MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE, MEDFORD, OREGON, TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 1910


100
dig enterprises. They are much more valuable to the prop-
erty owners than the builders.
The builders of the Seattle system expended fifty million dollars before they receive any returns. George B.
Markie and several Portland men sunk millions in street
railways that were list railways that were lost. Another important company
there was by a fortunate sale saved from bankruptey. The Salem lines went through several receiverships betore it
reached the present owners. They are operated at a loss in a city of 15,000 people. Instances might be multiplied,
but in spite of such, many good people believe that franbut in spite of such, many good people believe that ranland or Seattle. But the fact that few want them and
no investor would buy them is an indication of their value. If the people of Ashland choose to listen to such arguments and wish to keep the electric lie adrantage of Med-
that is their privilege. It would be the
ford if they would do so, for the reason that the line will probably run up Bear creek and the people living along it would be much more apt to go where they could get off the car in the heart of the city than to where they would get
off at a depot and 15 or 20 blocks to get to a store. An interurban road in Ashland means more to Ashland
than to its builders. It means mere people in Ashland and around Ashland. It would help the land owners around the city and settle the orchard lands. It would
enable students to get to the normal school. It would not help the capitalist or banker who sports an automobile. He does not use it, but to hundreds who can not afford
such it would be a great help and convenience in business such it would
and social life.
Southern Oregon needs electric lines for its development. It can get them or keep them out., But why shoul
it keep them out9 Is there any reason for keeping them out9 Because one or two individuals think if they had
a franchise they could sell it, when in fact they could not 9 a franchise they could sell For years southern Oregon was a place where men
Fade made fortunes which they carried to San rrancisco. Those
who remained could see no other investment except ten per cent mortgages. They had no faith in the country or its
future. The valley has been developed by outside capital and outside people.

Who among those who have made money in Jackson county would invest in the orchard lands until outsiders proved the possibilities 9 The Blue Ledge mine lay un-
developed until Mr. Allen came along and put a million developed until Mr. Allen came along and put a million
and a half into opening it up, proving it a great copper mine. The Pacific \& Eastern road lay rusting till Mr Allen took it up, financed it and pushed it to completion. The field for electric roads was open before he came. He saw the possibilities and offers to take the chances that
no local capitalist will. He can command capital to build the line. Why prevent him, and why hinder him? He is ready and the cars will run just as fast on a road built by him as any others.
There is no local capital to build electric lines, and spite of the claims of promoters, capital is not easily in
terested in such enterprises, even in localities where th terested in such enterprises, even in locailies
population is much greater than in our section. population is much greater than in our section.
Why block the expenditure of from three to five mil lions in the development of the valley?


 tures on Biological Analogles in
History-Is Roundly Applauded History-Is Roundly
and Heartily Greeted.



## The MEDFORD OPERA HOUSE

The Powers That Be
Avery Hapgoods great play
a g gem of rare dramatic
power.
Mon. Tues. and Wed.
Moving Pittures and Vaude.
Ville numbers between a
acts. Not a dull moment.
JUNE 13, 14, 15

A Wonderful Discovery for Medford.

## Pure Drug's *

may be pen great deal better than others. We handile only the best.

We Want Your Prescriptions All Night PhoneService. Tel 3641

Just received, a fine assortment of Glassware, consisting of vases, tum-
blers, water sets graduating cups, fountain supplies, pitchers, etc.,

## Exclusive agents for

 DALLES PATENT FLOURAllin \& Allin
Phone Main 269, 132 west main street.

## For the Finest Bakery Products Staple \& Fancy Groceries

## TRY US

Allen \& Reagan



## 

$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
E. F. A. BITTNER

# Things New 

## Art and Craft <br> Mottoes

hirithar cards, eic.
Ine pion ins ination

|  |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  |  |

Merrivold Shop

