Mepford Mall Tribune a moral mentor from jackson dounty.


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$\mathbf{W}^{\text {II Ltam F. herrin of San Francisco, chief counsel }}$ ment exercises of the Oregon Agricultural College at Co vallis. On his way home he stopped off at Ashland, and
the Valley Record, in a eulogistic article, refers to him as the greatest man yet produced by Jackson county,
Mr. Herrin is a remarkable man. He has wo. way from the bottom to the top round of the legal ladder way from the bottom to the top round of the legal ladder.
He is endowed with gifts far beyond the ordinary individual, and yet it is a question whether with all of his won-
derful abilities, he has ever done anything really worth Mr. Herrins' Corvallis address was a collection of copybook platitudes, reflecting the conventional lies of a civilizvirtue as its own reward. He prated of the pursuit truth for truth's sake of noble sentiments and other el Mr . Herrin's chief occupation has for years been the orruption of popular government for the benefit of a co rest of his employer. All the slimy trails of legislative Heney tried in vain to reach, the partner of Abe Ruef in virtue, the mainspring of debauchery, the fountain head
of political depravity. He dominates city, county and state political depravity. He dominates city, county and stat courts, corrupts newspapers, in behalf of a railroad corporation. He is the fountain heale,"
indsay's "Beast in the Jungle,
It is an inspiring sight when such a man turns moral morality-when the sham is held up shining with the gilde veneer of "success," as an example to the youth of the
If this is the greatest that Jackson county can produce, let us not brag of our output, for great talents put to bas
and ignoble purposes, are not proper subjects for prideven though wearing the tinsel halo of mug hypocracy. JOHN F. STEVENS
$\mathbf{T}$ HE election of John F. Stevens as president of the Pa cific \& Eastern has aroused great interest in Southern development of Oregon by the construction of a network of ying into execution his plans.
as one of the world's greatest engineers. He is a command as one of the world s greatest engineers. He is a command-
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to James J. Hill, whose able lieutenant he has been for

Mr. Stevens constructed a large part of the Great Northern system. He left railroad work to become chief engineer for the Panama canal, the greatest engineering feat ever undertaken. His plans are being carried out by his suc-

Ater two years of canal work, Mr. Stevens resigned to -enter railroading, this time as vice-president of the New Ork, New Haven and Hartford railroad, from which posiIr. Stevens is quiet, unostentatious and extremely modHe fights shy of publicity, content to let his work
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