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On this 30th day of April, 1910, personally appeared before me, G. Putnam, manager of the Medford Mail Tribune, who, upon oath, acknowledged that the above figures are true and correct.

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

"Apple Kings of the World" at National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909. Rogue River bears highest prices in all markets of the world during the past five years.

Last call for the census. All await the water wagon—the new one the city has purchased.

The Oregon rivers and harbors bill is safe—but it contains nothing for Southern Oregon.

John F. Stevens is in charge of Hill lines in Oregon. A better man could not have been selected.

Grit, vim, push, snap and energy are essential in building up a city. Medford has them all and must use them.

Taft is said to have joined the insurgents. Uncle Joe and Doc Keene come next, and the party will be saved.

Do you want to help build that park grandstand? Then advertise in the Sunday issue of the Mail Tribune.

Transmission of photographs by wire has become a reality. Now will somebody please photograph good intentions?

Oregon irrigation projects will be pushed to completion, states Engineer Davis of the reclamation service. It's about time.

Seattle and other cities have a simple contrivance for flushing streets. It could be used in Medford to advantage.

Are you public-spirited? Then help the Greater Medford club ladies who are doing so much to make Medford a better city in which to live.

The comet is growing brighter nightly. Its tail now looks like a giant searchlight playing across the heavens. Perhaps when it strikes us it won't look so bright.

Hailstones in Roseburg broke 103 street lamps. It would be a good thing if some of the old street lights in Medford had been smashed—the new ones are so much brighter.

The new Hill line to the east from Medford will be several hundred miles shorter than any present line and place Medford nearer the eastern markets than Portland. It will not be necessary to go around two sides of a triangle.

The weekly letter issued by the Portland Commercial club to country papers speaks of the potatoes and strawberries placed aboard the Portland business men's excursion train. What's the matter with the Newtown Pippins, Medford's contribution? Weren't they as well worth mentioning as potatoes?

HILL A BIG ASSET.

THE fact that James J. Hill owns the Pacific & Eastern and will develop Southern Oregon is one of the biggest assets Medford could possibly have. Hill ownership insures a second and shorter route to the east, and a second outlet for the enormous fruit production of the Rogue River Valley, which within a few years will reach astounding proportions.

Mr. Hill is and always has been a developer of the country. When he invaded Central Washington it was no more developed than Central Oregon is today. The land was considered as worthless as the Central Oregon plateau has been deemed.

Medford will have the distinction of being the only city in Western Oregon, that is west of the Cascade range, with two transcontinental routes. It means that the city will not only be a railroad center and therefore a jobbing and distributing center, but that it will be the metropolis of all its tributary territory, which includes southern Oregon and northern California.

Nature has done much for Medford. The Harriman lines have contributed greatly in the upbuilding of the city. The Hill lines will probably do more. The balance rests with the people of Medford. They must maintain their aggressiveness and their progressiveness.

The railroad to the Blue Ledge means a great deal for the entire valley. A large mine and a large smelter means the employment of hundreds of money-spending men. The opening up of one mine will be followed by the development of others.

The railroad to the Blue Ledge means much, but a railroad to the coast will mean more. It is up to Medford to persuade Mr. Allen and Mr. Stevens to extend the line to Crescent City. This is the one great thing that lies before the people of Medford to accomplish, and they can accomplish this, as they have accomplished other things if they will but go after it.

CRUELTY IN THE ARMY.

A remarkable statement by Representative Thomas (Dem., Ky.), in the House, a few days ago, led to the immediate adoption of a resolution to wipe out a charge of desertion standing against Joseph Dobson in the War Department records, and shows an unreasonable severity and cruelty equal to that practiced in darkest Russia.

"In 1875," said Thomas, "Dobson had served over twelve months in the regular army with a good record. He obtained a leave of absence, as he states in his affidavit, to go and see a girl of his acquaintance. He went to see the girl, and, like many young men—and for that matter, old men, too—he got drunk. He started back, but got thirsty and went out into the foothills to look for some water, and he got lost and made his way finally back to his post. As the report of the adjutant-general says, he was absent a part of one day beyond his leave of absence. He was arrested as the proof shows—and the recital of this case is more like a romance or the account of some Russian atrocity. He was arrested, carried to a blacksmith shop and irons put around his ankles, a heavy chain was attached to them, and he was kept in that condition for three months, until the irons around his ankles had worn the flesh nearly to the bone before Dobson got the irons removed from his ankles. He was then tried by a court-martial and was sentenced to imprisonment for four years, and given a dishonorable discharge. After that the irons were put back upon his ankles and he was sent back to prison, and remained, as I remember, something over a year, and appealed the case to the War Department.

"The Adjutant-General, in his report, states that the punishment was unaccountably severe; that this man was absent from the post only a part of the day; and that there was lacking in his conduct that animus to show desertion.

"I am personally acquainted with Dobson. He made a good soldier. There is nothing against his record. He is a good citizen, and this stain should be removed from his record."

ONE NOW BEATS A HUNDRED NEXT YEAR.

For the next ten years when Medford is spoken of, people will look at the census returns to ascertain its population and the result set forth there will govern their estimates of the city, regardless of its future growth. Therefore one person added to the census before the lists are closed this week, means more to the city's standing in the world at large than 100 persons would mean next year, when the world won't know it.

It is every one's duty to see that Medford gets proper representation in the eyes of the world. It is every one's duty to make it a business that he himself is enrolled and that his acquaintances are. Time for action has nearly passed, there is still a day or two of grace. If you have not done your duty, do it now.

How will it look to see Medford, which has so aggressively boasted of her growth, enumerated in the census as being smaller than rival cities? If Grants Pass or Ashland show a greater population than Medford, for the next ten years people of the country as a whole will consider them larger cities. This is a condition which does not exist and the world should not be permitted to think that it does exist, simply through our own lethargy.

Get busy, the time is short. You will find blanks at the Commercial Club, which you can fill out. Aid the enumerators.

INDIAN WARS OF SOUTHERN OREGON

(From J. C. Walling's History of Southern Oregon.)

(Continued.) CHAPTER III. EFFECT OF WHITE IMMIGRATION.

Coming of the Whites—General Lane and the Shastas—Divisions of the Shastas—Their Chiefs—Rogue River Indians—Applegate John—Limpy, George and their Bands—Table Rock Band—Sam and Joe—Census of Indians—Diminution of the Indians—Reflection on their Condition—Sentiment of the Whites—Discussion on the Census of the Wars.

The best evidence exists to show that the Indian population of the valley suffered very serious diminution between the years 1854 and 1855. What the extent of this decrease was, or how long its causes had been in operation is not ascertainable. It is a very common expression with the earlier white settlers that the Indians were much more numerous at first.

Agent Culver remarked that the loss to the "treaty Indians" collected at Table Rock reservation amounted during the first twelve months to not less than one-fourth of their whole number. Among the several strong bands of Indians resident in the Grave creek, Wolf creek and Jump-Off-o-Je region, the mortality was still greater, and those intractable bands, dangerous enemies of the whites (they spoke the Umpqua language, but were not of that blood) were nearly blotted out of existence.

This history of the diminution of the Indians will help to explain the apparently monstrous exaggerations of those who first battled with the Rogue River—an exaggeration inexplicable on any other hypothesis. Thus Major Kearney, writing to his superior officers concerning an engagement, professes to have been opposed by from 300 to 500 Indians. Many such statements might be adduced, which, with the above theory, are mutually supporting, though they do not rest on the same class of evidence by any means.

The position in which these Indians found themselves at the era of the rapid influx of white men was anomalous. They were suddenly surrounded by a white population largely exceeding their own numbers, engaged in the pursuit of gold. Nor was this white population of a character to enable the Indians to remain in quiet. Ordinary observation speaks loudly to the contrary.

These remarks were intended to apply to the travelers who came prior to the discovery of gold. With a slight modification they will apply perfectly to a very large number of subsequent arrivals.

Concerning the character of the general white population in 1851-5, nothing need be said. Men of all ranks in life and of all conceivable characters were there. There is no occasion to go into raptures over the generosity, magnanimity and bravery of the better sort, nor to enter upon a long description of the vices of the worse. Good men were there, and bad. The same vicious qualities which characterized the ruffian in more settled communities marked his career in this, except that circumstances may have given him a better chance here to display himself.

"A majority of white persons came to the country with kind feelings for the Indians and not wishing to injure them, but there also came many having opposite sentiments." This sentence sets forth the condition of affairs as forcibly as if it were expanded into a volume. A portion were ready to do the Indian harm, and circumstances never could have been more favorable to their malice. Law and justice were not, and whenever and wherever a white man's lust or love of violence led him, then and there an outrage was perpetrated.

(To Be Continued.)

BASE BALL At Medford SUNDAY, MAY 15 Medford vs. Central Point This should be a good game, as Central Point has secured one of the best amateur batteries on the Coast. GAME CALLED AT 2:45 P. M.

You are Welcome to wait here anytime SEE THE NEW FOUNTAIN PEN. On your way to or from the postoffice, just drop in and allow us the pleasure of showing you the lines of SUNDRIES. Medford Pharmacy Near P. O., Medford. All night service. Phone Main 3641

TOLO IS FAST BECOMING AN INDUSTRIAL CENTER

Fast Getting in Shape to Manufacture All Kinds of Building Material, Which Includes Lumber, Brick, Granite and Sand—For First Time in Valley Systematic Attempt is Being Made to Develop Latent Resources of Valley—Development Due to Enterprise of Ray Brothers.

Tolo, long the butt of theatrical companies and a joke among the towns of the Rogue River valley, bids fair to become the construction city of Southern Oregon, the city with the steady payrolls, the city where things are made that make other cities.

After a long period of lethargy, which followed the completion of the power plant at Gold Ray, Tolo has taken on a new lease of life, extensive civic improvements are planned, the town rebuilt, streets macadamized and water and sewer systems installed.

Tolo owes its awakening to Colonel Frank Ray and Dr. C. R. Ray, who have started out to make it an industrial center. They have established in the last few months three industries, each of which will give employment to from 50 to 150 men, and each of which represents an investment exceeding \$50,000. For the first time in the history of the valley a systematic effort is being made to develop the latent resources which have been gazed on since time began, without an effort to utilize.

Three Great Industries. The initial one of these enterprises, which are to be followed by others of similar nature, was the opening up of a large granite quarry, which will furnish fine building rock for the cities of the country, as well as supplying a limitless quantity of crushed rock for street and road improvement.

Second on the list is a lumber mill, housing \$40,000 worth of machinery for cutting up the logs which are floated down stream from the forests of the upper Rogue, into lumber for use in building up the cities of the valley.

Third and latest of the enterprises is the establishment of a large brick and tile manufactory, which will have a capacity of 100,000 bricks per day, and which will go far to relieve the shortage in building materials caused by the building boom in Medford. This factory will be ready for business about July 1.

The Granite Quarry. All three of the enterprises are lo-

cated along the line of the Southern Pacific between Tolo and Gold Ray. Power is furnished by the power plant at Gold Ray, which also pumps the necessary water. The 150 workmen employed at present are housed in a tent city at Tolo or at Gold Ray.

A year or so ago the Rays began the development, in a small way, of the quarry on the hill south and west of the dam, just above the curve of the railroad track. Since then development has shown the existence of a practically limitless quantity of the finest building stone. Thousands of dollars' worth of the latest quarrying machinery has been installed and a large force of men are kept busy cutting stone, drilling and quarrying the rock. The most improved crushing machinery has recently been installed, and several carloads of fine crushed rock are being shipped daily. Practically a thousand cars of crushed rock have already been contracted for—700 for Medford, 200 for Grants Pass and 100 miscellaneous. In addition, it is expected to supply Ashland and the county. Building stone from the quarry is being used in the new Episcopal church and block at Medford, as well as in the new Ray building, under construction. The rock also finds a market in San Francisco and Portland.

Logging Operations Begin. This week logging operations begin on a large scale on the upper Rogue, and between 4,000,000 and 5,000,000 feet of logs will be floated down the river to the mill. Lumbermen for years past pronounced logging impractical on the Rogue, but experimental drives made by the Ray Bros. during the past two years have proved it feasible. Rocks have been blasted from the river channel, and Contractor Pankey expects to have little trouble in bringing down the present drive.

The mill is situated between the railroad and the lake, formed by the dam. The logs are driven to the mill in water; here they are cut up and placed aboard cars, and the lumber distributed throughout Southern Oregon. The mill was erected late last fall and all the machinery is most

modern and up to date. It has a capacity of 100,000 feet per day.

Brick and Tile Works.

The brick and tile works are located a quarter of a mile south along the edge of the lake. The Southern Pacific is now building a sidetrack to the works. Clay, of which a large deposit exists at the site of the kilns, will also be brought from the old Price ranch by means of an electric trolley line, which will be constructed for the purpose. Tests show that both these deposits of clay make excellent brick and tiling.

In addition to supplying lumber, brick, cut stone and crushed rock for cement work, it is the intention also to supply sand for building purposes, and a large pump is being installed to pump sand from the sandbar in the lake into cars at the quarry side track. This nearly all essentials for building will be manufactured at Tolo.

Macadamized Roads.

The road between Tolo and Gold Ray is being macadamized, considerable stretches having already been permanently improved. The surplus power at the dam is used to pump water for irrigating several thousand acres of orchard which is being planted on the foothills west of Tolo. Some eight miles of eight and six-inch pipe have been laid and it is the intention to extend this system south toward Central Point, making it possible to irrigate this section of the valley. The water from this system will supply the town of Tolo, which is to be rebuilt on modern lines.

Pioneers in Development.

The Ray brothers are pioneers in the development of the resources of the country. They are showing what can be done with the native materials, and their example will undoubtedly be followed by others, for no section of the world offers more opportunity along these lines of development than the Rogue river valley. They are also setting a good example in building macadamized roads and will be able to furnish crushed rock sufficient for all the roads in the county.

A Snap.

Ten acres good fruit land, half mile from Eagle Point; price \$800, \$100 cash, balance one year at 8 per cent. Aylor & Burnett, next to Mail Tribune office. 45

Rardon's new fountain has Siskiyou mineral water on draught, 75c per glass.

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