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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 30, 1910, show a gain of 61 per cent.
 Bank deposits were \$2,376,532, a gain of 22 per cent.
 Banner fruit city in Oregon—Rogue River Spitzners 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.
 Write Commercial club, enclosing 6 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever written.

HOW TO UNITE MEDFORD.

THERE is one way to head off any east or west side controversy, and that is to remove the dividing line, the Southern Pacific railroad tracks, to their proper place along the west banks of Bear creek, and by uniting both sides, make a continuous city.

When the railroad was constructed, there was no Medford. Now that there is a Medford, a rapidly growing Medford, there is no justification for spoiling the business section of the city by keeping idle except for a railroad track, a strip of land 600 feet in width through the heart of the business district.

The value of this right of way is so great for business purposes that needed land can be purchased along Bear creek from the track north of the city to the track south of the city, the new right of way graded, the track removed, new depots be built, ample yardage provided, Bear creek rip-rapped, the banks parked, and all necessary expenditures met, with a handsome balance remaining from the sale of the present right of way.

The Medford depot is situated on the highest point of the track and it is up grade to it for a mile or more both ways. This unnecessary grade would be eliminated. Street crossings, a perpetual expense to the railroad and a constant menace to life, would be eliminated, for all crossings would be overhead, and there will be as many bridges, or as few, over Bear creek as the people care to build.

The most valuable property in Medford today is the railroad right of way through the city. It splits the city into two sections without advantage to either or to the railroad, but with disadvantage to all concerned. Every year will witness agitation for the opening of more streets across this track, each meaning an additional annual cost. Maintenance for the right of way either as a park or as idle property is an ever increasing expense to the railroad.

The Harriman system has taken one bank of Bear creek. The Harriman system should take the other, thus concentrating traffic to the advantage of both railroads and the public and to the everlasting benefit of Medford.

To make this change is sound common sense, and sound business. Its accomplishment can be brought about with profit to the railroad and to the city and the property owners. The change should be made as soon as possible, before the city grows any larger. The sooner it is made the cheaper it can be done.

If Medford is to become a big city, and everyone intends it shall be, it is absurd to split the business district with a railroad, and its perpetual inconvenience. The time has come to remodel the plans made for a village and adopt those designed for a city—and in these plans the relocation of the railroad is a necessity.

If the railroad does not want to make the change itself, the city, either through the council or through the Commercial club, or the business men, could arrange the details, negotiate the sale of the present right of way and the purchase of the new, according to plans furnished by the railroad. Preliminary estimates could be furnished, showing the approximate cost of removal and proceeds of sale of right-of-way.

This is a subject deserving the consideration of everyone. The more it is studied, the greater its merits appear, and the more popular it must become. Only members of the "Can't-Do-It club" will shake their heads, but to the people of Medford all things are possible.

heretofore by law conferred upon them and delegated to the master fish warden and the state and forestry warden of this state shall remain in such officers; subject, however, to the supervision and control of said state board of fish and game commissioners.

Section 6. All other acts or parts of acts in conflict with any of the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

**ELEVEN ARE KILLED
 ENGLISH TRAIN WRECK**

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Eleven persons were killed and several badly injured as the result of a passenger train colliding with an ore train at Hopkinson, Wales, on the Taff Valley Railroad.

Several of the leaders of the striking Welsh miners en route to London to attend a conference were killed.

**INSPECTS WORK OF
 RESEEDING FOREST**

Supervisor M. L. Erickson of the Crater Lake National forest is out of the city on an inspection trip. He will travel on snowshoes on account of the depth of the snow in the mountains.

During the trip he will visit the section recently reseeded.

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Fifty Years Ago Today.
 Jan. 23.

Mrs. Abraham Lincoln, who had been at the Metropolitan hotel in New York for several days, left the city for Springfield, Ill., accompanied by her son Robert, a student at Harvard.

Twenty-five Years Ago Today.
 A dynamite scare agitated London owing to rumors that the Irish would resort to violence to enforce their demands for home rule. Extraordinary measures were taken to safeguard the Prince of Wales.

**BLOODY BATTLE;
 300 ARE KILLED**

Among Dead Are Said to Be Many Women and Children—Rebels Making Headway Against Federal Troops.

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 23.—A bloody battle that already has lasted more than 24 hours is reported here to be in progress at Galena, south of Casa Grandes. More than 300 have been killed or wounded. Among this number are said to be many women and children who were shot in their homes by federal soldiers who fired on insurgents in their doorways.
 Casa Grandes was in the hands of the federals at the last report but the rebels were pressing it hard and its surrender was imminent. The rebels plan to seize all Mexican towns along the El Paso and Northwestern railroad.

GRAND FORKS MAN VISITS NIECE HERE

Mr. O. Young of Grand Forks, N. D., is visiting at the home of his niece, Mrs. T. F. Hatchings at 615 West Eleventh street.

He will remain in Medford for some time.
TO THE PUBLIC.
 Medford, Oregon, Jan. 20, 1911.—This is to certify that I have had rheumatism since the middle of July and was not able to be out of bed much of the time for the last two months. This is the third attack I have had, the first being sixteen years ago. I have tried doctors and dozens of rheumatism cures, but found none to help me much until I commenced taking Dr. Clow Yonge medicine two weeks ago. All pain left me after taking his treatment four days and I feel safe in recommending him to anyone having rheumatism.
 W. E. DAVISON.

The Proposed Fish and Game Law

Following is the text of the new bill which is designed to correct several flaws in the present fish and game laws:

A Bill

For an act to create a state board of fish and game commissioners; to prescribe and define their rights, powers and duties; to provide for their salaries and expenses; to provide for the better protection and propagation of fish and game and non-game birds in the state of Oregon, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in conflict with this act.

Be it enacted by the people of the state of Oregon:

Be it enacted by the legislative assembly of the state of Oregon:

Section 1. There shall be and I hereby created a state board of fish and game commissioners, which shall consist of five members, each of whom shall be a citizen and resident of the state of Oregon; four of said members shall be appointed by the governor (no more than two of whom shall be of the same political party) and the fifth shall be the president of the Oregon Agricultural college. The term of office of the members of said board shall be four years, but of those members of said board first appointed one shall be appointed for one year, one for two years, one for three years, and one for four years, and each member of said board shall hold office until his successor shall have been appointed and qualified.

Section 2. The members of the state board of fish and game commissioners shall receive no compensation for their services as members thereof, except a per diem of \$5.00 for each member of said board for every day that said board is in actual session in the district charge of its duties. The total sum to be drawn by each member of said board on said account in any one year shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars; and the members of said board shall also be allowed their necessary expenses. All accounts for expenditures made or incurred pursuant to the provisions of this act shall be audited and approved by said state board of fish and game commissioners before presentation to the secretary of state.

Section 3. Said state board of fish and game commissioners, or a majority thereof, shall have full power and authority to enforce all laws of the state of Oregon respecting the protection, preservation and propagation of fish, game animals, game and non-game birds within the state. They shall have the exclusive power to expend and disburse all funds of the state of Oregon acquired for the protection, preservation or propagation of fish and game, and arising from state appropriations, licenses, gifts, or otherwise; and they shall have full power and authority to condemn and dispose of all property owned by the state of Oregon and used for the protection, propagation of fish and game, which shall have been found to be of no further use or value to the state, and shall turn over the proceeds arising herefrom to the proper fund. Said state board of fish and game commissioners shall have full power and authority to use so much of said state funds as may be necessary to the acquisition of lands, water rights and easements, and other property, and for the construction, maintenance, operation and repair of fish hatcheries and other means and appliances for the protection and propagation of fish and game in the state of Oregon; provided, however, that the moneys at any time in the game protective fund and in the hatchery funds shall be kept separate and apart and shall be used only for the respective purposes for which said funds were created. They shall appoint and exercise control over, and shall fix the salaries and expenses of the state game and forestry warden and of the master fish warden and all their clerks and deputies, and shall have power to remove any of said officers, clerks or deputies for good and sufficient cause.

Section 4. All the rights, powers and duties heretofore granted to or imposed upon the board of fish and game commissioners of this state shall be and are hereby imposed upon and shall accrue to said state board of fish and game commissioners, and said board of fish commissioners is hereby abolished.

Section 5. The powers and duties