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## S. P. TO BUILD \$40,000 NEW DEPOT

### SITE CHOSEN IS TWO BLOCKS NORTH

#### FREIGHT DEPOT WILL BE PLACED TOWARD SOUTH

Railroad Company Makes Formal Announcement of Its Plans—Will Beautify Its Right of Way in This City.

#### NEW BUILDING TO BE OF STONE AND CONCRETE

Will Be Built With Eye to Future With Accommodations for Increased Traffic.

Formal announcement was made Wednesday by the Southern Pacific of the speedy construction of a \$40,000 passenger depot at Medford, to be located on the site of the section house, two blocks north of the present depot, and the construction of a large freight depot two blocks south of the present structure. The railroad's right of way between the two depots will be parked, adorned with fountains and otherwise beautified. The new passenger depot will be of stone and concrete and designed to accommodate the traffic for a city many times the present size of Medford, showing the railroad's faith in Medford's future. The present depot will be moved south to be used in connection with the new freight depot, and warehouses along the right of way will be removed.

Announcement of the railroad's plans followed a visit from Superintendent Fields, who arrived in his special car on the morning's train. Members of the city council and Mayor Canon were taken to inspect the sites of the new depots by Agent Rosenbaum and approved the selections. Mr. Rosenbaum agreed to request the company to station a flagman at the Main-street crossing to warn the public of approaching trains and prevent accident.

The removal of the depot will enable the Main-street crossing to be open for traffic all the time and end the train blockades that have recently become a feature of Medford's life. Medford long since outgrew its depot facilities and as it is doing more railroad business than any point in Oregon outside Portland, the announcement of new structures was not unexpected.

Changing the depot may have some effect upon the business district, as the present business section has grown up around the station house. It will probably give Central avenue property owners a chance to make it a business street and also make Sixth street desirable for business purposes.

### SUDDENLY FIND THEIR NEWLY MADE FRIEND IS DEAD

Arthur Brown, Publisher, and B. H. Harris, Timberman, Talk With Stranger in Train, Then Find That He Is Dead.

#### TRAIN 16 HELD WHILE UNDERTAKER IS CALLED

Man Bore Papers Bearing Name of Thomas Moore and Issued in New York in 1868.

Arthur Brown, publisher, and B. H. Harris, timberman, both of this city, after meeting a stranger on train 16 in Ashland last evening, and chatting for several moments, suddenly discovered that the man was dead. The train was held while an undertaker was called and the body was removed.

Messrs. Brown and Harris were in Ashland yesterday on business. Train 16 was many hours late, it being near midnight when they entered the train to come to Medford. When they entered they noticed a man of apparently 60 years of age sitting in the coach and fell into conversation with him. For some moments they talked and then, accepting the invitation of the man, seated themselves. They continued to chat and thought nothing of the fact that the man did not respond.

A little later some passenger passing through the car happened to glance at the face of the local men's companion. He stopped, gasped, leaned forward and whispered:

"My God! That man is dead!"

Both turned to glance at their newly found companion and found that he was dead. Mr. Brown felt the dead man's pulse, but got no response. The body was still warm.

The train was held while an undertaker was called and the body removed. Wednesday morning it was found that the man's name was Thomas Moore and that he had been naturalized in Green county, New York, in 1868. He also bore a railroad time check. The body is being held pending an effort to hear from some relative or friend.

#### DREADNOUGHT PLANS MYSTERIOUSLY MISSING

LONDON, Nov. 3.—A big sensation was created in political circles tonight by a report that the plans for the last Dreadnought launched, which should have been returned to the admiralty, have disappeared.

### HENEY LOSES TO ELECT NEW OFFICERS TONIGHT

Tammany Loses Fight in New York With Exception of Gaynor for Mayor, Who Won Easily.

#### TOM L. JOHNSON LOSES OUT IN FIFTH RACE

McCarthy, Union Labor Candidate, Is New Mayor in San Francisco—Whitlock Elected in Toledo.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 3.—The count in yesterday's election is proceeding slowly. It is estimated that P. H. McCarthy, the union labor candidate, is elected mayor by 5093 plurality. Charles M. Fickert has won over Francis J. Heney by 1000 votes. The board of supervisors will probably stand: Union labor, 10; republicans, 5; democrats, 3.

**Tammany Loses.**  
NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—The domination of Tammany Hall by Charles Murphy and Daniel Cogolan is believed to be at an end following the Tammany defeat at yesterday's election with the exception of Gaynor for mayor, who wins by at least 90,000. Personally, Murphy detested Cogolan and forced the nominations, believing that Gaynor's personal popularity would elect the whole ticket.

Charles H. Whitman, fusionist, was elected successor to District Attorney Jerome over George Gordon. The full extent of Tammany's defeat is shown by the fact that the board of estimate, which controls \$1,000,000,000 a year expenditure, will stand: Fusion, 13 votes; Tammany, 3.

**Tom Johnson Whipped.**  
CLEVELAND, O., Nov. 3.—Following his defeat by Herman Basher, republican, for the mayoralty, Tom L. Johnson announced that he would be a candidate two years hence. The defeat of Johnson is claimed to be the result of loss of confidence in the low fare advocated by Johnson.

**Other Elections.**  
ROCHESTER, Nov. 3.—The entire republican ticket was elected here yesterday by a plurality of 6500. Hiram Edgerton is mayor.

BUFFALO, Nov. 3.—Louis Fuhrman, democrat, was elected by 1300 yesterday. Republicans fill the remainder of the city ticket.

TOLEDO, Nov. 3.—Brand Whitlock independent, was re-elected mayor by 5700.

ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 3.—James McEwan, republican, was elected mayor. The entire city and county tickets went republican by 5700.

The next assembly will be composed of 200 republicans, 48 democrats, a gain of two republicans. The sensational feature of the election was the defeat of State Senator John

Annual Meeting of Commercial Club Will Be Held This Evening—All Members Are Urged to Attend.

#### ANNUAL REVIEW OF WORK TO BE MADE

Plans Will Be Placed on Foot for Coming Year's Work—Much to Be Done.

The annual meeting of the Medford Commercial club will be held this evening in the Commercial club rooms, and every member is urged to attend. New officers are to be elected for the coming year and reports of present officers made.

The work of the past year is to be reviewed and plans put on foot for handling the work during the coming year. Each year in the past has seen the club grow in strength, and in its ability to get results, and the next year's work is to be undertaken with a vim. Every member is needed at the meeting this evening.

#### TALENT BEATS THE STATE UPON LARGE POTATOES

TALENT, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—C. Cary was doubtful that the 11 potatoes mentioned in the Oregon Journal as weighing 9½ pounds and measuring five feet in length were the biggest in Oregon, so he picked out the same number of his Early Sunrise potatoes, grown without irrigation, between the rows of his fruit trees, and found that they measured eight feet in length and weighed 30 pounds.

TALENT, Or., Nov. 3.—(Special.)—The Talent bank has just completed a cement vault and has installed within it one of the latest improved safes, so that that institution has now every facility for the safeguarding of funds and papers in its charge. C. W. Wolters has just completed an addition to his store building, which gives him ample room. His store now covers an entire block.

Raines, president pro tem of the senate, for years republican leader of the house.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Nov. 3.—Complete returns show republicans won a sweeping victory in Rhode Island. Pothier was elected governor.

BOSTON, Nov. 3.—Draper was re-elected governor by a majority of less than 9000.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 3.—Sam P. Rotan was re-elected district attorney on the republican ticket.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Nov. 3.—The American anti-Church party elected Major J. S. Bransford mayor by a substantial majority. They also elected 18 councilmen.

### ASKS ELECTRIC ROAD FRANCHISE

#### CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT SHOWS PROGRESS OF CITY

During Month of October Great Strides Were Taken Towards Civic Improvement in the City.

#### 4076 FEET OF SEWER MAINS WERE PUT IN

Many Streets Have Water Mains Laid—Grades Established for Many Sidewalks.

In no better way is the growth that the city is making reflected than in the report of City Engineer Harry E. Foster for the month of October. Water and sewer mains have been constructed on many streets, sidewalks made and other improvements shown.

According to the report, which was filed with the city council Tuesday evening, during the month the following sewers have been constructed:

In block 25, 300 feet; Hamilton street, 814 feet; block 19, 300 feet; Riverside avenue, South, 450 feet; South Orange, 385 feet; Rose avenue, 600 feet; Summit avenue, 600 feet, making a total of 4076 feet of sewers completed during the month. Thirty-three permits were issued for connections.

During the month grades have been established for sewers as follows: On Pie street, 1362 feet; Ivy street, South, 1381 feet; Newtown, 680; Twelfth, 724; Washington, 1142; Elm, 1141; Eighth, 348; Main street, East, 1639; Washington, East, 2950; Genesee, 1180, a total of 12,547 feet.

#### Water Mains.

During the month water mains have been laid at an estimated cost of \$22,001.23 on the following streets: West Main, West Jackson, Narregan, Summit avenue, Rose avenue, North Peach, West Fourth, Olson, Ross court, West Second.

Grades for laying water mains have been established on several streets, totaling a distance of 37,321 feet.

Grades for cement walks have been established for a distance of 13,151 feet.

Preliminary work was also done in connection with the installation of a storm sewer on Front and Eighth streets. Gutter grades were established on West Main street. The profile has been prepared for the East Side trunk sewer.

W. P. Baker, street commissioner, reported that during October the East

#### FORMAL REQUEST MADE OF MEDFORD BY JOHN R. ALLEN

Council Will Meet Thursday Afternoon to Consider It as Committee of the Whole—Will Act Friday.

#### CONSTRUCTION WORK MUST START IN YEAR

Many Other Important Matters Considered by Council—Hold Busy Session.

John R. Allen, president of the Pacific & Eastern railroad, formally applied to the city council at their regular meeting Tuesday evening for a franchise for an electric road in the city of Medford. The council will consider the matter, sitting as a committee of the whole, on Thursday afternoon. Action will be taken Friday evening.

Mr. Allen asks for a franchise in Medford for a period of ten years. Actual construction work must start within a year. Steam power cannot be used upon the road except in construction work. A fare of 5 cents only can be charged passengers within the city limits of Medford.

#### Other Business.

The council considered much other business. Reports of officials were received and filed and monthly bills paid.

A saloon license was granted to George M. Bordeaux and the license of George M. Needles was transferred to B. S. Radcliff & Co.

Bids were opened for the construction of sewers on the East Side and that of Jacobsen-Bade company accepted.

Protests were entered by J. L. Schermerhorn and George Eades against the paving of the alley in the O'More hotel block. The matter was laid on the table.

The city engineer was empowered to enforce the laying of certain cement sidewalks. The bond of Vincent S. Baker was accepted.

An ordinance was passed declaring the cost of a water main on Clark street and declaring the assessment on adjacent property.

Horace Mitchell and Grover Nail of Ashland were in the city Wednesday on a business trip.

Main street gutters were graded; five culverts put in; 70 feet of 8-inch drain put in at the bridge; open house alley filled and graded; three sewers flushed and five repaired.

Twelve new plank and two stone crosswalks were put in; six alley crosswalks were installed and eight culverts built.