

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

The petitioned candidates for the coming election in the city of Jacksonville, expect to erect a bridge across Jackson creek of concrete to cost approximately \$3000.

Rundlett's millinery store is open again with new spring goods. 291*

Mrs. Leach, 326 North Bartlett, expect to return. Phone 563-J.

Misses Ina Cochran and Josephine Riley visited the Ashland school Friday.

Johnson's Cafe will be ready to serve its patrons in its new quarters in the Holland Hotel building at noon Wednesday. It will be under the same management which has made this home-like eating place so famous on South Central, and the old popular prices will remain in force. 286

E. A. Hildreth of Butte Falls was a Medford visitor Monday. He reports a snow storm at Butte Falls Saturday.

The millinery department of the M. M. store is now open under the management of Misses Lounsbury and Semon.

Phil Hamill has returned from an extended visit to Chicago and other eastern points.

Kodak finishing and supplies at Weston's Camera Shop. Opposite Book Store.

Members of the Jackson county delegation to Salem are returning. Representative Vawter returned Sunday afternoon and Senator Von der Hellen Monday morning.

Don't forget to hear Rev. George Schoener, the rose wizard, public library, Feb. 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26, at 8 p. m. All invited. Subject, "Roses and Rose Growing."

Carl Von der Hellen of Wellen was a Medford visitor Monday.

City passenger service 15c. Country trips in proportion. Pierson & Foster. Phone 878-L.

Banks of the city and public offices are closed today on account of Washington's birthday. Holiday hours are in force at the post office.

Chic tailored hats at right prices at the M. M. store.

Wayne Leever and wife of Central Point spent Sunday in this city with friends and relatives.

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The last legislature passed a bill making it unlawful to kill quail in any section of the state, except for a ten day period in Klamath county. The protection was granted to the quails upon the grounds that they were more valuable as destroyers of agricultural pests than food for hunters.

See Dave Wood about that fire insurance policy. Office Mail Tribune Bldg.

The students of the high school are making elaborate preparations for the basketball game to be played in this city next Friday at the Nat with the Ashland boys and girls teams. The largest crowd that ever gathered to see a basketball game in this city is expected to be in attendance.

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Sweet cider at De Voe's.

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A cold and biting east wind swept over the valley Sunday afternoon and evening, and attained a velocity of as high as 30 miles an hour. According to pioneer weather figuring, this is a sign there will be no heavy frosts in April or May, but plenty of rain. Present weather conditions while far from ideal for the farmer and fruitgrower, owing to the lack of enough rain, acts as a curb on blight growth. Bear creek is the highest of the season.

Get it at De Voe's.

Arthur Halley of Rogue River, spent Saturday in Medford attending to business matters.

M. M. Root of the Table Rock district, spent Sunday in this city visiting friends.

Prismatic ray has accomplished the most wonderful results in scalp trouble; used only in connection with Marinello treatments. Try it for falling hair. Marinello Hair Shop, 407 Garnett-Corey Bldg.

C. A. Thomas of Talent spent Saturday in Medford attending to business matters.

Early cabbage and cauliflower plants ready March 1st. Orders also taken for all kinds of vegetable plants. Maddox & Bonney, phone 87-R.

Complaint has been made to the police that people in the outlying districts are allowing stock to run at large, contrary to city ordinance, the laws and shrubbery of neighbors suffering thereby. The police will impose all stock caught, and impose the full penalty of the law before release.

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The funeral services of W. M. (Tennessee) Smith, pioneer of Jackson county, who died at Tucson, Arizona, will be held from the Baptist church this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment in the Phoenix cemetery.

J. O. Gerking, the best all around photographer in southern Oregon. Always reliable. Negatives made any time, where, time or place. Studio 228 Main St. Phone 320-J.

Arthur Rose, concrete inspector of the Siskiyou division of the Pacific highway, spent Sunday in Medford.

For better insurance, see Holmes, the Insurance Man.

Attorney G. M. Roberts spent Monday in Jacksonville.

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The petit jury of the circuit court will open in the morning, the first case being that of the state vs. Ray Toft charged with perjury. Most of the week will be devoted to civil cases.

OBITUARY

DIED.—Mrs. Florence B. Marsh, wife of Theo. W. Marsh, died Monday, Feb. 22, at the Sacred Heart hospital. She had suffered for some time with acute indigestion, and was operated on last Friday evening in the hope of relief, but she was not able to rally from the shock in her weakened condition.

Mrs. Marsh was born October 16, 1866, at Lansing, Michigan. She was married to Theo. W. Marsh on February 14, 1900, and they made their home in Alma, Michigan, until 1910, when they came to Medford, where they have since resided. When a child she united with the Presbyterian church, and has ever been a faithful Christian and a loyal church member, diligent in all she might find to do in honor of her Lord and Savior. She was beloved by the church, and by all who knew her. At her death she was aged 48 years, 4 months and 5 days. She is survived by her husband, mother and one sister. Services were held in the Presbyterian church at 3 p. m. today, and Mr. Marsh and Mrs. Baker, mother of Mrs. Marsh, started on No. 13 with the remains for burial in Lansing, Michigan, where many friends and relatives reside.

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RUSSIA ADMITS LOSS OF ENTIRE CORPS OF ARMY

Berlin Claims Destruction of Tenth Army With 100,000 Prisoners—Czar Blames Lack of Strategic Railroads Which Prevented Lack of Concentration as Cause of Disaster

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—The German war office announced today that the Russian tenth army was "considered as having been destroyed" as a result of the recent German victory in East Prussia. It is stated that more than 100,000 Russians, including seven generals, were captured, and that the pursuit of the retreating forces has now been brought to an end. The Russian military authorities, however, acknowledge no such losses. They admit that one army corps was cut to pieces but assert that the main force extricated itself.

In the Vosges further German victories are claimed, including the capture of another town.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 22.—Explanation of the Russian retreat from East Prussia is contained in a communication given out last night by the general staff. Success of the German coup is attributed largely to the lack of strategic railways which prevented the Russians from concentrating "with necessary rapidity" on our east Prussian front forces indispensable to ward off the drive of the enemy.

The general staff asserts that the massing of German troops in East Prussia was revealed to the Russians on February 4, but that the magnitude of the concentration did not become known until several days later. Because of these conditions, it was stated withdrawal of the tenth Russian army from East Prussia toward the frontier was decided upon. This was followed later by a further retreat toward the Niemen and the Bobr rivers. The communication follows:

Changes in Plans
"The Germans after a series of exceptionally obstinate and tenacious attacks which cost them innumerable victims, became persuaded of the impossibility of dislodging us from the left bank of the Vistula and proceeded at the end of January to put a new plan into operation."

"Having finished the formation in the interior of their country of several new corps and deciding to continue the transportation of troops from their west front in order to make a supreme effort against us, profiting by their net work of railroads the Germans were enabled to launch an overwhelming force against our tenth army, which occupied strongly organized positions along the Angerapp river and the Mazurian lakes."

Plans Revealed in Part
"To assure the success of this coup the Germans transported also part of their contingents from the fronts of the Rakva, the Bzura and the right bank of the Vistula. This gathering of Germans in East Prussia was revealed to us on February 4, but the magnitude of the concentration was not determined until several days later."

"Not being able, through lack of railroad facilities to concentrate on our East Prussian front with the necessary rapidity forces indispensable to ward off this drive of the enemy, our chiefs decided to withdraw the above mentioned army from East Prussia toward the frontier and further retreat toward the Niemen and Bobr has followed."

Swift Turning Movement

"In these movements the right wing of the tenth army, pressed by great numbers of the enemy and threatened with being surrounded on the right flank, was compelled to make a very swift turning movement in the direction of Kovno. This maneuver exposed the flank of the corps, following which, owing to this fact, found itself in an extremely dangerous position and only broken and disorganized portions succeeded in escaping from this district. Other corps of the tenth army, fighting continuously and stubbornly, slowly retreated in the direction marked out for them by their commanders. On taking up these positions the Russian troops bravely repulsed the attacking enemy, inflicting upon him severe losses, and overcoming incredible difficulties caused by the deep snow which covered all the roads. The roads being impassable, automobiles were not able to run and trains were delayed, frequently not reaching their destination."

Salem is to have a three-story brick apartment building.

SCENE FROM "THE VIRGINIAN," AT STAR MONDAY AND TUESDAY



VAWTER TELLS OF WORK DONE

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by the new law instead of in the hands of the treasurer part of the time and the sheriff the remaining part. It was felt that the duties of this office should not be divided; that it was best that one officer should have full authority in the matter. My own preference was for the treasurer to collect the taxes. In deference, however, from those in authority in Douglas county, I voted for the placing of all collection of taxes in the hands of the sheriff. It was claimed by representatives from the eastern part of the state that the requirement of the treasurer to collect the taxes would necessitate an additional expense to eastern Oregon counties of \$50,000 or \$60,000. Many representatives voted against their own inclination that these several amounts might be saved by the eastern Oregon counties.

Politics at Close

To what extent did politics enter into legislation?

My idea is that politics had little to do with legislative matters until near the close. One of the acts passed was the consolidation of the office of state engineer and the highway engineer. The act provides that the governor shall have the right to appoint a deputy engineer under the state engineer, who shall be a qualified highway engineer, at the same salary as formerly paid the highway engineer. I want to say to the credit of the representatives from Jackson county in the house that they all voted against this bill. It was not shown that there would be any saving by combining the two departments save possibly some slight saving in book-keeping and other clerical work in the office. My objection to this bill was that the saving made would not compensate for the efficiency lost. Time will prove whether my views were right. We only have a quarter of a mill levy anyway for road purposes, bringing in less than \$250,000. If it be found that the office is managed with less efficiency under the new arrangement, two years from now the segregation can probably be made.

Opposed by Jackson Delegation
Another law enacted and which met with the opposition from Jackson's representatives was a bill introduced giving the appointive power the right to remove. My own opinion is that the appointive power has that right now. Also my impression is that the bill in principle was right. My objection to it was that it was introduced as a political measure, possibly to remove some of Governor West's appointees. As above stated, this act met with the opposition of the representatives from here, but was passed notwithstanding.

I asked to be excused at 3 o'clock Sunday morning. At that time there was before the house for consideration an act combining the office of the corporation commissioner and the insurance commissioner. These two departments bring into the state approximately one-half million dollars a year. Both have been large revenue producers for the state.

Corporation Department
The office of the corporation department has been admirably administered by Commissioner Watson. The insurance people wanted a commissioner of their own. I felt that they were entitled to that, inasmuch as they pay into the state approximately \$100,000 a year over and above the expenses of the administration of the office. In view of the fact that the corporation department has been so admirably managed during the last two years, and the further fact that I do not believe in hastily made laws, I was opposed to that bill. At the time I left, at 3 a. m., it seemed likely to be adopted. My absence could make but little difference, as an absent vote has just the same force as a negative vote. It takes thirty-one affirmative votes to pass a bill.

House Above Average
How do you regard the legislature in general?

I was not well informed as to the personnel of the senate. There are so many things to be done in the short space of 40 days one has but little time to get acquainted except with those nearest him. The house was composed of 60 men, it seemed to me, far above the ordinary. In the main they had in mind only what they considered for the best interests of the state. Unless the last few days be considered, the house was absolutely unbiased. Each individual seemed to be a factor to himself and usually took the cue from no one but his own locality and the general upbuilding of the state.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Sir Edward Grey has sent to the state department through the British embassy here a statement characterizing as a falsehood a recent statement from Berlin attributing to the British the intention to destroy an American ship in the naval war zone and charge it to a German submarine with the expectation of precipitating a crisis between the United States and Germany.

The Berlin statement received in the United States by wireless, was cabled to London by the British embassy.

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NATION FACING CRISIS TO PRESERVE NEUTRALITY—TAFT

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Feb. 22.—

The United States is threatened with a serious invasion of its rights as a neutral by the warring nations of Europe and in preserving its commerce with those nations is face to face with a crisis, in the opinion of former President William H. Taft. In the solution of the crisis, should it arise, no jingo spirit must be allowed to prevail, Mr. Taft advised; neither pride nor momentary passion should influence our judgment.

"When the present acts," Mr. Taft declared, "we must stand by him to the end. This determination we may be sure all will join, no matter what their previous views, no matter what their European origin. All will forget their differences in self-sacrificing loyalty to our common flag and our common country."

Our Interest in War

Mr. Taft's reference to the situation confronting the United States was made at the conclusion of an address delivered here today before the Washington Association of New Jersey. Quoting a reservation in the treaty of Algeiras proclaimed in 1907 and entered into by the United States and eleven European nations, including most of those now at war, Mr. Taft said:

"Our interest in the present war, therefore, under the conditions that exist, should be limited as set forth in this reservation, to wit: 'Preserving and increasing the commerce of the United States with the belligerents; to the protection as to life, liberty and prosperity of our citizens residing or traveling in their countries and to the aiding by our friendly offices and efforts in bringing those countries to peace.'"

"Our efforts for peace," he continued, "have been made as complete as possible, for the president has already tendered his good offices by way of mediation between the powers, and they have not been accepted."

Violation of Our Rights

"In preserving the commerce of the United States with the belligerents, however, we are face to face with a crisis. We are threatened with a serious invasion of our rights as neutrals in trading with the belligerent countries. What certainly is an innovation upon previous rules in respect to neutral commerce and contraband of war has been initiated by belligerents of both sides. The planting of mines in the open sea and the use of submarines to send neutral ships to the bottom without injury as to their neutrality were found in a so-called war zone of the open sea, are all of them a violation from the rules of international law governing the action of belligerents toward neutral trade."

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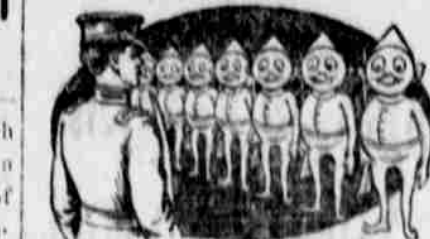
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MEDFORD-ASHLAND SCHEDULE

North Bound	South Bound
Medford	Ashland
11:10 a. m.	12:20 p. m.
1:20 p. m.	2:30 p. m.
4:00 p. m.	5:30 p. m.
7:00 p. m.	8:00 p. m.
10:00 p. m.	11:00 p. m.

SATURDAY ONLY

12:00 p. m. 12:45 a. m.

SUNDAYS ONLY

9:30 a. m. 10:30 a. m.
11:30 a. m. 12:30 p. m.
1:30 p. m. 2:30 p. m.
4:00 p. m. 5:00 p. m.
7:00 p. m. 8:00 p. m.

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