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The Weather
Cloudy, with probable showers tonight and Friday. Westerly winds.

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FIVE OFFERS IN SIGHT TO BE VOTED ON

The City Council Meets Tonight to Submit the Propositions to the People to Choose

There will in all probability be five water propositions filed with the city recorder this afternoon before the time closes for such filing, so that the city council can submit the same to the residents of Medford for their choice at a meeting this evening. The five propositions will be comprised of the offer made by Dr. C. R. Ray, that of the Sterling Mining company, that of the Fish Lake Ditch company, one by B. H. Harris and one by Edgar S. Hafer.

VICE-PRESIDENT DUNCAN IN ACCORD WITH GOMPERTS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—A friend of James Duncane, first vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, telegraphed him as follows: "Republican papers everywhere declaring you have deserted Gomperts. Please wire for publication as to whether this is true of false, and also whether you are supporting the political program of the Federation of Labor."

MOON HIDES CLAIM THEY WILL CARRY MISSOURI

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 15.—The democratic state committee is claiming Missouri for William J. Bryan by 45,000. According to the republican estimate the plurality of William H. Taft will exceed 10,000.

MAY TRY GOTHENBURG SYSTEM OF SETTLING CITY LIQUOR PROBLEM

Council Considering Ordinance Introduced at the Request of Councilman Vaughn of Portland--All Saloons Under one Concern--Licence Required--Will Stop Disorder and Most Common Evils

Medford may try the Gothenburg system of settling the liquor problem. This plan provides for letting to one concern the exclusive right to sell liquor, under high license and stringent regulations, and has proved the most practical solution of the liquor problem yet devised in foreign lands.

Proposed Ordinance.

The city of Medford does ordain as follows: Section 1. That from and after the first day of October, 1909, the Medford Gothenburg association shall have the sole and exclusive right within the corporate limits of the city of Medford to sell and otherwise dispose of alcoholic, vinous, malt or spirituous liquors, drinks and beverages and this right shall exclude and prohibit all others from engaging in the sale or disposition

NAVY YARDS IN HANDS OF BOARD

Engineers to Consider the Needs of Pacific Coast in Response to Demand by Business Men

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—The fate of the navy yards of the Pacific coast is now in the hands of a special board of engineers which is to consider the needs of the Pacific coast and the appeal that has been recently made for more naval facilities on the coast by the chambers of commerce. The board will examine the report of the engineers that were appointed to survey the approaches to the Mare Island navy yard and congress will be asked to act on the report. Admiral Evans has been added to the board because of his recent experience of the Pacific coast.

Letter From Metcalf.

In a letter to the commercial bodies of the Pacific coast, Secretary of the Navy Metcalf explains the situation. The letter says:

"Gentlemen: The department is in receipt of your joint communication dated September 25, relating to certain matters under cognizance of the navy department at the navy yard, Mare Island, California.

The department appreciates the interest that your respective organizations display in the improvement of the facilities for taking care of the vessels of the navy in the vicinity of San Francisco and notes your various suggestions as to how the desired end may be attained. The maintenance of the channel of Mare Island sufficient to safely carry naval vessels of the greatest draft must be admitted to be prerequisite to the extensive improvement of the Mare Island navy yard. The report of the board appointed by the president to thoroughly investigate the question of the hydraulics of Mare Island straits and the approaches thereto is being considered by the department, and estimates will be submitted to congress in accordance with the recommendations made in the report.

New Dock at Bremerton.

A contract has been awarded for a new dock at Bremerton large enough to dock the largest battleships. The new dock at Mare Island, it is expected, will be finished in the course of a few months. Congress last year appropriated \$1,800,000 toward the establishment of a naval base at Pearl harbor, Hawaii, among the items being a dry-dock to cost \$2,000,000, for which \$300,000 was appropriated and additional appropriations will be asked this year.

The letter of the secretary states that consideration is to be given to a need of establishing a navy yard at San Diego, which is 451 miles by water from San Francisco.

DEER KILLED NEAR ALBANY CITY LIMITS

ALBANY, Or., Oct. 15.—A rather remarkable incident occurred Saturday and Sunday when three deer were killed within a short distance of this city. Hunters who have been in the mountains report a hard time in making any kind of a killing, but in these cases very little exertion was wanted.

CAN'T ENFORCE OWN RATE. WON'T ACCEPT RAILROAD'S

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 15.—The Arkansas Railroad commission today announced that it had refused to approve the new tariff of freight rates, involving an increase ranging from 50 to 100 per cent, which was filed with the temporary injunction granted Arkansas trunk lines by Judge Vandevanter of the Federal court at St. Paul, restraining the commission from putting into effect certain rates.

BLOWN TO PIECES BY POWER EMPLOYERS

BUTTE, Mont., Oct. 15.—Steven Bohjanek, a laborer, was literally blown to pieces by the explosion of a giant powder cap and stick of dynamite which he carried in his pocket. In trying to warm himself, Bohjanek stood close to a stove in a hut where he lived yesterday and the heat discharged the explosive. Small pieces of his body were blown to every side of the room and through the windows.

NEW FLEET DIVISION ORDERED TO PRACTICE



REAR ADMIRAL CONWAY H. ARNOLD AND FLAGSHIP.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Oct. 15.—The new division of the Atlantic fleet, consisting of the battleships Idaho, New Hampshire and Mississippi, with smaller vessels, under the command of Rear Admiral Conway H. Arnold, has been ordered to this place for target practice and maneuvers.

WILL PLANT MANY TREES

Several Thousand Fruit Trees Ordered by the Gold Ray Realty Co.

The Gold Ray Realty company is planning to plant many thousands of fruit trees on this fall and as a preliminary order they have ordered 2500 Spitzberg trees, 2500 Newtowns, 1000 Bartlett's, 234 Comice, 334 d'Anjou and 334 Howell trees, in all 5000 apples and 2000 pears.

This is but the first step taken by this company to improve many acres of its land in the valley by setting out fruit. The project as planned by the company is an immense one, and one that will tend to build up the valley rapidly.

After a large acreage has been set out to fruit it is planned to bring settlers from the east.

Berlin Treaty To Be Changed By Powers

LONDON, Oct. 15.—Just what provisions will be discussed at the approaching conference of the great powers of Europe regarding the changes to be made in the Berlin treaty is the question that is today agitating the minds of the English diplomats.

TO BIND TWO LANDS AS ONE

Unique Plan Adopted by Australian School Boys to Build up Friendship

MELBOURNE, Oct. 15.—Thousands of letters to school boys in the United States and England were mailed today by the boys of Australia, as a part of the comprehensive plan of fostering and intensifying race pride with a view to strengthening the friendship between the countries and drawing the younger generation closer together.

This is only one feature of the great movement for the "white man's Pacific," which has grown out of the visit of the American fleet to these shores. The feeling that America and England must join in gaining the supremacy of the Pacific for the white race grows stronger every day.

It is hoped that each school boy in Australia will build up a correspondence with a boy in America or England and that these letters will lead to a close friendship and realization of mutual interests between the countries.

CITY PAID \$59,000 ON BOND ISSUE

Nuveen & Company Place Money in Chicago Bank Subject to Demand of City of Medford

The city of Medford has to its credit in the First National bank of Chicago the sum of \$59,000 with which to pay for the water distributing system. City Recorder Collins was so notified by wire and steps will be taken immediately to repay the banks of the city who have advanced some \$45,000 to pay the contractors for the work.

The question of the interest which has accrued on the bonds since July 1, as they are dated, and the day of delivery has not as yet been settled, the money having been paid, pending an adjustment between the city and the bond buyers.

For some weeks the city has endeavored to get the cash for the water distributing bonds, as the system has been completed some months. Had not the banks of the city advanced most of the money for the payment of the contractor there would probably have been some litigation over the matter.

BALLOON FALLS INTO SEA; STEAMER TO RESCUE

BERLIN, Oct. 15.—The German balloon the Busley, the best of the contestants in the international balloon race to be accounted for, fell into the North sea today, according to a dispatch to the international committee here. Dr. Meir with Hans Reidenmann as assistant, who were piloting the balloon, were rescued from the sea by the steamer Prince Wilhelm and taken to Leth, West land.

All the entrants to the Bennett cup race have been accounted for, although the Hegersell and the Plauen, German entrants, in the endurance race, have not yet been heard from.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO CONFER WITH ROOSEVELT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—A special committee representing 5000 unemployed workmen formerly with the Bethlehem steel works, is preparing today for a visit to President Roosevelt next Monday. The committee will endeavor to convince the president that prosperity of thousands of workmen would be assured if more government contracts went to private firms than to the navy yard.

President Roosevelt was appealed to yesterday by Representative J. D. Broadhead to enlarge the scope of the private contracts for government construction work on the plea that many idle men would be given work. Broadhead arranged for the workmen's committee to see the president.

SUBMITTED TO OPERATION IN ORDER TO JOIN ARMY

CHICAGO, Oct. 15.—Albert Sylvester is today a "rookie" in the army of Uncle Sam because he bravely submitted to an operation whereby his crippled feet were altered so as to enable him to pass the physical examination. Sylvester, who is 21 years old, endeavored to enter the army some time ago, but was rejected because of "hammer toes," a disability caused by wearing shoes that were too short.

LAUNCH MISSING ON THE GREAT PUGET SOUND

TAFOMA, Wash., Oct. 15.—For just a week the launch Kingston, which left Seattle for Burley on Henderson bay, with a crew in tow and two men on board, has been missing, and all hope of finding the party has practically been abandoned.

FUND TOTALS \$248,567.55

DEMOCRATES PUBLISH NAMES OF THOSE WHO HAVE AIDED THE CAUSE OF DEMOCRACY IN NATIONAL CAMPAIGN

- NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—The announcement of contributors to the democratic national fund issued over the signature of National Chairman Norman E. Mack and National Treasurer Herman Ridder, shows that \$248,567.55 had been received on October 19. The total of contributions amounting to \$100 or more is \$99,712.23. The amount left over from the convention fund was \$42,500. In all there were 50,900 contributors. An appeal is made for an additional \$100,000, made necessary by the need of supplies, the circulation of literature, headquarters expenses, traveling expenses and campaign meetings. Of the full amount shown in the reports \$275,922.99 has been expended.
- Nathan Strauss of New York gave \$2500 and a similar sum was contributed by the national Democratic club of New York.
- There is much comment on the fact that there is no contribution from August Belmont, Charles F. Murphy, Albin K. White or Thomas F. Ryan.
- The more important contributions follow:
- California—Wesley Cole, Jr., \$1000; George A. Smith, \$250; George W. Sawyer, E. P. Dunbar, \$1000; Roger Sullivan, \$1000; J. S. Hopkins, \$1000.
- Indiana—Thomas Taggart, \$1000.
- Louisiana—New Orleans bankers, \$250.
- Michigan—E. O. Wood, \$1000.
- Missouri—Ex Governor David R. Francis, \$1000; Moses C. Wetmore, \$1100.
- Montana—T. J. Walsh, \$500; W. B. George, \$500; R. S. Ford, \$500; John D. Lockup, \$250; Senator Clark, \$2000.
- Nebraska—M. T. O'Connor, \$150; W. J. Bryan, by profits from The Commoner, \$4400.
- New York—James K. McGuire, \$1000; National Chairman Norman E. Mack, \$2000; John W. Cox, \$1000; Perry Belmont, \$1000; Burke Cochran, \$500; Samuel Untermeyer, \$1000; Jacob Ruppert, \$1000; Nathan Strauss, \$2500; Delaney Neal, \$1000; National Democratic club, \$2500; William J. Sheehan, \$1000.
- Ohio—Melville E. Ingalls, \$1000.
- Oklahoma—R. L. Own, \$1000; D. T. Gordon Bromley, \$1500.
- South Carolina—Senator Tillman, \$200.
- Wisconsin—J. J. Hogan, \$1000; F. O. Geiger, \$250.
- West Virginia—Henry Gassaway Davis, \$250.
- Colorado—Charles J. Hughes, \$5000; T. M. Patterson, \$1000; Charles S. Thomas, \$250; W. J. Galligan, \$250; W. A. Hill, \$250; John P. Shaftsch, \$250; George H. Williamson, \$250.
- Wyoming—John E. Osborne, \$1000; E. Holiday, \$250; A. Nesbitt, \$246; W. E. Johnson, \$250.
- Utah—Jesse Knight, \$500; M. B. Howard, \$250.
- Alaska—A. J. Daley, \$500; John Bonan, \$500; James McCloskey, \$400; R. U. Parker, \$100.