

**BANK CLEARINGS**  
**TODAY**  
**\$27,896.40**

**Hume Interests Now Seek Compromise With Local Fish Association**

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

**THE WEATHER**  
Rain tonight and tomorrow.  
The Message of the Signs.  
White—Fair weather.  
Blue—Rain or snow.  
White and blue—Local showers.  
Black triangular—Above white, warmer; below white, colder.  
White with black center—Cold.

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## EUGENE ELY IN AIRSHIP LANDS ON BATTLESHIP

Makes Splendid Flight In View of Cheering Thousands Along San Francisco Water Front and Then Gently Descends On Cruiser's Deck.

### FIRST LANDING ON DECK EVER MADE BY AIR MAN

Says It Was Very Easy and Will Try It Again—Circled About Ship Like a Great Hawk.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 18.—Sweeping like a giant bird up from the south, through San Francisco bay, Eugene Ely in a Curtiss bi-plane today made the first landing any airman has ever accomplished on the deck of a warship.

At a high rate of speed Ely swept over the water amid the cheers of thousands who lined the shores and swarmed on the masts of the ships in the harbor. Just as his machine neared the cruiser Pennsylvania Ely slowed down, hovered for a moment and then settled down on the deck of the vessel as easily as a bird. He stopped with 20 feet to spare from the edge of the platform built to receive his craft.

The aviator had two seven foot pontoons and five hooks to cut the ropes on landing on the warship and one hydroplane aboard his aeroplane, the latter being designed to prevent the machine turning a somersault, should it strike the water.

Ely arrived early at Selfridge aviation field and began preparations for his flight. Special skids, calculated to check the machine's flight more rapidly than the ordinary ones, were attached to the aeroplane.

Hundreds of visitors and the aviators and mechanics from neighboring hangars watched the flight. Around Ely's shoulders the inner tube of an automobile tire was fastened as a life-preserver.

The bay was crowded with boats watching Ely, ready to aid him in case he fell.

Ely's wife was the first to greet the daring aviator. She was aboard the Pennsylvania and, rushing up to her husband, threw her arms about his neck and kissed him. She pinned a big bunch of violets on the biplane which had borne him aboard.

The officers of the warship hoisted the aviator on their shoulders and carried him into the cabin, where they congratulated him.

When Ely landed he greeted the

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## SOLONS FIGHT OREGON PLAN

Bitter War On Progressives and Foes of Initiative and Recall in State Legislature Over Kelleher's Resolution.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 18.—The biggest fight yet held in the legislature was started this morning over Kelleher's resolution asserting that the "Oregon system" was the best on earth. Country to all expectations most bitter attacks were made on this resolution, and Senator Abraham denied both the people and the senate to "make a fool of myself by saying we have the best system."

An hour was taken in fighting over this resolution and an adjournment was taken until this afternoon when the campaign will be again on. As this resolution is introduced in the nature of advice to every legislature in the nation now considering the Oregon system its defeat is considered by the adherents of popular government to mean that the hardest blow yet struck at the initiative, referendum, and recall has been struck by the Oregon legislature.

Perhaps most of your "bad luck" consists in failing to answer the want ads that contain opportunities for you.

## Spook Says it Helped Doctor Cook to Pole

William T. Stead Declares Shade of Sir John Franklin Came and Told Him of Helping Doc Cook Out

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—If testimony from the world of shades is to be taken at its face value, neither Cook or Peary reached the north pole, though the Brooklyn doctor got nearer than Peary did. William T. Stead made the declaration in a letter to Arthur Rollinson Colburn, a Washington lawyer, who turned the document over to Congressman Roberts of Massachusetts. Stead writes: "With regard to the pole controversy, the only message we have received on the subject came from Sir John Franklin. He did not say anything about Peary, but he said he had personally conducted Cook nearly to the pole and then left him to continue the journey himself."

## GREAT STORM IN WILLAMETTE IS ON ITS WAY HERE

Willamette River Rises 10 Feet and Is Coming Up Eight Inches an Hour—Barometer Here Drops, Indicating Heavy Rain.

The storm now prevailing in the Willamette is headed this way and according to local barometer readings it will strike the valley within the next 24 hours. A low barometer and a high south wind tend to make the deluge heavy. But the wind may beat the storm away from this valley partially.

SALEM, Jan. 18.—The Willamette valley is going to have one of the worst floods in its history unless the torrents cease mighty soon. If it stopped raining in the entire upper Willamette country right now some new high water marks would be set before the torrents subsided, but as the rain continues in increasing volume the outlook is gloomy.

The river here has jumped up ten feet above the low water mark and it is rising at the rate of eight inches an hour. The flood crest from the upper river has not started to hit Salem yet and the local downpour is damming up every sewer and outlet until at noon North Salem is under water. The Southern Pacific is out of commission and a few feet more will cut the last link and put the Oregon Electric out of business. Three streams run through Salem. They are all out of their banks and miles of suburbs are under water.

Four inches of rain has fallen in the last 24 hours and it is raining harder than ever.

## LODGE IS AGAIN NAMED SENATOR

Wins Out In Spite of Hardest Fight of His Career—Ames and Foss Battle With Him to the Very End.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 18.—Henry Cabot Lodge was today re-elected to the United States senate, winning out despite the hardest fight of his political career, in which the personal animosity of Governor Eugene N. Foss and the ambitious efforts of Congressman Butler Ames were the backbone of a most bitter opposition.

## DEATH PENALTY IS PASSED ON 24 SOCIALISTS

Japan, Despite World Wide Protest Orders Death of Socialists—Accused of Tigh Treason to the Mikado.

### TWO ARE GIVEN LONG TERMS IN PENITENTIARY

Great Secrecy Surrounded Farcial Trial of Men—Socialist Papers Ahe Suppressed.

TOKIO, Jan. 18.—Sentence of death was passed here today on 24 of the 26 socialists under arrest for an alleged terrorist plot which aimed at the assassination of the mikado. All were found guilty as the result of a special trial. Two were given long prison sentences.

When the death sentence was passed this afternoon in the court of session, Denjuro Kotoku, the leader of the socialist band, and Kano, his mistress, enlily bade each other and their fellows farewell and the whole band joined in a chorus, danced frantically before the throng of spectators who jammed the court.

The two socialists who were given prison sentences Nitta and Niumura joined in the world demonstration which which was only suppressed after the most severe measures by the officers of the court.

When the result of the trial became known and it was learned that sentence of death was to be pronounced immediately on the band of socialists, the whole city was thrown into the wildest excitement, and if the sole hope of clemency, a pardon from the Mikado fails, it is believed the most serious outbreaks here and throughout Japan will follow.

While the band of socialists sentenced today are dubbed "anarchists" by the government of Marquis Katsura, which has hounded them toward death by star-chamber trials for months, they are generally regarded by the socialists throughout the world as comrades. It is believed that from all the world over will come protests against their execution.

Kotoku, who imbibed his socialism in America five or six years ago, is the father of the movement in Japan. He and his followers allege that their doctrines are like those of the American socialists and that they deprecate the employment of force.

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## MAYOR'S SLATE PASSES COUNCIL

Partial List of Appointments Submitted by Mayor Canon Passes Council—Committee Appointments Evenly Divided.

Despite the objections of Councilman W. W. Eifert, the city council last night confirmed the appointment of Dr. R. W. Stearns as city health officer. Mayor Canon read to the council a partial list of his appointments and, when he had finished Eifert jumped to his feet and moved to confirm every name on the slate but that of Dr. Stearns. The mayor then read the names singly and all were confirmed without protest except that of the new health officer. Eifert moved for rejection but was not seconded and on a motion by Merriek the appointment of Stearns was confirmed.

The other appointments made last night were Porter J. Nef, city attorney; Dr. R. W. Stearns, city health officer; William Hinton and Harry P. Snyder, police; T. J. Williams, park commissioner; Hazleton reappointed plumbing inspector; library board, Mrs. F. E. Merick, J. E. Watt, P. J.

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## GREEKS COME BEARING GIFTS TO ASSOCIATION

Herbert Hume, Nephew of Late "Lord of the Rogue," Here to Meet Fish Association—Wants Compromise in Regard to Fishing

### WILL PROMISE ANY OLD THING TO GAIN POINT

Before Law Was Passed, However, Hume Interests Laughed at Any Suggestions from Sportsmen.

Herbert Hume, nephew of the late R. D. Hume, "lord of the Rogue," and manager of the Hume estate, and Ivan Humason of Portland, formerly of Medford, who has purchased the interests of some of the heirs, are in Medford trying to make some kind of a compromise with the members of the Rogue River Fish Protection association, authors of the initiative bill closing the Rogue to commercial fishing. They are willing to make any kind of a compromise in order to keep their large salmon packing plant in operation at the mouth of the Rogue and seek legislative modification of the initiative bill agreeable to the local anglers.

"The initiative law," they state, "means virtual confiscation of a several hundred thousand dollar investment in the cannery plant and the abandonment of the hatchery work the Humes have long carried on. It means ruin for the two towns of Gold Beach and Wedderburn at the mouth of the river, whose sole source of livelihood is supplied by the fishing industry carried on for nearly forty years."

"We are willing," states Mr. Humason, "to stop fishing for steel head entirely and only fish for salmon, which are valueless to the sportsman. We are willing to shorten the season or live up to any requirements deemed necessary. We have been refrigerating the steelheads and shipping them east. We will agree to cease this branch of the industry, dismantle our cold storage plants and help protect the steelhead. We will turn our Elk creek hatchery over to the association to be used as a trout hatchery."

"The present owners cannot be blamed for the actions of the late R. D. Hume, and are acting in good faith. We do not thing the people generally would have voted for the bill if they had understood that it meant confiscation and ruin to an established industry and two communities, and a large number of inhabitants."

Members of the Rogue River Fish Protection association stated that when they sought compromise, they were laughed at; when they introduced needed legislation, it was killed; and while they have no particular desire to protect salmon, they do not see how salmon can be caught and steelheads escape. In general their attitude is to "beware of the Greeks bearing gifts." They also claim the matter has passed out of their control and rests with the people of Oregon. Nevertheless, they admit the Humes have cause for complaint, do not blame them for seeking redress, and are willing to hear their side of the controversy.

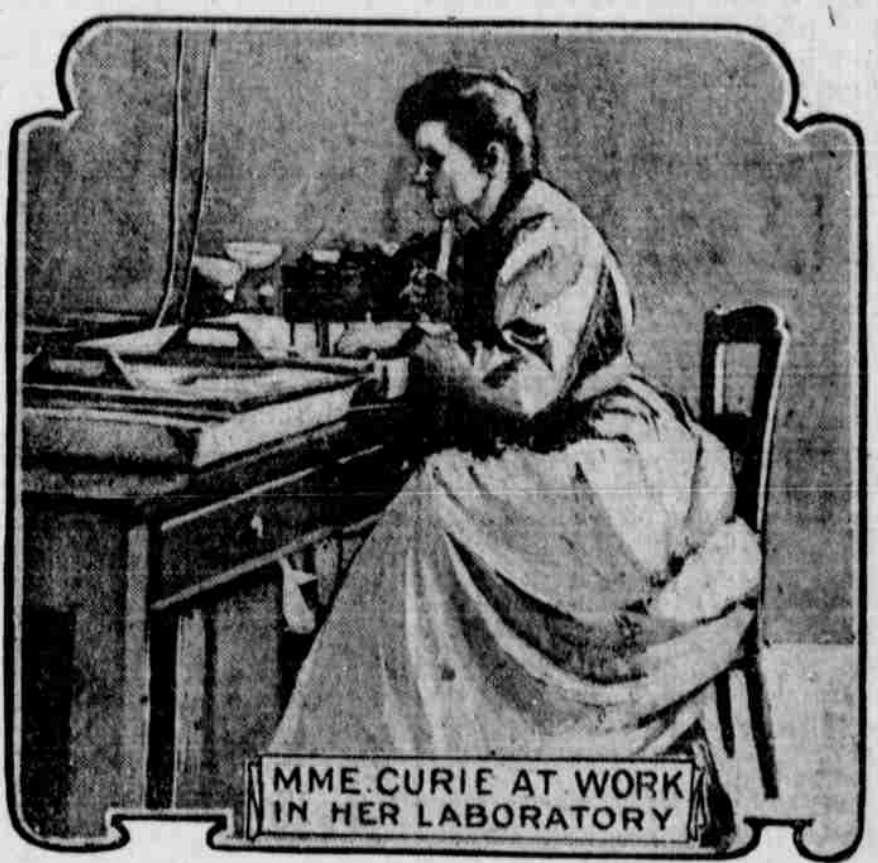
## LAURA SCHENK IFALLS SENSELESS

Woman On Tril for Attempted Poisoning of Millionaire Husband Collapses In Court—Trial Is Stopped

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 18.—Mrs. Laura Farnsworth Schenk, accused of the attempt to poison her millionaire husband, John O. Schenk, collapsed in court here today. The trial was stopped and the defendant taken to a room in the jail, where she was placed in the care of physicians.

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## Institute of France Rejects Mme. Curie Because She Is a Woman.



MME. CURIE AT WORK IN HER LABORATORY

After a long and animated debate the Institute of France voted 80 to 52 that the election of women to the Institute "was contrary to immutable tradition," and thereby the candidacy of Mme. Curie, who, with her husband, discovered radium, was defeated. This decision was not imposed upon the five separate academies which make up the Institute. Mme. Curie's chances of being elected to the place made vacant in the Academy of Moral Sciences, however, are adversely affected by the Institute's action. Scientific reports have given more credit to Mme. Curie than to her husband for the researches which resulted in the discovery of radium. It was when working with M. Schmidt in 1898, independently, that she found that thorium was possessed of properties enabling it to emit rays that would pierce liquids and solids. Sir William Ramsay lately said of her: "She is the most important woman in the world today and among the most brilliant. Her work has added largely to human advancement. I consider radium the most wonderful discovery that the scientific world will know for many years."

## TWO SEEK COIN FROM CITY DADS BLASTED BLASTING MEN CAUSE BLAST OF WRATH

J. H. Hittson Writes Letter Jointly to Jackson-Bade Company and City Seeking Balsam in Way of Coin.

J. F. Hittson, a resident of East Main street and Willamette avenue, is wearing a large chip on his shoulder as the result damage inflicted to his property by workmen blasting a sewer along East Main street.

"The City of Medford and the contracting firm of Jacobson-Bade are picked out by the irate Mr. Hittson as the foes against which he will invoke the wrath of the gods unless a soothing balm in the form of a check for \$168.50 is speedily forthcoming."

In a letter addressed jointly to the "City of Medford and the Jacobson-Bade company," Mr. Hittson itemizes the extent of his injuries in the following manner:

- Damage to roof, \$150.
  - Damage to cement coping, \$10.
  - To two days' labor removing rocks from lot, \$6.
  - To doctor's fees, \$250.
- Nor does he intend to let the matter drop with the writing of the letter, for appended to the bill is a note reading: "This is a compromise offer and will be withdrawn unless promptly accepted."

## OREGON RATIFIES THE INCOME TAX

State Senate Today by Vote of 25 to 2 Approves Amendment—House Yesterday Favorably Considered the Matter.

SALEM, Jan. 18.—Oregon has ratified the income tax amendment to the United States constitution. By a vote of 25 to 2, with three absentees, the state senate today approved the amendment, favorable action having been taken by the house yesterday.

"By our present tax system, which is most unjust," said Senator Sinnott, "the poor man is taxed upon what he consumes and the rich man is

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## FOES OF WEST SAY HE HAS PUT HIS FOOT IN IT

Declare That Governor Trapped Himself When He Decided to Reopen Controversy Concerning Location of Branch Insane Asylum

### BIG RED AUTOMOBILE TO BE INVESTIGATED

Bowerman and Kay Are at Outs—Bowerman Asserts Governor Is Playing Politics In Deal.

SALEM, Jan. 18.—Opponents of Governor West today declared that the governor trapped himself when he decided to reopen the controversy concerning the location of the branch insane asylum in eastern Oregon. It is now asserted that the Oregon state asylum will come in for an investigation and the officials will be brought on the carpet for a grilling, something that the anti-West faction ardently desire.

It was expected that the report of the legislative committee on state institutions would read its report today and the alleged extravagance of the asylum at Salem would figure largely in it. It is predicted that Superintendent Steiner will be asked to explain why a big red automobile was purchased for use of asylum officials with state money. That other questions will be asked, if Steiner is called, is a foregone conclusion. A deficiency of \$40,000 at the asylum stares the legislature in the face and much of the committee's time probably will be taken up in deciding how the deficiency was brought about and how similar expenditures can be avoided in the future.

Jay Bowerman and Treasurer Kay are at outs. Kay is a member of the state board and Bowerman asserts that the board headed by Governor West is playing politics in connection with a final settlement of the site for the eastern Oregon asylum. Shortly before West's inauguration the old board selected lands near Pendleton. Now the West board has reopened the affair and threaten to select other lands. Unatilla county went against West, while Union and Baker counties, both aspirants for the asylum site, rolled in good votes for him.

The anti believe, however, that the asylum finally will be built near Pendleton and that the present flurry is to give the West followers in Pendleton a chance to "save" the board asylum from removal to another district.

## PLAYED ROLE OF AVENGING ANGEL

Fearing That the Blind God of Justice Was Overlooking a Bet Young Man Took Scolding Case Into His Own Hands.

Declaring that any man who would throw boiling water on a woman, whether with intent to harm her or not, had a "licking" coming to him and under the impression that the blind goddess of justice was not attending to her duties, William Cook of Jacksonville took into his own hands the task of repaying William DeRoboam for having thrown a pall full of scalding water over

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## CHIEF OF POLICE SHEARER RESIGNS

Chief of Police H. E. Shearer this afternoon tendered his resignation to Mayor W. L. Canon. The resignation was filed with City Recorder Robert W. Telfer. No successor has as yet been named by the mayor to fill the position.

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