

MEDFORD'S RAPID GROWTH
Year Ending Postoffice Receipts Deposits, etc.
1904 5,244.10 391,500 2,100
1905 8,592.85 477,000 2,255
1906 8,607.13 625,000 2,100
1907 8,250.31 865,000 4,200
1908 11,951.65 1,120,000 6,300

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THE WEATHER.
Rain tonight and Thursday.
Southerly winds.
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SCHMITZ RELEASED FROM JAIL

Grafting Mayor Given Freedom Upon \$345,000 Bail--Ruef Also Planning to Secure Freedom on \$600,000 Cash Bail.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—Following the setting at liberty upon bail aggregating \$345,000 of former Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz last night, after being confined nine months in the county jail, preliminary steps were taken today for the release of Abe Ruef, whose attorneys took advantage of the admission in Henny's voluminous affidavit that Ruef had been twice indicted on every charge against him, with the exception of half a dozen charges, on which he was indicted separately.

Judge Lawlor held the suggestion proper that the defendant should be relieved of the burden of the additional indictments. Henny will tomorrow designate on which indictments Ruef is to be released on his own recognizance.

This will reduce Ruef's bail from \$1,250,000 to \$600,000, which Ruef declared he could give the moment his plea of guilty to the charge of extortion before Judge Dunne is withdrawn.

The supreme court, by unanimous vote, handed down a decision denying the application of the prosecution in the San Francisco bribery-graft cases for a rehearing after a decision by the district court of appeals in the case of ex-Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz, convicted of extortion in the French restaurant cases. Without a dissenting vote among the seven justices the court sustained the appellate court in its decision that the indictment upon which Schmitz was convicted was defective in that it did not aver that Schmitz was mayor; that Ruef, his co-defendant, was a political boss practically in control of the city; that as such they were in a position to exercise power and undue influence over the police commissioners, and that it did not show that Schmitz resorted to unlawful means in threatening to have liquor licenses withheld.

"The decision demonstrates," said ex-Mayor Schmitz, "that the highest court in the state believes what I have always claimed—that I was removed from office and railroaded to prison."

TOLEDO, OHIO, SCHOOL IS DESTROYED BY FIRE
TOLEDO, Ohio, March 11.—Napoleon's union school, the largest building of its kind in the state, was destroyed by fire this morning. A repetition of the Collinswood horror was possibly averted by only the quarter of an hour, as it was but 15 minutes to 9, when the fire was discovered and at 9, when all children should have been in their seats, the building was a mass of flames. The fire broke out in the attic, it is believed, from a defective flue. The school was rebuilt at a cost of \$1,000 last April.

TRAGEDY IN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Part Owner of Boston Exclusive Finishing College Shoots Her Partner and Then Puts Ballot in Her Own Head.

BOSTON, March 10.—At the Laurens school, an exclusive finishing school, patronized by the daughters of wealthy parents, last night, Miss Sarah Chamberlain Weed of Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, shot and killed Miss Elizabeth Bailey Hardee and then committed suicide. The women were partners in operating the school. Overwork following the opening of the school last October resulted in Miss Weed's breakdown. She was sent to the sanitarium, but escaped the nurses last night and returned to school. Miss Hardee volunteered to care for her. It was noted that Miss Weed acted strangely and finally she was induced to go to bed. This morning the bodies of both women were found in bed with bullet holes in their heads.

Medical Examiner Stedman declared that Miss Weed committed suicide after she had killed Miss Hardee.

PROHIBIT THROWING OF PROJECTILES FROM BALLOONS

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Secretary Root proposed to the senate committee of foreign relations that it ratify the pending Hague treaty, providing for general arbitration, by the adoption of a provision that all issues to be arbitrated must be separately submitted to the senate. Favorable reports were ordered on the treaties respecting the rules of war on land and the prohibiting of projectiles from balloons.

MORSE PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO MAKING FALSE ENTRIES

NEW YORK, March 11.—Charles A. Morse, former banker, and Alfred H. Curtis, former president of the National Bank of North America, pleaded not guilty in the United States circuit court today to the joint indictment of 29 counts, including 18 for conspiracy and 11 for making false entries. The bail was fixed at \$20,000 for Morse and \$1000 for Curtis.

OBJECTS TO ANARCHISTS' PARTICIPATION IN FUNERAL

CHICAGO, March 11.—Anarchists being repugnant to the Jewish race, forbidden in the tenets of their religion, Olga Avchench has protested against anarchists taking part in the ceremonies incidental to the removal of her brother's body from Potter's field to the Jewish cemetery.

PRESIDENT TO PROBE WALL-STREET GAMBLING

WASHINGTON, March 11.—President Roosevelt has directed Herbert Knox Smith, of the bureau of corporations, to investigate the methods of stock trading with a view to furnishing a basis for possible future legislation regulating such practices. The president has expressed himself as decidedly in favor of eliminating stock gambling.

BOOSTERS OUT IN FULL FORCE

JACKSONVILLE VISITS MEDFORD

County Seat Boosters Come on Special Train to Visit Neighboring City

Over 400 Jacksonville boosters went out to the courthouse auditorium Tuesday evening when the second meeting of the Jacksonville Commercial club took place. The meeting was an enthusiastic one and it begins to look as if every man, woman and child in the old town had developed into a booster for the town and valley.

Excellent speeches were made by R. P. Mulkey, Captain F. L. Evans, J. Percy Wells and Attorney E. D. Briggs. Music was furnished by the Jacksonville Musical club, composed of Misses Ulrich, Wendt and Prim, and the Jacksonville band.

The committee on advertising has arranged for the publication of a pamphlet setting forth the resources of the town and community, and they have already placed an order for several thousand envelopes upon which will be printed in two colors a bunch of Tokay grapes and the words, "Jacksonville—the Home of the Tokay Grape."

The ladies of the town will arrange for the first meeting of the Ladies' Booster club at the next meeting of the Commercial club.

An annual clean-up day was decided upon and on Thursday, April 30, the entire town will come out and "sawallo" the town from one end to the other.

The club then adjourned to go in a body to Medford to meet the Medford boosters and hear Tom Richardson speak. By actual count, 147 boosters crowded into the special train, accompanied by the band.

At Medford the delegation was heartily welcomed by Judge Colvig and short speeches were made by Tom Richardson, Fred S. Morris, John D. O'Neil, George L. Davis, R. P. Mulkey, Captain Evans and others.

NEW NUT IS PLANTED IN HILLS OF YAMHILL

M'INNIVILLE, Or., March 11.—The Walnut club of this city has received through its secretary, W. H. LaTourrette, a present of 50 pistachio nut trees from the government experimental farm at Chico, Cal., for distribution to the members of the club, and a meeting has been called for the purpose of making the distribution. The pistachio is a native of Western Asia, but is grown in England and France. It is believed that the similarity of the Willamette valley climate to these two countries will insure the successful growing of the nuts here. The nuts are very high-priced and are used principally for flavoring the more expensive confectionery.

The Walnut club is active in introducing new varieties of products to the soil of this vicinity. Last year a few olive trees were set out on tracts of land owned by its members.

DRUG FOUND TO MAKE WICKED PEOPLE GOOD

NEW YORK, March 11.—Dr. John C. Quackebush announces that he has found a drug which will make wicked men good.

The doctor is a former professor of psychology at Columbia university, whose psycho-therapeutic exercises have put him in the front rank among specialists in that branch of medicine. Dr. Quackebush stated that observation of hundreds of moral and mental deficiencies has convinced him that a physical impairment invariably accompanied moral and mental delinquency, and that the curing of the criminal and the incompetent is impossible until the physical impairment is eliminated.

To restore the normal condition the specific glycerophosphates is now prescribed.

JOHN M' COURT NAMED AS BRISTOL'S SUCCESSOR

WASHINGTON, March 11.—The president today sent to the senate the nomination of John M'Court of Portland, Oregon, to be United States district attorney for the district of Oregon.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Western senators and congressmen have agreed upon the 320-acre homestead bill, which will be passed vigorously. It requires residence, except on land which had no water; also requires cultivation of one-quarter of the entry by the end of the third year.

MANY APPLAUD RICHARDSON

Development League Meeting Huge Success--Need of Publicity Campaign.

Ruthlessness and oratory were the features of a most successful meeting of the Oregon Development league meeting at the Commercial club rooms Tuesday night. The rooms could not begin to hold the crowd that assembled to hear the addresses made by Tom Richardson, Fred S. Morris, H. C. Bowers, A. D. Charlton and other Portland visitors.

At 9:30 o'clock, on account of the limited size of the hall, the audience adjourned to welcome the Jacksonville Commercial club, which, 150 strong, on a special train, accompanied by a brass band, had come over to participate in the development movement. Out-door speeches were made at the Exhibit building by local and visiting boosters, and at a late hour the county seat delegation returned.

Richardson Chief Speaker.

President W. M. Colvig of the Medford Commercial club presided and in his happiest vein welcomed the visitors and told of the growth, development and resources of the Rogue River valley.

Tom Richardson, chief booster of the Oregon Development league, and of the Portland Commercial club, to whose efforts more than to any one person is due the present awakening of Oregon to a realization of her resources and the advertising campaign now being carried on in the east, was the chief speaker of the evening. He told of the work of the Development league, of its progress and the consequent progress of Oregon, of what was being done in other cities in the way of publicity and what it was necessary to do in Medford.

Medford's Greatest Needs.

The things most dwelt upon by Mr. Richardson was the necessity of having a secretary of the Commercial club, who is paid to devote his entire time to the publicity work required, to the answering of letters of inquiry, the entertainment of visitors and the boosting work necessary; the necessity for larger contributions from business men and property-owners for publicity work, and the work of advertising in the east; the colonist rates granted by the railroads and in effect until May 1, so that a larger emigration of homeseekers will come to Medford.

"Medford and the Rogue River valley have the cheapest carfare in the world, the longest journey for the least money," said Mr. Richardson. "You can come here, 230 miles from Portland, 400 miles from San Francisco, for the same price you can go to Spokane, Seattle, Portland, San Francisco or Los Angeles from any point in the east. The railroads have picked this remote spot out as a Garden of Eden and are doing their best to bring settlers here by hauling them free for 300 to 400 miles. It is the duty of every one, man, woman and child, to omit no chance to spread the news of these colonist rates in the east.

Campaign of Publicity.

"There is no question of Medford's future if you but follow out the campaign of publicity you have begun. Today Medford is one of the lips of more people than any town of its size in Oregon. Every one has heard of your prize pears and of your wonderful valley and climate. But you must keep it up and increase it. You must spend more money and get used to large appropriations for advertising.

"You must do this from a purely selfish standpoint. Every penny you spend will return many fold. Your property will increase in value out of all proportion to your expenditures.

"You should pay your Commercial club secretary a salary that will enable him to devote all of his time to this work. Cass Bay is paying \$3000 a year, Eugene is paying \$5000, even sleepy old Salem has raised a \$15,000 publicity fund. Surely Medford can afford to pay more than \$25 a month, and it will be the best investment the city ever made."

Mr. Richardson was given hearty applause. The Portland guests were called upon, after which Judge Colvig told of Jackson county's resources. John D. O'Neil followed, clinching the arguments made by others with an array of facts and figures on fruit-raising and prospects in the Rogue River valley.

Among remarks made by Mr. Richardson were those praising some of Medford's stores as being the most up-to-

GUESTS FROM CITY PLEASED

Portland Visitors Charmed With Valley--Predict Great Future for Medford.

"Medford is destined to be the largest city between Portland and San Francisco if you work to make it. You have more natural resources than any other region in the United States. You have a beautiful valley, an ideal climate, orchards, coal, minerals, timber and the right kind of people. You have a good, daily newspaper, one of the best in the state. You need a good supply of pure water. I stand ready to take bonds up to \$300,000 for municipal waterworks. Go to it!"

Drifters Visit Medford.

These were among the remarks made by Fred S. Morris, capitalist of Portland, Tuesday night at the meeting of the Oregon Development league at the Commercial club rooms. Mr. Morris had returned with a delegation of "The Drifters," an organization of Portland and Spokane business men who visited the valley in a special car, took an automobile ride to Jacksonville, where they called upon C. C. Bookman, and took luncheon at Central Point with the newly elected mayor, Fred H. Hopkins of the Snowy Butte orebar.

All members of the party were charmed with the valley and greatly impressed with the future of the city. Several of them, including H. C. Bowers, life president of the Drifters; D. Wilcox and William Stiekney made brief talks. The hit of the evening was the brief speech made by A. D. Charlton, general passenger agent of the Northern Pacific railroad. He talked of "raising pairs" when he had lived in the valley and of having visited up-to-date stores where many "packages" were sampled and the contents found good.

Leave for Portland.

After the regular meeting, Mr. Morris addressed the visiting Jacksonville delegation and reported his praise of city and valley.

Wednesday morning the Drifters left for Portland. Others in the party were J. C. Lewis, William Norman and W. H. Harhart.

USES HAMMER AND KNIFE UPON WIFE AND CHILDREN

TACOMA, March 11.—A special to the News from Tacoma says that Warren McKay, a native of Canada, killed his wife and three children at their home there and committed suicide last night. Two men on the way to work early today, found McKay's body clad in his underclothing on the trail leading to the town from his home. It is believed that he poisoned himself, as no marks were found on his body.

The men notified the town marshal and he went to the scene, where he found the bodies of other members of the family. The wife and two children, with their throats cut and heads crushed in with blows of a hammer, McKay had been suffering from cancer on the face and it preyed on his mind.

MRS. SMITH SELLS LAND NEAR BURRELL ORCHARD

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith sold a 27-acre tract of land near the Burrell orchard to Charles A. Schmidt. Mr. Schmidt recently came from Seattle, Wash., and will make the Rogue River valley his future home. The consideration was \$2000. The deal was made through the Pierce & Son agency.

LAST SPIKE DRIVEN ON NORTH BANK ROAD

STEVENSON, Wash., March 11.—Driving the spike that formally heralds the completion of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railroad from Paseso to Vancouver, Wash., occurred today. There was no elaborate ceremony.

J. H. Mcintosh, the architect, who has been on a business trip in Portland for two weeks, will return this week.

date of any on the coast, ahead of even Portland and Seattle.

Mr. Richardson left for Grants Pass Wednesday, where he speaks to the Commercial club. Monday he made three addresses at Ashland—one to the Commercial club, one to the Normal school students and one to the public school pupils.

SPRECKELS AFFIDAVIT OF DENIAL

Graft Prosecution Financier Denies Having Been a Party to Immunity Contract With Ruef--Always Insisted Upon Punishment

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10.—Affidavits in regard to the Ruef immunity contract were filed in Judge Lawlor's court today by Rudolph Spreckels and by Ruef himself. Spreckels' affidavit contains the declaration that he always understood, believed and insisted that Ruef should be given substantial punishment and that Henny had always agreed with him in this respect, and always declared his intention of sending Ruef to prison.

Spreckels further says that he never saw the partial immunity contract, or knew its contents, until after it was made public January 19 last. The bulk of Spreckels' affidavits is given to explicit denials of certain details of affidavits of Ruef, Rabbi's Kaplan and Nieto.

The affidavit of Ruef is largely devoted to a bitter attack on the prosecution and a vigorous denial of statements contained in the affidavits it has filed.

TOBACCO GROWERS WIN WAR AGAINST OCTOPUS

LEXINGTON, Ky., March 11.—The negotiations have progressed nearly to the point where it can be stated as a certainty that the tobacco war in Kentucky, which has been fought vigorously for the past three years and which has been attended by rioting and incendiarism, will be settled immediately.

Negotiations are now in progress between the American Society of Equity, the organization of the growers, and the American Tobacco company, commonly known as the trust. The company, it is stated, has agreed to buy of the society its 1906 crop held in pool and amounting to more than 80,000,000 pounds. The agreed price is 15 cents per pound.

The three years' conflict which thus will be brought to a close in a victory for the growers has cost millions in property, destroyed by "night riders," several murders, the extension of funds and the apprehension of still greater trouble.

FINDS FORMER RECORDER RELATED TO MRS. COLLINS

Mrs. Benj. M. Collins discovered last Sunday that she was a niece of the late George S. Waldon. Mr. Waldon was a brother of Mrs. Collins' father, but had not been heard of by any of the Waldon family for more than 30 years at the time of his death, which took place in Medford about ten years ago. Mr. Waldon left Illinois in the year 1848 and settled in the state of Missouri, and later moved to Missoula, Mont., and from there to Jackson county, Oregon. Mr. Waldon was a minister of the gospel and preached in the Christian church in Medford for several years. He also served as recorder of Medford as early as 1887 and was several times elected justice for the Medford district, and was well liked by every one.

Another singular feature in this case is the fact that Judge Waldon, as he was commonly known, and his wife were buried on the same day. They expired within 20 hours and a double funeral was held. The present home of F. K. Donel was erected by Mr. Waldon, but has been repaired since.

HEARST TO EXAMINE BALLOTE FOR MAYORALTY

ALBANY, N. Y., March 11.—William Randolph Hearst has won a victory in the appellate court in his contest over the New York city majority election in the fall of 1905.

That tribunal today handed down an opinion holding that the attorney general has the right to open ballot boxes in any election district to determine the count. This point is decidedly contentious.

Hearst, who ran for mayor against George Metcalf, declared that his defeat was due to fraud and ballot judging and immediately opened the election. But the appellate court held that to open the ballot boxes it is not necessary for the attorney general to submit the preliminary evidence of fraud. Today's decision probably brings the bitterly fought contest to an end.

VALUE OF DAILY TO MEDFORD

Tom Richardson Praises Tribune and States That It Merits Patronage as the Best Advertisement That This City Possesses.

"Medford has one of the best daily newspapers in Oregon outside of Portland," said Tom Richardson, president of the Oregon Development league, before leaving the city. "Few people here realize its value, but it is the best advertisement the community has and deserves to be well patronized."

"The Tribune has become the best-known, perhaps, of the small-town papers of Oregon, and its development is being watched with a great deal of interest all over the state. Its success or failure will reflect upon the citizens of Medford."

"The building up of a daily newspaper is slow work, and it costs money. Few people have any idea of the cost of production. A good newspaper is a town's best asset, for it is a directory and index of its merchants and their business, and tells, as nothing else can, the story of the town."

"Show me a newspaper, and I can tell at a glance whether the town is a live and wide-awake or dead one, whether its stores are modern and up-to-date or obsolete. The Tribune speaks for itself and for Medford. It has a good field and with proper support will become the leading paper in an immense territory, for it has a progressive management."

REINSTATE DISCHARGED COLORED SOLDIERS

WASHINGTON, March 11.—In connection with the report of the senate committee on military affairs on the Brownsville riot made to the senate today, the president transmitted a message in which he said that the facts set forth in his order dismissing the negro soldiers had been substantiated by testimony before the committee. He recommended that the time for the reinstatement of the discharged soldiers, which has expired, be extended for one year in order to permit the president to reinstate any of the discharged men who did not fall within the terms of his dismissal.

CHARGES PROSPECTIVE BUYERS FOR HIS TIME

Lewis and Adolph Locke of Central Point were Medford callers Wednesday. They state that they were near Grants Pass a few days ago looking for a ranch with a view to purchasing. The tenant who occupies the ranch, took them over it, showing up its good qualities and charged the prospective buyers \$2 for his time, stating that he had to make a living some way.

FIRE DESTROYS NATIVE SHACKS IN PHILIPPINES

MANILA, March 11.—Two thousand native shacks have been destroyed by fire and 15,000 homeless are being cared for in churches by the police. The damage totals \$100,000 in gold.

Sheldon Ranch Sold.

E. P. Gilchrist has purchased the U. L. Sheldon place at Eagle Point. Mr. Gilchrist is a writer of philosophical verse, well known in literary circles east. Mr. Sheldon has not yet made up his mind as to the future, but will remain in the Rogue River valley for a time at least. Both were Medford callers Wednesday.

JACKSONVILLE NEWS.

Attorney E. D. Briggs was down from Ashland Tuesday on official business. H. Von der Hellen of Wellen was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. R. T. Burnett, Mrs. Chris Keegan, Miss Anna Keegan and Mrs. Harry Luy were among those who spent the afternoon in Medford Tuesday.

ADVERTISED LETTERS LIKE.

Frances Daniels, J. C. Buck, W. E. Gray, George Lyon, Alice Foster Perry, Ida Wilson.

MARRIED.

JONES-KNIGHTON.—In Jacksonville, on March 7, 1908, by Judge Dunn, W. B. Jones and Lydia M. Knighton.

Mrs. H. T. Sutton (Late Principal School of Music, Cotner University, Bethany, Lincoln, Nebraska.) Will Entertain with her Piano at the Christian Church Wed., March 11 at 8 p. m. Tickets at the Doors. Admission—Children 25c, Adults 35c.

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