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SWORN CIRCULATION. Daily average for six months ending December 31, 1910, 2721.

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.

"Apple King of the World" at the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909, and a car of Newtowns won First Prize in 1910.

Rogue River pears brought highest prices in all markets of the world during the past six years.

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Fifty Years Ago Today.

Jan. 26. Louisiana adopted the ordinance of secession and hoisted the pelican flag. News that the United States warship Brooklyn was steaming south with troops on board created excitement in Charleston and Pensacola.

Twenty-five Years Ago Today.

British war fleet ordered to Athens. The Greek fleet of thirty-three ships sailed from that port to avoid a British blockade.

REGULARS BEAT MEDFORD HIGH

The Medford Regulars were victors over a team composed of boys from the Medford high school in a basketball game played at the Natatorium last night.

HANDWRITING EXPERTS CALLED IN BALDWIN CASE

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 26.—Handwriting experts were scheduled to figure largely in the Baldwin will contest today. Theodore Kytka of San Francisco, the noted handwriting expert; Professor E. K. Isaacs, J. W. Hood and Milton Carson are scheduled to testify.

Kytka was placed on the stand yesterday afternoon by the attorneys for the estate and declared the letters offered by the defense as communications written by Mrs. Lillian A. Turnbull during the time she was suing "Lucky" Baldwin in San Francisco in 1896, were genuine.

CARELESS FATHER HURT: FAMILY IS DEAD

ROSLYN, Wash., Jan. 26.—The five children of Matt Harrison are dead, Harrison is in a serious condition and Mrs. Harrison is recovering today. All were injured when a can of powder set off by a spark from a cigarette being smoked by Harrison, let go. The explosion practically wrecked the interior of the house and fatally burned the children who were playing on the floor.

Harrison, who was a miner, was filling a small canteen from a 25-pound can of blasting powder.

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DEFECTS IN GOOD ROADS BILL.

AS THE good roads measures will be much amended in both house and senate, in fact, have been amended in the senate, it may not be out of place to call attention to some apparent defects in the original drafts, which should be amended before passage.

The bonding act does not provide for the payment of interest, and if such provision was made, the bonds would sell more readily. Interest payment clauses are contained in the provision for petition and notices of election, but there should be a straight obligation in the law, and in the bond. There should also be a provision that counties are obliged to pay bonds at maturity, so that if not paid the holder might mandamus and compel a tax levy.

There is no provision for keeping the redemption fund intact. If the bonds are to be issued in series maturing at different dates, an immense amount of money will be lost to the counties in loss of interest on the redemption funds. It might be wise to provide for investing the redemption fund. There ought to be some penalty providing for not holding the fund intact, and some remedy in either taxpayer or bond holder or both, so that this redemption fund could be insured.

In the convict labor bill the word convict should be changed to "prisoner" and there should be a provision against any particular garb or dress. The hours of labor should be limited, and a provision for prisoners making complaint for ill-treatment, and a penalty of mistreatment, as well as a provision for medical aid.

The "state aid" act appears more to be a plan for the sale of road machinery than anything else. It is not particularly objectionable.

THE DOG AND THE ENGINE.

WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE contributes another of his interesting political essays to the February American Magazine: He says:

"Given a large railroad locomotive pulling a train of cars across country; add on small panting dog with a fixed idea stretching out like a jack-knife as he runs along the railroad right of way; put in one philosopher with a speculative turn of mind and the question naturally presents itself, what would the dog do with the engine if he caught it? Ever since locomotives were invented they have attracted the critical activity of dogs and have presented this puzzling problem to philosophizing humanity. But no real dog ever has caught a real engine—so the problem is one of the irrelevant 'ifs' of history.

"But coincident with this vain ambition of the dog to capture and curb the engine, humanity has been running alongside of business trying to make it honest. Every man's conscience, like the little dog on the right of way, has been barking a protest against the great ruthless, noisy thing beside him, and philosophers grounded in the belief that this is a material world have grinned and wondered what the spiritual dog would do with the large, crass, substantial engine if he ever got it. Of late—that is in this generation—in the memory of toddling infants in their forties—the barking has been more insistent than it was during the heart of the last century. In the sixties, seventies, eighties and nineties of the nineteenth century, the reformer was a long-haired individual who forgot to register for the election. He was a rank outsider who looked over the shoulders of the real players and confused the game. But of late the reformer has been sitting in. Seven years' occupancy of the White House by a reformer has made the cult at once respectable and practical. There will be fifty-seven out-and-out reformers in the republican caucus of the next national house of representatives and a dozen United States senators who are consumed with the fire from the light that never was on land or sea. Moreover, in nineteen states governors are sitting who are accused of being reformers and have either begged the question or have pleaded guilty. Even worse: In twenty-five legislatures the reformers hold the balance of power in one or both legislative houses. And in cities—it is something unbelievable in cities. The reformers are so thick in our American cities that the 'organization' is considering changing the game laws so that reformers may be killed for market between New Year's and Thanksgiving. Every man's conscience is rising and dominating his conduct. Business is in danger of becoming reasonably honest. The dog is about to catch the engine, and the problem of the century will be what will he do with it?"

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BURIED TEN DAYS IN SNOW

Local Men Held In Mountains for Ten Days by Terrific Snow Storms—Stage Communication Between Grants Pass and Coast Paralyzed.

J. Klippel, a member of the Southern Oregon Realty firm, returned to the city this morning from a trip to Crescent City and other coast points, during which he and a companion, George Brinker, a mining engineer of Los Angeles, spent ten days snowed in at a small stage station on Patrick cree, Josephine county.

The left Medford on January 2 with Mr. Klippel's team and buggy, intending to return within a few days.

On the return journey, seeing that a storm was imminent, they endeavored to reach this city, but were overtaken en route and forced to turn back to the shelter of the Raymond stage station.

The worst of the storm was encountered in the Illinois valley between Colts Range and Crescent City. While trying to cross the valley through almost four feet of snow, they came upon the stage from Grants Pass, which was held solid in a drift. A woman passenger on the stage was carried by the driver for over half a mile and then placed on a horse and taken through to the station.

Upon reaching there the party met the driver and passengers of the northbound stage, which had suffered a similar fate on Colts Range.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS MAY WORK ON HORSES

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 26.—Christian Science advocates cheered Police Judge Williams when he decided that unsuccessful Christian Science treatment of a dying horse does not constitute cruelty to animals.

The decision was given in the case of Martin Bekins, president of the Bekins Van and Storage company, who was arrested and held responsible for the death of a horse because he had ordered a Christian Science practitioner to treat the animal.

TO STOP INTER-MARRIAGE OF RACES IN WASHINGTON

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 26.—Inter-marrriages between whites and people of other colors are scheduled to be a thing of the past in this state. The house judiciary committee yesterday recommended the passage of such a prohibitory act.

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ROGUE FISH IN SOUTH AMERICA

H. J. Kelly, Jr. Formerly in Charge of Elk Creek Hatchery, Writes Telling of Meeting Old Time Friends in Argentine Republic.

H. J. Kelly, jr., who for a number of years was in charge of the Elk creek hatchery, but who is now in charge of the bureau of fisheries in the Argentine republic, writes that on a recent visit to an Argentine stream he saw a number of his old friends. Mr. Kelly writes: "I had the pleasure of seeing four pound steelheads up in the Tucuman province that were only two years old. These were some of the fish hatched from the eggs from Grants Pass about three years ago. It certainly did look good to a homesick Oregonian to see some of his old friends striking at grasshoppers in these far off southern streams."

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Also for sale, home in Talent, Jackson county, Oregon (a newly incorporated town); a fine home of 18 acres; level, fertile alfalfa and fruit land; irrigated; one block from postoffice, on the main road and extends to Bear creek; has two acres bearing Newtowns 11 years old; 12 acres Bartlett and d'Anjou pears; 2 acres alfalfa; all is fine garden land; a six-room house; climate very mild; pure water from the mountains; very healthy; churches, schools and literary societies; no saloons or drunkenness—it is a dry town; it is midway between the thriving cities of Medford and Ashland; price \$10,000—\$4500 down, the remainder on time at 6 per cent.

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