

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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GEORGE PUTNAM, Editor and Manager

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SWORN CIRCULATION.

Table with 2 columns: Month, Circulation. Rows for January 1910, March 1910, April 1910, May 1910, June 1910, July 1910, August 1910, September 1910, October 1910.

November Circulation.

Table with 2 columns: Day, Circulation. Rows for 1 through 15 of November 1910.

Total Daily average, 5,080.

STATE OF OREGON, County of Jackson, ss.

On the first day of December, 1910, personally appeared before me, George Putnam, manager of the Medford Mail Tribune, who, upon oath, acknowledged that the above figures are true and correct.

H. N. YOCKEY, Notary Public for Oregon.

MEDFORD, OREGON.

Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and the fastest growing city in Oregon.

Population—U. S. census 1910; 8,840, estimated in November, 1910, 10,000.

Five hundred thousand dollar Gravity Water System completed, giving finer supply pure mountain water and six feet miles of street being paved and contracted for at a cost exceeding \$1,000,000, making a total of twenty miles of pavement.

Postoffice receipts for year ending November 30, 1910, show a gain of 51 per cent.

Bank deposits were \$2,376,532, a gain of 22 per cent.

Banner fruit city in Oregon—Rogue River Spitzenberg apples won sweepstakes prize and title of "Apple King of the World" at the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909, and a car of Newtowns won First Prize in 1910 at Canadian International Apple Show, Vancouver, B. C.

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

Write Commercial club, inclosing 6 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever written.

Fifty Years Ago Today, Dec. 21. Bombardment by the Sardinian army of Gnetta, the last refuge of King Francis II. of Naples, was begun.

Semiofficial figures of the eighth census gave the population of the United States 31,000,000. (In 1850 the figures were 23,000,000.)

Twenty-five Years Ago Today. The formation of the territory of Oklahoma was discussed in congress.

The hydrophobia suspects bitten in Newark, N. J., on the 3d arrived in Paris and were inoculated by Pasteur.

The trend of literary people is to New York and London. Fifty-six Indiana counties have lost in population since the 1900 census.

If that aviator really wanted President Taft to go up in his airship, why didn't he tell him it would help the party?

Great Britain will have to hold her elections somehow the best she can without any eloquent words of advice from Colonel Roosevelt.

The sugar trust did not have to wait for Santa Claus to put something in its stocking; Uncle Sam substituted.

Mary Garden's presentation of "Salome" has been barred in Chicago. This will probably save Mary from an attack of pneumonia.

The returns are now all in and it is found that the only states to show republican gains were Mexico and Portugal.

As Mr. Morgan assumes that Uncle Sam is to win the oil and tobacco cases the courts need no longer hesitate.

NEWSPAPER INFLUENCE.

WHEN Life Young of Iowa told the senate that the editors, and not congress, made the laws and ruled the nation, he told a half truth. The power of an honest press is irresistible, but so many of the great newspapers have become journalistic prostitutes or are owned outright by the "interests" that also control congress, that the power of the press is slight compared to what it might be.

The commercialism of the press has kept pace with the growth of commercialism generally. Much capital is required to finance a great newspaper. Those furnishing the money, not only demand interest upon the investment, but also protection in news and editorial columns. The counting house dictates the policy. The writers must live and they write accordingly, not because they believe what they say or have any heart or soul in it, but they need the money.

It is only here and there that an editor really has the last say, is the dominant force in the metropolitan journal. Once in a while the owner of such a paper is a trained newspaper man, who conducts his paper fearlessly and independently for the right as it is given him to see it, but such instances are rare and the plodding of the hired man along the lines of least resistance, has largely replaced the fire of genius and the ring of sincerity.

To attempt to secure an expression of public opinion by quoting metropolitan newspapers in various sections of the country, is wasted effort. But few of them reflect what the people are thinking, or what their own editors are thinking, but what the "interests," who not only control the newspapers, but various allied commercial and political interests, want published. Hence the readers, more and more, look to the city newspaper simply for news and take with a grain of salt the tainted editorial column, distrust it entirely or overlook it altogether. So the editorial is in danger of becoming sort of a vermiform appendix of journalism.

Such fields of human interest, as the management and control of government and business, the growth of special privilege, the development of the billionaire, and the complex and changing social conditions have been left to popularize the magazine which from being purely a literary product, by appropriating more and more the functions of the newspaper is becoming a necessary factor in the nation's life by filling a universal demand for that which the newspaper ought to but fails to supply. And the magazine is written by the former journalist denied the right to voice his convictions and findings in the newspaper.

The country press is as a rule more independent than the city press, but it is often tainted by commercialism as well as inefficiency, laziness and cowardice, and frequently hampered by poverty. It is claimed that most country papers are as good as their support warrants, but the way to secure better support is to make a better product, and no matter how small the paper is, it can be made worth while.

MISS CRYSTAL McNARY CORBETT IS LOOKING IS LAID AT REST FOR WHITE MAN'S HOPE

A most impressive funeral service was held Tuesday afternoon over the body of Miss Crystal McNary, who passed away at Eugene Monday night. The body reached here from Eugene at 10:30 and lay in state at the M. E. church until 2 o'clock Tuesday, when the funeral services were held, the Rev. Mr. Belknap officiating. The floral pieces, consisting of crosses, gates ajar and other designs, which accompanied the body, were many and beautiful, showing the high esteem in which she was held at Eugene. Her classmates who graduated with her from the Medford high school in 1910, and many friends who knew her attended the funeral and placed upon her bier garlands of love and respect. The pallbearers were chosen from among her friends and were: Earl Reynolds, Sam Glasgow, Walter L. Valentine, Earl Conklin, Merle Payne and James Cooley.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Dec. 20.—James J. Corbett admits that he is still out on a still-hunt for a "hope of the white race" that is really a "hope." "Everywhere I go I am continually facing the all too impressive fact that there are no really good heavyweights except Jack Johnson," said Corbett today. "But I'm still looking for someone to whip the big black." Corbett's visit here is said to have been prompted by a desire to box a few rounds with Carl Morris, Oklahoma's "hope." Corbett will be at the ringside when Morris and Marvin Hart of Louisville, Ky., meet here tonight. J. Morris shows anything like championship caliber against Hart it is no unlikely that Corbett will arrange to take him east to meet some of the rising crop of heavyweights.

SANTA CLAUS HITS SAVINGS BANK HARD

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 21.—After a run of several days, the Township School Bank of New Providence, N. J., finds itself still solvent, but with a balance of only \$11 in deposits remaining. The bank was organized to help school children save their money. Any sum from 1 cent up is accepted. Last week the Christmas buying fever seized the depositors, and there was a rush of withdrawals. When the week's reports were in, the cashier struck a balance and found that Santa Claus had come within \$11 of wiping out the institution.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the city council of the city of Medford, Or., at its regular meeting on January 3, 1911, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in quantities less than a gallon at its place of business in the Hotel Nash building, at southeast corner First and Main streets, in said city, for a period of six months.

242 HOTEL NASH COMPANY.

OVER A MILLION NOW IN CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA, Dec. 21.—Elaborate preparations are being made for the approaching census, and as many a 1000 enumerators are being employed, as against the 3000 who were considered sufficient at the census of ten years ago. It is expected that the returns for 1911 will show a population for Calcutta of more than 1,000,000 inhabitants, and of a little interest is being taken as to the numbers which the census will disclose. The census in India arouses feelings which are probably absent in the vast majority of other countries, and in the census of 1901 such excitement prevailed in the northern quarter of Calcutta that it was thought advisable to hold three public meetings for the purpose of making clear to the people that the questions put to them had no sinister purpose behind them.

Died.

Marvin Frederick Murphy, the 18 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Murphy, died at 12:30 Wednesday morning of pneumonia. The funeral will occur Thursday afternoon from the family residence at 615 South Central avenue.

BITTNER IS IN RACE TO WIN

Believes in Doing the Thing That Will Promote the Most Good for the Most People—Against Special Interests, Rings, Cliques and Graft.

Most of the voters of Medford are busy thinking about the coming election and most of the citizens of this fair city are desirous of seeing the best man elected to fill that office.

Medford is one of the best cities in the entire United States and for its size it has no equal in the world. We should have a man at the head of the city government—a man that will stand up for what is right at all times and under all circumstances; a man that knows how to choose men, to fill the appointive offices who will do their duty and who will have the proper knowledge to enable them to do their work in the best possible manner. We are proud of this city, we should elect men to offices in the city government that will make our city famous from all standpoints, men who will look after the welfare of the city of Medford from the standpoint of proper morals, proper civic beauty, proper engineering, proper sanitation and health, and last, but by no means least, men who will give us an economical as well as a progressive administration.

I believe that I can give to this city the best administration that she will ever have enjoyed, and I have hundreds of friends here who believe that I should be elected to the office of mayor.

If you haven't thought about the matter, just think it over and if you are a good citizen and want Medford to continue to grow and prosper all along all lines, if you want Medford governed so that the greatest good may be done for the greatest number of people, you will vote for me.

I represent no rings, no cliques, no special interests, and only promise to carry out the will of the citizens of Medford as expressed in the majority of votes cast at the coming election.

If you are for all that is right—against boss and ring rule in the best of all cities—if you want a fair, honest, business administration, free from graft, I ask you to vote for me.

If you want a wide-open town, graft and a lot of catering to special interests, rings and cliques, then you had better not vote for me, for I will do nothing to favor any one that will in any way infringe on the rights of another unless it is for the good of the greatest number of people and is right for all concerned. Sincerely, E. F. A. BITTNER.

ENDS WINTER TROUBLES. To many, winter is a season of trouble. The frost bitten toes and fingers, chapped hands and lips, chilblains, cold sores, red and rough skin, prove this. But such troubles fly before Bucklen's Arnica Salve. A trial convinces. Greatest healer of Burns, Boils, Piles, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Sprains. Only 25c at all druggists.

LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT WAS GREAT SUCCESS

That Medford possesses talent in the theatrical line and that local talent surpasses much of the professional talent coming this way was proven at the Medford Opera house Tuesday night. Pooehontas Lodge auxiliary to the Improved Red Men was responsible for the production and that the drama was well performed is only stating it mildly.

Among those who covered themselves with glory was Harry Shontz, who, as a blackface comedian, was among the best in existence. The Mandolin club furnished the very best of music and the entire performance was highly appreciated by a large crowd. The play will be presented in Ashland tonight.

SAVED FROM AWFUL DEATH.

How an appalling calamity in his family was prevented is told by A. D. McDonald of Fayetteville, N. C. R. F. D. No. 5. "My sister had consumption," he writes, "she was very thin and pale, had no appetite and seemed to grow weaker every day, as all remedies failed, till Dr. King's New Discovery was tried, and so completely cured her that she has not been troubled with a cough since. Its the best medicine I ever saw or heard of." For coughs, colds, lagrippe, asthma, croup, hemorrhage, all bronchial troubles, it has no equal, 50c, \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

Haskins for Health.

NO CAR LOAD DEMAND FOR APPLES NOW

The Northwestern Fruit Exchange issues the following bulletin under date of Portland, December 19:

Apples: As predicted in our previous advices, the carload demand has disappeared, as fruit jobbers are now devoting all of their attention to supplying the retail trade out of the stocks which they have accumulated, and as a consequence are not buying further until they are cleaned up. We have a few cars in transit which will have to be sold, and may have to hold cars for a few days until the demand revives.

Meanwhile, we report sales made since our last report:

PFE 7165, from Oregon December 12, mixed varieties and grades, many lines indefinitely graded, practically orchard run, as follows: "Babbitts, Kings, Spies \$1.25; other varieties all \$1.00 f.o.b. Oregon, to a buyer in Minnesota.

PFE 6431, from The Dalles, Oregon, 8th, 485 fancy, 187 choice Kalghns \$1.100 f.o.b. Oregon, to a buyer in Texas.

PFE 5, from Wellslade, Oregon, December 9, 873 orchard run choice Ben Davis. The shipper neglected to check the sizes in this car, and it is somewhat of a "pig in a poke." Sold to an buyer in New York for export, at \$1.00 per box f.o.b. Oregon, subject to inspection and acceptance at New York.

GN 92014, from Poshastin, December 8, mostly choice Ben Davis and Black Benz, balance of the car split up in choice grades of 17 different varieties, the car running heavy to small sizes, 192 5-tier, at a straight price of 85c per box f.o.b. Washington, to a buyer in Minnesota.

CBQ 37627, from Poshastin, December 8, 630 boxes of mixed varieties of choice grade, one line unknown variety, mostly 4 1/2 and 5 tier, at a straight price of \$1 per box f.o.b. Washington, to a buyer in Minnesota.

PARISIAN SAGE.

Puts Hair on Your Head and Keeps it There.

Man or woman, no matter how old you are, Parisian Sage, the unequalled hair tonic, will make you look younger.

Why not go to Chas. Strang and get a generous sized bottle today. It only costs 50 cents, and your money back if it does not cure dandruff; stop falling hair, or itching scalp. It

will make your hair luxuriant, bright and beautiful, and it is the most refreshing, pleasant and invigorating hair dressing made. The girl with the Auburn hair on every bot-

The Christmas Feast. ARE YOU prepared for the feast on Xmas day? How about carvers? A deliciously flavored nice looking turkey will taste all the better for being properly served and carved. No one ought to attempt to carve a Xmas feast with unfit tools. It's an insult to the turkey, to the host and suggests despair to the guests—especially if the teeth aren't quite up to date. We are showing a beautiful line of carving sets ranging in price from \$3.00 to \$35.00. The more expensive ones are handsomely eased, have genuine stak handles, solid silver mountings and hand forged steel blades. Why not a carving set for the Xmas present. Medford Hardware Co. Open Evenings.

Christmas Furs at Reduced Prices. Especially opportune is this event with Christmas so near for nothing is more acceptable than rich furs. A line of Stoles and Throws in Chin-chilla, Mole, natural Opossum, Squirrel, etc.; regular values \$6.50 and \$7.50. Xmas special \$5.00. A Black Coney Set, large pillow Muff, a medium length shoulder cape; regular value \$21.00. Xmas special \$16.50. A Black Southern Lynx Set, rug muff, long stoles, beautifully made up; regular value \$29.50. Xmas special \$24.50. A beautiful set of Iceland Fox Furs, large barrel muff, handsome stole; an excellent value at regular price, \$38.50. Xmas special \$32.75. Many beautiful Japanese Mink Sets, Silk Kimonos for Gifts. \$15.00. Ours are priced at \$4.95, \$7.50, up to \$38.50. Silk Petticoats for Gifts. Why not an Evening or Reception Gown for a gift? If it should not suit we would cheerfully exchange after holidays. Choose from a fresh stock; our's hasn't been handled over the full season; many have been on display only about three weeks. Prices are reduced one-fourth. Other Xmas Suggestions. SILK WAISTS, LINEN WAISTS, SWEATERS, UMBRELLAS, SCARFS, HAND BAGS, NECKWEAR, HANDKERCHIEFS, BACK COMBS, BARRETTES, JEWELRY, BELTS, OSTRICH PLUMES, ETC. Give Useful Gifts, buy Them at AHREN'S. 222 West Main Street.