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And Now Comes Wells-Fargo and Testifies to Growth of City

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

THE WEATHER
Fair tonight and tomorrow.
The Message of the Signs
White—Fair weather.
Blue—Rain or snow.
White and blue—Local showers
Black triangles—Above white,
warmer; below white, colder.
White with black center—Cold.

FIFTH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1911

No. 250.

OSWALD WEST TAKES OATH GOVERNOR

JUSTICE EATON ADMINISTERS OATH OF OFFICE

All Members of House and Senate Present—President Selling of Senate Presides—Long Message From Acting Governor Bowerman Read.

Senate Awakes to Fact That Prayer Is Needed and Today Invited Ministers of Salem to Officiate for Them.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 10.—Oswald West was inaugurated as governor of Oregon this afternoon in the presence of a large assemblage in the hall of representatives at the state capitol. The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Eaton. All members of the house and senate were present, and President Selling of the senate presided.

Immediately upon the completion of the inaugural ceremonies, a long message from Acting Governor Bowerman was read, and it was followed by Governor West's inaugural address.

The senate having opened two sessions without prayer, realized its need this morning and invited the ministers of Salem to petition the throne of Grace in its deliberations.

An effort to have a law digest furnished each senator at \$7.50 each was turned down.

Many bills were introduced, the more important of which was that fixing the length of fire-crackers at not to exceed two and one-half inches, providing for rotation of names on election ballots and permitting counties to build pauper hospitals.

In the house matters of routine nature were taken up. There was a flood of bills, the first being against white slavery, the second to abolish capital punishment, and the third to make June 12 Columbus day.

Japs Prepare For War.

MANILA, Jan. 10.—That Japan is preparing for war is the belief of Americans in the Philippines, following the announcement that Japan is purchasing food supplies in large quantities. A hundred thousand tons of rice, which the Japanese government is said to have ordered from Saigon, in Indo-China, they regard as positive proof that a hostile move of some kind is contemplated.

WILL SURVEY MORE PELICAN BAY LOTS

All of the 10 residential lots recently platted by the forest service on the short of Pelican bay have been leased by summer cottagers, and the demand for them was so great that Supervisor M. L. Erickson will have an additional 30 lots surveyed as soon as the snow is off the ground.

The location of the lots is ideal, being on a good auto road and within easy distance from Medford.

The rental charged by the government for them is nominal.

K. OF P'S. INITIATE NEW CANDIDATES

The "third degree," with all the horrors, joys or whatever is in reality attached to the conferring of that mysterious torture, was successfully tried out and presented by the Knights of Pythias last night to a trio of candidates.

In honor of the occasion about 20 knights from Ashland came here, attending first a dinner in their honor at the Louvre and later the lodge work and supper at the K. of P. hall.

About 85 people witnessed the ceremony and work of the degree team.

PROGRESSIVE MEASURES ARE URGED BY WEST

Governor Sends Legislature Lengthy Document declaring He is in Favor of Present "Oregon Plan" and Recommending Progressive Laws

Would Abolish Capital Punishment—Favors Conservation of Resources—Wants Appropriations For Improved Highways.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 10.—Recommending a number of progressive measures and declaring that he is in accord with the "Oregon plan" of popular government, Governor Oswald West today sent his first message to the legislature.

Among the proposed measures which he urges the legislature to adopt is the abolishment of capital punishment; the conservation of natural resources within the state; the creation of an adequate police of forest protection; liberal appropriations for salmon hatcheries, improvements of the state highways and the extension of the powers of the state railway commission to include the right to regulate all public service corporations not now under the control of the commission.

Speaking on the subject of conservation, Governor West declares for state and federal co-operation in the conservation of national resources. He asserts, however, that the state should have full control of all streams within forest reserves that do not flow beyond state boundaries.

Favors Conservation.

"Conservation as I view it," writes the governor, "means the development and utilization of natural resources under safeguarded regulation that will give the people of the present day and the coming generations the maximum of benefit with the minimum of waste."

He places himself on record as favorable to labor legislation and urges the legislature to carefully consider measures presented by representatives of organized labor. His only

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17 PERISH IN WATERS OF BAY

Three Barges Belonging to Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Sink—Life Savers' Efforts Unavailing—Heavy Waves Capsize Barges.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Jan. 10.—Seventeen men were drowned today when three barges belonging to the Philadelphia & Reading railroad were sunk near here. The barges were being conveyed by the tug Lukenas. Lifesavers attempted to rescue the men, but failed. According to the lifesavers, there were seven men on the first barge and five each on the others.

The men were drowned in sight of shore against Long Batelo floe. The lifesavers assert that they saw 17 men on the wrecked barges.

Attorneys Clash.

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 10.—Arguments of counsel was the feature in the trial today of Mrs. Laura Schenk, charged with poisoning her husband, John O. Schenk, millionaire packer. Attorneys for the state occasioned considerable surprise when they announced that their case would be very brief. In spite of the fact that relatives of Mrs. Schenk's husband spent thousands of dollars in gathering evidence against her, the prosecution said it would not call a single detective as a witness.

Government to Press Criminal Prosecution Of the Indicted Beef Trust Magnates.



CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 10.—Another obstacle in the way of the criminal prosecution of Chicago packers was removed today when Federal Judge Carpenter decided that the government had a right to proceed against the alleged members of the beef trust under the Sherman law. The decision was rendered on the point raised by Attorney John S. Sheller for the defense that an injunction granted by Judge Grosscup in 1903 prevented the government from proceeding. Judge Carpenter held that the injunction was non-operative so far as the present case is concerned, which point was contended by Edwin W. Sims for the government.

UNKNOWN MAN NEAR DEATH AS RESULT OF BEATING "SKATES" SKATE ON ICY STREET WAS WANDERING ON STREET ALONE TO REVISE MAP OF CRATER LAKE

Dobbin Has Hard Time Navigating After Frost—Sun, However, Answers Silent Appeal Nobly and Within Short Time Started Thaw.

Medford local, No. 999, of the Workhorses' union today went on record, as heartily endorsing the actions of "Old Sun, and extended him three hearty yet silent cheers for having come to their rescue this morning.

Owing to the frosts of last night the entire paved district this morning was one uninterupted sheet of ice, and poor Dobbin, when he turned out for work, found himself in a position like that which is sometimes expressed by the words "up against it."

Try as they would drivers found it impossible to make any headway and, when the sun first evinced its intention of working a short shift, most of them lined their teams against the curb and awaited the thaw.

Candidates lining the city's sidewalks sniffed the crisp morning air and saluted the sun's appearance as a good omen for them, but the "skate," glancing at them out of the corner of his eye, offered up a prayer of thanks that was only ended by the "git up" of the driver when the streets were again passable.

The Dalles Has 4880.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 10.—The census bureau today announced the population of The Dalles, Or., as 4880.

Taken to Southern Oregon Hospital Where It Was Learned That His Skull Was Fractured—Police Investigate—Man Will Probably Die.

As the result of a double cross fracture of the skull, believed to have been sustained during a boarding house brawl Saturday night, an unknown man lies at the point of death at the Southern Oregon hospital.

Late last night the man was found wandering about town by Officers Joe Mensie and Clineback, who, being unable to find out anything from him, locked him up over night. He was released early this morning and a short time later was seen by patients in the hospital walking aimlessly up and down South Central avenue.

Shortly before 10 o'clock Dr. E. H. Porter visited the hospital and was approached by a young man who told him that an apparently injured man had applied to him for money with which to get food. The man himself passed by as they were talking and Dr. Porter took him into the hospital. A superficial examination there showed that the man's skull was fractured, so Dr. J. E. Shearer, city health officer, was notified. Later in the morning Drs. Shearer and Seely trephined his skull, and removed a large blood clot from the man's brain.

"The wound," said Dr. Shearer, "might have either been caused by a blow from a blunt instrument or by a fall. Should he die his case will

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HEAVY VOTE IS BEING POLLED CITY ELECTION

Canon a 10 to 7 Favorite in Light Betting—Interest is Shown By Crowds On Street Corners and in Hotel Lobbies.

Indications Are That Over 1100 Votes Will Be Registered—"Early Vote" Was Largest in History of City.

With 800, two-thirds of the total vote, polled at 3 o'clock there is little doubt but that Mayor Canon is re-elected by a large plurality. It has been Canon against the field, and probabilities are that he will poll as large a vote as the combined opposition.

Indications also presage the election of Demmer, Campbell and Watt, though Millar is running a close race with Demmer.

The great interest being taken in the present city election was shown this morning by the polling of the heaviest "early vote" in the history of the city. For the first two hours each of the wards recorded more than a vote a minute. There came a slight let up about noon but this afternoon the voters are lining up again at the polling places. Indications are that over 1100 votes will be polled. Betting on the outcome was exceptionally light with W. H. Canon a 10 to 7 favorite over his opponents.

Great interest was displayed. Street corners were crowded with men trying to "dope it out."

There was evidently no effort being made by any parties to "run in" any voters. Everything progressed in an even, uneventful sort of way.

STUBBS DEMANDS RADICAL REFORMS

Calls For Kansas' Endorsement of LaFollette's Cry to Beat Presidential Candidates of Wall Street—Flays 4000 School Teachers.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 10.—A demand for radical reform, another for the enactment of the initiative, referendum and recall, the endorsement of Senator LaFollette's cry to beat the presidential candidates of Wall street, and a fling at 4000 Kansas school teachers were the features of Governor Stubbs' message sent to the legislature today.

The governor would have the names of candidates for president and vice-president of the United States written on the ballots for the personal inspection of voters and the election of national convention delegates by direct primary was urged in his message. The direct election of United States senators was also recommended.

"LaFollette's idea to beat the candidates of Wall street already has chosen for president and vice-president should be taken up by the people of Kansas."

Governor Stubbs excoriated the public school system, declaring that 4000 of Kansas' pedagogues were utterly incompetent.

Answer all "likely looking" help want ads—or it will not be an easy matter to find the right job.

WELLS-FARGO OFFICE HERE RANKS HIGH

Only Seattle Portland and Tacoma Do Greater Business in Northwest Than Greater Business in Northwest Than Medford.

Gain in December Over One Year Ago Was 45 Per Cent—Over \$5500 Was Taken In By Local Office During That Month.

The fourth office in importance in the chain of offices operated by the Wells Fargo Express company in the Pacific northwest, according to the December report of the company's superintendent, is the one in Medford. During December, 1910, Agent H. S. Nutter and his staff of assistants in the new building next to the Southern Pacific railroad station, transacted business to the value of \$5500.05, an increase of \$175.47 over the business done by the company here in December, 1909, or 45 per cent.

But three cities in the entire northwest transacted more business during the same period of time and these, in the order of the amount of money and express matter handled, were Portland, Seattle and Tacoma. Following Medford on the list are: Salem, with \$5412.88, and Eugene, with \$5247.60.

The Medford office ranks third in increased percentage over December, 1909, and in point of per cent of total amount required for operating cost is 24th on the list.

The percentage of receipts required for operating expenses was 10.18. The operating expenses at Salem were 14.35 of the receipts.

Two wagons are now being worked from the local office and a third will be put on before April.

COLD SNAP IS USHERED IN

Light Snow Falls in Portland—All Sections of Northwest Report Weather Ranging Between 10 and 40 Degrees.

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 10.—The cold snap which it is predicted by the United States weather bureau which will last for several days in the northwest, was ushered in today with snowstorms in Washington, Idaho, Montana and eastern Oregon and cold rains along the coast of southern Oregon. A light snow fell in Portland last night, the first of the season.

The cold wave follows a heavy rain and windstorm which began Sunday and did not end until late yesterday. Reports from all over the northwest today show that the temperature has dropped from 10 to 40 degrees and it is expected that the mercury will go lower tomorrow.

The wave originated in Alaska and followed the coast down to Vancouver, B. C., where it shifted and started eastward. It is expected Colorado and the Dakotas will feel the grip of the wave in two days.

Shafroth Inaugurated.

DENVER, Col., Jan. 10.—Governor John A. Shafroth was inaugurated for a second term as chief executive of Colorado today. There was little ceremony in connection with the affair. Shafroth announced at the close of the ceremony that "dress suits" would not be necessary at the inaugural ball tonight.

In his inaugural address Shafroth demanded a ballot without party emblems, a banking guaranty law, an effective railroad commission, an anti-gambling law, the extension of the governor's term to four years and the recall.