

FRUIT AND ROADS MEDFORD TOPICS

Apple and Pear Shipments Estimated at 1200 Carloads for This Season.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION ON

Jackson County Will Have Share of Pacific Thoroughfare Complete Within Year—City Is Growing and Is Beautiful.

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 22.—(Special.)—Coming to Medford at the present writing you will hear as the chief topics of conversation the prices and yields of fruit, principally Newtown and Spitzenberg apples, and the reconstruction of that portion of the Pacific Highway in this county. Every reader of The Oregonian knows that Jackson County voters have authorized the issue of \$500,000 for road building in the county, which was nullified by the Supreme Court, but later another vote was taken and the bonds again authorized. These bonds were sold a few days ago at a premium of \$7800, which is perhaps a record-making sale for Oregon bonds of that character, the interest being 5 per cent.

Just now the authorities are busy on the 13 miles of the Pacific Highway north of the California line, this stretch of road leading over the Siskiyou Mountains, and of course connecting up at the state line with the California road of the same name. It is declared that a road has been laid out with no grade to exceed 6 per cent, and little with so steep a grade, and work is going forward in earnest from this point northward through the county the present road is good, but it will be all hard surfaced and in a year from now Jackson County's part of the Pacific Highway will be a delight to travelers.

Fruit Crop 1200 Carloads. Medford commission merchants, who are best versed in the fruit business, aver that the pear and apple crop of the territory tributary to Medford will this year amount to about 1200 carloads. The prices of early-shipped pears and apples were in the prices of those being shipped now are better and they have still an upward tendency. The best Newtowns and Spitzenbergs are now bringing in excess of \$2 a box. A record pear sale was some time ago made, for a half car lot, of \$5 a box. These were extra fancy D'Anjous. That was a rare instance and it must not be quoted broadly that Medford pears sold for that price.

It is said that there are 140,000 acres of good-to-fair fruit land in what the Medford people call "the Rogue River Valley." The Rogue is a long river. It has many valleys. There are Rogue River valleys almost from its source to the Pacific. The Rogue River flows through the valley here a number of miles from Medford. It might save confusion if the country around Medford was spoken of as the Medford Valley. The town is surely big enough and prosperous enough and important enough to monopolize the name of its tributary country.

How many people has Medford? That is a hard question to answer. The census of 1910 recorded them at a little less than 9000. During the next two years after the census the town gained, lost and stood still by spurts. During the last year there has been a substantial increase in population. Like it to the occasional visitor. Now the people say the population is all the way from 10,000 to 13,000—perhaps the first figure is nearer the truth than the latter.

City's Beauty Marvelous. Medford is a city of marvelous beauty. The townsite is magnificent. The streets are wide, the sidewalks are paved. Indeed, they declare they have "the best-paved city in the world." In the city limits they have between 22 and 23 miles of high class streets, and three to four times that many miles of good curbing and cement walks.

Medford put in a superb water supply at a cost of nearly half a million dollars before the paving was done, and also as near a perfect system of sewerage as could be devised. The business streets are lined with fine buildings. They have no great skyscrapers, but business houses far above the ordinary in cities of this size. But it is in the residential districts they are magnificent, showing that the people who reside there have means and know how to erect and maintain fine homes.

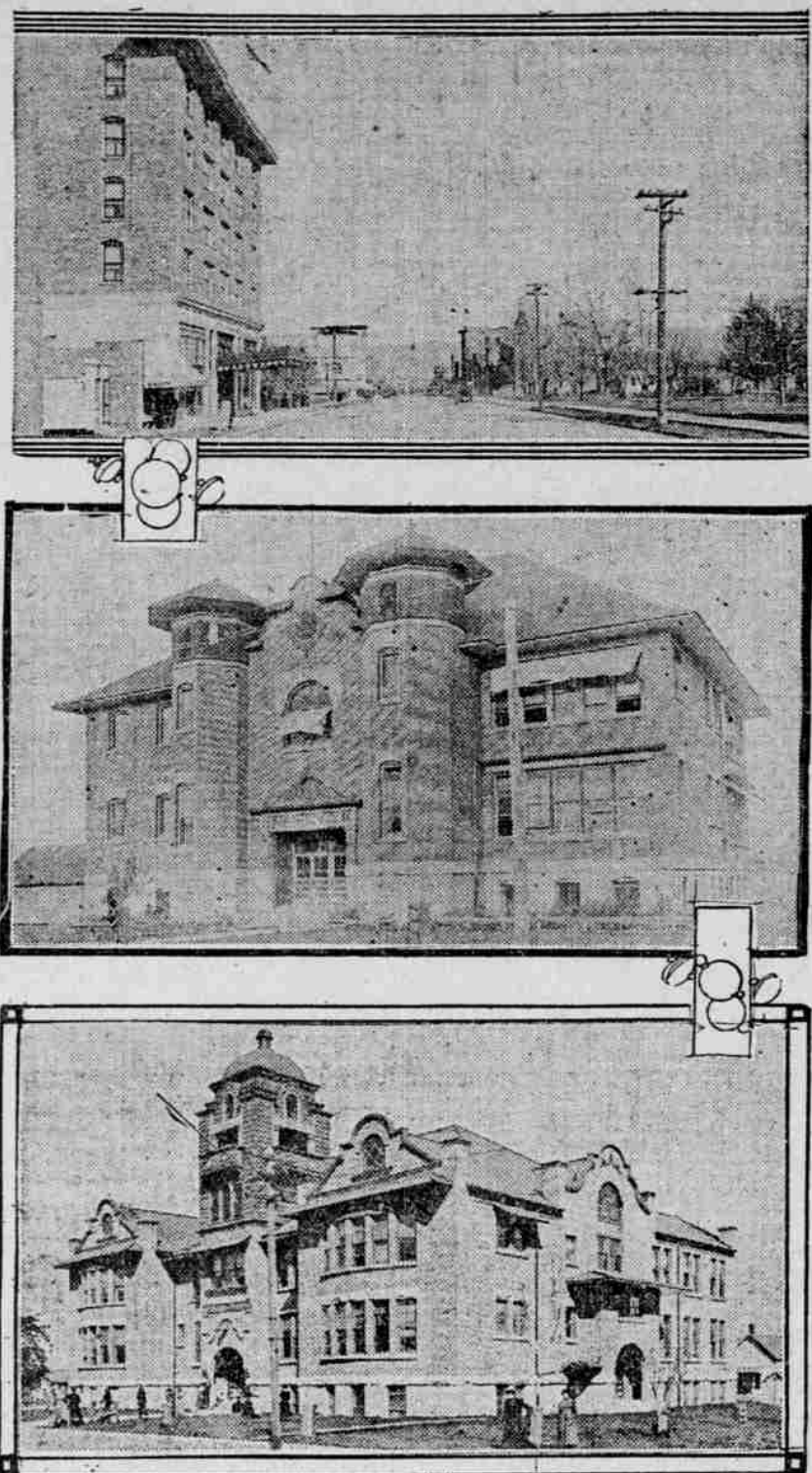
A good way to get a line on a town is to see what is being done by the banks. Medford has three banks, and their statements are as follows: Medford National, capital and surplus, \$142,000; deposits, \$600,000; W. H. Gore is president and J. A. Stiles, cashier. First National, capital and surplus, \$187,000; deposits, \$586,000; F. K. Duell is president and M. L. Alford, cashier. Jackson County Bank, capital and surplus, \$134,000; deposits, \$471,000; W. Yawter is president and C. W. McDonald, cashier. Farmers and Fruitgrowers Bank, capital and surplus, \$52,000; deposits, \$91,000; Delroy G. Mahan, president and L. L. Jacobs, cashier.

The town has some notable buildings. The Natatorium, a fine building, has no structure in the same class. As sort of side issues there are two of the finest halls in the state in this building. One is the Hotel Medford, which is not surpassed by any hotel in the state outside of Portland, and none of the Portland hostilities surpass it in the way of accommodations, while its charges are moderate, while the high class of service, the variety and quality of food and the cooking are taken into consideration. The new Carnegie Library building is a remarkably handsome structure, while its location makes it far more attractive than it otherwise would be—its fine lawns, beautiful trees and spacious grounds. The Southern Pacific depot is also a showy building, commodious and well kept, and the depot grounds are superb.

Medford has one of the most active commercial clubs in the West. The present president is J. A. Perry, the secretary is E. W. Stone. The latter is on the job all the time, the latter is whenever it is necessary. The club has a building on the railroad right of way, about two blocks from the depot, with a wide cement walk reaching from the depot. In this building is as fine a display of fruits, vegetables, cereals and other products as can be found anywhere, and the rooms are visited by large numbers of strangers and travelers.

The Medford people are in a sense the proprietors of that great natural wonder—Crater Lake. This is the place to come by rail to get to this greatest of all Oregon show places. There is a fair wagon road from here, and there are autos will take one there and back for \$10. This is a trip that every American ought to take, for Crater Lake is one of nature's masterpieces. Many scientists say it is the first of Western scenic wonders.

SCENES AT MEDFORD.



TOP, MEDFORD HOTEL AND PARK; CENTER, NORTH SCHOOL; BOTTOM, HIGH SCHOOL.

LEWISTON SOON TO BE FRUIT CENTER

Output of 4500 Carloads Believed Likely in 1916 and Selling Is Problem.

CENTRAL AGENCY NEEDED

All Canning Packs Should Be Governed by Body's Rules, So 50 Per Cent Might Be Advanced, Says Plant Manager.

BY MARK WOODRUFF.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Oct. 22.—(Special.)—With an output of only 25 cars of apples for 1913, and in a short time the Lewiston orchards have had no difficulty in solving the marketing problem. But with 30,000 acres of young trees to come into bearing by 1916, when the output should be at least 4500 cars of apples, the Lewiston producer is mightily concerned in the future of the crop. It is being marketed without loss to himself or excessive cost to the consumer, and without creating wild and disastrous competition among all growers who have fruit to sell.

Lewiston growers are this year marketing through the Lewiston Orchard Association. The stuff is handled in carload lots through the commission house of White Bros. & Crum. The orchard association is only useful in requiring a uniform pack of the different grades and for assembling carload lots from different growers. It is announced that the Lewiston Orchard Association will affiliate with the 1914 Pacific Fruit Distributors in 1914.

Benefits Are Expected. Through that general selling agency, which expects to command a majority of the growers of Idaho, Montana, Washington and Oregon, it is believed that the fruit crop can be intelligently distributed over the world and the commissions and profits heretofore taken between the producer and consumer, the fruit will go to the market in the best possible manner. The necessity of a general selling agency, cooling warehouses, etc., is illustrated by the failure of the growers of this district to realize on the immense 1913 peach crop of the Lewiston district. In dozens of peach orchards the fruit has not even been picked because of the price. Owners of peach orchards are working at other occupations for day wages. It is believed here that there are many portions of the United States where these fine, big peaches could have been sold at a profit had the growers been able to look them up. It is a case of advertising during the season.

Co-operative Canneries Failures. Co-operative canneries have proved a failure at Clarkston and at Julietta. Both were erected in 1908 by the Clarkston Fruit & Canning Company, a co-operative organization of 63 farmers. Both canneries are now owned by private corporations and are operated independently during the season. The Julietta concern will this year send out five cars, and only a little more will go out from the Clarkston plant. The latter was organized by this association, the farmers stood together and they realized more money for their fruit than did the men who sold on the open market, and got their money quickly," said W. H. Mahan, one of the co-operative organizers and present superintendent of the cannery. Then came internal dissension. Some of the men who operate small farms had to cash sooner than it could be realized from a pool. Others became offended because the manager rejected much fruit offered at the cannery; these growers seemed to think

that stuff that they could not feed to hogs was good enough to can. We could not secure enough capital to finance our operations in co-operation. Some stockholders sold out for 25 cents on the dollar. Usually the wealthier members bought that stock, so that now the cannery is operated as a private concern. We buy for cash from members of the company and public alike."

The Sprague Sanitary Preserving Company is another canning concern in operation at Lewiston under the direction of A. C. Whistler. The latter was the first superintendent of the Clarkston and Julietta co-operative concerns.

Central Agency Approved. "The idea of a central selling agency of some kind for the fruit and produce of the Northwest has my approval," declared Mr. Whistler. "Canneries and dryers should be able to work through it, but the manager of a co-operative cannery should be an outside man—a stranger to the members of the co-operative institution he is looking after. He must have authority and experience."

"The central selling agency should issue rules governing all canning packs, requiring every canning plant to comply and enforcing inspection. Then when I had a car of anything ready to ship I could send it to Central, and draw 50 per cent of its value in cash. As it is now the small canner sells assorted lots by carloads. Seldom does he sell a whole car of one class of goods. The result is that his money is tied up most of the season."

H. L. Powers, of Lewiston, is advocating a plan to educate the people of the world in the use of the apple. There being no other place of confinement he was lodged in the county jail. But labor being scarce, a rancher named Connolly requested the use of McAllister to clear some lands in the vicinity, and since the convict gave his promise to make no attempt to escape he was allowed to go unattended each day to the Connolly place. There he cut rubber stamps and broke land, returning each night to the Thurston county jail. McAllister was paid a small sum daily for his services. This money had to be used for the education of his daughter.

VOTING BASIS CHANGED

UMATILLA DRAINAGE DISTRICT ADOPTS NEW PLAN.

Town Lot Owners No Longer Will Have 13-to-1 Ratio Advantage Over Acreage Holders.

STANFIELD, Or., Oct. 22.—(Special.)—Hereafter the owner of a town lot in Stanfield will not have more than 13 times, proportionately, the voting strength of the owner of farm lands in the Umatilla Drainage District outside the city limits. As has been the situation heretofore, in the by-laws as adopted at the organization of the district, the voting strength was based upon acreage; each owner of land in the drainage district, no matter if only a cemetery lot, was entitled to one vote and one additional vote for each additional acre of land owned in excess of the first.

Since there are more than 13 lots in one acre, the owner of the city lots had an undue advantage over the acreage owners. At the adjourned session of the annual meeting, Monday forenoon, the committee appointed to recommend changes reported in favor of basing the voting power upon the total assessment against the land owned, one vote being allowed for each dollar or major fraction.

Changes in the method of electing directors were also recommended and adopted. Heretofore the directors have been elected at large; henceforth they will be elected by districts. The directors for the ensuing year are G. L. Dunning, who resides in District No. 1; R. H. Irwin, who resides in District No. 2, and Glen Richards, in District No. 3. The board has organized and elected G. L. Dunning president and R. H. Irwin secretary.

Ashland Stone Examined.

ASHLAND, Or., Oct. 22.—(Special.)—A representative of the United States Geological Survey is making an extended examination of stone in this vicinity, preliminary to selection of material for Federal buildings in Oregon. Among specimens forwarded Washington are samples from the Penniston granite quarry, in Neil Creek Canyon, a short distance south of Ashland.

LISTER POLICY NOT NEW

WASHINGTON "HONOR SYSTEM" DATES BACK TO 1872.

Old Residents Recall How in Territorial Days Manslaughter Convict Was "Farmed Out."

OLYMPIA, Oct. 22.—(Special.)—Illustration of the old adage that "There's nothing new under the sun," even in modern penal methods, is afforded by the discovery that an "honor system" of handling convicts, almost exactly paralleling the policy of the Lister administration, was in vogue in Washington Territory as early as 1872.

In that year in the administration of Territorial Governor Solomon not even the old prison at Buxton was in existence, while Walla Walla penitentiary was still farther in the future. A man named McAllister was convicted of manslaughter in another part of the state, and though there was no territorial prison, was sent to Olympia to serve out his term of imprisonment, since this town was the territorial capital. There being no other place of confinement he was lodged in the county jail. But labor being scarce, a rancher named Connolly requested the use of McAllister to clear some lands in the vicinity, and since the convict gave his promise to make no attempt to escape he was allowed to go unattended each day to the Connolly place. There he cut rubber stamps and broke land, returning each night to the Thurston county jail. McAllister was paid a small sum daily for his services. This money had to be used for the education of his daughter.

THE PERSONAL OPINION OF AN ELDERLY WOMAN

Prominent Woman of Seattle Says Plant Juice Has Almost Made Her Young Again.

TRAGEDY CAUSE MISSING

Jury on Boise Murder and Suicide Is Unable to Find Motive.

BOISE, Idaho, Oct. 22.—(Special.)—The coroner's jury which investigated the murder and suicide in Boise yesterday, when Glenn Wardell shot his girl wife and killed himself, was unable to assign a cause for the crime. The jury had all the evidence that the police department could place in its hands, and after a number of witnesses. The verdict returned by the jury is as follows:

"We, the jury, find that Viola Charity Wardell, aged 21 years, a native of Nebraska, came to her death from a gunshot wound from a gun in the hands of Glenn E. Wardell, a native of Iowa, came to his death by a gunshot wound inflicted by himself." The reason for the crime is still somewhat of a mystery. Temporary insanity is believed to cover it. The evidence brought out before the jury showed young Wardell purchased the revolver the morning of the crime. He said he wanted to have a gun in the house for he had been bothered by an unknown man hanging around his place. He also purchased a new motorcycle to use as a means of conveyance between Boise and his ranch. Wardell left no new that the act had been premeditated. A double funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at the Christian Church, when Wardell and his wife will be buried side by side.

HEALTH IS INSTITUTE TOPIC

Teachers at Centralia Gathering Play at Basketball.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Oct. 22.—(Special.)—Addresses by Drs. F. G. Titus and A. C. Gaul, of Centralia, were features of today's programme of the Lewis County teachers' institute, in session here. The former spoke on dentistry and the latter on guarding the health of the school children. Dr. E. T. Mathes, principal of the Bellingham Normal School, spoke twice during the day on "Some Neglected Factors" and on "Pacific Coast Problems

of Education." This afternoon the visiting teachers were the guests of the Centralia Auto Club for a ride over the surrounding country.

Monday night two basketball games furnished amusement for the visitors. In the first game the Deputy men teachers defeated the Centralia men, 35 to 3, while local women teachers defeated the Deputy women, 12 to 0.

Diversity of Fruit-Growing Urged.

DALLAS, Or., Oct. 22.—(Special.)—Urging the growing of diversity in fruits, so that the cannery, if one is secured, can be assured of a long run, R. M. Barthold, vice-president of the Central California Cannery Company, made an interesting address yesterday before the fruitgrowers of Polk County. While encouraging the growers and members of the Dallas Commercial Club, Mr. Barthold said that the company would take no action in this direction until it was assured of a sufficient quantity of fruit and vegetables

to keep the plant in operation a long season.

Girl Found at Centralia. CENTRALIA, Wash., Oct. 22.—(Special.)—An 11-year-old girl named Williams was picked up last night by the local police, who are investigating charges made by neighbors that the girl and her five-year-old brother have been mistreated by their parents and that the girl was thrown out of the house by her irate father. It is probable that prosecution will follow.

BACKACHE A WARNING YOU SHOULD HEED

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No man is Stronger Than his Stomach

LET the greatest athlete have dyspepsia and his strength will soon fail. One's stamina—forcefulness and strength of mind or muscle depend upon the blood, and the blood in turn, requires a healthy stomach, for the stomach is the laboratory where the food is digested and such elements are taken up—or assimilated—which make blood. In consequence all the organs of the body, such as heart, lungs, liver and kidneys, as well as the nervous system, feel the bad effect if the stomach is deranged.

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