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SWORN CIRCULATION.

Average Daily for— November, 1909, 1,700; December, 1909, 1,842; January, 1910, 1,922; February, 1910, 2,122.

APRIL CIRCULATION.

Table with 3 columns: Day, Circulation, Total. Rows for days 1 through 30.

Total 58,325; Less deductions 800.

Average net daily, 2,301; 57,525.

STATE OF OREGON, County of Jackson, ss.

On this 29th day of April, 1910, personally appeared before me, G. Putnam, manager of the Medford Mail Tribune, who, upon oath, acknowledges that the above figures are true and correct.

H. N. YOCKEY, Notary Public for Oregon.

MEDFORD, OREGON.

Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California and fastest-growing city in Oregon.

Population, May, 1910, 3,000.

Bank deposits, \$2,500,000.

Banner fruit city of Oregon—Rogue River apples won sweepstakes prize and title of "Apple Kings of the World" at National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909.

Rogue River pears brought highest prices in all markets of the world during the past five years.

Write Commercial Club, enclosing 6 cents for postage on finest community pamphlet ever written.

Jacksonville is waking up. Look out for it!

Another gentle rain to cheer the farmer.

Ere long we'll rise at break of day to let the big fish get away.

Rogue River strawberries bring \$6 a crate of 34 boxes in Portland.

Oregon is given first place in the leading article of May "Gardening."

Jeffries' wind is excellent, say the dispatches, but that of his press agent is much better.

You bet there'll be a wireless equipment on the steamer Mr. Roosevelt comes home on.

China's "open door" at Chang Sha is again reported to be jammed with fleeing foreigners.

"Glavis is a liar," says Ballinger. How many members there are of the Ananias club in the department.

The office of postmaster at Wheatfield Pass is open for applicants. Pays 15 cents a day, half as much as Tolo.

Ashland is going to get some of Medford's high pressure gas. A joint plant is to be constructed. Then watch Ashland grow.

A White House cook is to wed a White House policeman, which shows that sometimes the joke paper's stunts do occur in real life.

Dr. Booker T. Washington says that "the negro never asks help." That's so—the Pullman porter doesn't put it on that ground.

The house has passed the "long and short haul" bill, designed to help inland towns, but the old rule of "all the traffic will bear" still stands.

The duke of Manchester says the suffragette movement in England is a "fizzle." Just wait till some of the robust ones get after his grace and see what happens to him.

Officials are trying to compel people who sell strawberries to quit putting the bottom of the box up near the middle. Life is becoming more and more burdensome for those who desire to graft.

At the straw vote in Klamath county 598 voted to move the courthouse, 505 against it. Now the moving is enjoined by the courts. If Klamath Falls would quit its factional fighting it might become a city some day.

WHY BELITTLE THE ROGUE?

THE Portland Oregonian always belittles Medford and the Rogue River valley. If Rogue River fruit captures world's prizes, or brings record prices, or Rogue River orchards sell at fancy figures, in commenting upon the subject editorially, the Oregonian always brings in Hood River or the Willamette valley to share the honor.

A Rogue River orchard sells for \$2375 an acre, the record price for a northwestern grove. The Oregonian says editorially: "The pessimists continue to be amazed that Rogue River and Hood River fruit land should sell as high as \$2300 per acre. That is higher than orchard land sells in the east. Certainly. But there are no Hood River or Rogue River orchards on any kind of land in the east."

What did Hood River land have to do with this sale? When the Portland excursionists visited Medford they were taken on an auto excursion through the valley and shown the greater portion of 65,000 acres of orchards. Yet this immense proven orchard district, covered with the finest commercial groves in America, whose products have captured sweepstakes prizes at world's apple shows, and hold the green fruit record of the world for high prices, got no more mention in the Oregonian than unproven sections with one-tenth the orchard area, whose products have neither name nor fame.

In fact, in its summary of the excursion published Monday, the Oregonian says that the high price for orchard land in the Rogue River valley was \$2735 an acre and that "it is estimated that Jackson county has 44,000 acres set out to apples and pears."

The Oregonian cannot plead ignorance, for the facts in the case were clearly set forth in literature given the excursionists. The Oregonian ought to be proud of Medford, the most progressive city in Oregon, and of the Rogue River valley, the largest and most famous of the state's many fruit belts and the horticultural hope of Oregon.

EXTERMINATING THE SALMON.

The Grants Pass Fishermen's Union is out with a proclamation against the closing of the Rogue to commercial fishing, claiming that \$20,000 a year is yielded by the fish and that the money is principally spent in Grants Pass.

Two or three times this amount was until recently taken from the Rogue in Josephine county. The catch is yearly becoming less and it will be but a few years until it is too small to be a commercial factor at all, for gradually but surely present methods are exterminating both salmon and trout.

This \$20,000 is not all expended in Grants Pass. Much of it is taken away by the lawless fishermen from Oregon City, who each year flock to the Rogue to prey upon both salmon and trout. Neither will the closing of the industry throw anyone out of work, for mines and mills and orchards are all clamoring for labor.

The fact of the matter is that a closed river will mean much more commercially, not only to Grants Pass, but to other towns as well as to the farmers, than it means at present. The Rogue is annually visited by hundreds of anglers, and if commercial fishing is stopped and the Rogue becomes known for what it naturally is, the best angling stream in America, thousands of wealthy pleasure seekers and sportsmen will annually flock hither, leaving far more gold than the yearly diminishing output of salmon at present yields.

If present conditions continue, there will be no return, either from tourists or from the commercial fishermen. But your commercial fisherman is ever a hog, who unless restrained by the law, will ruthlessly continue the work of extermination, until the last of the finny tribe expires in his seine.

MUST PULL TOGETHER.

"Unless internal differences arise to check municipal progress, the future of Medford is assured. As long as the people pull together, as has been the case the past year, and the city maintains its present pace of municipal progress and continues its advertising campaign, nothing can stop it from becoming a good sized city," stated William Hanley of central Oregon, a former Jackson county boy, now one of the big men of Oregon.

What Mr. Hanley said is true. The citizens must continue to pull together. No factional differences or petty quarrels should be allowed to interfere with the municipal program of progress. The greatest good to the greatest number must continue to be the slogan of the future.

The hope of the city lies in its public-spiritedness and in the broadness of view with which the problems of the present and future must be grappled. It is a progressive citizenship that knows not the meaning of halt or failure.

Medford will become a large city, not only because of its natural advantages, but because its population wills that it should and will overlook no chance to make it so.

Van de Car Buys Out Partner

It was learned today that H. T. Van De Car had bought out his partner, J. G. Jassman, in the jewelry business. These men have made a host of friends since coming to Medford and either one will be missed. Mr. Van De Car is especially pleasing and should build up a business that would be second to none in its line in the state outside of Portland. Mr. Van De Car says that he will carry a complete jewelry stock—always endeavoring to improve along all

lines. The people of southern Oregon will do well to visit this popular jewelry store and meet Mr. Van De Car.

Baseball Gossip.

Portland lost the series to San Francisco, when there was really no reason why such a thing should occur. A few less boots and some real ball playing would have won the series.

Medford and Jacksonville mix again at Jacksonville Sunday. If they will guarantee the same class of ball as that of last Sunday the fans will turn out to see it. Jacksonville is due to win this trip.

Haskins for Health.

FOUR SCHOOLS MAKE 100 PERCENT AVERAGE

April Spelling Contest Most Successful—Butte Falls Leads List of More Than One-Room Schools.

Following is a list of the schools making an average of 90 per cent or more in the spelling contest held April 22 in the various schools of the county:

Table with 2 columns: School Name, Percentage. Rows for Class A and Class B schools.

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Separate grades making an average of 90 per cent or more are as follows:

Fourth grade—Bellview 100, Butte Falls 97, Ashland East school 95.8, Central Point 95.54, Woodville 91.7, Woodville 91.7, Jacksonville 90.42.

Fifth grade—Agate 98.5, Bellview 98, Ashland East school 95.14, Central Point 93.88, Jacksonville 90.94, Talent 90.8.

Sixth grade—Agate 98.66, Central Point 97.76, Butte Falls 94.66, Ashland West school 94, Ashland East school 92, Jacksonville 91.77.

Seventh grade—Bellview 96.33, Jacksonville 96, Ashland East school 95.99, Woodville 95.3, Central Point 93.44, Ashland West school 93, Butte Falls 91.5.

Eighth grade—Butte Falls 97, Woodville 94, Bellview 93.33, Ashland East school 90.5.

Class "B."

Fourth grade—Galls Creek 96, Grove 95, Willow Springs 93, West Side, District No. 95, 91.5, District No. 89 91.

Haskins for Health.

CENTRAL POINT NEWSLETTER

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Brophy of Ashland spent Sunday in Central Point visiting with relatives and friends. Miss Margaret Enstley, a pretty and popular Central Point girl, has gone to Medford, having accepted a clerkship with the B. & C. Cash company.

Lian Clemens, who has been away from home all winter, returned Saturday, and finding plenty of business here in his line, will probably remain.

Mrs. Foley from near Gold Hill, with her little 2-year-old twin sons, is visiting at the home of her father, George Beall.

N. E. Shields bought three lots on Saturday in the new Shields tract and will build a home there this summer.

Abie Morgan of Condon has been visiting here and at Ashland and will soon return to his eastern Oregon home. His mother-in-law, Mrs. N. E. Thompson, will accompany him, and expects to remain some months at Condon and at the Holland hot springs, where she hopes to get relief from rheumatic trouble.

Mrs. Thompson has rented her home for the summer and is stopping with her niece, Mrs. James Shields.

The Grants Pass baseball team came to Central Point Sunday morning and went home Sunday evening happy, because victorious, the score being 5 to 6 in their favor. Everybody said it was a good game. All the baseball enthusiasts in town and a good many from out of town were there. They all yelled and kept yelling during the encounter (though that is probably not the right word), and if somebody who understands the game will furnish the writer with the details of the games as they are played here and instruct her in the meaning of the baseball shibboleth, she will make a brave attempt to report these affairs in an intelligent manner.

Haskins for Health.

John McHenry, a painter recently from Medford, but now living in Central Point, fell or was thrown from a buggy Sunday morning and sustained injuries from which he may die. Mr. McHenry was under the influence of liquor and was starting out with a livery rig to drive to Jacksonville, when in turning a corner near the home of James Shields he was thrown or fell, probably the latter, from the buggy, and this doubtless frightened the horse, which attempted to run, but was soon caught. McHenry was carried into the house owned by Mrs. Simpkins, the house having recently been rented by the owner to Jesse Paulding and wife of Medford, and Drs. Anderson and Polents were sent for. After examining the injuries it was found that the unfortunate man is completely paralyzed from the head down and no medical skill can determine what the result will be. His only relative, a sister, living in California, was telegraphed to and pending a reply from her no attempt has been made to move him, although if the injuries do not soon terminate fatally he will doubtless be removed to a Medford hospital. McHenry is a single man about 35 years old and was working under Mr. Paulding on the new Ptero house just out of town.

At the Nash—I. M. Smith, C. C. Ireland, Portland; R. K. Nell, F. C. Smith, Jr., Spokane; A. Oppenheim, U. S. Booth, J. C. Murray, San Francisco; G. W. Kearns, Grants Pass; Frank L. McGuire, M. J. Clobkey, Portland; J. A. Harvey, Galilee; W. A. Waldron, C. M. Canan, Detroit; C. A. Creighton, San Francisco; M. C. Olson, Portland; M. Alkers, Lewiston; E. P. Saylor, Eugene; H. L. Lively, Seattle; Horace Dayton, New York.

At the Moore—C. C. Weidemann, Portland; Robert Gray, Medford; U. R. Rutherford, Los Angeles; Charles Butler, Tacoma; Mrs. A. P. West, Humboldt; E. D. Payne, Los Angeles; F. S. Johnson, Portland; W. Tate, New York; H. E. Niles, San Francisco; A. E. Nolan, Portland; J. B. Sherman, Medford; C. V. Dayman, San Diego; V. H. Hallene, Portland; E. M. Parker, Ashland; R. I. Cole, Colfax; R. M. Duffy, W. Hylar Smith, Portland.

Haskins for Health.

Sues for Divorce. Dora S. Sutton has brought suit in the circuit court against O. S. Sutton for divorce. H. L. De Armond is the plaintiff's attorney.

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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 have purchased homes near Medford, and nearly every one of them has a friend or two whom they hope to induce to come and locate in the valley. New York, Philadelphia, Boston and many other eastern cities are almost if not quite as well represented, while St. Paul and Minneapolis have more representatives here than any other several cities combined. Think these statements over and get your thinker going. Write to the undersigned or the Medford Commercial Club for detailed information about the country, and you 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 few weeks ago the Eden Valley Orchard, containing 605 acres, was placed on the 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 block of bearing trees, write or come soon. During the past week over \$150,000 worth of the property has been disposed of. It is located within two miles of Medford at an elevation of about 100 feet above the city and is one of the best kept orchards in the world. Parts of the orchard offered for sale have paid the owner over \$600 per 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 combination 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. John D. Olwell EXHIBIT BUILDING MEDFORD, OREGON