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 T ORTLAND'S OPPORTUNITY

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 of the communities. It must be admitted that Portlanders in general are densely ignorant concerning southern Oregon. Portland has done little or nothing for this section of the state. It now has a chance to do something, not onlyfor southern Oregon, but for the entire state, and for for southern Oregon, but for the entire state, and for no
one more than herseff, by contributing largely to the building of the Crater Lake highw
Members of the excursion departed well pleased with the entertainment provided and greatly impressed with Indisputable evidence was shown, proving that- Med ford has had and is now enjoying the most rapid growt of any city in Oregon. Figures taken from banking, post-
office and railroad, all show an increase of approximate ly 50 per cent over the business done during the same pe riod a year ago, and the business then done exceeded b

Perhaps the most convincing statistics are those the Southern Pacific. The railroad business, both pas senger and freight traffic, has increased 100 per cent ove a year ago, and more goods are shipped to M
Portland than to any other point in the state.

## MR. LEWIS AND THE WOMAN'S LEAGUE.

Mr. E. G. Lewis of the Lewis Publishing company St. Louis, who seems to be a prolific 1etter writer as well
as a fertile schemer and resourceful promoter, has written regarding the editorial recently printed by the Mail Tribune concerning his modesty in publishing a fulsome write of himself. He states:
The article which you refer to was not written by me at all, but was a reproduction of the editorial written by the editor of the Belleville News-Democrat. We did
the amazing gall to reproduce it in our own paper, but were not the authors of it or the instigators of it. I have never made any particular claim to modesty, but do not
find it necessary to write this sort of thing myself, as it is find it necessary to write this sort of thing myself, as it is
being written for me by those who have been here and understand and know what we are actually accomplish und.'
In Sunday's Mail Tribune Mr. Lewis answered certain criticisms regarding the American Woman's league and the attacks made upon him by the Rural New Yorker.
Regarding the operations of Mr. Lewis, Collier's Weekly Regarding the operations of M
recently commented as follows:
"Fundamentally, the plan of the American Woman's league is reasonable. An ordinary American town of ten thousand pays to the large periodicals about five thousand dollars a year. The getting of this business costs the pubdollars a year. The getting of the sume otherwise, about thirty
lishers, in agents' commissions and lishers, in agents commissions and otherwise, about thirty
per cent or $\$ 1500$ a year. For the women of the town to form a little organization, attend to renewing the subscriptions, collect the commissions, and use the income to found and maintain a clubhouse is feasible from a business standpoint and a wholesome thing for any community. But Mr. Lewis, having the promoter's temperament to an unsafe degree, goes beyond this and makes extravagant statements and promises of a correspondence university an orphan asylum, and various other adjuncts which cannot reasonably be expected to materialize. We believe that all the women who enter his organization with any greater expectation than to secure a small clubhouse for their towns will suffer unhappy disappointment.
"As to the criminal charges which were brought against Mr. Lewis by the federal government some years ago, he was completely exonerated by the dismissal of one suit and the dropping of the others by the government. It is
also true that in connection with various schemes of past years, Mr. Lewis has solicited and received Jarge sums of money from the public; in these schemes, those who sent money to Mr. Lewis have not only failed to receive the
profits which Mr. Lewis led them to expect, but have also profits which Mr. Lewis led them to expect, but have also been unable, in many instances, to get back from him their
original investments. Finally, the women who work for and earn a clubhouse from Mr. Lewis should in every case see to it that the title to the property is taken in the name of the local women who have built it. Any other system is unfair to the women who do the work.'


## The Pasadena of Oregon

People of refinement; people with means; retired business men; professional men; college and university graduates, are coming to the Rogue River Valley by the score Within the past two years almost a hundred Chicago and Evanston, Illinois, people häve purchased homes near Medofrd, and nearly every one of them has a friend or two whom they hope to induce to come and locate in the valley
quite as well represented, while St. Paul and Minneapolis cities are almost if not quite as well represented, while St. Paul and Minneapolis have more representatives Think these statements over and combined
or the Medford Commercial Club for detailed informtaion. Write to the undersigned will never have cause to regret it.

## Bearing Orchards

Near Medford
Most of the producing orchards have been held in large holdings until recently 9 rew weeks ago the Eden Warke in market in any desired acreage. We have been authorized to offer the bearing apples and pears for sale, and if you know anything about this country and want a desirable worth of the property has been disposed of. It is located within two miles of $\$ 150,000$ at an elevation of about 100 feet above the city and is one of the best kept orchards in the world. Parts of the orehard offered for sale have paid the owner over $\$ 600$ in acre per year for four years straight.
Do not come unless you are prepared to stay, for just so sure as you do come the com-
bination of fat soil, grandeur of scenic beauty and Italian elim bination of fat soil, grandeur of scenic beauty and Italian climate will steal you, body
and soul. After one visit here you will be miserable any other place on earth.

