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Tonight and Wednesday —
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FOURTH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1910.

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NOB HILL IS SOLD; PRICE IS \$60,000

James N. Smith Sells His 40 Acres on East Main Street to Philadelphia Man—Is Slightly Residence Portion of City.

WILL BE CUT INTO LOTS AND RESOLD

Deal Was Partially Closed Several Days Ago, But Was Not Finally Concluded Until Today.

The negotiations for the sale of the James N. Smith property on East Main street have reached a stage where the bargain may be said to be definitely concluded. The property comprises 40 acres and a fraction, including the Nob Hill summit, the rock quarry and the home place of Mr. Smith.

The purchase was made several days ago, but had not been given out definitely until lately, although rumors had been flying about town for some time. The purchasers are A. B. Scott and others of Philadelphia, and the price was \$60,000 cash.

Outside of the value of the property as a slightly residence section, it also contains a valuable sandstone quarry, from which a great deal of the foundation stone for Medford buildings has been taken.

Engineers have been at work surveying the property and platting it, but Mr. Scott, who is here, declines at present to give out anything concerning his plans for the future.

It is safe to say, however, that the property will be improved and will eventually become one of the most beautiful sections of the city.

BIG MEETING OF GROWERS AT EUGENE

President W. K. Newell to Be Sent to Washington by Willamette Fruit Men to Combat Lafean Bill.

C. E. Whisler returned yesterday from a trip north.

"There was a rousing meeting at Eugene Saturday," said Mr. Whisler, "and fruitmen from the Willamette valley were present in large numbers. They are waking up in that part of the state on the Lafean box bill matter, and at the meeting at Eugene it was decided to send W. K. Newell, president of the State Horticultural society, to Washington to combat the passage of the Lafean bill. That thing is not dead, by any means; it is not even sleeping. Neither are the fellows who are pushing it asleep. The fruitgrowers must watch every corner from now until the bill is finally and completely buried, or they will lose out. Every fruitgrower and, indeed, every man who is interested in the progress of the fruit-growing sections of the northwest should bring every influence and argument possible to bear to defeat the bill, and you can't make that too strong, either."

MANAGER JONES WILL QUIT IF WOLGAST LOSES

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 15.—If Ad Wolgast loses to Battling Nelson at Port Richmond on Washington's birthday his manager, Tom Jones, will drop from the fighting game, according to his positive declaration today.

"I am morally certain that my boy is going to win this fight," Jones said. "Therefore I am going to back him with my pile. If he loses, I'll be down and out, and it will be up to me to get into another sort of game."

MINES SHUT DOWN; OVER 9000 IDLE

Union Engineers' Attempt to Leave Western Federation Results in a Tie-up of Butte Mines—Smelting Works Close.

THREE MINES RUNNING UNDER DIFFICULTIES

Closing Means Determination of Operators to Throw Off Domination of Western Federation.

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 16.—Every mine in and around Butte with the exception of the Silver Bow, the Berkeley and the Mountain Consolidated suspended operations today.

The suspension was the result of an attempt on the part of the union engineers employed at the mines to separate from the Western Federation of Miners and organize a union to affiliate with the International Engineer's union.

Nine Thousand Idle. It was estimated today that 9000 men are idle.

The smelting works of former Senator W. A. Clark closed this morning. According to General Manager John Gillie of the Amalgamated Copper Mining company, the Washoe smelters at Anaconda, employing 3000 men, the Boston and Montana smelters at Great Falls, employing 2000 men, probably will have to close within four days.

The three mines in this city which have not closed all belong to the Amalgamated company. They are running under difficulty with crippled forces.

Trouble Long Brewing. The trouble between the hoist engineers and the miners has been of long standing and contained much bitterness on both sides. It reached a point last fall where the miners refused to go into the shafts where engineers who refused to affiliate with the American Federation were employed.

The miners demanded that the engineers either join the Western Federation or leave the mines. This the engineers refused to do and the miners appealed to the operators to discharge the engineers or endure a strike.

BUYS FOR THREE SELLS FOR EIGHT

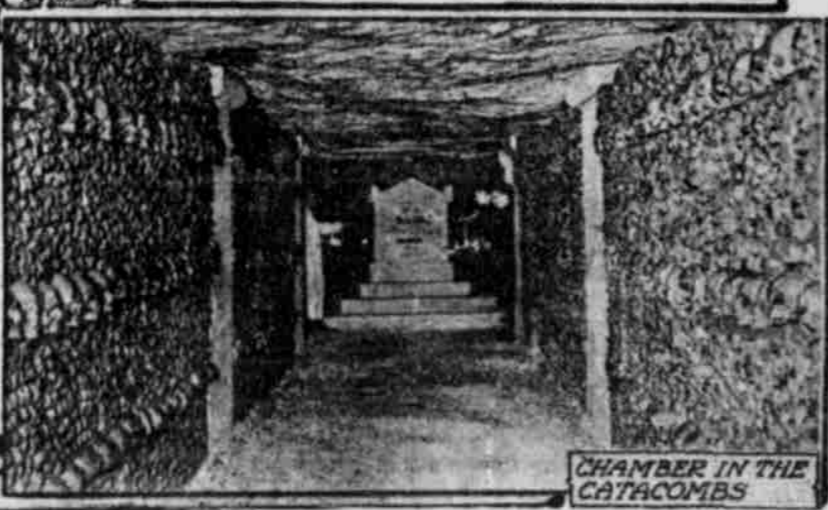
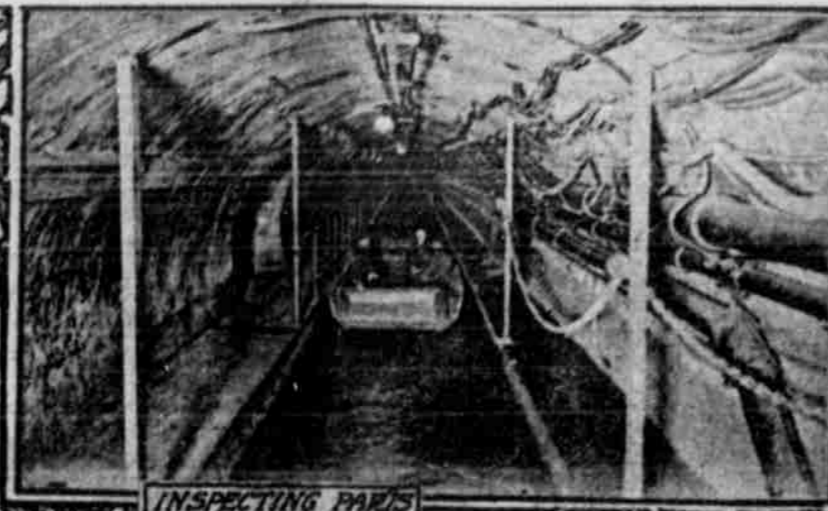
W. L. Orr Makes a Neat Profit on East Side Property—Less Than Three Years, \$5000 Advance.

W. L. Orr has sold his residence and business property on East Main, corner of Genesee street, to J. C. Brown for a consideration of \$8000. Mr. Orr purchased the property just a few years ago for \$3000, and last year erected a store building fronting on Main for use as a grocery store, at which place he has been doing a nice little business.

Mr. Brown paid \$8000 for one acre of land and the buildings, but allows Mr. Orr to keep the grocery business. "I sell dirt," said Mr. Brown, "and I don't want to engage in the grocery business for fear that suspicion might attach itself to the sugar, though that is hardly possible with the price Rogue River valley dirt will be in a short time."

Mrs. M. M. Avery of Gold Hill was in Medford Wednesday, accompanied by Mrs. L. A. Shaw of West Concord, Minn.

PARIS THREATENED BY SECOND STORM



PARIS, Feb. 16.—The river Seine is rising again today and the flood situation is assuming an alarming aspect. Indications are that Paris is about to suffer another great disaster.

Houses at Alfortville and in other low-lying suburbs of the capital are being abandoned by their inhabitants, who are moving to the higher ground.

General rains throughout the country and melting snows at the headwaters of the Seine and Marne are responsible for the serious condition confronting the city. A further rise of four or five feet is predicted and today the Seine at the Pont d'Austerlitz measured a depth of 19 feet and 5 inches.

The hydrometric bureau announced today that the indications are for a general rise for the next two days, and that it is possible the river may

go to the high level of two weeks ago.

Following their custom at the recent flood, hundreds of poor families from the suburbs are flocking into the city. They bring tales of damage and disaster such as preceded the great flood of a fortnight ago.

The present rise of the waters is seriously hampering the work of government engineers, who have been rushing the repairs to dykes and levees in and about Paris.

WITH THE MUNICIPAL FOLK

NO ONE PROTESTS STREET PAVING

City Council at Appointed Meeting Finds No One Who Objects to the Pavement of City's Streets.

Not a single protest was voiced at last evening's meeting of the city council, although that was the date set for hearing protests in regard to paving of over ten miles of the city's streets. Instead of protests, other petitions were filed, the total amount of pavement now asked amounting to over 12 miles.

Resolutions to pave the following streets were passed: Jackson from Riverside to Columbia, South Holly from Main to Thirteenth, North Peach from Main to Fourth, Summit avenue from Main to Fourth, Grape from Sixth to Eighth.

A petition to grade Cottage street was referred to the street and road committee. The residents of this street ask that gravel be laid and the same rolled down.

A petition for a street in the Anderson-Toft addition and one to grade Riverside was referred to the street and road committee.

It is evident that this is the last winter Medford will go without hard-surface streets if the people have their way.

CITY DADS WOULD SEE COLOR OF THE COIN

The City council declined to take any action regarding the submission of the charter amendment allowing them to grant a 30-year franchise for a gas plant in the city, owing to the failure of the applicants putting up the money to defray election expenses. Each of the two applicants had promised to do so, but neither took the necessary steps to show the color of their coin. So the matter went over.

NEW FIRE DISTRICT PLACED IN EFFECT

At Tuesday evening's session of the city council an ordinance was passed extending the fire limits as follows: Commencing at the corner of Main and Oakdale, thence north on Oakdale to Fifth, thence east to Grape, thence north to Second, east to Bartlett, south to Fifth, east to Bear creek, south to Ninth, west to Central avenue, south to Tenth, west to Grape, north to Ninth, west to Oakdale, north to place of beginning. A permit was granted the Big

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WATER AND SEWER MAINS WANTED

Council Devotes Much of Its Time to Passage of Resolutions Ordering in New Mains on Various Streets.

Although early in the season, property owners are already after water and sewer mains, and it looks as if Medford will make as great strides this year in this particular as during last. At the meeting of the council Tuesday evening many resolutions were passed ordering in water and sewer mains. Lateral sewers were ordered on the following streets: On Cottage street, on Fourteenth from Newton to Peach, on Thirteenth from Newtown to Peach, on Tripp street. Resolution passed ordering cement walk on east side of Tripp street.

Resolutions ordering water mains on the following streets were passed: On Thirteenth from Newtown to Peach, on Fourteenth from Newtown to Peach, on North Oak from Jackson to north end of street, on Almond from Main to end of street, on Jackson from Central avenue to Vermont.

Stewart Wilson, W. D. Hodgson and George McCulloch, prominent citizens of Fargo, N. D., are in Medford looking over the country.

SOCIALISTS AND TROOPS SHED BLOOD

Gathering of Socialists in Berlin Refuse to Disperse When Order is Given and Troops Charge into Them.

RIOTING GENERAL OVER COUNTRY OF KAISER BILL

Many Victims Taken to Hospitals Suffering Terrible Mutilations—Scores Were Injured.

BERLIN, Feb. 16.—Socialists and their sympathizers who gathered in the streets of Neumunster today and refused to disperse at the orders of the military, were charged by the troops and scores were taken to hospitals suffering from horrible wounds.

The soldiers sent to break up the Socialistic demonstrations charged with fixed bayonets into compact masses of men who were unable, owing to the crowded streets, to escape the weapons of the troops.

Driven at bay by their very numbers, the mobs turned on the soldiers and hand-to-hand conflicts raged in the thoroughfares. Cavalry was used to break up the fighting hordes and only when they were ridden down, trampled beneath horses' hoofs or slashed with sabres did the Socialists break and run to shelter in doorways, courts and houses.

Those taken to the hospitals were suffering from terrible mutilations. Many of the victims lost ears, noses or hands from the sabre slashes. Heads were laid open and deep stab wounds from bayonets were inflicted. Many of the injured are in a precarious condition and several may die. The toll of blood paid by the Socialists today emphasized the protests of their delegates when the Prussian government's new franchise bill was adopted.

Following the adoption of the measure, rioting by Socialists occurred in various parts of the empire.

The disorders today are an aftermath of more than 50 riots throughout the country last Sunday.

Orders have been given to commanders of departments throughout Germany to hold themselves in readiness for activity and it is reported that if the disorders increase troops may supplant the police in the work of maintaining order.

REAL ESTATE MEN AWAIT JAS. M'INTYRE

Popular Comedian is Buyer of Real Estate and He May Join Others in the Rogue River Valley.

There will be a convention of real estate men around the theater during the engagement of McIntyre & Heath, for the famous comedian, James McIntyre, is unquestionably the largest buyer of real estate, whether it be for farming purposes, mine development or investment, there is on the American stage.

On one of his western visits several years ago he purchased a corner lot in Bellingham which could be sold today at a half dozen times its purchase price; he bought a large share of the stock of a Colorado mining property simply because its owner had helped him in one of the "stranded minstrel" days of years before and is today drawing substantial dividends on it; he owns great tracts of Long Island property, to which New York City is now turning for its outlet, and all over the broad country are to be found acres bearing his mark.

TAFT MAY HAND ROAST TO SOLONS

Unless Solons Get Busy on Legislative Program Outlined by President, He May Send in Special Message of Forceful Terms.

BEEIN IN SESSION NOW ELEVEN WEEKS; LITTLE DONE

Sponsors of Various Proposed New Bills Summoned to the White House for Conference.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16.—A special message to congress, couched in forceful language, may be sent by President Taft within a few days unless the congressmen get busy on the legislative program as outlined by President Taft at the beginning of the present session.

The congress has been in session for 11 weeks and it is intimated that the president is becoming impatient because his program of legislation is practically untouched.

Senator Beveridge, sponsor of the Arizona-New Mexico statehood measure; Senator Carter, who introduced the postal bank bill, and Senator Borah, who has been entrusted with a number of Taft measures, were summoned to the White House today for a conference with the president.

More Land Opened.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16.—The senate today passed a bill opening lands in the abandoned military reservations Nos. 23 and 24, in the state of Washington, to homestead settlements. The allotment for each entryman is limited to 20 acres at \$2.50 per acre.

JAPS GROW TIRED OF AMERICAN SLURS

Japanese Newspaper Says It is Time They Came to Better Understanding With America.

TOKYO, Feb. 16.—"We are tired on the anti-Japanism of American politicians," declared the Asahi today in an editorial which is typical of the general comment upon the Hayes bill in the American congress.

"The question of the naturalization of the Japanese in America is one of the most important matters of the present time," continues the Asahi.

"The time has ripened for Japan to take a decisive step toward co-operation with the better elements of America such as that represented by former President Roosevelt.

"It is time for this country to begin negotiations with the better classes of Americans looking toward the legalization or naturalization of Japanese. The naturalization will be the end of the controversy.

"Such attacks as that made upon the Japanese in the Hayes bill are becoming wearisome. It is time for Japan to act."

The Asahi is one of the leading newspapers of Japan and has a wide influence. Since the report was published here that a committee had reported the Hayes bill favorably the papers have been strong in their expressions of indignation.

General Wood Very Ill. BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 15.—It was reported this afternoon that Major General Leonard Wood, who was operated on last week at the Johns Hopkins hospital is in a serious condition.

Following the operation Wood rallied and the surgeons anticipated his early recovery.