

### ASHLAND SPRINGS MINERAL WATER FREE FROM GERMS

(Ashland Tidings.)  
The following report from the state board gives the Ashland project the cleanest kind of a slate, states in no uncertain manner that the waters are "exceptionally pure," and puts a decisive end to all doubt as to the purity of the waters and sanitary condition of the mineral water plant:  
"Oregon State Board of Health, Portland, March 17, 1916.  
"Mr. Bert Greer, chairman Springs Water Commission, Ashland, Ore.:  
"Dear Sir: This office submits the following report on the analyses made on three samples of water from your supply, namely: No. 1 from the Dodge well intake; No. 2 from the new lithia well intake, No. 3 from the fountain outlet of the new lithia well. The object of these analyses is to determine the number of bacteria which are present in one cubic centimeter of the water. Tests are also made for the presence of bacteria of the colon group. This denotes contamination. Examination of these three specimens shows the water to be exceptionally pure; in fact, the water could scarcely contain fewer organisms unless it were distilled and kept sterile. Specimen No. 1 from the Dodge well intake yielded 8 bacteria per c. c., and there was no formation of gas in inoculated media of lactose bile. This denotes there was present no organisms of the colon group, consequently no contamination. Examination of specimen No. 2, new lithia well intake, showed but 6 bacteria per c. c. There was no fermentation and consequently no contamination. Specimen No. 3, lithia outlet, showed four colonies per c. c., which is very exceptionally low. There was no gas formation, consequently no contamination. Sincerely yours,  
"DAVID N. ROBERG,  
"State Health Officer."

### BULL BEST KNOWN OF ALL TRADEMARKS

The enormous growth of advertising in recent years has made the trade mark one of the most familiar features of our daily life, and nearly everybody can identify, offhand, scores of these ingenious and interesting business emblems.  
Naturally the trade mark that is easiest to remember is the one which embodies human or animal life. There are many of these, but the one which the average man will recall most quickly is the rampant bull which adorns the package and the advertising of "Bull" Durham smoking tobacco. He is, no doubt, the best-known animal in America.  
A great deal of interesting tobacco history has been made since the Durham bull first made his appearance. Years ago he stood for the most popular pipe tobacco in the world, but the vast army of "roll your own" cigarette smokers sprang up, apparently overnight, and claimed the bull for their own. The famous old tobacco with which he is identified has gained in popularity very fast in recent years, but those who smoke it seem now to prefer it in the little paper cubes. "Rolling your own" at the "sign of the Bull" seems like a well-known universal custom.

### GLOBE PAYS \$5000 TO MRS ASQUITH

LONDON, March 21.—The libel suit of Mrs. Herbert Asquith, wife of the premier, against the Globe, was settled today. The suit was brought on account of publication by the Globe of statements that Mrs. Asquith had visited German prisoners of war confined at Donnington Hall and had sent presents to them. When the case was called today announcement was made that the Globe had consented to judgment of 1000 pounds sterling.  
The defendants made an unreserved public apology for the statement in the Globe.  
Mrs. Asquith went into the box and formally denounced all the allegations.  
WE ARE OFTEN ASKED what is the best Eczema Remedy. We always recommend



Meritol ADAPA TRADE MARK  
Eczema  
as the surest and most satisfactory. Sold only by us, 50c and \$1.00.

### ROGUE RIVER GAS PLANT CAUSE OF SUIT FOR \$67,000

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—Wilbur F. Boardman, millionaire corporation head, in a suit filed in the superior court, asks the rescission of a contract whereby he purchased from Attorney William C. Crittenden the latter's 867,741.24 holdings in the Oregon Gas & Electric Co. through alleged coercion last January.  
Boardman is president of the W. F. Boardman Co. and of the Oregon Gas & Electric, which was organized by himself and Attorney Crittenden in 1911.  
In his action he alleges that the defendant, who was his confidential advisor and attorney, unloaded his holdings on the gas and electric company by claiming that a deal made at the time of the organization had been fraudulent and would subject the president to great difficulty, involve him in possible prosecution and damages to the extent of \$400,000.  
As a result of these representations Boardman says he entered into the contract to purchase the Crittenden holdings. He says that later he learned that the representations were not true, and that he had been damaged through the transaction to the extent of considerable loss. He asks for \$40,044.75.  
In the organization of the Oregon Gas & Electric Co. Boardman turned over to the corporation the stock of the Rogue River Valley Gas Co. It was this transfer which Attorney Crittenden is alleged to have referred to at the time the contract was entered into.  
"As to the sale of this stock, Attorney Crittenden knew more about the details than I did," says the plaintiff. "At all times he was entrusted with the greater part of the details of the transaction, and I realized that he knew more about it and fully believed his misrepresentations and for that reason, and no other, I consented to sign the contract."  
Attorney Crittenden, in denying the charges, said: "This action is an attempt on the part of Boardman to retain \$30,000 secret profits made by him from friends who helped him out and trusted him. That is what is at the bottom of the whole case."

### REHEARING ASKED ASTORIA RATE CASE

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Eleven railroads concerned in the recent readjustment of freight rates from Oregon and Washington points to Astoria, Ore., on a competitive basis with Seattle and Tacoma, today petitioned the interstate commerce commission for a rehearing.  
On February 19 the interstate commerce commission decided that the freight rates from that portion of eastern Washington and Oregon known as the Inland Empire, were discriminatory and unduly preferred Puget Sound ports as against Astoria. The commission ordered a readjustment, placing the Astoria rates on a parity with those of Seattle and Tacoma. The railroads were ordered to readjust their rates by May 1, 1916.

**The Fallacy of Paraffine Base: Eastern oil manufacturers have long extolled the superior virtues of paraffine-base motor oils. But Pacific Coast motorists have proved that Zerolene, made from selected California crude, asphalt-base, gave best results. Their experience is now supported by the testimony of international experts. Lieut. Bryan stated before the Am. Soc. of Naval Engineers: "Oils made from the asphalt-base crudes have shown themselves better adapted to motor cylinders, as far as their carbon-forming proclivities are concerned, than are paraffine-base Pennsylvania oils." Zerolene received highest competitive awards, San Francisco and San Diego Expositions. Dealers everywhere and at service stations and agencies of the Standard Oil Company.**

**ZEROLENE**  
the Standard Oil for Motor Cars

### TOBACCO INTERNAL REVENUE FRAUDS TOTAL TEN MILLIONS

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Treasury officials declare that arrests of cigar and cigarette manufacturers in New York yesterday on charges of defrauding the government of internal revenue taxes only scratched the surface of fraudulent practices which have extended from manufacturers to retailers and even to consumers all over the country.  
So far the investigation has not shown just when the conspiracy began, but it is said that it may be traced back as far as twenty-five years. Some estimates of the amount out of which the government has been defrauded run up to \$10,000,000.  
Most of the leaders of the alleged conspiracy are said to be under surveillance and more arrests are expected.  
Under the law cigars are taxed from 75 cents to \$3 a thousand and cigarettes from \$1.25 to \$3.50 a thousand. Failure to use proper revenue stamps or to use any at all gave an opportunity for large profits.  
Reports that the frauds had been made possible or inspired generally by government employes in collusion with conspirators were denied. A few specific instances where officials suspect collusion are under investigation.

### BUSINESS MEN TAKE FIRST FINANCIAL STEP FOR FAIR

The attendance at the meeting of the Jackson County Business Men's association held in the Presbyterian church Monday night was the largest in several months and although the session was a short one owing to the meeting of the Commercial club at 8:30 it succeeded in putting the Jackson County Fair reorganization on its feet and the committee will no doubt complete the work in a few days. It was decided to sell 150 shares at \$10 per share, re-incorporate, elect new officers, pay off the indebtedness and put on the best county fair on the coast. Twenty-six shares were subscribed for at the meeting. It was voted to put the proposition up to the Commercial club and it also met with hearty endorsement there and 24 more shares were sold making 50 in all. With the enthusiasm manifested at both meetings, and the great benefits to be derived from a first class county fair there is no doubt the other citizens and business men will respond readily and the fair will be a sure go.

### MAN FOUND DEAD ON JACKSONVILLE HIGHWAY

Horace McClaren, a resident of Jacksonville, age 65 years was found on the public highway between the Frank Bybee ranch and Jacksonville, Monday night between 7 and 8 o'clock, by Frank Bybee. A coroner's inquest returned a verdict that McClaren died of heart failure. John Norris of the county seat passed him on the road. He is survived by an aged father. He left no family. He had been a resident of Jacksonville for a number of years.

Medford Boosters Smoke The Medford and Mt. Pitt Cigars.

## What Kind of a Suit or Coat Do You Want?

Dozens of women have found the answer to that perplexing problem in our Suit Dept. in the past few weeks. Enthusiasm ran high—the most extravagant compliments have been paid the showing—women all over Medford are talking about the wonderfully beautiful Suits and Coats to be had at this store—come and see them for yourself.

#### SUITS

Such a variety of styles is shown that it is hard to resist having several new suits where you had really intended having only one. Shown in all-silk taffeta in navy or black, and priced **\$22.50 to \$45.** Cloth Suits at **\$23.50 to \$37.50**

#### SPRING HATS

Tailored, Dress-Up or Sport Models.

We extend a cordial invitation to all women to visit our Millinery Dept., while the cream of the season's styles are fresh and new—some of the real old-fashioned type, bedecked with flowers to correspond with new style dresses, others are more plain.

#### JAPANESE CREPES, FLORAL OR STRIPES

Shown in the darker colors, such as old rose, Delft blue and the like for the making of kimonos; also neat stripes for home wear and children's rompers, nothing nicer to wash, at, yard **15c to 25c**

#### NEW SILK SWEATERS

For spring and summer wear, come in such shades as emerald, canary, rose and the different blues, either with or without sashes and patch pockets, at **\$7.50 to \$12.50**

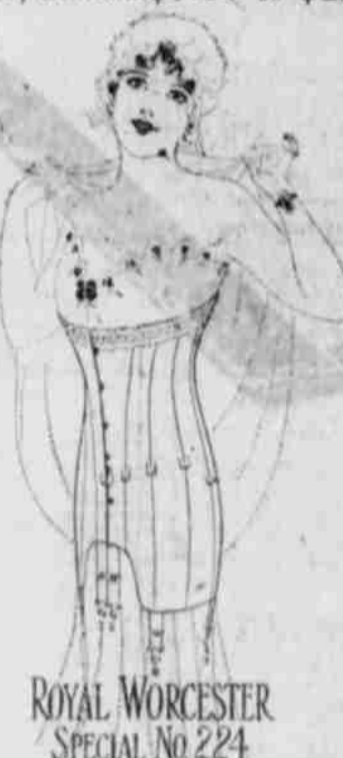
#### 700 YARDS CURTAIN SCRIM 10c

A special purchase bought several months ago, when cottons were less, come in ceru and white, in different openwork borders, full yard wide, and sold up as high as 25c yard.

#### BUY DRUG SUNDRIES HERE

And save 20 to 35 per cent on staple everyday household necessities; only standard goods carried and every article for less.

## The May Co.



ROYAL WORCESTER SPECIAL No. 224

## Star Theatre

WHERE THE CROWDS GO

TODAY

## "SWEET ALYSSUM"

Charles Major's appealing story of the oil fields  
Featuring CATHLYN WILLIAMS, Edith Johnson, Frank Clark and other well known stars

### The Hearst-Vitagraph News

Will also be shown

"AN ALIEN" in 8 Reels Coming Soon

## Spring and Summer Millinery

Trimmed Hats at **\$1.00 to \$7.50**  
Shapes **50c to \$3.95**  
Sport Hats, Sailors **\$1.25 to \$4.95**

Most any kind or shape you would wish.

Flowers and Novelties, a bargain lot, choice **15c**

A Doll Hat Free with each hat or shape while they last.

## HOME MILLINERY

1101 WEST NINTH ST.

Take a taxi; you save your fare on every dollar bought.



## Wayne Knit Hosiery for Spring

#### FIBER SILK BOOT HOSE, 25 CENTS

A seamless stocking which comes in black and white only, ladies' size, a good, serviceable stocking at a moderate price.

#### NEWEST LACES

Beautiful chiffons and crepes, in dainty materials for party frocks and blouses, in chiffons, Georgette and silk laces, colored or cream **\$1.35 to \$1.75**

#### FIBER SILK HOSE 50c

A much better stocking than we were able to offer last season at this price, and a hose we will not be able to duplicate at this price again.

#### NOVELTY RIBBONS 15c

A good ribbon for sashes and hair bows, comes about 4 1/2 in. wide, in 10 or 15 different combinations, all are floral effects.

#### AWNING STRIPES IN A VARIETY OF COLORS

And such a lot of the different widths, which are shown in the different blues, coral, black and white, also helio; heavy enough for separate skirts or lighter weight for dresses, at, yard **25c to 50c**

## Royal Worcester Special \$1.19

A special purchase of several dozen corsets enables us to offer you this well-known corset at this low figure. This garment comes in all sizes, medium skirt, clearly carved waist and medium high bust ass. fort to the regular way,

panies, good local service. No. 210 Garnett-Corsey Bldg.

#### Instruction in Music

FRED ALTON HAIGHT, teacher of piano and harmony. Composer and arranger of music. Haight Music Studio, 401 Garnett-Corsey building.

#### Garbage

GARBAGE — Get your premises cleaned up for the summer. Call on the city garbage wagons for good service. Phone 374-L. F. Y. Allen.

#### Physicians and Surgeons

DR. F. G. CARLOW, DR. EVA MAINS CARLOW — Osteopathic

Start the I. con- taken care care caring 3094  
We Pay Highest Prices for  
HIGHEST MARKET PRICE FOR WABS.

## CENTRAL POINT PACKING CO.

## Your Eastern Trip

Should be arranged via California so that you can stop over at San Francisco. Liberal stop-overs allowed. The cost is no more for this privilege on either first or second class tickets.

## Ogden Route

Train service is excellent. Three daily trans-continental limited trains to Chicago and the East. Latest equipment. All steel observation library cars, through sleeping cars, dining car service unexcelled. Protected by electric automatic block signals.

Overland Limited—Pacific Limited  
San Francisco Limited—Atlantic Express

Ask your local agent or write  
John M. Scott, General Passenger Agent, Portland, Oregon.

## Southern Pacific-Union Pacific