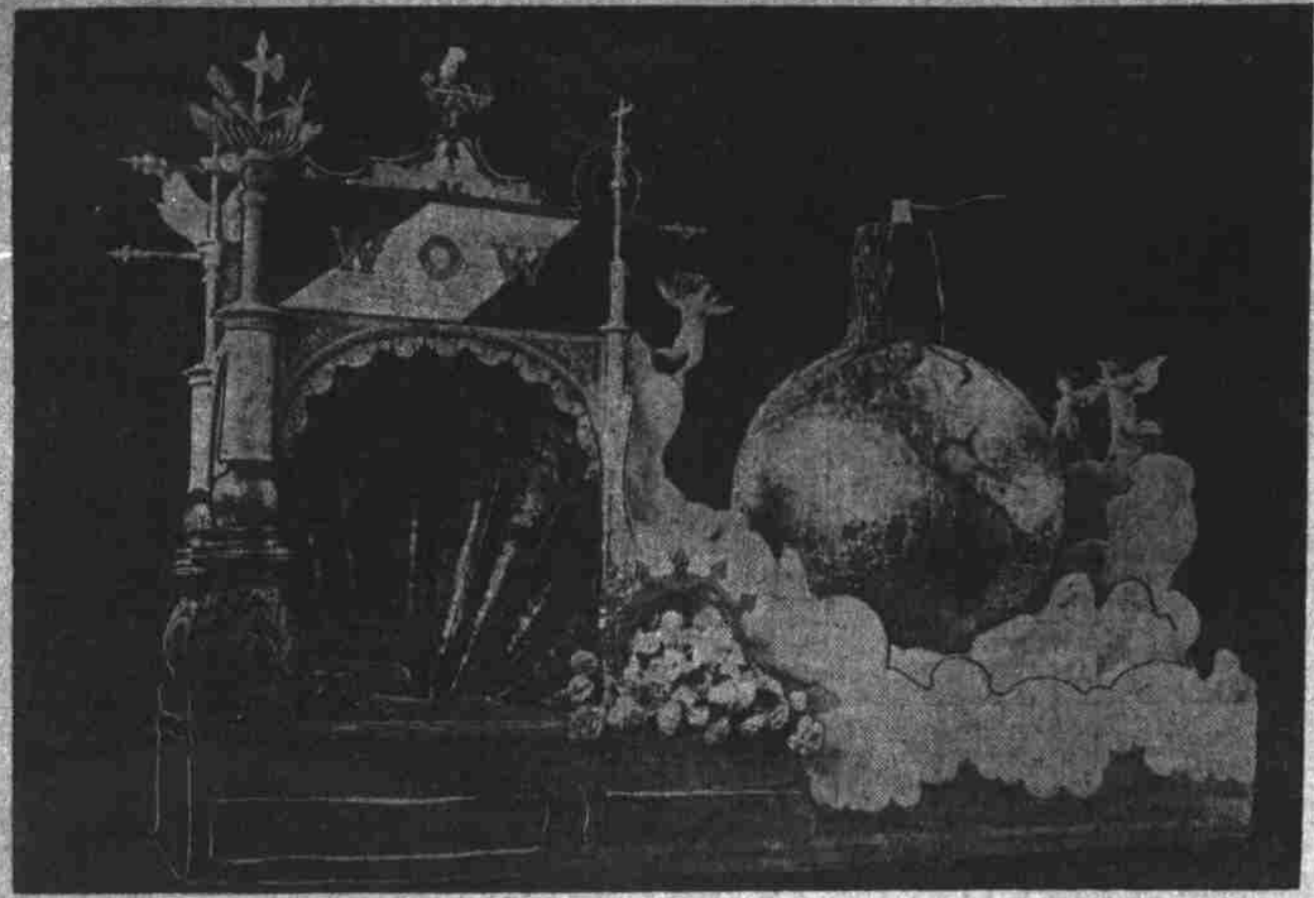


### WOODMEN'S FLOAT HIGHLY PRAISED



Woodmen of the World's Float in Tuesday Night's Parade.

One of the prettiest floats in last night's parade was that belonging to the Woodmen of the World. The members have carried out a pretty effect symbolical of the order. A huge stump with roots running out in all directions and a globe representing the world, carry out the strength of the organiza-

tion, showing how the membership spreads over all the world. From the four corners of the float ribbons were suspended to the handle of the ax from the hands of guardian angels. Another very pretty arrangement on the float was the huge shell in which were seated two ladies with children at their sides. As a guard of honor two

members of the uniformed ranks were stationed on either side. Those who saw the float praised it highly and declare the idea has been well carried out in beautiful detail. The float will also be used in today's Woodmen of the World parade, which will be the only parade given exclusively by a fraternal organization.

### PUTNAM WINS AGAINST RING

Editor of Medford Tribune Gets New Men in Jackson County Offices.

There is that in the ordinary American citizen that makes him resent an attack upon his rights or the rights of a fellow citizen as warmly when it occurs in a civilized community as in an African village and that rebukes a county sheriff as quickly as it would a Moroccan bandit chief. And it was that spirit that inspired the voters of Jackson county last Monday and resulted in the breaking up of the "court-house ring" that has ruled things in Medford from a time that the memory of man runneth not to the contrary. It took a man of intelligence, courage and skill to insert the first wedge in the Republican ring of Medford led by Sheriff Jackson. George Putnam, editor of the Medford Tribune, proved himself that man. The latest returns from the southern part of the state show

that Putnam's efforts to break up the ring were so successful that although the proportion of the Republican registered vote to the Democratic was 24 to 1, the Republicans having a majority of 1,500—every man supported by Putnam and The Tribune was elected. The Democratic candidate for sheriff carried Medford by a majority of 235. The normal Republican majority in Medford is from 500 to 600.

Vested Rights Shocked. Last fall Putnam went to Medford and took charge of The Tribune. He found the Republican court-house ring in charge of local county politics. Among other things he did to stir up Medford was to speak out against the methods of this ring. His criticism was regarded as an unwarranted affront to vested rights and the sheriff of Jackson county took the first opportunity offered him to retaliate.

It came while Mr. Putnam was on his way to Portland to spend Christmas with his mother. He was taken out of his berth at midnight on a trumped-up "contempt" charge, was thrown in jail in Roseburg, given no opportunity to communicate with his friends and held in jail until the following afternoon.

Last Monday was the first opportunity given the taxpayers of Medford to express their views of the high-handed method in which Putnam was treated by Sheriff Jackson. They did so by electing The Tribune's Hockett, by majorities of from 150 to 500.

There appears to be a desire not only in Medford, but all over the state to congratulate Mr. Putnam and The Tribune on the fight made and won by them against machine politics and unbusiness-like methods of handling public offices. Not only was the court-house ring defeated but large majorities were returned for Statement No. 1, and for Governor Chamberlain. The Tribune has fought a good fight and has earned its title as the most influential paper in southern Oregon.

### WHITE RIBBON AUTO A PARADE FEATURE

The W. C. T. U. automobile in the Wednesday parade deserves special mention as one of the most artistic exhibits of rose decoration. Two white doves, symbol of the peaceful warfare which they wage, were poised over the front. From these white ribbons, the badge of the organization, extended the entire length of the car. Thousands of white roses covered the entire machine, which was occupied by the state officers: Mrs. Brown, state president; Mrs. Berkeley, vice-president; Mrs. Uhrin, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Shama, treasurer; Miss Gotschak, assistant recording secretary. The fine machine was loaned to the organization by the owner, J. B. Miners. The exhibit took the second prize.

### CAKE'S SPEECHES COST HIM VOTES

Malheur County Voters Represented Position Taken by Senatorial Candidate.

Thomas E. McKnight, deputy county clerk of Malheur county, is in the city from his home at Vale to attend the organization of the Oregon Association of Abstractors. Incidentally Mr. McKnight explains the surprising vote given Governor Chamberlain in Malheur county and attributes the 200 Chamberlain majority to the two speeches made by Mr. Cake at Ontario and Vale.

Malheur county never before gave Governor Chamberlain a majority, according to Mr. McKnight, but this year gave him a majority of 200 votes out of a total of 1,600. Two thirds of the total registered vote of Malheur county is Republican.

Governor Chamberlain's majority of 200 in the county was attributed by Mr. McKnight to the earnest work of two or three friends in the county and to the speeches of Mr. Cake at Ontario and Vale. "Every one expected something out of the ordinary when Mr. Cake appeared," said Mr. McKnight, "but they were disappointed. He did not say what he stood for, what he had done or would try to do. He just said he was a Republican and the people would have to vote for him. Malheur county people can be coaxed, but they cannot be driven, and I believe those speeches, as much as anything else, cost Mr. Cake the majority in Malheur county. The county cast the largest vote, in proportion to its registration, for Mr. Chamberlain of any county in the state."

### DAMPER THROWN ON MARRIAGE BUREAUS

That President Judge Gantenbein does not look with favor upon the work of matrimonial bureaus was evidenced yesterday in an argument over a motion for increase in an allowance for suit money in behalf of Mrs. Mary Meyer, who has been sued for divorce

by Otto Meyer. In the course of the argument it was stated that the two litigants were introduced by means of a matrimonial "ad" appearing in December and separating in February. Judge Gantenbein remarked that he does not believe that people married through the efforts of matrimonial bureaus are entitled to special consideration. The motion for more money for the wife was denied on the ground that Judge Cleland had already fixed the amount she should receive.

### BARTENDER'S BODY FOUND IN RIVER

In making the landing at Alaska dock yesterday the oriental liner Numan-tia churned the water violently and caused the body of James Sorenson, a

bartender, to rise from the bottom. It is supposed to have been in the river for some time. Coroner Finley established the identity of the remains by means of a union card found in the dead man's coat pocket. Examination failed to reveal anything that would indicate foul play, and it is believed that Sorenson committed suicide. He had been out of work and despondent for some time prior to his disappearance several weeks ago.

### Building Permits.

J. W. Bellow, erect dwelling, Hawthorne, between East Tenth and East Eleventh, \$1,450; Mrs. J. B. Comstock, erect flats, Weldier, between East Sixth and East Seventh, \$1,500; H. C. Buckley, erect dwelling, East Fifteenth, Halsey and Weldier, \$2,150; J. R. Thompson, erect flat, Sixth, between

Hall and Chapman, \$6,000; M. Pallas, erect apartment, Fourteenth, between Jefferson and Columbia, \$33,000.

### HUSBANDS DESERTED, WIVES ASK FREEDOM

Marian Young has begun suit for divorce from Jesse Young, to whom she was married in Lincoln, Nebraska, in 1905. She charges that she was deserted February 22, 1907. Also alleging desertion, Mollie Yeoman has sued Robert S. Yeoman for divorce. They were married in 1895 and she alleges that he left her without cause in February, 1904.

Senator Joseph F. Johnston of Alabama, 65 years of age, was four times wounded in the civil war.

### Hood River Festival.

Hood River will celebrate its annual strawberry festival on Saturday, June 13, and preparations are being made for one of the jolliest events of the season. The O. R. & N. will run a popular excursion from Portland on that day, making a round trip rate of \$2, including luncheon. You will get all the strawberries you can eat and a most delightful outing besides. Special train from union depot 9 a. m., arrive Hood River 11:30. Leave Hood River 5 p. m., arrive Portland 7:30. No one knows all about festivals who has never attended a Hood River strawberry festival. Don't miss this one.

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