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TODAY'S WEATHER PREDICTION.

Clear today and tomorrow. Warmer.
 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

PROFITS IN PEARS.

Under the above caption the Portland Journal comments as follows upon the result of pear growing in this section:

"Rogue River Bartlett pears are selling at from about \$3.25 a box in Chicago to over \$4 a box in New York and Boston. This price gives a yield around \$2000 a car. The average cost to grow, pack and ship a box of pears is stated to be about 60 cents, and the cost for freight to Chicago and commission is about 75 cents a box, so that at \$3.25 a box the net price to the grower is nearly \$2 a box, and in the case of those sold in New York and Boston at over \$4 it is considerably more than this.

In the case of a recent shipment the orchard yielded at the rate of 600 boxes per acre, and the net return to the grower was therefore \$1140 per acre."

Some orchards will do better than this. An orchard of seven and one-half acres will yield ten carloads, which at the Chicago price received last week would net \$1520 an acre. Another orchard may net \$1800, or if the price advances as expected, \$2000 an acre.

"Several varieties of pears in that region will yield nearly as much as the Bartlett. Presumably these orchards mentioned are among the best, and many others will yield lower returns, but any of them will doubtless be very profitable to the grower. In a region throughout which soil and climate are about the same, it seems to be principally a question of right effort on the grower's part to get a profit from pear orchards of from \$1000 to \$1500 per acre, at present prices.

"These facts becoming widely known, it is not strange that many homeseekers of some means are going into the Rogue River valley to get fruit land. When a man in a very few years can get \$1000 an acre a year off a piece of land, with easy work most of the year, it is natural that many people should seek the locality where this can be done."

GROWTH OF THE CHURCHES.

That church membership is increasing more rapidly than population, despite the apparent apathy frequently complained of, is shown by the census bulletin issued by the department of commerce and labor. The total number of organizations increased from 1890 to 1906, 28.5 per cent. Protestant churches increased 42,564, or 27.8 per cent; Roman Catholic 2243, or 21.9 per cent; Jewish, 1236, or 231.9 per cent; Eastern Orthodox from two to 411. All other bodies increased 299, or 64 per cent.

In 1906 there were 186 religious denominations, 212,230 local religious organizations, 32,936,445 church members, and \$1,257,575,867 invested in church edifices. Males formed 43.1 per cent of the total church membership; eight new churches were erected every day during the 16 years from 1890 to 1906; in 16 states the Roman Catholics formed a majority of the church membership; the percentage which church members formed of the population was larger by 6.4 per cent in 1906 than in 1890; and of the total number of church members reported 61.6 per cent were returned by the Protestant bodies and 36.7 per cent by the Roman Catholic church.

The general order or rank of the principal religious bodies in 1906 with respect to organizations was: Methodists, 64,701 organizations; Baptists, 54,880; Presbyterians 15,506; Lutherans, 12,703; Roman Catholics, 12,482; Disciples or Christians, 10,942; Protestant Episcopalians, 6845; Congregationalists, 5713; United Brethren, 4304;

Evangelical Association, 2738; Reformed, 2585; Adventists, 2551; Jewish congregations, 1769; Christians (Christian Connection), 1379; German Evangelical Synod, 1205; Latter-Day Saints, 1184; Friends, 1147; and Dunkers, 1097.

All denominations reported a grand total numbering 32,936,445 communicants, or members, in 1906 and 20,597,954 in 1890, an increase of 12,367,530, or 60.4 per cent. The Protestant bodies reported 20,287,742 in 1906 and 14,007,187 in 1890 an increase of 6,280,555, or 44.8 per cent; the Roman Catholic church reported 12,079,142 in 1906, 6,241,708 in 1890, an increase of 5,837,434 or 93.5 per cent; the Jewish congregations reported 101,457 in 1906, 130,496 in 1890; the Latter-Day Saints reported 256,647 in 1906, 166,125 in 1890, an increase of 90,552 or 54.5 per cent; and the Eastern Orthodox churches reported 129,006 or 21,501 per cent; all other bodies together reported 81,851 in 1906, 51,838 in 1890, an increase of 30,013 or 57.9 per cent.

The value of church property reported includes only that of the buildings owned and used for worship by the organizations reporting, together with the value of their sites, and of their furniture, organs, bells, etc. The total value of such church property reported in 1906 was \$1,257,575,867, of which \$935,492,578 was reported for Protestant bodies, \$292,638,787 for the Roman Catholic church, and \$28,994,502 for all the remaining bodies.

The total seating capacity of church edifices reported in 1906 was 58,536,830, an increase over 1890 of 14,976,767, or 34.4 per cent. The seating capacity reported for the Protestant bodies was 53,282,445; for the Roman Catholic church, 4,494,377; and for the remaining bodies, 760,008.

BRIGHT FUTURE OREGON FARMING

Oregon Attracts Much Attention on Part of Visiting Agricultural Professors.

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 30.—Impressed with the future of the Pacific northwest in agriculture, delegates to the national convention of the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations have returned home after holding a week's convention in Portland. Those in attendance expressed themselves as surprised at the manifest agricultural wealth here. The fertility of the soil and the progress made in agriculture aroused much comment. The visitors were enabled to see various parts of the state by special train as guests of the Portland Commercial club. So highly pleased were they that the excursionists passed a resolution of thanks to their entertainers and spoke in very high terms of the country inspected. Since the visitors are hard-headed scientists who are not given to making unwarranted statements, their opinions of the northwest and its future in agriculture may be taken seriously. These were nothing short of glowing. The fertile soil, the favorable climate, organization and intelligence of the farmers here and their successful methods, and rich opportunity for those who undertake agriculture in this favored section of the country, all were spoken of by the visitors. Their favorable opinion is certain to be productive of much good for these men are in touch with large numbers of farmers who are looking for new locations, as well as thousands of students who are studying scientific agriculture and who are on the lookout for good farm lands.

The senate irrigation committee is in Portland this week inquiring into the conditions of irrigation in the northwest. Arriving Tuesday morning, the visitors are expected to remain here a day, and sessions at which inquiries will be made will probably be held in the auditorium of the Commercial club. While here the senators will be entertained at a luncheon by the Commercial club and taken about the city and surrounding country.

President Taft, who comes to Portland October 2, has been induced to cut out a golf game that had been planned for him here and make a public address so that his admirers here may have an opportunity to hear him speak. It was first arranged to have the big president kept somewhat in seclusion, appearing only at a banquet that could be at-

tended by a limited number. It now appears that in addition to making a public address at the Armory on the afternoon of October 2, he will lay the cornerstone of the First Universalist church on the following day.

You can get a meal to order at the Nash Grill any time between 6 o'clock in the morning and midnight. Open at all hours.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

WANTED—Man and wife want work cooking on ranch or elsewhere, or man can do general work and woman cook. Address "Cook," care Tribune. 144

WANTED—A helper to work in a baker shop. Call at the Delicatessen. 130

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Medford Time Table

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Northbound.	
No. 20 Roseburg Pass.	7:41 a. m.
No. 12 Shasta Limited.	9:25 a. m.
No. 16 Oregon Express.	5:24 p. m.
No. 14 Portland Express.	8:39 p. m.

Southbound.	
No. 11 Shasta Limited.	5:50 a. m.
No. 15 California Express.	10:35 a. m.
No. 13 S. F. Express.	3:32 p. m.

Medford to Jacksonville.

Motor car leaves	8:00 a. m.
Train leaves	10:45 a. m.
Train leaves	3:35 p. m.
Train leaves	6:00 p. m.
Motor car leaves	9:30 p. m.

Jacksonville to Medford.

Motor leaves	7:00 a. m.
Train leaves	8:45 a. m.
Train leaves	2:30 p. m.
Train leaves	4:30 p. m.
Motor car leaves	7:30 p. m.

PACIFIC & EASTERN RAILWAY.

No. 1 Leaves Medford.	8:00 a. m.
No. 3 Leaves Medford.	2:20 p. m.
No. 2 Arrives Medford.	10:10 a. m.
No. 4 Arrives Medford.	5:00 p. m.
No. 1 Arrive Eagle Pt.	8:45 a. m.
No. 2 Leaves Eagle Pt.	9:05 a. m.
No. 3 Leaves Eagle Pt.	3:05 p. m.
No. 4 Leaves Eagle Pt.	4:15 p. m.

MAIL CLOSURE.

Northbound	8:55 a. m.	8:10 p. m.
Southbound	9:00 p. m.	3:00 p. m.
Eagle Point.		2:00 p. m.



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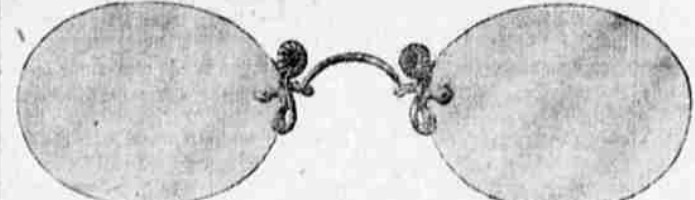
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