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EVERYBODY WANTS IT.

That the commercial interests of the valley are a unit in demanding the continuance of the campaign to clean up the orchards of the county was shown by the action of the Commercial club Wednesday evening when resolutions were unanimously adopted requesting the county court to appropriate sufficient funds to finish the fight and to co-operate in every possible way with Professor O'Gara.

The prosperity of the valley is based upon its orchards, and upon their cleanliness depends their productivity, hence it is a matter of dollars and cents to all the people of the county.

The action of the Medford Commercial club should be followed by similar actions on the part of other Commercial clubs of the valley, as all are equally interested.

Not only the horticultural, but the commercial interests of Jackson county demand that the battle on bugs continue and the county commissioners should heed the voice of their constituents.

JOIN THE COMMERCIAL CLUB.

Ashland has launched a campaign to swell the membership of the Ashland Commercial club to 400, and has already passed the 300 mark.

If Ashland can get 300 members, Medford ought to have 500 instead of 250. Every business man in the city, every property owner, should be a member, for the work done by the club is directly responsible for the rapid growth and development of the valley during the past few years.

Orchardists and farmers should also be members, even though they cannot attend meetings regularly. The Rogue River valley is advertised as much as Medford by the club, and this is the case in no other town in the valley. On the pamphlet cover appears the legend, "Medford, Oregon, and the Rogue River Valley," and this is the only pamphlet that does advertise the Rogue River valley, hence all the valley outside the towns that issue their own booklets, should co-operate with Medford.

It is to be hoped that every farmer and fruit grower in the valley as well as the residents of Medford will help the good work along by joining the club and so double the effectiveness of its publicity work.

THE UPBUILDING OF A CITY

(Contributed.)
Medford, situated as it is in the very heart of one of the most prolific and fertile fruit valleys of the world, must become a city of much influence in the state. The time is not far distant when there will be from 15,000 to 20,000 people residing within the limits of the city. It is not a dream never to be realized, but a fact which many of the oldest inhabitants will live to see.

To the newcomer to this city first impressions are always lasting. Paved streets (without mud), large, fine schoolhouses, good churches, all go far to lend impressions. Many of these, Medford now has, but there is still room for improvement.

The spirit of Medford is coming to be known in and out of the state, much as the "Seattle spirit" is known. That is, the public spirit which does things, where "knocking" is unknown. Sure, there will be some who will remain blind to the fact that "fossilism" is a thing of the past.

Now, in the midst of such prosperity which this spirit must bring there should be a moralizing influence, and this influence must come mostly from that which is called by the name of "Christianity." The churches of a city represent this.

So we come to the seed thought of this article. The attempt to build in the city a church which will be a credit to the city and which will pro-

vide for this increase in population. The Episcopal people are making such an effort, and the spirit which carries so many other enterprises to a successful conclusion should animate the people of the city here.

Fifteen thousand dollars has been secured by St. Mark's church from Portland to build a business block on the corner of Main and Holly streets. This money will be spent in Medford. A large modern hall for social purposes is to occupy the second floor. This hall can be rented for all social purposes. This will supply a long felt want.

On Holly street will be built a Gothic church, 46x100 feet. The material used is to be granite. The cost will be \$12,000 or over. The small number of people connected with this church will raise among themselves \$8000 of this amount.

Archdeacon Chambers, who has the matter in charge, feels that the public spirit of the community should raise the remaining \$4000 to secure this handsome structure.

The subscription paper being circulated calls for five annual payments without interest. This makes it easy for one to make a larger subscription and pay in five installments.

A committee of business men have interested themselves in the matter and when they call on anyone really interested in the upbuilding of the city, "don't knock." "Get in and push."

MOTHER SAYS DAUGHTER TOOK HER OWN LIFE

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Mrs. Caroline B. Martin, mother of Mrs. Oezy Sneed, the woman who was found dead in a bath tub in the "House of Mystery" in East Orange, New Jersey, declared today that her daughter killed herself, but declined to state Mrs. Sneed's motive.

Mrs. Martin has been under arrest in connection with the death of her daughter. She broke a long silence today with the statement of suicide.

CONSERVATIVES LOSE THEIR CHIEF ARGUMENT

LONDON, Dec. 16.—The chief argument of the conservatives in one of the most active political campaigns in English history was made less effective today when the periodic report of the British board of trade was issued. The conservatives have argued that the present legislation precipitated by the liberals is causing a collapse of English industries.

In a few minutes you may "look the city over" for furnished rooms—by reading the classified ads.

FOLLY AS IT FLIES



A Truce.
Braun (finding his neighbors in the midst of a domestic quarrel)—But what are you doing under the bed, Tips?
Tips—Looking for a mark that we lost, aren't I, my dear?
Mrs. Tips—Yes, but you can come out now. You can look for it again after Herr Braun has gone.



Living Proof.
Mrs. Brown (to the new maid)—Well, Nora, I hope we shall get along very nicely. I'm not at all difficult to please.
Nora—No, mum; that's just what I thought the very minute I set eyes on the master.



His Way.
Uncle Geener—How do you spell elephant, Alphonse?
Alphonse—E-l-e-p-h-a-n-t.

Uncle Geener—That isn't the way the dictionary spells it.
Alphonse—Who said it was? You asked me how I spelled it!



One Thing Lacking.
He—Isn't this romantic?
She—Ah, it'd be just perfect if I hadn't forgot my chewin' gum!



The Proof of the Pudding.
Bootmaker (to arctic explorer just returned)—How do you like those boots I made you, sir?
Arctic Explorer—Excellent! Best I ever tasted.



Just the Man.
Mr. Crow—A member of the yacht club, eh? What do you do?
Mr. Pelican—Ball out the boat in rough weather.—Baltimore American.

PROPRIETOR LOCKED UP; STORE IS THEN ROBBED

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 16.—No trace can be found today of the two holdups who robbed the Eastlake pharmacy at Eastlake avenue and Mercer streets of \$150 in money last night after locking Charles A. MacKinnon, one of the proprietors, in the basement of the store.

MacKinnon was alone in the place when the robbers entered and drawing a revolver from his overcoat pocket commanded the drug man to throw up his hands and follow him. He then led the way down to the basement, where MacKinnon was locked up. The thief then returned upstairs and rifled the cash register of its contents, his companion meanwhile standing guard in front of the store.

MacKinnon succeeded in attracting attention by pounding on the walls of the basement and was released from his prison, but not until the thugs had made good their escape.

POLICEMAN CLINGS TO PRISONER; CALLS FOR AID

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 15.—Though shot through the right hip and seriously wounded by an unidentified man early today, Policeman E. E. Sanders drew his revolver and after a pistol duel captured a man who it was alleged by Sanders, shot him. The prisoner refused to give his name or speak regarding the affray.

Weak from loss of blood the patrolman succeeding in drawing his captive along with him for a distance of a block to a patrol box near Seventh and Mateo streets where he called up the central station.

"I'm bleeding to death. I have been shot, but I have got him at the box. If you can rush help I will keep him. Send help quick and bring a doctor," he said.

Half an hour later the patrol wagon pulled up. Sanders still held his alleged assailant captive. When the guards relieved him, he dropped to the sidewalk in a swoon. He was so weak he was unable to give a coherent statement of the shooting. Sanders was taken to the receiving hospital while his prisoner was placed in the city prison.

DEATH INTERVENES TO SAVE BANK FROM ROBBERS

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 16.—That the intervention of death frustrated a well arranged plot to dynamite the safe of a Tulsa bank is the belief when they found the bodies of three men on which were found a quantity of crackmen's tools. A battered receptacle that had contained the explosive was found on the river bank several rods away.

The police believe the men were making their way toward the Tulsa river when one of them stumbled, exploding the nitro-glycerine. There was nothing on the bodies by which they might be identified.

Come to Angle opera house and get a good dinner, December 18th.

30,000 WESTERN R. R. MEN COMBINE

Order of Railroad Employees Reorganized—Local Division Headquarters Located at Roseburg

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—More than 30,000 western railroad men have been brought together by the reorganization of the Order of Railroad Employees in this city, announcement of which was made today. The order is to include practically every man in the service on the Pacific coast and the middle west states. Its object is both fraternal and protective.

With the reorganization, the resignation of F. W. Voegt as supreme superintendent was accepted and another man, Louis H. Ledger, treasurer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, of the Santa Fe, was appointed supreme conductor with Voegt's former duties.

The affairs of the Order of Railway Employees will be administered through local divisions with headquarters at San Francisco, Oakland, San Jose, Sacramento, Fresno, Stockton, Los Angeles, Santa Cruz, San Bernardino, San Luis Obispo and Chico, Cal., and Portland and Roseburg, Or.

INDIANA COUNTY LOCATION LAW NOT CONSTITUTIONAL

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 16.—The state supreme court today declared the county location law to be unconstitutional. Two judges gave dissenting opinions.

Prepaid Railroad Orders.

"Something which is of considerable interest to the public generally and which is perhaps not generally known in effect between stations of the Southern Pacific company and all points in the United States. By means of this system tickets may be purchased at Medford from any place in the United States and mailed or telegraphed direct to the party wishing to come here. Sleeper accommodations and small amounts of cash in connection with these tickets may also be forwarded at the same time."

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In harness, saddles, whips, robes, tents, blankets, wagon sheets, axle grease and gail cure, as well as all kinds of custom work, see

J. C. Smith

314 E. Main.

HEALTH HINTS

ON PAGE 6 ARE ALL RIGHT, BUT THE SPACE THEY OCCUPY COST MORE THAN THIS DOES — SO DOES ELECTRIC JUICE. CALL AT HASKINS' DRUG STORE, MEDFORD PHARMACY, MOORE HOTEL, SMOKE HOUSE, MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE AND MANY OTHER PLACES AND FIND WHY MY GAS LIGHTS ARE BEING USED INSTEAD OF ELECTRICITY.

'Nuf ced'

J. W. WHITNEY

211 WEST MAIN. PHONE 1082.

HASKINS for HEALTH Christmas Suggestions

FOUNTAIN PENS

Fountain pen to fit the hand. If the first one you get doesn't suit, bring it back and exchange it. Our pens are sold under absolute guarantee and cannot be excelled for quality and service. They sell from \$1.50 to \$7.50

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