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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, 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.

Hanner 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 cup of Newtona 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.

Fifty Years Ago Today.

Feb. 7. The Choctaw nation of Indians declared their allegiance to the southern states.

Salutes in honor of Virginia's Union vote on the 4th inst. were fired in many northern states.

Twenty-five Years Ago Today.

The Chinese in Seattle were driven from the city by an uprising of citizens.

Mr. Farrell, the new president of the United Steel Corporations, began as a mill hand.

Nearly one-third of the economic activity of Germany rests today on feminine shoulders.

The Sultan of Sulu has decided that this is the greatest country on earth. He is getting a salary from our government.

Don Jaime, the Spanish pretender, announces that he will resume the pretending business early in the spring. Go to it, Don.

The more love affairs a man has had the more attractive he appears to most girls. The more love affairs a girl has had the less attractive she is to most men.

Notwithstanding his good intentions, Mr. Carnegie's money will scarcely go much farther in establishing peace than it did in changing our times honored spelling.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., wishes to abolish the custom of passing a contribution plate in church. He has probably been looking at the contents of one of the plates after it has been passed.

In Kansas thirty banks have been robbed during the past three months. It is a significant fact that hardly any of them have been robbed by their officers. In New York they do things differently.

Chinamen have been ordered by their emperor to have their queues removed by February 14. Ladies who want more hair should not neglect to look in at the hairdressers. There may be chances for some good haircuts.

Miss Morselli, daughter of Jay Gould's partner and heiress to an estate valued at \$2,000,000, has married a former policeman, notwithstanding the fact that there are many impoverished scoundrels with titles in the market.

Boron Deedes, the 45-year-old Englishman who is to marry Miss Gould, the 17-year-old heiress, says he can't understand why people should think he is too old for her or why they should be making "such a bally fuss about it." Neither do we. The girl's mother, according to the baron's explanation, is pleased to get a title for her daughter, and her father is willing to pay the necessary price, and the girl is too young to know any better than to risk her happiness thus. What more is to be said?

BUILDING INSPECTOR DEMANDED.

THE fact that the lives of many school children were recently discovered to have been endangered through carelessness in construction again calls attention to the need of a building inspector in Medford. More schoolhouses are to be built, as well as many business blocks, all of which should conform to established rules for public safety.

Collapse of the Central Point bridge approaches calls attention to the danger of constructing buildings out of the same material—namely Bear creek sand and gravel. A certain amount of earth is carried in the sand, and a collapse would impress upon the public mind the necessity of adequate inspection.

Other cities have learned the lesson by costly experience. Medford should take a leaf from their history, and before more fire traps are constructed insist upon necessary safeguards.

To do without a building inspector and the necessary building laws enforced elsewhere is a penny wise and pound foolish policy.

MOVE THE RAILROAD.

THE disgraceful condition of the Southern Pacific right of way through Medford is an argument for the removal of the tracks to Bear creek and the utilization of the idle land for business purposes.

Piles of lumber, tiers of cordwood, movable lunch wagons, junk piles, debris of all kinds, billboards, collapsing and flimsily constructed shacks and warehouses make this stretch of the most valuable business property in the city an eyesore to the community.

If the tracks are to remain in their present location, the right of way should be parked. But for the benefit of both city and railroad they should be moved, and moved while it can be done at a profit, as it can be at present.

Within a year or two crossings will have to be made at Sixth and Ninth streets, and each year will see demand for more crossings. Every one of them will be a menace to life and expensive to maintain, while if the tracks were placed along Bear creek, all crossings would be by bridges and endanger no one.

The matter of removal should be taken up by the council and Commercial club with the railroad, the cost and feasibility ascertained, for the future growth and development of the city and the convenience of its inhabitants depends upon a satisfactory solution of this problem.

It is all right for a railroad to split a country village into two sections, but it is not right that a city furnishing a large amount of traffic be so hampered in its upbuilding.

LODGE'S NATIONAL MENACE.

SENATOR LODGE of Massachusetts declares that popular election of senators is a "menace to the nation" and "strikes at the very foundation of the national government."

Opposition by Senator Lodge was to be expected. In a long legislative career there is yet to be cited an instance in which he favored the people as against special interests.

Senator Lodge has worn the collar of Wall street and the livery of the trusts since he entered public life. He retains his seat through the New Haven railroad, in other words, by the grace of Morgan.

If the election of senators was left to the people, Mr. Lodge would not be in it, any more than many other millionaires. Popular elections threaten his seat—therefore the nation is threatened.

Yet Lodge is the man for whom Roosevelt campaigned so earnestly and energetically, and his support helped to elect this reactionary, pledged to oppose all progressive legislation Roosevelt has championed. And this is one reason why the public is losing faith in the sincerity of Theodore Roosevelt.

LAWS GO INTO EFFECT AT ONCE

So Decides Judge Bean in United States Federal Court—Decision of Far Reaching Importance—No Action by Governor Legislatures.

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 7.—In an opinion which probably will have a far reaching effect, Judge Bean of the United States court has decided that all laws passed by the voters under the initiative become laws immediately without any action of the governor or legislature.

The decision was made in the case of Walter Bradley, who was suing the Union Bridge and Construction company for damages for the death of his son, who fell from one of the company's barges and was drowned in the Willamette river. Bradley brought action under the new employers' liability law which had carried at the general election November 8, the day previous to the youth's death.

Would Bar Classic

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 7.—A movement is today under way here to bar Mark Twain's novel, "Huckleberry Finn" from the public schools following the denouncement of the book by mothers of several boys who imitated the adventures of "Huck Finn" and "Tom Sawyer."

AMERICAN GIRL AND BRITISH LORD MARRIED

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and at her presentation to the English court in June.

The bridesmaids' gowns were of white chiffon over white satin, trimmed with festoons of sea green satin ribbons. The gowns were in the high-waisted empire style. The hats were of white chiffon, trimmed with green. The bride's dress was made in Paris, as was the rest of her trousseau, on which was spent, it is estimated by a reliable person, the snug little sum of \$40,000.

Cost is \$75,000.

Those who like to follow the elaborate weddings among New York's millionaires estimate the total cost of Miss Vivien's transformation into Lady Deedes at close to \$75,000, to say nothing of the "dot" of several millions that she will take her titled husband. Mrs. George J. Gould is nothing if not lavish in her social affairs, and her planning of today's wedding, from first to last, was in utter disregard of cost. The preliminary entertainments, the decorations of the church and the house, the gifts to the wedding party and the other odds and ends brought the total expenditures up the proportions of a good sized fortune.

No immediate plans for the honeymoon were announced. It is probable that the couple will go to the Gould properties at Jekyll Island, Georgia, returning to New York and sailing on the Carmania on February 18. They will make the Mediterranean trip and stay some time in Egypt before going to Sefton Park.

Difference in Ages.

The great disparity in the ages of Lord and Lady Deedes added a note of interest to their wedding. Lord Deedes, whose full name is John Graham Hope de La Poer Beresford Baron Deedes, of county Waterford, Ireland, first met Miss Gould while he was exhibiting horses at the New York show several years ago. She was then in short dresses, but it was seen at the outset that he was greatly interested in the child, as she then was.

Lord Deedes, who is only two years younger than his father-in-law, has seen much service as a soldier, having been in the Boer campaign. Being an engaging conversationalist, it was suggested that his stories of his travels and fighting may have won the heart of Miss Vivien. For Lord Deedes was a frequent guest of the Goulds at their Georgian court and town residence. Lord Deedes, however, denied the impeachment that he had played Orpheo to Miss Gould's Dedeemona.

Says He Is Not Old.

Lord Deedes himself thought it nothing unusual that a man of 44 should wish to marry a girl of 18.

"Why? Why? I am not old," he said to the New York interviewers. "In England a man of 44, especially if he has lived actively in the open air, as I have done, is considered right in his prime. Difference in age, such as between Miss Gould and me, are very common in England."

In addition to being a soldier, Lord Deedes is one of the most prominent sportsmen in England. He owns a small racing stable and is known as a cricketer and football player, a hunter and boxer. The country seats over which Lady Deedes will be mistress are Killycory, Ireland; Serton Park, Slough, England, and Beresford Lodge, Kent.

SENATOR JONES FLAYS LORIMER

Says No Doubt Exists But That Illinois Senator Gained His Seat Through Bribery and Other Unsavory Methods.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—In an able speech that was received by his colleague with pronounced interest, Jones (republican, Washington) announced his verdict against Lorimer in the senate today. He gave an incisive review of the testimony.

The senator argued that the seven known tainted votes cast for Lorimer were not all that were swayed by corrupt practices.

"In the case before us," he said, "it seems to me it would practically be impossible to determine definitely and surely all of the tainted votes. The tainting of Lee O'Neill Brown's vote did not stop with him. There were men like 'Manny' Abrahams, who voted as Brown voted, right or wrong, how many, no one knows, but the tainting of his vote tainted theirs even though they were not guilty of any wrong intent. The testimony itself shown—aye, Brown so testified—that here were men in the Illinois legislature who voted as Brown voted whether right or wrong, and any transaction, in my judgment, tainting Brown's vote, also taints these votes. His influence was different from that of the ordinary member of the legislature. I am sure that he looked to him as a friend, adviser and guide. What ever he did they accepted as correct and those who were looking to influence in election by improper means would accomplish a great deal more by influencing Brown's vote than by influencing the votes of dozens of others. It was plain to be seen that Brown could be bribed, not only his vote would be bought, but that here would be bought with it many other votes."

"I have wished to sustain the verdict of the majority of the committee because of their learning and ability, their integrity and patriotism. I have wished to sustain their verdict because of my intimate association with Mr. Lorimer in the house of representatives. I have wished to sustain it for the honor of the great state of Illinois, in which I was born and reared, but I am compelled by my oath under the facts, as I see them, and the law, as I see it, to vote 'declare' the election of Mr. Lorimer illegal and void."

LEGISLATURE AGAIN TO VOTE ON SENATORSHIP

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Feb. 7.—Question as to the legality of the election of Charles Watson and Walter Chilton having arisen, the legislature, will within a few days, vote on their nomination for the fourth time.

The two men were first elected while the republican members of the state senate were in Cincinnati to prevent legal organization of the legislature. They were voted upon a second time after the members returned, but the republicans refused to answer roll call. A third election was held and their commissions issued by Governor Glascock. It is now held that the organization of the legislature at which they were elected was not according to law and a fourth election will take place.

Pioneer Woman Dies.

Death claimed another Oregon pioneer Sunday, when Mrs. Mary J. Kittidge, died at her home in Astoria, aged 89 years.

Mrs. Kittidge first came across the plains to Oregon in the early fifties. The family settled near the town of Astoria. After her marriage to Mr. Kittidge the couple lived for a number of years near Lakeview. The family moved to Astoria several years ago. There are five daughters and a son who live at Astoria. One of the daughters is Miss Mary Kittidge, teacher of the sixth grade in the Lincoln school at Medford.

Resume Racing at Juarez

JUAREZ, Mex., Feb. 7.—The Juarez Jockey club probably will resume racing this afternoon, officials believing trouble ground Juarez is practically at an end.

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Former Champion Oarsman of United States Will Be Third Man in the Ring at Tonight's Exhibition of Opera House.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 7.—Harry S. Harkness, millionaire aviator of Pasadena, made the first flight in the history of aviation today carrying despatches from the United States government to troops in the field.

He started from North Island, San Diego, where the Curtiss and Harkness hangars are located, flew along San Diego bay to the Tinian, California, on the border, where United States troops from Fort Rosecrans ate on guard to enforce neutrality, and dropped a package of government despatches and mail and copies of the San Diego Sun into camp for the officers and soldiers, by order of Major McManus, commanding Fort Rosecrans.

McManus delivered the packages from his Antoinette monoplane at 9:20 a. m., flew two miles into Mexican territory and then started back to San Diego.

Archbishop Wetter.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 7.—The condition of Archbishop Ryan continued to improve today, and his physicians said he might now recover.

Perhaps most of your "bad luck" consists in failing to answer the want ads that contain opportunities for you.