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DOG POISONER AT LARGE IN CITY

F. V. Medynski, W. W. Eifert and Others Lose Valuable Animals—Six or Eight Dogs Killed During Past Three Days.

That vandals and dog poisoners are holding undisputed carnival in the residential portion of the city is the charge made by a number of persons who, within the last week, suffered the loss of dogs, valuable either for their real or fancied worth, at their hands.

Early Thursday morning F. V. Medynski of 316 North Central street was awakened by the barking of his dog, a hound valued by its owner as a bird dog. Going to the enclosure behind his residence Mr. Medynski let the suffering animal into the house where it was seized with convulsions a few moments later and died. A physician who was summoned pronounced strychnine poisoning as the cause of death.

Councilman W. W. Eifert, whose residence is in the same block, also lost a dog, a valuable cocker spaniel, in the same way. Three other dogs were reported this morning to have been poisoned during the night and the dead body of an unclaimed collie dog is lying at the corner of North Central and Fourth streets.

Numerous chicken thefts have been reported in the same vicinity lately and the belief prevails that these miscreants are wantonly poisoning dogs in order to make stealing easier.

Chief of Police Shearer has been notified and is conducting an investigation.

MONEY EASIER SAYS DR. REDDY

Returns From Trip to Spokane, Saying Greater Investments Are Being Made Than Ever Before—Plenty at Five Per Cent Now.

Dr. J. F. Reddy, who returned this morning from a visit to Spokane, is enthusiastic over the outlook for business during the coming year, already made almost a certainty by the tendency shown in the money market of Spokane to become easier.

"Greater investments," he said, "are being made now than ever before, and with money plentiful at 5 per cent, whereas a short time ago it was scarce at 6 1/2 and 7 per cent, business all over the west will receive great impetus."

NEW YEAR'S EVE TO BE OBSERVED

Several Parties Arranged for Tomorrow Evening—Cafes Will Be Open—Watch Meetings Will Be Held—Old Year Nearly Gone.

The new year will be appropriately welcomed in Medford tomorrow evening. The cafes in the city will be opened and a score of parties at various residences have been arranged.

A number of the churches will hold watch services.

HAMMOND BACKING GREAT CORPORATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 20.—John Hays Hammond, mining engineer, of Africa and America, has formed a \$10,000,000 corporation to be known as Yosemite Power company, which will develop electric power for San Francisco and interior in Central California according to the statement made by Lester Wiley, an engineer who has completed part of the deal.

PROPOSED HIGHWAY LAWS.

THE following is a resume of the bills proposed by the State Good Roads association:

There shall be created by the legislature a state highway board, composed of three men, to serve without pay, but to have "necessary traveling expenses." Within 30 days after its appointment by the governor the board will appoint a state highway commissioner with a salary of \$4000 a year (a secretary at \$1800 a year) and "actual necessary traveling expenses," who shall have "general and advisory supervision of all roads built wholly or in part by the state."

The state shall appropriate \$680,000 to be used in 1911 and 1912. Each county to have \$10,000 a year for two years upon putting up \$20,000 for each \$5000 put up by the state. When the county court appropriates the money, selects the road to be improved, furnishes the required tools and machinery, the highway shall be built under the exclusive direction of the state highway commissioner. A county that does not make use of the state fund in 1911 can use it in 1912, but failure to use it is a waiver to any claim on its part of the state appropriation. There shall be no grade steeper than seven per cent, except by permission of the state highway board.

The county bonding act provides three forms of initiative by the people, and action by the county court besides: On petition of 25 per cent of the voters it is made mandatory on the county court to order a special election on a bond issue for construction of permanent highways; on petition of 5 per cent of the voters the county court is authorized to call an election for bond issue, if it sees fit to do so, but is not required; on petition of 10 per cent of the voters the county court shall submit the question of a bond issue to the voters at a general election. The county court may submit the question of a bond issue at any general election on its own motion. The rate of interest shall not exceed 6 per cent, and they shall not be sold at less than par, preference to be given to citizens of the county in selling same.

All convicts, except those needed to do work at the state prison, shall be employed on the state highways. Any county that will care for and guard such convicts can have them on application to the state highway board. Three central camps, one in eastern, one in western and one in southern Oregon, are to be established, where convicts are to prepare road material. The state highway board shall have exclusive control of the convicts while engaged in state road work.

County prisoners shall be under control of the county court, or may be let out to any road supervisor or other person appointed to do work on highways. City prisoners shall be under the control of the county court, and shall be worked on the county roads in the same manner as county prisoners. A county court of one county may transfer to another county prisoners to be worked on the highways. In all cases city or county prisoners shall be required to work for the full number of days sentenced or fined at \$2 per day.

Fifty thousand dollars is appropriated to carry this act into effect.

WHAT 1910 HAS SEEN.

NINETEEN hundred and ten has witnessed Medford make the greatest growth in its history and the Rogue River valley its greatest strides towards material development.

The close of the year finds approximately 10,000 people living in Medford, a gain during the year of 35 per cent. It finds 65,000 acres of planted commercial orchards and another 20,000 acres being planted. It finds a substantial beginning made in the development of the many resources of the country, the opening up of granite and lime quarries, the establishment of brick and tile kilns, the opening of lumber mills and a revival of mining.

Nineteen hundred and ten has witnessed the completion of the Pacific and Eastern (the Hill system) to Butte Falls and its survey made to connect with the Oregon Trunk, affording a new transcontinental railroad to the east. It has witnessed construction begin on the extension of the Rogue River Valley railroad up the Applegate with the Blue Ledge copper mine as its objective.

Nineteen hundred and ten has witnessed the completion of nearly nine miles of paved streets in Medford and the contracting of as many more. It has witnessed the completion of a half million dollar gravity water system, giving it an unexcelled supply of pure mountain water. It has seen many miles of sewer and storm sewer system completed. It has seen many modern business blocks erected and hundreds of homes built. It has seen the construction of a magnificent new depot and the parking of the railroad right-of-way, as well as doubling the size of the City Park.

Nineteen hundred and ten has seen the city outgrowing its school facilities with nearly 1700 pupils; the purchase of new school sites and the adoption of plans for the immediate erection of two fine new schools, with two more to follow in the near future.

Nineteen hundred and ten has witnessed phenomenal activity both in city and valley. The story of Medford is reflected in less degree in the other towns of the valley. Ashland has made material growth, Talent, Woodville, Eagle Point and Butte Falls have incorporated; Central Point and Jacksonville have installed water systems. Everywhere substantial improvement and development have been the order of the day.

All this marvelous record of 1910 profusely illustrated, will be found in the New Year's edition of the Mail Tribune.

RUSSIAN LION WILL MEET FARMER BURNS

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—George Hackenschmidt, the "Russian Lion," today picked up the gauntlet thrown down by Farmer Burns in behalf of Frank Gotch, the retired wrestling champion. Through ask Curley, his manager, Hackenschmidt posted a forfeit with a Chicago sporting editor and wired Bud Edden, sporting

editor of the New York World, that he would accept the side bet of \$29,000 imposed as a condition of the match by Gotch.

Hackenschmidt offered to wrestle before the club offering the best inducements on a winner-take-all basis. Curley and Hackenschmidt will reach Chicago today, the telegram to Edden said, to talk business with Gotch's representatives.

\$10,000 DRAFT AS XMAS PRESENT

Local Orchardist for One Long-Fleeting Moment Enjoyed Himself and Then He Hit the Ground With a Dull, Sickening Thump.

Suppose you received a letter from your brother telling you that he had just cleaned up \$100,000 on a real estate deal and was inclosing a draft for \$10,000 as a Xmas gift for you, and just as you got up in the air a mile or two or three or four, and then suddenly hit the ground with a dull, sickening thud—now, wouldn't it make you mad?

That is the experience of a local orchardist. It happened this way: He visited the postoffice last Friday and found a letter. He recognized the handwriting of a brother—a successful eastern business man. Tearing it open this is what he read: "Dear —: During the past few months I have been very successful in a number of real estate deals and have cleaned up about \$100,000. Inclosed please find draft for \$10,000 in the way of a little Xmas gift, which except with my best wishes for a merry Xmas. . . ."

Here the local man began searching that envelope to locate the draft. Unsuccessful in finding it, he turned again to the letter and, starting where he left off, he read:

"That is the way I would like to write, but, to tell the truth, I am a liar and haven't made a cent."

Here is where that dull, sickening thud came in.

TO LIGHT MOUTH OF COLUMBIA

Searchlights Ordered to Light River in Order to Keep Track of Hostile Ships in Time of War—Can Read by Light Five Miles Distant.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—Following his return from Fort Stevens which he visited on business connected with the construction of better fortifications, Major McIndoe, corps of engineers, U. S. A., said that four of the 60-inch searchlights provided for use at the mouth of the Columbia have been installed and until six additional arrive from the east, it is said smaller lights will be put in place.

Fort Stevens, Fort Canby and Fort Columbia will be equipped so that the entire entrance and approach to the river can be brilliantly illuminated in emergencies, and while the lights are intended for service in time of war, so as to keep track of hostile ships, they will be used for night target practice also.

Experiments made with the big searchlights show a newspaper can be read five miles at sea in the rays of the lights, and vessels can be seen until fog intervenes long before they could reach a point where their guns could do effective work. The lenses are a diameter of five feet. The lights are among the largest in use.

READ THIS.

Who Suffer From Catarrh, Sore Throat or Colds.

Millions of people throughout America have breathed HYOMEI (pronounce it High-o-me) and now own a HYOMEI Inhaler made of hard rubber.

If you own a HYOMEI Inhaler, no matter where you live, you can get a bottle of HYOMEI at Chas. Strang's and druggists everywhere for only 50c.

Ask for an extra bottle of HYOMEI Inhaler; it is only 50c and with it you can cure a cough or a cold in a day.

You can get relief from catarrh or stuffed up head in two minutes and stop hawking and snuffing in a week.

Just pour a few drops of HYOMEI into the Inhaler and breathe it in—that's all.

It's so easy and so pleasant and so much more desirable than swallowing nauseating drugs. Breathe HYOMEI over the inflamed membrane of the nose and throat and its soothing, healing action will be felt immediately.

If you have not a HYOMEI Inhaler, get a complete HYOMEI outfit at once. This only costs \$1.00, and with it comes a HYOMEI Inhaler that will last a lifetime and ought to be in every family. For free sample of HYOMEI write Booth's Hyomei Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Haskins for Health.

FIVE PETITIONS ARE NOW FILED

But One Day Remains in Which Candidates May File Their Nomination Petitions—Gould Files for City Council From First Ward.

With but one day remaining for the filing of the petitions of candidates for office in the coming city election, but five have so far been received at the office of the city recorder.

William P. Gould, socialist candidate for the council from the First ward, filed his petition this morning. The filing books will close Saturday evening at 5 o'clock, and any petitions not filed before that time will be invalid.

Want-advertise when you want household help—for three-fourths of the competent servants secure situations by advertising or answering ads.

Haskins for Health.

Want-advertise the vacated room—and there will be a new tenant in a few days.

Want-advertise and get some really efficient people to competing for that vacancy in your office.

Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation Co. Traffic Department Announcement

The above named company was incorporated October 23, 1910, for the purpose of taking over the following lines:

- The Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company.
- The North Coast Railroad Company.
- Oregon & Washington Railroad Company.
- Idaho Northern Railroad Company.
- Ilwaco Railroad Company.

In future these lines will be operated by and in the name of the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company.

F. W. ROBINSON, General Freight Agent, Portland, Oregon.
WM. McMURRAY, Gen'l Passenger Agent, Portland, Oregon.

W. D. SKINNER, General Freight and Passenger Agent, Seattle, Wash.
R. B. MILLER, Traffic Manager.

25 Dozen Ladies' Seamless, Fast Black Burson Hose, Fleeced Lined and Garter Top, All Sizes 25c

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| Men's heavy Wool Sox, 35c values 25c a pair. | UNDERWEAR
10 dozen misses' medium weight fleeced lined Union Suits, 25c each.
20 dozen boys heavy fleeced lined Shirts and Drawers, 35c each.
10 dozen ladies' heavy fleeced lined grey mixed Union Suits, a 75c value, size 4-5-6, 50c each. | Men's cotton cloth Gloves 10c pair, 3 pair for 25c.
Men's leather Work Gloves, 50c and \$1.00 pair.
Men's Gauntlet Gloves, best qualities, all sizes, \$1.00 and \$1.50 pair. |
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Your Choice at HALF PRICE

Of all Albums, Toilet Cases, Music Rolls, Iron Trays, Wood Trays, Mechanical Toys, Electric Toys, Toy Dishes, Games, etc.

25 % Discount On All Fancy China, Saturday

HUSSEY'S

New Year Post Cards 1c Each

See Those \$1.00 Dolls

SELECTIVE PARTY LINES; FULL METALLIC CIRCUIT

The Home Telephone Co.

Takes pleasure in announcing that it will commence service December 31

Saturday Morning at 8 o'Clock

A temporary directory has been issued, and new names will be added as connections are made. Call information for new numbers.

Commence Saturday and Use the "HOME PHONE"

EFFICIENT SERVICE. COURTEOUS TREATMENT.