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### A Two Years Growth.

The list of registered voters in the city of Medford lacks ten of just increasing 100 per cent in two years. In 1906 there were, according to official figures, 571 registered voters in Medford. This year's figures are 1132, or an increase of 561 registered voters—just 10 short of doubling. Thus counting one registered voter to each five persons in the city, as is customary, Medford has a population of 5660, which bears out the claim that there are at least 5500 persons in the city.

A comparison with Ashland proves interesting. In 1906 Ashland's official list showed 712 registered voters. This year's figures show 1005. In other words, Ashland led Medford in 1906 by 141, and this year this city tops Ashland by 127. Where Ashland gained 293 voters in two years Medford gained 561. In other words, Medford gained at a rate of over 98 per cent; Ashland increased slightly over 41 per cent.

In the county a gain is shown of 1247. In 1906 the number of registered voters in Jackson county was 3213, and this year's figures are 4460, or an increase of 72 per cent. The registration of the two years is as follows:

Antioch	1906	1908
East Ashland	224	45
West Ashland	269	313
South Ashland	219	339
Applegate	78	74
Barron	85	76
Big Butte	53	98
Climax	25	22
Central Point	131	226
Eagle Point	154	137
Flouce Rock	13	29
Foots Creek	46	42
Gold Hill	196	206
North Jacksonville	106	145
South Jacksonville	131	163
Lake Creek	49	44
Meadows	28	49
North Medford	329	625
South Medford	242	507
Mound	45	165
Rock Point	24	42
Phoenix	160	41
Roxy	39	42
Sam's Valley	73	86
Sterling	33	32
Talent	133	183
Trail	44	64
Union	80	88
Watkins	26	37
Willow Springs	34	36
Wimer	59	55
Woodville	72	88
Totals	3313	4460

### To Develop Meadows Coal.

The Pacific Coal company will start development work on their property north of Gold Hill, known as the Meadows, tomorrow. Such is the information as given to a representative of The Morning Mail by General Manager Doan yesterday upon his return to Medford from a business trip to Los Angeles and Pasadena in connection with the company. The company contemplates the sinking of several shafts to test the amount of coal and the extent of the beds of coal in that section. Later, the drilling machinery will be taken down from the coal mine on the east side of the valley and several holes drilled in to ascertain the depth of the bed.

The prospects at Meadows are as good as are to be found anywhere in the 25-mile strip of coal land which is controlled by the company. A dozen or more shafts will be sunk on the Meadows property.

General Manager Doan states that the business that called him to Los Angeles was successfully terminated. He states that while there is nothing at the present time to give out to the public, that it will not be a great while now before there will be something doing in coal mine circles. He was also engaged on business in San Francisco for a period of three days.

Development work in the mine on the northeast side of the valley is continuing and the mine there is getting into first-class shape for the production of large amounts of coal as soon as arrangements are made for its shipment.

Mr. Doan states that things are booming in Los Angeles and that there are more improvements being made at the present time along the Pacific coast than he ever before knew of. From Medford to Los Angeles there exists a sentiment of progress and prosperity. While not the same amount of land transfers are taking place, property is holding up well and improvements are being rapidly made.

Mr. Doan left Medford for the south about three weeks ago. Most of the time he has been in Los Angeles.

### For Sale.

800 tiers of wood. Delivered or in timber.  
W. T. Gould,  
Medford, Cor G and Jackson street.

## JUDGE DUNN ANSWERS

Jacksonville, Or., May 24, 1908.  
Editor of The Morning Mail, Medford, Or.: Dear Sir—I herewith inclose you a copy of a letter sent to the editor of the Daily Tribune on the 21st instant and requested that he print the same in answer to the libelous and unjust article in his issue of the 20th instant.

I wish that you would give it prominent space in your valuable paper, so that the people may know" and judge as to the merits of the inspired article. Very truly,  
GEO. W. DUNN.

"Jacksonville, Or., May 21, 1908.

"To the Editor of the Daily Tribune: In your issue of the 20th instant you have published an article headed, "Dunn Ordered Road Built, But Will Not Pay for It," which is a tissue of lies from beginning to end and I ask of you that you publish this letter in full as a partial answer to it.

"I would pay no attention to this article, as I have done in the past to the many false and misleading articles that you have seen fit to adorn your yellow sheet with, were it not for the fact that some misguided people might be led to believe that my silence was a confession of being guilty as charged. No person who is a touch with your paper would be deceived, but there might be some newcomers deceived.

"The county court never ordered Mr. Vestal to do any road work on the so-called Brown road to which your articles allude. If any person told Mr. Vestal to work there it must have been Mr. Brown. The county has not and will not pay for work done on private property, neither has it or will it order it to be done. Mr. Brown knew that unless he got a road laid out when Mr. Vestal did the work, that the county court would not pay for it, and at the time we settled with Mr. Vestal, he laughed and said that he was going to make a toll road out of it, and get his money back; that he intended to pay Mr. Vestal. He was present in court and did not offer any protest to the manner in which the county court settled with Mr. Vestal.

"The facts about Mr. Brown's road are that he tried to lay out a road on an impracticable route and then petitioned to have a county road established upon it; there was a large remonstrance against it and the matter was dismissed. Another petition was circulated, viewers appointed and the road was surveyed and reported adversely upon by the viewers, both of whom are good road men and men of the highest integrity. No man could adopt the route selected by Mr. Brown on account of the steep pitches and long hills, where there were practically no hills in the old road which, with a few changes, could be made a good road. The statement that the road built by Brown and Vestal is traveled is not true, I am told by parties who have been over the road within the past week.

"The statement that the petition for the road petitioned for by A. J. Florey et al has disappeared most mysteriously is a malicious lie. It is in its proper place in the clerk's office. This petition also had a remonstrance against it and the viewers reported that in their judgment the road should not be established through the premises of Mr. Eli Daback, where the petition called for, because the present road is upon better ground at that place. However, they felt bound to locate the road through the Daback field, as the petition called for that course. They allowed Mr. Daback \$300 damages, as the road would damage him. The county court did visit that road and while we were anxious to have the road established, we did not think that it should be put through the Daback field as it would cost too much to even make a decent road, when the road was already on the best ground at that point, between Eagle Point and Brownsboro. We continued the matter to see if we could not get this matter changed, and during the time of continuance the bank holidays came on and that matter still stands as it was before the holidays. We are uncertain what condition the holidays left the matter, but feel that the proper and safest thing to do is to get another petition, which will avoid the objectionable feature on the one now on file.

"The statement that there is no road between Eagle Point and Brown has ever had any cause to road records will show.

"Now, about ignoring Mr. Brown. We have tried at all times, and, so far as I am aware, have succeeded in having the work of the county court harmonious and pleasant. If Mr. Brown has ever had any cause to complain he has gone behind the county court to do it, and I do not believe he has done so, as that is not his disposition.

"He voted against Mr. Patterson and myself in regard to one road and

## BIG BALL GAME ON SATURDAY

At last the date is set for that momentous game of baseball between the professional and business men of this city. And the citizens of Medford are happy over it. If the weather man does not come through on Saturday with a clear sky and cool breeze then he will lose his job. There is going to be something doing and the city will be there in a body to see it.

The managers of both teams wish to state that at this time, almost on the eve of the event, that they are each confident that their teams will win. The lawnmowers have been flying back and forth over lawns in the city for some time past, propelled by the heads of households, in order that the necessary amount of muscle may be developed in time for Saturday's game. One professional man was observed chopping wood to get into shape and a business man was seen practicing with the rubber balls in his store windows, learning how to get under a wary fly. The teams are going to be down to weight by the time the game is called, and a good time is promised all.

The game is for the benefit of the band. It will aid the Commercial club to pay for new uniforms. In return there will be concerts in the park during the summer.

The parade will start from the Opera House at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The band will play throughout the game. Holbrook Withington is the drum major.

The admission to the ball grounds will be 10 cents for women and children and 25 cents for men. Reserved seats at 10 cents each.

The teams are as follows:  
Professional Men—Judge Colvig, pitcher; E. E. Kelly, catcher; W. I. Vawter, first base; Attorney Newman, second base; Dr. Reddy, shortstop; Dr. Page, third base; Rev. Hall, right field; Professor J. W. Perkins, center field; Dr. Butler, left field; substitutes: Rev. Shields, Dr. Pickett, Dr. Keene, Dr. Seeley, Editor Putnam, Judge Crowell, Judge Purdin, Dr. Hargrave, City Engineer Osgood, H. Withington, Father Van, Dr. Ray, W. G. Estep.

Business Men—Fred William, catcher; D. T. Lawton, pitcher; H. C. Kistner, first base; H. T. Platt, second base; William Hawley, third base; Shorty Garnett, shortstop; William Isaacs, C. I. Hutchason, J. P. Molony, fielders; substitutes: F. W. Hollis, S. Richardson, C. E. Baker, T. E. Daniels, Ed Van Dyke, W. Ewbank.  
Game called at 2:30 p. m. Umpire, Judge Prim et al.

### Debate on Liquor Question.

Yesterday afternoon Shortie Garnett, Dr. Reddy and Judge Kelly met in the judge's office and arranged a debate for Saturday evening on the liquor question. The debate will be held at the Opera House. The hour is set at 9 o'clock. Shortie Garnett and Rev. Mr. Shields will meet Dr. Reddy and Judge Kelly in the words of the question as decided upon will be, "Resolved, That prohibition will be more beneficial to Medford and Jackson county than license."

For some time there has been in the air a well-defined rumor to the effect that a debate would be the final act of the campaign before election day. The date has been set before, but has been called off on various accounts. Now there will be four representative men of the city gotten together and thrash the matter out. The debate will be well worth attending.

was dissatisfied because the court paid Mr. Dick Daley the sum of \$20 on account of damages sustained by the removal of gravel by Mr. Brown's order, so that Mr. Daley's fence in front of his dwelling fell into the street. These are the only matters about which there have been any differences.

"Now, the county court has tried to leave the road work in Mr. Brown's hands as much as possible in his own district. We have appointed the supervisors who have selected; have been criticised therefor. We endeavored to have the ferry rebuilt as soon as we had knowledge that it was out of commission, and complied with Mr. Brown's requests in the matter and left the matter in his hands for immediate action. We finally had to attend to the matter ourselves.

"We have been unjustly abused by your paper in regard to this matter. I have laid before him the complaints from W. W. Parker and requested that he have the supervisor of his district attend to that road. Mr. Brown assured me that he had been over the road and that the reports were unfounded.

"Now, I am not trying to shift any responsibility; I am willing to take all the blame that justly belongs to me, but I do not propose to allow malicious lies to go uncorrected."  
"GEO. W. DUNN."

## LOCAL ELKS ENTERTAIN

"Hello, Bill."  
"Come again, Bill."  
"Sorry to see you go, Bill."

Saturday evening, May 23, will be remembered for some time to come by the members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in Southern Oregon and Northern California. For several hours last night strange buck grazed on the range ordinarily reserved for Medford Elks.

A number of mavericks were brandied and an evening of jollification and mirth was passed. About 200 strangers were present and the local bucks did all in their power to show the strangers where the juiciest grass grew and where the coolest fountains were. It was an evening of purple and those who know the habits of that strange animal, the Elk, know what that means. The magical hour of 11 came and was properly observed. The toast, "to our absent brothers," was drunk with a will and many a time the chosen motto of the Elk was heard:

"The faults of our brothers, we write upon the sands—  
Their virtues are engraven upon the tablets of our hearts."

The occasion was simply the entertainment of the Elks of Southern Oregon and Northern California by the Medford members of the order. A special train with about 150 members arrived from the south last evening about 8 o'clock and were taken to the old Opera House, where the evening was spent in songs and entertainment of various sorts. Later in the evening the party adjourned to the Emerick, where an elaborate banquet had been prepared. The Medford boys did their entertaining well and the affair was conducted in a highly satisfactory manner. Everything in the city was given over to the visitors during their stay.

### Miss Tico Wins Contest.

Miss Hazel Tico was chosen last night to represent Medford in the parade on next Tuesday night in Portland on the float entered by the Commercial club. Miss Tico is one of Medford's popular young ladies and her many friends are pleased at the result of the contest, which has been on for the past three weeks. Miss Hazel Tico was second and Miss Maude Allen third.

Miss Tico will at once prepare the costume which she will wear while upon the float as Medford's queen. The honor is not to be slightly thought of, for the float will be the equal of any in the parade. A large number of local people will be in Portland next week attending the parade.

Miss Tico desires to express through the columns of The Morning Mail her sincere thanks for the support of her many loyal and sincere friends who made her election possible.

### Praise For This County.

Rogue River valley apple is growing greater and greater. Three years ago I first heard of this valley and ever since that time I have been intending to pay you a visit, but was forced to stay at home and look after an apple orchard of my own. Last winter I disposed of my place and now I am here, intending to find a suitable location for an apple orchard.

"As I am more or less familiar with the Rogue River valley, I have a few days ago and since that time I have been looking over the valley with a view of obtaining a suitable apple orchard in the valley. Julian is well known as one of the foremost sections in the west for the production of high-grade apples, although the output of the valley is limited. Mr. Nelson states that he has made considerable money in the apple business and if he can find a suitable location in the valley, as he is sure to do, he will set out trees and make more money out of apples. To a representative of The Morning Mail, Mr. Nelson said:

"You have certainly a beautiful little valley here, and the fame of the Rogue River valley apples, I can readily see what a future for the fruit you have in this valley. Your apples are splendid ones and I believe that I could not do better than to remain here and locate. For 15 years I have raised apples, and while there are many things about their production that I do not know, I do know enough regarding the necessary conditions surrounding the successful growing of apples to know that this valley is a splendid spot for them. But what is the use of my saying this when your growers here have demonstrated so well what the valley can do in the way of raising splendid fruit. I expect to remain here. My family will join me as soon as I find a suitable place to stop."

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## PROGRESS ON CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Carpenters, plumbers and other artisans are losing no time in endeavoring to complete the Catholic academy being erected by the Sisters of the Holy Names in this city. The mother provincial of the order was in this city this week making arrangements with the city council for the sewerage of the building. These arrangements were satisfactorily made.

The building will be one of the most modern and complete of any school in Southern Oregon.

The entrance will be on the north side, a flight of wide steps leading from the curb of the street to the main entrance on the second story, on which floor the most of the classrooms and the auditorium and music room will be located. The auditorium will be 35x85 feet in size, with a commodious stage, sufficient to accommodate audiences during public entertainments.

The classrooms are all large and well lighted and will, of course be fitted with all modern appliances, as the sisters never do anything by halves. On the second floor is also located the chapel and the offices of the sister superior and the reception parlors.

On the third floor are located the dormitories and private rooms for pupils. There are six of the latter constructed for the accommodation of boarders who wish rooms of their own. A feature of the dormitories is the provision made for escape in case of fire. On the east is a large door leading to an ample fire escape, on the south access is had to a wide porch, from which the inmates could be easily rescued, and beside this is the wide stairway in the center of the building, seeming to preclude any danger of the inmates of the building from fire in the night. On the lower floor are located the kitchen, laundry and storage departments, dining rooms, also the classrooms for the kindergarten. The building when finished will be complete in every detail and will be constructed to last. No modern convenience will be omitted.

There will be accommodations for 60 boarders and a considerable number of day pupils. There will also be a department for boys where all the grades up to the high school grades will be taught.

In this school, music, painting, drawing, all the arts, in fact, will be taught, and taught well.

The establishment of this school here means much for the educational progress of Medford. The sisters schools are especially good training schools for girls. There they learn not only that which is written in books, but are taught the things which go to make good womanhood.

The priest's house is also being pushed to completion and will be a handsome and commodious edifice.

A hospital is also spoken of under the charge of the Sisters of Charity, who have hospitals all over the continent. Archbishop Christy is now on his way to Montreal, where he will confer with the head of the mother house of the order, and he carries with him strong letters from prominent physicians of Southern Oregon, recommending the establishment of a hospital here. While Father Van Clatenbeek would not positively assure the hospital, he seemed to be sanguine of its establishment.

### Grading for School Started.

The grading for the foundations of the new High School building has been started and the work of laying the foundations will be started within the week. The contractor has a small building erected on the site and in it he has already stored several barrels of cement for use in the foundations. The basement of the building will have considerable depth and it is upon the excavating that teams are at present employed. As the contract calls for the completion of the building by October 1, the work upon the building is to be pushed.

Last Monday the residents of Butte Falls, by a vote of 21 to 4, voted \$2000 bonds to be used for the erection of a schoolhouse. Plans are being discussed and drawn up at present. The building will be one story and contain two classrooms.

Phoenix, on last Saturday, voted bonds to the amount of \$15,000 for the erection of a new schoolhouse for that district. The plans are being prepared by local architects.

The activity at present in the line of school building tends to show that the population of the county is fast increasing. Larger and better schools than ever before are required and the way in which bonds are being voted in order to obtain the funds to erect the building shows that the people of this valley are alive to its needs and benefit to be derived from public schools.

## OREGON'S CHIEF FRUIT CENTER

That Medford will be the chief fruit-shipping point on the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon within a few years is the belief and prediction of C. A. Malboeuf, district freight agent of the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon. He also stated that in his belief that Medford had a great future and would be one of two large towns in Oregon south of Portland. These statements on the part of Mr. Malboeuf are of more than passing interest, for by virtue of his official duties he is thoroughly conversant with the present conditions in different sections of Oregon, and is therefore in a better position to make a forecast than most men.

Mr. Malboeuf was in Medford yesterday on official business and when seen by a representative of The Morning Mail, he said:

"I thoroughly believe that Medford in a few years will be the chief fruit shipping point on the lines of the Southern Pacific north of the California line. This place has, in my estimation, a great future, and when the acreage you have at present is all bearing it will mean a tremendous amount of shipping. The Southern Pacific is alive to the possibilities in this valley and we will be ready to furnish the requisite number of cars.

"Medford has a great future. Situated, as it is, in the heart of this great valley, it will become one of the largest cities between Portland and San Francisco. There will be two large cities south of Portland and Medford will be one of them. Your resources are such as to attract settlers and your climate makes it agreeable to live here. What else do you need? Your city will thrive and grow better each year.

"Let us take the apple industry in the United States as a whole and see where Medford stands at present. Last year in the United States there were consumed 225,000 cars of apples. Medford shipped 225 cars, or furnished one-tenth of one per cent of the number of apples consumed in the United States. In ten years Medford should increase that by 1000 per cent, according to your present acreage. I believe that you will do it. Even then you will only be producing 10 per cent of the present consumption in the United States, which will increase from year to year. I cannot say anything about pears, for I am not conversant with the statistics relating to pears.

"Throughout the state there will be an increase along all lines during this year as relating to shipping. At the present time we are hauling at least three times the amount of lumber for local consumption than we were last year. This means that the people along the lines of the Southern Pacific in Oregon are building more houses than ever before. It means that there is a great influx of people from the East. Land is being settled and purchased and the population increasing. All of these things will tend to make Oregon a greater state than ever. Medford is holding her own, and more, with the other cities along the line.

"Last year the Southern Pacific hauled 400 cars of green fruit from Oregon; this year we expect not less than 600. Last year we hauled 750 cars of dried fruit; this year we expect to haul not more than 600. The amount of hops to be handled; this year will be about what it was last year—1200 cars. We expect 1500 cars of canned fruit this year; last year we handled about 100 cars. Last year we handled 250 cars of potatoes and this year we expect between 350 and 400 cars. All of this tends to show that matters along the line in the way of shipments are growing better each year. The outlook some three months ago for this year were better than they are at present and the figures that I have given you now are as nearly correct as it is possible to make them at this time.

"Medford has a good future. The Rogue River valley is coming into more prominence each year. It is only a question of time until Medford will be known as a leading city of the northwest and the leading city of Southern Oregon."

Mr. Malboeuf noticed a button which proclaims that Medford intends to have a population of 25,000 in five years. He was asked if he thought it possible. He replied:

"I am afraid that your population will not be as great as that in that length of time, but I do expect to see between 10,000 and 15,000 people living in this city by that time. The Rogue River valley will make tremendous strides in the next few years and it is a hard matter to say as to the number of people you will have in the specified time. I trust that your club will be successful in getting that amount of people in five years. I like Medford and on each visit I like it better. I can always find some improvement in Medford."