

THOUSANDS HEADED FOR ROGUE VALLEY

PERRY BACK FROM CHICAGO WHERE HE BOOSTED LOYALLY

Glowing Reports of Interest Taken in Rogue River Exhibit at Land Show — Hundreds Besieged Him Each Day With Questions About Valley

That thousands of people are contemplating coming to the Rogue River valley as soon as possible...

The exhibit at the land show was a winner. In hours especially were people interested.

People will not assume that your store is as good as its strongest competitor unless its advertising is as good.

18 PER CENT OF MEDFORD STREETS ARE NOW PAVED

City Engineer Compiles Figures Giving Total Amount of Paving in the City—Sidewalks and Total Length of Streets Also in Report.

According to figures compiled by City Engineer Foster for his annual report to the city council...

The city now has 20.30 miles of concrete sidewalks and 8.46 miles of board walks.

Another eight miles have been ordered paved.

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Popular Couple Married.

Mrs. Sadie Sturges, one of Medford's popular young ladies...

The young couple will reside in Medford. They have a host of friends who wish them well.

Want advertise for boarders—and do business to the capacity of your house.

MOONSHINERS IN JOSEPHINE TO BE RUN OUT

Federal Agents Have Been Working for Some Time Locating Stills in Southern Oregon—One Man Is Under Arrest.

PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—United States revenue officers have begun a campaign against moonshiners...

It was learned today that federal agents have been working for several months in locating various stills...

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L. F. McPherson, an old resident along the Siuslaw river, was arrested by the government detectives yesterday.

A still which McPherson admitted belonged to him, was captured by the officers and has been turned over to Collector of Internal Revenue Dunne.

It is asserted that a number of small stills are in operation. Prune brandy and other alcoholic beverages made from fruits are being manufactured in the mountain stills.

HEAVIEST FREEZE IN YEARS HITS KLAMATH COUNTY

KLAMATH FALLS, Dec. 17.—Probably not in the history of Klamath Falls has there been such a disastrous fog and freeze as the one of the last few days.

In fact, this freeze is something of the nature of what in Portland would be called a "silver freeze" and it has done a great deal of damage all over the country.

Dam Death to Suckers.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec. 17.—The diversion dam which is to be constructed across Lost river at the Gap will mean the passing of the famous "Lost River" sucker.

Each spring, as the freshet waters of the hills come rushing down this stream and swell it above its usual proportions, the suckers have been wont to run up the river to their spawning grounds.

When this dam is completed and the waters of Tule lake dry up there will remain during the most of the year, and as the river is to be diverted into the Klamath river what few of them happen to be above this dam when it is finished and the water turned off the old channel will lose themselves in the waters of the Klamath and lakes of this country.

SAYS CONSPIRACY TO BRING ON WAR SCARE IS NOW ON

Congressman Charges That Latest Talk of Defencelessness of Coast Is But Plan to Create Business for Powder Manufacturers.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—A conspiracy to bring on a war scare for the purpose of supplying business for the powder and armament manufacturers is in existence, according to Congressman Prince of Illinois.

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I want to see the army mobilized with the men in their own regiments and to give the captains a chance to know their colonels.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—Correspondence referring to the McLaughlin resolution calling for a report from the secretary of war on the alleged unpreparedness of the United States for an attack on the Pacific coast was laid before the house today.

The correspondence included a letter from Secretary Dickinson transmitting the reports as "confidential" and Speaker Cannon's letter refusing to accept the report.

BARTHOLOMEW IS GRANTED A DIVORCE

Thomas Bartholomew has been granted a divorce from his wife and has been awarded the custody of the two children.

AUTO RAFFLE NEXT FRIDAY

Crater Lake Road Commission Will Dispose of the Flanders "20" Donated by Company for the Benefit of the Road.

The Crater Lake road commission has made arrangements for the final disposal of the Flanders "20," donated to the Crater Lake road by the E. M. F. and Studebaker Automobile company.

Baker Has Heavy Snow.

BAKER, Ore., Dec. 17.—Snow began falling here at 2 o'clock this afternoon and up to 6 o'clock about six inches of snow.

There is about 16 feet of snow in the mountains, which is something unusual for this time of the year.

C. R. Hammond Is Dead.

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Dec. 17.—C. R. Hammond, aged 74, a pioneer resident of Rogue River valley, died Wednesday night after a short illness.

ACTION IS PROTESTED

Local Merchants Write Portland Jobbers in Regard to Their Interference in Efforts to Secure Lower Rates—Meeting of Chamber of Commerce in Consequence.

PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—Letters received from Medford and Baker merchants protesting against the interference of Portland jobbers in the railroad rate cases brought by the two cities to secure lower commodity (carload) rates and distribution rates...

The letters from Medford read as follows: "Medford, Ore., Dec. 10.—Dear Sir: The Medford Traffic Bureau, of which we are members, has pending before the state railroad commission of Oregon a suit for the establishment of reasonable carload commodity rates from Portland to Medford."

The people of Chihuahua City fear that the first move of the insurgents will be to tear up the Mexican Central railroad tracks and invest the city. Business is at a standstill and wild rumors keep the people in constant alarm.

The capture by the insurgents of La Junta Junction, a point on the Mexican North-western railway, was reported in today's dispatches.

The store advertisement that is positively profitable to those who read it will be as sure for you store through the law of mutual utility which governs such things.

JACKSON GETS \$4957 FROM U.S.

Oregon Counties in Forest Reserves Have Money Apportioned to Them — Will Be Used for Schools and Roads in County.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 17.—Oregon counties in which are located forest reserves are entitled to \$38,635.87 for use of public schools or roads, according to a letter received at the executive offices today from the treasury department at Washington.

The money is divided among the different reserves as follows: Cascade, \$2679.12; Crater, \$6197.12; Deschutes, \$3038.32; Fremont, \$4,507.03; Malheur, \$4099.39; Oregon, \$2960.30; Siskiyou, \$422.30; Siuslaw, \$32.00; Umatilla, \$1629.03; Wallowa, \$6,752.84; Wheeler, \$1546.27; Whitman, \$4258.50.

As Jackson county receives 80 per cent of the Crater forest receipts, her share is \$4957.09.

JULIAN A. MOCK MAY ESCAPE DEATH

DIAZ' TROOPS PUT TO ROUT BY REVOLUTIONISTS

Federal Forces Demoralized as Result of Guerrilla Fighting—Reinforcements Cut Off by Superior Number of Rebels.

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 17.—A general advance of the insurrection army forces that for weeks have been concentrating near Ojinada began today and the cavalry of the insurgents clashed with Mexican federal troops at Hacienda, 14 miles from Ojinada. It is reported that the rebels drove Diaz's troops from their position and stamped the federal cavalry over the international line to the Big Bend country in Texas.

This engagement is said to be the beginning of a movement by Francisco Madero to divide the government troops in Chihuahua in the eastern and western sections of the state.

In western Chihuahua, General Navarro's forces are demoralized as a result of weeks of guerrilla fighting. The morale of the government soldiers is very poor and it is reported that many of the privates deserted to the insurgents after every clash.

It was learned today that General Hernandez with reinforcements from Chihuahua was cut off by a superior number of rebels and unable to effect a junction with Navarro.

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NEW ENGLAND'S COAST SWEEPED BY GREAT FLOOD

Many Deaths in Wake of Hurricane — Terrific Damage to Shipping — Two Barges Flounder, Carrying Seven to Death.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 17.—New England's coast is being swept by a terrific storm that already is believed to have caused many deaths and enormous damage to shipping. The storm began early yesterday and continued apparently unabated today.

Two barges, the Binghamton and the Scranton, foundered late last evening, carrying seven men to death according to a report from Marblehead.

The schooner Maywood foundered but her crew was rescued. The government cutter Gresham assisted several distressed ships to places of safety.

The schooner N. E. Ayer and the British schooner S. A. Fowner were helpless off Old Harbor. Both crews were rescued by the Gresham and the Ayer towed to port.

A good many of the people who are reading and answering classified advertisements in this newspaper nowadays are as anxious to find a desirable place to live as you are to secure a desirable tenant.

STATE'S CASE DAMAGED BY HIS STRAIGHT STORY

All Efforts to Shake Him on Cross-Examination Fail—Witnesses for State Are Weakened on Cross-Examination—Trial Lengthened.

That Julian A. Mock will probably escape a death penalty for killing Jesse C. Smith in this city in September is the belief of those who have followed the murder trial now under way in Jacksonville.

The first witness called by the state was John McMullen, with whom Smith was staying.

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The lumber schooner Steven G. Land was abandoned 33 miles southeast of Boston light. The crew was rescued by the steamer Perry.

The damage on the south and west coasts of Great Britain is enormous. In addition to the havoc wrought by the storm, icy weather prevails and the suffering among the poor and homeless is very great.

The rivers are at the highest point. The Thames has flooded vast areas in Warwickshire, Shropshire, Radnorshire, Somerset and Essex.

BIG TRACT NEAR EAGLE POINT CHANGES HANDS

Chadborn Bros. & Co., a realty firm well known in Minneapolis, purchased yesterday through the agency of Huntley-Kremer company the Grover ranch at Eagle Point. The tract comprises 171 acres and adjoins the corporate limits of the Eagle Point township.

States practically on record as having favored direct election of senators are: Arkansas, California, Minnesota, Utah, Kansas, Texas, Illinois, Indiana, South Dakota, Idaho, Washington, North Carolina, Tennessee, Wyoming, Montana, Nevada, Michigan, Wisconsin, Missouri, Iowa, Oregon, Louisiana, Colorado, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Nebraska and Oklahoma.

STANDPATTERS WOULD HEAD OFF RULE BY PEOPLE

Steady Growth of Sentiment for Direct Primaries and Popular Election of United States Senators Is Proving Most Disconcerting.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—The steady growth of sentiment for the direct and popular election of United States senators today caused leading standpatters to confer over plans to head off the movement.

States practically on record as having favored direct election of senators are: Arkansas, California, Minnesota, Utah, Kansas, Texas, Illinois, Indiana, South Dakota, Idaho, Washington, North Carolina, Tennessee, Wyoming, Montana, Nevada, Michigan, Wisconsin, Missouri, Iowa, Oregon, Louisiana, Colorado, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Nebraska and Oklahoma.

Legislatures in a majority of these states already have declared in favor of direct election of federal senators.