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ASHLAND TO ORDER ELECTION ON TROLLEY FRANCHISE SOON

PETITIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED NEXT TUESDAY

City Recorder Eggleston Verifies Signatures on Petitions — Gas Plant Franchise Will Also Be Submitted to Vote of the People.

The petition filed with the city council of Ashland by the citizens of that city asking that the application of John R. Allen for a trolley franchise in Ashland be submitted to a vote of the people will be considered by the council at their regular meeting next Tuesday evening. Under the law, they must submit the matter to a vote, and it is expected that an election will be held within two weeks.

City Recorder Eggleston has verified the names on the petitions by comparing them with the registration lists in the office of the county clerk. In addition to the application of Mr. Allen for a franchise, J. R. Anderson is asking that he be granted a franchise for a gas plant, similar to the one granted him by Medford recently. The petitions will be acted upon at the regular council meeting next Tuesday evening, it is expected, and at that time it will probably be incumbent upon the council to call the special election, which must be held not less than 15 nor more than 30 days from date.

Mayor Snell of Ashland was in Medford Friday and stated that it seems to be a general sentiment in Ashland that the franchises should be granted.

"When people of Ashland understand the situation there will probably be little opposition to the franchise," stated Mayor Snell. "There are some who do not understand the details, but by the time the franchise comes to a vote it will most of it have disappeared."

"Recorder Eggleston has verified the names on the initiative petition and the council at its next meeting will submit the franchise to the people. There is no opposition to the gas franchise."

TEDDY WILL BE HOME JUNE 18

Cables Cornelius Vanderbilt That the Funeral of King Edward Will Not Interfere With His Plans to Get Home on Date Set.

NEW YORK, May 13.—A cablegram received by Cornelius Vanderbilt from Theodore Roosevelt announces that the death of King Edward will not interfere with Roosevelt's plan to arrive in New York on Saturday, June 18.

137 MINERS LEFT TO THEIR FATE; FIRE RAGES IN MINE

WHITEHAVEN, England, May 13.—The hundred and thirty-seven miners entombed in the Wellington coal mine have been left to their fate. The mine was sealed today in an effort to smother the flames that are raging in the lower workings.

JURY TAMPERING CHARGED IN THE TRIAL OF MORRIS

Howard A. Guilford Arrested and District Attorney Begins a Thorough Investigation Into the Affair—Big Sensation.

PORTLAND, Or., May 13.—Following the arrest of Howard A. Guilford on a charge of having attempted to bribe Juror Barton, sitting on the W. Cooper Morris embezzlement case, District Attorney Cameron, with a corps of deputies, began a thorough investigation into the affair today. Cameron said that he expects to unearth evidence of a plan for wholesale bribery of jurors in the Oregon Trust & Savings bank cases. Morris, formerly cashier of the bank, was convicted late yesterday afternoon of embezzling \$75,000 worth of notes from the institution. Previous to Morris' conviction, Juror Barton was approached and it is alleged was offered \$1500 to hang the jury. He gave a noncommittal reply to the agent and then reported to the district attorney.

Guilford was subsequently arrested. According to District Attorney Cameron he made a clean breast of the affair and Cameron asserted implicated several prominent Portland attorneys in the alleged attempt to bribe Barton.

HYDE CASE GOES TO JURY TODAY-- FRIDAY THE 13TH

Doctor Says He Expects to Be Acquitted and Looks for No Evil to Befall Him on Account of the Day—Is Not Superstitious.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 13.—Dr. Hyde, whose spectacular trial for the murder of Colonel Thomas H. Swope is nearing its end, said today that he expected to secure his acquittal on Friday, the 13th. The doctor said he was not superstitious and expected no evil to befall today.

The evidence probably will go to the jury this afternoon. Ten other indictments against Dr. Hyde, but if he is acquitted it is not likely that he will face trial again.

Mrs. Hyde, whose condition is delicate, is extremely nervous and her friends fear that she will collapse.

County Warrants Called. County Treasurer J. M. Cronmiller has called in all warrants protested up to and including November 30, 1908. Interest on the last call ceased on May 9.

HAS SECOND EARTHQUAKE HIT CARTAGO?

Heavy Shock Recorded in Mississippi Valley, Indicating Heavy Quake in Costa Rica—Telegraph Lines Go Down in Central America—Possibly Another Tremor.

PORT LIMON, Costa Rica, May 13.—Telegraph lines to the interior of Costa Rica were put out of commission suddenly today and it is feared another severe earthquake struck the district devastated last week.

CLEVELAND, O., May 13.—The seismograph here registered a heavy earthquake shock today. The vibrations began shortly after 2 o'clock in the morning and continued for many minutes. The indications are that the tremor occurred in Costa Rica.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 13.—An earthquake shock lasting 53 minutes was recorded by the seismograph here. The shock, the record shows, was heavy, but was probably some thousands of miles away. It is believed by officials that the shock affected the western coast of South America.

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., May 13. This city was shaken by an earthquake at 10:20 o'clock last night. The tremor lasted several seconds. No damage was reported.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 13.—The chronometer in the government weather bureau stopped at 10:20 last evening, the hour at which the tremors were felt in San Bernardino

LOST CHILD IS FOUND IN NICK OF TIME

PORTLAND, Or., May 13.—Kenneth, the 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Wood, believed to have been kidnaped, was found today on the edge of a creek nearly a mile from Kusa station, a suburb of Portland, where it disappeared from a go-cart Wednesday afternoon.

The child was found by a woman who heard its faint cries in the brush.

The baby was lying on the edge of the stream, but a few inches from the water. It was so weak from two days' starvation that it could not move.

OREGON ATTORNEY GENERAL VISITS VALLEY OF ROGUE

A. M. Crawford Greatly Surprised at Evidences of Growth During the Past Four Years, or Since His Last Visit Here.

A. M. Crawford, attorney-general for Oregon, was in Medford a few hours Friday. "Really, I haven't any mission in Southern Oregon," said Mr. Crawford, "except that I had an opportunity to take a short vacation, and decided to run down here and look up a few of the old records of Jackson and Josephine counties in reference to some matters which will come up in my office. It has been about four years since I visited the Rogue River valley, and had I not been prepared for a change by reading newspapers I would not have believed it to be the same community. Even at that I could hardly realize that the slow-going community of a few years ago would develop into the live ones you have now. The progress of the Rogue River valley from one end to the other during the past few years has been remarkable, and every section seems to share in the advancement."

Dr. E. R. Seely has arrived in New York, where he is taking a post-graduate course in surgery.

WOMAN, LOVELY WOMAN, IN CHARGE OF PAPER

This afternoon the regular staff of the Mail Tribune will abdicate in favor of woman, lovely woman, and until Sunday morning she will have full sway in the offices. Man will be allowed to do only the most menial labor. The women promise a huge edition Sunday. Watch for it!

TO BUILD ROAD OREGON CAVES IN JOSEPHINE

Will Make Famous Beauty Spot More Accessible—Roads Will Be Cared for by Rangers of the Forestry Service.

GRANTS PASS, Ore., May 13.—To make more pleasant the trip to the caves this summer the great limestone labyrinths of Grayback mountains, known as "Oregon's Marble Halls," will be put in shape to receive tourists at an early date. These caves are said to be the largest marble halls in the world, and every year are visited by tourists from all sections of the United States. Formerly the caves were controlled by private individuals, but are now within the confines of the Siskiyou forest reserve, and much the same as a national park. They will be protected and cared for by rangers of the forest service, in fact, one of the main camps of the rangers is near the entrance to the labyrinths. Thousands of people would visit (Continued on Page 8.)

PRESIDENT IS CHARGED WITH DOUBLE CROSS

Representative Harrison of New York Charges Taft and Attorney-General With Bad Faith—Saves Regulars Embarrassment by Withdrawing His Resolution.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 13.—Charges of bad faith and double-crossing on the part of President Taft and Attorney-General Wickersham in connection with the Ballinger investigation were made in the House by Representative Harrison of New York.

The charges were made when Harrison withdrew his resolution calling on the attorney for memorandum and other documents in connection with the preparation of Wickersham's summary of the Glavis charges.

Harrison, a Democrat, presented the resolution after the Ballinger investigation committee had refused the request of Attorney Brandeis for three papers. The resolution created a sensation in the House and Republican regulars openly criticized the committee for having made it appear as they allege that the committee might be trying to shield some one. Harrison today saved the regulars some embarrassment by withdrawing the resolution. His action was based on the fact that the attorney-general has already admitted the fact which the documents called for were expected to prove, namely, that the summary was prepared after the date which it bore.

HANGING BUNGLED; MAN BEGS FOR DEATH AS HE STRANGLES

JOY, THE ITALIAN, TAKEN IN CHARGE BY SHERIFF JONES

Coroner's Jury Returns Verdict Saying Thrasher Came to His Death at Hands of Unknown Parties—Have Valuable Information.

Nicholas Joy, the Italian kitchen helper, was arrested Thursday afternoon by Sheriff W. A. Jones on account of the murder of Jesse Thrasher at Ayres Spur last week. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict of "death caused by parties unknown," and the sheriff immediately arrested Joy.

"I wanted to take in the whole bunch," said the sheriff, "but the district attorney didn't deem it advisable."

Mabel Putnam, the principal witness at the inquest, has removed to California, but she, as well as the rest of the witnesses and suspects, are under close surveillance, so that any "break" that any one of them makes will cause a quick arrest.

Even now those who know how Jesse Thrasher was killed are looking askance at each other, wondering which one will "give up" first. The officers have secured information which will lead to the unraveling of the snarl, but decline to give it out as yet.

FIVE KILLED IN EXPLOSION ON TORPEDO BOAT

German Vessel Scene of Disaster—Cause of Explosion Is Withheld by Authorities—Papers Clamor for Investigation.

HAMBURG, Germany, May 13.—Five sailors were killed and two fatally injured today in an explosion aboard the German torpedo boat "S-33," cruising near Heligoland. The craft was completely wrecked by the explosion which is the seventh naval fatality occurring this year.

The cause of the explosion is withheld by the authorities. The afternoon papers are clamoring for an investigation and it was court-martial of those who may be responsible for bad conditions.

MORRISON OF SEATTLE OFFERED REFERESHIP

SEATTLE, Wash., May 13.—Jas. W. Morrison of Seattle, an old pal of Tex Rickard, the prizefight promoter, strongly intimated today that he would not accept Rickard's invitation to referee the Jeffries-Johnson fight at Emeryville July 4, owing to ill-health.

GREWSOME END TO WASHINGTON WIFE MURDERER

Thirteenth Hanging at Walla Walla on Friday, the 13th, Proves Horrible—Drop Falls to Kill and Condemned Man Begs for Death

WALLA WALLA, Wash., May 13.—The 13th hanging at Walla Walla penitentiary, which occurred on Friday, the 13th, was one of the most gruesome ever witnessed by prison officials. For 20 minutes after Richard Quinn dropped through the trap with the rope about his neck and the black cap over his face, he hung, swaying back and forth, pleading with his executioners to draw him up and spring the trap again so that his agony might be ended.

Quinn was a man of abnormal strength, and the muscles of his neck, automatically stiffening when the ropes drew tight about him, prevented his upper spine from being broken, and the man slowly strangled to death. The condemned prisoner maintained his bravado to the last, and refused any religious attention. Early this morning he ate a hearty breakfast and walked briskly to the scaffold. As the cap was adjusted to his head he said to his jailers:

"Before Almighty God and man, I am innocent, save for an accident. Well, good-bye, boys, I'm going out." The trap was sprung at two minutes past five, and the man's body shot to the length of the rope, where it hung, writhing in agony. Realizing his predicament, Quinn shouted: "Oh, my God! This is awful! Haul me up, boys, and drop me again. Hurry! Take me back and let me drop again."

The man's cries were distinct for several minutes and then became less loud and finally wavering, as unconsciousness came to relieve his sufferings. He was pronounced dead at 5:22.

Warden Reed was absent from the city, and Captain Smith officiated at the execution. Quinn was convicted of having murdered his wife in Everett, Wash. He insisted that her death was accidental.

AUTO STRIKES DOWN EX-PRESIDENT LOUBET

Physicians Say His Injuries Are Not Serious—Accident Occurred on Crowded Street in Paris.

PARIS, May 13.—Ex-President Loubet of France was knocked down by an automobile today and severely bruised. The accident occurred while the former president was crossing the Pont Neuf. Physicians say his injuries are not serious.

TWO TRIPS DAILY TO BE MADE BY S. P. MOTOR CAR

Will Enable Mail Tribune to Reach Subscribers in Central Point, Tolo, Gold Hill and Woodville Earlier in the Day.

The gasoline motor in operation on the Southern Pacific lines between Ashland and Grants Pass has proven very popular with the traveling public, and it has been decided to increase the service. Commencing Sunday, May 22, the motor will make two round-trips daily. The exact time cannot be given, but the figures given will not miss it much.

Southbound, 8:30 a. m. and 2:20 p. m. Northbound, 10:30 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. Exact figures will be published in a day or two. This will give the Rogue River valley a very fine passenger service, and is in itself a strong testimonial of the valley's rapid growth.

The motor is well patronized each way and doubling the service will be a great convenience to the public. Among other things, it will enable the Mail Tribune to reach subscribers in Central Point, Tolo, Gold Hill and Woodville an hour earlier in the day, and provide a regular delivery, which through trains have rendered impossible.

50,000 MEDFORD PEOPLE IN 1920 --CAPTAIN NASH

Veteran Sea Captain Loses His Bearings in Cruising About Medford Owing to Its Increase Since His Last Visit.

Captain J. T. C. Nash, the veteran sea captain, capitalist and property owner, is here from Berkeley, on his annual visit. "I have witnessed many changes in Medford," said Captain Nash, "but I believe the changes and improvements during the past year have been greater than in the other seventeen years I have known the city. Some eighteen years ago, I think, I first came to the Rogue River valley, and at that time one could leave the corner of the hotel here and travel in almost any given direction without hitting anything except chaparral or a pine stump for quite a distance. It's different now. I was out riding yesterday afternoon, west of town and I actually lost my bearings and was compelled to make the return cruise by dead reckoning. The number of buildings constructed in this city since I was here a year ago is surprising. I predict that Medford will be a city of 50,000 within the next ten years. I don't see anything to stop it. The country is here. The resources are here, and the enterprising people are here."

WE WILL PASS THROUGH COMET TAIL WEDNESDAY

BERKELEY, Cal., May 13.—On May 18 about 6 p. m. the earth will pass through the tail of Halley's comet, according to computations made at the students' observatory of the University of California. Professor A. O. Leuschner, in charge of the observatory, states that there is a possibility the passage will be

made about 40 minutes after 6 o'clock and he is now endeavoring to solve the problem definitely. Professor R. T. Crawford of the observatory believes the only result on the comet will be from contact with the earthly gases, which will cause it to appear brighter. He says there will be no meteoric shower.