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WILL PATENT INVENTION

C. McC. Johnson Has Perfected Lumber Sorter and Applied for Patent.

Readers of the RECORDER will remember that about three months ago, this paper made mention of a lumber sorter being invented by C. McC. Johnson, and now Mr. Johnson has forwarded his application to Washington.

This labor saving device is the first thing of its kind. There are other sorters which handle the various cuts of lumber speedily but the hand of man is necessary for their operation. Mr. Johnson's invention is proving now by daily trials that the entire cut of the big Randolph Mill can be assorted automatically, thus doing away with the labor of at least 12 men and greatly facilitating the loading of the lumber upon the steamers.

The necessity for loading lumber in a systematic manner on the Grace Dollar prompted Mr. Johnson to plan and construct a mechanical device for assorting cuts of varied dimensions, so that these might be placed in proper order and in right compartments on the steamer, with out having to be restacked by the longshoremen. Much time can be saved in this way not only in loading lumber on the steamer, but in unloading at destination and placing in the yards.

A giant frame work 12 feet high, 300 feet long and 20 feet wide forms the basis of the structure. This has 152 divisions. There are sections to conform to the consecutive lengths from 8 to 40 feet, for 8, 10, 12 foot boards etc. Double conveyors pick up the miscellaneous cuts as they are fed by machinery from the mill and carry these down the course of the assorter. The longest pieces are dropped first into the first section, and so on down until the extreme short lengths are dropped into the last section. Each section contains all the widths that are cut by the mill. The lumber is started on the journey in a lateral position, passing over trips which drop the pieces according to their lengths into pockets, then they are rolled outward on both sides passing through openings that admit of certain widths. From the assorter the lumber is dropped in regulated heaps which are picked up by an electric crane and thus loaded upon the boat.

Mechanical experts who have inspected the assorter pronounce it a success and predict that it will be in

universal demand. Its cost is nominal and its superiority over the old methods gives it a very decided advantage. Mr. Johnson has been working on the project for six months and is now seeing his dream realized. While he was laboring to facilitate the handling of lumber of the two Johnson mills, the result of his work will bring him a fortune when his idea is ready for the market.

Along the Waterfront.

The Brooklyn is in port and will probably sail tonight. The Brooklyn went over to Coos Bay yesterday with 255,000 feet of lumber.

The Elizabeth will leave San Francisco today and will probably arrive in Bandon Sunday.

The Fifield will probably sail from San Francisco today.

W. O. W. Attention.

Sunday June 8th is the day set apart for the decoration of the graves of our departed neighbors. Bandon lodge will leave the hall at 2:00 p. m., and march in a body to the cemetery where suitable exercises will be held.

All Woodmen are urged to be present.

VOTE ON COW ORDINANCE

When you vote on the Cow Ordinance read your ballot at least twice. Be sure that you have voted the way you intended. It has frequently happened in previous elections on this same question that citizens have voted directly opposite to what they intended. This is true of both sides of the question.

The circumstances are that the Common Council passed an Ordinance which provides in itself that livestock shall not run at large, and have referred that Ordinance to the voters for ratification or rejection. If you want cows to run at large, then vote against the Ordinance, and vote "No." If you desire to exclude livestock, you should vote for ratification of the Ordinance and consequently vote "Yes."

Many voters not stopping to consider the question think, "Yes I want the cows to run at large" and consequently vote "Yes," thereby casting a ballot for the Ordinance contrary to their wishes. Others, desirous that cows should not run at large, answer the question negatively and vote "No," which in effect is against the Ordinance, and thereby helps to defeat what he desires to accomplish. Remember, you are not voting directly on the cows. Instead you are voting on the Ordinance which the council has submitted. After you have voted, look at your ballot twice, to see if you have voted the way you wish. If in doubt as to its effect, ask one of the election judges. They will tell you correctly. That is part of their business, and what they are there for. The voters are entitled to a clear understanding of the premises, that the wish of the majority, whatever it be, may prevail.

"The Red Man's Honor."

A two reel feature Indian picture that was staged and produced in sunny France. This picture will prove a big novelty considering that it was produced by Europeans who have never seen a real live Indian or cowpuncher. You can't afford to pass up this photo play. The admission will be only 10c and 5c. Other good films will be shown and you are sure to get more than your money's worth. Grand theatre, Sunday, June 8.

VOTE FOR THE LIBRARY

Next Monday the voters will decide for or against a public library. This is an issue that deserves serious but favorable consideration.

What man or woman in our progressive city is there who would depreciate the value of this most practical and universal and most inexpensive method of education?

The laboring man needs free use of books—books that will aid him in equipping himself for his work and in preparing for promotion. The business and professional man needs works of reference. The women need access to those volumes that will assist them in working out the problems presented in their various clubs, in their home economy and works of fiction for mental recreation. Our children need good books to keep them profitably employed and to qualify them for life.

The city should have a free public reading room to afford entertainment to all classes who may hunger for its privileges.

The public library has a comprehensive list of books on its shelves. The current magazines and daily newspapers are found on its shelves.

The only fair way of supporting such an institution is by taxation. In this way all contribute and the burden does not fall upon a few. A one mill tax is infinitesimal. The taxpayer who pays taxes on \$5000 worth of property would only pay \$5 per year for the library. For this small sum he will have the use of \$1000 worth of books.

If you write "Yes" to number 318 as found in the pamphlet of ordinances, we shall have a library and one of which the city will be justly proud.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

The Commencement exercises of Bandon High School were held in the High School auditorium Tuesday night and the graduates were greeted with a crowded house, friends of the class and school.

The Girls Glee Club under the direction of Miss Winifred McNair rendered a cantata, entitled "The Garden of Flowers," after which the invocation was offered by Rev. S. R. Steele, after which the speaker of the evening, Dr. Rebec of the University of Oregon, was introduced by Supt. H. L. Hopkins.

Dr. Rebec's address was very instructive his theme was Education and he showed in very forceful terms the necessity of preparation for life's work in this age of the world.

After the address the diplomas were presented by M. Breuer, chairman of the school board. Miss Winifred McNair pleased the audience with a solo, after which the benediction was pronounced by Rev. A. Haberly.

The auditorium was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and the members of the class received many beautiful flowers and valuable presents.

The graduating class this year is composed of Geo. Moland, Ernest Wilkins, Ernest Watkins, Archie Rosa, Fred Reynolds, Ralph Christensen, and Misses Katherine Way, Kate Chatburn and Lura Morgan.

A fine ten pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Keller last night, at their home on Coquille Ave.

MORE ABOUT WATER PLANT

The people of Bandon are to decide Monday at the special election one of the most important question that has been put before them in a long time. Among other propositions they are to vote whether or not the city shall purchase the water system from the Bandon Water Company for the sum of \$62,000 and issue bonds to pay for the same.

Will the people of Bandon vote for municipal ownership of water works and thus take a step ahead and again put Bandon on record as being a progressive city preparing for a future growth?

Or will the people vote against the proposition and thereby give the city a set back? Hardly the latter. Bandon has in recent years always made moves that were progressive and in such an important matter as the ownership of water works the people are not likely to make an error. The purchase of the plant by the city would settle for all time the question of the water system while if the proposition is turned down an important matter is left in an unsettled condition, much to the detriment of the forward movement which has characterized the city.

If the proposition to buy the water works is turned down, which it will not be, it will be because the voters have not given the matter careful thought.

ABOUT THE PRICE

The people of the city seem generally to believe that a municipally owned water works is the proper thing. On this question there is little dispute. The price asked seems to be the chief objection. The price of \$62,000 is not high when it is considered that the city is acquiring valuable water rights for all time to come and rights which will greatly increase in value if left in the hands of a private corporation. An appraisement made at the direction of the city council showed that the plant was paying eight per cent interest on \$98,846. The system is offered to the city for \$62,000, better than an eight per cent revenue paying investment. Surely such an investment is reasonable in price.

With a municipally owned plant the people are insured for all time to come of having a first class water system which will be extended and improved as the growth of the place. The water company has a franchise which runs for thirty-six years more. The contract for furnishing the municipality with water has expired. Without such a contract it would be difficult for the water company to bond further for the improvement of the plant. It cannot be expected that a private corporation can do as much as the city in making improvements in the plant. But if the city purchases the plant the question is settled for all time.

IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER,

It should be remembered that the city in issuing \$62,000 in bonds is not giving away the money or putting it in a dead investment. It will be buying a property which will pay the city a revenue and pay for itself in the course of a few years.

The owning of the water works will not be a burden on the tax payers but will be a benefit for the reason that it will always make money for the city.

Better fire protection will be insured if the city owns the water works. This is important as it is the first thing that large and small investors look into before they put their money in buildings.

A better fire protection will lower

insurance rates in the city.

Municipal ownership of the water works is progressive and shows that a city is advancing and is on a substantial basis. It will have much to do with inducing outside capital to invest in Bandon.

If the city owns the water works the health of the people will be insured. The city would control the supply and could guarantee the purity of the water.

OPPOSITION IMPOSSIBLE

It should be remembered by the voters that if the city wants to own the water works it must buy the plant of the Bandon Water Company. It is impossible to start an opposition plant. The law will not allow it. The public utility bill expressly specifies that an opposition plant cannot be established either by individuals or municipality when an existing company is furnishing water to the consumers. Therefore the only solution is to buy the present company's plant if the city is to own the water.

Owning the plant the city can fix its own rates to suit the people. Under the new laws a private company fixes its rates under the approval of the railroad commission of the state. The city has nothing to

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VOTERS MEET TO-NIGHT

The mass meeting at the Grand Theatre promises to be very helpful in assisting voters to decide on the various measures which will be submitted on June the 9th.

A committee of six have been busy for the last few days arranging for speakers and there is no doubt the meeting will be a success from all points of view.

Mr. Sellmer will show one run of pictures beginning at 7:30. The usual admission of 10 cents will be charged to witness full run of pictures. The box office being kept open until about 8:00 o'clock. At 8:30 the doors will be opened for free admission to the public.

As soon as the people are seated and the run of the pictures completed the meeting will begin.

The meeting is being conducted under the auspices of the Women's Commercial Club of Bandon and the Bandon Commercial Club.

The Class of 1913.

The community of Bandon has just reason to be proud of the class which was graduated from the Bandon High School last Tuesday night, for it is an unusual class in more respects than one. The percentage of boys is doubtless highest of any high school in the state, there being six boys and three girls. But the teachers consider it a class of merit more because of the high standards of scholarship which they had set up and maintained for themselves.

Added to this is their participation in all high school activities—debate, oratory, dramatics and athletics. Special credit is due Miss Kate Chatburn whose leadership in all these things is unquestioned. To scholarship, too, she ranked highest in the class; but according to the custom of schools of awarding the honors of valedictorian and salutatorian to those who have done the full four years' work in the home school, Ralph Christensen was given first place and Ernest Watkins second. Both these young men have been faithful and efficient students. Ernest Wilkins, also has maintained a very high grade of scholarship, but on account of irregularity in attendance, was not eligible for either of these honors.

NO. 87 WINS SPECIAL PRIZE

Brings in Largest Number of Votes for Week and gets Silverware in Contest.

No. 87 registered the largest number of voters for week ending June 4th. Numbers 51, 98 and 61 and several others were within easy distance of the winning number. Some of the contestants gained a higher position in the list, No. 51 making the most marked advance, Numbers 77, 82, 86, and 61, so advanced a peg or more towards the top. Standing of contestants as follows:

No.	85	67,079
"	82	58,145
"	98	47,075
"	87	42,955
"	101	34,456
"	100	32,410
"	97	31,820
"	77	31,270
"	61	30,555
"	86	24,465
"	22	23,765
"	92	23,190
"	82	20,660
"	51	14,590
"	103	11,305
"	88	7,690
"	91	7,690
"	93	6,185
"	52	6,020
"	9	4,800
"	102	2,600

IMPORTANT TO VOTERS

City Recorder E. B. Kausrod has received the following opinion from Attorney General Crawford regarding the law governing registration which will be of great importance to voters it says:

The act requiring registration, etc., provides that no persons shall vote without they are registered, unless the supreme court shall hold that provision to be invalid, in which case they may vote by taking six freeholders before the election board. Therefore hereafter the six freeholders will have to go before the election board and sign Blank a, and they cannot be sworn before a notary public.

I do not think there is any question but the Supreme Court will hold the provision requiring registration as a qualification for voting, to be void, because it is not required in the Constitution. Therefore I am of the opinion that a person has the right to vote, and should be allowed to vote, whether registered or not, by the use of blank "a" as above stated.—A. M. Crawford, Attorney General.

Small Accounts Encouraged

One need not have a large account in this bank in order to enjoy the privileges it confers. Believing that encouragement tends to develop the resources of the small depositor, it is the policy of this bank to give appreciative attention to all who bring their business here, regardless of the size of their transactions. Your account is invited.

FIRST NAT'L BANK
Open during Noon Hour and Saturday Evenings.

TONIGHT

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VOTER'S MEETING

at Grand Theatre. Hear the various measures discussed.

All Voters Come!