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TODAY'S WEATHER PREDICTION.

Fair today and Tuesday.
 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

A GAME OF GRAFT.

When Winfield Scott Hancock said in 1880 that the tariff was a local issue, he was made the subject of ridicule.

The present tariff discussion in congress shows that General Hancock told the truth.

In Oregon we want a tariff on lumber, a tariff on fruit, a tariff on wool and a tariff on anything else we produce.

Pennsylvania wants a tariff on steel and a tariff on coal, Southern states a tariff on cotton and sugar, Eastern states a tariff on manufactured products, and so it goes, each section demanding tariff to protect its special interests—it's share of graft.

While Oregon benefits by tariff on a few products, it suffers from tariff on everything it purchases—the consumers pay the bill and the trusts reap the profit. The result is increased cost of living for the multitude and the creation of fortunes for the few—the earnings of the many diverted into the pockets of the few.

The question of tariff is no longer a party issue. Republicans and Democrats alike in congress voted for tariff to protect their own localities. Instead of revising the tariff downward, the duties have been increased or left as they were. Both the Republican and Democratic parties have shamelessly betrayed their election promises. The promised relief from extortion by trusts has failed to materialize and monopolies are still further entrenched. The system of taxing the poor instead of the rich in the Payne-Aldrich bill reaches its highest development.

High protective tariff has put the business of the country on a false basis. Instead of industry resting upon merit, it rests upon graft. Discussion or revision unsettles business because it disturbs the graft foundation upon which it is built.

Disturb the graft and its beneficiaries threaten panic, and can make good their threat. The electorate, puzzled and befuddled by buncombe about "protecting the American workingman" and "full dinner pail," votes increased benefits to special interests and thereby increases the cost of living and the game of graft goes merrily on.

The only thing to do, and it must be done eventually, is to wipe out the protective tariff entirely and place business upon its own merits. As long as the graft system prevails, each section will clamor for its share, and the burden of the consumer grows proportionately heavier. One of these days these burdens will become too heavy to bear, the consumer will assert himself, and the protective tariff take its place with the political illusions of the past.

In promising county assistance to retain Prof. O'Gara in the Rogue River valley, County Judge Neil and Commissioner Owens did what was best for the valley and its greatest industry. County money thus spent is most wisely invested, and the people are to be congratulated in having men in charge broad enough to grasp the situation.

NEW MERLIN PUSH CLUB BANQUETS GRANTS PASS

MERLIN, Ore., June 2.—About 40 members of the Grants Pass Commercial club were banqueted by the new Merlin Push club at the Massie hotel here Thursday night. The address of welcome was delivered by Charles E. Short, and with Mr. Short acting as toastmaster, the following toasts were given: "Conditions Existing Today as Compared With Early Days," response by J. G. Lanerman, a pioneer and for years Merlin's first postmaster, who told of conditions surrounding this vicinity prior and during the Indian war. George Calhoun of the Grants Pass club responded to the toast, "General Resources of Galice and Merlin." Mr. Calhoun, who had just been over the Galice mining district, is an enthusiast regarding the future of Galice and Merlin and was frequently applauded. County Judge Stephen

Jewell made quite an extended talk on "Road Building in Josephine County," showing the trials the county court has to contend with in road building with a small allowance. D. W. Mitchell, pioneer Merlin merchant, gave a talk on the troubles of a merchant in the early days. L. B. Hall, president of the Grants Pass Commercial club, gave a talk on the objects and what has been accomplished by that organization, showing the benefits derived from being well organized and pulling together.

NEUBER'S CREDITORS PROVING THEIR CLAIMS

The creditors of George E. Neuber, who was recently adjudged a bankrupt, met in the Commercial club rooms Monday before Referee John S. Orth for the purpose of proving their claims.

NEW DIRECTORY OF MEDFORD OUT

New 66-Page Book Makes Appearance Giving List of Residents of City and Addresses.

The Medford directory for 1909-10 has been issued and comprises 66 pages, in which is to be found a complete directory of residents, a classified business directory, list of officials for the county and city and other information.

The directory is well filled with advertisements, showing that the business men of the city were awake to the need of a city directory.

GOLD HILL NEWS

(The News)

A. N. Hulbert was at Medford the forepart of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Miner were at Grants Pass Tuesday.

Carl Darling of Nevada City is visiting relatives and friends in Gold Hill.

Father Van Clarenback, of Medford, was in Gold Hill Thursday on a pastoral visit.

J. R. Ritter and Miss Wray Curry of Medford, were in Gold Hill Tuesday on a visit.

Miss Iva Dungey attended the performance of the Texas Steer at Central Point Tuesday night.

Assessor Wm. Grieve and G. H. Miller are in Gold Hill this week making the annual assessment.

Howard Betts left Wednesday evening for Medford, where he has entered the employ of Young & Hall.

J. L. Hammersley, Chas. Champin, F. W. Dodge, and H. D. Reed were at Gold Ray Thursday evening on an outing.

Col. F. H. and Dr. C. R. Ray and H. C. Stoddard of the Rogue River Electric Co., were in Gold Hill Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Jennings, Mrs. J. L. Hammersley and Mrs. H. D. Reed made a trip by auto to Grants Pass Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Cardwell returned the first of the week from a trip to Klamath Falls and other eastern Oregon points on a visit to relatives and friends.

John Hammersley and Chas. Warren left Tuesday on a prospecting trip in the Coast Range. They expect to go west of Preston peak before returning and will be gone a month or more.

Floyd Eddings, Mesdames, G. L. Haff, F. L. Caldwell and Miss Dora Caine were among the Gold Hill people who attended the presentation of the "Texas Steer" by local talent under the management of Lynn Purdin at Central Point Tuesday night.

W. E. Thompson was prostrated Tuesday afternoon from over heating himself and for a time was in a dangerous condition. Dr. Kelsay was summoned and under his treatment the patient revived. Mr. Thompson has periodical attacks of this kind, due to derangement of the stomach and bowels, but this one was complicated with heat prostration, which made it much more serious than usual, but he is reported now to be in a fair way to recovery.

Mrs. M. R. Rice will soon leave on a well earned vacation, she having served three years as S. P. agent at Gold Hill without any layoff, whatever. She will first take a trip to Klamath county with Mr. and Mrs. Horace Pelton and others and subsequently will visit Portland and the Alaska-Yukon fair. A. F. Markee will be acting agent during the absence of Mrs. Rice.

Wm. Childers met with a painful accident on Foothills Saturday evening, while attending a dance at the Bailey place. In the darkness he fell off the bank into an old placer claim and sustained a dislocation of his left shoulder, together with a number of minor bruises that will lay him up for quite a while. He was to Grants Pass Sunday and the dislocation was reduced by Drs. Findley and Lockeridge.

The school election in District No. 20 Monday resulted in the re-election of W. W. Eddington as director and Horace Pelton as clerk. A vote was taken on the proposition of consolidating the district with the Pankey district, and the proposition was defeated by a vote of 12 to 1.

Butterick Patterns

Northrup Gloves

See the Windows Worthy of a CAREFUL LOOK

YOU CAN WELL AFFORD TO GO OUT OF YOUR WAY IN ORDER TO HAVE A LOOK AT OUR WINDOWS. JUST NOW WE ARE SHOWING SOME OF THE GREATEST BARGAINS WE HAVE EVER SHOWN—TWO ARE MENTIONED BELOW.

12½c Muslin 8c

Just received a big line of Bleached Sheeting, same quality and fineness as we have sold right here before for 12 1-2c a yard; full 36 inches wide, soft and durable. Think of the saving—4 1-2c on every yard; regular 12 1-2c Muslin for only, the 8c yard

5c Muslin 3c

Two more bolts of 36-inch Muslin to go on sale at less than 95 per cent of what the merchants pay wholesale. If you can use this kind of musline or will need it for any purpose in the future, now is the time to buy; fine 5c Muslin for 3c

MEDFORD'S LARGEST STORE, EXCLUSIVELY FOR WOMEN.

The Hutchason Co. Successors to BAKER-HUTCHASON COMPANY

CITY NOTICES.

NOTICE TO PAVING AND CEMENT CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, will receive sealed proposals for the paving of West Seventh (or Main street) with bitulithic pavement and for the placing of concrete or

cement curbing on both sides of said street from the east line of Laurel street west to the city limits.

The same plans and specifications will be used in paving and building the curbing as were for the paving and curbing of Main street, proper. All bids must be submitted on forms to be furnished by the city engineer and filed with the city recorder on or before 4:30 p. m. on the 6th day of July, 1909.

All bids must be accompanied by

a certified check, made payable to the city treasurer, equal to 10 per cent of the estimated amount bid for to assure good faith to enter into contract, and to be forfeited to the city of Medford if the successful bidder defaults in contracting.

Plans and specifications may be had by calling upon the city engineer. Dated at Medford, Oregon, this 24th day of June, 1909.

BENJ. M. COLLINS, City Recorder.

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 perpetual 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, Garden 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.