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MEDFORD, OREGON.

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

Population—U. S. census 1910, 8840, estimated in November, 1910, 10,000. 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 29, 1910, show a gain of 51 per cent.

Bank deposits were \$2,376,522, a gain of 22 per cent.

Handler fruit city in Oregon—Rogue River Spitzberg 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 bears brought highest prices in all markets of the world during the past six years.

Writes Commercial club, enclosing cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever written.

Fifty Years Ago Today, Jan. 19. Georgia withdrew from the Union.

Twenty-five Years Ago Today. The presidential succession bill (now in force) became a law and had the immediate effect of designating as successor to the presidency Secretary of State Bayard, a Democrat, instead of John Sherman, a Republican, at the time president of the senate.

The office of vice president was vacant.

SOLONS SAY THEY WOULD AVERT TROUBLE

CINCINNATI, Jan. 19.—Declaring their absence from the West Virginia legislature is due to a desire to avoid such a tragedy as occurred in Frankfort, Kentucky when Governor Gobel was slain, the fifteen republican senators who fled here, yesterday announced that they would remain in Ohio during the whole 40 days of the legislative session.

Charleston is filled with republican mountaineers, who are prepared to avenge any attack upon the republican state senators.

If the democrats organize the legislature and attempt to pass any measure a conflict will probably ensue.

With the assistance of Adjutant General Elliott, who is here representing Governor Gluscock of West Virginia, the fugitives are conducting their fight over the long distance telephone. They assert that the unseating of republican senators, White and Heagy, since the fifteen fled is illegal and are determined not to enter camp with the democrats.

ASHLAND COUPLE MARRIED WEDNESDAY

Ellis Newton of Ashland, and Miss Nellie Estes, the sixteen-year-old daughter of Mrs. M. Estes of Ashland, were married by the Rev. Charles H. Johnson, pastor of the M. E. church in Jacksonville, Wednesday.

The couple, accompanied by the bride's mother, secured a horse from County Clerk William R. Coleman and, after the ceremony, returned to Ashland.

GOVERNOR REFUSES TO PARDON YOUTSEY

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 19.—Governor Willson today refused to pardon Henry E. Youtsey, convicted of the murder of Governor William Gobel. The governor says he believes Youtsey is guilty of a cruel murder.

Hastings for Health.

THE PORTLAND CAT

WITH the grin of a Cheshire cat, the Portland Chamber of Commerce has now come forward in the role of a patron saint in a written petition of intervention in the Medford rate cases before the State Railroad commission after these cases have passed to the stage of briefing.

The first appearance of this feline in the Medford cases was a voluntary solicitude for towns other than Medford in southern Oregon, where it purred sortly and cunningly and rubbed itself caressingly about the shins of the commission, awaiting an invitation to curl and cuddle itself in the lap of the commission, where it could send its warning nail into a commission nerve when a fancied disturbance seemed to threaten a transportation privilege of an infinitesimal number of dairy jobbers who furnish this cat with toothsome cream.

Under the prod of justice and equity this feline reared itself into a man-eater of southern Oregon interests irrespective of location or name, and in this form is seen its real character and purpose. Thus unmasked it retreated to its lair—the Portland Chamber of Commerce hall—licked its wounds received in the encounter at Medford to a healing, deftly concealed its scars, again assumed the form of a domestic creature, and emerges from the recesses of its lair and leaps, soft padded, into the fireside home of Medford and with a soft purr, wherein subtly concealed lurks envy and greed and a purpose to devour, that says there is but one fireside in Oregon, one home, one aim, one purpose, one people, I am yours and you are mine, and we will go together before the throne of the railroad commission where I will radiate my geniality, which is irresistible, and purr a prayer, the granting of which is simply the asking, for the removal of the transportation injustice so long imposed by the dog of a railroad.

Marvellous hypocrisy! The appearance of the Portland Chamber of Commerce before the State Railroad commission as the friend and patron of southern Oregon interests is a flimsy deception, but no one is deceived except the deceiver. The record of the Medford cases before the railroad commission discloses the Portland Chamber of Commerce as devoid of all sense of justice, and its appearance, disappearance and reappearance in differing forms in these cases, depicts it as personified selfishness without a single thought or desire for its redemption. Its efforts at intervention in these suits was not impelled by justice but the obstruction of justice. Its latest, and let it be hoped its last throes is in the dual role of friend and foe of all southern Oregon towns and people. What blindness! It is as though this feline lay stretched along a limb bare of foliage in the belief that its spotted body was completely concealed, from which concealment it could pounce upon its prey—the southern Oregon people.

Medford looks to the railroad commission to be consistent to its oath and to weigh the evidence in the case and make a finding and order in accord therewith, but Medford does not look to the Portland Chamber of Commerce for any assistance whatever. Medford is not swayed either by flattery or frown of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, whose latest form of intervention is a confession that it believes it has power apart from evidence and justice to influence the decision of the commission in the Medford suits, otherwise why should it appear in the character of a patron in joining in the Medford prayer for a reduction in the carload rates, and in another guise in the same petition as an opponent by the injection of an issue which the commission has already investigated and ordered published, a scale of rates which are approved by the Portland Chamber of Commerce?

It is this duplicity of the Portland Chamber of Commerce that has cost it the respect and confidence of the Oregon people.

CECIL TO BE MADE OREGON'S BIGGEST DISTRICT FORESTER CASE, SAYS JUDGE

Will Succeed C. C. Chapman, Who Goes Into Private Business—Cecil Is Well Known In This City, Having Been Here Often.

PORTLAND, Jan. 19.—Oregon's greatest forest wealth opens such inviting field for experienced men to work in private capacity that the federal government loses its district foresters rapidly here. The resignation of C. C. Chapman to take up work with private associations is the second event of the kind in a year, as Mr. Chapman's predecessor, E. T. Allen, resigned the district forester's office to become secretary of the Western Forestry and Conservation association. Associate Forester Geo. H. Cecil will be promoted to fill Chapman's place as district forester. He has had many years experience in the work. Mr. Chapman will become secretary of the Oregon Forest Fire association, his resignation from the government position taking effect Jan. 29.

CAPTURES RIVAL'S FIANCEE: SUITOR WINS AND WEDS GIRL

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 19.—When Miss E. Virginia Critcher arrived at the postoffice here to mail the invitations of the wedding of herself and William De Lassoos Runnans, a real estate man, Eugene Bright, a young Danville suitor, was there with an auto. The auto carried girl, invitations and all to Danville, where she was married to Mr. Bright. Young Runnans was working at his desk when told that his fiancee had married Bright.

Hastings for Health.

SENATOR FLAYS SEC. BALLINGER

Declares That Official's Acts Have Been "Just Inside the Line of Criminal Guilt"—Does Not Mince His Words.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19.—Declaring that the acts of Secretary Ballinger had been "just inside the line of criminal guilt," Senator Fletcher of Florida today spoke in the senate, endorsing the minority report of the congressional investigating committee.

"Between vulgar graft and perfection," he said, "lies the standard of conduct of their officials that the people have the right to exact. They don't require infallibility, but they certainly are not satisfied to have their officials barely keep on the windy side of the law and pursue a course of neglectfulness and unfaithfulness to their interests which is just within the line of criminal guilt."

"Ballinger was far from candid in his letter to the president which denied the truthfulness of the Glavis statement, and there is no doubt that after his resignation as land commissioner he acted as the legal representative of the Cunningham group. In fact, he admitted on the stand that he acted in that capacity. Throughout the whole record it appears that as lawyer, as commissioner and as secretary of the interior, Ballinger fully sympathized with the coal land elements and desired that they be given the patents they desired. If they had violated the law, he held, it was because the law was absurd. Nowhere does it appear that he wanted the law enforced; nowhere is he shown as safeguarding the public interests. He always seemed to feel it his duty to look out for private interests and to entirely lose sight of the fact that the people's property was at stake."

Fletcher declared that it was positively wicked in Ballinger to send a "young lawyer, only a year out of college, and who had never tried a case, to the Pacific coast to defend the government's interests in the hearings on the Cunningham claims." He further asserted that Ballinger when on the witness stand, was evasive and apparently afraid that the truth would come out.

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