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Cloudy tonight and tomorrow; north-easterly winds.

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MEDFORD VOTES WET; REJECTS AMENDMENT

ONLY TWO SAYS HOUSE

Committee on Naval Affairs Cut Program in Half—Give Huge Vessels

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The naval construction program for four battleships of the first class was cut in two today by the house committee on naval affairs, when it voted for two battleships in 1909.
There is a committee in the president in that the two ships authorized are to be of the 26,000 ton type, greater by 6000 tons displacement than the Dreadnaughts now building—greater, in fact, than any of the fighting ships afloat. These ships are to carry the monster 14-inch guns now being perfected by the bureau of ordnance of the navy. The navy department had hoped for authorization for one of these monsters and had not expected to be given two of them.
Besides the battleships, the committee authorized five torpedo boat destroyers, four submarines, three colliers and one sub-surface boat. The new construction authorized will cost about \$20,000,000. The navy asked for 20 new vessels including four battleships at a cost of \$75,000,000.
The naval bill will be reported out by the committee early next week. It will carry a total appropriation of about \$132,000,000, as compared with \$123,000,000 in the naval bill of 1908.
There will be provision for the marine corps as an arm of the naval service and a recommendation that marine be continued on the battleships and fighting vessels. There is a blow at the president, who recently ordered all marines ashore from war vessels. The naval committee reports that it will cost about \$500,000 annually to equip the marines on ships with sea men.

CANON IS ELECTED MAYOR OVER PERRY BY NARROW MARGIN

City Gives Prohibition Hardest Blow Ever Dealt in Oregon—Entire Ticket of Business Men and Taxpayers Elected—Over 900 Votes Are Cast.

By the decisive majority of 127 votes Medford on Tuesday decided not to swap horses while crossing a stream, and at the same time handed to prohibition the worst jolt that has been dealt it in the state of Oregon. The provision to amend the charter so that the local option law of the state of Oregon could apply to the city in order that Medford would be forced into the dry column by the voters of Jackson county next June was scowed under by a majority of 167 votes. The entire ticket of the business men and taxpayers was elected, the prohibition forces not breaking into it at any point. For mayor, W. H. Canon was chosen by 51 votes; E. A. Welch was elected councilman in the first ward over C. H. Perry by a plurality of 44; V. J. Emrick, was elected councilman in the second ward over W. N. Campbell by a plurality of 23, and J. L. Demer was elected in the third ward over F. W. Hollis by a plurality of 43. The library tax carried by a majority of 132.

Result Was Predicted.
Early in the afternoon it became evident that the wets had won their fight, but the majority fight was in doubt, although it was freely predicted that W. H. Canon would win by a small majority. The first definite prediction came when it was announced that the prohibition forces had polled their vote in the city and that it ranged from 250 to 400 votes. They counted on winning by not having the wet forces get out their vote. However, when it was found that over 900 votes would be cast they realized that they had lost the fight. Predictions were then made as to the outcome on being a majority of at least 125, and later results varied from this prediction.
Councillman Harry Wortman of the second ward announced that his ward had gone wet at 3:30 o'clock. This was hailed with delight by the wet advocates as an omen that victory was to perch upon their banners. And it did.

THE NEXT COUNCIL.

The members of the next council will be W. W. Eifert, H. S. Wortman, F. E. Merriek, E. A. Welch, V. J. Emrick, J. L. Demer. It is probable that Councillman Wortman and Merriek will not switch on the saloon question, as they have maintained that they voted against the issuing of saloon licenses because their wards had voted dry. Mayor-elect Canon has stated that he is for a strict regulation of saloons, and although he was elected by those favoring high license that no one need infer that the saloons will not be held to strict account. Otherwise those in the business will have to give way to those who will run responsible places.

The Result.
For Mayor—First ward, Canon 128; Perry 121; Second ward, Canon 166; Perry 147; Third ward, Canon 138; Perry 125—total, Canon 433, Perry 414.
Councilman—First ward, Welch 344; Perry 300; Second ward, Emrick 190; Campbell 157; Third ward, Demer 149; Hollis 106.
Prohibition—For 371, against 498.
Amendment—For 536, against 525.
Library tax—For 464, against 332.

MISSIONARY LEADERS FROM WHOLE GLOBE CONFERENCE

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Leaders in the missionary world representing 47 different denominations, practically including every branch of the Protestant church in the United States and Canada, met in the 19th conference of foreign mission boards. The sessions are being held at the headquarters of the International Young Men's Christian association in East Twenty-ninth street, and will continue through to tomorrow. The delegates are the guests of the Young Men's Christian association. Many matters of importance to the work of evangelizing the world will be taken up by the delegates from the foreign mission boards of the various denominations.
Edward E. Benson, from Long Beach, has been spending some days at the guest of Rev. H. Van der Hellen of Welton. He will return to California soon.

EASTERN STAR INSTALLATION

New Officers Placed and Elaborate Banquet is Enjoyed

Rebecca Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, on Tuesday evening installed officers for the coming year. The ceremonies were most impressive. Mrs. Nellie McGowan, grand Ruth, assisted by Mrs. E. R. Pickel, acting as marshal, had charge of the installation.
After the ceremonies were concluded a banquet was enjoyed at the Laurier cafe. An elaborate menu was discussed, a most delightful time ensuing. The new officers are: Mrs. E. N. Warner, worthy patron; W. H. McGowan, worthy patron; Miss Gertrude Weeks, associate patron; Mrs. M. L. Alford, conductress; Mrs. C. L. Hamill, associate conductress; Mrs. C. L. Strang, treasurer; Miss Inez McCray, Adah; Mrs. A. L. Perry, Ruth; Miss Frances Hawkins, Esther; Mrs. F. E. Merriek, Martha; Mrs. H. L. Stoddard, Eleeta; Mrs. Della Jones, organist; Mrs. A. L. Eisenhart, marshal.

PITTSBURG'S GRAND OLD MAN AND MILLIONAIRE IS DEAD

PITTSBURG, Jan. 13.—Joshua Rhodes, foremost in making Pittsburg a great industrial and financial center, died today, in his eighty-seventh year, he lived by the whole city. He left a fortune of \$25,000,000.
Mr. Rhodes came here from England seventy-five years ago, began work as a grocery clerk and, in the face of many early reverses, became a great power in the steel world and in finance. And his Carnegie's friendship for him was so close that the latter never invaded the tube industry, the chief industry in which Mr. Rhodes was engaged. Mr. Rhodes was in turn baker, brewer, coal operator, street railway promoter, banker and steel manufacturer. He died tranquilly in harness.
The one great sorrow of Mr. Rhodes life was the inability of his sons to succeed him in business. One died last summer, and the other one is afflicted with an incurable disease. He offered \$5,000,000 to any physician who would cure the son still living.

BEACH HARGIS SHOTS UP THE TOWN OF JACKSON

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 13.—Less than twelve hours after being released from jail at Irvine, where his trial for the murder of his father resulted in a hung jury, Beach Hargis had shot up to Jackson, gotten drunk and returned to the town.

Instead of going direct to Hot Springs to remain for his next trial, he had promised his mother and Floyd and John Day, his uncles who signed his bond of \$25,000, the young man returned to his old home and celebrated his release.

Because of this fact, it is said, his uncles will have him taken into custody, surrendered into court and ask to be relieved of duty on his appearance at the April term of the East court.
After firing off his pistols several times and terrorizing the citizens generally, young Hargis went to his mother's store, the scene of his father's murder and repaired to the office room or "parlor" as it was known during the Hargis-Corbett feud, and went to bed. Huzzas at the store this morning when it was opened for business.

BIG SESSION HELD OF BLUE GRASS FRUIT GROWERS

LA GRANGE, Ky., Jan. 13.—Fruit growers, gardeners and florists of the Blue Grass state were present in large numbers when the 57th annual session of the Kentucky Horticultural society was opened here this morning. Addressed by President M. F. Johnson and Commissioner of Agriculture M. C. Baughman featured the opening session. Two days will be occupied with addresses and discussions on the best methods of improving the already great horticultural productivity of the state.
G. W. Houston and H. W. Baldwin of Klamath Falls spent election day in Medford.

YOUNG MAN ACCUSED OF FRAUD

Arrested on Complaint of W. D. Dodge Who May Face Suit for Damage—Case Goes Over

Immediately after the close of the polls a warrant of arrest was served upon J. H. Baum, local representative of Fleishner, Meyer & Co., wholesale drygoods merchants of Portland, charging him with illegal voting. The matter was set for hearing Wednesday morning before Judge Cannon, and immediately upon learning of the facts, A. E. Reames, Judge Kelley, Holbrook Withington, R. G. Smith, and C. L. Reames volunteered their services to Mr. Baum, free of charge. At the appointed hour however the state was not represented as District Attorney Mulkey is absent attending court duties in Josephine county and his office is apparently not represented in this county by a deputy. The defense while not wishing to take snap judgment by moving for the dismissal to which they would have been entitled, and willing to have the whole matter aired instead of taking advantage of technicalities, agreed to allow the matter to go over to suit the convenience of the state. Mr. Baum stated that he demanded a full investigation of the whole matter as to his qualifications, and it seems to be up to the prosecuting witness, W. D. Dodge, to make good the charges or face a damage suit.

Want a Pull Inquiry.

No motion to dismiss for lack of prosecution was made by the defendant, although sections 1622 and 1623 of the code of criminal procedure, governing such matters, contain the following mandatory provisions:
"Immediately after the appearance of counsel, or if after waiting a reasonable time, none appear, or if the defendant do not require counsel, the magistrate must proceed to examine the case; the examination must be completed on one session, unless the magistrate for good cause shown by affidavit, adjourn it; and the adjournment cannot be for more than one day at each time, nor more than six days in all, unless by consent or on motion of the defendant."

While these provisions are mandatory, Mr. Baum stated that although he would court an early hearing as possible consistent with the other duties of the district attorney, that he did not want to have the matter dismissed upon a technicality, but preferred to have it presented fairly upon its merits.

Baum is Well Known.

Mr. Baum is well known to local business men and the public has not as yet been advised in what particular he violated any of the laws of the state in casting his ballot yesterday. For over a year he has made his headquarters at the Hotel Nash, keeping a room there at all times; he is an unmarried man, and while away from the city on business invariably has all of his mail sent to him at this place, where it awaits his return. He is thoroughly identified with the city's interests, is poor and always has been an enthusiastic resident of our city, claiming it as his home, and spending his holidays and vacations here.

It is admitted that he does not live at any other place and that he does not cast his vote for the election of local officers at any other place. If men like these should not be allowed to vote it would amount to disfranchisement; there is quite an army of men who, from the nature of their profession, are compelled to travel extensively throughout the state. When such men as these announce their intention of identifying themselves with our interests and of making this city their home, should they be summarily arrested for exercising their right of suffrage.

While the complaint was sworn out by a local prohibitionist, inquiry among the local leaders revealed that they did not assume the responsibility for it. Some stated to the attorneys for the defendant that the matter should be dropped and at once, and made the same statement to the local magistrate, Judge Cannon.

EARTHQUAKE SPREADS RUIN IN NORTHERN ITALY

NEW STORE TO BE UP TO DATE

New Quarters of Miller & Ewbank in Mission Block is Modern.

Within the next few weeks Miller & Ewbank, cash grocers, with headquarters at the present time in the Miles block will move into new quarters in the Mission block on East Seventh street, and there, with enlarged floor space and modern conveniences, they are planning to open a grocery emporium that will be quite the finest establishment of its kind to be found in the state, rivaling those of the larger cities on the coast. No expense has been spared in fitting up the place, the firm having determined to make their service the finest in the city.
The old firm of Miller & Ewbank is to be known in the future as the Rex Grocery company, and they will incorporate in their new quarters a fresh meat department so that the Medford housewives can order all of their edibles from one place without having to fly about to several different places in the city.

A Large Floor Space.

The new quarters comprise over 3200 square feet of floor space and is divided into three rooms. The front room is lined on either side by shelves built much like bookshelves. Upon these will be displayed the canned goods. Two large tables will greet one upon entering the place, upon which choice goods will be displayed, and toward the rear of the room are counters with their bins for conveniences. All of the city orders to be delivered will be taken care of in a room in the rear of this one, so that in the front there will always be someone to wait on any customer who may come in. But very little wrapping up and weighing of goods will be done in the front. Still back of the city order room is the room for feed, flour and the like. This will keep all the dirt out of the store and allow the grocers to keep their salesroom clean and bright. All the delivery wagons will be discharged from the rear.

In the front in one of the huge windows will be fitted up a rest room, and here will be found a pleasant spot to spend a quiet half hour. This will be especially appreciated by the visitors from the country.
If service, quality and low prices have any influence with the residents of Medford, the Rex Grocery company will prosper in their new location.

"MISSED THE HOIX" KILLED TWO MEN

DORRIS, Jan. 13.—Fred Carlson and A. Neilson were killed by the explosion of a missed hole while drilling in the California Northeastern railroad tunnel Saturday night. Neilson was striking, and was instantly killed, his head being blown nearly off. Carlson was turning, and was terribly mangled by the explosion. He lived about six hours.

Dr. Atkinson was on the scene immediately to aid Carlson. In addition to several broken bones he sustained internal injuries which caused his death. The men had been working in the leading of the tunnel in the south side of the hill, and had drilled in the missed hole more than half an hour before the explosion occurred. They were employed by the Erickson & Peterson company, which has the contract for putting through the tunnel. Coroner Kuch was summoned from Sisson to hold an inquest.

LEGISLATORS WANT GEORGE TO STEP OUT

SALEM, Or., Jan. 13.—Petitions asking that Chamberlain promise to resign after his election as senator are being circulated among legislators by stirring committee.

HONOLULU, Jan. 13.—Dr. J. T. Wayson, a member of the Territorial Board of Health, who has devoted much time and attention to the study of leprosy, today made definite announcement that a cure for the disease had been found, and that a patient had been restored to health. He said the course of treatment would not be made public at this time, as he and his associates wished to observe other cases.

FLAMES DESTROYING BUSINESS SECTION OF CITY OF VENICE

Particulars Cannot Be Obtained—Many Cities Throughout Tuscany Suffer Severe Property Loss—King and Queen Prostrated.

ROME, Jan. 13.—All of Tuscany and many cities in the northern portion of Italy were severely shaken early this morning by an earthquake. Only vague reports have been received, but these indicate a heavy property loss.
The cities affected are Milan, Lombardi, Venice, Padua, Venera and Florence.
The quake is reported to have destroyed many of the beautiful cathedrals and buildings throughout the territory affected.
Lines of communication have been destroyed, but a message from Venice says that fire has broken out and may destroy the business section.
The king and queen are prostrated at the news.
The government is endeavoring to determine the extent of this second shock.

UNCLE SAM LET HIS FOLKS USE FORESTS LIBERALLY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—During the last fiscal year ending June 30, the United States forest service issued to settlers in the neighborhood of national forests in western states over 30,000 "free use" permits, under which the settlers received free about 264,000 cords of firewood, posts, poles and sawlogs, worth \$169,220, or about 64 cents per cord in the forest—a low valuation.
Besides this, the different states received for school and road purposes 25 per cent of the income from the national forests amounting last year to \$447,064. The direct return to the states in the form of taxes on the 147 million acres, the estimated area of unpatented land in the national forests, amounted then in the last year to \$616,384 in cash and "free use" of timber.
In 1907, the total of "free use" material and money paid out amounted to about \$253,400. The increase of the amount given to the states from 10 per cent to 25 per cent of course is largely 1908, but even had this percentage not been changed a good increase would have been shown, despite the demoralization of the lumber business caused by the financial flurry. In fact, this increase may be looked for up to many times the present amount as to the demoralization. NEWSPOLK, OREGON.
mand for timber increases and the forests are developed more and more.

MEDAME MELBA HAS LEFT FOR AUSTRALIA

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Mrs. Nellie Melba, who recently arrived here to fill a limited operatic engagement in the metropolis, left New York today for a trip to her home in Australia. She will proceed directly to Melbourne.
Mrs. Melba's visit to Australia is expected to occupy a year and is said to be entirely devoid of professional impedes. While her voyage to the antipodes is taken for family and sentimental reasons, it is more than likely that the famous singer will be heard in concert during her Australian stay.

LUMBER SHOONER GOES DOWN IN ANGRY DEEP

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 13.—Word was received here today that the steamer wrecked near Rocky Point, north of Point Conception, last night was the Sybil Narsten, with lumber, laden from Grays Harbor for San Pedro. Two men were drowned and one recovered. The boat had a crew of 22. Captain B. Jellish was in command. The details of the wreck are unknown. The news was first learned through reports from the coast point where distress whistles were heard during the night.

The Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church will meet on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Hurry Foster. All ladies are requested to be present.

LOOK OUT FOR THE GUNS!

Doc Keene says the Prohibitionists and preachers want to quit mooning with the Canons; that Uncle Joe and Uncle Bill are still doing business at the old stand.
J. W. Stinger of the Little Butte valley is spending a few days in Medford. He has secured the contract for feeding men and teams along the new city pipe line.

INTREPID YOUNG MAN WILL EXPLORE ARCTIC

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Harry Vincent Redford, an explorer, will leave in a few days to explore the Arctic regions alone. From St. Albans, where he will continue his journey on snow shoes, with a dog sled and about 400 pounds of baggage. The explorer expects to tramp about 5000 miles and to spend three years in his solitary wanderings.

Mr. Redford will traverse the barren Arctic regions studying vegetation and animals. He will collect zoological specimens for a scientific institution and take numerous photographs. The explorer has never visited these regions before, and will have to depend entirely on the company of the Indians and Eskimoes with whose customs and language he is not familiar. Mr. Redford has letters asking him good luck from President Roosevelt, Archbishop Parley and an immense scientific societies.

PAT CALHOUN NERVOUS AS HE PACES HIS TRIAL

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 13.—Pat Calhoun, the millionaire traction magnate, was nervous and his face was flushed as he listened attentively on the second day of his trial, charged with offering a bribe to the heading board of supervisors under Mayor Schmitz.

"SOMEBODY DID."
Mike—Pat, did you vote for Canon?
Pat—Nope.
Mike—Did you vote for Welch?
Pat—Nope.
Mike—Did you vote for Emrick?
Pat—Nope.
Mike—Did you vote for Demer?
Pat—Nope.
Mike—Did you vote for see?
Pat—Nope.
Mike—Did you vote against the amendment?
Pat—Nope.
Mike—Well, somebody did.