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Medford Daily Tribune.

The Weather

Fair tonight except rain near coast. Wednesday, fair southeast; cloudiness followed by rain northwest portion. Winds shifting to southerly.

THIRD YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1908.

No. 189.

JUDGE HANNA'S DECISION IS AFFIRMED

1000 MORE VOTERS IN JACKSON CO

Registration Books Show Big Increase Since June Election--Republicans the High Party

Table with 2 columns: Party, Votes. Includes Republicans (2872), Democrats (1227), Socialists (130), Independents (283), Prohibitionists (64), Not given (918).

Increase in five months 1063

That is the tale told by the registration books in the county clerk's office at the present time. An increase of 1063 registered voters in five months, truly a remarkable growth.

ROOSEVELT TO BE EDITOR? LOEB REFUSES TO DENY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—Secretary Loeb refused today to affirm or deny the correctness of the report that President Roosevelt has made arrangements to become an associate editor on his return from Africa.

The president is not granting audiences to those who would like to ask questions as to plans to be executed after he quits office.

Dr. Lyman Abbott, the editor of the Outlook, has the following statement: "The Outlook has no comment whatever to make upon the statement made in the daily press connecting President Roosevelt's name with its editorial staff."

NEW CLEARING HOUSE FOR CALIFORNIA BANKS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 27.—Representatives of the leading banks of the state began signing the roll today of membership in a new California state clearing house.

WINTER HAS SET IN EASTERN PART OF OREGON

PRINEVILLE, Or., Oct. 27.—Winter has set in in earnest in mid-Oregon, there having been very heavy frost every morning for the last fortnight.

PRINCE HENRY TAKES TRIP THROUGH THE AIR

FRIDERICHAFON, Oct. 27.—Prince Henry of Prussia today made an ascension in the re-consolidated Zeppelin airship.

DUKE SETS AT REST DOUBT OF HIS WEDDING

TURIN, Oct. 27.—Doubts concerning the wedding of the Duke of Abruzzi and Miss Katherine Elkins were set at rest today following the announcement of the royal court that the American heiress was to become his bride.

WATER SUPPLY

Does Medford and its surrounding country want 300 inches of water by gravity or would they rather have 50,000 inches by pumping, especially when the pumping will cost less? This is the question for voters to consider.

SPEAKS TO CROWDS IN EARLY DAWN

Bryan Holds a 4 a. m. Meeting For Night Workers at Request of Committee Newspaper Men

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—William J. Bryan held one of the most remarkable political meetings on record at 4 o'clock this morning in City Hall park.

Bryan stood upon the steps of the city hall and the crowd gathered in the park about him. The men came from power houses, telegraph offices, street-car houses, all-night restaurants, morning newspapers and other places where work never stops.

In his address Bryan confined his remarks to much the same arguments as he made at the monster meeting at Madison Square Garden last night.

TO IRRIGATE OVER 300 THOUSAND ACRES OF LAND

KLAMATH FALLS, Oct. 27.—M. D. Williams, county surveyor of Klamath county has gone to Lakeview to take charge of the engineering work of the Valley Land company for its high ir-Lake, Klamath and Barney counties.

AMBASSADOR REID BUYS DAUGHTER HOME

LONDON, Oct. 27.—London society is looking forward today to good times at Chilton lodge, the new home of Mrs. John Ward, daughter of Ambassador Reid, which has been purchased for the American woman by her father at a cost of half a million.

REPORTS OF TAFT GIVING OUT PROVE UNTRUE

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—Reports that William H. Taft collapsed after his address in Brooklyn last night were denied today at the home of his brother, Henry W. Taft, where he spent the night.

DECREASE IN EARNINGS OF GREAT NORTHERN ROADS

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 27.—Although there is a decrease of \$1,538,000 in the earnings of the Great Northern railroad on the fiscal year ending June 30, 1908, the 19th annual report just issued by the road is considered favorable in view of the general business conditions.

COMMERCIAL STUDENTS ELECT GUILD OFFICERS

At an enthusiastic meeting of the students in the commercial department of the high school the following officers were elected for the year:

CITY CHARTER NULLIFIES LOCAL OPTION IN MEDFORD

PROHIS START WORK AT ONCE

Will Endeavor to Elect a Dry Council in January to Close Up Saloons

"What we have done in the past is not a circumstance to what we will do in the future in the way of fighting the saloons in Medford," said Shortie Garnett Tuesday upon learning of the decision of the supreme court upholding the city charter.

The prohibitionists lost no time Tuesday in getting together after the news regarding the decision was passed around. Immediately a ticket will be placed in the field for the city election in January, when three councilmen and the mayor will have to be elected.

JUSTICE MOORE WROTE THE OPINION UPHOLDING CHARTER

Supreme Court Files Their Opinion in the Case of Hall vs. Dunn Et Al.—Medford Remains Wet at Discretion of City Council.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 27.—(Special.)—The decree of Circuit Judge H. K. Hanna enjoining the county court of Jackson county from making an order declaring the result of a majority of the votes cast last June in the entire county in favor of prohibition and directing an absolute interdiction of the sale of intoxicating liquors so far as the mandate may affect the city of Medford was affirmed by the supreme court today in an opinion written by Justice Moore.

Secured by Hall.

The injunction was secured by J. C. Hall, a saloon proprietor of Medford, against George W. Dunn, county judge, and Joshua Patterson and George Brown, county commissioners, assisting the county court of Jackson county, shortly after Jackson county was voted dry last June by the electors voting as a whole under the opinions of the local option law.

Opinion on Charter.

It is on this provision that Justice Moore bases his opinion mainly. This charter was enacted one year after the provisions of the local option law became effective, and it was then in force in Jackson county, for Justice Moore holds that, though the local option law was operative, the qualified voters of Jackson county had not elected to make it potent in their county until June, 1908, after the adoption of the charter.

Credit Due Smith.

To Attorney Robert G. Smith is due the credit for winning the case. During the prohibition campaign, he repeatedly predicted the result, and his opinion on the subject was printed by The Tribune at the time.

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