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TODAY'S WEATHER PREDICTION.

Cloudy tonight and tomorrow. Occasional showers.
 A rare and salubrious climate—soil of remarkable fertility—
 beautiful scenery—mountains stored with coal, copper and gold—
 extensive forests—streams stocked with speckled beauties—game in
 abundance—a contented, progressive people—such is the Rogue
 River Valley.
 Average mean temperature..... 55 degrees
 Average yearly precipitation..... 21 inches

MORE EXPLANATIONS IN ORDER.

The Tribune has received the following letter from the
 Rogue River Fruit Land Co. of Seattle, which it criticised
 for advertising to plant lemon orchards in this valley, guar-
 anteeing them as profitable ventures:

*Editor Medford Tribune—Dear Sir—Through your kind
 editorial of June 7, 1909, we take pleasure in enclosing
 you corrected copy of the advertisement as now issued by
 the Inter-State Trust Co. of this city, for whom we are the
 selling agents of their land in the Rogue River valley, and
 had you written either of us a personal letter on this matter
 the correction would have been readily made, with thanks
 to you.*

*It appears as if the proof of this advertisement was never
 gone over by the president of the trust company, but as we
 are subscribers to your paper, we called his attention to the
 matter on reading your editorial, and correction was made
 at once.*

*We are handling many properties in the Rogue River
 valley, especially around Medford, and we do not intend to
 misrepresent anything or to advise our clients purchasing
 anything that we have not implicit faith in, and we believe
 we have done as much to advertise the Rogue River valley
 as any one, and have sold some very fine properties.*

*We are simply the selling agents for the Inter-State
 Trust Co., but can say we thoroughly investigated their
 standing and know they are able to do just as they agree
 to, and their former advertisement is certainly no detri-
 ment to Rogue River valley, especially so when it is claimed
 the climate is the same as Florence, Italy, such being the
 case lemons might be able to grow with a profit.*

*Sincerely hoping you will appreciate our position in this
 matter, and will feel that it was never the intention of any
 one in this company or that of the Inter-State Trust Co.
 to falsely represent anything, and have only one ambition
 in view, to build up the Rogue River valley with the best
 class of investors and citizens. We remain, yours very
 respectfully, Rogue River Fruit Land Co., by Charles C.
 Gentry, secretary.*

Enclosed with the letter is the display ad. referred to
 that the concern is running in Seattle newspapers. Though
 it is stated that the ad. has been corrected, it still contains
 the statement:

*"Planted with English walnuts, pecans, lemons, etc. (with
 fillers of grapes, cherries, pears etc.), cared for seven years,
 \$600 an acre. Remember, it requires special skill to grow
 an orchard scientifically and bring it to bearing success-
 fully. Send us \$2 an acre for the amount of land you want,
 and we will send the papers by return mail."*

The Tribune does not want to appear as a knocker, or
 to interfere in the slightest way with any one trying to
 develop this section, but it does believe that misrepresenta-
 tion will give the valley a black eye, and that to lure invest-
 ors under rainbow promises that cannot be made good will
 only injure the fame of this section. "Wildcats" in or-
 chards, as in mining, should be discouraged.

The advertisement referred to contains the following
 statement:

*"One hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars has
 been spent in getting over 1000 acres of our 4000 acres all
 ready to set out to fruit trees. Prices for land and water
 rights, \$150 per acre."*

This may be truth, but \$175,000 is a large amount to be
 spent in this vicinity preparing land without The Tribune's
 having knowledge of it.

The company, according to its own advertisement, has
 spent \$175 an acre in preparing land for planting, which it
 offers to sell for \$150 an acre. To this \$175 preparation
 cost must be added the original cost of the land, so that the
 land must be parted with at a great loss, if the company's
 assertions are true. Not only this, but the land is sold

PALMER INVESTMENT CO.,

Owners of

MODOC ORCHARD

(1300 acres lying on both sides of Rogue River.)

Offer for sale small tracts of irrigated land, with per-
 petual water rights, at reasonable prices and upon easy
 terms.

These lands consist of rich river bottom loam and are
 suitable in the highest degree for the culture of Winter
 pears, Winter apples and all fruits for which Rogue River
 Valley is famous. Also for the production of Alfalfa, Gar-
 den Stuff, Root Crops and Grasses.

Inquiries relating to the resources of Rogue River Valley
 or of Western Oregon will be answered cheerfully and
 comprehensively.

PALMER INVESTMENT CO.

Medford, Oregon.

CRATER LAKE—"The Greatest Natural Wonder of the World."

Medford, Oregon.

on the easy payment plan of \$2 down and \$2 per month
 per acre.

The Tribune will be only too glad to aid the Rogue River
 Fruit Land Co. develop its property and settle the valley,
 but it wants to know first where the 1000 acres of land is
 that has cost \$175 an acre to prepare, when the average
 cost of clearing land here runs from \$25 to \$50, and under
 what irrigation system the land is.

The Scott ranch on Rogue river, some five miles above
 Bybee bridge, which it is understood is the property re-
 ferred to, contains only a few hundred acres along the
 river that can be classed as good fruit land, and only part
 of it is ready for planting, and it will require a ditch some
 five or six miles in length, not yet constructed, to irrigate
 it. No extensive preparatory work has been done.

If The Tribune is wrong, it will gladly make any cor-
 rection, but it does not view with favor deliberate misrep-
 resentation when it is entirely uncalled for. In the mean-
 time it advises all prospective investors to personally in-
 spect property before putting up money. There are many
 legitimate opportunities offered for the man of small
 means to become an orchard owner on the easy payment
 plan, though the cost may be more and the promises not
 so rosy.

THE SAVOY

Always Up-to-Date.
 Don't Fail to See
 Teddy

Hunting Big Game in Africa
 It's a hummer.

No increase in prices.

One Dime.

Cut this out and mail it to W. J. Warner or to The Tribune.

Do You Want Band Concerts

In the Park this Summer? If so, Sign this
 and Drop it in the Post Office

Medford, Oregon, June 20, 1909

I, the undersigned, hereby agree to pay for the support of the Med-
 ford Cornet Band, the sum of Ten Cents (10c) each week for a period of
 one year from above date, in consideration of which said Band agrees to
 give 10 free concerts in Medford City Park.

Signed:

BUSINESS MEN FAIL TO SIGN

Band Boys Appoint Committee to
 Call on Merchants of City Re-
 garding Band Support.

The Medford band met Monday
 evening in business session and also
 for the purpose of rehearsing. While
 a large number of local people have
 signed the postcards promising to
 give 10 cents a week for one year to
 the band in consideration of which
 the band is to give 10 free concerts
 in the park this summer, enough have
 not returned the cards as yet to guar-
 antee the band's expenses. A com-
 mittee was appointed to call on the
 different business men in regard to
 the affair.

A strange coincidence in connec-
 tion with the signing of the postal
 cards is that the cards which have
 been signed and returned were done
 so by young men who are most of
 them working on a salary. The busi-
 ness men of the city have returned
 but few cards and these will be
 called upon. The band is rehearsing
 for their appearance on July 3 at the
 celebration.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY IS LINKED BY TELEPHONE

Josephine county has made rapid
 strides during the last year in bring-
 ing the rural towns and communi-
 ties in close touch with each other.
 Several rural routes have been es-
 tablished, and a number of rural tele-
 phones put into commission. In line
 with this work, the Hugo Telephone
 Company and the Rogue River Tele-
 phone company have joined with the
 Harry Lewis line that runs to the
 Galice mining district. In common
 they will build a line from Merlin to
 Grants Pass and join with the local
 line in this city. These companies
 have about 75 subscribers that will
 be in touch with the Grants Pass
 merchants by the opening of the line
 now being constructed.

It is possible now for a subscriber
 in Grants Pass to telephone, free of
 charge, to Fruitdale, Murphy, Wil-
 liams Creek and all the adjacent
 country, over to Merlin, Hugo and
 Galice. Another stretch of country
 to be brought under the same sys-
 tem reaches out to Selma and the Il-
 linois valley. Negotiations are under
 way and within a few days this line
 will be open to subscribers under the
 general switchboard method. Aside
 from these accommodations, the fore-
 stry service has several lines run-
 ning to remote districts that are use-
 ful to farmers and miners. The en-
 tire county is linked together with
 rural telephones that center at this
 place.

ASHLAND TEMPLE GRANTED CHARTER

Neighboring City Now Smallest in
 the World With Temple of
 the Mystic Shriners.

E. A. Sherwin, illustrious potentate
 of Hillah temple, of the Mystic
 Shrine of Ashland, received a mes-
 sage from Louisville, during the ses-
 sion of the imperial council there, an-
 nouncing that a charter had been
 granted to the temple in Ashland,
 which has been operating under dis-
 pensation since its institution last
 November. The news was hailed
 with much delight among local Shriner
 and by others who are pleased
 with the unique distinction accorded
 Ashland of being the smallest city in
 the world with a temple of the Shrine.

PERKINS SELLS INTEREST IN SUTHERLAND COMPANY

J. W. Perkins and Ed Andrews
 have sold their interests in the Suth-
 erland Land and Water company to
 the Minneapolis syndicate that re-
 cently purchased F. W. Waite's in-
 terests in the company, according to
 Col. J. F. Mundy, who has returned
 from a visit to Roseburg. Mr. Per-
 kins is becoming interested in coal
 and copper mines. He claims to
 have made a profit of \$20,000 as a
 result of his transfer.

Tribune Want Ads Bring Results.

AUTO RACES IN PORTLAND SATURDAY A GREAT SUCCESS

The auto races in Portland on Sat-
 urday were a great success in every
 way. The results were as follows:
 Class A event, seven laps, 102.8
 miles, for the Wemme trophy—Won
 by the Chalmers Detroit car, Bert
 Dingley, driver; time, 1:44:18. Stod-
 dard, Dayton, S. Christofferson,
 driver, second; time, 1:44:31. Loco-
 mobile, Murray Page, driver, third;
 time, 1:51:05.

Class B event, three laps, 43.8
 miles, for cars costing at the factory
 less than \$3000—Won by the Pope
 Hartford car, C. G. Arnold, driver;
 time, 43:53; Chalmers Detroit 40,
 Bert Dingley, driver, second; time,
 47:27; Stoddard Dayton car, Chris-
 tofferson, driver, third; time, 47:34.
 Class C event, three laps, 43.8
 miles, for cars costing at the factory
 less than \$1650—Cadillac 30 car,
 driven by Howard M. Covey Jr., won;
 time, 47:08; Chalmers Detroit car,
 Bert Dingley, driver, second; time,
 50:05; Auburn car, Cohen, driver,
 third; time, 69:00.

Motorcycles, one lap, 14.6 miles—
 J. J. Pittenger, won; F. Trainer, sec-
 ond; Vera Markell, third; time, 18:06.

PUBLIC stenographer, opposite
 Moore hotel.

Orders for sweet cream or butter-
 milk promptly filled. Phone the
 creamery.