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GEORGE PUTNAM, Editor and Manager

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SWORN CIRCULATION.

Table with 2 columns: Month/Year, Circulation. Rows include November 1909 (1,700), December 1909 (1,922), January 1910 (2,122), February 1910 (2,208), March 1910 (2,301), April 1910 (2,429), May 1910 (2,569), June 1910 (2,524), July 1910 (2,524).

Table with 2 columns: Rank, Circulation. Rows include 1. 2,550, 2. 2,550, 3. 2,550, 4. 2,550, 5. 2,550, 6. 2,550, 7. 2,550, 8. 2,550, 9. 2,550, 10. 2,550, 11. 2,550, 12. 2,550, 13. 2,550, 14. 2,550, 15. 2,550, 16. 2,550.

Total gross \$68,240, Daily Average, 2,527.

STATE OF OREGON, County of Jackson, ss.

On the 1st day of September, 1910, personally appeared before me, George Putnam, manager of the Medford Mail Tribune, who upon oath, acknowledges that the above figures are true and correct.

H. N. YOCKY, Notary Public for Oregon.

MEDFORD, OREGON.

Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and the fastest-growing city in Oregon. Population, 1910, 9,000.

Bank deposits \$2,750,000. \$500,000 Gravity Water System completed in July, 1910, giving finest supply pure mountain water.

Sixteen miles of street being paved at a cost exceeding \$1,000, making a total of twenty miles of pavement.

Postoffice receipts for year ending June 30, 1910, show a gain of 54 per cent.

Banner fruit city in Oregon—Rogue River apples won sweepstakes prize and title of "Apple King of the World" at the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909.

Rogue River pears brought highest prices in all markets of the world during the past five years.

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BOYCOTTING BRIBERS.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT has stirred up another hornet's nest by refusing to sit at a banquet given in his honor by a Chicago club with Senator Lorimer, a member of the club and an invited guest at the banquet. As a result, the senator has resigned from the club and disruption threatens it.

Inasmuch as Senator Lorimer has never been convicted of a crime, as his alleged bribery has not and probably cannot be proven, as efforts to convict the "go-between" have resulted in acquittal, Roosevelt's action seems to many an unjustifiable breach of good manners. It is the dictation of a guest to his host and a deliberate insult to one of his hosts. But it is thoroughly Rooseveltian and along the same lines that his speeches telling Great Britain how to govern her colonies, his instructions to women to bear children, his reform of the dictionary and other bits of meddlesomeness, were.

But the motive that inspired Roosevelt's action was a good one, and will receive popular approval. If legislators who betray their constituencies and senators who corrupt legislators through purchasing their togas, are sent to Coventry, and barred from association with their fellows, it will be the most effective method of punishment yet devised, and do more to end the practice than all the courts of the land.

Men like Clark of Montana, and Lorimer of Illinois, who are undoubtedly guilty of the offenses charged, even though cunning enough to escape conviction, should be made to feel the full measure of their iniquity, and this can best be done by the refusal of decent people to associate with them. When this is universal custom, the opposition to popular election of United States senators will fade away.

A RETURN TO CORRUPTION.

THREE United States senators have been elected by the people in Oregon. The elections were free from taint of scandal and corruption. They left the legislatures with nothing to do but ratify popular choice, and devote the remainder of their days to looking after the welfare of the state and their own localities in particular.

How much better this has been than the deadlock sessions, than long-drawn-out contests between money-bags or politicians, the scenes recently enacted in Illinois and other states.

Whatever may be said of Oregon senators, they represent the people, not like California senators, the Southern Pacific, or like Washington senators, the Great Northern, or like the senators of other states, various special interests.

This admirable condition of affairs in Oregon has been brought about by Statement One of the direct primary law. Do the people of Oregon want to return to the old system, or do they want to keep the new?

If a return to the days of legislative corruption is desired, vote for anti-Statement candidates. If popular election of senators is wanted, vote for Statement One candidates.

MR. CAMBERS SHOULD WITHDRAW.

IF HE has the success of popular election of United States senators at heart, Mr. Cambers, one of the aspirants for state senator, will withdraw in favor of Mr. Von der Hellen. Otherwise, he may draw enough Statement One support to nominate Mr. Colvig, the anti-Statement candidate.

Mr. Cambers stands little chance of securing the nomination himself, but he is a valuable ally to the machine forces, and is counted upon to bring them success.

A vote for Cambers, who is admittedly the weakest of the three candidates, because the least known, will be, under the circumstances, worse than a vote thrown away, for it will materially aid the anti-Statement candidate.

Oswald West, Friend of Labor

(From the Labor Press.)

The support of Oswald West in the primary nominating election for governor by the Labor Press is without prejudice to a single other candidate in the field. But West stands out as a unit of the modern world movement in political and economic progress. By force of his accomplishments he ranks high in the list with men like Folk, La Follette, Hughes and others prominently identified with the work of establishing the rule of the common people. Known and recognized as such, his support is coming from all directions without regard for party or factional lines, and is being hailed as a welcome opportunity by those who discern the real import of the struggle that is upon us.

The struggle in Oregon is the struggle all over the nation. Local color, incidents and individuals aside and the contest is the same. Oregon is in the very forefront. West is a young man concerned only about getting results. No elaborate political education has developed in him the knack and significance of reaping and sowing up the advertising value of his various accomplishments, otherwise he would today be

more widely known. Here and there is an older head in his party who is backward about coming to his support for no other reason than because West has outstripped some of the older ones in the race. He has seen his opportunities and has let no grass grow under his feet in getting action and results.

Ever since engaging himself to work for the state of Oregon he has been molding a chain of accomplishments for the people, which, notwithstanding the department or office he has occupied, has been followed in perfect succession and with definite and certain progress.

Opportunities found while on the state land board have been followed from his later position on the railroad commission, with the big, broad idea that beyond all departmental duties, he is a servant of the state as a whole and a steward of the people's interests, and through his efforts suits are now pending which promise large gains to the public school funds of Oregon through the recovery of lands illegally granted to railroads.

Oswald West is pre-eminently a "modern man" of the people.

MUCH LUMBER IS DISTRIBUTED

Medford is Clearing House for Valley—Woods Lumber Company Doing Great Business Throughout the Valley.

The Woods Lumber company is keeping up Medford's reputation as a distributing center. They are shipping lumber to Central Point, Eagle Point, Phoenix, and several good sales have recently been made in different parts of the valley to be sent out by teams.

The Woods Lumber Co. is furnishing the lumber for J. F. Hollis' fine home now in course of construction on corner of Tenth and Oakdale avenue.

The architects and contractors, McIntosh & Albert, are building several buildings at Gold Hill and the lumber has just been shipped from Medford, furnished by the Woods company.

Albert & McIntosh have a record for good, substantial buildings, as shown by the fine houses of L. B. Rowe on Central avenue, Charles Young on North Central, Captain Packard, Wheeler, McIntosh and others about town.

The big orders and demand for lumber so far away from Medford simply proves that this city can and does make the right prices, and the fact that the Woods Lumber Co. is shipping cars almost daily proves that they are able to make the right prices and furnish lumber in any quantity and dimension.

1175 HUNTING, 1463 FISHING PERMITS OUT

County Clerk Coleman is still busy issuing hunting and fishing licenses to the sportsmen of the county. To date 1175 hunting and 1463 fishing permits have been granted.

Rich Haul by Burglars. PASADENA, Cal., Sept. 12.—Burglars broke into the Model Grocery company's store in South Pasadena early today and secured \$900 or \$1000 in cash. There is no clue to the identity of the thieves.

WANT BENSON TO COME BACK

Effort Is Made by Friends of Governor to Persuade Him to Return Before Statewide Primaries on September 24.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 12.—An effort is being made by friends of Governor Frank Benson to persuade him to return to Salem before the statewide primaries. Governor Benson is now living in seclusion in Marion county, across the bay from San Francisco. He was operated upon several weeks ago and a growth removed from his nose.

According to Dr. R. Lee Steiner, who returned from San Francisco recently, the governor's condition has improved much since the operation, and the surgeons look for him to recover completely, although he will be permanently disfigured.

It is reported that Benson is anxious to return to Oregon, but his physicians refuse to allow it, contending that the excitement of the campaign would be injurious to him.

JEFFRIES NOT UNWELL DECLARES HIS PARTNER

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 12.—The report that James J. Jeffries, the defeated champion, had suffered a mental collapse and that arrangements had been made for his confinement in a sanitarium were scouted today by Jack Kipper, Jeffries' business partner. Kipper declared there was no ground whatever for such a rumor, and he expressed his utter inability to account for it.

"Jeffries and I heard this rumor when we were down at Long Beach together last night, and also the report that Jeffries was to be sent to a sanitarium," said Kipper today. "Jim just laughed at it."

"I have no idea how such a rumor could have started. Jeffries has been keeping in perfect condition ever since the Reno fight. He has not put on a pound of flesh and is as well bodily and mentally as ever he was."

See the big eye on East Main street. 154\*

SAYS INSANITY IS A DEFENSE

Washington Supreme Court Hands Down Decision Giving Criminals the Right to Set Up an Insanity Defense.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Sept. 12.—The supreme court has handed down a judgment that the 1909 statute making insanity not a defense in criminal prosecutions is unconstitutional. This is one of the most important decisions handed down by the court.

The decision occurs in the case of state vs. Gus Strassberg, charged with assault in the first degree. Strassberg shot a man and under the statute of 1909 he was denied the right to plead insanity. The law, which was directly against the insanity plea, providing that it shall be "no defense to a criminal charge that the person charged was at the time of the commission of the offense unable, by reason of insanity, idiocy, imbecility, to comprehend the nature and quality of the act committed."

Chief Justice Rudkin holds that while the legislature had a right to pass the law, it is unconstitutional, inasmuch as it abridges the right of trial by jury, the trial judge and not the jury, under this law, determining the question of insanity. The decision will reverse the conviction of scores of persons now serving terms of imprisonment.

MULKEY IS MEETING WITH ENCOURAGEMENT

B. F. Mulkey writes from Salem to George W. Cherry, who is handling civil and criminal cases for him, that he has found warm supporters of his candidacy and the cause of insurrection in all parts of the district that he has visited and that there is little doubt that the old regime will be unable to blind the voters to the real issues at stake. Mr. Mulkey expects to visit every county in his district but Lake, which is still out of the beaten path of civilization, before returns to Medford on September 20.

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Fifty Years Ago Today. Sept. 12.

Walker the filibuster shot to death by the Honduran authorities.

Twenty-five Years Ago Today.

The two hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of Concord, Mass., celebrated.

LARGE ORCHARDS ARE PASSING

Latest Big Tract to Be Offered in Small Blocks Is Noted Surerest Orchards. Owned by Dr. F. C. Page.

One by one the large orchards in the valley are being cut up into small tracts and thereby room is being made continuously for a greater population. The time is coming when every ten acres in the valley will support a family.

The latest of the large orchards to be offered is the famous Surerest orchard tract. Dr. F. C. Page has decided to place 66 1/2 acres on the market for sale in five and ten-acre tracts and on terms that are most attractive. This block is planted to 8-year-old Newtowns, Spitzenbergs and Jonathans. They are all well set with fruit spurs for next year's crop.

The Surerest orchards consist of 461 acres and lies in such a way that the drainage is perfect. In addition to this, the soil is of the best. Fruit from this orchard has won various prizes. W. T. York & Co. are handling the tracts that are offered for sale.

In writing an ad about that furnished room you have to rent say, in a convincing way, just what you'd say if someone asked you to tell him what it was like. "and all about it."

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Pure Clear Sparkling SISKIYOU MINERAL WATER P. C. BIGHAM, Agent.

R&G CORSETS Better than ever.

THREE MORE SOLD. Summit avenue lots, between West Main and Fourth streets, are going rapidly.

GOODFRIEND HOTEL SAN FRANCISCO I. GOODFRIEND, Manager Formerly Hotels Stanford and St. Beryl, Powell Street, near Geary, adjoining Hotel Mark.

Merinello The woman who is interested in beauty and comfort culture will be pleased to know of the Merinello System. Merinello—this name stands for the highest development in the science of face and scalp culture.

WE DON'T CARE WHERE YOU GOT YOUR GLASSES MADE. WE WANT TO GIVE YOU AN EYEGLASS CLEANER. 801 EAST MAIN.