forecasts covering a period from 5 p. m. of the day on which the forecast is issued to 5 p. m. of the following day. The Pacific States company is transmitting the forecast free of charge over their lines from Portland to all sections of the country and farmer subscribers may have the benefit of weather forecasts by calling their central office any time during the day after 9 o'clock and requesting the information. This is something new in the way of telephone service and will undoubtedly prove popular with the farmers. The United States Weather Bureau service and the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph Company should be given credit for introducing this valuable service.

**Ashland Normal Flourishing**

The enrollment of students from home and from abroad at the Ashland Normal is more than twice that of any previous September. The course of training has been strengthened with the latest ideas in the line of business education, revised text-books have been adopted and up-to-date appliances of every kind are used. The total cost of securing a course in the Ashland Commercial College is but little more than half the expense in the larger cities, while a no more thorough or complete course is given anywhere. The instruction is mostly individual which is of very great advantage to the student.

**Rates to Buffalo.**

International Convention of the Christian Church, Buffalo, N. Y., October 12th to 17th, 1906.  
For the above occasion round trip tickets will be on sale from Grants Pass, under the following conditions:  
One way through Portland, and one way through California, \$98.00; both ways through Portland, \$93.45.  
Sale dates, October 5th and 6th. Limits: Going, transit limit ten days from date of sale, final return limit November 15th, 1906.  
M. McMURRAY, G. P. A.

The Courier is the farmers' paper  
Underwood Typewriter agent.—A. E. Voorhies.

**PAY YOUR TAXES.**

Notice is hereby given that all unpaid taxes will become delinquent on October 1, 1906, and if not paid by that time the property will be advertised and sold for taxes. This also applies to property on which the first half of tax has been paid, the remaining half due and payable before that time. After this date an additional 1 per cent penalty will be added on the first day of each month, to the costs.  
W. J. RUSSELL, Sheriff.

**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.**

The Board of Equalization for Josephine County, Oregon, will meet at the office of the County Clerk, Monday, October 8, 1906, at 9 o'clock A. M., and will remain in session each successive day for one week. All parties interested are requested to appear and examine their assessments for the year 1906 and have all errors corrected if any there be, as no corrections can be made after the adjournment of said board.

W. H. FALLIN, Assessor of Josephine County, Ore. Grants Pass, Ore., Sept. 13, 1906.

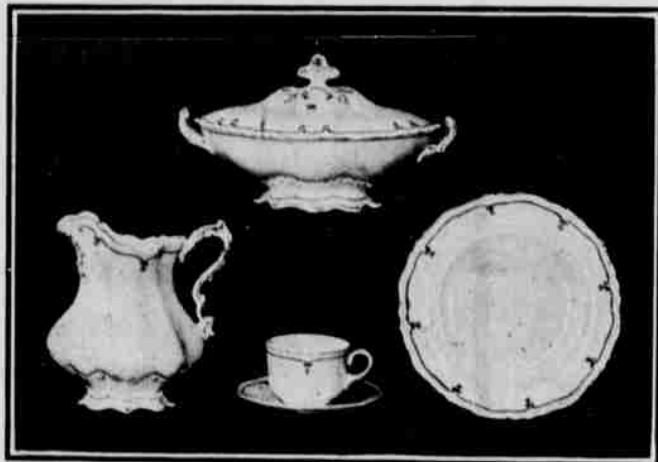
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**City Treasurer's Notice.**

There are funds in the city treasury to redeem all outstanding warrants protested to February 1st, 1904. Interest on same will cease after this date.  
Dated at Grants Pass, Oregon, September 15, 1906.  
COL. W. JOHNSON, City Treasurer.



42 PIECES

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**Handsome China Dinner Set**

You can become the proud possessor of a Handsome Imported 42-piece China Dinner Set worth \$12.00. Let us tell you about it. Beginning Monday, October 1st, ending January 1, 1907, with every purchase amounting to 25c, you will receive a ticket. When you have tickets to the amount of \$33.00, together with \$3.95 cash you will be entitled to the full set, 42 pieces. These dishes are the Golden Rule Store's direct importation from "Johnson Bros., England." These are not the cheap dishes used as premiums, but each and every piece is guaranteed not to check or crack.

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