

# PIONEER TELLS OF EARLY IRRIGATION

L. C. Coleman Was First Man to Apply Water to What is Known as "Desert Country"—Tells of His Experiences.

L. C. Coleman, one of the pioneer merchants of Southern Oregon, and still a large property owner here, in Medford looking after his business interests. "I believe," said Mr. Coleman, "that I was among the first, if not the first, man to conceive the idea of irrigation of what was then known as the 'desert country,' comprising at that time nearly all the territory east of Bear Creek from Medford to Eagle Point. I took the matter up personally with the late Col. H. P. Huntington at the time when the through connection of the railway between Portland and San Francisco was made in 1886. Mr. Huntington was very courteous and seemed interested in the idea of developing this valley, but he had so many things to think of that he could not spare the time. He referred me, though, to Richard Koehler, then president of the Oregon lines. Upon my representations, Mr. Koehler and Mr. Mills went over the lands, and were impressed with the possibilities of making a garden spot of the Rogue River Valley. They interviewed one of the original knockers, however, and that spoiled the scheme. 'You can't raise a disturbance on that land,' he said, 'no matter how much water you put on it. All you'll get will be frogs and 'sketers.' Financial and other matters, along with the knocking, prevented the Southern Pacific company from taking hold of the scheme to irrigate the Rogue River Valley. I am not saying that things are just as well, if not better than if they had, but I believe that my conception for the irrigation of the so-called desert lands of Jackson is the original one."

## AFTER RATE-ABUSERS.

(Continued from Page 1.) Commuters between New England and New Jersey points have complained at the action of the railroads in increasing the rates so that the tickets cost from \$2 to \$5 more monthly than the former rate. A suit is apt to follow.

Attorney-General Wickersham today declared the administration had been urging a law which gives the interstate commerce commission power to investigate rates before they become effective. He declared that the roads already sued had endeavored to keep the rate increases secret until too late for the shippers to act. When the resolution offered by La Follette urging Wickersham to enjoin the Western Trunk Lines from increasing their rates, was filed came up in the senate today, La Follette was not present and action was deferred. It is probable that the resolution will be withdrawn.

## STOCK EXCHANGE IN TROUBLE

(Continued from Page 1.) merce commission increasing rates from 6 to 31 per cent and becoming effective July 1. Increased commodity rates effective July 1 were also filed by the New York Central railroad, the West Shore and the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western. That government action may follow these filings is not considered beyond the possible here, and should further suits be filed and the questions of rates become involved in further litigation, it is believed that "railroads" as a stock market factor would have a detrimental effect on financial conditions.

## PROGRAM

- FRIDAY, JUNE 3. 2 to 4 p. m.—Velox Printing, Re-developing. 4 to 6 p. m.—Velox Enlarging, Dry Mounting Tissue. 8 to 9 p. m.—Film Developing, Wet Negative Printing. 9 to 10 p. m.—Postcard Printing, Double Printing. SATURDAY, JUNE 4. 2 to 4 p. m.—Film Developing, Wet Negative Printing. 4 to 6 p. m.—Velox Enlarging, Dry Mounting Tissue. 8 to 9 p. m.—Postcard Printing, Double Printing. 9 to 10 p. m.—Velox Printing, Re-developing. AT-FREE KODAK SHOW, ANGLE OPERA HOUSE. MEDFORD BOOK STORE, Exclusive Agents.

## Too Late to Classify

THE PARTY who was seen taking a sack of rice from the corner of Eighth and Oakdale streets Wednesday evening, will save trouble by returning same to the Medford Wholesale grocery. 63

WANTED—Five-passenger 1910 automobile; must be in perfect condition. Will pay cash. Joe Liggett, Hotel Moore. 63

WANTED—Young lady to assist as partner in the show business. Address G-3, care of this office. No experience needed. 63

CHOP house, good location; lease at a bargain. Enquire 31 Front street. 63

FOR SALE—Close in on North Central, modern six-room house with furniture. Price \$6,000. Address Box 121, city. 68

FOR SALE—Building formerly occupied by Snow Flake Bakery. Good location for grocery or warehouse. This is to go at any price. Enquire 529 South Grape. 68

FOR SALE—Best bargain in Medford. New house and barn in best residence section. Will sell with furniture at lowest figure. Terms. Call on owner at 529 South Grape. 68

WANTED—Lot to build on in exchange for auto. About \$700. Eastman, P. & E. Junction. 63

FOR SALE—I have for sale a hotel with 26 rooms. Strictly European; no dining room. The furniture and carpets are new and the place at the present time nets \$300 per month. Can be made more profitable. Will sell for cash or trade for country home near Medford. If interested, investigate. Address 35, care Mail Tribune. 63

WANTED—In central location, office with show window, or good desk room. A. A. Martin, Hotel Moore. 64

FOR RENT—New 5-room bungalow, \$10 per month. Aylor & Barnett. 64

FOR SALE—5-room new bungalow; east front, \$700. Easy terms. Aylor & Barnett. 64

TO LET—New bungalow, nicely furnished. For particulars, call at No. 10 Front street. Rogue River Orchard Land Co. 65

# PORTLAND HAS A STRIKE EPIDEMIC

With 400 Transfer Teamsters on a Strike, City is Threatened With Walkout of Skilled Mechanics—Want Higher Wages.

PORTLAND, Or., June 2.—With 400 transfer teamsters on strike, Portland is threatened today with a strike of 300 skilled mechanics employed in local machine shops.

The Machinists' union, one of the most aggressive in the city, has demanded an eight-hour day and an increase of 10 cents a day in the minimum wage scale. This has been submitted to the employers, who are expected to reply today.

The men now work nine hours a day and receive \$3.50.

The machinists assert that in other Pacific coast cities there is now paid a minimum wage of \$3.60 a day. They ask that the increase be made to equal all other Pacific coast cities. The question of a closed shop is not mentioned.

## NO MORE JUNKETING VACATIONS, SAYS WILSON

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 2.—"Vacation junkets" to the national parks and forest reserves, combined with business supervision, no longer are the prizes held before the eyes of the men in the forest service here. Under the old regime, Chief Forester Gifford Pinchot inaugurated a policy of combining the men's vacation with an inspection tour of the forest reserves to give them practical knowledge of the service. This year Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has issued an order that the men must stay at their desks. When vacations are allowed the secretary will supervise all traveling expenses, and the word has gone out that the supervision will be a close one.

## WOMEN PULL HAIR.

(Continued from page 1.) of her relations with Erder. It was determined definitely late yesterday that she would be put on the stand in her own behalf and the announcement of this decision brought the frenzied crowd of spectators to the courthouse.

Haskins for Health.

# ARMY TRANSPORT SINKS; ALL SAFE

Indianapolis Founders in Twenty Fathoms of Water—Excellent Discipline Saves All on Board, in Spite of Rapid Sinking.

MANILA, June 2.—The United States army transport Indianapolis foundered in twenty fathoms of water off Corregedor Island eighteen miles from here today.

The vessel filled rapidly but excellent discipline and quick work with the life boats saved all from the transport before it sank.

The Indianapolis is reported to have struck a submerged log and sprung her bow plates so that she filled rapidly.

## AVIATOR KELLY'S FLIGHT.

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will appear Saturday and Sunday at the aviation meet, entering his machines against the two of Glen H. Curtiss.

Kelly made no preliminary announcement regarding the flight, else the crowd would have been larger. The fortunate few who witnessed the flight pronounce it the best yet. Jeff Heard says Kelly has Paulhan crowded off the map.

Kelly made his start from the Southern Pacific depot and began to rise into the air at the west corner of the Nash hotel. Straight up he went, then on a level and then descended. Owing to a slight miscalculation he hit the ground rather hard, but without injury to himself or the machine. The machine used in making the flight was an Overland.

For the uninitiated it may be added that Kelly forgot that a deep trench had been dug across Seventh by the telephone men. He hit an embankment with his automobile first, which hurled him clear of the ditch. Full 20 feet he aviated. When he came to one wheel was in a wheelbarrow and the other in a mortar-box. The Overland lived up to its name.

## AUTO CATCHES FIRE WHILE FILLING TANK

While filling the gasoline tank of G. Corum's car at the Lyons garage on South Riverside last evening, the fluid overflowed and caught fire from the side lamps. The machine was standing in the street at the time and the fire was quickly subdued by a liberal application of earth. A fire alarm was turned in, however, as there was considerable danger of the tank exploding and setting fire to the wooden structures adjacent.

## Send a Messenger

that will meet with the approval of the recipient of your message. Any old kind of a messenger won't answer. The best should always be sent "if" you wish the recipient to pass a favorable verdict.

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# Aviation Meet

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# See the Men Birds Fly

Auspices of the Crater Lake Highway Commission Tickets 50c, Children 25c 2:30 Every Day Oakdale Park

## 1500 MEN ARE OUT ON STRIKE

Metalworkers in Los Angeles Quit—Believed 2800 Will Be Out by End of the Week—Wanted Higher Wage Scale.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 2.—Officials of the Metal Workers' council declared today that 1500 men have joined the strike which went into effect yesterday.

They predict that before the end of the week practically all of the 2800 workmen connected with their craft in the city will have left work.

Managers of the several foundries and iron works affected are firm in their statement that the number of strikers does not exceed 500. They profess to feel certain that the men will return to work next week.

The strike was called following the reported refusal of the foundrymen to consider demands of their employees for a general \$4 a day wage, and a working day of eight hours.

It was voted at a meeting of the local metal workers' council Tuesday evening.

## G. A. R. POST THANKS PEOPLE OF MEDFORD

Chester A. Arthur Post, G. A. R., and the W. R. C. desire to extend their sincere thanks to the people of Medford who so loyally assisted in the observance of Memorial day. This includes every one, from the little tots who represented the states in the morning ceremonies to the civic and municipal organizations, and especially to Rev. Bender, chaplain of the post, for his address, and to Rev. Belknap of the Baptist church for his sermon on Memorial Sunday. D. R. ANDRUS, Adjutant.

Haskins for Health.

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# Boys and Girls Attention

ON ACCOUNT OF THIS BEING THE LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL AND MOST BOYS AND GIRLS ARE BUSY WITH EXAMINATIONS, WE HAVE DECIDED TO EXTEND THE TIME LIMIT FOR WRITING THE ESSAY FOR THE "REWARD" TO TUESDAY, JUNE 7. ALL STORIES ON "WHY THE MERCHANTS DON'T ADVERTISE" SHOULD BE HANDED INTO THE OFFICE BY THAT TIME.

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