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MADE FORTUNE IN THIS VALLEY

M. L. Pellett left Tuesday afternoon for Imperial Valley, Cal., where he will reside with his family. Before leaving Mr. Pellett gave a Morning Mail representative an interview and the following in part is what he said:

"I want you to say to my many good friends in Jackson county that my leaving is not a notion of my own manufacture. Fact of the matter is the doctors have said that my wife's health would be materially benefited if she was to move to a lower altitude—and I moved; moved to a place lower than the sea.

"If there is any one man in Jackson county who has fared better than another, I guess I am it. Do you know, this is a grand good country and I truthfully believe a man can make more money here on an investment of \$25,000 than he can with \$50,000 any place between Seattle, Wash., and Redlands, Cal. I have lived here 30 years, and in that length of time I have learned a few things, and this knowledge came to me by hard knocks and persistent effort. I am not telling you this to egotize myself, but I am saying it to do a little something to further boost the best country on the Pacific coast.

"When I started in this county I worked for \$1 a day. That was seven years ago, but I am making a pretty good finish. In clearing up my holdings here I find myself \$50,000 on the credit side of the books—the most of which I have realized from the sale of my orchards.

"The men who engage in the orchard business in the Rogue River valley today have a decided advantage over us fellows who engaged in a like business a number of years ago. Then, when we planted an orchard we did it by guess—so far as variety was concerned. We had no idea as to what a really and truly commercial fruit was, or where we were to find a market for it. Today when an orchard is planted the man who owns it knows the variety the foreign consumers demand. He knows how to care for his orchards and how to handle his fruit to bring the best results; in fact, he can estimate within a very few dollars what a certain piece of land planted to a certain variety of fruit will produce annually in revenue, and he knows beyond the question of a doubt just what he can realize from the sale of his orchard when it has reached a certain age. All this and many more smaller details have been brought about by experiments.

"I do not know of any country where a man can make sure of better returns from an investment than in the Rogue River valley—the country that I am leaving—after clearing up \$50,000.

"If my wife's health is entirely regained I will in all probability return to Jackson county and establish a home for the rest of my days."

They Got Getter.

(Klamath Express.)
(From Wednesday's Daily.)
Yesterday afternoon Clarence Getter, who had been employed for some days by Henry Straw in the Mammoth stables, cashed a check at the Klamath County bank bearing the signature of Mr. Straw for \$100. Soon after Leslie Rogers, the paying teller, discovered that the check appeared to be a forgery and upon communicating with Mr. Straw had his suspicions confirmed and caused the arrest of Getter. The arrest was made by Marshal Low at the Belmont feed yards, and the money recovered intact before sundown, and Getter, for trying to live up to his name, now languishes in durance vile, with prospects of durance viler in the near future, as circuit court convenes tomorrow.

Fruit Prospects in the West.

A New York fruit receiver, who has been investigating conditions in the West, is quoted by the Journal of Commerce as follows:
"Last year about 100 carloads of Spitzenberg apples in boxes were sent from Oregon and Washington, while this fall, if all goes well, nearly double that quantity will be shipped. In Newtown pippins the same situation exists. From Watsonville, Cal., last season, about 250 carloads of Newtown pippins were sent out the great bulk of which went to England. The crop of these apples in that section may equal 600 carloads this fall."

MRS. H. SCOTT HARTJE WINS ANOTHER FIGHT

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
PITTSBURG, Pa., June 17.—Mrs. H. Scott Hartje, wife of the millionaire paper manufacturer, won another victory today when she was given \$5000 alimony, \$26,000 court expenses and \$7000 attorney's fees.

TO PROTECT THE FRUIT CROP

As soon as the plans under way on the part of the Rogue River Horticultural society and the United States Weather Bureau mature there will be but little danger from any frosts in this valley. The weather man will warn the fruitgrowers of threatening cold spells and it will then be up to them to build the fires that will protect the fruit. Uncle Sam says he will furnish the reports and the fruitgrowers will lay their plans accordingly.

At the last meeting of the Horticultural society the matter was discussed and A. H. Miller was asked to get in communication with the Portland weather station to see if it be possible to get a weather bureau established in this valley. He wrote to the director and found that while a bureau could not be established anywhere without an act of congress, still reports would be furnished the people here at the government's expense.

There are two ways of distributing the reports daily. One is by signal and the other by use of the rural free delivery. It is probable that the signal system will be used. In order to do this a flag pole will be secured on some building about the city and twice each day flags will be hoisted which will tell of the weather to be expected for the next 12 hours. One will be hoisted at daybreak and the other about 3 or 4 in the afternoon. The fruitgrowers about the valley will be able to see the flag and prepare to protect their crops accordingly.

This spring a number of the orchards in the lowlands of the valley were saved by the lighting of fires in the orchard and keeping the frost from bothering the fruit. Very few places require this except in unusual weather conditions. With the new system in vogue there will not be any doubt as to the fruit crop.

City Purchases Fire Team.

(From Sunday's Daily.)
The committee appointed by the city council, Messrs. H. G. Wortman and B. J. Trowbridge, yesterday purchased a fine span of horses—bay geldings, six years old and will weigh when in condition 145 each. They were purchased from a man who had driven them from east of the mountains some place, and when he reached here decided he would continue his journey by train. The purchase included a good harness and a nearly new Moline wagon—and the price paid for all was only \$200. The horses were turned over to Chief Amann yesterday and they will at once commence their lessons and will be taught as rapidly as possible to take their places on the chemical wagon upon the tap of the gong.

Editor Wimberley Here.

Editor Wimberley and family of Roseburg were in the city Wednesday on a visit to friends. Mr. Wimberley is editor and publisher of the Daily and Semi-Weekly Review and is one of the best and most favorably known newspaper men in the state. He is a Democrat and he is honest and fair, and has many friends in his home town among people who are politically opposed to his policy, but who admire him because that he is fair, consistent and always truthful.

TENNESSEE FOR BRYAN.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
NASHVILLE, June 17.—The state Democratic convention today elected delegates to the Denver convention and instructed them to support Bryan and Governor Johnson of Minnesota for vice-president.

Takes Bad Fall.

Miss Pauline Stephenson, one of the popular young ladies of this city, was badly injured by a fall from a high stool upon which she was sitting. Miss Stephenson became dizzy suddenly and fell to the floor. She was painfully but not seriously injured.

CENSUS FIGURES ON THE LUMBER INDUSTRY

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 17.—According to the census bureau the total amount of cut lumber in the United States during the calendar year 1907 was 47,256,154,000 feet board measure, the number of mills being nearly 29,000.

Wife Gets All.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, June 17.—The will of O. H. P. Belmont gives the entire estate to Mrs. Belmont. Its value is not given.

DISTRICT FAIR IN MEDFORD

J. A. Perry, president of the Southern Oregon District Fair association, is busy now making the preliminary arrangements for holding a district fair in Medford this fall. Time was when we had a fair, and a successful one, too, every year, but hard times came along, the fair grounds were sold—and are now producing fancy priced pears and apples—and people seemed to have lost interest in the annual show of the products of the country. Last year, however, Grants Pass held a district fair and as Jackson and Josephine counties form one district, this year it comes to this county. The state appropriation is \$1200 for the district, to be paid out in premiums for exhibits, and with the addition of \$500 from the county, the Josephine fair came out over \$700 ahead last year. The county court of Jackson county will be asked by the society to make an appropriation, and it certainly should come forward as liberally as did Josephine in proportion to its wealth and importance.

The officers of the association are J. A. Perry, president; J. D. Olwell, vice-president; J. E. Watt, secretary; John S. Orth, treasurer; Ed Andrews, superintendent, all of Medford. E. T. Staples of Ashland, L. B. Hall and Charles Meserve of Grants Pass are directors. The premium lists will be issued as soon as they are received from the state printer, and then active work will be commenced. It is intended to make the fair a success in every way and no pains will be spared to this end. The date is fixed at October 1 to 3.

The association has several sites for the grounds under consideration, but as yet have not definitely settled on the particular location.

A Serious Accident.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)
A serious accident occurred yesterday afternoon near the bridge on Seventh street, and as a result Mrs. H. W. Winterhalter of the Little Antelope district was severely injured. She is not in a dangerous condition at all, but will have to remain in Medford for a few days with friends before leaving for her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Winterhalter had driven in from their ranch, which is about 15 miles from Medford, and had brought in a large amount of produce and was leading behind the buckboard they were riding in, a steer. When the river was reached Mrs. Winterhalter drove down and through the creek in order to water the horse, while Mr. Winterhalter led the steer across the bridge.

After the horse had finished drinking, Mrs. Winterhalter started to drive out on the city side of the creek when the horse became frightened and started to back. One of the lines parted, giving Mrs. Winterhalter no control over the animal. She started to climb out in order to catch the horse by the head when the buckboard upset and caught her under it. The horse backed and stepped upon the back of her head, severely cutting it. Her teeth were all loosened and she was severely injured in the back.

Physicians rushed to her aid and carried her into the nearby laundry, where she received medical attention at the hands of Dr. H. E. Morrison. Mr. Winterhalter had the buckboard repaired and left for his home. Mrs. Winterhalter will follow in a few days.

BANKS RETURN TO THE GOVERNMENT DEPOSITS

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
WASHINGTON, June 17.—The treasury department has received from the Chemical National bank of New York the entire deposit of government money, amounting to \$1,250,000, with the explanation that the bank could not pay interest to depositors and as it would be required to by the new currency law, the officers of the bank decided not to make exception in favor of the government. The American Exchange bank of New York surrendered its access for same reason.

GREGGS OF TACOMA IS LUMBER PRESIDENT

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 17.—The National Lumber Manufacturers in session here today adopted a resolution against the incorporation of the anti-injunction plank in the Republican platform. The resolution was telegraphed to the resolutions committee at Chicago.

Frank E. Long, of Kansas City, was elected president and E. H. Greggs of Tacoma, vice-president.

Married

On Wednesday afternoon, at the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. C. H. Hall, Joseph Collea and Mrs. Dora Cosard, both of Ashland.

ANNUAL REPORT MEDFORD SCHOOLS

Oris Crawford, the clerk of school district 49, which comprises Medford, has prepared his report of the year for J. Percy Wells, county superintendent of schools.

The report shows that there are 551 male and 516 female school children in this district, making a total of 1067. For the proper instruction of these, 27 teachers were employed. At the election held on Monday, H. C. Kentner was chosen director to fill the place vacated by E. N. Warner. Only 30 votes were cast, although there are about 1000 legal voters for school purposes in the district at the present time.

On June 17, 1907, the time of making the last report, the cash on hand in the district was \$741.76. At the time of making this year's report there was on hand \$1111.28 in the general fund and \$33,520 in the bond account, making a total of \$34,631.28.

During the year the sum of \$13,242.12 was received from the district tax, \$5267.69 from the county school fund, \$2171 from the state school fund, \$207.65 from rate bills and tuition and \$41,029 from the sale of bonds. The sum of \$32.85 was received from other sources.

For teachers' wages during the year there was paid out the sum of \$11,059.70; for rent, \$15; for school supplies, \$1896.81; for fuel, \$563.24; for repairs and improving grounds, \$3855.05; for janitor work, \$504.75; for interest on bonds, \$1750; for interest on warrants \$592.52; for clerks' salary, \$112.59. There was also paid \$7500 for a school site.

The average wage paid male teachers was \$36 and female \$33.32. The school buildings are insured for \$28,000.

The school board for the coming year is as follows: Charles Strang, chairman; Oris Crawford, clerk; J. E. Watt, L. G. Porter, H. C. Kentner and J. Cochran.

GOOD ROADS PLANKS.

Insertion in Both Platforms Will Be Urged.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
CHICAGO, June 17.—The gospel of good roads will be preached to both the Republican and Democratic national conventions. Every influence will be brought to bear to have a "good roads" plank inserted in the platform of each party. This program was decided upon at the first meeting of the National Good Roads congress here. Secretary Taft was heralded as the champion of the movement. Timothy Woodruff, chairman of the New York delegation, in the course of an address before the gathering, said he would use his influence in promoting the "good roads" plank. He said he was heartily in favor of good roads throughout the United States. Similar expressions.

A meeting of the congress will be held in Denver, July 6, prior to the convening of the Democratic national convention.

Eugene Pringle, Republican Father.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
CHICAGO, June 17.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Jackson, Mich., says:

"Eugene Pringle, the oldest member and president of the Jackson county bar, and for more than half a century prominent in Michigan politics, died at his home in this city last night of apoplexy. Mr. Pringle was the man who conducted the mass meeting at which the Republican party was formed in the western part of this city, 'under the oak,' in 1854. Twenty years after he deserted that party and became a Democrat. Mr. Pringle was born in Otsego county, New York, in December, 1836.

Killed in Prizefight.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 17.—Thomas Hagan, a marine, was killed tonight by a blow over the heart in a prizefight with a pugilist named Johnnie Hogan on board the battleship Mississippi.

Pacific Coast League.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
OAKLAND, June 17.—The game today was called in the fifteenth inning on account of darkness. The score was: Portland, 7; Oakland, 7.

LOS ANGELES, June 17.—Los Angeles, 4; San Francisco, 1.

Northwest League.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
SPOKANE, June 17.—Spokane, 3; Vancouver, 2.

ABERDEEN, Wash., June 17.—Aberdeen, 5; Butte, 14.

TAFT IS THE NOMINEE

CHICAGO, Ill., June 18.—For president of the United States, William H. Taft of Ohio. Taft on first ballot, Taft by 702 votes. Taft by unanimous choice of convention.

Such is the record culminating the third day of the Republican national convention of 1908, effected amid scenes of tumultuous enthusiasm and after a nerve-racking continuous session lasting nearly eight hours. With the president named and the platform enunciated, there remains only the nomination of the vice-president to complete the momentous work.

Tonight the whole city is given over to wild exultation in honor of the new candidate whose name goes echoing through the country.

The picture within the walls of the vast amphitheater as the presidential candidate was named was truly grand in magnitude. In front, to right and left, above and below, a billowing sea of humanity, restless after seven hours of waiting, was in a fever of anticipation. The favorite sons of other states had been named, save Knox and La Follette, and now on rollcall, Ohio came. As the Buckeye state was reached the tall, gaunt form of Theodore E. Burton advanced to the platform to nominate Ohio's candidate. He spoke fervently, with the ringing voice of an evangelist which went ringing through the great building. The close of his speech was a signal for a great demonstration. Instantly the Ohio delegates were on their feet, other Taft states following, while the convention floor broke in the gallery and on the floor hosts into a mad demonstration.

All semblance of order was soon lost. Quifers of states were snatched up by Taft enthusiasts or borne under by the storm of disorder. The band was inaudible, a mere whisper amid a deafening volume of sound. For ten, fifteen, yes, twenty minutes this uproar was continued. But there is a limit to the resources of throat and lung and at last, tired voices died to a hoarse shout and at last subsided. In the lull that followed, George A. Knight of California delivered the seconding speech and in another lull which came as he concluded, Knox and La Follette were placed in nomination.

Amid this pandemonium and with galleries in full control, Chairman Lodge decided upon heroic action in order to again make the convention master of its affairs. He ordered the roll call of states to begin for the vote on president. Such a call under such circumstances probably never before occurred in the history of national conventions. The secretary, powerless himself, heard about the deafening clamor, seizing megaphone, he shouted the roll call of the states, "Alabama, Arkansas," but his voice was swallowed up in the mad uproar.

Gradually the curiosity of the multitude conquered their enthusiasm and they lapsed into silence to hear the result of the call. A hush of expectancy hung over the assembly as the call proceeded. Hasty summaries showed Taft far in advance. When New York was reached the Taft column totaled 427. Ohio carried the Taft total to 611, or 20 more than enough to nominate. Still the call went on until the final result was announced by Chairman Lodge:

For Theodore Roosevelt, 3 votes; Joseph Foraker, 16 votes; Charles W. Fairbanks, 40; Joseph Cannon, 61; Robert La Follette, 25; Charles E. Hughes, 63; Philander C. Knox, 68, and for William H. Taft, 702.

A great shout went up as Lodge concluded and with one accord the adherents of Cannon, Knox and Hughes and the others joined in common tribute for the candidate of the party. General Woodruff, for Hughes, leaping upon a chair, moved to make the nomination unanimous; Penrose, for Knox; Boutell, for Cannon; Henry of Georgia, for Foraker, and Cochrane, for La Follette, seconded the motion for a unanimous vote. The vote was given with a ringing cheer and then with the shouts of exultation over the new candidate began.

The convention adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow, when the nomination for vice-president will be made.

Baseball Sunday.
Grants Pass and Medford teams will play at the Medford grounds on Sunday. Grants Pass has a strong team and have played some good games this year. Medford is pretty strong also and will present some new faces, as well as a few of the old guard to the fans Sunday.

The infield will be one that will be hard to beat. Wilkinson will hold down the initial station, Ross of Central Point and Shorfy Miles will be on each side of the keystone sack. Effort will take care of the difficult corner, while Rothermal, Strang and Payette will take care of the outer gardens. Sammy Boussum will shoot 'em down the alley and Sanderson will be behind the mask and protector.

FRUIT CROP IS GENERALLY GOOD

Knowing that the residents of the valley are very much interested in this year's fruit crop, The Morning Mail is having a representative interview prominent fruitgrowers of the valley as to their crops for this year and as his report is made to the office from time to time within the next month we will publish interviews showing what the conditions of the fruit crop are this season.

Yesterday a large number of growers southwest of this city were interviewed and from all indications there will be a good crop of fruit obtained from the orchards in that section. The prospects are of the brightest and dispel a number of reports that fruit will be scarce in that part of the valley. One report that has been going the rounds of late is to the effect that the almond crop would be very light and in some instances no returns would be obtained from some of the orchards. Reports dispel this. Another report that has been shown false is that the pear crop was ruined in certain sections by frost. The places that have been visited to date show that the pear crop will have to be thinned—so the frost could not have been very bad.

Regarding the apple crop, it is interesting to know that a banner yield will be obtained this year, whereas Colorado is said to have lost 50 per cent of her crop and other apple-growing sections have suffered.

L. H. Meigs reports a full crop of prunes and apples. There will be about three-quarters of a pear crop and over half a crop of almonds, and the ones that are set are going to be splendid ones. A full crop of peaches on Mr. Meigs' trees will more than balance the shortage in pears.

R. T. King reports a good crop of pears, about one-third crop of prunes, a splendid crop of apples, peaches light and a splendid crop of cherries.

Louis Knips reports a fairly good crop of pears and prunes, and splendid crop of apples and cherries. His wheat and oat crop is exceptionally good.

George Launsbach has a good crop of nectarines, a good crop of peaches, full crop of prunes and some splendid grapes. His crops are exceptionally fine.

Folk Hull has a light crop of raspberries and his fruit is a little short of what it should have been.

Henry Pohlman reports a splendid crop of apples on his 35 acres.

L. A. Cobb has five acres of fruit that is in splendid bearing. His pears are not as heavy as was expected, but his apples are loaded.

Mr. Fridiger has a fair crop of prunes. The orchard varies, in some places being heavy and in others light.

B. J. Broocks has a light crop of prunes, about half a crop of pears, and a splendid crop of apples.

The crops of E. E. Morrison are said to be very good this year.

FAIRBANKS FIRM.

Says He Will Not Accept the Second Place.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
CHICAGO, Ill., June 17.—The pro-nomination of a letter from Vice-President Fairbanks reiterating his "irrevocable determination" not to again be a candidate for the office he now holds, was the most important development of the day in connection with the vice-presidential situation. It was confidentially asserted he would not decline unanimous nomination.

"If the Republican convention refuses to adopt the platform on which the secretary feels he can make a winning race, the Republican convention will have to find a man who needs no platform to win."

While this statement is not being put forward as an actual ultimatum, it is the principal weapon which advocates of the injunction plank are using to compel the committee on resolutions and the convention itself to make such declaration. It is their last resort and momentous import of alternative implied presents more strikingly than could anything else the desperate straits to which the supporters of the injunction declaration have been driven by the persistent fight made against it. The statement quoted was made tonight by a member of the sub-committee which is preparing the platform and which is friendly to both Roosevelt and Taft. It was the result of a careful analysis of the situation and made after almost 24 hours of continuous service in the committee-room, and undoubtedly presented his view of the situation.

MISSISSIPPI FOR BRYAN.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
JACKSON, Miss., June 17.—The Democratic state convention which met here today, instructed delegates to support Bryan for president.

PARAGRAPHS FROM THE STATE PRESS

A group of Jefferson county farmers were talking about the great record Colantha IV's Johanna made. All of them were Holstein men, that is, they had grade Holstein cows. Said one:

"I don't believe a word of that talk about Colantha."

Said another: "Well, they say it is true, because the experiment station did the testing."

Said a third: "I'll tell ye, if our grade cows were fed as well, and if they had as good stables, and if they had as good care, and if we would spend as much money on our cows, and if we could find some newspaper man to blow as much about us, and if—and then another neighbor chimed in with the truest remark of all—and if our cows were as good cows as Colantha," and the crowd broke up.—Hoard's Dairyman.

"The Pacific coast got everything it wanted from the recent Methodist conference at Baltimore," said R. Lee Paget, cashier of the Portland Trust company, who has just returned from the East, this morning. "And in addition to that, our Oregon delegation feels that in Bishop Charles W. Smith Portland has secured the best one of the eight prelates elected at the great religious gathering. Bishop Smith is the oldest man who has ever been chosen to that exalted station, being 68 years of age, but he is a young man in everything but years. He should have been elected four years ago at Los Angeles, but it was thought then that his age counted against him, but because of his great experience and his fine judicial ability now at the next succeeding quadrennium he is honored.—Telegram.

It is reported that Klamath Falls business men are looking into the matter of securing the business of Northern Lake county, which now goes north to Shaniko and south to Lakeview. The distance from this locality to Klamath Falls is about the same as to Lakeview, and nearly 100 miles nearer than to Shaniko, and the business men of Klamath Falls assert that freight can be brought in by way of their city and delivered at northern Lake points at a much cheaper rate than is now paid from either Lakeview or Shaniko—Klamath Express.

Portland will have one of the finest harbors in the world, providing plans now being prepared for various improvements in the Willamette river by Engineer J. B. C. Lockwood of the Port of Portland, and Harbor-master J. Speier, meet with the approval of the engineers of the United States war department. Back of these men, it is said, the Port of Portland commission stands ready and willing to do anything within its power to carry out the stupendous improvements suggested. It is proposed to dredge an immense basin for the anchorage of ships and a new channel west of Swan Island. In this basin, facilities will be provided so that all large seagoing vessels may anchor when not loading or unloading a cargo, and be removed from all the inconveniences and dangers of standing in the main and much-traveled channel of the river, which in winter is swept by the high winds. It will also remove them from all the small river craft and the large log rafts which at times become a menace to ships anchored, as such craft and rafts will not be permitted to travel near the anchorage basin, but take the channel to the east of the Island.—Telegram.

Boswell Springs hotel and clubhouse, at the famous mineral springs resort, two miles south of Drain, was burned to the ground Saturday night, the building and contents being totally destroyed and a complete loss, there being no insurance. How the fire originated is not yet known, but occupants of the hotel barely had time to escape with their lives. The hotel was a large structure, handsomely furnished, and the fine paintings were the handiwork of Mrs. Boswell and were worth thousands of dollars, and all were consumed by the flames. Many will remember them as being exhibited at the Lewis and Clark exposition, where they attracted widespread attention. The loss will probably reach \$10,000. The resort was recently reopened for the season by Mrs. Boswell, the captain having died some time ago. Mrs. Boswell was recently offered \$25,000 for the resort, but declined the figure, placing the value at \$100,000.—Eugene Register.

A house—a house. Who has a house to rent? Not one to be had—not even a shack.—McMinnville News-Reporter.

Already most of the Grants Pass saloon buildings have been rented for other purposes.—Courier.

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