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**THE WEATHER.**  
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High southwest winds.

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## COUNCIL GRANTS ALLEN FRANCHISE

### OAKDALE AVENUE ONLY GOOD WILL ONLY STREET LEFT OFF LIST

Must Have Two Miles of Road in Operation Within Five Years—Rights Lapse End of Seven.

The city council at a meeting held Saturday granted to John R. Allen a franchise for an electric road in the city of Medford. The franchise covers all streets with the exception of Oakdale avenue.

Summarized, the terms of the franchise are:

The franchise becomes void at the expiration of one year, unless at that time actual construction work shall have commenced.

Within two years Mr. Allen must file with the city a plan upon which is indicated all of the streets which are to be utilized by the company, and all streets not so indicated shall revert to the city.

The company must have in operation at least two miles of railway within five years.

All streets revert to city that are not used by company at end of seven years.

Any power may be used excepting steam.

Tracks must be laid flush with grade of street.

Allen must keep in repair that portion of the street occupied by him laying between a point 18 inches beyond the outside rails of the tracks.

Company may charge 5 cents for each trip from any passenger on any trip within city limits in one direction.

The franchise is for a period of ten years.

Mr. Allen must file his written acceptance of the franchise within 30 days.

### FISHERMAN FINDS BIG FORTUNE IN OCEAN

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Nov. 8.—James Curry, a fisherman, today is worth \$100,000, if the substance he found floating in the straits of Juan de Fuca yesterday proves to be ambergris, as local chemists declare it is.

With a companion, Curry was rowing a small boat a few miles north of here. He discovered the substance near the spot. It weighs nearly 150 pounds. Thus far it has answered every superficial for ambergris which is used in the manufacture of perfume.

### NEW ARRIVAL PLEASES MEDFORD'S CITIZENS

One of the very latest arrivals in Medford, the home of the automobile, came in on a late train Saturday night in the shape of the newest model "Hudson 20." This classy little creation already has a host of friends in this city and the Valley Auto company, at whose establishment it can be seen, requests the pleasure of a call, and if you are now, or expect to be, in the market they can convince you of the marked superiority of this car over any other of its class now on the market.

### Odd Fellows, Attention

There will be an important meeting of the Odd Fellows tonight at their hall. Your presence is desired. By order of the N. G.

Labor Leader in Annual Address Scores Justice Wright in Passing Upon His and Other Leaders' Cases.

TORONTO, Ont., Nov. 8.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, reviewed the famous case in which he, John Mitchell and Secretary Morrison were sentenced to jail in the District of Columbia for violation of an injunction, in his report to the twenty-ninth international convention of the organization of labor, in session today here. He declares that he believed eventual good will come from the case, saying:

"I know that the people of our country and labor movement will be found united in patriotic protest against the curtailment of the liberties for which our forefathers struggled in order that we might be free." President Gompers' report proceeds to deal with the question of injunctions, eight-hour law, employers' liabilities and automatic compensation laws, ship subsidy bill, convict labor, child labor, immigration, Gompers' European tour, subjects concerning the conduct of the American Federation, and then says in part:

**Scores the Judge.**  
"This passing comment appears apropos. It is that an unprejudiced, impartial judge might well have deferred a decision in a contempt case alleging violation of an injunction while an appeal upon the validity of the injunction itself was pending and was being considered for decision by a higher court; and further, that the unprecedented sentences imposed were entirely in conflict with the spirit and plain provision of the constitution as being cruel and unusual. The language and manner of Justice Wright in delivering his opinion upon the guilt of the men charged with disobeying the terms of the injunction, the fact that he had given his opinion, or permitted it to be given out in advance; the whole mockery and formality of asking us whether we had any reasons to assign why sentence should not be pronounced, when he had determined on the sentence in advance—all these, as well as the matter and manner of the arrangement for the scene and the delivery of the opinion and sentence indicated the unfitness of the man to wear the judicial robe and occupy the judicial position."

What are the offenses for which Mitchell, Morrison and I are sentenced to long months of imprisonment, and the ignominy of being classified as criminals? We have dared to defend our constitutional rights as men and as citizens, despite the injunction of a court which sought to invade the rights of free speech and free press secured to the Anglo-Saxon people centuries ago by the Magna Charta, and clinched by the adoption of the first amendment to the constitution of the United States."

**Morrison's Report.**  
Secretary Morrison's report showed that the receipts of the organization for the year ending September 30 were \$232,377.64, and the expenditures \$203,702.07. The excess added to the cash on hand made a balance of \$167,303.46.

The voting strength of the federa-

## ATTEND THE GREAT BOOSTER MEETING TONIGHT

Every patriotic citizen of Medford, every man, woman and child who has the welfare of the city at heart, should attend the great booster meeting under the auspices of the Greater Medford Club and the Commercial Club at the Medford Theater at 8 o'clock tonight and hear Tom Richardson of the Oregon Development league and other orators speak on the way to build up and beautify a city. There will be a fine musical program and eloquence by leading citizens. Mrs. Hazelrigg and Mrs. Andrews, Mr. Walters, Mr. Andrews and other local favorites will sing. Professor Romanoff, Mr. Norling and other famous musicians play. Medford leads among Oregon cities for progress, and the lead must be maintained. Only by every citizen becoming a booster and boosting all the time, all for one and one for all, can Medford keep in the lead, fulfill its destiny, and become the largest city between Portland and San Francisco. Every resident, from school child to millionaire, can help, and that without burdening himself. A little aid and a little energy from each makes the task an easy one. What to do and how to do it will be told you. Come one, come all—admission free.

## LADIES PLAN TO BEAUTIFY ENTIRE CITY

### Ladies of Greater Medford Club Start Systematic Campaign for Planting of Shade Trees in Medford.

Every property owner in the city is expected to improve his residence property by planting along his frontage trees, which will be uniform on the different streets, if he carries out the wishes of the ladies of the Greater Medford club, who have started a systematic campaign for beautifying the streets of the city. The ladies are already at work and unless mere man wishes to come under their displeasure they had better get busy.

The ladies plan to sell the trees to the property owners and have ordered them. Many have signed up and within a year or so Medford's streets should present a splendid appearance.

The following article was prepared by Professor P. J. O'Gara, pathologist of the department of agriculture, whose aid was enlisted by the ladies:

**What It Means.**

The ladies of the Greater Medford club are contemplating the beautifying of the city streets, avenues and parks by planting in a thoroughly systematic manner, the better varieties of shade trees adapted to the southern Oregon climate. They also propose a parking system which will utilize what may often be termed waste ground, and in this way beautify the city. Anyone who has visited the national capital and has seen its beautiful avenues of trees can appreciate what a systematic planting and planting means. In the city of Washington every tree that is planted, as well as the place where it is planted, forms a part of a general design which is in conformity with its surroundings. The planting of trees in a city by the individual means planting without thought or plan. The Greater Medford club, through its committee, Mrs. J. F. Reddy and Mrs. M. L. Alford, is making a thorough study of the needs of the city. These ladies have called at the forestry office and the office of the pathologist, United States department of agriculture, and these two offices offer the following suggestions:

**Selection of Trees.**  
The most important thing in the planning of a city parking system is the selection of the tree best adapted to climatic conditions. It is

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In 1909 was 15,864, against 16,892 in 1908. The report also shows that of the fund of \$44,297 raised to defend Gompers, Morrison and Mitchell, \$38,024 remains. During the year 1908, 198 new charters were issued, while 212 unions had their charters revoked, were suspended or disbanded.

The gain in membership reported by the secretaries of 34 international organizations over the membership on September 1 last year, is 83.

## COL. HOFER PAYS HIS RESPECTS OVER SPECIAL LEASED WIRE

SALEM, Nov. 8.—Editor Mail Tribune, Medford, Or.: Congratulations on taking the United Press leased wire telegraphic report. It is the best and most complete evening newspaper service now furnished on the Pacific coast and equal, in my opinion, to anything of the kind taken by Eastern newspapers. There is no city the size of Medford that has anything like it, and but for your indomitable courage as a city-builder and wealth creator your community would not get this world-wide advertisement of taking the biggest wire report of any city in the world of its size. With best wishes for yourself and the Medford boosters, I remain, E. HOFER, Editor Daily Capital Journal.

## ANDERSON SELLS FOR \$27,500

### Florida Man Invests in Rogue River Valley—Cottam Buys an Orchard for \$9000.

Bert Anderson has sold his farm near Central Point, which he purchased last year, to R. D. Hoke, who recently came here from Florida, for \$27,500. The tract contains 181½ acres, located on the Bear creek bottom, two and one-half miles below Central Point, 100 acres of it being as fine bottom land as lays outdoors. The tract has not been set to orchard as yet, but the new owner will commence remedying that difficulty at once.

Mr. Hoke was formerly extensively engaged in the growing of pineapples and grape fruit on the west coast of Florida, but has sold out his holdings there and will become a fixture in Southern Oregon.

C. W. Cottam, who has been traveling through this section for the past 12 or 15 years, and is known to everybody along the line, has become imbued with the fruit bug and has invested in a tract of land in the Rogue River valley. Monday he concluded negotiations whereby he became a half-owner in the Bothwell & Glasgow tract, recently sold by them to Anderson & Green, Lynn, south and west of Medford, paying \$9000 therefor. The tract consists of 23 acres, 20 acres of which are set to fruit.

Through the agency of the W. T. York Co., A. N. Wright has sold to W. H. Bowen, late of Butte, Mont., 17 acres of land near Jacksonville, for the sum of \$7000. Mr. Wright bought this property a year ago, and the rise in land values gives him a fair profit on the investment. Three acres are in young orchard, and Mr. Bowen intends to improve the tract and set it nearly all to orchard. The land

## CASE AGAINST MRS. STEINHILL IS CRUMBLING

### Today's Testimony in Famous French Case Is Favorable to Widow—Confident of an Acquittal.

PARIS, Nov. 8.—The state's case against Madame Steinheil, "the red widow," who is on trial here on the charge of murdering her artist husband and sculptor, Madame Japy, appears to be crumbling.

Today's testimony was entirely favorable to the widow and she apparently is confident of acquittal. Proderer, on whose testimony the prosecution hopes to strengthen its case materially, testified that whether or no Madame Steinheil ever dreamed of marriage as a result of their relations. This was considered a great point in the woman's favor, for, if he had testified that he and the woman had seriously considered marriage the prosecution would have used as a motive for the murders.

Dr. Achery, the Steinheil's family physician testified that the accused woman had cared tenderly for her husband and mother. This was another point in Madame Steinheil's favor, as the prosecution attempted to prove that during the two months' illness of her husband that she never went near her husband.

Madame Steinheil declares that the inquisitorial methods of the prosecution is helping her case.

## KETCHEL HITS JAP WITH HIS \$6000 AUTOMOBILE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 8.—The local Japanese colony has engaged Attorney John Greely to prosecute Stanley Ketchell, the middleweight champion prize fighter, who yesterday ran down and injured M. Ogibara, a Japanese, with his new \$6000 automobile.

Ketchell was released on bail after he had been charged with battery and violating the speed law.

This makes the fourth time that Ketchell has been arrested in two months on charges of violating the speed law.

## SAN FRANCISCO BELLE TO WED YOUNG CUDAHY

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 8.—The engagement between Edward I. Cudahy, the son of the millionaire packer, and Miss Nora Brewer of San Francisco was never broken, and the stories current recently to the effect that the young man called off the engagement for the reason that he was suffering from tuberculosis of the ear, are false, according to a statement made by Mrs. Michael Cudahy, the mother of Edward, to the United Press today.

lies on the east side of the "Hill Road," leading north from Jacksonville, and is every foot of it first-class orchard land.

## ASSESSMENT ROLL SHOWS DECREASE QUARTER MILLION

### Big Reduction Shown Regardless of Tremendous Increase in Assessment of Southern Pacific—Assessment of Town Lots Nearly \$150,000 Less Than Last Year.

Assessor W. T. Greives has completed his totals of county assessed valuations for the present year and they show a decrease of nearly a quarter million dollars, notwithstanding the fact that the Southern Pacific has been increased over half a million dollars. This would make the total shrinkage in property valuations outside the railroad over three quarters of a million dollars—\$783,364, to be exact—and this despite a most prosperous year, the biggest immigration in the county's history, and a great increase in selling prices.

Every town in the valley has had a large growth, and all town property is held at higher figures than ever before, yet the assessed valuation of a town lots is \$147,683 lower than a year ago. The past year has been the biggest building year in the history of the county, yet the improve-

ments on town lots are valued at \$38,386 less than they were a year ago. In spite of the fact that 15,000 acres of new orchard, were planted, and a large acreage made tillable, and that orchard property and farm property is selling at the highest figure in history, Assessor Greives has decreased the value of tillable land \$228,196.

Stores are more numerous, bigger and carry larger stocks of merchandise than ever before, but Assessor Greives has decreased their valuations \$103,483.

As a result of Mr. Greives' assessment and the failure of the board of equalization to act, all cities and towns in Jackson county face a higher rate of taxation to raise the same revenue as raised last year. In detail the assessed valuations for the two years is as follows:

	Value, 1909.	Value 1908.
Acres of tillable land, 103,511	\$ 6,085,333	\$ 6,313,529
Acres of non-tillable land 1,076,601	10,594,492	11,101,847
Improvements on deeded land	903,873	709,136
Value of all lots	1,990,018	2,137,701
Improvements on lots	1,989,095	2,027,481
Improvements on land not deeded	8,800	9,575
Miles roadbed, 82.78	2,325,300	1,961,048
Miles rolling stock, 136.6	231,584	171,200
No. miles telegraph and telephone lines, 233½ (included in above in 1908)	135,100	
Value of stationary engines	310,815	270,711
Value of merchandise	371,518	475,091
Value of farming implements	134,335	122,253
Amount of money	278,174	422,680
Amount of notes and accounts	201,708	192,335
Shares of stocks	140,205	17,000
Value of household goods	240,019	227,237
No. of horses, 4536	270,770	238,990
No. of cattle, 10,971	184,635	198,755
No. of sheep, 13,120	31,078	28,631
No. of hogs, 3713	11,373	12,973
No. of chickens, 200	50	
No. of dogs, 17	290	105
Total amounts	\$26,438,666	\$26,685,204

## TEDDY CABLES THAT ALL IS WELL WITH HIM

### Mrs. Roosevelt Receives Cablegram Telling of Colonel's Good Health.

ROME, Nov. 8.—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt today received a cable message from her husband, dated Nairobi, in which he stated that he was enjoying perfect health and that there was absolutely no truth in the rumor that he had been stricken down with a severe illness.

## FIREMEN DIE IN BAD FIRE IN MONTREAL

MONTREAL, Que., Nov. 8.—As a result of a fire that broke out today in Roland Freres' furniture factory, two firemen are dead and six were injured. Fireman Malloy and Holbrook were both dug out from beneath the debris of the first floor, which gave way, crushing the men to death.

## Opera Singer Divorced.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 8.—Grace Von Studdiford, the opera singer, was today granted a divorce from her husband, Charles Von Studdiford, a St. Louis traveling salesman.

## ODGEN WANTS BIG FIGHT IN JANUARY

### Telegram Forwarded Offering \$80,000—Will Build Auditorium, if Necessary.

OGDEN, Utah, Nov. 8.—Telegrams were sent to Jack Johnson and James Jeffries to New York today by "Jimmie" Dunn, offering a purse of \$80,000 for the Jeffries-Johnson fight to be held in Ogden during the National Woolgrowers' convention on January 4 to 9.

Dunn says that he will build an auditorium if he is successful in securing the fight.

## PRESS-FEEDERS DEMAND BIG INCREASE IN WAGES

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 8.—Demanding an increase in wages which amounts practically to \$3 per week, the press feeders of all the commercial printing firms are out today. It is expected that the difference will have been satisfactorily adjusted before tomorrow night. Ed Weston, who has been on a business and pleasure trip to his old home at Des Moines, Ia., returned to Medford Saturday.