

## COUNTY COURT PROMISES TO CALL SPECIAL ELECTION FOR GOOD ROADS

### BUILD ROADS WITHOUT ANY BOND ISSUE

People of County Will Be Asked to Authorize Indebtedness Incurred for Permanent Highways, and Thus Legalize Warrants.

NOT NECESSARY TO WAIT FOR LEGISLATURE TO ACT

Warrants Can Later Be Redeemed With Bond Issue When Laws Are Perfected if Necessary.

A way to build a good system of highways in Jackson county without a bond issue—which is impossible without a special session of the legislature to pass needed laws—is believed to have been found, attorneys for the county court having advised it to the effect that the people can at a general or special election, authorize the incurring of indebtedness for building highways, which indebtedness would be in the form of warrants to any amount which warrants, being legalized, could find a ready sale in outside money markets. Afterwards, when the bond statutes have been enacted, these warrants could be redeemed with bonds, if desired.

Such was the announcement made by County Commissioner Geo. L. Davis in a talk made Saturday evening to the Medford visitors at Prospect. He stated that the several attorneys he had consulted held that the constitutional amendment adopted last fall reading that "debts for permanent roads shall be incurred only on approval of a majority of those voting on the question" would permit the county court to call an election and submit the question of incurring such indebtedness to a vote of the people, and that such indebtedness being approved by a majority of those voting, no question as to the legality or validity of the warrants issued in payment could be raised.

Mr. Davis pledged his support to such a movement, and stated that he would do all in his power to submit the question speedily to the people. Attorney Evan Reames is now at work preparing a written opinion upon the subject for guidance of the county court.

County Judge Nell stated that he was in favor of spending a large sum for permanent highways and would certainly do his share in submitting the proposition to the people speedily.

County Commissioner Owens stated that he favored submitting the question to the people and if a majority voted for incurring the indebtedness, he would most certainly work to give the people what they wanted. He believes thoroughly in good roads, but did not want to plunge the county into debt on his own responsibility without being authorized by the people.

This announcement by the county court were received with great applause both by the Medford visitors as well as residents of Prospect who heard them. Judge Colvig followed with the statement that he would bring the subject before the Medford and other Commercial Clubs of the county to secure their endorsement. He stated that he believed that this was a way out of the difficulty that interfered with the good roads program.

Col. Frank H. Ray spoke enthusiastically of the proposal and promised his assistance and co-operation as one of the largest tax-payers of the county. Others present spoke strongly in favor of the special election at once.

**Explosion Kills Three.**  
DENVER, Col., July 17.—Three men were killed today in an explosion at the Dupont Powder Works at Louvier, near here.

### Bought His Seat



WILLIAM LORIMER

### TELLS OF GIFT TO SLUSH FUND

Electrical Contractor of Duluth Swears That C. F. Weihe of Chicago Contributed \$10,000 to Aid in Election of Lorimer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 17.—That C. F. Weihe, a Chicago lumberman subscribed \$10,000 to the \$100,000 "slush fund" to elect William Lorimer to the United States senate—or that he said he did—was sworn today before the Lorimer senate investigating committee by William Burgess, an electrical contractor of Duluth.

Weihe is secretary of the Edward Hines Lumber company, whose president is said to have been collector of the "slush fund" and who was first named when the expose came in Chicago.

Burgess named Rudolph, John and Carl Weyerhaeuser, the lumber king's sons, and "a young man named Johnson from Canada" as fellow passengers with him in the smoker of the Winnipeg Flyer, between Duluth and Virginia, Minn., on the night of March 8 last. The party, he swore, dined until Burgess, Johnson and Weihe alone remained. Burgess did not know Weihe's identity at the time.

"I think the conversation drifted to Lorimer," said Burgess. "I said it was generally believed that Lorimer had spent a large sum of money to secure his election to the senate. Weihe broke in: 'You don't know very damned much about it. Lorimer did not spend any of his own money. A jackpot was raised for that purpose. I know what I am talking about because I subscribed \$10,000 to it.'"

"Weihe said the jackpot amounted to \$100,000.00.

On cross-examination Burgess declared that detectives who had been employed to get evidence against Lorimer went to Father Greene of Chicago to get a confession. He declared the priest said the detectives were doing Lorimer an injustice.

Burgess further testified that Weihe told him that a newspaper which employed the sleuths telephoned Father Greene threatening to publish his picture full page for his refusal to "give up." The priest, Weihe said, replied that if the paper did so it would reduce its circulation 50 per cent.

### MRS. McMANIGAL TO FACE CONTEMPT CHARGE

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 17.—Mrs. Ortie McManigal, wife of the self-confessed dynamiter, will be arraigned before Judge Bordwell this afternoon on charges of contempt of court for having refused to answer questions by the grand jury in connection with the McNamara case.

### HOT SPELL IS BROKEN NORTH; COOLER SOON

Official Temperature Sunday Smashes All Records in Years in This Valley—Nearly 110 Degrees Registered—Minimum Was 67.

HOT SPELL CONTINUES IN THIS SECTION TODAY

Believe That Heat Will Break Tomorrow, As It Has Done Further North.

PORTLAND, Or., July 17.—Clouds that obscured the sun and cool breezes today dissipated the hot wave that has caused the entire northwest to swelter for several days. The highest temperature recorded yesterday was 110 at Eltopia, in eastern Washington. Marshfield, Or., on the coast, was apparently the only cool spot in the northwest, the maximum there being only 70 degrees. In Portland 97 was registered. At Tacoma it was 88. Other heated centers included Walla Walla, 108; North Yakima, 106; Spokane, 99; Roseburg, 105, and Lewiston, Ida., 106. Two prostrations were reported in Portland yesterday.

The temperature is dropping this afternoon, and it is believed the present hot spell has been broken. At 12:30 p. m. the mercury stood at 106. At 2:15 p. m. it stood at 102. A breeze has sprung up and it is thought the mercury will continue to fall. These readings were made by the local weather bureau. The forecast from Portland was for cooler weather tomorrow.

With the official temperature recorded at 109.5 Sunday all heat records in many years in the Rogue River valley have been smashed.

Last night the minimum temperature recorded was 67 but in spite of this there was little complaint after the sun had dropped below the horizon.

It is believed that cooler weather will succeed tomorrow inasmuch as the heat wave is reported broken at northern points.

No prostrations were reported in the city or valley. It was simply inconvenient to live in hot weather.

The city is remarkably free from disease. In fact, no had results are expected as a result of the heat.

It has proven, on the other hand, of much benefit to the fruit crop.

Sunday the streets were practically deserted as nearly everyone sought relief either by remaining at home or by fishing in the nearby streams.

**Much Land Opened.**  
LAKEVIEW, Ore., July 17.—Twenty-three thousand acres of fine agricultural lands have been just opened to entry in Lake County, comprising part of one of the best townships, which recently was surveyed and the plats filed with the government land office here. The district is in one of the artesian well basins that the United States geological survey says will produce a strong flow of water, if it is found that irrigation is necessary to insure crops.

tempt of court is probable, as her attorneys have advised her to decline to answer. If Judge Bordwell decides that she need not answer, the prosecution will lose the opportunity to gain from her what its attorneys believe would be corroboration of her husband's confession.

### Won't Apologize



JOHN MITCHELL



SAMUEL GOMPERS



FRANK MORRISON

### LABOR LEADERS AGAIN APPEAR

Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison Again Before Supreme Court of District of Columbia to Show Cause in Contempt Case.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 17.—Whether Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, John Mitchell, its vice president, and Frank Morrison, its secretary, will go to jail for contempt of the court of Justice Wright of the supreme bench of the District of Columbia, probably will not be decided until October.

The three labor leaders were present in Wright's court today when their attorney, Alton B. Parker, argued that his clients were not punishable for contempt. A conclusion of Parker's argument Justice Wright took the whole matter under advisement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 17.—Repudiating the suggestion of offering an apology as reparation, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, together with Vice President John Mitchell and Secretary Frank Morrison, appeared today before the supreme court of the District of Columbia to show cause why they should not be sentenced for contempt of court.

Some time ago the three labor leaders were sentenced to jail terms for having disregarded the court's order to discontinue publishing in the "American Federationist" the name of the Bucks Store and Range Company of St. Louis, in the "We don't patronize" column of the Federation official organ.

The United States supreme court, on appeal, set aside the jail sentence on technical grounds, but left the case open for resumption of the contempt proceedings.

The Bucks Company has since adjusted its difficulties with its union employees and is now on the fair list.

**Operators May Strike.**  
HELENA, Mont., July 17.—Telephone operators on the Rocky Mountain division of the Northern Pacific railroad are voting today whether or not to strike against the announced reduction of wages by the company of \$10 per month. A meeting was held at Missoula Saturday at which officials of the order of railroad telegraphers and a number of telegraphers were present, to consider the situation. As a result of this conference and similar meetings which are being held at different points on the line, it is reported the company will be notified that a walk-out will be ordered unless the objectionable order is recalled.

### NEW YORK IS THREATENED BY CHOLERA

Three Dead and Fifteen Cases Is Record to Date—Uncle Sam Sends Experts Scouring to New York to Help Stamp Out Menace.

GOVERNOR DIX TAKING PROMPT ACTION IN MATTER

Believes That City Is In Danger—Demands Full Report On Matter.

NEW YORK, July 17.—Terrified by the possibility that an epidemic of cholera may sweep New York, Governor John A. Dix today telegraphed Dr. Alvah Doty, health officer of the port, and Judge Charles Bulger peremptorily demanding a complete report on the hold the disease has already secured.

The governor aroused by the belief that the city is in serious danger, minced no words in his telegrams but insisted on a full and complete explanation. His action was taken as the result of the deaths of six cholera victims from the liner Moltke, which arrived from Mediterranean ports, and the report that of nearly a score of others confined on Swinburne Island several will surely die. About 200 others are held for investigation.

Should the reports of Dr. Doty and Judge Bulger show what the situation is as serious as is feared, it is thought Governor Dix will, on his own initiative, close the port of New York to all ships from the cholera infested Italian ports and possibly to all vessels clearing from the Mediterranean.

NEW YORK, July 17.—With three dead here from cholera within the last 48 hours and with 15 other cases in the detention hospital at Swinburne Island, New York faces a visitation of the plague. United States experts are scouring here from Washington to help stamp out the menace. Half a dozen of the patients under observation are in a serious condition and the gravest apprehension is expressed that if the disease once begins to run in the city the whole East Side may be depopulated.

Most of the cholera victims already in quarantine came from the Italian liner Moltke, and the detention period for all passengers from infected districts of Italy hereafter will be doubled. Even though the passengers appear to be normal, their intentional secretions will be carefully examined to see if they are cholera carriers.

To add to the danger of the public health, Dr. Doty, public health officer of the port is under fire and Judge Charles Bulger, representing Governor Dix is investigating charges that Doty has treated immigrants in an inhuman manner. He probably will recommend Doty's removal.

Doty, on his part, declares that with proper precautions there is little danger that the cholera will spread throughout the country, and that he is being hampered by the fight upon him, which he asserts is backed by Tammany hall politicians who want his job, one of the richest in the service of the state.

The charges against Dr. Doty include failure to separate the sexes at the detention stations; forcing women to work 10 hours, the use of improper food and dirty utensils; washing live and dead babies in the same water and that his subordinates in one case closed up the mouth of a sick child with sticking plaster to prevent its crying.

The third cholera victim from the Moltke's passengers died early today in the detention hospital. His body was immediately cremated.

### May Lose Job



LA FOLLETTE

### MAY IMPEACH DE LA BARRA

Conditions in Mexico Are Bordering On Chaos and Revolutionary Organs Characterize Madero's Regime as a "Disappointment."

MEXICO CITY, July 17.—With conditions here bordering on chaos and revolutionary organs characterizing Madero's regime as a "disappointment" Jose Gamboa, former secretary of the committee on foreign relations, is threatening to ask for the impeachment of President De la Barra. Gamboa charges the cabinet and the president with gross negligence in not preventing the riots at Covodanga and Puebla.

### GARFIELD MAY ENTER RACE

La Follette Has Not Announced His attitude But He Will Probably Withdraw in Favor of the Ohion at the Proper Time.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 17.—A ripple of some magnitude is abroad today among the insurgent republicans, following the announcement that James A. Garfield, former secretary of the interior, is to be the progressive candidate for the presidency in 1912. Garfield is in Washington and has not denied the story. His friends say the announcement is premature, but that it is true.

Although Senator LaFollette has not announced his attitude on the Garfield boom, his friends assert that he is ready to withdraw in favor of the Ohion at the proper time.

It is said that Garfield has consulted his former chief, Theodore Roosevelt, and that he secured his approval and support before he considered opposing Taft.

The old guard element has so far made no comment on the Garfield movement.

### TELLS MISS BARRYMORE TO 'TEND HER OWN KID

SACRAMENTO, Cal., July 17.—"If Miss Barrymore would pay more attention to her own child she would not mind the crying of mine," said Chief of Police William Ahern to Miss Barrymore's manager when the latter requested him to take the child out of the Clunie theater here previous to the opening of the show.

Ahern's baby became frightened upon entering the darkened theater from the lighted foyer and let out a wail that was heard by Miss Barrymore, who was standing on the stage. She immediately sent word to the front of the house to have the baby removed.

### POWER PLANT TO BE READY BY OCTOBER

First Unit of 8000 H. P. Will Be Pushed to Completion Rapidly—Intake Flume is 20 Feet in Width—Perpendicular Drop of 500 Feet.

HUNDREDS OF MEN AT WORK UPON \$1,000,000 ENTERPRISE

Temporary Power Plant Costing \$10,000 Installed at Prospect—Pole Line Nearly Finished.

Rapid progress is being made upon the Prospect power plant now under construction at a cost of \$1,000,000 by Col. Frank H. Ray. The water is taken out from the Rogue a mile above the Prospect bridge at the head of the Cascades, and carried in an immense flume two miles across a pumice flat to the river bank and dropped over 500 feet to the power house site below, the total capacity of the plant will be 24,000 horsepower, in three units of 8000 horse power each. The first unit will be in operation by October 1 and the others constructed later as required.

A temporary power plant, which furnishes power needed for construction purposes at the power house site and along the pipe and flume lines, has been installed at the Prospect bridge, at a cost of \$10,000. It generates 250 horse power which is transmitted to the intake, a mile above, as well as to the power house, a mile below. It will be abandoned after the new plant is in operation.

The flume at the intake is 20 feet wide, and is later reduced to 10 feet, for the first unit. The flume has a gradient of 90 feet in its length. The water will be dropped over the river bluff in an immense pipe, sections of which are now being unloaded at Derby.

Fifty miles of heavy copper wire stretched on cedar poles will transmit the power to the cities of the valley. The holes for the poles of this transmission line have been dug. A gang of men is busy clearing trees and brush for a right of way stretch 50 feet in width. Poles have been left beside the holes, and across arms attached. Huge earthen insulators, a foot in diameter, will adorn the cross arms.

A large force of men are at work blasting rock along the drop pipe and power house site. Great boulders and jagged bluffs are being torn out. Half a dozen buildings shelter the machinery used. Electric hoists, huge drums and trawlers the heavy machinery over the bluff down a 100 percent and steeper grade. Electric drills and all modern construction devices are made use of—and while \$10,000 for a temporary power plant seems a large sum, construction time has been shortened two years by it.

A hundred teams are kept busy on the road hauling material and several hundred men draw pay checks in the various construction gangs.

The Prospect power plant will be the biggest thing, in a power way in Southern Oregon. It will supply power for all purposes conceivable in sufficient quantity—no matter how rapid the growth of the Rogue River Valley and its cities.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 17.—The announcement that the young Prince of Wales will soon embark from England on a tour around the world for the purpose of becoming acquainted with the vast territory which he will some day rule, is arousing interest here today in diplomatic circles as significant because the voyage will be westward.

It is understood here that the itinerary to be accepted by the prince will bring him into the United States within a few weeks after leaving England.