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UNCLE SAM AND HIS REAL ESTATE.

Medford during the coming session of congress will make a determined fight for a federal building. The members of the Oregon delegation to both houses have been pledged and it seems probable that the building will be secured.

The United States government probably has more money tied up in office buildings throughout the country than all the multi-millionaires that could be named. They are scattered through every state and territory and they are all situated in growing cities and towns on specially selected sites. Altogether there has been a total of \$178,672,089 of the people's money invested in these public buildings. They are mostly courthouses, custom houses and postoffices, although there are a few quarantine stations and hospitals among the lot. This total does not include the value of the sites which, while in many instances donated, yet represent an additional outlay for those which had to be purchased of \$40,087,256, making an aggregate of \$218,759,345.

As might be supposed, New York state secured the largest share of this stupendous outlay. The total cost of the government's buildings in the Empire state was \$29,160,179, up to June 30 last. To this should be added \$9,189,059 expended for sites. The nearest approach to that figure was the \$12,449,767 spent for construction in Pennsylvania, with \$4,962,586 for the necessary ground.

Missouri comes third, with \$9,914,806 spent in brick and stone and structural iron work. Then comes Ohio with \$9,911,895; Massachusetts with \$9,882,149; Illinois with \$9,530,449; California with \$9,431,148; and the District of Columbia with \$9,063,239. The latter, however, includes the original cost of the Treasury Department building, which is put as \$6,470,090. Oregon has only received to date \$1,457,171.

The smallest amount spent in any state or territory is in Arizona, where the total to date only reaches the insignificant sum of \$635 for the maintenance of the old custom house at Yuma.

Even Alaska has fared better at the public crib, for it has two customs houses, one of which, at Mary Island, cost to construct \$7,448.43, and another at Sand Point which cost \$7,448.42. It is understood that the Mary Island folks are so swelled with pride that they scarcely condescend to speak to the Sand Pointers on account of that one cent difference in the cost of their public buildings. In Hawaii it has been \$114,303; in Porto Rico \$25,844.

There are 522 of these public buildings now in use in the United States. In addition there are 114 in course of erection and 263 authorized, but not yet commenced, making a total of 899.

MUSICALE WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

Local Artists Pleased Great Crowd at Opening of New Music Store.

The musicale at the formal opening of the new Sherman, Clay & Company music house attracted an enormous crowd, which filled the building and overflowed into the streets, which the people stood with the utmost patience and good nature to catch what vagrant strains they might. "Medford is certainly a surprise to me," said Mr. Jones, the manager; "I would consider it almost an impossible task to get an array of talent such as appeared last evening even with the musicians of Portland or San Francisco to draw from on so short notice."

The program was strictly impromptu, with not even the preparation of a full rehearsal, and yet it was a program from an artistic standpoint that would do credit to any city.

The two opening numbers, the sextette from "Lucia" and the quartet from "Rigolette," were rendered by Mr. Jones on the Vivrola, a playing device that reproduces the voices of the great singers with wonderful accuracy even reproducing the divine quality of tone.

The second number was a group for piano by Mrs. Irene Isaacs, the most notable being a concert valse by Rubenstein. Mrs. Isaacs is certainly a wonderful interpreter of the Rubenstein school of music. Rubenstein was strictly a composer of melodies, and was so wedded to this particular style of composition that it made him a bitter opponent of the Wagnerian harmony. It is strange that two such wonderful musicians should have been such opposites, neither appreciating in the least the other, but still we see this in politics, literature and religion.

Mrs. Isaacs has been a faithful student of the Gess method and her work of last night shows what this master has done for her. Her phrasing and technique were really beyond criticism.

The Shadow Dance from Dinorah and the Elegie by Massenet were the two vocal numbers rendered by Mrs. Edward Andrews. These selections were well chosen, as they showed a very wide range of capability. Meyerbeer's Shadow Dance is a very florid composition, with execution to test a lyric soprano to the limit. Mrs. Andrews glided over the trills and staccatos with an ease that spoke perfect repose for both the singer and the audience. One did not raise on their tiptoes, as it were, for fear she would stumble. Massenet's Elegie was most beautifully accompanied by Mr. Romanoff on the violin

and Professor Field at the piano. The three seemed to catch the spirit of the great composer and rendered that divinest of melodies in a manner which melts one into the dreamy mood.

Mr. Romanoff gave us a Hungarian melody on the violin thoroughly characteristic of the weird and fascinating style for which the Hungarian music is noted. A great deal of the music of this country is built upon the folk songs carrying with it a reminiscence of the semi-savagery of past ages, yet with a warmth and passion that captivates. Romanoff is an artist; he is master of his instrument. The violin is the instrument of moods and caprices, of lights and shades too delicate for other instruments which are too cumbersome to portray.

F. W. Walters, to use a slang phrase, "was there with the pipes." He is certainly an all around man; does everything with an ease, from grubbing chapparal on his ranch to singing "high C" in grand opera. Walters was appreciated, as he always is.

Professor Field has lately come among us, and is another brilliant star in Medford's musical constellation. He closed the program with two numbers that were most surely enjoyed by the audience. Mr. Field understands interpreting Gottschalk, a composer, we regret to say, who is being overlooked by most pianists of the day. "The Last Hope" makes us think of other days. It is an old friend, whose voice we heard long ago. Mr. Field is a very capable musician from whom we expect many good things musical in the future.

Take it all in all, the program was a great success.

Excellent Entertainment at The Savoy.

If you want to witness one of the best bills of motion pictures you ever gazed upon, take Lizzie and the kids to the Savoy tonight. They will laugh themselves almost to death at "Winning a Dinner" and be entertained to the limit with "Gay Paree," "Story of a Rose" and "The Stolen Jewels." Take this tip, you can't lose. Doors open at 7:15 p. m. One dime the price. "The Savoy" the place. Entire change of program tomorrow night.

The Joseph Herald has been running a series of descriptive articles concerning the natural beauty of the Wallowa country.

The Nash Grill, finest service between Portland and San Francisco.

NOTICE

Owing to the fact that the "Three Twins" company leave Tuesday night after the play for Sacramento, in a special train, the curtain will raise at 8:15 sharp.

CITY NOTICES.

ORDINANCE NO. 246.

An ordinance providing for the construction of a lateral sewer on Newtown street from Thirteenth street to Dakotah avenue, in the city of Medford, Oregon, and for the assessment of the cost thereof on adjacent property and providing a meeting of the council to consider protests against said construction and assessment and the serving of owners of adjacent property with notice thereof.

The city of Medford doth ordain as follows:

Section 1. It is the intention of the council to cause a 6-inch lateral sewer to be constructed along Newtown street from Thirteenth street to Dakotah avenue, in the city of Medford, Oregon, and to assess the cost thereof upon the property adjacent to said portion of said street in proportion to its frontage thereon.

Section 2. The council will hear and consider any protests against said construction and the assessing of said property for the cost thereof at a meeting of the council to be held November 2, 1909, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., in the council chamber in said city, and all property owners of adjacent property are hereby called upon to appear before said council at said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why such construction should not be made and the cost thereof so assessed.

Section 3. The city recorder is hereby directed to serve notice thereof upon the property owners aforesaid, by posting three copies of this ordinance in three public places in said city and publishing this ordinance once in a daily newspaper published and of general circulation in said city at least ten days before the date of said meeting.

The foregoing ordinance was passed October 21, 1909, by the city council of the city of Medford by the following vote: Merriek aye, Welch aye, Emerick absent, Wortman absent, Eifer aye, Demmer aye. Approved October 22, 1909.

W. H. CANON, Mayor.
 Attest: ROBT. W. TELFER, Recorder.

RESOLUTION.

Be it resolved, by the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon:

That it is the intention of the council to cause a 4-inch water main to be laid on Newtown street from Thirteenth street to Dakotah avenue, and to assess the cost thereof upon the property fronting on said portion of said street, in proportion to the frontage of said property.

The council will meet at the council chamber in the city hall in the city of Medford on the 24 day of November, 1909, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., at which time all protests against the laying of said water main on said portion of said street and the assessment of the cost thereof on the property fronting thereon will be heard. The foregoing resolution was passed by the city council of the city of Medford on the 21st day of October, 1909, by the following vote: Welch aye, Merriek aye, Wortman absent.

CITY NOTICES.

Eifer aye and Demmer aye. Approved October 22, 1909.

W. H. CANON, Mayor.
 Attest: ROBT. W. TELFER, City Recorder.

NOTICE TO CEMENT CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, will receive sealed proposals for the construction of a cement sidewalk abutting the city's property on Riverside avenue.

All bids must be filed with the city recorder on or before 4:30 o'clock p. m. November 2, 1909, and be accompanied by a certified check, made payable to the city treasurer of said city, equal to ten per cent of the contract price, to assure good faith to enter into contract, and to be forfeited to the city of Medford if the successful bidder defaults in contracting.

Any other information in regard to said improvement may be had by calling at or addressing city recorder's office.

Done by order of the city council this 22d day of October, 1909.

ROBT. W. TELFER, City Recorder.
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FOR SALE—Four-room house, 1218 Tenth street. Inquire at 322 South Central avenue. 188
FOUND—A letter addressed to "Jim" Tolo, Or., and signed Frank. The owner can have same by calling at the opera house. McKenzie's Merry-Makers. 186

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, will receive sealed proposals for the laying of nine lateral sewers and three trunk sewers.

All bids must be filed with the city recorder on or before 4:30 o'clock p. m., November 2, 1909, and accompanied by a certified check payable to the city treasurer of said city equal to ten per cent of the contract price, check to be forfeited to the city of Medford in case the successful bidder fails to enter into contract for same.

Contractor to furnish all labor and materials necessary to complete said sewers. Plans and specifications may be had by calling at or addressing the city engineer's office.

Done by order of the city council this 22d day of October, 1909.

ROBT. W. TELFER, City Recorder.
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NOTICE TO RED MEN.

All members of Wontonka tribe, No. 30, are requested to be present at the next regular meeting of the tribe, Saturday night, October 23, 1909. Refreshments and a good time. Visiting members are also invited.

186 L. L. JACOBS, C. of R.

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