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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 six ten 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 5 per cent.
Bank deposits were \$2,376,532, a gain of 22 per cent.
Banner fruit city in Oregon—Rogue River Spitzbergen apples won sweepstakes prize and title of

"Apple King of the World."

at the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909, and a star of Newtowne won

First Prize in 1910

at Canadian International Apple Show Vancouver, B. C.

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

Write Commercial club, enclosing stamps for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever written.

ENRAGED FATHER STABS PHYSICIAN

Forces His Way Into Room Where Doctor and Girl Are Together and Badly Injures Physician—Claims His Daughter Was Hypnotized.

AKLAND, Cal., March 29.—A fifty-year old Ethel Patrick and her mother are today closeted with the police at headquarters following the stabbing last night of Dr. A. E. Byron by James T. Patrick, a grocer, who found his daughter Ethel in the company of the physician at the Alhambra apartments here.

The enraged father, after forcing his way into the room, found his daughter lying on the bed and Dr. Byron hiding in a clothes closet. He attacked the physician with a pocket knife, inflicting a deep wound in the vicinity of the heart and a two inch gash on the right wrist. Then Patrick walked to the police station and told his story.

The police found the wounded doctor reclining in a chair in the apartment, where it is said today he has an even chance to live.

The police are probing the charge made by Patrick that Dr. Byron hypnotized his daughter, as he had done other women, and that he had made her a nervous wreck.

RUNAWAY HORSE CAUGHT IN MEDFORD

A horse belonging to A. K. Ware took freight Tuesday noon and ran away. It was stopped in Medford by the police and stabled in the west side barn.

"Jake" Ware a son had been working the horse, in the orchard and was driving him to the barn.

A younger brother drove near the black mare with an automobile and it became frightened and breaking the tugs and lines, ran down the road to the Ashland pike, turned and ran into Medford.

FALGS ARE HALF MASTED IN HONOR OF DEAD

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 29.—Flags on all war vessels and about the harbor were at half mast yesterday in honor of Rear Admiral Silas W. Terry, retired, who died at Washington February 9. They will be half masted again today in honor of Rear Admiral Arthur P. Noyes, who died at Jamaica Plains, February 16.

Only one cruiser fleet is in the harbor today, the California, which will remain here, probably until Thursday. The West Virginia and South Dakota are expected in tomorrow.

The third-class cruiser Buffalo left today to tow targets for the cruiser Maryland to shoot at.

Haskins for Health.

SHEEPS AND GOATS IN POLITICS.

NO one today is at the same time so close an observer of political tendencies and so brilliant a writer about them as William Allen White. In a remarkable article in the April American magazine Mr. White appears in both capacities at his best. He writes:

"But the line of division between the sheep and the goats of politics is not between the Socialists and the rest of the world. The line is between the obstructive and the constructive forces of politics. Their differences are not of party, nor of section, nor of professed creed; between those who look forward and those who look back there are fundamental differences of temperament. These temperamental differences make the lines of cleavage, separating members of the same party into progressives and conservatives, reactionaries and insurgents. Now look around in the world, all over civilization, and you will find no great reactionary leader.

"Go through history with the same quest, and you will find none. Conservatism does not lead—it follows, dragged by the scruff of its neck! Today in our own politics the men whom the people follow are not the conservatives. Our leaders are progressive—most of them militant and insurgent. And all this is because the conservatives have nothing to offer. What program, for instance, is Mr. Cannon offering the American people? He will answer probably that he is standing upon the Republican platform of 1908. But if you ask him what certain of its planks mean, being translated, he will interpret them into a declaration in favor of letting well enough alone. Mr. Aldrich has a similar attitude. They have the political deals of the campaign of 1896; they have learned nothing and forgot nothing since the days when it was supposed that if we kept the nation prosperous we would be keeping it righteous.

"Mr. Harmon, in the Democratic party, is of the same type of mind. Mr. Murphy and Mr. 'Fingy' Conners stand with Mr. Harmon for what Mr. Cannon and the New England group of senators represent in the Republican party. They are all busily engaged in stamping out the blaze in the powder-mill. That is their program in politics; it is hardly necessary to add that it may be regarded politically as 'extra-hazardous,' for the fire has gained a good headway, and soon the places that knew these gentlemen will know them no more, and the historian will be dry-cleaning the landscape to identify them."

PEOPLES' PROPERTY NEGLECTED.

NEED for a change in the management of county affairs is proven by the condition of the road building machinery owned by the county. Water was left in the boilers and pipes of the three steam rollers, which were wintered at the poor farm, with the result that the tubes broke when cold weather arrived and repairs costing \$500 have been thereby necessitated. In one of the rollers, fourteen flues were cracked as well as steam pipes, and two weeks steady work by machinists has not finished the needed repairs.

The public's business is very apt to be no one's business. Costly equipment is left to deteriorate and depreciate, if owned by the people. Hence the employment of a road engineer whose business it will be to safeguard these interests, is universally approved as sound business policy.

In the purchasing of supplies, in the distribution of road funds, in many ways, there has been a looseness of methods which has proven expensive to the taxpayer. In many instances the policy has been penny wise and pound foolish. The change inaugurated by the county court is hailed with satisfaction as the promise of a wiser administration of county affairs.

LONE COUGAR AMID RUINS

Exhibit Building is Now Bare With Exception of Stuffed Animal—Reminds One of Bonheur's "Ruins of Ancient Rome."

A lone cougar today prowls about the wreck of the exhibit building which for years has attracted the attention of new comers in the city, for the moving of exhibits has been completed with the exception of a cougar belonging to J. E. Enyart, which stands in an empty window. The scene reminds one of Bonheur's painting "The ruins of ancient Rome" in which a huge beast of prey gazes over a scene of desolate ruins.

The commercial club which takes possession of the building April 1 is planning to collect an exhibit for the building.

BALLINGER IS DONE WITH POLITICS HE SAYS

SEATTLE, Wash., March 29.—At a banquet given in his honor at the exclusive Rainer club last night, H. A. Ballinger, formerly secretary of the interior, reiterated his declaration that he was done forever with politics.

Manning to Go South.

ASTORIA, Wash., March 29.—Orders have just been received by officers of the Revenue Cutter Manning to prepare for the annual cruise to Alaska. The ship will take on supplies here and will depart April 10.

160 ARE THOUGHT LOST IN STORM

Steamer Yongala Reported to Have Gone Down at Sea With All on Board—Pieces of Wreckage Are Picked Up.

MELBOURNE, March 29.—The steamer Yongala, with 160 aboard, is reported to have gone down at sea with all on board. The vessel was last seen off Bowen, Queensland, when a severe gale was raging.

Pieces of wreckage have come ashore in that neighborhood and the only conclusion that can be drawn is that they belong to the missing ship.

It is generally believed everyone of the 160 people perished.

The Yongala, which was a coasting steamer, was bound from Townsville to Mackay. She was owned by the Adelaide Steamship company of Adelaide.

DEMOCRATS TODAY CONSIDER WOOL TARIFF

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 29.—The new democratic house ways and means committee today met and discussed the tariff question, chiefly the wool schedule which is expected to be the first part of the Payne-Aldrich law to be attacked when congress meets.

A new English automobile speedometer that can be read from the roadside as well as from the vehicle itself rings a bell and switches on a red light if a set speed be exceeded.

FLAW SETS NEWS BUTCHER FREE

Indictment Faulty and Calkins Directs Verdict—Train Boy Sold Obscene Book to Young Lad Who in Turn Gave It to Girl.

Roy Watson, a Southern Pacific news agent was set free yesterday by a jury on a directed verdict given by Judge Calkins. He was charged with selling obscene literature.

In indicting Watson the grand jury at the suggestion of District Attorney Mulkey set forth the crime stated, and in general terms the things contained in the book. But it is required to print word for word the language used.

The indictment being faulty the judge ordered the directed verdict. One other case of this nature has been tried in Oregon and the same mistake occurred.

Watson had sold previous to his arrest an obscene book to a young boy. The boy after reading it gave it to a girl playmate. She gave the book to the proper authorities and the boy was apprehended. He in turn gave the name of the news agent.

Watson was caught in a trap. He sold one to an officer.

Watson said that he has lost his position on account of this arrest. He stated that the practice of selling this literature was carried on secretly by all of the agents. Each agent passing it over to the next man who kept it in his pocket. The practice since the arrest of two of the men has caused the practicing of selling this literature to be abandoned.

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Haskins for health

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