

# TRAVELING MAN'S VIEW ON WATER

Communication from the Manager of Nason & Co. Which Shows a Visitor's View of Water Question

The following communication from O. G. Hughson, manager of R. N. Nason & Company of Portland, is a fair example of views taken by visitors in regard to the water situation in Medford. The communication reads:

"On our return from a trip to Crater lake today we read with more than ordinary interest your editorial in today's issue entitled 'Give Us Plenty of Water.'"

"The reason this article interested us was because we have just spent six days and five nights in a territory that is all tributary to the city of Medford exclusively, abounding with the finest streams and most wonderful springs of icy mountain water, pure as water can be made and nearly all of which is practically going to waste."

"We dipped our pails full, used all we wanted and wasted it without stint. 'Use plenty; there is lots more where that came from' was the word, but when we got back and engaged a room in one of your city's first-class hotels when we expected to wash the lava and pumice stone out of our hair and eyes, you can imagine our surprise on being shown to our room, that was first-class in every way so far as plumbing was concerned, to find that the afore-said plumbing was merely ornamental and that screw and turn the faucets as we might we could only obtain a few spoonfuls—this statement is the absolute truth—and when we called the bellboy and asked for a pailful or two of water the lad fairly gasped at the thought of such extravagance and asked 'What you going to do—going to take a bath?'

"'No,' we said, 'go get us a pail or two of water, so we can wash up a little for dinner.' Whereupon the boy brought in an ordinary water pitcher about half full. And yet when we drove into town your streets were covered with mud and the sprinkler was still sloshing it on."

"So, we say with you, 'give us plenty of water.' We who visit your city and advertise you abroad and swear by you and who go out in the hills a step or two or so out of town and stand and marvel and ride and ride miles and miles and then come and wonder at the rolling, roaring torrents, the pouring cataracts and tumbling rapids of millions of gallons of the best water God ever made, hurrying seaward so that it can be lifted by the sun and dropped for the next stage in its transmigration on the hills back of Baker City, or Joseph or Eugene, or Ashland, or Portland, or anywhere, anywhere, so long as some old fruitless, useless course past Medford."

"Who owns this stream? Who owns and controls this waterfall, etc.? we asked. 'This company or that individual.' 'Where does Medford get her water?' 'We'll show you.' But they didn't, for we didn't get any."

"Give us plenty of water? A prayer a demand? It should be a demand. How such people as we have seen and known in your city can keep up appearances on such a meager supply of frog spit is a mystery."

"Water famine in Medford! Well, wouldn't that boom your real estate?" "Of course, 'Medford will grow.' What else could you expect from such a climate and such people? Medford has grown; she is growing; she is going to outgrow and overgrow the big gest dreams of your most progressive dreamers—and you have a few—and yet you are begging for water. 'Give us water.' From whom? Who is going to 'give it' to you? It is already given to you. Stir up your water committee and sluice it in—and while you are at it, get enough so it will run at 9 o'clock in the evening from the faucets on the second floors of your residences and hotels. There are plenty consulting engineers as honest as your water committee who can run a stream of ice water into your city at a very small cost to each property owner who will be here in 1912. There are enough here now to keep up the interest till then."

"Water—pure, cold water—is the best advertisement any city can possibly have, and we have seen enough available for your supply to put the fire out in a volcano, the eruptions of which were of such an awful nature as to make it a world wonder, and not only put out its fires, but fill its crater with 2000 feet of water of dazzling purity and pour down millions of gallons right past your very doors for thousands of years past and thousands to come."

"Please, 'give us plenty of water.' Your toes ought to be dry."

## JACKSONVILLE ITEMS

Pat Donegan, Jr., was a Sunday visitor at Coletstin.  
Mrs. Fred Lay and sons of Medford are visiting relatives living here.  
Mrs. Chris Kenney and baby arrived home Sunday morning from Portland.  
W. R. Coleman, county clerk, leaves today for Dead Indian, where he and his family will camp for a few weeks.  
Miss Maude Prim came down from Coletstin Monday to be present at the teachers' examination, which is to be held this week.  
D. D. Gage and family will return to their home at Minneapolis, Kan., Thursday after a visit of a number of months at the home of Jay C. Sexton. Ray Sexton will accompany them on a month's visit to his former home.

## PRISCO MERCHANTS TO GO AFTER RAILROADS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 10.—Alleging that the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe railroads have been raising their rates despite the law, by imposing extra switching charges, icing charges and other extras, that bring rates far above the published schedules, the merchants of San Francisco and vicinity will file charges against these railroads when the interstate commerce commission meets here next week.  
The merchants say that these extra charges have been imposed for the purpose of raising the rates and will contest the legality of the charges. The jobbers' association will join with the merchants in the complaint.  
The extra switching charge of \$2.50 a car imposed by the roads was contested some time ago by the jobbers and was at that time abandoned by the railroads. A switching charge of 50 cents a ton was submitted. The new rate makes the switching charges per car about \$10 instead of the old rate of \$2.50. The merchants also say that the charge for returning empty boxes has also been imposed to make the freight rates higher. Another complaint to be made is that Seattle merchants are charged but \$50 a car for icing, while California merchants are charged \$75.

## AMERICAN PRINCESS IS SEVENTEEN SUMMERS OLD

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., August 11.—Scores of beautiful presents and a large number of letters of congratulations poured into Sagamore Hall for Miss Ethel Roosevelt in honor of her 17th birthday. Not only has the event been remembered by her school friends and the members of her family but admirers from all parts of the country have showered her with many manifestations of their interest. Although the princess Ethel still retains much of her girlish enthusiasm, she is rapidly growing into charming young womanhood. Her intellectual attainments are much above the average for a girl of her age and in many ways she is said to resemble her illustrious father. She will not actively enter into Washington society for several years but is probable she will take a prominent place in the White House functions.

## CALIFORNIA SHIPPERS SUE WELLS-FARGO

LOS ANGELES, Cal., August 11.—The California Traffic association, with headquarters in San Francisco, and Paul Von Neundorff, a Los Angeles commission man, representing various firms, including Mitchell & Goodall and the Trobeck & Bergen company of San Francisco, have filed a joint complaint with the interstate commerce commission at Washington against Wells, Fargo & Company's express. The complaint, understood to be the first of the kind ever brought against this company, charges discrimination, excessive and unreasonable rates, exorbitant icing assessments, unsatisfactory service and lack of suitable equipment in handling vegetable consignments.

Various instances are cited as proving the allegations, and the complainants assert that by reason of having a monopoly of the express service out of California, the company was enabled to make such rates and perform such services as it may see fit. They pray that the matter be investigated and an order made requiring the company to desist from its alleged violations of the act to regulate interstate commerce, approved February 4, 1887.

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## Don't Bother to Cook

It's too hot. Get what you want already prepared; we have it. We cater to those who want the best.

THE DELICATESSEN  
C STREET, NEAR EIGHTH

## SPORT

The Seals won a fine game at San Francisco from the Beavers Saturday by a score of 1 to 0. Willis and Kissella were the opposing pitchers.  
Packy McFarland won from Phil Brock before the Pacific Athletic club at Los Angeles in the seventh round on August 7. There was no knockout. Referee Charles Eytan stopped the fight and gave McFarland the victory when Brock was in the last stages, having been beaten through the ropes and chased across the ring with a rain of blows upon his bleeding face. Brock carried the fight to McFarland at the beginning and fought gamely to the last.

It has become known that the three attempts made by Sir Thomas Lipton to capture the America's cup, the intrinsic value of which is about \$250, have cost him \$500,000 for yachts alone.

The heavyweight championship fight between Tommy Burns, the American, and Bill Squires, the Australian, has been fixed to take place at Sydney, N. S. W., August 24.

The Pacific Coast league has eight pitchers who are ripe or nearly so for a trip to the big leagues, and the circuit is better equipped with flingers than any minor league in the country. The best of the twirlers of this slope are Gray, Hoop and Nagle of Los Angeles; Groom, Garnett and Grancy of Portland; Eator of San Francisco, and Wright of Oakland.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Arnetta Burch to J. W. Carson, 90 acres in D. L. C. 42, township 37, range 1 E ..... \$ 900  
Lottie Peters to J. A. McLeod, lots 12 and 13, Kendall addition to Medford ..... 1  
Katie Fordney to A. D. Helman, land in section 5, township 39, range 1 E ..... 1850  
William H. Hamlin to G. E. Purdin, lot 9, block 2, Ross addition to Medford ..... 600  
G. E. Purdin to W. E. Hamlin, lot 9, block 12, Ross addition to Medford ..... 300

## New Cases.

Frederick C. Page vs. Lawrence L. Grover; suit to remove cloud from title.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

James F. Perry and Lulu May Gardner.

## FEDERAL OFFICERS LOOKING INTO POSTOFFICE ROBBERY

SANTA CRUZ, August 11.—Federal officers arrived here today to investigate the robbery of the postoffice by clever cracksmen early Sunday morning. The entire money order receipts of Saturday and a large quantity of stamps were taken. The robbers forced their way from the main office of the post office into the money order department where they drilled the big safe deposit vault and after emptying it of its valuable contents, escaped without leaving the slightest clue to their identity. The strong box in which the great bulk of the post office funds were deposited was overlooked. To supply themselves with tools for their task, the cracksmen broke into a blacksmith shop earlier in the evening and secured a large sledge hammer and other instruments for prying of the post office doors.

## DAUGHTER OF FRENCH PRESIDENT IS MARRIED

PARIS, August 11.—Without any public show such as marked the wedding of Alice Roosevelt, Miss Fallieres, daughter of the president of France, was made the bride of M. Jean Laues, her father's private secretary, today. The affair was extremely quiet and simple. No pomp or ceremony characterized the occasion and throughout France little public interest was taken in the event. The wedding was treated with no more enthusiasm than is accorded any similar affair in diplomatic circles.

Ralph Woodford, deputy postmaster of Medford, attended the meeting of the postmasters of Oregon held in Portland last week.

## AMERICAN ARRESTED TWICE ON SUSPICION

LONDON, August 11.—After being arrested twice as a German spy, while traveling on the northwestern coast of Ireland, Carl Kabell, an American of Teutonic origin, is in London today.  
Kabell declares all Britain is aroused by the rumors of war with Germany and that he was constantly under surveillance during his trip. At Ballyshannon he was arrested and missed his train before the authorities were convinced that his American passports were genuine. He started for the next town on foot and was arrested again.

"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."

## For Those Tired Aching Feet

use our Foot Powder, absolutely guaranteed.

## Medford Pharmacy

The Big Drug Store with Little Prices. Near Postoffice.

## It is up to You What Will You Do?

If you do a lot of thinking, if your brain is active and the strain is wearing out your nerves and breaking down your system day by day, then you may reflect for a moment, if it would not be wise to drink the strength of roasted grains, to buy at your grocery store a package of

## Golden Grain Granules

No man can consume his strength and retain it at the same time; he ought to replenish an equal amount daily. GOLDEN GRAIN GRANULES is far superior to Coffee, although it looks like coffee, tastes like coffee and smells like coffee. A big package can be had in any grocery store for 25c. Order a package today. All grocery sell it.

## Notice to Water Consumers

Owing to the scarcity of water supply, it is ordered that no city water be used for irrigation except between the hours of 7 and 8 o'clock a. m. and between 7 and 8 o'clock p. m. until otherwise ordered by the water committee. Violations of this order by any consumer will result in said consumer's supply being forthwith shut off.

By order of the Water committee of the City Council of Medford, Or.  
Dated August 7, 1908.

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