

ROGUE VALLEY FRUIT BEST IN WORLD SAYS APPLE KING

JOHN W. DENNIS IS UNSTINTED IN WORDS OF PRAISE

Quality of Local Fruit Is What Com-
mands High Prices in England, He
Says, and It Reaches England in
Fine Condition.

John W. Dennis, the Eng-
lish apple king, says:
"Rogue river fruit is su-
perior to any other that
reaches England from the
entire globe."
"Prices this year will be
materially better than those
of last year. Returns to lo-
cal fruitgrowers will be very
remunerative."
"Rogue river fruit com-
mands highest prices because
of its superior quality. It
reaches England in splendid
condition."
"Medford is the best city
I have as yet found in Amer-
ica."

Reiterating former statements re-
garding the fruit produced by the
Rogue River valley John W. Dennis,
the Newton apple king of the world,
arrived in Medford Saturday after-
noon and is greatly pleased by this
year's crop. Mr. Dennis has the
most positive statements to make re-
garding the fruit of this section say-
ing that it is superior to any reach-
ing England from any section of the
globe.

"The Rogue River valley produces
the finest fruit that reaches England
and that is the sole reason that the
highest prices are paid for it. Hood
River alone complete with this val-
ley in Newton apples. Your pears
have no competitors the world over."

Such was the unqualified statement
of John W. Dennis, the Newton apple
king of the world who is on his
second visit to the Rogue River val-
ley, although the firm of which he is
the head has been handling Rogue
River fruit for the past 13 years.
Mr. Dennis' firm imports the greatest
amount of fruit received by any one
firm in England and also has hand-
led the fruit which has broken the
world's records in prices. This is
his second visit to America, and he
has made the most of it, visiting

TROOPS FIGHT MONTANA FIRES

Three Companies of Regulars Join
Small Armies of Civilians and
Endeavor to Check Spread of the
Flames.

HELENA, Mont., Aug. 13.—Three
companies of regular troops have
reached the Montana forest fire and
are now working with small armies
of civilians and foresters in an ef-
fort to crush the flames.

The companies of troops were sent
to the Flathead reservation country.
Governor Norris today determined
to call the state troops now at Amer-
ican lake, Washington, but was
later advised by the forestry officials
that there is not enough equipment
on hand for any more fighters than
those engaged in the work, so he de-
cided to allow the troops to remain
at American lake. Rains are needed
with the indications anything but
promising.

HAWLEY TOURS FIRST DISTRICT

Spends Hour in Medford—Says He is Confident of Re-election—Points
Out Fact That He Has Now Learned "the Ropes" and Can
Do More Than New Man—Campaign on Record.

Confident of re-election to con-
gress from the first district, owing
to the showing he made during his
past term, and stating that his cam-
paign would be made on his record,
W. C. Hawley arrived in Medford
Saturday morning on his way to
Crater Lake, where he will meet Sec-
retary Ballinger and accompany him
to Klamath Falls. Mr. Hawley will
again be in Medford August 22 to
spend a day or so "getting acquaint-
ed," as he expressed it.
"To be frank with you," stated
Congressman Hawley, "I am after
votes, and I think that I will get
them. My record is what I am mak-
ing my campaign on and I feel it is
a good one. I also believe that I
am worth more in congress now, as
I am 'on to the ropes' more than any
new man could be."
Mr. Hawley has many friends in
this section of the district. Medford
is especially grateful for his work

in securing an appropriation of
\$110,000 for a federal building and
the fruitgrowers thank him for the
good work against the obnoxious
La Fean apple-box bill.
Mr. Hawley's record at the last
session of congress, as set forth up-
on his campaign cards, is:
Secured over \$880,000 for river
and harbor improvement in the dis-
trict.
Secured over \$630,000 for public
building and other purposes in the
district, and including Oregon's
Civil War claim.
Defeat of La Fean apple box bill.
Aided miners and settlers on pub-
lic domain, including Siletz settlers.
Secured passage of many bills of
interest to localities, or for the re-
lief of veterans.
Actively assisted in passage of
railroad rate act, postal savings
bank act, bureau of mines act, reclamation
certificates act, and many
others of great national importance.

MACHINE GOES SOON--MURDOCK

Chief Insurgent of Them All Dis-
cusses Present Situation—Says
Cannon Will Be Eliminated From
Leadership of House.

WICHITA, Kan., Aug. 13.—Pre-
dicting the elimination of Speaker
Cannon from the leadership of the
house, despite his apparent inten-
tion to fight, and the general break-
up of the "machine" in congress, be-
fore September 1, Congressman Victor
Murdoch, chief insurgent and
friend of Colonel Roosevelt, com-
mented tonight on the apparent
change in the policies of President
Taft.
Congressman Murdoch said he
read the news from Beverly with
equal interest and satisfaction, re-
ferring to the elimination of Can-
non, Aldrich and Ballinger, from the
administration. Murdoch said: "In
that connection I want to say that
during the next 40 days greater popu-
lar interest, so far as politics are
concerned, will be taken than has
been the case in nearly a half cen-
tury. I have letters following the
Kansas campaign from nearly every
state in the Union. Judging from
them, it would seem that the nation
is preparing to follow Kansas
through the hole that Kansas punched
in the stand-pat dyke of obstruction
on August 2.
"Cannon is to be eliminated as
dictator of the house of representa-
tives. Whether he submits to the
suggestion of his party leaders and
gracefully retires or does other
things and turns upon the party sup-
porters, the break-up of the great-
est personal machine in the world
will be in progress before September
1 next. So far as Cannon is con-
cerned, I think he will fight."
Returning again to the Beverly
story, Representative Murdoch con-
tinued: "Word from Beverly yester-
day also shows that Senator Nelson
W. Aldrich has gone permanently
from the field of public activity. His
last act was a partisan dart. His
retirement from the senate now cer-
tainly means the absolute collapse of
the greatest bi-partisan machine in
the history of this country."

A good store location is advert-
ising; good store service is advert-
ising—but both of these are suppl-
imentary to the real advertising that
is done in the newspaper.

POLITICAL POT IS SIMMERING

Many Names Mentioned in Connec-
tion with Offices of County and
State—Jackson County Can Be
Called Non-Partisan.

With the coming of autumn, a
wider interest is being awakened in
politics. In local affairs, Jackson
county can be called non-partisan,
as officials are selected because of
their fitness or popularity rather
than because of their high or low
tariff, in Uncle Joe or in Teddy.
Wearing the label of republican is
not enough to satisfy the discrimina-
ting electorate. He must have merit
as well.

In state politics, assembly and
anti-assembly, for or against direct
legislation promises to be the leading
issue. Already at Gold Hill, an anti-
assembly league has been organized
and the movement promises to spread
throughout the county. If Republi-
cans nominate Statement One candi-
date for the legislature, there will
probably be no Democratic opposi-
tion. If anti-statement candidates
are brought out, there will surely be
Statement candidates in the field.

The county central committee,
which selected the forty-one Jackson
county delegates to the state "as-
sembly" has not yet decided whether
to hold a county assembly or not.
Should such a gathering be decided
upon, but few of the candidates now
in the field, will go before it, but
a complete new list of "recommend-
ations" would probably result.

As far as state or national offices
are concerned, Jackson county has
but one candidate, B. F. Mulkey,
who as insurgent republican will con-
test the nomination with congressman
Hawley in the first district.

Among those talked of by their
friends for state senator are H. Von
der Hellen of Wellow, Judge M. Col-
vig and W. J. Vawter of Medford, E.
V. Carter of Ashland, Todd Cameron
of Jacksonville, Benton Bowers of
Ashland and Dr. J. M. Koene of Med-
ford, who states he would be willing
to run as an assembly, anti-statement
candidate, Uncle Joe Cannon candidate,
but not otherwise. On the demo-
cratic side, L. L. Mault of Ashland,
W. H. Cannon, Dr. E. B. Pickel, Judge
M. P. Parin of Medford, D. H. Miller
of Gold Hill, and P. J. Neff are
mentioned.

2,000,000 HOMELESS IN JAPAN

Hundreds Drowned, Scores Entomb-
ed—Tokio Under Water—Homes
of Over 600,000 Japanese De-
stroyed—Government Orders the
Troops to Take Charge.

TOKIO, Aug. 13.—Hundreds of
persons are drowned, scores entomb-
ed under caved embankments or
pinned under fallen timbers in the
path of the rising waters and one-
third of the city of Tokio is flooded
today from constant rains.

It is estimated that 2,000,000 per-
sons in the surrounding country are
without shelter or food and are
starving.

City Threatened
The high wall and embankment and
moat surrounding the western or up-
per half of Tokio is threatened with
destruction.

Already the western half of the
city, in the lower section comprising
one-third of the city, the homes of
600,000 Japanese of the poorest
class was destroyed when the river
Shumida, dividing the city, over-
flowed its banks.

The government today assumed di-
rection of relief and ordered troops
from surrounding prefectures to
concentrate their efforts to relieve
2,000,000 homeless in the country
districts surrounding Tokio and
Yokohama. War vessels have been
ordered by wireless to proceed at
once to Tokio and Yokohama to co-
operate with the military authori-
ties.

Relief Work Retarded
The prostration of land communi-
cation makes the work of relief and
care of the shelterless and starving
pitifully inadequate.

A great Buddhist temple near
Takasaki, the Gongendo, crowded
with refugees, is being slowly under-
mined by the swirling waters of the
Tonegawa and is threatened with de-
struction.

The great stretch of lowlands be-
tween Tokio and Shidzuka prac-
tically has joined the sea. The gov-
ernment railroad on which trains are
operated between Tokio and Kobe,
is washed away and all the smaller
stations along the line are sub-
merged.

Northward the Tonegawa is a
swollen flood and belated reports
from Karuzawa, the great Japanese
summer resort, indicate that the low-
lands are being completely submerged.

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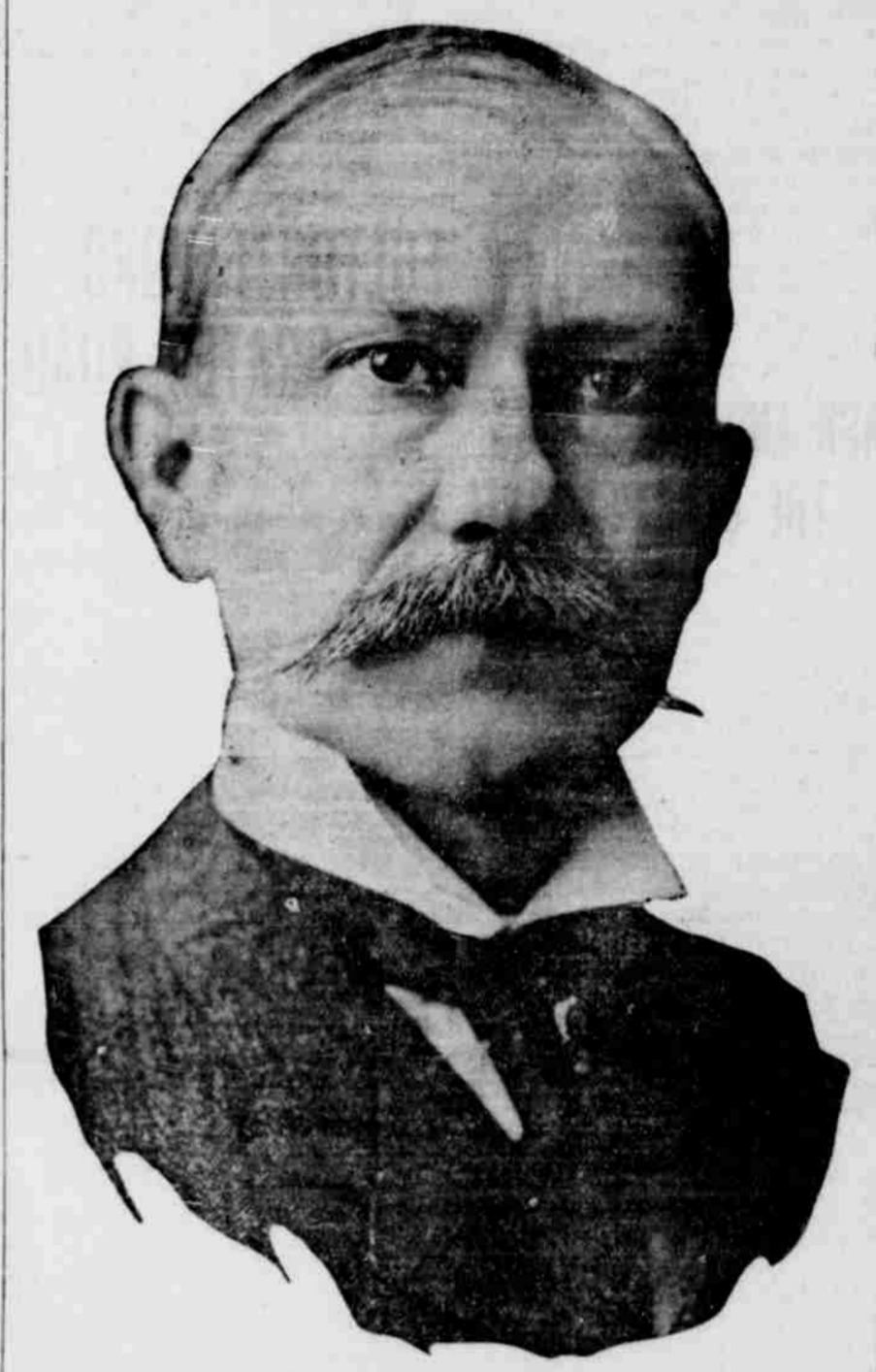
FRUITMEN MAKE KICK ON WEIGHT

Manager Wilmeroth of Rogue River
Fruit & Produce Association
Writes Railroad Commission Re-
garding Shipment of Pears.

C. W. Wilmeroth, manager of the
Rogue River & Produce association,
has complained to the state railroad
commission that California is enjoy-
ing a preference in shipment of pears,
over the people of Medford.
In writing to the State Railroad
commission he says the basis of fill-
ing pear boxes in California is on
standard sized boxes of 50 pounds.
In Medford the pear box is of the
same dimensions, except they are one-
quarter of an inch shorter. He states
a weigher is sent in by the company
and as each car is loaded he has
insisted on weighing many of the
pears, the consequence being that the
pears are billed at 52 1-2 pounds.
"California either has a decided
snap or we are getting the worst of
it," states Mr. Wilmeroth in conclu-
sion. The commission has taken up
the matter with the Southern Pac-
ific.

TAFT DECIDES ON DRASTIC METHODS TO REUNITE PARTY

Secretary of the Interior
Richard A. Ballinger.



Who, according to reports from the east yesterday, will resign on Sep-
tember 15 in order to insure harmony in Republican ranks. Secretary
Ballinger is now in Klamath Falls inspecting the reclamation project
there and will visit Crater Lake within the next day or two.

ENYART SELLS CORNER, \$19,000

Porter J. Neff and Associates' Pur-
chase Property at Sixth and Fir
Streets and Will Erect Permanent
Home for Mail Tribune.

Porter J. Neff and associates have
purchased for \$19,000 the J. E. En-
yart property at Fir and Sixth street,
130x100 feet and will erect a mod-
ern business block upon it.
Upon that portion next the alley,
work will begin at once upon a brick
buildin, mission style of architect-
ure, erected as a permanent home
for the Mail Tribune and Medford
Printing company. The building will
be 40 by 100 feet, with walls of suf-
ficient strength for a three story
structure.

The Mail Tribune will occupy the
entire lower floor under long term
lease and it is hoped the business will
grow as that the second floor will
also be needed for editorial and com-
posing rooms, leaving the ground
floor for office and presses.

The plant will be enlarged and im-
proved materially, giving it facilities
second to none in Oregon outside of
Portland, enabling the printing of any
size of newspaper that business just-
ifies, and all kinds of printing.

Now that the hobble skirt has
reached Emporia, we may expect that
fashionable atrocity to be embalmed
in deathless poetry by Uncle Walt,
and it is possible that it may lead to
another editorial consideration of
what is the matter with Kansas.

U. P. OFFICIAL PRAISES VALLEY

F. S. Cobb, Publicity Man, States
That Rogue River Valley is a Gem
and That Resources Justify Faith
for Large Population.

"I think Medford is a wonderful
city and the valley more than just-
ifies your expectations of a large popu-
lation. The Rogue river is a gem...
This is what F. S. Cobb, publicity
agent of the Union Pacific said. Mr.
Cobb spent the day here Friday and
was shown over the valley by Man-
ager Malbouef of the Commercial
club. He is a man of very wide ex-
perience in advertising a keen ob-
server and of most pleasing person-
ality. As a reason of his visit some
new features in publicity work will
be carried out. Several boxes of our
large Bartlett's are to be sent by ex-
state fair to be opened August 25.
The Des Moines press next week will
feature the fourth time in the
history of the Rogue River valley
that pears are placed on exhibition
in the east and great benefits will
undoubtedly follow. The Des Moines
fair is a highly important one and
is annually attended by nearly one
hundred thousand people. Effort will
also be made to have a number of
jars of our fruits processed and used
by the Union Pacific this season. At
the Minneapolis, Springfield, Illinois,
Nashville and Richmond fairs, where
the aggregate attendance is no less
Pacific system of publicity work at
these fairs is very unique, thorough
and interesting.

CRANE SAID TO HAVE BEEN GIVEN HITCHCOCK'S JOB

Ballinger, Aldrich and Cannon to Be
Eliminated From Councils of Re-
publican Party in Order to Insure
Harmony, According to Reports.

KLAMATH FALLS, Aug.
13.—Secretary Ballinger ar-
rived in this city tonight. A
United Press representative
called on him and Ballinger
told the story which was
given wide circulation today
that he would leave the cabi-
net on or before September
15, after the report of the
Pinchot-Ballinger investigat-
ing committee is made public.
Ballinger was very emphatic
in his denial that he had any
intention of resigning.
"I know nothing about my
resignation and do not in-
tend to resign," said Ballin-
ger. "I have denied any
such intention and still deny
it. President Taft has never
given me any intimation that
he desires my resignation,
and until he does I will con-
tinue to act as secretary of
the interior department."

BEVERLY, Mass., Aug. 13.—That
Senator Winthrop Murray Crane of
Massachusetts has succeeded Post-
master General Frank Hitchcock as
political adviser to the president is
the authoritative report today, fol-
lowing the reports that Speaker Can-
non is to be eliminated from the high
republican councils along with Sen-
ator Aldrich and Secretary Ballinger.

When the United Press first an-
nounced on high authority that the
mission of Senator Crane on his
mysterious journey to St Paul was
to demand the retirement of Sec-
retary Ballinger before the fall cam-
paign, it was intimated that Presi-
dent Taft has decided on drastic
measures to re-unite the republican
party and assure success at the polls
in November.

Casting About For Help
The president, it is said by those
close to the administration has be-
lieved for some time that the Demo-
crats and insurgents would control
the next house, and has been con-
sidering, it is declared, moves that
would make it possible to insure a
Republican victory. The president
has had many conferences with Sen-
ator Aldrich.

FOREST FIRES NEAR ASHLAND

Ashland Manufacturing Company
Are Heavy Losers, According to
Reports Reaching Medford Last
Night—Not in Government Timber

According to report reaching this
city late last night the Ashland Man-
ufacturing company is a heavy loser
owing to a forest fire which is rag-
ing in their timber three miles west
of Ashland on Wagner creek divide.
The fire started Saturday morning
and is as yet unchecked.
The fire is burning in section 12,
township 39 S. R. 1 W. It is not in
government timber so no rangers
were sent to fight it. The timber
company has a big force in the woods
trying to check it however.