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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: 8340; estimated in November, 1910, 10,000.

Five hundred thousand dollar Gravity Water System completed, giving finest supply pure water in Oregon.

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 67 per cent.

Bank deposits were \$2,374,532, a gain of 22 per cent.

Banner fruit city in Oregon—Rogue River Spitznberg 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, enclosing 5 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever written.

A NEVER-ENDING DISPUTE.

COMMERCIAL fishing seems to appeal to the baser instincts.

It is the trade of the slaughter house, and breeds greed, avarice, malice, laziness and quarrelsomeness.

The selfishness and hoggishness engendered by the occupation has become a byword.

Although the merciless practices of the vocation inevitably exhausts nature and sooner or later the unreasoning and unreasonable host are left without an occupation, every effort to better conditions is savagely resisted.

The New Foundland fisheries have been a subject of international dispute for centuries. Every effort at adjustment and compromise only furnishes fresh subjects for quarrels.

Salmon in Atlantic coast streams were years ago exterminated through the fatuous folly of the fishermen, who fought every means designed to prevent extermination.

Quarrels of the Columbia river fishermen have taken up a large part of the time of every Oregon and Washington legislative session for a score and more of years. Every measure designed to protect the fish has been bitterly fought by conflicting interests. Efforts to join with Washington in enforcing a similar code of protective laws in each state have been as stoutly resisted. The disputes have disgusted the people of both states.

Lawlessness of the fishermen has become proverbial. They break, and constantly break, the letter and spirit of laws designed only to perpetuate their own industry. Only complete extermination of fish will end their law breaking, silence their noisy clamor, and end their rapacity.

Rogue river fishing has been a never-ending source of turmoil. The upper river fishermen are greedy law breakers. The lower river has ever been in the grip of a million-dollar monopoly that has been a law unto itself. Neither faction would listen to reason, and between the two, fish of all kinds were being rapidly exterminated. In disgust, the people of Oregon voted both out of business.

Of course both factions are clamoring for the legislature to nullify the people's law. But will the legislature dare to under the expressed wish of the people? We shall see.

SOUND ADVICE TO FOLLOW.

ONE of the large insurance concerns has written regarding Medford as follows:

"We have received a report on general conditions, fire department, water supply, etc., at Medford, all generally favorable, especially the report on water system.

"The fire department, however, is inadequate for a town the size and importance of Medford. The building law is poor and there is too much refuse in the rear of store buildings. We suggest the passage of a better building law and a law requiring premises to be kept clear of rubbish.

"A strong fire department, together with a good building law, and good conditions, always is recognized by insurance companies in making rates and in the long run the town will get back in the way of lessened cost for insurance, all that is expended for protection."

Here are added reasons for building inspection, cleanliness and a better fire department that appeal to the pocket book and hence appeal to all.

UNLAWFUL MILLINERY.

SEIZURE at Portland of millinery containing plumage of Chinese pheasants has called attention to the violation of the law by many women of Medford who adorn their headgear with the features of this unlawfully slaughtered game bird.

The law not only forbids killing of pheasants in Jackson county, but also the wearing of the plumage of a bird, a fact unknown to most women wearing them, who are unwittingly rendering themselves liable to fine or imprisonment. Milliners who sell and carry pheasant plumage in stock are also breaking the law, which reads as follows:

"From and after the date when this act becomes a law, any person or persons who shall have in his or their possession the feathers, carcass or any portion of any dead ring-necked or Chinese (Torquatus) pheasant at any time when it is unlawful to hunt or kill the same, or who shall at any time mutilate any carcass or any such bird for the purpose of disguising the sex thereof shall be deemed guilty of a violation of the provisions of this act, and the possession of said feathers, carcass or any portion of the dead bird shall be deemed and held prima facie evidence of guilt." The penalty for violation of this law is: "a fine of not less than \$25 or more than \$150," etc.

RECIPROCITY CAMPAIGN SENATE LIBERAL TO OF TAFT UNDERWAY FOUR DISTRICT FAIRS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 8.—President Taft's reciprocity campaign will get under way tomorrow night when after a state dinner he will leave the capital for a three days tour through the middle west.

The president will deliver three speeches during the trip, one at Columbus, O., one at Lucasport, Ind., and one at Springfield, Ill., on Saturday a banquet to the memory of Abraham Lincoln.

The president will reach Washington again next Monday.

Bath Tub Trust on Trial.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 8.—Arguments of the attorneys for the bath tub trust in support of their demand, entered against the government's prosecution were begun here today before Judge Denison.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8.—Opening in what may readily become a source of liberal expenditure, the senate yesterday passed a bill appropriating \$1800 annually for two years for four district fairs in Southern Oregon. This is an increase of \$1800 per year over former expenditures for the same purpose.

The bill was one introduced by Senators Miller and Calkins, giving \$1200 in aid of a fair in Linn county, and equal sums for Douglas county, Crook and Curry counties jointly, and Douglas and Josephine jointly.

Wood declared he was opposed to the policy of appropriating for district fairs, and gave warning he would ask for money for his own country if such bills are going to be passed. Miller and Abraham warmly supported the bill, and it was passed by a vote of 20 to 4.

SAW AND HAMMER ARE AGAIN HEARD

With Fair Weather Comes Renewed Activity on the Various Large Structures in the City—Greatest Building Season Here.

With the return of cloudless days the song of the hammer and saw is again heard in the land. Contractors have already commenced work with renewed vigor on the many large buildings under way in Medford or are planning to start as soon as a crew can be gathered. Many of the jobs were taken with a time limit, so that each fair day must be taken advantage of.

Work will soon be under way in earnest on the two new schoolhouses so that they will be ready for occupancy at the commencement of the coming school year. The present facilities are overcrowded and will be more than overcrowded next term. Alfred Ivey, who has the contract for their erection, has had a crew at work for some days grading and excavating, but has been delayed by the bad weather. Now, however, the work will be taken up in earnest and hurried.

Work on the Hotel Medford will go ahead with renewed vigor as will be the case with the Howard block. Soon work is to start on the completion of the Mail Tribune building and many other buildings which have been projected.

This building season promises to be the greatest in the city's history, and contractors are already taking hold.

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Feb. 8.

A constitution of the provisional government of the Confederate States of America was adopted at Montgomery. This document generally resembled the constitution of the United States, but prohibited the importation of African negroes as slaves. The preamble to the constitution began, "We, the deputies of the sovereign and independent states of —, ordain and establish this constitution."

BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION MEETS

The declaring of a dividend of six per cent and the reading of a report showing a great gain made during the past year were the principal features of the annual meeting of the Jackson County Building & Loan association. During the past year 36 homes have been built by the association for the members.

The directors and officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

Directors—C. M. Kidd, Judge William S. Crowell, H. F. Platt, F. H. Hollis, Bert Anderson, O. C. Boggs, and W. J. Roberts.

Officers—President, Bert Anderson; vice-president, F. H. Hollis; secretary, H. F. Platt; treasurer, M. L. Alford; attorney, O. C. Boggs.

BATTLE REPORTED SOUTH OF CAMPO

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 8.—Reports from Campo, near the Mexican border, today were that a battle between the rebels and the Mexican troops under Lieutenant Governor Vega had occurred ten miles South East of Campo.

The sound of firing in the direction of the camp was heard at 3 o'clock, this morning but no definite reports of battle had been received at Campo up to 10 o'clock today. Correspondents left Campo early today for the camp of the Mexican troops.

DID HE GET IT BY HEARING CRITICISM?

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 8.—Senator William Lorimer of Illinois may have to undergo an operation for an abscess of the ear, his physicians said today. He has been too ill to attend the senate sessions.

Millionaire Dies.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Frederick Archibald Vaughan Campbell, millionaire, former first Lord of the Admiralty and a great railway authority, died here today.