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We have inaugurated one of the greatest White Sales ever attempted in Southern Oregon. If you can use anything in muslin underwear or white piece goods, now is the time to buy.

White Lawns, India Linens, Nainsook, Dimities, Persian and Paris Lawns, French Lawns, Batistes, Linens and all Fancy White Goods now on sale at the following prices:



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65c values for 47c
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\$1.75 values \$1.39
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We doubt if you can find as large assortment of hosiery and underwear anywhere in any town the size of Medford as we are showing. It's a satisfaction to be able to come and see goodly assortments in all prices and to know that everything is guaranteed.

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While we make less money on them than some others we have selected the "Honest John Kelleys" shoe as our leader in Ladies Footwear. In Oxfords they are great bargains at

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Shoes Only

Don't you Believe One Pair of Kidd's Foot Fitting Shoes For Men \$4.00

Will wear twice as long as the ordinary kind. Try a pair, and find out

PRaises ROGUE RIVER FRUIT

F. E. Day the head of the firm of Scobel & Day, of New York City, who handle a large quantity of the fruit grown in this section, addressed the Rogue River Horticultural Association at the last regular meeting of the Association on last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Day's firm handles nothing but fresh fruit and none but the best. For thirty-eight years he has been in business and the statement that the Rogue River is unequalled in the raising of apples and pears, coming from him, is in itself a high testimonial as to the quality of the fruit grown here.

In the course of his remarks Mr. Day sought to emphasize the fact that the fruit men in this section should pay more attention to quality than to any thing else. He stated that the Spitzenberg apple led all the other varieties not even excepting the Newtons. He stated further that the Comice pear was the best pear that could be grown and would furnish the growers the largest returns.

Mr. Day's remarks closed with a description of the manner in which the fruit was disposed of in New York.

The association decided not to enter an exhibit of Rogue River apples in a fair which is to be held in Spokane next December. They will turn the matter over to the Commercial Club and let that body do what they deem best with the matter.

The county fair will be held next fall in Medford and it was thought best by the Association to have all the energy of that body turned to making the fair a success.

Meeting called to order May 2nd by Pres. J. E. West. Correspondence from A. H. Carson, Prof. Lewis, and J. F. Myer relative to the proposed "light demonstration" to be held in Medford, the latter part of June read and discussed.

As to the amount of water needed for this city 50 inches is deemed ample at the present time but it is thought best to look toward the future and put in a system that will supply Medford with a population of 25,000 which may be the case in five or ten years. If it is shown that the water from Wason Canyon is not enough to supply the city it will be a very easy matter for the city to condemn the water in Little Butte and put in a gate where the line crosses the river thus adding to the supply from Wason Canyon. Or it will be possible for the city to install a storage dam in the canyon which will store enough water to supply tide over the two dry months of the year. It is not disputed that there will be enough water available during ten months of the year. And the city has a guarantee, backed up by \$15,000, that there is at least 300 inches of water in the canyon the year around.

A number of residents of this city claim that it would have been cheaper to obtain the water from the Little Butte creek at the Slinger ranch where the price put on the water was \$3000. These people have not stopped to consider that the Slinger ranch is two miles further from Medford than the source of supply in the Wason Canyon. According to Engineer Kelsey it will cost \$11,000 a mile to construct the pipe line which would make the water at the Slinger ranch cost \$33,000, or \$50,000 more than the price to be paid to Mr. Hanley. And then it would be impossible to obtain the guarantee that Mr. Hanley has put up.

Another argument in favor of the Wason Canyon project is the fact that the water from this canyon was pronounced to be the purest and best of all the water submitted to chemists for analysis. It is more free of solids and vegetable matter, and situated as it is, in a long, narrow, deep canyon it can easily be protected from roving bands of cattle, thus insuring purity to a greater degree than would be the case if the water was to come from Little Butte.

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THE WASSON CANYON PROJECT

As was to be expected the project of obtaining the water supply of the city from Wason Canyon has been attacked. However, a survey of the acts in the case fails to show where the city is loser by any action taken so far by the city council or the water committee. A perusal of the ordinance providing for the agreement with M. F. Hanley will show that the city has not as yet closed the deal with Mr. Hanley but has simply taken an option on the water in Wason Canyon. This, in the first place, disproves that the city in any way has been "buncoed" as has been alleged. And the terms of the contract with Mr. Hanley, after it is closed, are such as to thoroughly protect the city in the case that there is not a sufficient amount of water in Wason Canyon for the city.

According to the contract, which is to be closed with Mr. Hanley, the city is protected from litigation for a term of 13 years. This allows the city three years in which to complete the line and ten years' usage of the water. Under the state law the water right is established by ten years' usage. So the city is amply protected in this respect.

Further, the city takes \$15,000 of the money to be paid him by the city, in bonds, which he is to place in a bank for a term of ten years, also putting up \$10,000 personal security, as a guarantee that there is at least 300 inches of water in the canyon and available for this city. If there is not 300 inches of water available, the bonds will revert to the city together with the security. It seems foolish to entertain the thought that Mr. Hanley would close a deal with the city if he could not fulfill the first requisite of his agreement, that is, that there are 300 inches of water available.

If the water is not obtained from Wason Canyon it will have to be obtained from the north fork of the Little Butte. Big Butte, Applegate and Wagner creeks are all eliminated on account of the cost of obtaining water for the city from those sources. Now if the survey is made to Wason Canyon it will terminate at the junction of Wason Canyon and Little Butte. The survey will be the same whether the water is obtained from one or the other, and as the water must be obtained from one of these two sources there will not be any needless expense by a survey or by the construction of the pipe line.

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CONSTRUCTION TO START SOON.

The Butte Falls and Western Railroad company will break ground within the next week for their electric line between Eagle Point and Butte Falls. Of the thirteen miles between these two points five miles of grade must be built so that an electric road may be laid. The machinery for the grading has been shipped from Portland and should be here within a few days. First the company intends to make ready the grade so that automobiles may get as far as the Falls without difficulty and such a grade will make it possible for the company to get out a considerable amount of the lumber they have cut at their mills on their property near Butte Falls.

B. H. Harris, manager of the company, in which the principal owners are Col. William S. Dewing and Charles A. Dewing, of Kalamazoo, Michigan returned from Portland on Monday where he had been to purchase grading machinery and supplies. The company at present has on hand \$3500 worth of grading machinery and this is to be added to, to a considerable extent. The survey for the grade from Butte Falls, over the Obenchain range to Eagle Point has been completed and according to statements made by Mr. Harris to a representative of the Mail the work of construction will be commenced within a week.

The company owns 19,000 acres of timber land, having recently purchased the rights of the Butte Falls Sugar Pine Lumber Company, which was forced into a receiver's hands by the failure of the Oregon Trust and Savings Bank of Portland. The interest of the defunct company was purchased by the firm with which Mr. Harris is connected for \$50,000. The new owners will not state any time in getting to work developing their new property.

Col. Dewing is the holder of a first mortgage on the Pacific & Eastern railroad in an amount of \$50,000. This mortgage is now in the courts and it is expected that it will be settled within the next thirty days. Only two months ago the injunction against the mortgage was raised so that Col. Dewing could proceed in the matter of foreclosure. It is a question whether the present owners of the Pacific & Eastern road will pay the mortgage or give up the road. If the Pacific & Eastern road falls into the hands of the Butte Falls & Eastern Railroad Company the electric line of the company will be over this line, if not, the company will construct a new line from Eagle Point to this city.

The company at present has a planing and shingle mill in operation and they contemplate putting in box factory and a furniture factory. The new factories will be located in or near Medford. The company has a large water power mill at present running and they have 1,000,000 feet of lumber ready to bring out to their property near Butte Falls. This is the reason they will rush the matter of the new electric line.

Col. Dewing is expected to be in Medford within the next thirty days and will probably map out the work of the company for the coming summer and fall.

Survey to Start Monday.

Engineer Cummings, who was appointed by the city council to be the field engineer of the pipe lines, will take the field next Monday. He is engaged at present in getting his crew together, and on Monday he will start on his long task of finding the most practical route for the pipe line between this city and the source of water supply.

Mr. Cummings is a partner of T. W. Osgood, the City Engineer. For some time Mr. Cummings has been doing the draughtman's work in the office of the city engineer and therefore he is thoroughly conversant with the plans of the council as regards the pipe line. Before coming to Medford, Mr. Cummings spent a good deal of his time in other sections of the northwest on work of this kind and the city is fortunate in having as reliable a man as Mr. Cummings in charge of the work.

arrangements so that the city will be amply protected in case they do so.

The Mail thoroughly believes that the water committee made its report to the city council in favor of the Wason Canyon actuated by the best motives only. If it develops that there is not enough water in the canyon for the city it will simply be a mistake made on their part, and not one that they are to be condemned for. The charge that they "buncoed" the city, or that there was graft mixed up with the deal, is too senseless to be considered.

Nothing "just as good" as Gold-on-Wash.

TO CLEAN UP THE CITY

The most important matter considered at the regular meeting of the Commercial Club held on last Wednesday evening was the report of the committee to plan the formation of the 25,000 club. The committee did its work well and if they are able to carry out the plans outlined by them Medford without a doubt will have a population of 25,000 in five years.

The committee's report recommended the appointment of a committee with Welsh as chairman to take up with the railroad company the matter of parking the road's right-of-way through the city. It recommended the appointment of a committee with Stalker as chairman to consider the matter to park Bear creek through the city limits. It recommended the appointment of a committee with Root as chairman to work with the city council in considering the placing of hydrants, the painting of telephone poles at least ten feet from the ground and the removal of signs from the poles, the restriction of running telephone wires through the top of trees, the placing of all telephone wires in the alleys, the cleaning of all streets and alleys, the improvement of sidewalks, the regulation of the dumping of garbage, the regulation of the stands of peanut and sausage vendors, and the removal of signs from the side walks.

The committee recommended that the city be divided into districts and that May 8th, be appointed a "cleaning up" day, on which day the school children and citizens will assist in cleaning the city. A mass meeting is to be held, if the wishes of the committee are to be realized, on May 15th, in front of the Nash Hotel. The band will play and speeches will be made. Badges showing that the wearer is a member of the 25,000 club will be sold at 50 cents each the money to be devoted to the bettering of conditions within the city. On Sunday, May 17th, the pastors of the various churches of the city will be asked to speak to their congregations upon the advantages of cleanliness. Professor Signs is to invite prominent men to address the school children on the advantages of a "cleaning up" day.

The report of the committee, which consists of Messrs. Stalker, Daniels, Signs, Welsh and Haddy, was adopted and a vote of thanks extended by the club for their services. The following committees were appointed by President Coiving: To consult the railroad, Messrs. Welsh, Hollis and Campbell, to park Bear Creek, Messrs. Stalker, Andrews and Cummings, on city ordinances, Messrs. Root, Brown and Osenbrugg.

For the better advertising of Medford and the Rogue River Valley, J. M. Root made a motion that a committee be appointed to call upon the Rogue River Land company and the other owners of the exhibit building and ascertain under what conditions the building may be acquired by the club for the purpose of maintaining a proper exhibit and office for the Secretary of the Commercial Club and headquarters for the Greater Medford Club. The committee is to report at the next regular meeting of the club, May 20. The motion was carried unanimously. The president appointed Dr. Page, W. I. Vawter and F. E. Merrick as the committee.

The committee in charge of the matter of raising the funds for the purchasing of the uniforms for the band reported that the proceeds from the dance for the fund amounted to \$132.75. There is needed \$150. The committee proposes now to get up a baseball game between the professionals and business men of the city in order to raise the remainder of the money.

The graduating class of the Medford High School was granted permission to use the rooms of the club for a reception to their friends after the graduation exercises in the old opera house.

A resolution was passed endorsing the effort of the Oregon and Washington Lumber Manufacturers Association to bring to this coast the next convention of the National Lumber Manufacturers Association.

The committee appointed to work upon the excursion to this city from Portland was discharged for inaction. It was reported that the committee thought best to let the excursion go over until fall when the fruit trees would be laden.

The matter of a hospital was taken up by the club and the industrial committee instructed to investigate the chances of having a building erected that would be suitable for a hospital.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

The city council met in regular session on Tuesday evening and it was near the midnight hour when the city adjourned. All of the monthly reports were considered and the specifications for the paving of Seventh street, as prepared by the City Engineer, were read and adopted. The city engineer's bid for bids immediately so that the work can be undertaken soon.

Not alone Seventh street is to be paved but if the property owners along Central Avenue have their way the Avenue will be paved from the south line of Sixth street to the north line of eighth street. The council placed the petition in the hands of the street committee. It is highly probable that this street will be paved at the time of the paving of Seventh street.

W. J. Fredenburg tendered his resignation as night watchman to take effect May 15. Mr. Fredenburg is to turn his attention to the manufacture of brick, in which business he was engaged before going on the police force. His resignation was accepted and the Chief of Police, H. G. Sbarser will be consulted as to Mr. Fredenburg's successor.

Murphy & Downing were granted a saloon license. A petition for the granting of the license was read. It was signed by nearly fifty citizens. A proposal was received from the Buffalo-Pitts Company to turn a steam roller to the city. They propose to furnish the city with a ton roller for \$3075. They will take over the roller at present owned by the city for \$475. The matter was laid on the table for the time being.

The property owners on J street petitioned for a water main along J street to Olsen, then north to Second street. Referred to the water committee.

An ordinance was adopted changing the outlines of the fire limits. The change will be slight.

An ordinance allowing the city to make a contract with the Rogue River Valley Railroad Company for a period of ten years to deliver crushed rock to the city for 20 cents a ton over until the next meeting in order to allow President Barsum of the railroad to pass on the proposition.

The City Engineer estimates the cost of paving Seventh street from Laurel street to a point 100 feet east of Riverside Avenue at \$44,350.

The claims against the city for the month of April were allowed and ordered paid, with the exception of one tendered by C. W. Turpin for truant officer services. This claim was rejected, the council taking the stand that it came in with his duties as Chief of Police.

The matter of telephone and electric light poles on Seventh street and Central Avenue came in for considerable discussion. The matter was referred to the street committee.

Acting Mayor Trowbridge appointed Councilmen Eiert and Wortman a committee to work with the City Attorney in regard to having a committee of citizens appointed to be known as the water committee, the commission to attend to the matter of putting in the pipe line to Wason Canyon.

The city council met in special session Wednesday evening and purchased the steam roller for the city according to the proposal made by the Buffalo-Pitts Company. The only difference was that the agent of the company allowed the city \$425 for the old roller. When one takes into consideration that the old roller only cost the city \$350 in the first place the bargain made by the council may be said to be a good one.

The council closed with the parties owning the Jacksonville quarry land, purchasing ten acres of the land from them to obtain the crushed rock for the city.

The appointment of Engineer Cummings to be the field engineer on the pipe line project was confirmed.

Get Out Your Spray Outfits.

Fruit Inspector Taylor informs the Mail that the first brood of the codlin moth is now hatching and that it behooves every orchardist to get busy with his spray wagon, if he wants to save himself trouble and possible loss later on. If the first brood is strenuously and scientifically combated, the second is not so hard to control—even may be eliminated entirely. Mr. Taylor is an expert on codlin moth, having devoted much time and study to the subject and his advice on methods of combatting the pest is worth listening to.

—Dr. J. G. Goble the well known optician has opened an Optical Parlor, on 7th street, opposite Wall's Fargo Express office, where he has installed a complete line of the latest optical instruments known to the Optical Profession. Office hours 9 to 12-1 to 5. He has no other business.