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PERVERSION OF JUSTICE.

(Eugene Register) Courts are supposed to deal out justice. That is the business for which they are supposed to exist.

The Curvallis Times, discussing the case, puts it right when it says: "The striking feature of the case is that during the trial Mr. Putnam desired to prove the truth of his criticism, but the court ruled out the evidence."

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This new and weird decision might well in Russia, but not in a country of a free people and free speech.

PEOPLE WITH PUTNAM.

The following, under the above caption, appears in the Portland Oregonian of January 15.

"Portland, Jan. 14.—To the Editor of The Journal—I have awaited with much interest the outcome of the libel brought against the editor of the Tribune, George Putnam, and I am glad to have studied the case and was not surprised to see."

"While I deeply sympathize with Mr. Putnam, yet I cannot help but think that for the best interests of the people at large, and of Jackson county in particular, it was the best thing that could have happened."

"It seems that someone must needs be sacrificed before the people will arise to assert their own rights and demand that they be heard. Mr. Putnam has taken it upon himself to champion the rights of the citizens and taxpayers of Jackson county, and in so doing he has had the misfortune to incur the enmity of those who sit in high places."

A PAID-UP CIRCULATION.

At last the postal department has become wearied of carrying the mass of dead-end circulation that country editors have padded their subscription lists with, and put into effect new rules which will compel a business-like system to newspaper offices.

It has long been the custom of the country publisher, and some city publishers, too, to keep sending a paper, once the name was on the list, and trust to luck to collect.

In the old pioneer days it was a matter of honor with the subscriber, and he always paid, even if the bill was ten years old; but times have changed. New people are constantly coming, and old timers moving out, and newspaper that does not advance is a dead weight.

C. H. Pierce & Son are planning for extensive advertising one. List your property, with them get best results.

Uncle Sam has come to the rescue, for the average country editor in Oregon hasn't nerve enough to demand that which is rightly his, and fears to send a bill for fear of losing a subscriber, just as he fears to print an item of news or to take a definite stand, lest it offend someone.

FOR A PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The ladies of Medford are making a most commendable effort to secure a public library. Committees are out hunting funds and citizens generally should make it a point to assist this long needed and much desired feature.

It is the intention to locate the library temporarily in the new city hall, a convenient and central location, available to every one. Assistance is pledged by the state library board, providing a start is made by the citizens themselves, and the nucleus of a library installed. To secure this nucleus, the public-spirited ladies are seeking to raise \$500. These books will be supplied by a circulating library supplied by the state, thus giving readers a chance to secure latest books.

The advantages of a library are too numerous and too self-evident to need detailed notice. The library is a necessity, and how Medford has managed to grow to its present size without one is hard to grasp. It can only be explained by the rapid growth, which has distanced most civic improvements.

For the sake of the growing generation as well as for the sake of the visiting tourist, and for your own sake, subscribe a little money to this needed improvement, for a city to be without a library in this age is almost as bad as to be without schools.

A LITTLE CRUDE.

(Umpqua Valley News.) The instructions given to the jury in the George Putnam case at Medford last week by Judge Hanna may have been according to law. If so, it's time the law was repealed. It may have worked all right a thousand years ago, but in this age it's a little crude to stand thorough investigation.

PUBLIC LIBRARY NEEDED BY MEDFORD CHILDREN

Above all else, the work of the library begins by reaching out and touching the lives of the young.

If you teach the child to read but do not teach him what to read nor help him to form a good taste in the selection of his reading, you have furnished him with edged tools which may in his hands become weapons turned against his neighbor or against his own life. The new novel libraries and the gaily printed vulgarity of the Sunday newspaper were never so much in evidence as they are today and perhaps never quite so noxious in their effect upon the heart and imagination of the future citizen, husband and father. The weak and silly story paper, the vivid and impossible romance pour in a flood from the roaring press; and it is from these that our girls are to get their views of life.

Luthr. Burbank says: "If we hope for any improvement of the human race we must begin with the child, as the child responds more readily to environment than any other creature in existence."

It is the mission of the public library to bring to these young lives the ripened fruit of the love and tenderness which humanity has in all ages borne toward childhood; to fill these ingenious hearts with such visions of truth and beauty that there shall be no room left for whatsoever defileth or marketh a life. Our children have tasted of the fruit of knowledge; it lies in our power to enable them to grasp the fruit of life; and one generation of fully redeemed childhood would show us a redeemed world.

The library deserves our sympathy, then and our support because it may be of such benefit to those who need it most—the teacher of the untaught, the refuge of the friendless, a dispenser of the "medicine of the soul" to those who have found no physician for their complaints.

PHACTS FROM PHOENIX.

Dad Brooks had a slight attack of paralysis Saturday night, but is better.

M. W. Wheeler and family from the west side visited here with friends Sunday.

Bob Hughes, the Ashland real estate man, was here Sunday, visiting with the hot air club.

Miss Clara Elmer spent Saturday and Sunday in Ashland with friends.

There will be a grand social dance here Saturday night.

Rev. Robert Kniss of Jacksonville delivered a most interesting sermon here Sunday.

Calvin Tucker of Independence district spent Sunday with us.

James Harvey, who recently sold out here and moved to near Myrtle Creek, is back among us again.

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS.

The Native Daughters and Sons held a social meeting in their hall Wednesday evening, when Miss Prim's side in the contest entertained for the last time. Shadow pictures was the amusement of the evening, followed by dancing and refreshments.

Surveyor Frederick Perkins spent the last two days in town, surveying the crossings for cement walks.

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PROSPERITY AND PAPERS

Business Tells of Close Alliance of Press and Community—T Good Live Newspaper, Well Patronized, Means an Up-to-Date and Energetic Town.

The Tribune and other papers of Medford came in for a great deal of praise at the Commercial club smoker the other evening, and speakers clearly showed how the prosperity of a community was allied to the prosperity of its newspaper, and how the progressive-ness and character of a city's business was summed up from the newspaper by the general public.

W. E. Thornton of North Yakima started the talk in the direction of a newspaper. He said: "I do not think that you people of Medford realize how much the Tribune is doing for you. There is hardly an issue in which the city or country is not boosted, and in which facts, attractive to the home-seeker are not set forth."

Hutchason's Opinion. "A good newspaper is a community's best advertisement. It speaks constantly for it and deserves patronage and support. If it is not patronized and supported, as it merits, it does not speak well of the community. We who are traveling about, looking for a place to locate, are guided largely by the newspapers, and if we find a live and up-to-date paper, generously supported, we naturally decide that the community is a live and progressive one. I think all of you business men ought to help a paper that is a credit to a place the size of Medford."

J. F. Hutchason, manager of the Baker-Hutchason Co., said: "I desire to go on record as saying that I believe that the greatest single factor in the growth of a community is the daily newspaper, and I think that we business men should patronize our paper most liberally, not only for our own business, but for our city. The newspaper goes into hundreds of homes and is sent to many places where it does missionary work for its town."

Is Best Advertisement. "It is hard to tell where the influence of the paper stops, or what it does not accomplish. When it is a creditable one, there is no better advertisement for the community that publishes it, and the more patronage extended the better the paper possible. It is a duty we owe our town to help the press in every way we can, for the press is constantly helping each of us in the up-building of the city."

What Shortie Thinks. "All of my success in business I attribute to advertising," said Shortie Garnett. "To the newspapers is due largely my commercial growth. I purchased three years ago an undeveloped business and it has increased nearly four-fold since, principally by the aid of printer's ink. It is due to the newspapers to patronize them liberally, for they are the agents that build up not only private business, but the community as well. Do you think I could have sold 127 Toledo ranges last year if it had not been for the newspapers? No, and Medford cannot exceed its fare in the east without newspapers."

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

The Nash.

Adam Mueller Portland; Carl Oety, Vancouver, Wash.; A. C. Smith, San Francisco; A. T. Duhamel, Seattle; R. J. Kirkley, A. Sinsheimer, H. Brash, Portland; E. G. Deckaback, Salem; O. M. Risso, Portland; L. E. Sims, Phoenix; Will E. Rapson, Oakland, Cal.; J. A. Macaulay, Berkeley, Cal.; James P. Nash, Grants Pass; E. Spencer, Wat. King; H. P. Findlay, San Diego; Del C. Rogart, George B. Pratt, Frank Ling, Portland; Henry D. Rubbi, Applegate; O. W. Todd, Elgin; Mr. and Mrs. W. Rosenberg, Frederick, S. D.; W. T. Hislop, Cleveland, O.

The Big January Clearance Sale continues at MEEKER'S Great Dry Goods Store. Bargains in Everything you need. Pay LESS and DRESS BETTER

W. H. MEEKER & CO.

The Nash Hotel and Grill

Only first-class house in the city. Absolutely the finest grill between Portland and San Francisco. A specialty is made of oyster, shell and other fish. All meats used are cold storage government inspected. Catering is all its branches.

R. W. GRAY, Builder

COLONIAL PORCH WORK, GRILL AND LATH WORK, PATTERNS, ETC.

TELEPHONE 471. MEDFORD, OR.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Mrs. H. M. Hansen to Edith A. Wells, 5.10 acres in section 8, township 39, range 1 E. 175 Edith A. Wells to W. H. Yockey, 5.10 acres in section 8, township 39, range 1 E. 19 Henry Clark to D. D. Sage, property in Cottage Addition, Medford 200 T. H. Gilham to Amy A. Doran, 5 acres in section 10, township 39, range 1 E. 10 Ira Kime to Joel Hartley, land in D. L. C. 59, township 38, range 1 W. 1 Ira C. Smith to T. B. Klusman, east by lot 10 and lot 11, Eracht's Addition, Ashland. 10

PHOTO GALLERY SOLD.

J. H. C. Maskey, has sold his photograph gallery to Mr. F. W. Lesmeister. The reason that I have not announced it sooner was to find out first what kind of a photographer Mr. Lesmeister was. Now I can say that he is a good all-round photographer and I recommend him to all of my customers and friends. Respectfully H. C. MACKAY.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

In re: The Estate of William Russell, deceased—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of said estate has filed his final account in said matter, and by the order of the county court the final hearing and settlement thereof will be heard on Monday, March 2, 1905, at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day. All persons interested therein are hereby notified to present their objections to said account on or before said time. Date of first publication, January 18, 1905. L. C. NARBEGAN, Administrator.

Buy Tickets by Wire.

Something which is of considerable interest to the public generally and which is perhaps not generally known is the system of prepaid orders now in effect between stations of the Southern Pacific company and all points in the United States. By means of this system tickets may be purchased at Medford from any place in the United States and mailed or telegraphed direct to the party wishing to come here. Sleeper accommodations and small amounts of cash in connection with these tickets may also be furnished at the same time.

SALE OF MUNICIPAL BONDS.

Sealed proposals will be received by the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, at the office of the city recorder or sale city, until Friday, January 25, 1905, at 6 o'clock p. m., for the purchase of \$25,000 in ten-year, 6 per cent coupon bonds of said city, in denominations of \$500 each, interest payable semi-annually. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check for an amount equal to 5 per cent of the amount of such bid, payable to the city of Medford, and said city council reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Dated at Medford, Oregon, January 12, 1905.

BENJ. M. COLLINS, City Recorder.

The Southern Oregon State Normal School at Ashland offers special opportunities for teachers to review for the teachers' examinations in February and August, and to take work in Pedagogy and in Special Methods in teaching in the various grades of the training school. Since the public schools of Oregon are calling for teachers who can teach Manual Training, many are taking advantage of the industrial work lately installed in the school. Expenses of board and lodging and tuition nominal. The State Normal School at Ashland is enjoying the largest appropriation of state funds ever granted a Normal school in the history of Oregon. Catalogues sent on application to the school.

Coal for Sale. We are now prepared to furnish hand-picked coal at the mine, five miles out of town, in any amount desired \$7.50 per ton. PACIFIC COAL CO.

C. H. Pierce & Son. Pride themselves on pleasing customers, doing a straight commission business and leaving the option business to others.

TIME TABLES

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Northbound. No. 16 Oregon Express... 5:39 p. m. No. 14 Portland Express... 9:49 a. m. No. 225 For Ashland... 10:15 a. m. Southbound. No. 15 California Express... 10:35 a. m. No. 13 San Francisco Exp... 1:50 p. m. No. 225 From Grants Pass... 9:15 p. m.

PACIFIC & EASTERN RAILWAY.

No. 1 Leaves Medford... 8:00 a. m. No. 3 Leaves Medford... 2:45 p. m. No. 2 Arrives Medford... 10:10 a. m. No. 4 Arrives Medford... 5:00 p. m.

ROGUE RIVER VALLEY RAILWAY

No. 2 Leaves Medford... 10:40 a. m. No. 4 Leaves Medford... 5:55 p. m. Motor Leaves Medford... 2:00 p. m. Motor Leaves Medford... 9:00 p. m. No. 1 Leaves Jacksonville... 9:30 a. m. No. 3 Leaves Jacksonville... 3:30 p. m. Motor Leaves Jacksonville... 1:00 p. m. Motor Leaves Jacksonville... 7:30 p. m.

Special motor car trips during day, \$2.00 and upward, according to number people. Phone Jacksonville office.

Food for Convalescents. Image of a man sitting at a table.

Miller & Ewbank. For City Recorder. Benj. M. Collins, Incumbent. Candidate for Re-Election.

No Fire in the Kitchen Range. No Hot Water in the House. Electric Water Heaters. Image of a woman with a water heater.

Coudor Water and Power Co. Image of a water heater.

GET UNDER COVER. BEST PROPERTY IN MEDFORD. ROGUE RIVER Land Co. EXHIBIT BUILDING, MEDFORD, OREGON.

The Medford National Bank. CAPITAL \$50,000. SURPLUS 10,000. Safety Boxes to Rent. A General Banking Business Transacted. We Solicit Your Patronage.

THE SIGN OF SAFETY. 1ST NATIONAL BANK OF MEDFORD. CAPITAL, \$50,000. ALWAYS CONSERVATIVE, ALWAYS SAFE.

Because He Paid by Check. JACKSON COUNTY BANK. Established 1888. MEDFORD, OR. Capital, Surplus and Deposits Over \$825,000.

Medford Steam Bakery. HOT ROLLS FOR BREAKFAST or dainty little dinner rolls that will tempt the appetite of the most fastidious. In the kind we serve every day when ordered. Breadstuffs, light, white and delicious, is our specialty, as well as the richest, finest cakes, pastry and pies. When you want enjoy your meals, order your bakestuffs from us.

THE MOST POPULAR CAFE. THE NASH. Image of people at a cafe.

CATALOG HOUSES ARE NOT MERCHANT TAILORS. PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRY. THE CITY TAILOR. Image of a tailor.