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The Weather

Occasional light rain or snow flurries tonight and tomorrow. Colder weather. Variable winds.

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RAISING FUNDS TO CHECK BEAR CREEK

DEPARTMENT IS IN GOOD CONDITION

New Suits Have Been Received-Team Can Leave Barn in 11 Seconds-Must Leave Plugs Alone

No longer need the fire laddies be exposed to the chilling drödules of a misguided hose when they attend to little matters like putting out an occasional blaze. No longer need they dope up on bromo quinine immediately upon their return from responding to an alarm in order to keep the grip from their systems. The old days are past and the boys are equipped with rubber boots, trousers, slickers and hats. They can take the full force of a stream and never feel it, for their suits are adequate to all of the requirements imposed by the arduous task of fighting fire.

ASHLAND TO SLIDE BACK IN WET RANK

Joker in Provision of New Amendment Requiring Annual Election on Liquor Question

That Ashland may be wet after the election to be held there January 28 now seems certain. This is the opinion of those who have considered the charter amendment to be voted upon at that time, and it is likewise the opinion of several lawyers who have examined the matter.

STREAM CONTINUES ON ITS COURSE OF DESTRUCTION

MAIL PRINTS ANOTHER FAKE

Superintendent Smith of Medford Schools says Recent Article is Untrue

The article appearing in this morning's issue of the Mail, under the caption of 'Fear Stalks at the High School' is unjust, unwarranted and uncalled for, said Superintendent U. G. Smith of the Medford schools today.

WATERSYSTEMS SUPPLIES WILL REQUIRE 200 CARS

Medford's new water system will require approximately 200 freight cars for transportation from Puget sound and eastern factories. Seven cars had on with cast iron pipe for the extension of the city distributing system to the reservoir are daily expected to arrive.

EVER WEARING AWAY BANK TOWARDS TOM COLLINS' RESIDENCE

Creek Fell Over Three Feet Last Evening-Heavy Snowfall in Mountains Will Bring It Up Again-Efforts of Workers Prove of Little Avail.

In order to obtain the necessary funds with which to check the ravages of Bear creek, a subscription list was started in the city Friday morning and met with hearty response on the part of Medford citizens. The money will be employed in building a substantial levee which will keep the water hereafter in the old channel of the creek.

TRYING TO CHECK IT

There have been some 20 men at work at the cut endeavoring to check the current of the stream from cutting into the bank, but so far they have been unable to accomplish but little.

SHOW FAILS TO GET IN

Train Service From South Still Demoralized-May Play Saturday Night

'Brewster's Millions' will not be given at the Medford Theater Friday evening on account of delay in the arrival of the company, due to wash-outs. The company will not reach Medford in time. Manager Hansbriigg is endeavoring to have the play presented Saturday evening instead.

FINDLAY FINALLY GETS BACK FROM THE SOUTH

H. T. Findlay, the Medford merchant, has returned from a two weeks' visit to San Francisco, Imperial and other California points. He was held up by a landslide at Red Bluff for a day and again at Redlands. His train had just crossed the Sacramento when the slide collapsed.

EMIGRANTS FLOCKED TO THIS CITY

Greater Influx of New Settlers to Medford Than Any Other City in Western Oregon in 1908

'Medford is a wonderful city, with a wonderful future,' said District Freight Agent Charles A. Malthouse, who spent Saturday evening here. 'Medford's railroad business is growing by leaps and bounds. In 1908 nearly as many load shipments were received at Medford as at any other city in western Oregon outside of Portland, including Eugene and Salem. Eastern Oregon is not in my district, so I don't know the figures for those cities, but they had to get some if they passed Medford.'

REDMEN'S MINSTREL SHOW PLEASSED LARGE AUDIENCE

Come again, Professor Jack Heards. Teach the local Redmen a few new stunts and show them to the Medford public again. It is a safe bet that a bigger house than ever greets them. The boys got last night was but an appetizer. The boys met good and when it was due to the training under Professor Heards or whether it was their natural talent for the parts does not matter. The show was clever and to spite of the fact that there was a heavy shower and heavy rain, the boys were present who were very much pleased.

NORTHWEST SINGLE TALE OF TROUBLE

Rain and Floods Reported From Every Section-Few Trains Are Getting Through From East

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 22.—The flood conditions are much improved today and indications point to the opening of all lines tomorrow. The Northern Pacific claims to be maintaining a normal service today. The O. R. & N. starts a train to Spokane this morning, but it cannot reach Pendleton, which has main line connection by Umatilla. The first mail train in three days to reach this city arrived from the east this morning. There is no change locally.

KALAMA POWER PLANT THREATENED

KALAMA, Wash., Jan. 22.—The Kalama river is 23 feet above the low water mark. Two feet more will interfere seriously with the electric light and power plant eight miles above Kalama. This is the highest in three years. The Columbia is filled with floating logs and debris from the upper river.

ILLNESS OF EMPEROR FRANZ JOSEF SERIOUS

CORONER'S JURY TO VISIT SCENE OF CHICAGO DISASTER

WALLA WALLA SUFFERS WITH OTHER CITIES FROM RAIN

GUR APPLES MAKE SOLENS TAKE NOTICE

FANCUS MEN HONOR PRESIDENT OF HARVARD

JUDGE GORDON DECLINES TO DISCUSS CHARGE AGAINST HIM

STATE PENITENTIARY IS A LUXURY THAT COMES HIGH