

A POEM IN PROSE ON THE ROGUE RIVER

This Valley Described as "Villa Land," The Ideal Home for Artists, Poets and Lovers of the Beautiful, as the Valleys of Italy Have Been.

(BY D. H. HAWKINS.) As the Nile land lies lily-shaped at the foot of the Libyan hills, so does the valley of the Rogue lie shapen between the amphitheater mountains by which it is surrounded.

Here rich is the soil and temperate is the climate. Such storm only as would give emphasis to calm is here in evidence, but to clarify atmospheres that shake never with violence the forests, nor twist into angular shape the rugged trees, nor chill with Arctic breath the blood of men.

Here lies that delectable commonwealth which, year by year since the pioneers first saw it from the heights, hath gained renown as being worthily placed in an attitude between the sea and the sun.

Resources of the Rogue. Rogue valley some time ago passed that period in its history when its name became a synonym of loveliness and fertility—it has now entered upon an era of fecundity; its loveliness has been noted, its grandeur depicted and its fertility wholly proven and chronicled.

Thus the Valley of the Rogue there are but few parts of the world where may be found sections so favorable in the matter of climate, soil and physical conformation. Nor the soils of Brazil and of the Argentine ever richer; nor the airs of the highlands of the United States of Columbia any more wholesome; nor the sylvan dales of Shiraz have more golden fruitage. Its odors are as sweetly breeze-sung as are the fragrances of Amazonian wilds.

Is Future Home of Artists. The future home of artists, too, is here where the wonder tints of summer merge autumn's splendor. No other where is to be seen such delicate merging of color-tints in sunset's splendor. No other where is to be seen such intangible cloud arrangement, such rainbow ureles spanning such emerald widths, such mists hang purple on the rimming hills.

To stand upon an eminence east of Medford and witness a summer storm swing over Table Rock; to behold the bird gleam of shafts of falling rain, shot through and through with gleams of orange light, which downward slant like a million cloud-shot arrows; as though lost tribes had now recurred upon their hunting ground "the battle tumult of forgotten days," are they had melted away in the woe of wilderness war; to behold the further detail and incident of phenomena without having one's artist passion stirred to its deepest pulsation were next the impossible.

An Ideal Villa Land. Why have I seen fit to call this Villa Land? Because such is to be its sure destiny. And why not? What other immediate section of country offers such opportunity for indoor-outdoor life? Such opportunity for summer homes with pergola arrangement—with camping ground by river and mountain stream, where are also mineral springs and pine tree seats—but a half day's journey from one's door.

As a factor of moment the time is near at hand when the villa life will predominate here in this valley. Neither is the time far distant when Rogue river, in the matter of its being lined upon each side with mansions and grounds where shall abide men and women who place large emphasis on ornate finish and elegant appointment, will become the Hudson of Southern Oregon. Time this seemed apparent 10 years ago; it is no less apparent today.

Would not the river alone—the fact of soil and climate, aside—with its graceful curves, its majestic sweep and its ample width, be of sufficient warrant to our conclusion, I think I never have seen a river with a more majestic sweep than such as is fully in evidence as one looks from Belzeb bridge towards Table Rock. Certainly the wonderful sweep of the Florence Arno is no finer. Therefore, all in all, why may not the valley of the Rogue become Villa Land?

NOTICE OF ELECTION. Be it resolved, by the City Council of the City of Medford, Oregon, the Mayor approving, That there be, and is hereby called a special election in said city for the purpose of submitting to the voters of said city for their approval or rejection, a proposed amendment to section 72 of the City Charter of said city, and such other matters as may be lawfully submitted at said election; that said election be held upon the 23 day of April, 1908, between the hours of 8 a. m. and 5 p. m. of said day.

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AMUSEMENTS

"The Burgomaster." Fairly interesting with musical gems of genuine merit—in fact, Pixley & Linder's best effort—"The Burgomaster," which comes to the Medford Opera House next Tuesday, March 24, promises to prove the brightest and best of the musical shows to be offered the present season.

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Resolved. Be it Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Medford, Oregon, the Mayor approving, That the following proposed amendment to the City Charter of the City of Medford be submitted to the legal voters of said city for their approval or rejection at a special election to be held in said city on the 23 day of April, 1908.

Proposed Amendment to Section 72 of the City Charter of the City of Medford. The People of the City of Medford do ordain as follows: That Section 72 of an act of the leg. assembly of the State of Oregon, an act of 1903, be amended to read as follows: "As well to incorporate the town of Medford, in Jackson county, Oregon, and limiting its powers and defining the duties of its officers," and to repeal an act entitled "An act to incorporate the town of Medford, in Jackson county, Oregon," approved February 24, 1887, and in the office of the secretary of state February 21, 1889, and all amendments thereto, and to incorporate the City of Medford, in Jackson county, Oregon, and to define its powers and duties, approved February 6, 1901, and to incorporate the City of Medford, in Jackson county, Oregon, defining its powers and duties, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," filed in the office of the secretary of state, February 7, 1905,

as amended by the act amendatory thereof, filed in the office of the secretary of state February 13, 1905, and as further amended by the vote of the people of Medford on June 4, 1907, and on March 17, 1908, be and the same is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following: Subdivision D. In addition to the foregoing warrants and bonds, as authorized in the preceding subdivisions of this section, the said council is further authorized to borrow money on the faith of the city, and for that purpose to issue additional warrants and bonds for the sole purpose of securing, furnish and installing a gravity supply of pure water for said city, but in the event that said council shall elect to secure, furnish and install a gravity supply of pure water as above mentioned, and shall issue warrants and bonds as provided in this subdivision for such purpose, the total amount of warrants and bonds so issued shall at no time exceed the sum of \$300,000, in addition to the warrants and bonds in the three preceding subdivisions authorized, and in the event that such warrants and bonds shall be issued, such issue shall be in all respects subject to the provisions and restrictions of Subdivision B of this section, except as to the maximum amount of such issue.

Following is the form in which the above amendment will appear upon the ballots at said election: CHARTER AMENDMENT. Vote Yes or No. Charter Amendment authorizing the installation of a gravity water supply and the issuance of bonds therefor, and limiting the amount of such bonds to \$300,000.

Approved March 18, 1908. J. F. REDDY, Mayor. Attest: BENJ. M. COLLINS, Recorder.

TIME TABLES SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY. Northbound. No. 16 Oregon Express, 5:30 p. m. No. 14 Portland Express, 9:49 a. m. No. 225 For Ashland, 10:15 a. m.

PACIFIC & EASTERN RAILWAY. No. 1 Leaves Medford, 7:50 a. m. No. 3 Leaves Medford, 10:40 a. m. No. 4 Leaves Medford, 2:55 p. m. No. 2 Arrives Medford, 2:08 p. m. No. 1 Leaves Medford, 9:06 p. m. No. 3 Leaves Jacksonville, 9:00 a. m. No. 1 Leaves Jacksonville, 7:30 p. m. No. 2 Arrives Jacksonville, 1:00 p. m. No. 4 Arrives Jacksonville, 7:30 p. m.

Any Old Thing Will Do

Just such thoughts and words has caused the wreck of many lives, homes, businesses, etc. When you started out to get married, did you say any old thing will do? When you started out sparkling, did you think any old clothes would do? When you laid your sweet little baby to rest in the silent city of the dead did you say any old box will do? Indeed, you did not, and why would and why should you say such a thing about anything in life?

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