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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; 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 51 per cent.

Bank deposits were \$2,376,532, a gain of 23 per cent.

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

Write Commercial club, inclosing 6 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever written.

Fifty Years Ago Sunday, Jan. 29.

John A. Dix, secretary of the United States treasury, sent to a subordinate in New Orleans the famous order, "If any man attempts to haul down the American flag shoot him on the spot." The dispatch fell into the hands of southerners, but was duly delivered.

Twenty-five Years Ago Sunday

Queen Victoria very reluctantly accepted the resignation of the Salisbury cabinet and summoned Mr. Gladstone for consultation about a new cabinet.

THE WRITING ON THE WALL.

(Dedicated to the Japanese Socialist Martyrs.)

We are coming, coming, coming, Like a mighty tidal wave, And the plutocrats are howling, Like a wailing from the grave, For they know their days are numbered.

Read it out yet great and small, 'T is the battle cry of freedom, 'T is the writing on the wall.

We are coming, coming, coming, Blow the bugle long and clear, Sound the blast from every hill-top Let it echo far and near, 'T is the knell of despots' fall, 'T is the rallying cry of freedom, 'T is the writing on the wall.

We are coming, coming, coming, Marching up in serried lines, We are coming from the wheat fields, From the shops and from the mines, We are coming with the power, That shall smash the toolers' thrall 'T is the rallying of the yeomen, 'T is the writing on the wall.

We are coming, coming, coming, Though our march is long delayed, 'T is the day that great reformers, Long have labored for and prayed, We are coming in the whirlwind, 'T is the mill that "grindeth small," 'T is the tread of mighty millions, 'T is the writing on the wall.

We are coming, coming, coming, Lo, the morning hastens on, See! the eastern sky is streaking, With the golden bars of dawn, Soon the blazing light shall circle This entire terrestrial ball, 'T is the doom of vice and error, 'T is the writing on the wall.

Then the king of reason seated, On his throne shall rule supreme, And pretenders all shall vanish Like a vain and idle dream, And the God of justice then shall have

The praise of one and all, And the paradise on earth fulfill The writing on the wall.

—G. P. Hall, Table Rock, Or., Jan. 27, 1911.

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Haskins for Health.

FORWARD AND UPWARD.

THE second decade of the twentieth century has opened auspiciously. Whatever may have been the progress of the past, that of the immediate future will excel in many respects. The world has gained an impetus of development that cannot easily be impeded. The watchword of the day is "Forward and Upward."

There is making wonderful progress in the recognition of the brotherhood of man. Nations respect the rights of nations, and employ arbitration in the settlement of their differences. Rulers more fully appreciate the contentment and happiness of their subjects whom they more largely employ in the arts of peace. Employers more equally share profit with their employes whose conditions of life are more generally subjects of their solicitude. Men are more fully actuated by the spirit of righteousness in all their activities. There are more forces opposed to vice and wickedness than ever before, no matter where found or in what form. There are higher ideals of life and greater efforts to attain them.

In the arts and sciences there is progress tantamount to revolution. Intelligence is hard crowding ignorance. The printing press is fast vanishing illiteracy. Appreciation of rights and privileges is supplying better government. Wonderful discoveries and inventions are quickening communication and transportation. The air itself has been conquered. All of Mother Shipton's prophecies have been fulfilled but one, and things she never dreamed of are coming to pass. Men know more about themselves, are living according to their knowledge, and are living longer. The world is growing better in more ways than one, and there is a general disposition to make it better still.

In the forces making all this progress, and in the momentum of progress itself there is a potential of wonderful possibilities, yes, probabilities. Almost anything in the way of advancement is possible, many things are probable, for there is no chance for retrogression. And what is best, nearly everything worth while accomplished tends toward greater good. This is why it is better to live today than a generation ago, and why it is still better to be born today than to be passing with the present generation.

There should be happiness in the fact that we have been permitted to enter the second decade of the twentieth century, for no decade has promised so much. It devolves on us, however, to realize greatest happiness by contributing our share to all that is making for the good, for the welfare of mankind. It has been united effort that has achieved all that has been accomplished during the decade recently ended, and it will be combined effort that will bring the results of this decade. Brain is aiding brain, and fortunes are consecrated to the great forward movement.

There should be renewed determination to do best all that comes to us to do, and to give the world full value received for all the world gives us. If every man, woman and child would best serve his own interests he will strive so to live, not merely for the good that comes to him, but because he will do right by so living. So here's to honest and sincere endeavor, and a part in the greatest forward movement of mankind. Let your watchword be "Forward and Upward."

CLUSTER LIGHTS WANTED.

TO THOSE who have of late passed through Grants Pass on the Southern Pacific after the shades of night have fallen, there has come a deep conviction that among the things Medford needs at present, and needs badly, is cluster lights. The cluster lights at Grants Pass are advertising that city far and near. We have an object lesson here at home in the few the Southern Pacific has installed. Let us have more of them.

Pioneering in Oregon

(By Harriet Minthorn in the Muscatine, Ia., News-Tribune.)

Dividing people into two classes as to their propensity to cling to old associations or to seek new ones, we have the old settler and the pioneer.

It has been the history of the United States since the early colonization, that some part of the population of a given locality have pushed out to new scenes and begun the subjugation of prairies or forests into cultivated fields.

About 1850 the gold mines of southern Oregon attracted settlers, and a little later some of the most fertile and easily cultivated land were tilled.

The Rogue River valley, now famous for its fine fruits, peaches, apples and grapes, was for a number of years a thinly populated region.

The mountains, paralleling the river and nearly surrounding many of the valleys, made it rather inaccessible. The Southern Pacific rail road put through this section in 1884 brought the first large immigration. Now fruit raising calls many and the pioneer stage is passing. Before it is gone let me tell you something of the history of a little valley on a stream tributary to the Rogue river.

As a pioneer in the true sense I would speak as I began my house-keeping in a little new frame house on a piece of uncleared land.

Herculean Task.

Only those who have had a similar experience can fully enter into the realization because pioneering in different states present different problems. Here there were a few old time settlers who had settled in the open or more cleared spots of the valley. Their homes having been long established, they had orchards,

penditure. During the time that no employment was found the land was cleared around the house. Thus the slow process of building a foundation for a farm went on. How different from the prairie states!

Men of Capital Invest.

Men of capital are investing in land, looking to the prospect of planting orchards. Large tracts are being cleared and many places put under irrigation. Roads are changed, bridges built, rural free delivery and telephone lines established, new buildings erected, and we are witnesses of an era of greater progress.

Sells at Fabulous Prices.

This land which has been so long coming into cultivation may, when it has been planted to orchards, sell for the fabulous prices of the orchards of Rogue River valley proper. But what of the people here you may ask. What pleasures in pioneering? Who has not watched the development of some industry and has not enjoyed it? Who can be a part of a growing country and not feel glad that he forms a unit in the progress?

Pleasures of Pioneering.

The abounding health, the freedom from restrictions of old worn-out customs that hamper some eastern localities, we here enjoy. Where we strive to battle to overcome difficulties, is where we grow, hence it is the place we are prone to recall with pleasure. There has been no round of gaiety in a social sense, though certain simple amusements are enjoyed.

The Whole World Kin.

We have learned to know a few people well and we have tested the stronger traits of our neighbors who have practically been partners in the struggle. Here is where we find true kindness and sympathy which enriches the nature and makes the whole world kin.

Has Rough Marital Voyage.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 28.—Married to a woman whom he deserted because she was a bigamist, and then married to another woman who deserted him for the same reason, was the story told to Judge Morgan by Andrew P. McFarland, a broker, today.

McFarland obtained an annulment of his first marriage so that he may re-marry his second wife who has become reconciled to the peculiar situation.

Haskins for Health.

BIG STRIKE IN CHICAGO LIKELY

Mayor Busse Calls Conference of Traction Line Presidents—8000 Men Threaten to Go Out Soon—Want Nine Hour Day.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 28.—In the effort to prevent a threatened strike of 8000 street car men here, Mayor Busse today called a conference of presidents of traction lines for Monday, when he will urge that concessions be made to the men.

The trouble is due to a dispute regarding the interpretation of a clause in the agreement between the Chicago City Railway company and the Chicago Railways company, the two big systems and their employes. The agreement provides a minimum working day of nine hours with a maximum of 11 hours. The unions claim that men employed on extra runs for one or two hours should be paid for a full 8-hour day. This demand is vigorously opposed by the companies.

MAN RESCUED AFTER 32 HOURS UNDERGROUND

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Jan. 28.—Unconscious, but with good chances of recovery, George Kramer,

apowder man, was rescued today after 32 hours' imprisonment in a shaft of the Mills-Hamilton mine in Wingate pass.

While discharging a shot at a 25-foot level a premature charge destroyed the shaft, entombing Kramer.

Heavy Timbers blown across his body prevented the earth crushing him. Kramer's body is a mass of lacerations, but physicians say he will live.

Haskins for Health.

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