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COMMITTEE IS GETTING MUCH COIN

Meeting With Splendid Success in Soliciting Funds for the Publicity Campaign—Outlook Is for Best Year in Medford's History.

The Commercial club committee in charge of soliciting subscriptions for the next publicity campaign is meeting with splendid success, nearly every merchant in Medford pledging a monthly amount. The committee has not yet had time to get over the entire city.

Everything is pointing toward the banner year in Medford's history, and the Commercial club is planning a greater publicity campaign than ever before undertaken.

Government-Owned Ships.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 17.—Representative McLaughlin of California stated today that the greatest regulator of rates would be government-owned steamships on the Pacific coast.

18 PERSONS KILLED IN EXPLOSION

Twenty Additional Badly Injured—No Cause for Explosion Is Known—Nearby Structures Turned Into Hospitals.

CANTON, O., May 17.—Eighteen persons are reported to have been killed and 20 or more injured in an explosion in the works of the American Sheet & Tin Plate company here this afternoon.

The cause of the explosion is unknown. Great excitement prevailed in the neighborhood. Windows were shattered in nearby dwellings.

Immediate steps were taken for relief of sufferers, nearby structures being turned into hospitals.

Those rescued were torn and maimed by the explosion. Arms and legs were scattered about the yard of the plant and many of the bodies recovered were mutilated so that identification may be impossible.

Latest Photograph of King George V., The New Ruler of the British Empire.



COMMITTEES ARE NAMED GREET HILL

President Colvig Names Two Committees to Have Charge of Welcoming Louis W. Hill and Railroad Officials When They Arrive

President Colvig of the Commercial club this morning named two committees to perfect arrangements for the welcome to be extended Louis W. Hill and his party when they arrive in this city. It is planned to give them a banquet and take them for a drive through the valley.

The committee in charge of arrangements for the banquet are: John M. Root, chairman, Howard S. Dudley and Dr. E. B. Piekel. The committee to arrange a drive through the valley consists of G. Putnam, chairman, Colonel Frank L. Tou Velle and L. E. Wakeman.

The time of the arrival of Mr. Hill and his party has not been definitely determined. It may be Wednesday evening or Thursday.

DECISION IN LAND CASES CONFIRMED

Judge in Circuit Court of Appeals Writes Opinion Based on Appeal of Willard Jones, Charged With Conspiracy to Defraud.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 17.—A decision confirming the decision of the lower court in the Oregon forest reserve land grab cases was recorded today.

Judge Morrow, sitting in the circuit court of appeals, wrote the opinion, which was based on the appeal of Willard N. Jones.

Besides the appellant, the defendants are Binger Hermann, John H. Mitchell, J. N. Williamson, Franklin P. Hays, and George Sorenson. The government alleged these men, in 1900, purchased school lands in the state of Oregon through dummy. Judge Morrow decided the evidence tended to prove the formation of a conspiracy to defraud the government.

CITY'S CASE SOON-MAYBE JURY SHOULD BE CHOSEN AT ONCE

City Endeavoring to Get Judge Calkins to Have Jury Drawn and Sent to View Premises While He Hears Another Case—Maybe Wednesday.

If the city has its way the water case with Hanley will be gotten under way in the circuit court Wednesday. The city officials are bringing every possible effort to bear upon the hastening of the condemnation suit, but so far have had little success in saving time.

Monday Judge Calkins overruled Reames' demurrer to the complaint and gave Reames twenty-four hours in which to answer. The city attorney will answer this Wednesday morning and will then endeavor to have a jury chosen. Judge Calkins has a different case to hear Wednesday, but an effort will be made to have the jury taken to view the premises while Judge Calkins proceeds with his other case.

MANY FISH ARE STOPPED BY DAM

Floods of Last Winter Destroyed Fishway at Ament Dam and Salmon Are Stopped in Progress Up River to Spawning Grounds.

Five thousand chinook salmon, more or less, are imprisoned below the Ament dam and cannot ascend the river to their spawning grounds on account of the destruction of the fishways in the dam wrought by the floods of last winter, according to Master Fish Warden H. C. McAllister, who has begun the construction of a temporary fishway over the dam, which will enable the salmon to ascend until a new dam is built or the present one completely taken out by the floods of next winter. The new fishway will be finished within a few days.

Mr. McAllister and Deputy Warden Edward Clanton spent Tuesday in Medford inspecting local fish concerns. (Continued on Page 5.)

STENOGRAPHER ON STAND SHOWS THAT BALLINGER HAS TOLD MANY UNTRUTHS

NEW SCHOOL ON EAST SIDE TO BE MISSION STYLE

School Board Draws Tentative Plans for Handsome Structure—Washington School Is to Be Completely Remodeled and Modernized.

The new school in Queen Anne, on the East Side, upon which construction work is soon to start, will be one of the most handsome structures in the valley. It is to be of the mission style of architecture, contain eleven school rooms, a high basement and a gymnasium. In fact, the structure will be modern in every respect. The Washington school is to be remodeled completely and its exterior and interior completely changed.

Demands Surrender of Bluefields. BLUEFIELDS, Nicaragua, May 17.—The supply ship Venus, flying the Nicaraguan flag, today demanded the surrender of Bluefields on behalf of President Madriz.

KERBY CALLED AS WITNESS IN INVESTIGATION

States That He Was Friendly With Former Secretary Garfield, But Denies Having Acted Upon Advice of Former Official.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—Frederick M. Kerby, the former stenographer for the interior department, who Saturday gave out a statement telling of the preparation of the "Lawler memorandum" in the Ballinger case, was today called as a witness before the investigating committee. Senator Knute Nelson, chairman of the committee, after placing President Taft's letter of legislation of May 16 on the record, asked that Kerby be called. The president's letter explained the use to which the Lawler letter was put. Attorney Brandeis, representing Glavis, asked that Kerby's affidavit and Secretary Carpenter's denial be also placed on the record. Senator (Continued on Page 5.)

MILLION AND QUARTER PEOPLE VIEW EDWARD

Removal of Body to Westminster Hall Resembles Great Dress Rehearsal for Funeral Pageant Which Will Be Held Friday.

LONDON, May 17.—The removal of the body of King Edward from Buckingham palace, where it has lain in state, to Westminster hall, where it may be viewed by the gentry of England, today resembled a glittering dress rehearsal for the great funeral pageant today will be held Friday. Numbers fail to give an idea of the vast throngs that lined the streets for the funeral procession, of the great swarms of humanity that clustered in the windows of houses along the route and the thousands that filled porches, perched on house tops, street posts and every ledge and arch that gave footing. Thousands of picked troops, the flower of the (Continued on Page 8.)

WOMAN WHO LOST REASON SAN FRANCISCO QUAKE JUST REGAINS IT IN ANOTHER

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., May 17.—John W. Gergaherty, of Pasadena, Cal., who is in Minneapolis today received a telegram saying that his wife, who lost her reason in the San Francisco earthquake, regained her reason in the quake at Pasadena Sunday.

The telegram telling of his wife's recovery came from his son who is now in Pasadena.

"I can hardly believe that it is true." "We were living in San Francisco at the time of the quake," Gergaherty said. "Our home on Market street was destroyed. Fortunately with my wife and two children I escaped. We made our way to the Presidio where we lived in tents.

My wife was in poor health and the shock and hardships drove her insane.

"Immediately after the quake we moved to Pasadena. When I read of the quake there I telegraphed my son. I was afraid that the shock would kill my wife.

"Imagine my astonishment when I received tidings that she had completely recovered her mental powers, although she remembers nothing that has happened since the disaster in San Francisco.

"I can hardly believe that it is true."

MAY HAVE TO TAKE THE BIG FIGHT ELSEWHERE

OAKLAND Cal., May 17.—That the Jeffries-Johnson fight will not be held at Alameda county or in any other part of Alameda county is the general belief here today.

THE TRUTH ABOUT HALLEY'S COMET

(Written for the United Press by Harold Jacoby Rutherford, Professor of Astronomy at Columbia University.)

NEW YORK, May 17.—"Will the comet injure the earth tomorrow night? I think not. "Comets have struck the earth before and will continue to hit it in the future. "In the museum of natural history in New York there is a meteor weighing 27½ tons. There may be several chips like this in the head of Halley's comet, and if the head struck we would have some local disturbance at least.

"However, the head will not come closer to the earth than 14,000,000 miles. Astronomers disagree on the figures, but agree on these facts.

"Perhaps the tail may be long enough to reach the earth, and astronomers feel fairly sure that the tail will be long enough. We know the comet's head to be solid. We also know that the tail is less dense than the air in the best vacuum we can make with a mercury air pump. This is thinner than thin.

"The molecules in the comet's tail will be separated from each other by several cubic feet, so there should be no fear of ill-effects from Halley's comet."

GREAT WELCOME FOR TEDDY WORK ON P. & E. IS BEING RUSHED

Past Week Saw Many Additional Teams and Much Grading Machinery Added to That Already Making Dirt Fly on Extension.

The week just past has seen much grading machinery and many additional teams taken out to rush the construction of the extension of the road to Butte Falls. Fifteen teams arrived recently and have been put at work. Chief Engineer Gerig states that the rush is not due to any new orders, but to the fact that the weather is splendid for rushing the work. Nearly 1000 men are employed.

Seattle Wants Plum. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—An immigration station at Seattle to cost \$100,000 is proposed in a bill introduced by Senator Piles of Washington.

GREAT HAVOC IS WROUGHT BY A BIG WINDSTORM

One Death, Three Fires and Thousands of Dollars' Damage Result of Wind Storm in California—Woman Is Electrocuted.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., May 17.—A summary made today of the damage done by the windstorm that swept Sonoma County in the twenty-four hours ending early today shows one death, three fires, the destruction of at least one big building and a loss are off. He manager the recent Los At Caliente, Mrs. Poloni was electrocuted by a fallen wire. In Sonoma several houses were unroofed and chimneys broken. At Asti, the residence of Superintendent Allessini, of the Italian Swiss colony, was burned and on Hood mountain, the summer home of J. H. R. Kinnersley of San Rafael, was destroyed.

GOTHAM MAKES PLANS READY

Committee in Charge Swamped With Letters From Individuals Tendering Their Services—African Big Game Club Offers to Take Part.

NEW YORK, May 17.—The reception to be tendered Colonel Theodore Roosevelt upon his arrival in New York on June 18, will be one of the largest demonstrations in the history of the city, judging from the number of applications already received by the committee in charge from organizations and individuals wishing to take part. Every mail brings letters from committees and individuals, who offer their services to the committee. The African Big Game Club has offered to take part and arrangements are being made to have Republican delegations from every assembly district of New York march in the parade.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—Inauguration day will remain March 4, instead of the last Thursday in April, as proposed in an amendment submitted to the house by Representative Henry, Democrat, of Texas. The vote on the resolution stood 139 to 70, and as a two thirds majority was needed, the measure lost by only one vote.

INAUGURATION DAY WILL STILL REMAIN MARCH 4

Measure to Change It to Last Thursday in April Is Lost by Only One Vote—Was Proposed in Amendment.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—The sanitarium at St. Helena and the \$100,000 home of former United States Senator Kearns near Kenwood were endangered by fire. At Elverano a dance hall was razed by the wind. Wires are down in many parts of the country.