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CONTRACT SIGNED FOR 50,000 BOOKLETS

COMMERCIAL CLUB VOTES TO EXPEND SUM OF \$3770

BIG BALLOON FINALLY LANDS IN ARIZONA

Starts From Los Angeles and After Thrilling Flight Lands Across the Colorado River

(By J. K. Hutchinson, United Press correspondent, who made the ascent in the balloon United States, starting from Los Angeles.)

Ehrenberg, Ariz., Nov. 25, via Phoenix.—Falling 16,000 feet to the Arizona plain, then dragged a mile through cactus and over boulders, while the shattered basket of our balloon, the United States, ploughed a deep furrow in the earth, Captain Augustus Muller and the writer made a descent after what is considered today one of the most sensational flights in the history of aeronautics, Monday afternoon, after having traveled more than 250 miles through the clouds in six eventful hours, filled with heart-rending escapes and feats of daring.

Unruffled and bleeding, we alighted only to find that we were in a middle of a desert, giving no sign of human habitation. Cold and hungry, we wandered throughout the entire night, lost in the bottom lands of the Colorado river, and were completely exhausted at noon the next day, when, finally we reached Ehrenberg with its welcome food and shelter.

Crossed Colorado River. Six hours after leaving Los Angeles shrouded in clouds Monday morning the balloon United States swept across the Colorado river at an altitude of 10,000 feet, more than 250 miles from our starting point. Ten minutes later the pendix rope of our balloon broke, the cold wind on the Arizona side of the river forced the illuminating gas from the bag and we dropped with terrific speed onto the desert, the balloon dragging us for over a mile before settling.

During our flight our average height was 10,000 feet, where a steady easterly current carried us along at a rate of over 60 miles an hour well above the clouds that buried Los Angeles county.

We crossed the mountains within a quarter of a mile of the summit of San Jacinto peak and continued a straight eastern course over the desert ranges.

SAY THAT BELL WILL JOIN GOULD'S LAW FORCE

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 25.—Theodore Bell, former congressman, one time candidate for governor and recently widely known as the democratic boss of California, it is rumored here today, will soon become one of the legal force of Gould's Western Pacific railroad. Bell has made the keynote of his recent campaign an appeal to the voters to fight all aggression in politics on the part of the Southern Pacific. His friends say that if his decision to become a railroad attorney is true it means the death knell for his political ambitions.

R. D. HUME DIED AT HIS HOME ON WEDNESDAY

Word reached this city Wednesday morning of the death of R. D. Hume, known throughout the northwest as "the lord of the Rogues," gaining that name through his large operations in connection with the canning of salmon near the mouth of the river. Since 1876 he has operated a large cannery and has successfully fought many competitive concerns. He recently created a considerable stir by announcing that he was to erect a large cold storage plant in which he would store steelheads and ship them to eastern markets. His last illness has extended over many weeks.

MEDFORD LEADS PUBLICITY WORK IN THE NORTHWEST

Old Pamphlet Will Be Replaced at Once With 30,000 Similar to Those Published This Summer—Sunset Representative Met Local Committee Wednesday.

"Forward march!"—this was the underlying sentiment of the enthusiastic meeting held by the Commercial club Tuesday night. Not only is no backward step to be taken in publicity work, but Medford has decided to go forward in a way that will make this country "sit up and take notice" as never before.

Wednesday morning the contract was closed with W. Bittle Wells, representing Sunset Magazine, for \$3770 for 50,000 Medford booklets, printed in three colors, the finest pamphlet ever put out by any town in publicity work. In addition, 30,000 pamphlets, similar to those printed this summer, with colored Newtown apple covers, will be issued at once to take the place of the old Medford pamphlet, which is exhausted. A special meeting had been called to consider the advisability of uniting with the county in the publication of a booklet on Jackson county. The subject is evidently one of unusual interest, as was attested by the crowded room and the eager attention which was accorded the speakers.

Judge Colvig, president of the club, stated the purposes of the meeting and the reasons favoring a county booklet. He made a strong plea for more unity in contributing to publicity work and scored those who have been willing to reap the great advantage of the club's publicity, but who have been unwilling to contribute anything towards the cost. Other speakers showed the marvelous results which have come as a direct result of the publicity movement. Since the beginning of the movement it was shown that land had greatly increased in value and that Medford has become better known throughout the country than any other section of Oregon outside of Portland.

Sunset Representative Speaks

William Bittle Wells, special representative of the passenger department of the Southern Pacific company, and who is also in charge of Sunset in the Pacific northwest, was called upon, and showed in his enthusiastic manner the important place which Medford occupies in the eyes of the Pacific coast. "Medford cannot afford," he said, "to take backward steps at this time. Its position in publicity has been every result to justify even the thought of such a thing. Medford has secured an enviable position—it has a great and brilliant future. Keep up the good work, gentlemen."

New Booklets Ordered

Other speakers followed in a like strain and a practically unanimous vote followed to issue for Medford 50,000 copies of a 64-page booklet, which is to surpass in every way anything previously attempted by any community on the coast. The paper is to be 100-pound with a very high finish and the cuts, presswork and other details are to be the best money can buy. The motion to print the booklets carried with it the understanding that the Sunset plan would be adopted, this making the third year that Medford has adopted the same plan for publicity.

The plan adopted calls for the hearty co-operation of the entire Harriman system and especially the passenger department of the Southern Pacific company, which, under the regime of William McMurray, the general passenger agent, is doing so much for the development of this section. This co-operation was indicated Tuesday in the visit of General Manager J. P. O'Brien of the Southern Pacific and O. B. & N.; William McMurray, general passenger agent, and B. B. Miller, general freight agent, with C. A. Malbone, district agent, with C. A. Malbone, district agent, who called upon the merchants of the city and exchanged mutual felicitations upon the progress and prosperity of Medford.

The Sunset Plan

The Sunset plan for community publicity is one of the very tangible evidences of this new and extremely desirable spirit of co-operation between the people and the railroads, and is arousing great interest among railroad men throughout the country. Medford has found the plan practical and effective.

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OFFICIALS ARE MUCH PLEASED WITH MEDFORD

Speak Words of Praise For City and vicinity—Visited Different Business Houses

"Medford is a wonder," said General Manager J. P. O'Brien of the Southern Pacific Tuesday evening in his special car after a day spent visiting among business men and citizens with General Passenger Agent William McMurray, General Freight Agent R. B. Miller and Division Freight Agent C. A. Malbone and W. B. Wells, publicity manager. "We visited almost every business house in the city and did not hear a complaint. Everybody said business was good, was increasing, that the city was growing rapidly and their business keeping pace with it. No one did any eulogy howling against the railroad or anything else. It is a pleasure to visit such a city."

"No matter if your streets are muddy, you are doing the business which many a place with paved streets is not—and then it will be only a short time until the pavement you have ordered is completed. The little that is laid shows that Medford will shortly be one of the best paved cities. The settlement of the water question means a great thing to the city. I hope some of your mines are opened soon; they will mean even more to the city than your orchards, and so will the lumber when the railroad is extended there."

The New Road's Effect

"What will be the effect on Medford when the main line is switched via Natron and Klamath Falls?" was asked Mr. O'Brien.

"I don't think it will have much effect. I don't see how through trains have ever been any benefit to the town, and as long as ample service to satisfy local needs is supplied, switching the through train service will not injure the city," replied Mr. O'Brien.

"Did you ever notice," remarked General Freight Agent Miller, "that every important city west of Portland and San Francisco on the Harriman lines was reached by a branch line, was off the main line? Well, it is, and the fact doesn't seem to injure the growth of the cities, either. There is Boise, Salt Lake city and Denver, all off the trunk line. It won't hurt Medford to get in their class."

Would Like to Come Here

"When I get money enough to quit railroad work," continued Mr. Miller, "I am coming down to the Rogue River valley, get an alfalfa ranch and raise hogs. I am going to put up 'Miller's Celebrated Sausage' in special tins and ship it all over the world. The alfalfa will be fed to the hogs, and the brand will become famous. Then I'll be able to own my own railroad."

"Alfalfa may be all right," said General Passenger Agent McMurray, "but when I retire I will raise apples to feed to hogs, besides apple feed hogs ought to be sweeter than alfalfa fed ones. Land that pays from \$500 to \$2000 an acre in orchard ought to satisfy anyone. I am glad to see the big orchards being set up and more small ones placed on the market."

Demonstration Train Soon

"We will run a demonstration train through the valley in February to give practical demonstration by experts upon pruning fruit, and other phases of fruit culture. The lectures will be by prominent horticulturists and scientists. The demonstration train in the Willamette valley this fall proved a great success," he concluded, showing a great number of photographs, in which great crowds were pictured.

"Medford," said W. Bittle Wells, northwest representative of Sunset Magazine, who is in charge of the Harriman publicity work in the Pacific northwest, "is the best advertised town of its size in the country. It is a great deal for a city of 5000 people to become as well known in a couple of years as a city of 150,000, yet that is the case with

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MANY PERISH IN BURNING SHIP

Big Liner Sardinia Burned to Water Line—Number of Deaths as Yet Unknown

MALTA, Nov. 25.—The big liner Sardinia from Liverpool to Eastern points caught fire outside the harbor today, with 200 passengers and a large crew aboard.

Figures could be discerned jumping from the decks of the great ship into the water.

The liner was beached by tugs after an hour's delay, during which the fire roared fiercely.

The number of deaths is unknown, but is declared to be heavy.

The steamer is practically destroyed, and it is believed that some passengers are pinned in the burning hull, which lies aground just outside the entrance to the harbor.

Thirty English on Board

About 30 of the names on the passenger list are English.

The Sardinia had just cleared the harbor when smoke was observed issuing from a cargo hold. The crew was summoned to fire quarters and a detachment was sent below.

The men had hardly disappeared when the forward hatch was blown off by an explosion and the whole forward part of the vessel became a mass of flames.

The passengers, many of whom were women and children, already had rushed to the deck and were in a state of intense excitement. When the explosion occurred there was a wild panic. Everyone rushed to the stern, where there seemed to be more safety, but a strong wind swept the flames toward them.

Many passengers jumped overboard without life preservers and undoubtedly were drowned.

Crew Fought Bravely

The crew fought bravely against the flames, but it was impossible for the officers to maintain order or control the passengers.

The plight of the ship was observed from shore and admiralty tugs were sent immediately to the rescue, but owing to the gale and the terrific heat it was hard for them to approach close. After a hard struggle, the tugs finally got their lines attached and dragged the Sardinia around. Many of the passengers were taken off, but a number are still missing.

The tugs are patrolling the sea in hope of picking up passengers who may have jumped with life preservers. More tugs are waiting near the burning ship to search her hull as soon as it is possible to go aboard her. The Sardinia belongs to the Papananni Elberman line. It is believed that the fire was due to spontaneous combustion.

CRAZED WITH DRINK SHOOT HIS DAUGHTER

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—Crazed with drink and suddenly infuriated at the suggestion that past differences be patched up, Carl Loos, 57 years old, shot and instantly killed his 16-year old daughter Meta and severely wounded his son, the Rev. Frank Loos, at the breakfast table today.

The son, who was recently married, was dejected to bring about a reconciliation between members of the family who had quarreled. It is said that the elder Loos drank heavily last night. When the young preacher opened the subject at the breakfast table, the father became greatly excited. He seemed to lose his mind and began shouting. Miss Meta died almost instantly. The man was attempting to do more damage when he was overpowered and disarmed. He was placed in jail, where he continued to rave.

NO ISSUE OF THE TRIBUNE THURSDAY

Thursday, November 26, being Thanksgiving day, there will be no issue of The Tribune.

GUN CLUB TO HAVE SHOOT THANKSGIVING

The Medford Rod and Gun club are to hold a shoot Thanksgiving day, the shoot being held at 9 a. m. Thursday on their grounds. All are urged to be present.

STATUE TO MEMORY OF GENERAL PHIL SHERIDAN IS UNVEILED



STATUE IN MEMORY OF AMERICA'S GREATEST CAVALRYMAN.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—In the presence of an immense throng of people from all parts of the country, the equestrian statue of General Phil Sheridan, America's greatest cavalryman, was unveiled today in this city.

Many notables were present, including ambassadors and American statesmen.

The statue was designed by Gutzon Borglum, the sculptor who is furnishing so many colossal statues for the cathedral of St. John, the Divine, in New York city.

President Roosevelt delivered an address to the many who had gathered. He was constantly interrupted by outbursts of applause.

The President's Speech

The president said in part: "It is eminently fitting that the nation's illustrious men, the men who loom as heroes before the eyes of our people, should be fittingly commemorated here at the national capital, and I am glad indeed to take part in the unveiling of this statue to General Sheridan. His name will always stand high on the list of American worthies. Not only was he a great general, but he showed his greatness with that touch of originality which we call genius. Indeed this quality of brilliance has been in one sense a disadvantage to his reputation, for it has tended to overshadow his solid ability. We honor his memory itself; and moreover, as in the case of other great commanders of his day, his career symbolizes the careers of all those men who in the years of the nation's direst need sprang to the front to risk everything, including life itself, and to spend the days of their strongest young manhood in valorous conflict for an ideal. Often

PORTLAND SCHOOL TEACHER IN TROUBLE OVER BAGGAGE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 25.—Miss Ruth Watson, a Portland, Ore., school teacher, is congratulating herself today that she was clever enough when she arrived from the orient on the steamer Mongolia Sunday to qualify her "declaration" about her baggage so that the customs officers could not possibly bring charges of smuggling against her. Miss Watson added that not all the goods were intended for her own use. She "intended to dispose of some of them." This the customs officials say saves her from the serious charge of smuggling.

LOCAL PRUNEGROWERS FORM ORGANIZATION

Local prunegrowers met Tuesday afternoon and formed a permanent organization. The following officers were elected: President, G. A. Morse; vice president, C. W. McPherson; secretary, L. F. Lozier; treasurer, W. T. York; board of directors, L. F. Lozier, G. A. Morse and D. W. Luke. These officers will hold office until the annual election in April of each year. The organization is to be incorporated with a capital stock of \$1000.

YOUTHFUL GAMBLER BLOWS BRAINS OUT IN THEATER LOBBY

OGDEN, Utah, Nov. 25.—While a large audience was avidly enjoying a musical comedy at the Grand opera house last night, Walter Luckey, a youthful gambler, blew out his brains with a rifle in the foyer of the theater. Luckey, who was 24 years of age, stood at the theater entrance with a Winchester rifle. Just before the audience emerged from the building he placed the muzzle of the weapon in his mouth and pulled the trigger by means of a string. The sound of the shot was not heard above the laughter of the audience and attaches of the theater removed the body before the exits were thrown open. Luckey is known to have lost money and is thought to have become despondent. A letter in his pocket asked that a sister, Mrs. Mary L. Ward, 94 East Fifteenth street, Portland, Ore., be notified.

Cut this out and mail it with one dollar to Dr. Louis Bundy, treasurer, Medford, Ore.

Enclosed find one dollar, one year's dues, for membership in the Rogue River Fish Protective Association, organized to protect fish in the Rogue river and its tributaries, secure needed legislation and restock the streams.

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ATTEMPT ON MANUEL'S LIFE

Ruler of Portugal has a Narrow Escape from Death While Driving on Street.

LISBON, Nov. 25.—King Manuel had a narrow escape from death today at the hands of a mob of armed republicans and was saved only by the quick and vigorous action of his cavalry guard.

The king was arrayed in the uniform of a field marshal and was riding in an open carriage, participating in the royalist demonstration.

Without warning the procession was attacked by the republicans, who had concealed themselves at a point of vantage. It was their evident purpose to kill the king, but at the order of his royal highness the cavalry charged the mob.

The driver of the royal carriage lashed the horses, a squad of cavalry surrounded the vehicle and it was driven swiftly to the palace. The cavalry followed the carriage to the palace and then returned and attacked the mob again. The republicans were so strong that they were able to hold their own until the infantry was called out.

The foot soldiers charged the crowds with fixed bayonets, wounding many who stood in the way. After a hard fight, the mob was dispersed. Many arrests were made and the city is in a state of great unrest this evening.

It is believed that the republicans carefully planned the attack to break up the royalist cabinet and assassinate the king. Many shots were fired during the rioting and in the first attack it is said that several bullets passed close to the monarch's head.

SERIOUS CHARGES BROUGHT AGAINST PRINCESS DE SAGAN

PARIS, Nov. 25.—Maitre Bonnet, counsel for Count Boni de Castellane, in his suit for the custody of his children and an allowance of 30,000 francs yearly from his former wife, made serious allegations against the defendant, who is now the Princess de Sagan, and who before her marriage to Count Boni was Miss Anna Yonid. Maitre Bonnet said that he would prove that Anna traveled unaccompanied with the Prince de Sagan through Italy and later lived with him as his wife at the Chateau Marais. He also said that he would prove that the Prince de Sagan was accompanied by another woman when he went to New York to press his suit for Anna. He alleged further that the princess, since her last marriage, has neglected the education of the children.

RAILROADS EXPERIMENTING WITH TELEPHONE DISPATCHING

CHICAGO, Nov. 25.—The officials of several railroads in Iowa, Wisconsin and Illinois are experimenting today with a system of train dispatching by telephones, which, if successful, will replace the telegraph on their lines. The action of the railroad men was brought about by the recent failure of the telegraph during a heavy electrical storm. For several hours the telegraph system was paralyzed and the companies were compelled to resort to the telephones. It was found that the service was as perfect over the telephones as if there had been an electrification of the atmosphere. At every station a lightning arrester has been installed and every effort is being made to protect the system from interference.