

UNITED PRESS DISPATCHES By far the largest and best news report of any paper in Southern Oregon.

Medford Daily Tribune.

The Weather Fair weather is promised for tonight and Saturday; southerly winds.

THIRD YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1908.

No. 198.

GOMPERS TO ANSWER ALL CRITICISMS

But Will Only Do So From Floor of Labor Convention in Denver--Defends His Course

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.--Before he left here today to attend the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor at Denver, Samuel E. Gompers, president of the organization, gave an interview in which he declared that he is not a candidate for re-election to the presidency of the federation.

"I am not a candidate for re-election as the president of the American Federation of Labor in the sense that I seek office, but when I am not active as president, I shall take my position in the rank and file of labor."

Gompers defended his course in supporting Bryan and declared that he would answer his critics from the floor of the convention. He would explain his attitude fully then, he declared.

John W. Hayes, grand master workman of the Knights of Labor, a body not affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, today declared that Gompers and his associates exceeded their authority in taking the federation into politics.

It is probable that there will be a warm discussion when the federation meets at Denver.

MASHER CAUGHT BY PHELAN AND CAPT. DUKE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 6.--Marcelle Husen, a Swiss butcher in out of jail on bail today following accusations brought against him of annoying the women guests of the Fairmont hotel yesterday. His captors were Police Captain Duke and former Mayor James D. Phelan, who caught the alleged masher after a dizzy race in automobiles down the precipitous slope of Nob Hill.

Police headquarters were notified late in the afternoon that a burly man was molesting women at the hotel entrance. Captain Duke jumped in the police automobile and headed swiftly for the Fairmont. He tackled Husen who is twice his size and after a struggle Husen broke away and ran down the hill. He was followed by Duke in the machine and by former Mayor Phelan who saw the last of the fight as he emerged from the hotel. Phelan sprang into his machine and the race was on. Several blocks down the hill, Husen fell and Duke and Phelan were on him in an instant. The man was handcuffed and taken to the city prison.

OLD SOLDIERS DRINK TOO MUCH JAMAICA GINGER

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 6.--The officials of Sawtelle where the soldier's home is situated are endeavoring today to discover means whereby the sale of Jamaica ginger to the old soldiers may be stopped. The complaint of the officials of the home is that the soldiers purchase enough Jamaica ginger for 20 cents to get them on a Jamaica ginger jag for 20 days.

"It not only intoxicates but it crazes the men," said a prominent official in discussing the matter. "It is killing off the veterans by the score. Why we have some men here who can drink a bottle of it in a few swallows. I can't stand more than a drop or two on my tongue, it is too strong. Some time the mixture contains as high as 95 per cent alcohol although the usual quantity is 35 per cent."

The district attorney is making an investigation but can not see his way clear to prosecute the sellers as it is sold as medicine.

STATE REFUSES OFFER OF NEW WAGON ROAD

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 6.--John Hennessy who made a fortune in Nevada mining today has a wagon road on his hands because of the refusal of the state to accept as a gift a \$60,000 roadway from the Hennessy ranch in Trinity county to the Humboldt state road. The private roadway is completed for three miles and Hennessy has offered the state a bonus of \$2000 for its completion.

The state has declined all offers because of the expense required in maintaining the thoroughfare. Hennessy has become financially embarrassed and cannot complete the road and pay for its maintenance. There is no territory of importance to be developed by the road and the state cannot see its way clear to accept the offer.

OFFICIAL COUNT IS COMPLETE

Taft Gets 501 Plurality in County--High Elector for Hisgen Got 10 Votes--Count Finished Thursday

The official count of the vote in Jackson county for presidential electors was completed Thursday afternoon by County Clerk Coleman, and shows a plurality of 501 for Taft, when the republican elector getting the highest vote is compared with the highest democratic elector. The totals were as follows:

Table with columns for candidate names and vote counts. Includes sections for Taft, Bryan, Chafin, and Debs.

CARUSO SAYS HE IS NOT MARRIED

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.--"I am not married. It is all false. It is a damnable lie to blacken my reputation. It must be stopped." Enrico Caruso, the famous tenor, walked up and down his room in his hotel today and waved his arms as he denounced in the above language the story that he had married a rich American girl, Lillian G. Berhous.

The story was printed in an Italian newspaper, "Il Teatri." According to the paper, Caruso had not been separated from his former wife more than a few weeks when he received a letter from Miss Berhous stating that she had much money. The paper says a meeting followed the missive and a marriage followed the meeting.

"The story originated in South America among some of my enemies," shouted Caruso to a newspaper man today. "From there it was sent to Germany to turn my friends against me. From Germany it went to Italy and from there to Paris, and now it has come here. It must be stopped."

MARRIED 15-YEAR-OLD GIRL; IS BIGAMIST

CHICO, Cal., Nov. 6.--Robert Mitchell, a chair mender, is being brought here today from Red Bluff charged with bigamy as the result of his marriage to the 15-year-old daughter of George Burch.

LANG OF LONDON CHOSEN FOR BISHOP OF MONTREAL

MONTREAL, Que., Nov. 6.--After taking several more ballots for a successor to the late Bishop Carmichael, the Anglican Synod of Montreal diocese went into committee of the whole to break the deadlock between Dean Evans, of Montreal, the favorite candidate of the clergy, and Dean Farthing, of Kingston, Ont., the favored candidate of the lay delegates. When the synod reassembled a ballot was taken, resulting in the practically unanimous choice of the Right Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang, at present Bishop of Stepney, one of the suffragan Bishops of the diocese of London, England.

Bishop Lang is one of the most brilliant of the younger clergymen of Great Britain and stands in the direct line of preferment to the highest honors. So it is doubtful if he will accept.

TROWBRIDGE SWITCHES ON THE LIQUOR QUESTION

CHANGE DUE TO THE DECISION OF SUPREME COURT PERSONEL OF NEW CABINET

Contract Ordered With I. L. Hamilton--Moyer Warns Council to Leave the Roof of City Hall Alone--Reports Received and Bills Ordered Paid.

There is a new lineup in the city council on the liquor question. Councilman Trowbridge has changed his views, owing to the decision of the supreme court in the Medford liquor case, and at the regular meeting of the city council Thursday night he cast his vote to grant to Murphy & Downing a license to sell liquor for a period of six months. As there was only present at the meeting a bare quorum, the result was a tie, Merriek and Woriman voting no, Trowbridge and Eifer voting yes.

To Change Regulations. There was introduced at the meeting an ordinance amending the present ordinance regulating the sale of liquor, which provided for a license of \$800 a year instead of \$500, and the removal of all screens on Sundays so that police officers could at all times secure a view of the interior of the saloons from the outside, in order to stop any sale of liquor on Sunday. Who is behind the movement is not known, but the matter was laid on the table for the time being.

Mr. Moyer Warns Council. A. S. Moyer, contractor, who built the city hall, warned the council not to touch the roof of the city hall, as had charge of it for three years. He also threatened to sue for payment if the balance on his contract was not forthcoming. His move grew out of an order by the council to have the room on the city hall repaired.

Klum & Morgan made the city a proposition to number the houses of the city and place signs on the streets. The matter was referred to the street committee for investigation.

The Police Department. Chief of Police Shearer reported 33 arrests during the month of October. Fines to the number of 26 were disposed, which netted the city \$167, two of the fines being suspended. Six cases were dismissed.

City Engineer's Report. City Engineer Osgood reported that during the month of October 10,345 square feet of cement sidewalk and 1854 lineal feet of plank walk had been constructed.

The work on the outfall sewer under the Jacobson-Bald contract commenced October 26 and to date 1800 feet of 16-inch pipe have been laid. Options for right of way and the septic tank site have been secured.

Minor Business. The city engineer was instructed to include the additional street work on Seventh and Central avenue in the contract with the Warren Construction company.

Bills for October were passed and warrants ordered drawn. A communication from A. E. Roames was read in which he asked a retainer of \$100 to act for the city in connection with the bond issue taken by John Nyveen & Co. The recorder was ordered to draw a warrant and retain Mr. Roames.

The Condor Water & Power company asked to substitute a new bond for their old one. Referred to city attorney. The votes of the water election were canvassed and the city attorney was instructed to draw a contract with I. L. Hamilton.

WOMAN SHOT IN HOTEL IN CHICAGO IDENTIFIED. CHICAGO, Nov. 6.--Divorce proceedings after twenty-two years of wedded life will be instituted by the wife of R. A. King, of Lansingville, Ill., and one of the wealthiest business men of Central Illinois, as the result of the shooting affair at the Imperial Hotel.

WE WANT A CHANGE SAY GERMAN

Demand Complete Re-organization of the Foreign Office--Kaiser Characterized as Impetuous

BERLIN, Germany, Nov. 6.--Germans are today demanding the complete reorganization of the foreign office. The press is insistent that the affairs of the foreign office be left to a minister who will have complete charge of foreign affairs without interference from the kaiser, who is characterized as impetuous.

Beginning with a loss of prestige to Germany through the failure of the German foreign office to foresee the success of the Young Turks movement and culminating in the Casa Blanca fiasco and the London express incident, Germany has had the worst of every international combination.

The so-called triple alliance among England, France and Russia is condemned by the Germans as a foolish blunder on the part of the German diplomats because Germany was left out of the international entente.

Recognizing the impetuosity of the emperor, there is greater need of diplomacy in the foreign office than in any other of the chancellor's, say the Germans.

The German people love peace and argue that it is better to clean house now than to let blundering continue to a point where Germany will be either compelled to fight or withdraw from a new entanglement with other nations.

The German foreign office is criticized because of its failure to agree with a change on the Casa Blanca affair.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Nov. 6.--H. P. White, the special allotting agent of the Klamath Indian reservation, reports progress very slow on account of the many complications in connection with the settlement of the tribal rights of many of the claimants.

Editor Pattison of the Central Point Herald was a Medford visitor recently. He says that Central Point is advancing more rapidly of late than for a number of months past. New sidewalks are the order of the day.

W. M. Baxter, who owns mining property on Indian creek in the Siskiyou, has returned from a visit to his mines.

N. S. Bennett has purchased the residence property of G. F. Allen on North Central avenue, paying \$1100. York & Co. handled the deal.

R. W. Stephenson has returned from a visit with friends in Indiana. Mrs. Harry Webb and Mrs. J. A. Whitesides of San Francisco are visiting with their mother, Mrs. Eastern of Jacksonville.

HAMILTON PLANNING TO RUSH WORK

Carries Election 525 to 35--Will Connect Pipe With Ditch at Bradshaw Drop Until Line is Completed

As soon as the contract is drawn, and the survey made, I. L. Hamilton proposes to get to work on the construction of the pipeline to Little Butte creek, so as to get water into Medford at the earliest possible moment. A large force of men will be put on the job and will be kept there until the line is completed.

Citizens of Medford on Thursday by a vote of 535 to 35 or by a plurality of 500 decided in favor of water from Little Butte, according to the proposition submitted by I. L. Hamilton. The vote was upon the three propositions, one by I. L. Hamilton, water from Fish lake; one by G. B. Ray for the Condor Water & Power company, and one by Edgar S. Hafer, although the latter was withdrawn some days ago. The vote by wards was:

Table showing election results by ward: Hamilton, Ray, Hafer. First ward 158 6 2, Second ward 200 22 2, Third ward 168 7 2.

Mr. Hamilton Friday morning expressed himself as very much gratified over the outcome. He stated that he would now get to work and do everything in his power to get water into Medford at the earliest possible date.

The first work to be undertaken will be the survey to Little Butte. The engineer will start on this immediately.

Mr. Hamilton states that as soon as the pipeline is laid from their reservoir to the Bradshaw drop that he will lay a temporary line at that point to the ditch of the Fish lake company and supply the city from that point until the system is completed, cutting out Bear creek as early as possible.

The city council directed the city attorney Thursday evening to prepare at once the contract with Mr. Hamilton and the necessary ordinances.

WRESTLING MATCH IS CREATING MUCH INTEREST

The wrestling match between Jack Welch and W. H. West of this city is creating much interest and a large crowd should be on hand at the Angle opera house Monday night to witness the good. The Journal of November 5 says:

Medford has a wrestler in the person of W. H. West, who is anxious to meet the winner of the O'Connell-Strangler Sixth match in Portland November 12. If he can find it possible, West intends to be on hand at the ringside to challenge the winner of the Portland bout.

West has already written a challenge to Portland to meet the winner of the match. He will wrestle catch-as-catch-can or any other style the Portland wrestlers want to name. He wants to wrestle for gate money or purse and is willing to make a suitable side bet. Middleweight or catch weights suit him perfectly.

FORMER PRESIDENT PALMA GIVEN ELABORATE FUNERAL. HAVANA, Cuba, Nov. 6.--The funeral of Tommaso Estada Palma, formerly president of the Republic of Cuba, was held here at 4 o'clock this evening.

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING. The library board will meet this evening at King's book store, 7:30 o'clock. MRS. H. C. STODDARD, Librarian.