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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

THE INITIATIVE VINDICATED.

Though much was said before election by the Oregonian and its feeble echoes in the partisan press of the state against the initiative measures the people were asked to vote upon at the recent Portland city election, and Pecksniffian pity poured upon the voters in their bewilderment and ignorance, the result is another demonstration that the people, even of a big city, are capable of governing themselves and exceedingly discriminating in passing new laws.

A majority of the measures were defeated by decisive majorities. A few were carried, also by a good vote. Some of the measures, like the proposed Gothenburg plan of liquor monopoly, received but a few hundred votes. The schemes of speculators to enhance the value of realty by foisting new bridges were overwhelmingly defeated.

As a general rule, meritorious measures were passed, and those not deserving of support defeated. The people showed as much sense as a city council could, and more than a Portland council ever has.

Systematic effort has all along been made to discredit the initiative and referendum by inducing cranks to submit freak propositions, but the good sense of the majority of the people has always vindicated the principal of popular government at elections.

COUNCIL ACTED WISELY.

The city council acted wisely in refusing to alter the franchise voted the Citizens' Telephone Co., so as to permit the company to sell out to the Bell monopoly through a subsidiary company.

The franchise was granted upon the distinct stipulation that no truce with the Bell company would be made, and that long distance and toll services would be provided. To secure competition was the reason the people voted the franchise.

To have permitted the franchise alterations requested would have permitted speculators to cash the benefits conferred by the people, without the city's having received any return, and have still further strengthened the present monopoly.

Whether or not the rival system is constructed, the promoters deserve the thanks of the community, for their efforts have resulted in a first-class phone system for Medford, for the threatened competition has brought about improvements that nothing else could have.

AN EAR MARK OF BOURBONISM.

The efforts of the Salem attorney to stop the construction of a state highway to Crater Lake would not be tolerated in any other state but Oregon, where in the Willamette valley counties the old mossback spirit survives. It is an earmark of Bourbonism that the entire state is ashamed of.

Salem is kept alive largely by the public pap distributed through the state institutions, yet every proposition to spend state money elsewhere meets violent opposition there.

The unprogressiveness shown in fighting the State university appropriation was on a par with that which opposes a road to the world's greatest natural wonder. It belongs to an age that has passed away forever in Oregon and has no place in the Oregon of today.

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Medford, Oregon.

FREE TRIP TO FAIR.

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years' subscription, Southern Oregonian, by mail only, \$7.50.

Single Coupon.

From this date a single coupon good for one vote will appear in each issue of the Daily Tribune, which when cut out and name filled in will count as one vote for whomever voted.

These coupons will be good for one week from date of issue, and will have to be voted before that time. However, all coupons coming from out of town candidates will be voted if they show postmark of date of expiration.

Contestants should get among their friends and have them save these coupons for them, as many votes can be secured in this way. Coupons can be either mailed or deposited in ballot box at The Tribune office, where they will be counted, then filed and put away for future use if need be.

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The standing of the contestants at present:

Miss Hazel Tice.....	31,721
Miss Eva Patterson.....	15,715
Miss Cordelia Reuter.....	6,962
Miss Blanche Wood.....	3,102
Miss Mabel Parsons.....	1,900
Miss Florence Baetges.....	1,700
Miss Eula Jacobs.....	2,726
Miss Anna Spicer.....	1,500
Miss Edna Elfert.....	1,217
Miss Martha Price.....	4,403
Miss Mabel Carter.....	500
Miss Martina Thiel.....	716
Miss May Mitchell.....	500
Miss Pearl Hollenbeck.....	300
Miss Ida Greind.....	500
Miss Lillian L. Smith.....	500
Miss Lee Williams.....	3,515

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Mr. and Mrs. H. U. Lumsden have returned from spending the winter in California.

ASHLAND BREVITIES.

(The Tidings.)

Rumors have it that several barrels of whisky, the shipment of which to this vicinity was the result of over-confidence of liquor interests in securing license to dispense the same, are quietly and idly reposing in transportation warehouses, with demurrage charges accruing against owners instead of expectant revenues to be derived therefrom. The shipment was a trifle premature, and the prospects are that the blend will attain a ripe old age before it is handed out over the bar in this community.

The new building of the Grand Army post is up as far as the concrete work is concerned, and the carpenters are now engaged on the inside finish. The fine walls have the appearance of a great solidity, and the new headquarters for the civil war veterans presents a fine appearance due to its eligible site and commanding position, as viewed from the plaza and vicinity. Barnside post is to be congratulated not only on the acquisition of a permanent home so convenient for its purposes, but for doing its share in the way of a notable object lesson in the line of civic improvement.

Prof. H. H. Wardrip has accepted the flattering offer made to him a short time ago by the high school officials of San Bernardino, Cal., to take charge of the work of installing a system of manual training in the schools and reorganizing them along modern lines. Prof. Wardrip is loth to give up his work and his home in Oregon, but the California offer was so tempting that he could not refuse.

it. He was tendered a position in the Medford schools to install a system of manual training teaching in the public schools there.

The plaza and portions of Main street are all torn up preparatory to the laying of larger water mains before the era of paving goes into effect. It is needless to add that under present conditions autos observe speed limits while traversing this territory. A big improvement in connection with the paving project will be the construction of a concrete viaduct over the creek where the present bridge is located, a work that the city authorities recently ordered to be gotten under way.

A couple of street sprinklers instead of one are leaving a welcome trail of refreshing moisture along the way these warm days. Beneficial effects are not entirely confined to the business section, as the good work is extended to several residence districts, with the expectation that it will be even farther extended in the not distant future. The acquisition of sprinkler No. 2 was a wise investment, and the installation of a No. 3 will undoubtedly follow in due season.

Mrs. J. A. McMillan arrived in Ashland last Thursday from Edmonton, Alberta, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Susie Allen, who met her at Seattle, where they visited the A.-Y.-P. exposition, also the Portland Rose Festival, and at Hillsboro. Mrs. Allen reports the Canadian exhibit at the exposition by far the best of any on the grounds. The California is a novel one, but virtually the same as appeared at the Lewis and Clark fair. Mrs. McMillan will make an extended visit among relatives and friends hereabouts during the summer, after which the two sisters contemplate an extended eastern trip.

"SHOW ME" MISSOURI WANTED TO BE SHOWN

SEATTLE, June 16.—Realizing that the exposition is an assured success, the state of Missouri has just applied for ground space, informing the management that \$20,000 is available for a "show me" exhibit. Director General Nadeau wired back to Governor Hadley that it was too late to start any more buildings. Then word came that Missouri must get in on the big show, and arrangements were made for space in the Agricultural building. This is probably the first time in the history of expositions that there has been such an experience after the gates have opened.

MANY IMPROVEMENTS KLAMATH RESERVATION

KLAMATH FALLS, June 16.—Preparations are being made for extensive improvements on the Klamath Indian reservation this summer. The policy of improved educational advantages and better school facilities will be carried out, and this year will see between \$30,000 and \$35,000 expended for new buildings.

Another building will be erected at the agency to take the place of the one burned last fall. This will be a combination school building, chapel and library. The length of the building will be 100 feet and it will average about 70 feet wide. The estimated cost of this structure is \$12,000. A large gymnasium, 30x80, is also to be built at a cost of \$8,000.

Early in July work will commence on three-day schools on the reservation, which will cost about \$4,000 each. One of the new buildings is to be located in the Cowumkan district on Sprague river; the second, near the eastern branch of Spring creek, and the third at Pinto camp on the Sican river.

SELAH FARMER USES SAGE TEA AS FRUIT SPRAY

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., June 16. Observing that no fruit tree pests were to be found upon sagebrush, the idea struck Ed. Hartman, foreman of the Pat Mullins ranch in the Selah that sage tea might be as effective a spray as any to apply to the trees. He boiled up a quantity of the sagebrush with water and sprayed it on the orchard instead of sulphur or arsenate of lead, with apparently satisfactory results. The trees, Mr. Mullins says, are free from aphids and codling moth.

THE SAVOY

Tonight and Thursday
One Lingering Long Laugh
Note in the Shoe
One Busy Hour
The Bondsman's Fate
Cured by Gymnastics
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 Medford 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: