

WAITE GETS THE MINNEY FRANCHISE

S. S. BULLIS OF NEW YORK AND J. G. GRIFFITH OF OKLAHOMA SAID TO BE BACK OF NEW OWNER

Medford Sun: Prospects brightened yesterday for a comprehensive electric interurban system through-out the valley...

burg, who furnished the \$2,500 forfeit at that time and who has been interested in the interurban proposition from the first.

THE ELKS INITIATE TEN TEMPLARS AT MEDFORD

Ashland Lodge No. 944, B. P. O. E., Put Horns on Drove From Over the Line.

Saturday night was a big night at the Elks hall. A drove of ten fawn were given antlers in the good old-fashioned way by the brethren of No. 944.

Malta Commandery and Grants Pass Commandery Unite in Easter Worship at Medford.

The members of Malta Commandery No. 4, K. T., journeyed to Medford Sunday for their Easter services. They went by train and by automobile in response to an invitation from the members of the commandery living in that city and from Rev. Weston F. Shields, pastor of the Presbyterian church in Medford and a member of Malta Commandery to attend service at that church.

A Better Way to Put It.

President Wilson in his inaugural says: "We shall restore, not destroy." The republican party would express it differently. "We are constructive, not destructive."

BACK FROM PORTLAND.

A. L. Lamb, of the Lamb or Beula mine, returned from Portland Thursday afternoon accompanied by Mrs. Lamb, after a stay of several months there.

Old-Timers Back.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wimer, who recently bought the residence at 489 Beach street from Mr. Triplett, arrived today from Crook county and will take possession of the place.

SUCIDED WEDNESDAY.

Lou A. Heberlie hung himself at Grants Pass.

The Victim.

"Poor Jack, he looks fearfully woebegone. What's the matter, disappointed in love?" "Yes."

—Button, button!

The Ashland Trading Co. have the buttons—crochet buttons and all the new things in buttons. Phone 122.

YOUNG HOBOES TAKEN.

Three Youths Picked Out of Burglarized Car Friday.

On Friday Chief Oien picked three young tramps out of a car of household goods which was found open when it reached here. The boxes of merchandise had been torn open and the stuff thrown around the car and some of it apparently destroyed in a fire that had been built in the center of the car.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

Noted Colored Educator Spoke to Full House Saturday Night.

Booker T. Washington, the foremost negro educator in the history of his race, delivered an address at the M. E. church Saturday evening on the education of his race, which drew a full house.

Coming By Auto From Oklahoma.

With their pointer dog, "Chief," Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McKibbin left Muskogee in a Ford roadster this afternoon for a 2,500-mile trip to Grants Pass, Ore.

Pioneer of Applegate Passes to Rest.

Albert W. Sturgis, aged 78 years, 3 months and 5 days, died at his home one mile west of Ruch, Saturday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock, of heart trouble.

Laid on Heavy, Too.

"I don't believe," said Mrs. Smiley, "in these faith cures brought about by the laying on of hands."

An Apostle of Work.

Evening Telegram: Booker T. Washington, just now visiting Oregon, is an apostle of work. Simple industry and the science thereof, and the efficacy of it in bettering not alone the economic conditions of men, but their moral and social conditions as well, is with him a gospel that has been preached successfully to his own race, and that may be preached everywhere and to every one.

MEDFORD VOTERS TURNED DOWN ARMORY BONDS

The Charter Amendment Curtailing Power of Mayor to Suspend Officials Is Carried by the People

The people of Medford by a decisive vote on Saturday turned down the proposition to bond that city for the sum of \$25,000 to be applied upon a \$65,000 armory, \$20,000 to be voted by the county and \$20,000 to be expended by the state.

and he held that he had power to suspend them from meeting to meeting. The amendment only permits him to suspend an officer once except upon written charges filed with the council.

Table with 2 columns: Armory Bonds, Amendment. Rows for Ward, For, Against, Totals.

A. L. Lamb Ready to Resume Developments Near Ashland.

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—Get your violin, banjo, mandolin and guitar strings at Rose Bros.

Lou A. Heberlie, a brother of Frank Heberlie, formerly of this place, hanged himself in a shed at his home in Grants Pass shortly before noon last Wednesday while his wife had gone to attend the funeral of a neighbor.

200 ARE KILLED BY OMAHA CYCLONE

REPORTS OF TERRIBLE STORM IN MISSOURI VALLEY WERE RECEIVED IN ASHLAND LAST NIGHT AND THIS FORENOON

The city of Omaha, Neb., was struck late Sunday afternoon by a terrible cyclone which cost the lives of 200 people, according to the latest accounts, and did about \$10,000,000 damage to property.

The same storm or another one struck Terre Haute, Ind., about the same time, and killed ten people and did many thousands of dollars damage.

ALLEGED SECRET MEANS ABOUT FOREST FIRES

Tillamook Citizens Enjoin Levy For Paving By Warren Construction Company.

Tillamook, Ore., March 20.—A suit filed by a number of citizens to enjoin the city council from making an assessment on property for sewer and street pavement, and the failure of the council to make the assessment at a stormy session Monday night, led the Warren Construction Company to file suit in the circuit court yesterday against the mayor and council to recover \$103,524.59—being 80 per cent on account for grading, paving, curbs and bitulthic headers—and for \$37,749.72, being 80 per cent for the sanitary sewer system.

Much Less Damage Done in 1912 Than in 1911—Efficient Work Prevented Greater Loss.

The Department of Agriculture has been figuring up the losses by fires on the national forests for the calendar year 1912, and finds that they were the lowest of recent years. Less than one acre to every thousand of timbered lands was burned over, and the total damage is estimated at \$75,290, or less than one dollar to every 2,000 acres of area.

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New Type Mazda Lamps.

We have the new and improved 60-watt Mazda lamp, same size bulb as the 40-watt. This new lamp gives better service than any Mazda ever made. It will last longer and there is less danger of breakage. Call and see them, Danford Electrical Works, 69 North Main street. Phone 118.

The total number of fires was 2,472, as compared with 3,369 in 1911.

The greater credit is due to Dr. Washington because what he has done has been accomplished with the handicap of racial prejudice, and from the further fact that his work, has done more toward the elimination of that prejudice than the work of all other agencies combined during the last generation.

Lightning caused more fires than any other agency, followed by railroads, campers and incendiaries, in the order given. The greatest losses occurred in Arizona, Arkansas and California, in which states there was also the largest proportion of fires caused by lightning and by incendiaries. About 27 per cent of all the fires were started by lightning, and about 38 per cent were due to carelessness. The proportion in each case was practically the same as in the previous year.

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