

LETTING CONTRACTS FOR GRADING OF GRANTS PASS LINE

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Jan. 13.—Clearing the right-of-way on the Pacific-Interior railway is progressing rapidly, and camp No. 1 has been moved across Allen creek and the men are now working to the west of that stream.

The engineer and those in charge have been considering the advisability of letting a contract to local parties for the clearing of a three-mile stretch of the right-of-way, and bids were asked for that work. Saturday afternoon twelve separate bids had been filed with the engineer's office, all from local people. The clearing covered in this contract will be that extending to Jerome prairie, a point $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles from this city. To Allen creek the right-of-way has been cleared the full one hundred feet in width, but from there on the clearing will be only of such width as will be necessary to the making of the grades and the moving of dirt in the cuts and fills.

From the city out across Jerome prairie very little grading will be necessary, there being no cuts of depth. The engineering department is therefore contemplating the letting of a great number of individual contracts, each of a few hundred feet only, to individuals at a stated price per yard of earth moved. Much of this grading is shovel work, and by taking a contract in this way men can work as hard as they please and know that they are being paid according to the effort they put forth. By this method more men could be put on the job at once.

The newly appointed Public Utilities commission has met and organized, Jos. Moss being named as vice chairman to act in the absence of the mayor, who is permanent chairman of the body.

The city is now advertising the \$200,000 bond issue for sale, and asks that the bids cover all or any part of the issue. Transcripts have been prepared to go to each bidder and he must base his bid upon this, putting up one-eighth of the amount of the bid as a guarantee that he will complete the purchase within five days after the acceptance of the bid by the council.

PREFERS MARRIAGE TO TEACHING SCHOOL

Preferring housekeeping to teaching school, Miss Gronell, of Portland, who was to have taken charge of the 7th and 8th grades of the local schools Monday morning, announced her matrimonial intentions at the eleventh hour, says the Gold Hill News. The grades in question were left without a teacher by the recent resignation of Vernon G. Blue, who accepted a position in Honolulu. Through a Portland agency the application of Miss Gronell was secured and accepted by the school directors. When Monday came and went without the arrival of the new school man, the agency was wired to explain. In due time the explanation arrived, and the quest for another teacher was taken up. Miss Gronell, all fixed out in travelling togs, suit case in hand, and trunk checked to Gold Hill, awaited the southbound train at Portland. Enter the hero, glancing wildly around. "Ah, at last! You really aren't going way down to Gold Hill to teach school are you?" The reply came in the affirmative. "Too far away," objected the young man, "why not cancel your contract with the board and get married?" The couple made a happy exit from the depot, time-tables and trains forgotten, to notify the teachers' agency that sweet femininity had availed itself of a conceded privilege—and again changed its mind. And that is why two grades of the Gold Hill schools lack a regular instructor at present, although the position is being filled temporarily by Mrs. George Patrick, clerk of the board.

BIG FEATURE FILM THE INVADERS AT STAR

"The Invaders", a three reel film in which cowboys, Indians and soldiers, to the number of several hundred take part, is billed at the Star for this evening and Tuesday. The film is made by the same company that staged the famous Custer's Last Stand film, and is said to better in every way than that great film.

TO FARMERS AND ORCHARDISTS. Cultivate your land with a Motor Tractor. It will pay for itself in the saving of horse feed and hired help. Valley Motor & Tractor Co., Valley Garage, Medford.

JACKSONVILLE PARENTS AND TEACHERS MEET

The regular meeting of Parent and Teachers' Association of Jacksonville was held Friday afternoon, January 10, with thirty-three parents and patrons present. Miss Gillette's pupils gave the musical numbers of the program. The subject of the afternoon was the "High Cost of Living." The Rev. Mr. Rummel gave a very good talk on "How May We Get Back to Simpler Living?" Most interesting readings were given by Mrs.

FOR DELICATE CHILDREN

A Mother's Letter to Mothers
Mrs. E. W. Cooper of Bloomfield, N. J., says: "My child, seven years old, had a bad cold and was weak and quite run down in health. She had been in this condition for about six weeks when I began giving her Vinol. It was a wonderful help to the child, breaking up her cold quickly and building up her strength besides. I have also found Vinol a most excellent tonic for keeping up the children's strength during a siege of whooping cough."

Vinol is a wonderful combination of two world-famed tonics—the medicinal body building elements of cod liver oil and iron for the blood, therefore it is a perfectly safe medicine for children, because it is not a patent medicine, everything in it is printed on every package, so mothers may know what they are giving their little ones.

Therefore we ask every mother of a weak, sickly or ailing child in this vicinity to try Vinol on our guarantee. Medford Pharmacy, Medford, Oregon.

CATARRH IS IN THE BLOOD

A polluted and impure condition of the blood causes irritation and inflammation of the different mucous membranes of the body, and we call it Catarrh. The early stages of the disease are characterized by such symptoms as a tight, stuffy feeling in the nose, watery eyes, ringing noises in the ears, irritation of the throat, and often hoarseness and difficult breathing. If the trouble is not checked it invades the stomach and other portions of the body and becomes a dangerous disorder. Antiseptic washes, sprays, etc., are beneficial in removing accumulated mucus from the nose or throat, but such treatment can never cure Catarrh. S. S. S. is the one real dependable remedy for Catarrh. This great medicine cures the disease because it purifies the blood and thus destroys its cause. S. S. S. goes into the circulation and removes the last trace of catarrhal matter, and then the blood performs its work of nourishing the membranes and tissues instead of depositing impure matter into them to irritate and inflame. S. S. S. cures to stay cured. If you have Catarrh in any form take S. S. S. and cure it as thousands have done. Book on Catarrh and any medical advice free to all who write. S. S. S. is sold at drug stores.

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We're not chropodists but we study feet—and shoes—know that nine-tenths of foot troubles come from wearing the wrong type of shoes or being misfitted.

Our "Lady Walker" shoe has been made expressly for us by "JOHN KELLY" and it embodies every known element of comfort, such as velvet tread, flexibility and ease, plus finest Viel kid and youngish style.

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NOTICE TO VOTERS

The polling place for the First ward will be in the old Meeker store building at 230 West Main Street, instead of the Sparta Building, as provided for in the Resolution of Election.

The Board of Registration will also sit at this place to register any voters, not already registered. They will, however, require three legal voters and free holders in the City to make affidavit as to qualifications of anyone thus registering.

The polling places will all be open from nine [9] a. m. to five [5] p. m.

E. T. FOSS,
City Recorder.

Vote for Watt for Mayor

He is a good business man and will give Medford an efficient and economical business administration.

He has the time to devote to the office. He has no other business and could give the office the attention it requires.

He has been a resident of Medford for seven years, and people know him to be high minded, honest, progressive and enterprising.

The public market brings city and country together and has greatly tended to reduce the cost of living. It was advocated by the Mail Tribune and the Greater Medford Club long before official action was taken. However, to Mr. Watt, as councilman, belongs the credit of introducing the bill and putting the market on its present satisfactory basis. He is the father of the public market law, and men and women who want an administration friendly to the market should vote for Watt.

He believes that legal saloons are entitled to the full protection of the law, no less and no more. He believes there is a sufficient number of saloons in Medford for the present population and is opposed to granting additional licenses until there is a material increase in the size of the city. If you believe the saloon question should be handled in this manner then vote for Watt.

Mr. Watt is a large tax payer and is personally interested in seeing that taxes are kept as low as possible. He pledges himself to strict economy.

Mr. Watt has served four years as member of the school board and two years as member of the city council, having served as acting mayor during a part of the latter period. He is familiar with the needs of the city. He is not an untried man.

If Mr. Watt is elected mayor he will go into office absolutely unhampered by pledges to any person—no friends to reward, no enemies to punish.

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