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THE WEATHER.

Tonight and Thursday —
Cloudy. Tuesday — High
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FOURTH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1910.

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ENTIRE FAMILY, NUDE, PERCHED ON ROOFTOP AWAIT COMING OF LORD

A Little Child Dies of Exposure and Second One May Die—Feeling Runs High in Little Town of Lynden Against Holy Rollers—An Elder of Se- attle Is Said to be at Fault.

BELLINGHAM, Wn., Jan. 19.—The little town of Lynden is in a state of great excitement today as a result of the death last night of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Paschot, following a long seclusion held by the entire family on their housetop at Lynden, north of here, where they waited the coming of the lord. The little child died from exposure and a two-year-old daughter today is in a precarious condition. As a result of the arrest of the father and mother with their eleven-year-old son and nine-year-old daughter, no harm can come to them at the hands of the people of Lynden, but there is real danger for other members of the Holy Roller faith, followers of which cult are said to be living there.

arrests will follow. Citizens of Lynden declare that it will be just as well for the officers to see that the Holy Roller cult is removed at this time, for failure on their part to attend to this duty may mean that the citizens will take the matter into their own hands. Feeling is running high. A Holy Roller elder of Seattle is being sought by the officers today and arrests will no doubt follow. When the Paschots were discovered naked on the housetop and the condition of the children was made known, people of Lynden forced them to remove themselves, but this was not done until after a fierce battle in which the eleven-year-old boy and the nine-year-old girl were the fiercest combatants.

Fight Like Tigers.

They fought like tigers for the faith that has been inculcated into their youthful heads and it was with

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Citizens May Act.

Officers are working on the case today and it is possible that other

PAULHAN SETS NEW RECORD

Makes Wonderful Cross-Country Flight, Traveling Forty-five Miles in an Hour—Curtiss Will Endeavor to Lower Record Before Meet Ends on Thursday.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 19.—Aviator Paulhan made a wonderful record-breaking cross-country flight late yesterday afternoon, traveling 45 miles in one hour, two minutes, 42.4 seconds.

Following his wonderful record-breaking cross-country flight, Glenn Curtiss today refused to admit that the Frenchman has set a record that cannot be broken and intimated that he would make a try to establish a new mark for cross-country flight either this afternoon or tomorrow.

When asked his opinion of Paulhan's aerial journey, Curtiss shrugged his shoulders in approved French style and said:

"The meet is not over yet. Let us see, there are really four big records to be broken—one for sustained

flight, one for altitude, another for speed and one for distance. It seems to me that a distance flight far beyond the 40 miles which Cody flew could be accomplished here."

It is said that Curtiss is now determined to give a few exhibitions of rapid flying, and his friends hint that he purposely has been hanging back until the last days with the view of making a "grandstand finish."

This afternoon it was unofficially announced that the American would attempt to establish a new three-lap speed record, carrying one passenger.

Hamilton, who has been pursued by misfortune since the beginning of the meet, said that he probably would make his second attempt for the al-

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WOODVILLE REALTY INCREASES IN VALUE

Five Hundred Dollars an Acre is Realized for Raw Land—New Bank and Hotel Projected.

WOODVILLE, Or., Jan. 19.—Real estate business is lively in Woodville. Since Thursday last six transfers have been made in local real estate. The most important is the sale of the William Beck place for \$1500, and the sale of the Stevens place of three acres to a man from Silverton, Or., for \$500 an acre. This land is not even planted to orchard, but the price is not excessive.

Mr. Garner will put up a brick building in the spring for banking and mercantile purposes. He has platted his town property, will put through a 60-foot graded street and place it on the market.

A new hotel building is one of the probabilities, as negotiations are pending for the construction of such an edifice.

SNOW SLIDE TIES UP MONTANA ROAD

Slide Five Miles in Width Buries Track Twenty Feet Deep— Worst Slide in Years.

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 19.—A tremendous snow slide, five miles in width, covering the tracks of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railway, today has completely tied up traffic over the new line in Western Montana.

A huge volume of snow rushing from a mountain above the tracks has buried them under 20 feet of snow for a distance of five miles. The descending mass snapped huge trestles and rolled boulders like marbles. These have been carried upon the tracks and it is not likely that the obstruction will be cleared away for several days.

The slide is one of the worst reported in Montana. For a time it was thought that a freight train had been buried under the slide, but its safety was reported today.

H. L. Montgomery Proprietor

Ladies Emporium

Medford, Ore. Jan. 19, 1910

To the Public:

I advertised my January clearance sale of Ladies' Suits, Dresses and Hats exclusively in the Medford Mail Tribune, and as a result I practically cleared out the entire stock on hand the first day.

H. L. MONTGOMERY

ALLEN WITHDRAWS REQUEST IN ASHLAND

COUNCIL PASSES FRANCHISE FOR 50 YEAR PERIOD

City Dads Act in Accordance With Amendment to Charter Re- cently Voted at Spe- cial Election.

A franchise granting to John R. Allen the right to construct and operate a trolley line upon the streets of Medford for a period of 50 years was passed last evening by the city council. The vote was unanimous and in accord with a recent special election at which time the council was voted the necessary power to grant such a franchise for 50 years instead of for 10, as was provided in the first franchise granted Mr. Allen. Otherwise the franchise was unchanged.

Although the first session held since the annual election was that of Tuesday evening the meeting was more in the nature of a reunion than anything else as the same members of the council were there. The same committees hold over.

The Evening's Routine.
The standing committee for 1909 were reappointed, as follows:
Finance—Welch, Wortman, Merrick.

Light and Water—Elfert, Merrick, Welch.
Street and Sewer—Emerick, Demmer, Merrick.

Building and Fire Department—Demmer, Wortman, Emerick.
Health—Mayor Canon, Wortman, Demmer.

Sewer and Pipeline Construction—(Special)—Merrick, Elfert, Wortman.

J. J. Brophy was appointed night watchman at a salary of \$75 per month.

Dr. J. E. Shearer was appointed health officer.

Ordinance No. 284, granting a street railway franchise to John R. Allen for a period of fifty years was passed.

The communication of I. L. Hamilton asking that the city notify the contractors for the gravity system to resume work on the pipeline not later than March 1st and to absolve themselves from certain conditions of the contract in case of failure to so

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GET YOUR PAVING PETITIONS IN

If you want your street paved this year, get your petition in to the city recorder by Saturday, at the latest.

Sunday, Mayor Canon and Councilman Welch leave for Southern California to investigate paving conditions and ascertain whether it will not be possible to secure cheaper pavement. They desire to know just how much pavement there will be to figure on.

Present outlook is that at least five miles of hard-surfaced paved streets will be added to Medford's paved area during the coming summer.

WOULD "NOTICE" HIMSELF OUT OF HIS CONTRACT

Judging from the tenor of a formal notice filed with the city council last evening, I. L. Hamilton, who has the contract for the construction of the gravity water system, would "notice" himself out of a contract. He demands in his notice that unless he is told by the city to go ahead by March 1, 1910, and complete the gravity water system he be relieved of his obligations as to tests, etc., in regard to the line, and that the ten per cent withheld by the city on the work already completed be paid. The notice was placed on file by the council, the only comment being made by the mayor who remarked that the contractor, by giving notice, evidently thought he could get out of his obligations.

The notice is addressed to the city officials and calls attention to that section in the original contract between Hamilton and the city which reads:

"If it shall become necessary at any time to stop work . . . the contractor shall, upon . . . notice in writing . . . stop said work. When the city council shall order the work to be resumed, the contractor shall complete the same

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DOES NOT CARE TO HAVE MATTER GO TO PEOPLE

Letter From Robert G. Smith Is Read Stating That As It Is Evident Franchise Must First Please Council, He Withdraws It.

ASHLAND, Jan. 19.—(Special.)—John R. Allen has withdrawn his request to have the council submit his proposed franchise for a street railway to the people of Ashland. At Tuesday's council meeting a letter from Robert G. Smith, representing Allen, was read, in which the writer stated that he inferred from the action of the council that they would not submit any proposition to the people that did not meet with their individual approval, hence would have to withdraw the request.

Whether it is the intention to submit the matter direct to the people by petition is not known, but it is to be hoped that the voters will be given a chance to express themselves.

Aftermath of storm.
An echo of last week's stormy meeting was heard when Councilman Cunningham whipped a draft of an ordinance from his pocket as if it were a six-shooter and tossed it to the recorder for the first reading. Ostensibly the proposed measure is intended to restrict all committees from contracting obligations in excess of \$25, but really it is aimed at the light committee, composed of Mayor Snell and Councilmen Moore and Myer. Should the ordinance pass, which is extremely doubtful, it would render useless the light committee and cripple the administration's plans for the completion of the municipal lighting plant. The proposed measure will please the conservatives, who cannot overlook the fact that the work has exceeded the estimate, and it smacks of retaliation for real or fancied grievances nursed by certain members of the council.

But that doesn't excuse you if you are not a Commercial club member.

Charley Roberts of Medford is employed in Phoenix putting on new lath in the old Colver house which will be plastered anew throughout, and otherwise remodeled and painted.

But that doesn't excuse you if you are not a Commercial club member.

500 GIRLS TRAPPED IN BURNING FACTORY; 40 PERISHED IN FLAMES

Worst Disaster Philadelphia Has Seen in Years Occurs When Ellis Building is Destroyed—Was Occupied By Shirt Waist Makers—Fire Spreads Rapidly Cutting Off Escape.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 19.—With estimates that from 30 to 40 girls were killed or burned to death, a fire which destroyed the Ellis building today, trapping at least 500 young women, was the worst disaster this city has known in years.

Eight girls are known to have been killed by jumping from the windows of the second and third floors.

"The number of the dead must be more than forty," declared Fire Chief Naxton this afternoon after making as thorough an investigation as was possible at the time.

Origin Unknown.

The origin of the fire is unknown, but it spread with great rapidity, cutting off those who were on the upper floors of the four-story structure. It later spread to three other buildings.

All four buildings were occupied by manufacturers who employed large numbers of girl operatives. The scenes this afternoon about the

death trap where many girls are known to have been roasted alive are horrible, and the terrible anguish of frantic friends and relatives is such that the police cannot control it without the most violent measures.

Trapped in Building.

Many girls were trapped and lost their lives because they ran to the front of the building instead of the rear where the single fire escape was located.

It is believed that at least twenty young women lost their lives on the second floor. When the fire was at its height the hundreds of girls were making their way down the fire escapes, out of windows, and leaping to death of fatal injuries from the casements, the excitement was such as Philadelphia knew.

Were Shirtwaist Makers.
Most of the dead are believed to have been employed by C. Shedaker

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PORTER HERE: INSPECTION

Head of Porter Bros., Contractors, Going Over Pacific & Eastern to Learn How Work Is Progressing—Sees Great Change in One Year in the City.

John F. Porter, head of the firm of Porter Bros., railroad contractors, who are building the Oregon Trunk line down the Deschutes river, and also the extension of the Pacific & Eastern, is in Medford on an inspection trip of the construction work now under way on the Pacific & Eastern. Mr. Porter plans to spend some two days in going over the road. He is today out on the line, accompanied by William Gerig, chief engineer.

"We are making most satisfactory progress on the work of extending

the Oregon Trunk down the Deschutes river," states Mr. Porter "and, from reports, satisfactory progress has been made on the Pacific & Eastern, but I will know more of this upon my return from a trip over the road."

"I was here a year ago in August, and I am amazed at the progress this city has made during that time. Medford is a splendid little city and is enjoying a justly earned reputation for aggressiveness over the entire state."

But that doesn't excuse you if you are not a Commercial club member.

TEDDY DUE BACK IN UNITED STATES JUNE 1

At First of March He Will Leave for Egypt, There to Join His Wife —Then Go to Europe.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt will leave the African hunting grounds for Khartoum, Egyptian Sudan, about March 1.

There he will meet Mrs. Roosevelt and after a leisure trip across Europe will return to the United States, arriving here about June 1.

Mrs. Roosevelt will sail for Naples, February 15 on the Hamburg-American liner Hamburg, and will go directly to Khartoum, where Colonel Roosevelt will arrive from Gondokoro on the monthly government steamer. Together they probably will visit Athens and Constantinople, crossing from the Turkish capital to the Atlantic side of the continent on the Orient express.

Roosevelt has consented to deliver lectures at Paris, Rome and at Oxford university. This series he expects to conclude late in May. It was stated today there is no truth in the report that he will visit the Holy Land before his return.

OFFER 20 TO 1 THAT LIBERALS WIN OUT

Betting Not Heavy, However, as No One Can Be Found to Take Up Offering.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—Odds of 20 to 1 that the Liberals will retain their parliamentary majority when the elections now being held are concluded were offered in the stock exchange today without takers. With a Liberal coalition practically assured the leaders are already mapping out the most radical legislation ever proposed in England. Among the contemplated measures are a resolution taking the power of veto from the house of lords; the re-introduction of the budget; Irish home rule, and a bill to put a stop to plural voting, abolishing the franchise handicap under which the masses now labor.

If successful in this legislative program, it is predicted that the Liberals, Laborites and Irish Nationalists will start a fight to make the house of lords an elective body. The attempt to abolish the lords' veto, however will be made first.