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SWORN CIRCULATION: AVERAGE FOR YEAR 1910, 2485

MEDFORD, OREGON.

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

Population—U. S. census 1910: 8540; estimated in November, 1910, 16,000.

Five hundred thousand dollar Gravity Water System completed, giving finest supply pure mountain water and sixteen 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 23 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 enclosing 2 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever written

Fifty Years Ago Today, Jan. 12.

The governors of Florida and Alabama demanded the surrender of the United States Fort Pickens, Pensacola, which was refused by the commandant, Lieutenant Semmer, U. S. A.

Mrs. Lincoln, wife of the president elect, arrived in New York from Springfield, Ill., on a shopping expedition.

Twenty-five Years Ago Today.

The European powers summoned Servia, Bulgaria and Greece to disarm, promising that Turkey would do so.

If you have occasion to pick your company, use a magnifying glass.

Never judge the strength of a man's character by the size of his muscle.

If a man suddenly made a million dollars he'd just as suddenly make as many friends.

If a girl receives a letter and doesn't read it over three times, it isn't a love letter.

A woman never needs a reason for loving a man, nor does he either, till after they are married.

Sometimes find it easy to conceal their regrets when the small boy succeeds in breaking his new drum.

Wizard Burbank has invented a new strawberry. It will probably be sold in the same old kind of a box.

The D. A. R. will give a ball next month. But it'll be a tame affair to those who have attended the D. A. R. national conventions.

Grahame White's medical adviser has warned him not to attempt any more cross-channel flights. Seems like a sensible health rule.

While a boy is away with a gun his mother declares that if the good boy will bring him back alive she will never let him go again.

The Rockefeller Bill class is reported circulating the Carnegie peace fund. Surely the greenback monster would not dare invade those precincts.

In the name of thousands of patient rope-smoking husbands and sweethearts we say to all women: There is no such thing as a bargain in cigars.

The St. Paul Dispatch says a woman in that city dispensed her husband with a talking machine for Christmas. Perhaps he complained of feeling lonesome the last time she was away from home for a few days.

The lone bandit always knows better than to try to hold up a train on which J. Pierpont Morgan happens to be traveling. One glance from Mr. Morgan's eagle eye would make any lone bandit jump through a window and run his legs off.

GROWTH SHOWN BY ELECTION.

TUESDAY'S city election was the first in many years when prohibition was not an issue. As a result, there was not the strenuous effort made to get out the vote that was a feature two years ago. The long wrangle that has kept factionalism alive seems to have been satisfactorily settled, for a time at least. New divisions will come as new issues arise, but probably they will never be as bitter and as detrimental to the community as those of days gone by.

Eleven hundred and seventy-four votes were cast Tuesday as against 876 two years ago, an increase of 298 votes, or 34 per cent. Had the full vote been polled, the total vote cast would probably have reached 1500.

The vote in the First ward increased from 259 to 379 or 46 per cent; that in the Second ward from 353 to 436, or 23 per cent, and the Third ward from 264 to 369, or 39 per cent. As the Second ward has more than held its own in growth with the two other districts, it is evident that a considerable number of its residents failed to vote Tuesday.

In each of the districts a larger vote was polled in November, but a general election usually draws out a fuller vote than a city election, in addition to which many residents are now out of the city.

A comparison, however, is afforded with both Ashland and Grants Pass. At Ashland on December 14 602 votes were polled and at Grants Pass on the wet and dry issue December 31 only a slightly larger number.

OUR WINTER WEATHER.

THE present cold snap and snowstorm is worth hundreds of thousands of dollars to the Rogue River valley.

Not only does the heavy snowfall in the mountains insure ample water for placer mining, but it means a good flow of water during the coming season in streams.

Apple growers have been praying for cold weather, claiming the records of years show that a fancy apple crop only follows a cold winter and that frost is necessary to drive the sap into the soil to insure flavor and keeping qualities to the apple.

As a result of the present winter the growers expect to duplicate records made in 1905, 1907 and 1909, banner apple crops every alternate season being the rule.

A little cold weather is a welcome change to all of us. We have so many warm and pleasant days that a taste of winter is needed to make us appreciate our average climate.

But the snow will last but a day or two, and the cold depart as suddenly as it came. In another month spring will be wearing her green witchery and ere long the orchards and hillsides be a mass of fragrant bloom.

CANDIDATE BITTNER is reported to have stated that there were 87 honest men in Medford. Either Mr. Bittner is considerably more fortunate than Diogenes or Medford is a much better city than Athens ever was.

A CURIOUS feature of the election was that Mayor Canon, with three candidates against him, received two more votes than two years ago, with only one candidate in opposition.

Oregon Has Pointed the Way

In this week's issue of Lafollette's Weekly Magazine, Senator Lafollette declares that "Wall street has already selected the presidential candidates of both parties. There is just time to defeat the Wall street plan. Let the people organize and demand of every legislature the enactment of a primary law for the election of delegates for the national conventions by direct vote."

"To Wisconsin belongs the honor of electing the first primary law for the election of delegates for the national convention by the direct vote of the people," says Senator Lafollette. "The Wisconsin delegates to the republican national convention of 1908 were elected under that law. They stood in that convention, a little band of fearless men fighting to the last ditch for platform pledges vital to the public interest. Their contest in the Chicago convention fixed the attention of the country and forced the candidate nominated for president to broaden the platform by declarations in his speech of acceptance in favor of several of the important Wisconsin propositions which the convention had impatiently rejected.

"The lesson is obvious. Every state in the Union should adopt a primary law providing for the election of delegates to the national conventions of 1912 by direct vote of the people. With such a law in each state, the delegates will be chosen by the voters instead of by machine managers, and the national platforms of both political parties will represent the interests of the people rather than the interests of the system.

"And every state should take another step in advance. Oregon has just pointed the way. Under the initiative, the people of that state voted for and adopted a law at the late election in November, providing not only for the election of delegates to national conventions, but also providing that each voter shall at the April primary in 1912 have the opportunity of expressing his choice for president and vice-president.

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the people organize and demand of every legislature the enactment of a primary law for the election of delegates to national conventions by direct vote, embracing a provision that shall give to each voter the right to express upon his primary ballot his preference for president and vice-president.

"Such a primary law will beat the Wall street game and nominate and elect a president for all the people of these United States."

HUSBAND VERY MEAN ALLEGES HIS WIFE

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 12.—The meanest man in town will have to look to his honors if the allegations made by Emily Grigsby in her suit for divorce are true.

According to her complaint her husband, Frank Grigsby, has not only habitually refused to support her since their marriage in 1897, but Christmas eve he compelled her to pay him \$12 for his share of the household goods, and afterward while she was absent, sold the only cook stove in the house. Besides the decree of separation she is also asking for the custody of their three minor children.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS GET A BILL PASSED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Responding to petitions from 60,000 locomotive operatives, the senate yesterday passed the Burkett bill, requiring interstate railroads to equip their locomotives with "safe and suitable" boilers.

The bill requires complete inspection of all locomotives and to this end provides for the appointment of a corps of 5 inspectors under the direction of a chief inspector and two assistants. These inspectors are to be appointed only upon taking a civil service examination.

The bill now goes to the house.

Someone's necessity—as indicated in a classified ad—is probably your opportunity.

Haskins for health.

PASTOR BELIEVES IN ADVERTISING

Rev. J. M. Cause of First Methodist Church in Vancouver Scatters Blotters About With Instructions for Its Use.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 12.—Believing that the best results are obtained when religion is advertised, Rev. J. M. Cause, pastor of the First Methodist church of this city, has had a large quantity of scarlet red blotters printed, on which appears in black, "best blotter for bad blots." "When you have a blot of ink apply this. When your life is stained with sin apply the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ. God says though your sin be as scarlet, they shall be made as white as snow, I, even I, am he that blottereth out thy transgressions." The blotters have been scattered broadcast in the city and are attracting much attention.

WHITE SLAVER'S PLANS GO VERY MUCH ASTRAY

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 12.—The discovery of a secret code and a long list of instructions mailed to Isabel Harlow, the complaining witness against him in a white slave case, removed all hope of Luther Adcox of escaping conviction. He accordingly changed his plea of not guilty to guilty and will ask for clemency late this afternoon when he will come up for sentence before Judge McGinn.

In a 16-page letter to his 16-year-old victim he gave her minute instructions for her conduct while on the witness stand and arranged for secret signals to designate what answers he desired her to give when questioned by attorneys. The letter, came into the possession of a third person who turned it over to the authorities.

MORE ARRESTS EXPECTED IN BULLION CASE

SA FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 12.—More arrests in connection with the theft of \$60,000 worth of gold bullion from the steamer Humboldt are expected here on the arrival of federal officers with a suspect arrested in Portland.

The identity of the man under arrest is being kept secret. It has been learned that the suspect is believed to know the details of the robbery not yet exploited, and it is expected that several men now in San Francisco will be implicated as the result of information he has given.

UNION LABEL DEMANDED ON ALL STATE PRINTING

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 12.—Representative Clyde of Multnomah introduced House Resolution No. 26, an instrument which will cause a good deal of discussion, if nothing else. It provides that all books, pamphlets and other material leaving the office of the state printer shall bear the union label.

House resolution, 66, 23, by Benjamin of Crook, Grant, Klamath and Lake, calls upon the secretary of state to supply every member of the house daily with five newspapers, to be selected as each shall see fit.

EXCURSION TO LOS ANGELES

Don't overlook that Los Angeles excursion leaving Medford January 18, the round trip \$31.55, thirty day limit stop off where and when you please, go and return via either route. See San Francisco, the Golden Gate, Mt. Tamalpais, Alcatraz, the beautiful bay, the wonderful city rising from the ruins of the fire and quake, then travel south and see Palo Alto, San Jose, Santa Cruz, Monterey, Del Monte; take the Coast line, the daylight trip along the ocean and see the immense oil wells in the ocean; see Santa Barbara, Paso Robles, then Los Angeles, Pasadena, Redlands, and Riverside, the home of the multi-millionaires; go to Venice, the city built out in the ocean, see the ostrich farms; then go to Catalina island, see the submarine gardens from the glass bottom boats, the flying fish and many other wonders of the ocean; take advantage of this excursion, the low rate, the summer weather now to be enjoyed in the south. For particulars call at the passenger office if not convenient to call. Phone for further particulars.

JUSTICE ASKED BY EASTERN OREGON

More Money Demanded From Receipts of Forest Reserves In Federal Hands—Bill Introduced In House to That Effect.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 12.—Eastern Oregon members believe that Oregon is handicapped by the conservation policy of the United States government, is not being settled as fast as it should be and is also being deprived of a large share of its resources. On this account Senator Burgess of Umatilla has introduced a memorial to congress for the purpose of enabling Oregon to at least obtain half of the benefits of its resources, which are now fenced in by the government. The eastern Oregon delegation in the senate and house will present a solid front in pushing through this and like legislation during the session. Senator Barrett's memorial follows:

"Whereas, the withdrawal of over 16,000,000 acres of land in the state of Oregon for forest conservation constitutes a serious obstacle to the settlement and development of the state and deprives the state and several counties thereof of vast tracts of taxable lands, and these resources are being conserved for the benefit of the people of the whole of the United States, it is therefore inequitable to place the burden of providing these resources so largely upon the people of this state. Therefore, be it, Resolved, That we petition the honorable congress of the United States to so amend the law under which the national forests are maintained as to give to this state 50 per cent of all moneys derived from the lease, use or sale of any of the resources contained within these national forests."

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A Narrow Escape From Getting Rich has been the common lot of a number of men in Medford during the last few years, from their failure to follow the good advice we have given them. Take a straight bunch from us on this: We offer for quick action 28 acres of land adapted to subdivision, factory sites, townsite platting, or small acreage tracts, with city water and sewerage already available, and can make extremely good terms on the tract, for only twelve thousand dollars for entire holdings. Take a quick step in the right direction and land on a solid basis by buying this at once. See us only in regard to it. Will make the best terms possible. This will lay the foundation for a fortune to the lucky purchaser. Don't delay on this. Rogue River Land Company No. 11 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE.

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