

CRATER ROAD BILL IS POLITICAL FOOTBALL

MAY BRING BEAVERS HERE
Proposition Will Be Submitted to Commercial Club at the Meeting on Wednesday Evening

At Wednesday evening's meeting of the Commercial club a proposition will be submitted regarding the bringing of the Portland aggregation of Pacific coast ball players to Medford for their spring practice.

The aggregation will consist of some 22 men, who will work out for some six weeks beginning about March 20 or 25. Practice games will be arranged and interesting times will ensue.

There is nothing which will attract the eyes of the northwest baseball enthusiasts towards Medford so much as bringing the team here. For that period the papers will be full of ball dope regarding the Beavers as that is the dope the fans want.

BUTTE FALLS ITEMS.
Professor Wright, teacher of our school, has been in Jacksonville attending teachers' examination and successfully passed to a higher grade certificate.

Scott Claspill has been riding through the hills serving legal papers for the sheriff. He reports the boys are getting along, but much complaint of the snow.

George West, ranger, who has been visiting his family in Washington, has returned and is discharging his duties as ranger in the Prospect country.

Miss Mabel Hughes, daughter of Merchant Hughes, and Clyde Smith were married at Medford Monday. This is a most estimable young couple, who have many friends and the congratulations of many friends are extended to them.

B. H. Harris and Colonel Dewing left us on Sunday for the valley. We have not learned the outcome of their trip, but believe that it will result in good for this section.

TEDDY GETS SORE.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—It is reported here that differences have arisen between President Roosevelt and President-elect Taft over the selection of the incoming cabinet.

TIN HORN TOOTS AGAIN
Second Issue of the High School Publication Shows Improvement

The Tin Horn has tooted once again, and its second blast discards not as the first one did. Verily, the editors are improving rapidly and that advertising manager is a goer, for the publication is full of advertising and live "dope" concerning school life.

ADVERTISE.
(BY FRANK V. SMITH.)
(With apologies to Longfellow.)
'Tell us not in mournful numbers, Advertising doesn't pay, For the man is very foolish Who such absurd things would say.

SAYS DIAZ HAS LIFE JOB IF HE WANTS IT
NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—President Diaz will be president just as long as he wishes. Our only regret is that he is in the evening of his life. He is 80 years old, and while he is in the best of health, it cannot be expected that he will be with us very much longer.

ROBBERS LOOT BANK IN OKLAHOMA AND ESCAPE
MUSKOGEE, Okla., Feb. 16.—The Bank of Oklahoma, 16 miles south of this city, was robbed early today and the sheriff and a number of deputies with bloodhounds have started for the scene.

POKER GAME TO COST BANK SUM OF \$3000
HELENA, Mont., Feb. 16.—Holding their Bank of California come into the certificates in the ordinary course of business, the jury in the federal court today returned an instructed verdict against the Shikhan's National bank of Fort Benton for \$3,000.

BRITONS HONOR THE FRUIT.
Apples were held in high honor and reverence by the earliest inhabitants of Great Britain. On the eve of Epiphany the farmer and his workmen, with a large pitcher of cider, went to the orchard and there, crazing one of the best bearing trees, drank the following toast:

Here's to the old apple tree, Whence thou may'st build, and whence thou may'st blow; And whence thou may'st bear apples enow; Hats full! Caps full! Bushel-bushel—sacks full, And my pockets full, too! Huzza!

IMPOSSIBLE TO ASCERTAIN ITS STRENGTH IN SENATE
It Depends Upon Fate of Other Appropriation Bills in Senate—Expect Report of Committee This Afternoon—May Make Fight

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 16.—The Crater Lake road appropriation bill is being made a political football by the senate members, who are playing with it so as to secure the passage of pet measures and accomplish selfish ends.

It is impossible to ascertain its actual strength in the senate, as too many members of the Annias club are in evidence.

The passage of the bill depends upon the fate of the other appropriation bills, presumably that providing for the normal schools.

The Crater road bill is still in the hands of the senate ways and means committee. A report is expected this afternoon. Merriman is confident of a majority report favoring the bill.

TOGGERY BILL MAKES CHANGE
Fitting up His Place of Business With Many New Cabinets and Racks

In order to accommodate his rapidly increasing business, Toggery Bill has had a forest of carpenters at work in his establishment on Seventh street for the past week and the results are marvelous. Many new cabinets for goods have been installed and every inch of floor space has been utilized.

ADD GUNSMITH TO THEIR REPAIRING FORCE
The Medford Hardware company has secured the services of G. A. Gully, an expert gunsmith, who will attend to all gun repairing. Mr. Gully comes well recommended and will do much toward building up this end of the business.

Early in the history of horticulture the apple attracted attention by its improbability; that is to say, it belongs to the class of climbing plants. Among others cultivated in the middle ages were bitter sweets, mentioned by Chaucer.

TO THE PUBLIC:
Relative to my name appearing in the Citizens Telephone company, I say that my signature was authentic and I presume that I would be L.P. is; but I wish to say again that I am in favor of a home telephone St. South found out, conclusively, by Telephone & Telegraph agents.

NEW STORE BE A DA
Large Stock Has
Order for New Establishment on Seventh St.

In the store formerly occupied by Miller & Ewbank at 114 E. Main street there will be opened on or about March 1 one of the finest stores of the kind between Portland and San Francisco. This will be known as "Montgomery's" a ladies' suit house, ladies' furnishings and millinery.

Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery have returned from the eastern markets, where they purchased a large stock of the very latest in ladies' wear and those who visit the store after it is opened will realize at a glance that everything is up-to-date, while at the same time the prices will be as low as the same goods can be purchased for in any of the large cities.

WITNESSES AID GIRL WHO SAVED HER NAME
COLUMBUS, Miss., Feb. 16.—The refusal of Estelle Smith, who stood by her father's honor to save her father from conviction as a murderer, was borne out by other witnesses today at the trial of her father, Charles R. Smith, millionaire planter, who killed Eugene A. Laurent.

ADMIRAL EVANS TO WORK FOR A NAVY LEAGUE
CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—Admiral Robley D. Evans, who is here to deliver a lecture, declares that from now on he will work for the establishment of a navy league in the United States, the object of which will be to give the navy such a powerful citizen support that it can obtain from congress what it really needs.

BRYAN IS ORATOR AT WEAVER UNVEILING
DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 16.—With W. J. Bryan as the principal orator and the Iowa legislature as an audience, an unique event took place at the state house today in the unveiling of a portrait of General James B. Weaver of Colfax.

CAPULGO IS CITY OF MORGUES AND HOSPITALS
MEVICO CITY, Feb. 16.—Capulgo City, with a population of 7600 is a city of morgues and hospitals today. Six hundred escaped from a burning theater and disorder reigns. The firemen and police were unable to control the situation. Suffering is intense. Supplies of medicine are exhausted. There are no means of preparing the dead for burial. A pile of ashes marks the place where the theater stood. Many victims are unidentified. Whole families were burned to death.

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THE ELECTRIC AND FRENCH DRY CLEANING AND PRESSING WORKS. W. E. Lane & Son, Props. Opposite Hotel Moore, Medford, Oregon.

WASCHAU & BROWN wish to announce to their patrons that they are located in their new quarters in the Young & Hall building. Billiards, Cigars and Tobaccos.

DR. FRANK ROBERTS Dentist. Office hours: 8 to 12, 1 to 4. Building, Seventh Street, of Colquhoun

BLUO THEATER, W. 7TH ST. Continuous performance every evening of motion pictures and illustrated ballads. Entire change of program Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Admission 10 cents.

WM. H. AITKEN Plumbing, Steam and Hot Water Heating. Phone 22. 210 W. Seventh St., Medford, Or.

EDEN VALLEY NURSERY N. S. Bennett, Medford, Or. Grow trees that sell, sell trees that grow and fruit true to label

VERNE T. CANON Billposter and distributor. All orders promptly filled. Room 7 Jackson Co. Bank Bldg. Medford, Or.

C. F. COOK Sells trees that grow. Office: R. R. V. Depot. P. O. R. 843

Medford may now boast of as fine a tailoring establishment as can be found on the coast. W. W. Elfert, who long ago won for himself the slogan, "The progressive tailor," has been living up to his reputation by fitting up as fine a shop as can be found anywhere.

Cutting Room Shut Off. The first 40 feet of the room is devoted to the display of his stock, the rear portion of the room being shut off from the front by large screens, behind which the work of making the clothes goes on. In this working room are found the machines, electric irons and all of the tools with which the tailors work.

Business Rapidly Increasing. Since removing to his new place Mr. Elfert's business has greatly increased and it will continue to increase, for his ability to build clothes to meet the views of his customers is well known and the goods displayed are nobly and up-to-date. Had Medford more merchants and citizens like Mr. Elfert the city would soon be far more advanced than at the present time.

CREED OF THE OPTIMIST. (By Bert Hoffman.) I have cast out Fear and Worry; I have banished the ghost of hate; And all day long with a smile and song, I live in the happy state! And all the world seems better, And every gift is mine, And where the skies seemed dark to me, A million suns now shine!

For my life is what I make it, I build it for weal or woe; And the dwarfing fears of bygone years, I've crushed them long ago! And the things that fret and trouble, I've put them under my feet; And I shall grow, every day, I know, Till myself shall be complete!

FINE STRING OF HORSES TO ROSEBURG
Charles E. Tull on Tuesday morning started a string of 15 horses to Roseburg for Perkins & Waite, to race on their property near that place. The horses were as fine as any ever seen in this city.