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## TODAY'S WEATHER PREDICTION.

## Ciear today and tomorrow. Warmer.

A rare and salubrious winate-soil or remarkable fertilitybeauiful scenery-mow tains stored with coal, copper and goldextensive forests-stromis stocked with speckled beyuties-game in abundance-a,
River Valley.
Average mean temperature........................... 55 degrees Average yearly precipitation

## M MAHAN TO THE RESCUE.

Attorney L. E. MeMahan of Salem, who brought the
injunction proceedings blocking the construction of the
Crater Lake highway, is not content with fighting the de-
velopment of Oregon in the courts, but is endeavoring to
influence popular sentiment against the road by news-
paper contributions attacking, the appropriation, the leg-
islature and the friends of the measure.
Saturday's Portland Oregonian, official organ of the
mossbacks and knocker in chief of southern Oregon, con-
tains a two-column screed in which McMahan rushes va-
liantly to the defense of the state constitution and the tax-
payers, to prevent this "highly immoral raid upon tl.
treasury." It has been claimed, in answer to criticism,
that MeMahan was merely acting as attorney for the Salet:
reactionaries. His article proves that McMahan, whose
demagogic career is well known, is the mainspring of the
opposition to the bill, the clients that he hunted up merely
furnishing longed for fees. furnishing longed for fees.
McMahan's article is a curious blending of facts and fiction, colored to portray a deep and dark conspiracy against the sacred constitution and an heroic rescue by the patriotic attorney and his clients. Considering the amount of money McMahan has already cost the taxpay. ers by his vicious attacks upon state officials in his efforts to seek personal revenge and spectacular advertising, his present defense of the treasury, made at the expense of the taxpayers, is a joke.

That the Crater Lake road bill is a constitutional meas ure is the belief of many of the best lawyers in the state. notwithstanding Judge Galloway's decision. But there are many clearer violations of the constitution which Attorney McMahan could turn his attention to with better chance of success and save the taxpayers still more money.

The portage road appropriation was a much clearer violation of the constitution, ret Mc-Mahan did not enjoin it-because southern Oregon was not benefited.

The salaries paid the governor, state treasurer and many other state officials are in excess of amounts fixed by the constitution, yet McMahan does not enjoin the payment of the excessive amounts-there are no officials from southern Oregon.

This paper could be filled with instances of constitutional violations by legislatures and officials. They are necessary in the development of the state, which has outgrown the ancient constitution. Only when there is a chance to block the material progress of southern Oregon as well as that of the entire state is the aid of the courts invoked by the mossbacks-by the same element that tried to kill the state tuiversity and did slaughter the normals and blocked the passage of a good roads measure.

Says Mr. McMahan:

## "Personally, I am ,

for the taxpayers the mond a min legally to deprive a taxpayer of some of his property is not altogether disastrons, but to deprive his property o constitutional safeguards is a most grievous wrong and matter of mighty concern to all."

If this is the case, why did Mc-Mahan and his mossback clients permit without protest the many gross violationof the constitution mentioned above, and scores of others In sanctioning these violations, none of which meant st much to the development of Oregon as the Crater Lake highway, did not McMahan and his clients by their actions
in effect also say "To hrll with the constitution?"
The "moral status" of the men who voted for the Crato Lake bill and advocated it will compare very favorably
with that of Mr. Mc.Mahan and those that oppose it, ans their intellectual status is far superior. If those fightim: the bill are sincere, they are reactionaries and opposed to progress. If they are not sincere, they are ranik hypo cites. II :any case, the state is ashamed of them.
The Oragon constitution represented the intellectual average of its framers hatf a century ago and filled the needs of the hour in a sarsely settled and isolated com monwealth. The world has moved since, and Oregon hasgrown. The constitution is no longer adequate or suffi cient, and if not rep alel or materially amended, it will be cternally violated.

Talk about the sacredness of the Oregon constitution is the rankest nonsenes

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## IN MEMORIUM.

On August 4 at 11:30 p. m. Miss
Surnh Jane Jolmston paseed away Surah Jane Jolumston passed away
at her houre on the comer of Wod at her houe on the corner of Nood-
stock and Ninth streets in this city,
nged 43 ven nged 43 yenrs. 2 months and 6 days She was the third dankhter of Mre.
and Mrs. W. P. Johnston and was and Mrs. N. Po. Johnston and was
born Mav 29. 1866, in Tillamon horn Mav 29. 1866, in Tillamoon
county. Oregon. She came to this eity with her parents in 1904 and hno since resided here. She leaves father and molther, five brothers and three sisters to mourn her untimelv demise. Her sisters are Mrs, E. Henderson of Hayfork. Trinity con Cal., and Mrs. L. M. Cook of Glem dale. Or. Her brothers are F Johnston of Sisson, L. C., Herber ford. She was laid at rest in th 1909.

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