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WAS BORN TO HUSTLE.

He is of few days; but quite a plenty.

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IF PENNSYLVANIA had a governor like Odell, of New York, the coal situation would be settled quickly and effectually.

THE story going the rounds of the press about a secret organization of negroes for the purpose of making war on the whites is absurd. There could be but one end to such a contest should the colored people be foolish enough to inaugurate it—and we give them credit for enough sense to know it.

PENSION COMMISSIONER WARE is unable to understand why the Eighth Ohio regiment, which saw no fighting in the Spanish war, should file one-quarter more claims for pensions than the Seventh Regular Infantry, with a record of thirty-four killed and ninety-nine wounded. It would be rather surprising in any other state but Ohio—but then Ohio has a record to keep up.

GENERAL E. S. BRAGG has been transferred from Havana to the consulship at Hong Kong. His expressions about the "incapacity of the Latin race," in a letter to his wife, could not be properly used as a cause for his removal from the service, so he was simply exchanged; besides there is a strong suspicion that he was simply telling the truth.

THE officers of the Roseburg land office are, as the saying is, "up to their necks in work," nowadays. The rush of timber land and homestead filings, proofs, etc., is unprecedented. Messrs. Bridges and Booth, however, are handling the work in splendid shape, and their uniform courtesy and accommodating spirit toward the patrons of the office has made them friends with all who have had occasion to do business with them. No action more satisfactory to the people of this land district could be made by the interior department than the reappointment of both these gentlemen at the expiration of their present terms of office.

Resolutions of Sympathy.

WHEREAS, The Divine Father has, in His infinite wisdom, been pleased to remove from this life the beloved mother of our friends and schoolmates, Frances and Julia O'Toole, and

WHEREAS, We are moved to deepest sympathy by such a loss; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the teachers and the pupils of the Phoenix public school, extend to the bereaved ones our heartfelt condolence in this hour of sorrow.

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the bereaved family, and that they be given to the cemetery papers for publication.

GRACE ROSE,
BETTY STANCLIFF,
LUTIE STANCLIFF,
S. P. ROBBINS,
Committee.

No Shooting Allowed.

This is to give notice to all interested, that shooting is positively prohibited upon the premises of Mrs. Laura Bradley, north of Medford, Oregon. All offenders will be prosecuted in accordance with the laws of Oregon.

B. F. HEMSTREET,
Renter of above described premises.



FAMILY MEDICINES.

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STRANG'S DRUG STORE,
Medford, Oregon

KLAMATHON DESTROYED BY FIRE

A \$400,000 Blaze Reduces the Prosperous Lumbering Town to Ashes.

Shortly after 11 o'clock Monday night fire broke out in the planing mill at Klamathon but watchmen extinguished the flames, then a few minutes after, at 11:45, a tremendous blaze broke forth. The pumps failed and the ravages of the fire could not be stayed. The whole mill was enveloped in flames in a short time, the fire burning like oil had been put over the building.

The fire spread from the planing mill to the box factory and destroyed the entire plant of Mason & Lindley, including their store and warehouses. The fire then raged on the east side of the railroad track and destroyed every business house in Klamathon, with the exception of one hotel which stood back upon the hill.

Mason & Lindley also lost 8,000,000 feet of lumber, their total loss being about \$300,000. The loss to the business portion of the town exceeded \$91,000, the following property being destroyed: Seven saloons, a hotel, the Western Union telegraph office, postoffice, two barber shops, a butcher shop, a shoe shop, three grocery stores, two notion stores and three dental and physician's offices. The S. P. depot, half a mile of track and ten flat and box cars were demolished.

On the night of the fire negotiations were being made for the sale of the property. The sale was being made to an eastern syndicate and the representatives to make the purchase were in a St. Louis & Iron Mountain private car on the railroad siding, having been there for several days. This car is worth about \$10,000 and the owners had been enabled to secure horses and draw the car a short distance from the flames but just as the car was blistered and about to blaze Conductor W. B. Johnston of Ashland, who is now on the Hornbrook work train, rushed down with an engine and drew the car away. When Station Agent Gilmore saw the fire he rushed for the railroad office to send a telegraph message but when inside of the building the whole side was already in flames. He grabbed some valuable papers, secured a part of his telegraph instrument and leaped safely through a window just before the crash of the building came. He then took a dry goods box to a point a half mile this side of the town, and there, touching the ends of two telegraph wires together, he sent his messages for aid. There was only about \$50,000 insurance on the entire loss.

The flames would form in funnel shapes, about 90 feet and smaller around at the base and leap 500 feet into the air. Three hundred yards across the Klamath river water was poured upon the building to save them. The corrugated cover to the lumber company's store was caught and whipped into the air for a distance of 600 feet, for minutes making a terrible sound as if thunder. Great pieces of boards were caught and thrown high above and floated about as feathers would.

The concrete building, belonging to J. A. Strobeck, supposed to be fire proof, stood for some time. It had gone through a previous fire without damage but a whirlpool of flames caught it and wrenched it to pieces, handling it as a cyclone would.

Among the Churches.

CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Father Murphy will hold services in the Catholic Church at Medford next Sunday at 8:30 A. M. and in Jacksonville at 10:30.

A Doubtful Story.

Frank Silvia, of Yreka, Calif., told a Valley Record man last week a big ghost story about standing off Agent O. C. Applegate, of the Klamath Indian reservation, and the whole Indian police force.

He said that while herding 4000 head of sheep in the neighborhood of the Klamath Indian Agency ten days before that the agent, Capt. O. C. Applegate, and the entire force of Indian police, numbering ten, came upon him, that Agent Applegate pulled his gun and threatened him, that he (Silvia) was accompanied by three other Portuguese, and he pulled his gun upon Agent Applegate, who then put his gun in his pocket and after some words retired with his force of Indian police, saying he would have him (Silvia) arrested for trespassing on the reservation.

This story don't sound right to people who know Capt. Applegate. In the first place, it is not the captain's style to go around flourishing guns. It is, indeed, doubtful if he has carried one since the Modoc war, and again if in the effort to remove trespassers (Portuguese or otherwise) from the reservation he had found it necessary to resort to force, there would in all probability be an immediate shortage in sheep herders in that vicinity.

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Teachers' Institute.

Following is the program for the annual teachers' institute, which will be held in Medford on October 22d, 23d and 24th:

FIRST SESSION—WEDNESDAY 9 A. M.
"How May the Efficiency of Rural Schools be Increased?"
J. H. Ackerman
Grammar..... S. Y. Gillan
Methods in Spelling..... J. H. Orcutt
SECOND SESSION—THURSDAY 1:30 P. M.
Civil Government..... N. L. Narregan
Grammar..... P. L. Campbell
Subject to be selected..... J. H. Ackerman
THIRD SESSION—WEDNESDAY 7:30 P. M.
Musical Program, Medford High School
Lecture (Subject selected)..... S. Y. Gillan
FOURTH SESSION—THURSDAY 9 A. M.
Geography..... S. Y. Gillan
Civil Government..... N. L. Narregan
Subject selected..... J. H. Ackerman
FIFTH SESSION—THURSDAY 1:30 P. M.
Supplementary Reading..... S. Y. Gillan
Subject selected..... J. H. Orcutt
SIXTH SESSION—THURSDAY 7:30 P. M.
History (methods)..... N. L. Narregan
Nature Work in Rural Schools..... G. W. Bishop
SEVENTH SESSION—FRIDAY 9 A. M.
Arithmetic..... J. H. Orcutt
Penmanship..... James A. Peoples
School Management..... Dr. A. D. Ward
The Public School Library..... J. H. Ackerman
EIGHTH SESSION—FRIDAY 1:30 P. M.
Address..... J. H. Orcutt
History..... N. L. Narregan
Reading..... Dr. A. D. Ward
Address (Subject selected)..... S. Y. Gillan
This program is subject to change.
Day sessions, Medford High School building. Evening sessions, Wilson's Opera House.

Board of Equalization.

The board of equalization, the members of which are Judge Prim, County Clerk Orth and Assessor Pendleton, was in session all of last week. Judge Prim was elected chairman and Mrs. M. H. Pendleton clerk.

The following persons appeared before the board:
G. E. Neuber, acting as agent for Sachs Bros., of San Francisco, asked that assessment on property owned by them be reduced, which was granted to the extent of \$175.

F. P. Roper, of Phoenix, asked for reduction of the assessment on his merchandise. Reduced from \$1200 to \$800.

Mrs. C. E. Smith asked the board for

WANTED

At once, at the Ray Works near Tolo, Oregon, six first class carpenters. Wages \$3 to \$3.50. Also first class logging teams. Wages \$3.50 to \$4.50
Dr. C. R. Ray,
Tolo, Oregon

a reduction in her assessment of \$300—she being assessed with that amount—granted.

L. P. Hansen, on examination of his assessment, finding it not on the roll, was assessed by the board for \$230.

The name of Fred Grob was stricken from the roll. The property with which he was assessed formerly appearing on the roll in the name of Mrs. H. M. Cose. J. A. Houston, of Trail precinct, was present asking for a reduction on his tillable land—that it was assessed higher than some other lands in the same vicinity. Reduction made in the sum of \$100.

Fruit Trees for Sale.

We have a splendid stock of fruit trees for sale at our nursery, one-half mile west from Talent. The apple varieties are Newtown Pippins, Spitzenburg and Jonathans—these for commercial orchards. We have other varieties for family orchards. We also have a variety of pear trees.

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Mrs. G. KAREWSKI,
Jacksonville, Oregon.

FOR SERVICE SIMPLIFIED

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—Pursuant to the general forestry policy adopted by Secretary Hitchcock, the office of superintendent of the Cascade reserve will be abolished December 31st, when S. B. Ormsby, of Salem, now superintendent, will terminate his official career. From that time the Cascade reserve will be in charge of the forest supervisors. The department finds the office of superintendent superfluous and tending to retard the expedition of public business.

Heretofore supervisors have had to act through the superintendent; hereafter each will act independently. It was first intended to discontinue the superintendency at once, but as Ormsby is making several examinations, particularly with regard to the proposed Blue mountain reserve, a discontinuance was granted until the close of the year. In discontinuing his services, the department says there is nothing whatever against Ormsby, as his record has been fairly efficient.

His Unconquerable Soul.

From the Portland Oregonian, Oct. 12.

The enthusiasm with which robed Democratic men and newspapers rally round the standard of President Roosevelt in his attitude toward the great combinations of capital is the phenomenon of a century. What the meaning of it is, no one can possibly foresee. It is clear that the influences which have hitherto been most potent in Republican councils—the great corporations of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, the interests which Senators Hanna, Platt and Quay have cared for—regard the president with ill-concealed aversion. Their hostility has earned for him popular approval. It is a common remark, significant, if exuberant, that not since Lincoln has a president been in the White House so free from control by the money power hobgoblin, so thoroughly in accord with and representative of the people.

There is a lesson in this popular uprising in favor of Theodore Roosevelt well worth heeding by the thoughtful among molders of public opinion and by every trainer of the young. The limitations of the president are many. He is not a deep thinker. He is not a thorough student in any field of human knowledge. It has been jestingly said of him that "he is, it is true, a man of good impulses, but he has too many of them." He is inclined to be hasty, and at times, it is to be feared, theatrical. He is not grounded on basic principles of statecraft, and he is not the best judge in the world of human character. His cabinet is inferior to McKinley's, his speeches lack logic and finish. He moves to his ends by main strength and awkwardness, rather than by keen insight and unerring grasp.

What, then, is the secret of this man's power, who at forty-four has sprung into a place in the affections of the people of the United States and in the confidence of mankind everywhere, unsurpassed by any living human being? The answer is, in one word, virtue. The Latin tongue has left us no finer legacy than the suggestions of many vigor, rectitude of purpose and courageousness of soul, which have not quite disappeared before the English use of the word in connection with female honesty. Roosevelt's strength lies in his unconquerable soul. He is his own man. There is no power in Wall street or at the Fifth Avenue Hotel or at the Union League Club or in the Senate chamber or in the diplomatic corps strong enough to swerve him from his purpose. He can be convinced, but he cannot be browbeaten. He can be persuaded, but not coerced; advised, but not driven; reasoned with, but not bought.

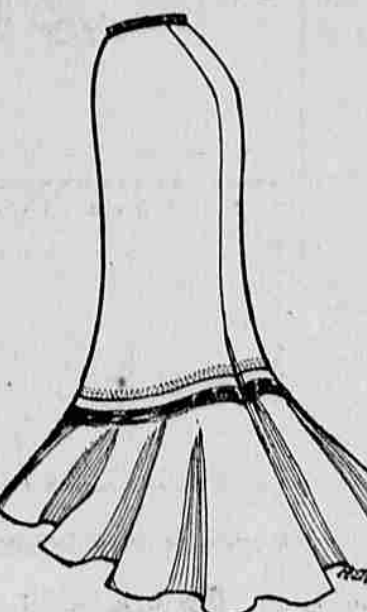
It may be true, as the Oregonian says above, that Roosevelt is not an accomplished statesman, but he is a man in the highest sense of the word. The country has lots of statesmen—more than it needs, perhaps—but there never has been nor never will be an over-supply of men like Theodore Roosevelt.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to our friends who gave us such kindly assistance and sympathy during the illness and death of a dear wife and mother.

D. O'TOOLE AND FAMILY,
Phoenix, Oregon.

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Jas. A. Peoples, Prin.

Notice of Request for Liquor License.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will make application to the city council, at its next regular meeting, November 4, 1902, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in the city of Medford. Place of business will be on the corner of Seventh and North D streets, Medford, Jackson County, Oregon.

YOUNG & HALL.

Homestead Filings Made.

The proprietor of THE MAIL has been appointed a United States Land Commissioner for Oregon. He is empowered by this appointment to prepare homestead and timber land filings, take testimony in homestead and timber land final proof cases, conduct contest cases, and in fact, to do all business for the land office which applies to government land. It is now unnecessary for applicants for any land claim, for those having proofs to make to go to Roseburg to make such application or proofs. It can be done right here at home and at much less expense. Any information relative to the land laws cheerfully given and without cost. If there is any point regarding the land laws which you do not understand clearly drop into the MAIL office when in Medford and we will look the matter up for you.

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CHAS. HALL.

Notice.

All parties who are indebted to me for blacksmithing will please call and settle, as I have leased my shop to W. M. Mitchell and will have no share in the business.

J. R. WILSON.

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