

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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SWORN CIRCULATION

Table with 2 columns: Month/Year and Circulation. Rows include November 1909 (1,700), December 1909 (1,722), January 1910 (1,822), February 1910 (2,202), March 1910 (2,291), April 1910 (2,450), May 1910 (2,592), June 1910 (2,724), July 1910 (2,827), August 1910 (2,827), September 1910 (2,551).

On the first day of November, 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.

Where to Go Tonight "NAT" THEATRE Very latest Moving Pictures. Entire change every Sunday, Tuesday and Friday.

U-GO High-Class Vaudeville and Moving Pictures. NEW TONIGHT, ALFREDO, Tramp Musical Comedian.

THE SAVOY Medford's Exclusive Picture Theater. Latest Licensed Photographs.

THE ISIS THEATRE NEW TONIGHT, ARMSTRONG & KELLOGG Co The Musical Comedians.

NATATORIUM FAREWELL CONCERT TO-DAY 2:30-4:30, 7:30 to 9:30. Skating every day except Sunday.

RATE REDUCTIONS SOUGHT.

IF YOU are not a member of the Medford Traffic bureau, you ought to join, for most important of the efforts being made by public-spirited citizens for the upbuilding and development of Medford is the attempt to secure freight rate reductions that will not only result in creating a jobbing and distributing center here, but also be the means of saving many thousands of dollars a year to the people of the community.

The state railroad commission has ordered reductions averaging 20 per cent, which the railroad says means a loss to them of \$300,000 a year, and of course a profit to people of southern Oregon of this amount—a sum well worth saving. This reduction has been temporarily enjoined, but all shippers should save their receipts to secure the rebates that will be coming.

The interstate commerce commission is hearing evidence in the case brought to secure class distributing rates out of Medford to California points, which are at present much higher than rates out of San Francisco, Portland or other distributing centers. Following this will come the hearings to secure lower railroad rates from California and eastern points, as well as that to secure distributive rates to Oregon points.

It is really to the Southern Pacific's interest to build up a jobbing center here, as that road would get both the long haul and the distributive haul, where as competitive lines might get the long haul and it be left only the short haul if this territory is supplied from Portland or San Francisco, instead of Medford. There is no stretch of railroad in the country as long as that from Sacramento to Portland without a distributing center on it—and this is an absurd and unnatural condition. Yet railroads will oppose every effort to build up new jobbing centers, lest they lose the political "pull" of the present big jobbing centers.

The annual report of the Southern Pacific shows the operating revenues in Oregon for the year ending June 30, 1910, were \$8,659,945, and the operating expenses \$4,520,526, leaving a net profit of \$4,139,419. On the Southern Pacific system \$22,976,039 dividends were paid, and after deducting taxes, dividends, leases, interest on bonds, etc., the surplus left was \$8,897,614.

Yet the attorneys of the Southern Pacific state that the reduction of 20 per cent in rates ordered to Medford would be virtual confiscation!

GROWTH OF SOCIALISM.

ONE significant result of the recent election is the great growth of the socialist party, which cast a million votes in Tuesday's election.

Socialists have now elected their first congressman. He is Victor Berger and hails from Milwaukee, which has already elected a socialist mayor, who, by the way, is "making good."

Socialists this year also elected the mayor of another large city—Minneapolis. Both Milwaukee and Minneapolis have a large population of foreign birth or descent, and it is among this element that the socialist party grows fastest.

New York and other eastern states, Illinois and the middle west, cast a large socialist vote. Nearly 50,000 votes were cast in California for socialist candidates, and to their defection is blamed the defeat of Bell.

In Jackson county the socialists cast an average vote of over 650. In some instances socialist candidates polled a much larger vote, but the strength of the party can be placed at this figure.

The Sacred Myths

By Robert G. Ingersoll.

We read the pagan's sacred books with profit and delight. With myth and fable we are ever charmed, and find a pleasure in the endless repetition of the beautiful, poetic and absurd. We find in all these records of the past philosophies and dreams, and efforts stained with tears, of great and tender souls who tried to pierce the mystery of life and death, to answer the eternal questions of the whence and whither, and vainly sought to make with bits of shattered glass a mirror that would in very truth reflect the face and form of nature's perfect self.

These myths were born of hopes and fears and tears and smiles, and they were touched and colored by all there is of joy and grief between the rosy dawn of birth and death's sad night. They clothed even the stars with passion, and gave to gods the virtues, faults and frailties of the sons of man. In them the winds and

waves were music, and all the lakes and streams and springs—the mountains, woods and perfumed dells were haunted by a thousand fairy forms. They thrilled the veins of Spring with tremulous desire; made tawny summer's billowed breast the throne and home of love; filled autumn's arms with sun-kissed grapes and gathered sheaves; and pictured winter as a weak old king who felt, like Lear, upon his withered face, Cordelia's tears.

These myths, though false, are beautiful and have for many ages and in countless ways enriched the heart and kindled thought. But if the world were taught that all these things are true and all inspired of God, and that eternal punishment will be the lot of him who dares deny or doubt, the sweetest myth of all the fable-world would lose its beauty and become a scorned and hateful thing to every brave and thoughtful man.

WATCHMAN BOUND; WAREHOUSE ROBBED

After overpowering and gagging J. F. Nolan, the night watchman, three masked men early today dynamited the safe of the D. P. Flory, whole sale grain company and escaped with more than \$100 in cash and negotiable paper worth several hundred dollars. Nolan was unable to give the police an adequate description of the robbers.

Nolan was found tightly trussed and tied to a post in a rear room. He declared that the robbers worked over the safe for more than an hour before they blew it up. Two charges of dynamite were exploded.

Haskin's for health.

PINKERTON LAUGHTS AT ELLMORE STORIES

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 12.—William A. Pinkerton, head of the famous detective agency, bearing his name, is in Seattle and was most emphatic in his declaration that the reports of Belle Ellmore Crippen being still alive are all canards.

"We handled the case in this country for Scotland Yard," said Pinkerton, "and furnished a considerable part of the evidence upon which Crippen was convicted, and we know that Belle Ellmore Crippen is not in this country."

Pinkerton is the son of Allan Pinkerton, the founder of the association who provided safe escort for President Lincoln to Washington in 1861.

ELECTION CLOSE; RETURNS WATCHED

United States Senatorship Hangs in Balance in Montana—Both Parties Claim Victory—Chances Said to Be Favoring Democrats.

HELENA, Mont., Nov. 14.—With the United States senatorship hanging in the balance, the official canvass of the recent election is expected to be complete throughout the state by tonight or tomorrow. Both democrats and republicans claim victory.

Never in all of Montana's stormy political history have the election returns been so carefully watched. The result means that either Senator Carter is to be returned to the senate or that the democrats will send either former Senator Clark, T. J. Walsh or W. G. Conrad back to Washington as Carter's successor.

Chairman Davies of the republican county committee of Silver Bow county is preparing to contest the election in Butte, where he charges wholesale illegal registrations, voting and repeating.

Until the official canvass is completed the result must remain in doubt. The chances, however, favor the democrats.

TO ORGANIZE STATE DAIRY ASSOCIATION

need for more intelligent care of dairy animals and more attention to the industry generally throughout the state is emphasized in the call sent out by Paul V. Maris, deputy state food and dairy commissioner, calling a meeting of dairymen and creamerymen in the Commercial club auditorium today. It is hoped to organize a state creamery and butter association to improve trade conditions.

"The dairy conditions in this state are by no means satisfactory. In fact, dairying has reached a point where it faces a crisis. Oregon has probably 12,000 herds of cows, the milk of which comes into the market. Eighty-five per cent of these herds are not in a flourishing condition. The profit is so small, if anything, that it is not worthy of consideration. This condition is due, according to the view taken by the experts, to lack of intelligent handling of the herds. Not only do the retail milk dealers complain of the returns received from their work, but the dairymen themselves are constantly complaining that he is not getting ahead, although the fact remains that he is receiving today a higher price for his product than at any time in the history of the country.

"Every dairymen who thoroughly understands the care of his herd, who is improving it by the best of breeding, is making money, but that kind of a dairymen is an exception in this state, and it is the purpose of the association to promote and develop lines of thought which will lift the dairymen out of his present condition to a higher and more profitable level by improving his milk cows."

FROHBACK SANGUINE OF SUCCESS AT SHOW

Determined to win the chief prize at the apple show at Spokane next week, H. O. Frohback, secretary of the Ashland commercial club, passed through Portland yesterday afternoon and stayed long enough to call at the Portland commercial club rooms, says the Oregonian. On the road is a cartload of yellow Newtown apples which Mr. Frohback believes is certain to win a prize. They were raised in the orchard of A. D. Helm, five miles east of Ashland. There are 630 boxes of the 2-2 pack, of three sizes, 112, 120 and 128, respectively, to the box. Mr. Frohback declared that Ashland won the chief prize at the Spokane show last year, and the apples in transit are even better than those of 1909. They are of an exceedingly deep yellow color, with just a trace of pink blush. As to shape they are almost perfect, being slightly flattened at each end.

The Portland commercial club has arranged for a delegation of club members to go to Spokane Wednesday night, arriving there Thursday. They will stay at the show grounds during the day and leave at night, arriving home Friday morning. It is believed that more than 100 merchants will go.

If you never "lose any time" except that spent in fruitlessly answering want ads, you'll get along!

Ross Kline has returned from a business trip to Chico, Cal.

Klamath Falls Lots Wanted I want to Purchase 4 or 5 well situated lots in Hot Springs or Hillside Addition, Klamath Falls. Please Give lot and block number and price. Address Box 84, Kenton Station, Portland, Ore.

36 DISTRICTS REPRESENTED (Continued from Page 1) plates. It is estimated there are fully 2,000,000 apples on exhibition. Following the program the delegates and visitors and the general public inspected the displays. The unanimous opinion of the growers and visitors at former shows is that the display this year is the largest and most comprehensive they had ever seen.

25% Discount NOW IS YOUR TIME We will close out this week our entire line of Woods & Son's Pure White Double Gold Band English Semi-Porcelain Dinner Ware at a discount of 25 per cent off Regular Prices

Now is your time to buy your Thanksgiving Dinner Set. Better come in and get yours while the assortment is complete.

Ladies' Water Color Portraits Heavy jersey ribbed fleeced lined gray mixed Union Suits; a 75c retailer; here tomorrow in sizes 4, 5 and 6. on a fine white pebble mat; size 15x19 inches, a 50c quality; over 50 subjects to select from

50c Suit 15c Each 2 for 25c Watch Our Windows If you want the biggest bargain to be seen in Medford. All new, clean, perfect goods.

THANKSGIVING POST CARDS 1c EACH HUSSEY'S

TRAVELING SALESMAN CHARGED WITH MURDER SPOKANE, Nov. 14.—Charged with having murdered his wife, whose body was discovered in their home on a ranch near Springston, Idaho, a week ago, J. W. McDowell, traveling salesman for the Minneapolis Threshing Machine company, was arrested here today by police detectives.

Thanksgiving Special With every 25c cash purchase made at our market you are entitled to a chance to win an 18-pound turkey, so buy your fresh, salted, roasted and smoked fish here. We also have fresh oysters for that Thanksgiving dinner. Call or phone and we will deliver your order.

Rogue River Fish Co. 17 NORTH FIR STREET. PHONE MAIN 3621.

MILLINERY NOTICE If the ladies who have been so kindly awaiting the arrival of the Turbans will please call they can have first choice.

Mrs. Salters Home Millinery Shop COR. WEST NINTH AND PEACH STS.

The Best Sub-Division Proposition in the Rogue River Valley 170 ACRES, HALF MILE FROM RAILROAD STATION— \$ 115 acres in grain; 10 acres in 2-year-old pears; 45 acres in brush and timber, easily cleared; no waste; good house, two barns, all fenced with woven wire; telephone; R. F. D.; part irrigated. Price, \$155 per acre; total, \$26,350. Terms: \$7500 cash; \$4000 one year, 6 per cent; \$14,850 five years, 6 per cent.

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