

Table titled 'MEDFORD'S RAPID GROWTH' showing financial statistics for 1908 and 1909.

Medford Daily Tribune.

THE WEATHER. Occasional rain tonight, cooler. Showers Saturday.

HAWLEY PLEADS ABSENCE

Congressman Replies to Telegrams From Medford Citizens That He Was Away When Fulton Resolution Was Prepared

Edgar Hafer of the Iowa Lumber & Box company, Mayor J. F. Reddy, J. W. Perkins and W. L. Vawter, who recently wired Congressman W. C. Hawley...

Washington, D. C., March 13.—Land-grant resolution was prepared by department of justice during my absence in Oregon. Matter of your telegram submitted to department of justice...

INSURANCE CONCERNS MAKING UP LOSSES

SAN FRANCISCO, March 13.—Fire insurance companies are found, in the final round-up and summary of statistics reported by the underwriters to the insurance commissioner of California...

SEEKING TO RECOVER NORTHERN PACIFIC LAND

WASHINGTON, March 13.—A delegation of Montana citizens, introduced by Senator Dixon of that state, requested the president today to make an investigation of the question whether there was ever proper classification of the millions of acres of land granted to the Northern Pacific railroad...

PHILADELPHIA SHOWN AT U. S. MINT

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—With the returning wave of prosperity, the United States mint is again a golden beehive of activity. About 550 persons were at work yesterday.

CHANGES NAME TO BE FURTHER IDENTIFIED WITH THIS COUNTRY

Iowa Box & Lumber Company Becomes the Crater Lake Lumber Company—Two Miles Being Erected Along Line of New Railroad—More in Prospect.

The Iowa Lumber & Box company has changed its name to that of the Crater Lake Lumber company and hereafter all of its business will be transacted under the latter name.

PROVIDED WATCHES FOR THIRTY-NINE FRIENDS

SALEM, Or., March 13.—The last will and testament of the late Tilmon Ford, who died in this city March 1, was admitted to probate this morning.

ENGINEER STEVENS GIVES PANAMA CANAL BLACK EYE

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 12.—Probably the worst black eye the Panama canal project has yet received from expert or political enemy was handed it today, when John C. E. Stevens, former chief engineer of the big ditch, came out with an interview branding the entire work as a mistake and a mismanaged fiasco.

EVELYN NESBIT THAW SUES FOR HER DIVORCE

NEW YORK, March 13.—Mrs. William Thaw has been served here with papers, in which she is made a co-defendant with her son, Harry K. Thaw, in the action instituted by the latter's wife, Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, to annul their marriage.

JACKSONVILLE TO PLAY MEDFORD ON SUNDAY

Jacksonville will again cross bats with Medford next Sunday, this time at Jacksonville. A special train will leave Medford at 1:30 p. m. Sunday, returning after the game.

FIRST OF SQUADRON ARRIVES

Cruiser Milwaukee at Frisco—Reports Sensational Robbery on Board at Sea—Fleet Ordered to Visit Philippines.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 13.—The United States cruiser Milwaukee arrived today from Magdalena bay. It develops that a daring robbery took place on board during the stay in the south, when \$3800 in gold was taken from the paymaster's room by some person doing duty on the cruiser.

JURORS FOR MARCH TERM OF CIRCUIT COURT

John Deimler, mechanic, Medford; Victor Bursell, farmer, Central Point; E. R. Outman, farmer, Talent; Emmett Beeson, farmer, Talent; D. E. Hill, orchardist, Medford; W. E. Page, capitalist, Medford; W. R. Buck, farmer, Boncom; S. W. McLendon, capitalist, Gold Hill; Frank Cameron, farmer, Union; R. A. McCallister, farmer, Ashland; E. C. Payne, carpenter, Ashland; J. G. Briscoe, farmer, Trail; William Flipping, farmer, Rock Point; G. A. Hoover, orchardist, Phoenix; L. B. Warner, salesman, Medford; Nelson Nye, farmer, Florence Rock; A. Gibson, farmer, Sterling; Ed Robinson, farmer, Talent; J. E. Watt, capitalist, Medford; W. B. Holmes, merchant, Ashland; W. H. Johnson, farmer, Applegate; George Lyman, farmer, Gold Hill; Fred Dunlap, farmer, Talent; C. C. Million, farmer, Ashland; W. A. Cook, farmer, Gold Hill; Charles Betz, clerk, Medford; P. Osennbrugge, merchant, Medford; J. C. Robnett, merchant, Central Point; George Dewey, farmer, Talent; L. A. Pruitt, farmer, Rocky; Robert Slewling, tailor, Medford.

GILE OBJECTS TO ESPEE'S HIGH RATES

SALEM, March 13.—Complaint has been made to the railroad commission by H. S. Gile & Co. of this city that the Southern Pacific company has unwarrantably raised the rates on citrus fruits from San Francisco during the past year from 10 cents to 40 cents, and from Portland for the same commodity from 16 cents to 25 cents, and on sweet potatoes from 10 cents to 19 cents.

PECULIAR PARALYSIS RESULTS FROM DANCING

NEW YORK, March 13.—Miss Mary Asche is in a hospital here suffering from a species of paralysis which is proving interesting to physicians. The disease is known professionally as paraplegia. Miss Asche was walking down the street when she fell unconscious to the sidewalk. She was taken to a hospital in an ambulance, where the paralysis developed. The physicians say the disease was doubtless caused by dancing. Miss Asche having indulged a great deal in that pastime. The constraining of certain muscles is said to be responsible for her condition.

FREEZE IN OKLAHOMA DAMAGES FRUIT CROPS

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., March 13.—Ice formed here last night, the thermometer standing at 28 above zero this morning. Many peach, apricot and plum trees are in full bloom and the crops were badly damaged.

IS ELECTROCUTED IN HIS OWN HOME BY LIVE WIRE

SEATTLE, March 13.—W. L. Abrams, credit man for the National Grocery company, was killed in his home last night. He turned on the electric light and at the same time reached for the tea kettle. The feed wire had come into contact with the trolley wire in front of his house, which had become short-circuited, creating considerable display, which Abrams and wife had been watching.

FIVE YEARS IN PRISON FOR BANKER WALSH IS COURT'S SENTENCE

Chicago Financier Is Denied New Trial and Will Occupy Cell in Federal Prison at Ft. Leavenworth—Wrecked First National Bank.

CHICAGO, March 13.—John R. Walsh, former president of the Chicago National bank of this city, convicted of illegal use of funds of the institution, was today denied a new trial and sentenced to five years in the federal penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth.

SUBPOENAS ISSUED IN HYDE-BENSON CASES

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Subpoenas were issued yesterday summoning witnesses for the trial of John A. Benson, Frederick A. Hyde, Joost H. Schneider and Henry P. Diamond, jointly charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States out of timber lands in western states. The trial is set for April 13, and it is believed it will occupy three months. The case has been on the docket for the last four years. The cases were first called for trial here several months ago but owing to a lack of time, postponement was taken until the fall term of court. This action of the court cost the government \$25,000 in witness fees and transportation allowances. At the fall term of court a lack of money in the appropriation for the federal courts caused a further postponement. Witnesses will be summoned from Washington, Oregon, California and other western states. The initial cost to the government in bringing this case before the court will be \$25,000 in witness fees alone.

MEEKER DRIVING BACK WITH PRAIRIE SCHOONER

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 13.—The old prairie schooner in which Ezra Meeker crossed the plains in 1852 is in St. Louis en route back to Puyallup, Wash., from Washington, D. C., where Meeker saw President Roosevelt in behalf of the movement to mark the Oregon trail. Palled by a span of Durham oxen the old schooner, containing W. B. Marston and his bride, reached St. Louis last evening and were followed all over the downtown streets by large crowds. Meeker himself arrived yesterday by rail from Cincinnati and announced his intention to interest the local Automobile club in the Oregon trail matter if possible. "All I want them to do," Meeker said, "is to urge their congressmen to vote for the bill."

ARRESTED IN PRISCO FOR FORGING GUILD'S NAME

SAN FRANCISCO, March 13.—Mrs. Wilson, wife of H. Mortimer Wilson of Boston, was arrested last night on the charge of attempting to cash a check for \$1000, bearing the forged signature of Governor Guild of Massachusetts. She says she is a sister of Calvert Sargent, a merchant of Sunnyside, Wash. Detectives claim they have secured much evidence against Wilson, including check books, perforating machines, bank books and also a quantity of hotel silverware collected by his wife, as "souvenirs."

NO DIPPING NEEDED FOR PENDELTON SHEEP

PENDELTON, March 13.—With 50,000 infected sheep in this county two years ago, effective dipping has reduced the number until today the sheep commission finds not a scabby sheep in the county. The entire state is also practically free, and the commission has issued a proclamation declaring dipping for the spring of 1908 unnecessary.

JOHN BROWN'S WAGON DESTROYED BY FIRE

IOWA CITY, March 13.—John Brown's wagon, which made many pilgrimages in the crusade against slavery, was destroyed by fire here yesterday. Brown left the wagon here 48 years ago and it has been preserved since by Herbert S. Fairall, the pioneer newspaper man.

MONTANA TOWN BURNING; LOSS EXCEEDS MILLION

BUTTE, March 13.—Dispatches to the Inter-Mountain state that the entire business section of the city of Big Timber, on the Northern Pacific, was burning at noon. Aid from Livingston and Bozeman is being sent. The loss is estimated in excess of \$1,000,000.

BLAMES BIG STICK FOR PANIC

President Is Denounced in House by Willet of New York As a Despot and Responsible for Reign of Ruin in the Country.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Representative Willet of New York in the house today heaped denunciation upon President Roosevelt, insisting that the distressing effects of the panic of 1907 are still felt and "there seems to be a conspiracy of silence on the part of the republican members of the house on the subject of the cause and effect of the panic."

RYAN AND DUKE DENY TOBACCO TRUST MONOPOLY

NEW YORK, March 13.—Thomas Fortune Ryan was the star witness in the government's suit to dissolve the tobacco trust. While on the stand Ryan told of the negotiations between the American Tobacco company and the Imperial Tobacco company for the sale of the respective rights of the two companies, but he denied that there was any agreement designed to prevent competition.

KING LEO ASKS FORTY MILLIONS FOR CONGO

BRUSSELS, March 13.—The Congo will cost Belgium \$40,000,000 in cash if it accepts the annexation treaty submitted to it by King Leopold. Nor will it get unqualified title to the entire domain. As long as Leo lives it must continue payment of the revenues he has hitherto been deriving. It must respect the concessions he has granted, among them the ones to the Thomas F. Ryan interests. It must reserve 40,000 hectares of land for the king and give him title for life to all the French and Belgian properties he has bought with his Congo revenues. Considerable opposition has developed to those terms, but indications point to its ultimate acceptance.

CAPITAL GRAFT CASE IS GIVEN TO THE JURY

HARRISBURG, March 13.—The capital conspiracy case in which John H. Sanderson, of Philadelphia, a furniture dealer and contractor, and former auditor-general W. P. Snyder, former state treasurer W. L. Mathews and Jas. H. Shumaker, former superintendent of the board of grounds and buildings, are charged with defrauding the state in furnishing the capitol, was given to the jury today. The trial commenced January 27.

NO AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN JAPAN AND CHINA

PERKIN, March 13.—There was further conferences between Baron Hayashi, Japanese minister to China, and representatives of the Pekin government over the Tatan Maru incident today. An understanding was not reached.

LARGE AUDIENCE ENJOYS BLACK CROOK AT OPERA HOUSE

Catchy Music, Splendid Scenery, Good Voices and Acting Please Those Who Witnessed Old-Time Extravaganza—Specialties Prove Drawing Card.

"The Black Crook" played to a good house, and it deserved it. This extravaganza was one of the first of this style of entertainment to be presented on the American stage. It was written at a time when a plot was considered necessary and the public looked for some literary merit in the text.

As to the rest of the cast, I would go down the line with a word of praise all around. M. C. Welp had the comedy part of the piece which was originally modeled on the order of Shakespearean clowns, but Mr. Welp gives this conception of the part a wide berth, but perhaps it is just as well, for the young man has the gallery on his hands, which is a very exacting bunch of individuals. You must make them laugh, willy-nilly, and he did it.

There is one more feature that in justice should be noticed—that is the Donazzetas in their acrobatic act. If there are any better that have ever exhibited in Columbia's fair domain the writer has never been fortunate enough to see them. I have always considered myself a bit biased when it comes to being entertained by feats of activity, but these men will make you sit up and take notice. You will find yourself raising up in your seat and catching your breath. The show was a whole lot better than Medford expected to see, and we would be glad to see "The Black Crook" book a return date.

HAINES ACCUSES CASHIER OF GROSS DISHONESTY

HILLSBORO, Or., March 13.—E. W. Haines, the Forest Grove banker who failed a few weeks ago, has filed a suit in the circuit court against F. T. Kane, his former cashier, alleging that the defendant, who worked for him prior to November, 1902, was guilty of a system of fraud to the extent of nearly \$25,000 while he was an official of the bank.

WOODFORD APPOINTED POSTMASTER AT MEDFORD

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Alonso M. Woodford was today appointed postmaster at Medford.

PORTLAND TEAM TRAINING

SANTA BARBARA, March 13.—First Baseman Danzig of the Portland team has arrived in town. He makes the 17th player to arrive on the scene for spring practice. The Beavers will mix with the White Sox No. 2 again. Bloom field will travel for Portland and Maj. and Olinstead for Chicago.

ST. MARCH, IDAHO, IS WIPED OUT BY FIRE

SPokane, Wash., March 13.—The old town of St. March, Idaho, which was destroyed by a fire which broke out here at 10 o'clock last night. The loss is about \$15,000. The new school building is not damaged.

OFFERS PARK TO MEDFORD

C. H. Pierce Will Give 20 Acres East of City for Observatory and Park and Reservoir Sites If Council Will Drill Well.

C. H. Pierce offers to give to the city of Medford a 20-acre tract situated on the hills a mile east of the city limits, suitable for an observatory and public park and for reservoir purposes, provided the city will agree to drill for artesian water.

LAND-GRANT HEARING RESUMED AT CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The hearing on the Oregon and California land-grant resolution was resumed before the public land committee this morning, representatives of the Booth-Kelly Lumber company and other purchasers being heard. They make a plea for an amendment confirming title to all lands heretofore sold by the railroad company on the ground that the purchasers were acting in good faith, regardless of what may have been the intent of the railroad company.

FULTON IN NO HURRY TO RETURN TO OREGON

WASHINGTON, March 13.—On account of the pressure of public duties here, Senator Fulton probably will not return to Oregon prior to the primary elections to further answer Henry's charges or take part in his campaign. Advice received by Senator Fulton from many parts of the state indicate to him that Henry's charges had little injurious effect and had not jeopardized his chances for renomination.

THOUGHT WIFE A THIEF AND SHOT HER DEAD

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Hugh Hollis, one of the treasury department clerks, shot and killed his wife at their home early today. She got up to attend a child and as she returned to the bedside Hollis was awakened. He pulled his revolver from under the pillow and shot his wife dead. Then he turned over and went to sleep. He declares he was dreaming of burglars. He bought the pistol a few days ago, and had been practicing shooting.

UPPER SANDUSKY, O., MARCH 13.

Over 500 people were poisoned here last night at a social given by the ladies of the Episcopal church eating children and waffles. It was believed all will recover.