

TO BETTER LOCAL PHONE SERVICE

Five New Switchboards Will Be Installed by Pacific States Company at Once—Lower Tolls Will Be Charged Hereafter.

Better local service and lower toll rates will be the result of the improvements being installed by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in this city.

Local service will be increased by the installation of five new switchboards one of which is already in operation and the others in various stages of completion.

This arrangement will allow each operator to handle the calls quicker and more accurately. As there are 1500 telephone users it will be seen that the change will be a great benefit.

Toll rates between Medford and Gold Hill, Woodville and Gold Ray will be reduced from 25 cents for a three-minute talk to 15 cents for that length of time and from 10 cents for each additional minute of over-time to 5 cents for each additional minute.

MAKING MEDFORD THE BEST CITY IN AMERICA!

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piled about on the streets of the city. Fifteen thousand sacks are held as a reserve force in the warehouse in case a freight tie-up should occur so that the work need not be delayed.

Two large concrete mixers, each capable of turning out 1800 square yards of concrete base a day are in use.

The monthly payroll exceeds \$30,000. Twelve hundred barrels of crud oil are burned daily.

Three hundred and fifty barrels of asphalt are used each day.

One hundred and eighty cubic yards of sand and gravel passes through the plant daily.

So great is the amount of cement used in the city that Mr. Clark estimates that the sacks, which he returns and on which he is allowed 10 cents each will amount to \$40,000. In other words, 400,000 sacks of cement will be used on Medford's streets.

Twenty thousand dollars is paid monthly to the Southern Pacific for freight charges.

Mr. Clark's office is in his automobile. From one part of the city to another he is constantly traveling seeing that all parts of the work is progressing as it should. East side west side, north and south one is hurried in his auto until you begin to think that there is not a street in the city that has not some part of his crew upon it. So long has Mr. Clark been driving over torn up streets that he things nothing of hurdling sewer trenches, plowing through heaps of gravel and dodging heavy wagons and telegraph poles. It is an education for a man to ride with him, although it seems at times as if your education would be brought to an abrupt end. As he drives his auto he is driving a big job.

On the afternoon I was out with him. We went first to where the huge grader, operating like a harvester, was tearing up the road-bed and piling the dirt onto dump wagons. Fifty men are at work in this crew and they are tearing up the streets in fast shape. After a word or two there with the foreman Mr. Clark hurried me down to where a large gang was engaged in putting in the concrete curb and gutter. This gang is spread out for some distance and contains over 100 men.

Now we visited the concrete layers where 25 men are employed. These men are all experts with the exception of a few muckers. A small rail track runs up an incline to the top of a huge mixer, run by a large gasoline engine. Up this track are hauled cars of material, which is dumped into the mixer. From the mixer it passes into large carts especially constructed and is hauled off

FINED \$25 FOR JUMPING BILL

Ben F. Steward, Accused of Passing Worthless Check at Eagle Point, and of Fraud, is Fined by Justice of the Peace Taylor.

Ben F. Steward accused of passing a worthless check on Cincade and Ashpole of Eagle Point and of defrauding Mrs. G. W. Owing of a \$6 board bill was fined \$25 by Justice Taylor Friday afternoon.

He was convicted on only one count as the matter of the check was not brought up.

to where it is being laid on the streets. Here is a crew of six men, who are experts at spreading the concrete so that a uniform grade is maintained. This is put down rapidly. Then in three or four days the crew handling the binder follows.

From the concrete mixers we went to the south end of Central, where the large paving plant is in operation. Here is a plant that represents the latest ideas in the art of paving.

Huge vats of boiling asphalt are seen as well as great ovens in which the material with which the asphalt is mixed is heated. There is a vast amount of noise and great clouds of dust. Men grimy with dirt peer at you from all parts of the huge plant and it is with relief that one completes a tour of inspection and gets out into the sunlight again.

The asphalt wearing surface is put down by a gang of 15 men, all of them burly negroes. This gang of men is one of the most expert men in this line of work on the Pacific coast. They spread the material and do the finishing.

One could write columns about the big job—of the stables, of the blacksmith shops, of the oil room, of buying axle grease by the barrel, of the fire department, of the thousand and one countless details which are included in this huge job. That Mr. Clark is prepared for an emergency of nearly every kind is shown by the fact that he has even erected a tank at the plant in which he keeps several thousand gallons of water for use in case the city supply should fail.

It would be something entirely unexpected indeed that would catch him napping. So thorough is the system to which the work is reduced that if a foreman should stop a man for a half hour from hauling gravel in order that he might haul a bit of lumber the office force would know it that evening. System is the keynote of the whole affair. Every man is timed on his trips between the plant and the street and every load of material is checked up. There are no leaks.

It is a big job handled in a big way. Some day get out of your rut and go out and watch it. It is well worth while.

The company lays an asphalt pavement which is shown to be very successful wherever it has been laid. First they lay a concrete base some five inches in thickness, then a binder course an inch thick and on top of this is laid the wearing surface two inches in thickness. The new contract calls for the laying of an asphaltic concrete base the pavement being lighter. It was adopted owing to the splendid showing it has made in California cities.

Medford is well satisfied with the pavement being laid in the city for she feels that she is getting a "square deal." And after all, that is the one big essential.

NOTICE TO ALL CEMENT CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS That on and after the first day of August, 1911 the local Cement Workers Union No. 158 will enforce the following scale of wages and hours: for finishers 62 1-2 cents per hour, for finisher's helpers \$3.50 per day, for laborers \$3.00 per day, for box mixers \$3.50 per day. Eight (8) hours to constitute a days work. Hours from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. and time and one half for over time and double time for Sundays and holidays. F. H. McDonald, pres.; C. W. Damis, sec.



MADRID, June 17.—Senor Canalejas, the Spanish Premier, informed the Chamber of Deputies that Spain's projected military operations at El-Araish, Morocco, were not inconsistent with the treaty of Algeciras or other agreements.

SALEM MAN GETS VAST FORTUNE

Hostler in Livery Stable is Left Third Interest in Estate Valued at a Million—Left His Home 28 Years Ago.

SALEM, Ore., June 17.—With a big letter of credit and papers proving his right to one third of a fortune of \$1,000,000, which his mother intends to divide between her three sons, J. G. Thompson, until two days ago a hostler in a local livery stable is on route for Binghamton, N. Y., to claim his wealth today.

Thompson is 51 years old. He left his home 28 years ago to see the world. Meanwhile his father acquired a fortune in real estate and the mercantile business. He died 12 years ago and his widow concluded a few days ago to divide it among her sons before she died and sent for the prodigal.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for the beautiful flowers that were sent and the many words and messages of sympathy received during Mrs. Anderson's illness and since her death. In the future we shall never hear of a case of serious illness without our hearts going out in sympathy to the suffering and to their dear ones who so patiently and earnestly wait, watch and pray.

BERT ANDERSON and children S. S. SMITH and family, MR. AND MRS. W. L. RILEY.

Haskins for Health.

Cost of Living Going Down

To those who buy their meat at the Economy Market.

Pure Lard 10-lb. pails \$1.20 5-lb. pails 65c 3-lb. pails 40c

Lard Compound 10-lb. pails 90c 5-lb. pails 50c

Lamb at regular mutton prices

Economy Market Nichols & Ashpole, Proprietors Main, near Central Ave.

50,000 WOMEN DEMAND VOTES

Biggest Demonstration in History of Suffrage Movement Occurs in London—A Hundred Bands and Many Floats are in Line.

LONDON, June 17.—The biggest demonstration in the history of the suffrage movement occurred this afternoon when fifty thousand suffragettes marched on the Thames Embankment to Albert Hall. The demonstration was comparatively free from disturbance. Anna Bryce, daughter of James Bryce, ambassador to the United States, rode horseback at the head of the parade, impersonating Joan D'Arc. Mrs. Drummond was held marshal. A hundred bands and a hundred floats marked the demonstration and scores of titled women were in the ranks.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our kind friends and neighbors for their help and sympathy during our bereavement.

W. W. HOWARD, and Family. Haskins for Health.

CONVICT ESCAPES FROM STATE PEN

First Man to Violate Governor's Trust—Was Sent Up From Portland for Highway Robbery—Sheriff on Trail With Hounds.

SALEM, Ore., June 17.—Stealing a horse and saddle from a dairyman living nearby, Jesse Hall, a convict at the state penitentiary escaped last night. With other convicts he had been working at the state feeble minded institute in beautifying the grounds.

Sheriff Minto and guards of the penitentiary with bloodhounds are scouring the surrounding country today for the escaped man. Hall is the first man to violate the trust placed in him by Governor West since the governor inaugurated the reform idea of allowing convicts to work at public institutions without a guard. Hall was sent up from Multnomah County for highway robbery.

NOTICE.

After this date I will not stand responsible for any indebtedness incurred by my wife Mrs. Ella Jennie. Signed R. E. Jennie. 80

STRIVING HARD TO SAVE WOMAN

Sir Winifred Laurier is Asked to Intercede With King to Spare Woman's Life for the Sake of Her Unborn Child.

SAULT STE MARIE, Ont., June 17 In an effort to save the life of Mrs. Angelina Neapolitana, convicted of the murder of her husband and doomed to execution after the birth of her expected child, her attorney, Uriah McFadden, today cabled the Canadian premier, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who is in London.

Women throughout America petition you to intercede the governor general or with the king to pardon or commute the death sentence of Mrs. Neapolitana. Her provocation was great. The woman was under a great mental strain. You are asked to spare her for her four living children, and her unborn child," the cable read.

McFadden has asked the Italian counsel general at Montreal to petition the king of Italy to use his influence with British and Canadian officials to save the woman.

Made His Own Casket.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 17.—William Cooke, 92, was buried here today in a casket which he himself made from wood from a former home. The casket was made of heavy wood, beautifully carved.

Printing of all kinds at Portland prices. Mail Tribune office.

BLOOD HOUNDS ON SLAYER'S TRACK

Man Who Killed Hill Family at Ardenwald is Thought to Be Maniac—Bloody Rag Thought to Be enough to Give Scent.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 17.—With Harry Draper's famous bloodhounds "Sam" and "Brady," that have figured in every big manhunt in the North West for years, a posse left Portland this afternoon for Ardenwald where he Hill family were murdered Friday, to hunt down the man who rushed from the woods Thursday morning and attacked Gus Obist, a dairyman. It is believed the fellow is an escaped maniac and is the man who brained Hill his wife and her two children.

A bloody rag found on the bank of a stream near Ardenwald is counted on to give the hounds the scent. Thought it has been nearly 56 hours since Obist was attacked it is believed that the dogs will readily get track of the man.

Will Register Visitors.

Special efforts will be made in the future to take care of all outsiders visiting the Commercial club rooms. A register will be kept and all visitors will be requested to sign their names that the executive force of the club will be better able to locate and advise them on any matter they may desire information. Heretofore the visitors have come and gone, leaving nothing by which they can be located and the register will prove a great help to all concerned.

For Sale

Lot Cheap on Easy Terms. 2 Blocks off paving. Lot 60 x 125, high with splendid view. \$125 down, \$10 per month. Investigate this.

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Will Surely Serve the People

RECIPROCITY BILL

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TOGGERY BILL

Is Serving Them Every Business Day in the Year

THE TOGGERY

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MEDFORD'S BEST CLOTHING HOUSE