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ANOTHER MODERN BLOCK FOR MEDFORD

HOWARD BROS. BUY CORNER AT SIXTH AND CENTRAL FOR BUILDING

WILL HOUSE WELL KNOWN LOCAL FIRMS

Building Will Be Modern in Every Particular—Amount Paid for Old Vawter Residence Not Named, But Is Expected to Be in Neighborhood of \$50,000.

G. T. H. D. and J. H. Howard have purchased the quarter block at the southwest corner of Central avenue and Sixth street, paying in the neighborhood of \$50,000. They will start work at once on the erection of a four-story building, which, when completed, will house the Medford Furniture company and the Nicholson Hardware company. The building is to be modern in every respect. The construction work will be commenced just as soon as the buildings at present on the grounds can be removed and will be forced as rapidly as possible.

"Our plans are not fully completed as yet," states S. T. Howard, "but we hope to be in the building by January 1, 1911. That is a hope, however, but one that we expect to realize. The building will be occupied exclusively by the Nicholson Hardware company and the Medford Furniture company and will be four stories high. I can't give you an estimate of the probable cost, as our plans have not been finally adopted."

The site consists of the corner, 100 x 90, owned by the Big Bend Milling company and the inside lot, 50x100, owned by Warner, Wortman & Gore.

GAYNOR IS FRIEND TO FIGHT PICTURES

BOSTON, Mass., July 8.—In vivid contrast to the assurance of Governors and mayors in other parts of the country that they will use their influence against the exhibition of the Jeffries-Johnson fight pictures, Mayor Gaynor of New York City today notified Secretary William M. Shaw of the Christian Endeavor Society that he could see no reason for getting excited over the pictures. The mayor ridiculed the idea that race rioting might result in New York.

In his telegram to Secretary Shaw who asked the mayor's co-operation in barring the pictures, Gaynor said: "It is impossible for me to understand how it can enter any mind that there is danger of race riots in New York City. I have not the right, by mere will, to prohibit anything. I shall consider what power lies within the province of any official to follow your suggestion. But if the law does not confer such power, I give you the solemn assurance that it shall not be exercised. I can see no reason to become excited."

WATERSON WAITS FOR GRAND JURY ACTION

KINGSTON, N. Y., July 8.—Ewing Waterson, son of Colonel Henry Waterson, the Louisville editor, waived examination today before Police Judge Rowe at Saugerties on a charge of shooting Michael J. Martin, a saloonkeeper. He was committed to jail to await the grand jury's action on a charge of first degree assault.

METHODISTS ARE TO ERECT NEW CHURCH

Architects at Work on Plans and Work Is to Begin Within a Few Weeks—A Large Amount Has Been Subscribed to the Building Fund.

The Methodists of the city are planning the erection of a new church to supplant their present building on the corner of Fourth and Bartlett streets, and work is to be started as soon as the architects can get his plans completed.

A large building fund has already been subscribed and no difficulty is expected.

The new building is to be a modern structure capable of seating 1000 people and will be in keeping with the progressive spirit of the city.

MARSHAL WILL TRAIL COLONEL OVER INDIANA

When Roosevelt Flashes Over Political Horizon in Hoosier State, Marshall Will Follow Him in Effort to Counteract Influence.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., July 8.—There will be a tail to the comet when Colonel Theodore Roosevelt flashes across the Indiana political horizon on a speech-making tour on behalf of Senator Beveridge.

Democratic political leaders in Indiana have been awaiting with considerable apprehension the announcement that "Bwana Tumbo" is to invade Indiana, and for some weeks past have been figuring on plans to counteract the effect of his coming, should he decide to assist Beveridge. As a result it is practically decided that the Roosevelt tour will be immediately followed by a speech-making round of the state (Continued on Page Eight.)

HARMON BOOM FOR PRESIDENCY GROWS

CHARLEVOIX, Mich., July 8.—The boom for Governor Harmon of Ohio for the Democratic nomination for president in 1912, cradled in Ohio, has slipped across the state border into Michigan. The Ohio executive has re-affixed his "O. K." to the summons higher and a number of Michigan Democrats are busily engaged in increasing the output of Harmon sentiment today.

Harmon's Michigan endorsement came after a political pow wow here, at which he was present. He assured the gathered party leaders that he would heed the call if it came "from all the Democrats."

If it's "for sale," want advertise it!

NEWSPAPERS MAKE TEDDY INSURGENT

Colonel Roosevelt Is Being Rapidly Pushed Into the Insurgent Whirlpool and While He Thinks "the water's fine," He Is Carried Faster Than He Likes.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., July 8.—Colonel Roosevelt has become just a trifle annoyed at the manner in which he is being pushed into the insurgent whirlpool. While there is no doubt that he thinks the "water's fine," the rush of insurgents and progressives to Sagamore Hill and the graphic descriptions sent out by all correspondents of the smiles they wear as they depart has tended to carry the colonel along toward a showdown that is faster than he desires.

On his return from abroad Roosevelt announced positively that he would keep out of the political swim for two months at least. While there seems now to have been little doubt that he was welded to the insurgent cause after his meeting with Gifford Pinchot in Italy, the colonel really desired to remain quiet until he could have an opportunity to investigate both sides of the republican political fight. With this in view he has been very chary of the invitations he has extended to political nabobs. The insurgents, however, either from inside information or because of a "hunch" have claimed T. R. as their own, and have not waited for invitations to visit their political mecca.

On the other hand, the regulars, noting the apparent drift of the wind, have held aloof, and about the only wheel horses of the organization who have visited Oyster Bay have been those who came by invitation. The result has been that the press has been by innuendo unofficially labeled Colonel Roosevelt as the man behind the gun in the insurgent movement.

PICTURE COMPANY WILL OBEY THE LAW

CHICAGO, July 8.—A picture film that would please the public might be made if the man behind the camera would turn the crank when the governors of the America Vitagraph company meet in New York tomorrow to discuss the agitation against the display of the Jeffries-Johnson fight pictures. That the scene will be animated when the governors discuss the crusade against the exhibition and consider the enormous outlay they have made to obtain the films is considered a surer bet than any that were laid at Reno.

The Vitagraph company, some of its officers announced before leaving here for New York, will not attempt to oppose the law, and it is already a certainty that the pictures will not be displayed in cities where the authorities have declared against them. The question the governors are expected to decide is whether they will show the pictures at all. If the governors decide that public sentiment is against the films, they will be stored in the attic, together with a lot of other undesirables. Incidentally, if the pictures are discarded, a little item of about \$200,000 will appear on the profit and loss account of the company's books.

TOWNS ARE THREATENED BY FLAMES

Hundreds Flee Before Forest Fires Which Are Sweeping Over Michigan—Smoke Hangs Over Superior Endangering Navigation—Property Loss Is Enormous.

LANSING, Mich., July 8.—Hundreds of persons are fleeing today from forest fires which threaten the towns of Ripley, Powers and Greenwood in Northern Michigan, according to reports received here.

Many settlements have been destroyed by the flames. Appeals for aid have been received and the state authorities are preparing to send fire fighters and supplies to the stricken district.

A cloud of smoke from the flaming timber is spreading over Southern Lake Superior and endangering navigation.

Rage Near Houghton.

HOUGHTON, Mich., July 8.—Fierce forest fires are raging throughout this section today. A fire which smoldered two days sprang up late last evening and swept over a square mile of forest near the village of Haneock.

Grass fires are burning near Ontonagon, 45 miles west of Calumet. Scores of homesteaders, according to messages from Calumet, have fled from their homes.

Damage aggregating hundreds of thousands of dollars has been done to standing timber and many settlements have been threatened with destruction in the northern peninsula.

TROUBLE FEARED WHEN JOHNSON REACHES GOTHAM

Number of Bitter Clashes Have Already Occurred and Extra Reserve Forces are Ordered Out—Many Revolvers Are Sold to Whites.

NEW YORK, July 8.—New York negroes today are planning to surpass the Chicago reception of champion Jack Johnson when he arrives here Monday. The colored population won heavily on the Reno fight by backing Johnson to the limit under juicy odds given by Jeffries' supporters.

Barn Wilks, close friends of the black champion, has charge of the reception plans and promises that "San Juan Hill," New York's colored belt, will "agitate" when Johnson comes to town.

Columbus Avenue, in the vicinity Fifty-ninth Street; Thomson Street, the San Juan Hill district and the negro quarter in Harlem madly are ablaze with bunting and lithographs of "our champion" appear in the windows of practically every negro apartment in New York.

"Hell's kitchen," the Irish district adjoining San Juan on the west side, also is agitated but in a different manner. A number of bitter clashes between whites and blacks occurred last night and police commissioner Baker has ordered extra reserve forces thrown into the feud districts beginning Sunday night. Serious trouble seems inevitable, as the "cockiness" of the colored population seems to have increased a hundred (Continued on Page 8.)

Darning Socks a Weary Job, So Deserts It For Footlights



Darn socks the rest of her life? Shucks, no! She wants to go back on the stage, and, having a husband with millions, Margaret Illington is going to take up stage life once more. Miss Illington, who was divorced from Daniel Frohman because she grew weary of stage life, thinks it all very nice to have a home, but the footlights have caused her to forget her statement that she would rather "darn socks than be the greatest actress in the world." Edward J. Bowes, Miss Illington's husband, is going to play "angel," and he declares he is not going to have a press agent and does not care whether the public comes to see his wife play or not. She will travel in a private car, but, what is better, will take her company as her guests to a summer home near Tacoma, Wash., for some two months.

HUNDREDS ILL OWING TO BITES OF MOSQUITOS

Texas Invaded With Pests and Many Suffer—Necessary in One Case to Amputate Leg of Woman to Save Her Life.

GALVESTON, Tex., July 8.—Mosquitoes have invaded Port Arthur and vicinity in great swarms and today between 600 and 700 persons are ill from mosquito bites. Five persons have been seriously injured by the bites of the insects and it was necessary to amputate the leg of one woman to save her life.

Ten thousand barrels of oil have been donated by a local oil company to be used in covering the swamp lands adjacent to Port Arthur for the purpose of destroying mosquito larvae.

PRAYERS ARE OFFERED FOR RAIN IN EAST

Unless Showers Come in Next 71 Hours Crops in Dakotas and Minnesota Will Be Damaged to Extent of Hundreds of Thousands.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., July 8.—It is feared today that unless rain falls within the next seventy-two hours crops in Minnesota and the Dakotas will be damaged to the extent of hundreds of thousands of dollars. In practically every Minnesota church prayers for rain were offered last night and similar services were held in other Minnesota cities.

The drought extends throughout the Northern wheat belt and threatens to be the most serious in years. Hundreds of farmers will face ruin if relief is not forthcoming before the end of the week.

\$38,700 IS ASKED FOR RIGHT OF WAY

I. J. Phipps et al. File Answer in Condemnation Suit Brought by the Pacific & Eastern for a Right-of-Way Into the City on the East Side of Bear Creek.

The defendants in the right-of-way suit brought by the Pacific & Eastern Railway against I. J. Phipps et al., and C. B. Wolverton, have filed their answer to the complaint and ask \$38,700 for a right-of-way across the Phipps property on the east side of Bear Creek.

The defendants in a lengthy answer set forth the fact that land of the value of \$8,000 will be used in the right-of-way asked and that adjacent property will be damaged to an extent of \$30,700.

The case will probably come up for hearing in the circuit court next week.

HAWLEY SAYS BALLINGER IS TO VISIT LAKE

Representative Says That if Surveys Are Made This Year That Appropriation Can Be Counted on to Open Lake to World.

A Salem dispatch to the Oregonian says:

Representative Willis C. Hawley, who has just returned from Washington, declared today that he will be a candidate for re-election, but is not certain as to the time he will file his declaration.

"I will spend this summer much as I spent last summer," stated the congressman, outlining his plans. "I expect to visit the various places in the district, ascertain the people's needs and secure a personal knowledge of what my constituents desire."

Ballinger Will Visit Oregon.

"Just before I came away from Washington I received assurances from Secretary of the Interior Ballinger that he would visit Oregon this year and make a personal inspection of Crater Lake Park and the Klamath Indian reservation. Chairman Tawney of the appropriations committee assured me that, if he received the proper surveys from the secretary of the interior, that I could count on an appropriation for park purposes near Crater Lake, including construction of highways."

"One important move I desire to make as early as possible in a visit to the Klamath Indian reservation. I have a bill pending for the opening of that reservation which will mean 500,000 acres thrown open to entry. There are certain points in the bill on which further information is necessary, and I wish to work these out with the people on the reservation themselves."

"One thing that I have made a strenuous effort to bring about is the opening of agriculture lands in forest reserves, when those lands are capable of development, and with the start which I have made in this direction I believe this may be brought about."

Large Appropriations Secured.

"I consider the session in Congress has been a very profitable one for (Continued on Page 8.)