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THE WEATHER.
Fair tonight and Tuesday.
Easterly winds.

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\$1200 PREMIUM PAID FOR \$25,000 MEDFORD CITY BONDS BY E. H. ROLLINS AND SONS

Six Per Cent, Ten Year Securities Bring Good Prices Notwithstanding Financial Depression in East, Showing Medford has Good Standing in Eastern Money Markets.

Improved condition of the financial market and the splendid credit Medford securities have abroad were reflected in the bids made by various financial houses for the \$25,000 ten-year 6 per cent city improvement bonds. E. H. Rollins & Sons of Boston secured the bonds, paying a premium of \$1200 for them. W. A. Scott represented the successful bidders. The bid was accepted by the city council Saturday night.

Other bids were received from the Jackson County bank, on behalf of John Nuvion of Chicago, \$25,050; McDonald, McCoy & Co. of Chicago, \$25,150; A. J. Hood & Co. of Detroit, Mich., \$25,025; and Morris Bros. of Portland, \$25,955. The successful bid was as follows:

The Successful Bid.
For \$25,000 City of Medford, Or., general fund improvement 6 per cent bonds, dated February 1, 1908, due February 1, 1918, without option of prior redemption, both principal and semi-annual interest payable at the office of the city treasurer, Medford, Or., or at the banking house of Kountze Bros. New York City, at the option of the holder, denomination \$1000, we will pay you \$26,200 and accrued interest to date of delivery.
We enclose herewith certified check No. 10,675, payable to the order of the city of Medford, Or., to be held as and evidence of good faith.
Your city is to do all things necessary and required by our attorneys to legally issue said bonds prior to delivery to us; and the city to furnish us a complete certified history of all proceedings relating to the proposed issue, satisfactorily evidencing legality thereof, to our attorneys, and in the event of their declining to approve said bonds, the enclosed check is to be returned to us immediately.
We will furnish the blank bonds free of expense and delivery to be made to us in Chicago, Ill.
This bid is made with the understanding that all of said bonds are a direct obligation of and a lien upon all of the taxable property within the cor-

porate limits of said city of Medford, Or. Respectfully submitted,
"E. H. ROLLINS & SONS,
By W. A. Scott."
Unsuccessful Bids.
Among the other bids were the following:
On behalf of John Nuvion & Co. of Chicago, Ill., we bid \$25,050 for the \$25,000 6 per cent bonds offered. Offer subject to their being furnished with complete records evidencing legality satisfactory to their attorneys. Check for the sum of \$1250 inclosed. Bonds to be ten years, money furnished as needed, bonds to be delivered in Chicago. Years truly,
"THE JACKSON COUNTY BANK,
Geo. K. Lindley, Cashier."
Will pay \$1150 premium; also accrued interest for Medford ten-year bonds. If 5 1/2 per cent, will pay \$280 premium, also interest, subject to legality satisfactory to our attorney. Will furnish blank bonds free. Wire if accepted.
"MAO DONALD, M'COY & CO."
Intend to advertisement offering for sale \$25,000 city of Medford bonds, we will take said amount of bonds, dated January 1, 1908, or as may be otherwise agreed upon between us, due in ten years from date of issue, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, bonds to be in denomination of \$500 each; both principal and interest to be made payable at a designated fiscal agency in New York City, and will pay therefor par and accrued interest at date of delivery, plus a premium of \$955, we to furnish blank bonds free of cost.
"MORRIS BROTHERS,
C. K. Williams, Manager."
We wish to tender the following bid for your issue of bonds advertised to be sold January 25, 1908: For \$25,000 Medford, Or., improvement bonds, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, dated January 1, 1908, maturing in ten years, without option of prior payment, denomination \$500, we will pay you par and a premium of \$25, and agree to furnish the blank bonds free of cost.
"A. J. HOOD & CO."

GLADYS VANDERBILT WEDS HER HUNGARIAN COUNT

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The wedding of Miss Gladys Moore Vanderbilt, daughter of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, to Count Laszlo Szechenyi, a member of the Hungarian nobility, lieutenant of Hussars and hereditary member of the Austro-Hungarian parliament, took place on Fifth avenue at the home of the bride's mother, soon after noon today, in the presence of 350 guests. Miss Vanderbilt was accompanied to the altar by her elder brother, Cornelius, and the count's best man was Count Sigray. The ceremony was performed by Monsignor M. G. Lavelle, rector of St. Patrick's cathedral, assisted by Rev. John Verne. The wedding chorus from Gail's cantata, "Ruth," was sung by 30 boys, attired in vestments from St. Patrick's chancel choir. Following the ceremony, a wedding breakfast was served. This afternoon the Count and Countess Szechenyi went to Newport, to remain for a week at the home of Reginald Vanderbilt.

Taft ASKS MONEY FOR BIG SEATTLE FAIR

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The appearance of Secretary Taft before the house committee on industrial arts and exhibitions in support of an appropriation for the Seattle exposition in 1909, was the general signal for a demonstration in his honor by the congressional delegation from Washington and the delegation of business men and officials from Washington, also present. He pleaded for an appropriation for the exposition.
Taft thought that on account of the Philippines finances the government will not be able to make an exhibition of considerable size, but said that the war department would have the Jamestown Philippines exhibit sent to Seattle. In an indirect way Taft touched upon the relations of Japan and the United States. The exposition at Seattle, he thought, would have a good effect all over the Pacific and declared it would help interest trade with the Orient and bring the peoples of both sides of the Pacific into closer relation.

CROWDS ATTEND TRIAL OF CAPITOL LOOTERS

HARRISBURG, Jan. 27.—The trial of the men charged with conspiracy to loot the state treasury in connection with the reconstruction and furnishing of the state capitol building, commenced today. There is intense interest and spectators from all parts of the state are in attendance.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE TO HOLD MEETINGS

J. B. Knodell of the Oregon anti-Saloon league will be in Medford Saturday, Sunday and Monday, February 1, 2 and 3. Mass meeting Saturday at 7:30 p. m. in the Christian church. Mass meeting Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Wilson opera house. Mass meeting Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Wilson opera house. Meeting to organize Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the M. E. church. If

Marksmen Shoot at Ashland

The Medford marksmen report that they had the time of their lives at Ashland yesterday. They were met at the depot by a bus from the Hotel Park and transported to the shooting grounds. There was a large crowd from Medford and all enjoyed themselves, after which there was a spread at the Hotel Park.

AFTER THE THEATER

The Emerick Restaurant will be open after the theater tonight. See the minstrels and then go where you get the best things in the eating way.

Medford's Population 5015.

City Recorder Collins has made the following official statement to E. H. Rollins & Sons, who have purchased the bonds issued by the city: "I, Benjamin M. Collins, city recorder of Medford, Jackson Co., Oregon, duly elected, qualified and acting in said office, do hereby certify as follows:
"First—That the real valuation of all property within said city is approximately \$3,000,000.
"Second—That the equalized assessed valuation of said city for the year 1907 is \$1,949,781.
"Third—That the total bonded indebtedness of said city, including the proposed issue of \$25,000, ten years 6 per cent improvement bonds, is \$100,000, made up as follows: \$30,000 general fund city improvement, 6 per cent; 45,000 general fund city improvement, 5 per cent; \$25,000 general fund city improvement, 6 per cent (proposed).
"Fourth—That said city has no water bonds outstanding, but it has expended on its waterworks from the proceeds derived from the sale of general fund bonds, the sum of \$25,980.
"Fifth—That the present estimated population of Medford, based on the school census, is 5015. Population, census of 1900, was 1700."

THAW'S SIDE COMPLETED

Long Hypothetical Question to Alienists Irrational Acts.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The defense of the Thaw case completed this morning the introduction of all its testimony and shortly before the noon recess Littleton began to read a long and carefully prepared hypothetical question to the three alienists engaged to testify in Thaw's behalf. The question covered all the testimony in the case and before being read had been submitted to Jerome for any objection the prosecution had to offer. Only slight changes resulted.
As the testimony at the present hearing has differed largely from the first trial, so the hypothetical question differed from the one propounded last year by Delmas. Evidence as to irrational acts or manner, from infancy to the time of the homicide was given precedence over every other phase of the testimony.

RAILROADS CAN KEEP BLACKLIST

Supreme Court Holds That Law Is Unconstitutional.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The supreme court of the United States handed down a decision today in the case of Adair vs. United States, holding that the act of congress of June 1, 1897, prohibiting railroad companies engaged in interstate commerce from discriminating against members of labor organizations in the matter of employment was unconstitutional. The opinion holding the law repugnant to the constitution is by Justice Harlan. A dissenting opinion was rendered by Justice McKenna.
In this case, one Adair, master mechanic of the Louisville & Nashville railway, discharged an employe because of his membership in a labor organization. The case was taken into the federal court under the act of congress above quoted.
The decision of the supreme court is of great importance in its effect upon labor organizations.

GARFIELD IS OPPOSED TO LARGE HOMESTEADS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Secretary Garfield made an adverse report on the house bill proposing to enlarge homesteads to 320 acres. He points out that practically as many homesteads were made last year as in 1905, and while this demand lasts, it is not apparent that there is need for increasing the size. Notwithstanding this report it is proposed to push the bill in congress, particularly as residents favor enlarging the size of homesteads in sections where the best agricultural land has been heretofore appropriated.
Final agreement was reached today on the bill, which passed both houses, permitting persons who have lost their first homestead entries through any cause other than sale, to exercise again homestead right. Final passage is expected Monday.

TEACHERS MAY GET RATES TO CLEVELAND

SALEM, Or., Jan. 27.—After extended correspondence State Superintendent Ackerman of the department of public instruction finds he was mistaken in the statement made in his former interview to the effect that delegates to the National Educational association had never been given reduced rates this side of the Missouri river. He says the railroads are showing a good disposition to help make the Cleveland meeting of the N. E. A. a success by giving reduced rates to all who wish to attend that great educational gathering to be held June 29 to July 3. The program is soon to be ready for distribution to Oregon educators.

PROVIDES PENSIONS FOR INDIAN WAR VETERANS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—At the behest of the survivors of the early Indian wars in the northwest, Senator Ankeny has introduced a bill granting them an increase of pension. Several bills for this purpose are now pending in Congress, and it is a question which one, if any, will be taken up for action this session.
The Ankeny bill provides that every Indian war pensioner now on the roll, or who may hereafter be granted a pension, shall receive \$12 instead of \$8 per month from the date of filing his original application, provided he has not reached the age of 65. Pensioners who are 65 or over shall receive \$15 per month, and those who are 70 shall draw \$20 per month. As most of the veterans are 70 years of age or older, the bill effectively increases the pensions of Indian war veterans from \$8 to \$20 per month.

DUKE LEAVES MEDFORD AFTER MANY ADVENTURES

George L. Duke, who first came to Medford as "Dare Devil Duke," bicycle rider for the summer carnival, but who did not do any riding, and who later worked at sign painting, advertising soliciting and house numbering, left Medford this morning for California. His closing hours were rendered exciting by his spectacular arrest Sunday just as he was about to board an outgoing train, on the charge of beating his board bill at the Hotel Nash. Duke paid four-fifths of his bill, but refused to pay the balance until his arrest. He deposited \$50 cash bail and cheerfully settled the balance Monday. Duke had a great deal of trouble, though some of his energy was misdirected, and it is due entirely to him that Medford has a street numbering system, though he failed to fulfill many numbering contracts.

Miss Isaacs Entertains

Miss L. Agnes Isaacs entertained a dozen of her young friends at her home in West Medford Friday night, January 24. The affair was given in honor of Miss Agnes' friend, Miss Myrtle Roberts, who left for Albany Saturday. The chief feature of the evening was cards. Light refreshments were served by the hostess.
All said they had a fine time.

MELDRUM EXONORATES BROWNELL

Former Surveyor General Brought Down From McNeil's Island to Admit Forgery.

PORTLAND, Jan. 27.—This may possibly be the last day of the prosecution in the Hall-Mays conspiracy case, and it was made interesting by the presence of Henry Meldrum, who was caught in the dragnet of the former land-fraud cases, while the United States surveyor-general, and who was brought down from McNeil's Island, where he is serving sentence, to testify that he forged the name of George C. Brownell to field notes, which resulted in the indictment of Brownell.
Brownell testified a few days ago that Hall held the forged notes over his head to force Brownell to retire as a candidate for United States attorney of Oregon and to release Senators Mitchell and Patton from their pledge to him, and to recommend Hall for re-appointment. Hency's purpose in having Meldrum confess the forgeries was twofold. It will dispose of the case against Brownell and also tend to prove that Brownell's testimony was not secured through promise of immunity. In other words, Hency will be killing two birds with one stone and dispose of the Brownell case while trying an entirely different one.
The objection of the defense to Meldrum's appearing as a witness will be decided this afternoon. Franklin Pierce Mays was placed on the stand this morning. Hency tried to prove by the witness that Hall knew that Mays was implicated in the "24-1" land-fraud case, and had promised to permit Mays to appear before the grand jury in his own defense, in exchange for his support of Hall in his fight for reappointment as United States attorney. Mays was still on the stand at noon adjournment.

NEW SLOGAN FOR VALLEY IS SUGGESTED

"Rogue River Valley Orchards Pay \$1000 Acre Yearly"—Would Paint it on Barns.

The Rogue River Valley Orchards company, a new concern, that recently purchased 1000 acres of the old Myer's place near Talent, and are planting it to fruit trees to be cut up into small tracts an sold at easy terms to purchasers, suggest the adoption of the words, "Rogue river valley orchards pay \$1000 an acre yearly," as a slogan for the valley. They would paint it on every fence, barn and billboard along the railroad track, and offer to donate \$100 to the Commercial club to start a fund for this purpose.
In a letter their ideas are set forth as follows:
"I note with a great deal of pleasure that you have across the top of the first page of your paper that the apple and pear orchards of the Rogue River Valley pay \$1000 per acre yearly. That is a statement that we have on all of our literature, samples of which we are sending you by this mail. We are sending out thousands of these to all parts of the country and while we sell to only one person, I believe that we will interest 50 and draw their attention to your very beautiful and productive valley."
"If the commercial clubs of the Rogue River Valley will adopt the slogan, 'The Rogue River Valley orchard land pays \$1000 per acre yearly,' and put it on the roof of every barn on both sides of the railroad track, I believe it would do more good than any one thing I know of. We stand ready to put up our share, or if desirable, would put up \$100 to start the thing off."
"I look forward to a time not very far distant when bare land in your valley will sell for what you now have to pay for a bearing orchard."
"CLYDE S. PAYNE."

ONE KILLED, MANY HURT IN BLAZE AT CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—One fireman was supposed to have been killed and more than a score of others injured and property valued at \$500,000 destroyed by a fire which devastated the Mayer building, a seven-story brick, and the Hotel Florence at 163-167 Adams street, early today. The fire started in the basement of the Mayer building, and when the firemen arrived the entire building was in flames. A strong north wind carried the flames to the adjacent hotel and in a few minutes that structure was a roaring furnace. The walls of both structures collapsed an hour later, carrying with them the entire company of firemen. All except one, James Gallagher, were rescued.
Guests of hotels rushed into the street in scant attire and were taken in care by the police and citizens. A number of printing establishments in the Mayer building were employing night shifts. These, too, hurried into the streets to safety. The gale from the north was bitterly cold, greatly hampering the work of the firemen.

HOMESTEADERS CAN LEAVE THEIR CLAIMS IN WINTER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—It is now up to the house of representatives to pass the bill recently put through the senate granting a leave of absence to homestead entrymen during the months of December, January, February and March of each year. This bill was promptly reported by the senate committee on public lands, on the showing of hardships which are so often endured by settlers in a new country.
The homestead law requires them to remain on their land the year round. The homesteader, in his first years, has little to occupy his time during the winter months; he has no opportunity to earn an income, and he is actually deprived of the privilege he might otherwise enjoy of moving to town and securing employment during the continuance of cold weather. The interior department approved the bill, and it was with this indorsement that it was reported and passed the senate.
As it passed the senate the bill provides: "That no homestead entry shall be canceled and no final proof shall be rejected because of any failure of the entryman named therein to hereafter actually reside upon the land covered by his entry during the months of December, January, February and March, or any portion of such months; provided that nothing in this act shall be construed as to relieve the entryman of the duty of residence during the months not named herein, and the period of absence permitted by this act shall be enumerated to apply upon the period of residence required under existing law."
In other words, if the entryman resides on his land from April 1 to November 30, inclusive, for five consecutive years, he will have fully complied with the residence clause of the homestead law.

MOTHER OF BABY JOHN ARRESTED FOR ARSON

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 27.—Mrs. John Martin, famous all over the coast because of her connection with the John Martin will case and the "Baby John" incident, is under arrest at Redding, Cal. The complaint charges her with arson in burning a cattle barn on Brown's creek, near Weaverville, January 7, entailing a loss of \$2000. The barn was the property of Mrs. James Morris, who was a strong witness against her in the famous will case.
"Baby John," now a boy of 16, was bound over to the superior court on the same charge. At his preliminary examination, which lasted over a week, and was full of sensation, Mrs. Martin acted as his counsel, and was calling nearly every person in Trinity county as a witness to pile up expenses, saying: "I will bankrupt Trinity county or free my son."
Mrs. Martin created a sensation in New York about two months ago by setting up the claim that "Baby John" was the son of the Princess Chimney.

Rich Butte Merchant Dead

BUTTE, Jan. 27.—D. J. Hennessy, president of the Hennessy Mercantile company, pioneer of Montana, the richest merchant in the Northwest, dropped dead today from heart trouble. He was born in Fredricktown, N. B., in 1854.

DEATHS BY RAILROADS SHOW BIG INCREASE

Startling figures appear in the annual bulletin issued by the interstate commerce commission covering the months of July, August and September, 1907. The report shows that the number of deaths on railroads during the quarterly period was 23,063, including 1230 killed and 21,724 injured. This is an increase of 157 in the killed and 2026 in the number injured, as compared with the corresponding period of 1906.