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## PASSWANTS TO CHANGE WATER FOR IRRIGATION

Over 200 Property Owners Meet to Consider Water Propositions Offered—No Choice is Made But That Submitted by Fred J. Blakeley is Favored—Will Utilize Storage Waters of Applegate Basin.

For many hours Saturday some 200 interested property owners in Grants Pass were in session in the opera house in that city discussing the relative merits of two water propositions offered them but no decision was arrived at. Grants Pass people want water badly and are doing what they can to settle the matter. The recent legal troubles which entangled the affairs of the Golden Ditch Min-

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## COLEMAN TO RUN FOR THIRD TERM

A strange passenger came from Klamath Falls Monday in B. H. Harris' big touring car, which was driven back without other cargo for the hundred miles, says the News. It was one of the big water snakes which infest the lakes and rivers of Klamath county. The driver put it in the car "just for fun," and released it on Main street when he arrived here. It drew a crowd, who speculated on its species, and so on, until those who knew told where it came from and that it was perfectly harmless. The traveled reptile was about two and a half feet long, and looked much like a common garter snake, although darker in color. After the crowd had satisfied its curiosity the snake was allowed to wiggle peacefully away. The water snakes are one of the wonders of the Klamath country. There are so many of them that in the spring they have been seen on the bank of a lake or river where they have crawled to sun themselves in a solid mass 18 inches deep and perhaps 100 yards in length. They are equally as well at home on land as in water, and it has been a common sight to see them sticking their heads up through holes and cracks in board sidewalks at Klamath Falls. Some years ago someone conceived the idea of utilizing the snakes for the oil contained in their bodies, and got the industry well started, when the citizens protested. They objected to killing the snakes because the reptiles destroyed so many mice and other vermin. The snake oil business had to be abandoned, and the snakes now increase and multiply unmolested.

## COLEMAN TO RUN FOR THIRD TERM

"If the voters of Jackson County want me to make the race for county clerk again, I will do so," stated County Clerk W. R. Coleman yesterday. "However, I will not go seeking the nomination, as the real estate game in Medford looks shorter hours and more pay and besides I believe the old ranch will keep me in grub. "Already I have been urged by my friends to again be a candidate, but I have thought something of quitting while the quitting was good. However, as all of the boys are urging me to run again I wouldn't be surprised if I did so. But no hard campaigning for me." As Mr. Coleman is one of the most popular of the county officials and has a host of friends throughout the county there is but little doubt of his reelection if he wants the office again. He is now serving his second term.

## PRECINCTS BOUNDARIES

County Court Will Create Six Precincts Instead of the Two at Present—Registration of Voters for Coming Election Will Open on June 7—Councilmen Will Confer With Court in Matter.

At the next meeting of the county court, which will be held on June 2, that body will create six voting precincts out of the two which are now known as North and South Medford. No division as yet has been decided upon, but the matter will be gone into thoroughly at that time. It is probable that the city council will have a committee consisting of two or three members of the council present to confer with the county court in regard to the matter.

At the present time the precincts are vastly overcrowded and it is believed that it would be impossible for all of the voters residing in them to cast their ballots in one day at the election in November as the ballot will be a long one.

While the county court has not as yet decided upon any particular matters, it is believed that three of the new precincts will be on the south side of Seventh street and three on the north. It will be impossible to make the precincts conform with the city limits, as has been proposed in the past, without changing the boundaries of six or seven precincts surrounding Medford, and this is believed to be too great a task at the present time, as the registration of voters for the coming election will commence on June 7 and the matter must be definitely settled before that time in order that the voters may know in which precinct they reside and are entitled to vote.

## STATION FOR EXPERIMENTS

Regent Olwell Presents Agricultural College Proposition from Ray Brothers, Which Will Probably Be Accepted During Coming Week.

John D. Olwell, regent for the state agricultural college at Corvallis this week placed before the regents the offer of Colonel Frank Ray and Dr. C. R. Ray to donate grounds, building, water and electricity for an agricultural experiment station in the Rogue River valley near Tolo.

The proposition was favorably considered and definite acceptance by both regents and faculty is expected this week.

The establishment of such a station will do much towards ascertaining both the efforts of electricity and irrigation upon horticultural and agricultural products.

## BREAKS ARM WHILE CRANKING HER AUTO

Mrs. W. C. Green, while attempting to crank her automobile last evening preparatory to starting home from down town was unfortunately caught by the "kick" of the engine and suffered a fractured arm. She was hurried home where medical attention was given. At a late hour last evening she was reported as resting easily. Mrs. Green is one of Medford's most expert lady drivers and has long operated her machine without injury to herself or to the motor car.

## One Wants Help, One Arrested, and The Third Has a Fight on His Hands.



FRANK W. ROLLINS



GOV. J. N. GILLETT



W. J. CALHOUN

W. J. Calhoun, United States minister to Peking, has notified the officials at Washington that Rear Admiral John Hubbard and his war vessels should be ready for quick work. Natives have destroyed much property. Frank W. Rollins, ex-governor of New Hampshire, has declared he did not intend to defraud the United States government by smuggling goods through the customs house. However, Collector of the Port Loeb has his case under consideration. Governor J. N. Gillett of California has notified a delegation of preachers that the Jeffries-Johnson fight will take place as far as he is concerned.

## LORIMER IN OWN DEFENSE

Accused Senator Places Blame for Scandal on Chicago Tribune Which He Alleges Has Been His Enemy for Many Years Past.

WASHINGTON, D. C. May 28.—Demanding an investigation of the bribery charges in connection with his election to the United States senate, William Lorimer appeared before the senate today with an explanation of the case that blamed the Chicago Tribune.

The resolution demanding an investigation was referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

In his explanation Lorimer reviewed his 25 years' warfare with the Chicago Tribune and declared the paper lied when it made the charges that his election was the result of bribery. He denied that any member of the Illinois legislature ever received a dollar from him. He alleged that the attack by the newspaper was directed not only at himself personally, but at a new banking association which he and his friends are organizing.

He declared that the charges appearing in the paper and purporting to have been written by Charles A. White, a member of the legislature, were plainly not written by White at all, but were the work of a trained newspaper man.

"It is plain every word was passed upon by a lawyer," said he, "before it was signed by that poor, low creature, White, who didn't hesitate to

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## JACKSON COUNTY TO BE IN THE ASSEMBLY

Quiet discussions among the faithful disciples of the G. O. P. are being held over the county and it is predicted a goodly contingent of delegates will attend the state republican assembly to be held in Portland in July in response to Chairman George's letter. Forty-one delegates is the number apportioned for Jackson county. This meeting is called to discuss men and measures preparatory for the primary election to be held throughout the state.

## MAY FETE IS A BIG SUCCESS

Crowds Flock to Park and Witness Little Ones and Their Elders—Tidy Sum Netted for Civic Improvements.

The park was the scene of a great May Day fete Saturday afternoon and vening, when the ladies of the Greater Medford Club took possession of the place. The place was crowded all afternoon with the children and their mothers and a very delightful program was rendered.

The Misses Crowell and Crawford opened the entertainment with several selections. Judge Colvig then made a very appropriate speech and introduced and crowned the Queen of the May, Miss Josephine Root, who presided most graciously over her loyal subjects in queenly fashion. The maids of the queen, the Misses Joan Anderson, C. Emig, Caroline Andrews, V. Childers, V. Thurlburg, B. Brown, L. Brown, L. Arzner, A. Chandler, L. Barry, M. Rolfe, A. Rolfe, E. Townsend, E. Miller, B. Penninger, L. Slover, S. Bruckner, A. Simons, C. Duell. These danced the Maypole dance most gracefully.

The High School Glee Club, led by Prof. Collins, principal of the high school, sang "Acoda," from the "Fairyland Waltzes," and very well indeed it was. Prof. Collins having the chorus beautifully trained. Following this was the bugle song, which was very well done in pantomime, by the Miss A. McMahon, A. Dietrich, H. Reddy, M. Rolfe, M. Brown, D. Deward, N. Samuels, E. Larouche, F. Tenney, T. Frazier, E. Trimble, L. Smoot, A. Vogel, M. Gordon and L. Weaver.

The high school orchestra, under

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## BRIBERY CONFESSION IN LORIMER CASE

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 28.—State Senator Hotslaw confessed today to the jury that he had received \$2,500 for his vote for William Lorimer for United States senator. He also received from a jackpot \$500 and \$100 for his vote in the furniture deal.

## BALLINGER PERSECUTED

Attorney Vertrees Grill Pinchot-Garfield-Glavis "Bunch" and Styles Them Visionary—Secretary Basely Assailed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—"Pinchot—Pinchot the pure—controlled Garfield just as he pleased. Everything wild and chimerical with reference to a tree to a forest reserve he was willing to do at Pinchot's suggestion," declared Vertrees for Ballinger, summing up today before the investigating committee.

Vertrees defended Ballinger's policy in regard to the Cunningham claims, declaring it was single-minded and straightforward. This was the basis of his argument today before the committee.

He bitterly arraigned the "Garfield-Pinchot-Glavis bunch," and denounced as foolish and visionary the men whose names he linked together. He declared that Richard A. Ballinger, secretary of the interior department, was a public servant without a peer.

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## WOULD BE CITIZEN AFTER SIXTY YEARS

After residing in Jackson County since 1851, John H. Downing has applied for naturalization papers in order that he may file upon a homestead in the county. Mr. Downing is a resident of Central Point. Although he has just applied for his naturalization papers Mr. Downing has been a voter. He came to this country while a child, being born in England in 1848. His father was naturalized and he exercised his right to vote as his father was a citizen before he became of age. However, when he came to file on a homestead he found that he would have to produce affidavits showing that his father had been naturalized. Not having a record of where these papers were issued Mr. Downing thought that the shortest way out of his difficulty was to take out papers himself and this he has just undertaken.

## NO BLIGHT HOOD RIVER SAYS O'GARA

Pathologist Returns With Word That Hood River Scare Was All for Naught—Some Incompetent Person Passed on Diseased Tree and Named It Blight—Says Large Crop There—but Rogue Looks Good.

As near as it is possible to get a government official to state, Professor P. J. O'Gara, who returned Saturday from Hood River, says Rogue River has the best of Hood River as a fruit growing section when this year's crop is considered. But the professor says it would never do for him to make such a statement. "However," he continued, "Rogue River will lose nothing by a comparison of crops at this time with Hood River."

"There is absolutely no blight at Hood River. Some person stated that he knew there was blight there but it proved a false alarm. I warned them to keep a weather eye open, however, as the blight is spreading in Walla Walla and other Washington fruit centers and will eventually reach Hood River, but if care is taken there is nothing to lose. "Hood River will probably ship 500 cars of fruit this season. When the professor reached home he found telegrams calling him to Roseburg and to California.

## ESTRADA WILL FLEE COUNTRY

Revolutionary Leader Abandons Hope of Entering Bluefields and Will Escape With Staff While the Running is Good.

PORT LISBON, May 28.—Messages from Bluefields today say that Provisional President Estrada, the revolutionary leader, has abandoned hope of holding the city against the Madriz forces, and is preparing to flee. He plans to take his staff with him, it is declared.

Bluefields, according to information received here today, is surrounded by the Madriz soldiers. Five hundred Madriz troops are on the bluffs overlooking the city and commanding the entrance to the port.

General Arias has made a second demand for the surrender of the city, and if it is not accepted soon it is believed a general attack will follow. If Captain Gilmer of the Paducah continues his refusal to allow the bombardment of the city, it is reported the Madriz generals plan an advance on the city, which will bring the fighting to the very doors of the homes in Bluefields.

## RIGHT OF WAY TRIAL SET FOR JUNE 5TH.

In the suit brought against I. J. Phipps by the Pacific & Eastern Railroad company to condemn a right of way through the Phipps property on the East Side, Judge Calkins has overruled a motion by the defendant to make the complaint definite and has given the defendant until June 6 in which to make further pleadings to the complaint. This suit for right of way was instituted some weeks ago in order that the Pacific & Eastern might reach their proposed depot grounds on the east side of Bear creek near Main street.

## MEMORIAL DAY TO BE OBSERVED

Tomorrow Medford Will Pay Tribute to Gallant Boys of '61-'65—Stores Will Close During Afternoon in Order That All May Attend Exercises in the City Park—Decorate Graves in Morning.

Tomorrow Medford will still the bustle of her commercial pursuits for a time in order that honor may be paid to the heroes of '61-'65, both those who have answered the last great roll call and those who still remain to constitute the thin blue line—the remnant of a once great and powerful army of freedom. During the afternoon when exercises will be held in the city park, nearly all of the business houses in the city will be closed in order that all may attend.

The members of the local Grand Army post will gather with their families in the hall of the post early tomorrow morning and during the forenoon they will visit the cemetery and place their floral offerings upon the graves of their dear ones. Returning to the hall, they will partake of the luncheon to be provided by the Women's Relief Corps, and at 2 o'clock they will march in a body to the city park, where an appropriate program will be rendered. A grave, symbolical of those heroes who laid down their lives in an effort to keep a great country united, will first be decorated, and then the veterans and their friends will listen to a speech by the Hon. P. H. D'Arcy of Salem and to Rev. Belknap. The Medford band will furnish music.

A request has been made by the veterans that all of the fraternal and civic bodies in Medford join them in the services.

The memorial sermon will be delivered at the Baptist church today by Rev. Holmes. All are invited.

## JUDGE FOE, BILL FRIEND TO CUPID

Judge Calkins continues to carry on his work of undoing the work of a rash Cupid and is grinding out many divorce cases. He and Bill Coleman are scrapping it out, for Bill continues to give helpful couples their licenses to wed and the judge continues to give couples (not so helpful) the licenses to live apart. At last reports it was nip and tuck between Bill and the judge.

Genevieve Goodwyn has brought suit for divorce against Thomas Jefferson Goodwyn, alleging that her husband, emulating his famous namesake, signed a declaration of independence and skipped out. Upon the ground of desertion, she asks a dissolution of the ties that bind. The couple was married in 1881 in Lake county and have two children, both over 18 years of age.

G. W. Daley is suing Belle Daley for a divorce upon the grounds that his wife told him to "pack up and get out." He further alleges that she likes his cousin, Lynn Daley, better than she does him. He makes a complaint that she will not go to the theaters with him, so he asks the custody of the two children and a divorce.

Cupid evidently beat the judge to it in the case of Louisa Howard vs. J. W. Howard for divorce, as the couple made up and asked that the complaint be dismissed. "Was so ordered."

The county clerk stole one on the judge yesterday when he issued licenses to wed to Clarence L. Boussum and Cora I. Wells and to Orrie B. Rush and Mabel L. Atken.

"Your" store, perhaps, advertises "your" bargain today! Look—and know.