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NEW YEAR'S ISSUE

THE most consistent, persistent, effective advertiser of the Rogue River valley and Medford is the Mail Tribune. Every issue is an advertisement, some of them very creditable, of this section.

A few weeks ago a 24-page issue of Sunday papers, containing matter of interest about the valley and city was printed. Although 5000 papers were run off, the entire issue was exhausted within a few days. Repeated calls for the paper since show how great the demand is for this class of literature, especially as the Commercial club pamphlet is exhausted, and there must be something at hand to bridge the gap.

To supply this demand the Mail Tribune will issue a Homeseekers' section to the New Year's issue, on Sunday, January 2, containing full data illustrative and descriptive of the resources, advantages and opportunities of the Rogue River valley. New cuts, made especially for this issue, will be used, and full accounts of the records made by the orchards this season be given, and at least 10,000 copies printed—perhaps more, according to the demand.

As it is desirable to keep the Homeseekers' section as small as possible, in order to save postage for those sending it forth, no display advertising will be carried. What advertising there is will be in the form of leaders, the rest of the space being taken by the exhaustive writeup and illustrations of the valley.

A feature of the issue will be a resume of the mercantile, financial, manufacturing, realty and professional interests of Medford and vicinity and will reflect the enterprise and achievements of our business and professional men. The progress and advancement made by Medford during the year will be shown, together with the improvements completed, under way and in contemplation.

Everyone interested in the growth of Medford and the development of the surrounding country will co-operate with us in spreading this issue far and wide. Our representatives are now in the field gathering data and presenting plans. Courtesy shown them will be greatly appreciated.

NEW STATE OF SISKIYOU

BY formally endorsing the movement of the new state of Siskiyou and appointing committees to launch the campaign for secession, the Jackson County Press association struck a popular chord and one destined to have far-reaching and beneficial results.

Citizens of the proposed new commonwealth do not belong to the "Can't Do It club." They are going to show that it can be done by doing it. To the average Oregonian the obstacles and red tape procedure, necessary to accomplish the end in view, seem insurmountable, but not to the citizens of "Siskiyou."

To be sure, no state has ever been divided after admission, except Virginia, but that is no reason why several should not be, particularly Oregon, where a majority of the population are narrow-visioned mossbacks and exert most of their energy in blocking progress.

Southern Oregon has nothing in common with western Oregon—a different climate, different resources, different people. Our needs and desires are not comprehended and no inclination is shown to comprehend them. Southern Oregon, like northern California, is utterly ignored, except when it comes to paying taxes, without representation in state or national government—a vast empire with ocean harbors, with greater natural resources, greater timber and mineral wealth and scenic attractions than any section on the globe.

With eastern Oregon seceding on the one hand and southern Oregon on the other, the Willamette valley will be left peacefully vegetate by itself and the Salem hog and the Portland pig can root undisturbed among the pest-laden orchards, wallow in the streaks of mire called roads, drink Arbuckle coffee and read the Oregonian.

THE CHRISTMAS STAMP

THE ladies of the Greater Medford club have paused long enough in their campaign for a city beautiful to take charge of the sale of the "Christmas Stamp," every penny of the proceeds going to fight the great white plague in Portland. It is to be hoped that everyone will purchase these stamps and use them on their letters.

The Christmas Stamp originated in Denmark, when in 1904 the Danish government issued a Christmas stamp, with the king's head and the word "Jul"—the same as our "Yule"—on it. It was not good for postage, only as a "sticker" for Christmas letters, post cards and packages. The proceeds from it were used for the support of a tuberculosis hospital for little children. This Christmas season the National Red Cross society has issued the stamp in America, the proceeds to go to fight tuberculosis in the state in which the stamp is sold.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

THE Mail Tribune today prints a list of the live advertising merchants of Medford and their Christmas offerings. It is a showing that no other town of similar size in the world can equal, because no other city can produce stores in the same class with those of Medford.

Do your Christmas trading early to avoid the rush. Keep this issue as a guide for bargains and patronize those with enterprise enough to present their offerings to the public.

The live merchant is an asset to any community. Help him along by patronizing him. The only way to build up a city is to patronize home industry and keep the money at home.

You can do this by buying from those whose advertisements appear in the Mail Tribune.

IS HERE GATHERING DATA FOR BOOKLET

Edwin D. Whitney of Southern Pacific Publicity Department Visits Medford.

Edwin D. Whitney of Portland, who has in charge the work of preparing the written matter in the new Medford pamphlet, is in Medford looking up particulars in regard to valley and city. He is delighted with what he has seen so far.

Twenty-one years ago Mr. Whitney saw the valley, and at that time gave it the name "Italy of America," which has been so extensively used since. Mr. Whitney states that on every visit Medford and the Rogue River valley looks better to him. He is also connected with the Crater Lake company.

AN APPRECIATION.

(Oregon Journal.)
The Medford Daily Mail Tribune is a really wonderful newspaper to be published in a city no larger than Medford. In addition to an afternoon daily, replete with local and general news, it is now issuing a Sunday morning paper of 16 or more pages, such as would be creditable in a city of 25,000 inhabitants. It is up-to-date in every respect, thoroughly independent and aggressive in all matters of development and that it is appreciated by the wide-awake, enterprising people of Medford its large advertising patronage shows. They have reason to be proud of their newspaper.

ARRANGEMENT OF TREES

The ladies of the Greater Medford club have furnished the following article anent the planting of trees in the city:

In street planting the trees should be placed with reference to the room they will need when fully grown, rather than with reference to the lot boundaries; otherwise there will be irregularity, overcrowding and unoccupied spaces. The average city lot is so narrow to permit a tree on each, and so the proper spacing on a block must be determined irrespective of the wishes of the property owners, each of whom might want a tree in front of his house. If a block is fully planted, the trees on one side of the street should stand opposite the spaces on the other side. Planting at half distances, with the intention of removing every other tree in time, is sometimes done in order to obtain more shade at the start. But this plan is an objectionable one; the intermediate trees are seldom removed, and in their crowded condition become ill-shaped and undersized. The arrangement is a doubtful expedient, even if the superfluous ones are removed at the proper time; for while the trees are small they afford neither beauty nor shade, no matter how closely they were planted. The only case in which intervals might be filled with advantage is in a row of old trees that have passed maturity and are nearing their end. In such case time can be saved by planting young ones in the spaces, for when the old decaying trees fall the young ones will be well along toward replacing them. On residential streets where the houses stand well back from the fence line with lawns or wide yards in front, the trees should not be placed at the curb, but inside the walk where they will be free from injury, obtain more moisture and afford an equally good shade. An avenue should be planted throughout

TALENT TO WIPE OUT BONDED SCHOOL DEBT

Residents Vote Nine Mill Tax in Order to Clear District of Indebtedness.

The Talent residents have levied a nine mill school tax for the coming year. Of this amount two mills was levied for maintenance of the school. A two mill tax for the payment of the cost of the new school house, furniture for the school, repairing school outhouses, interest on bonded indebtedness and interest on school warrants. A five mill tax for payment of the principal of the bonded indebtedness. The number of children drawing money this year in the district is 144. The amount of assessable property is \$405,869. The number of children enrolled in the school this year at the present time is 113.

The census shows that the employment of a third teacher in the school, the building of an addition to the school house and the purchase of more furniture were absolutely necessary, therefore the district tax to pay for these things was necessary.

At the school meeting in July the people voted to consolidate the school districts and build a fine school house. Since the adjoining school districts had no bonded indebtedness, in order to consolidate, it was necessary for district No. 22 to pay off its indebtedness, and that was the step taken at the meeting. The citizens present at the meeting also thought it good economy to pay the principal and stop the interest.

NOTICE

All Yeomen are requested to be at the regular meeting of the Order in the Redmen hall Monday evening at 7:20 p. m. 299*

REV. HALL GOES TO MARSHFIELD

After Serving for Many Months in This City Pastor Accepts Call From Coos County.

Rev. G. LeRoy Hall, who recently resigned from the pastorate of the First Baptist church, has accepted a call from Marshfield and will take up his labors in that section about the first of the year. Rev. Hall will be the only Baptist pastor in two counties of that part of Oregon.

All friends of Rev. and Mrs. Hall are invited to attend a farewell reception to be held at the church Wednesday evening, December 15, at 8 p. m. A good time is promised.

CAMBRIDGE GETS AWAY WITH OXFORD AT FOOTBALL

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Cambridge was defeated by Oxford in the football game today by a score of thirty-six to three.

Here is a snap: 160 acres one mile from railroad station; 100 acres good red soil, several thousand cords good wood which has a ready market. Price, \$1750; one-third cash, long time on balance. P. O. box 544, 231*

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