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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; \$840, estimated, 1911—10,000.

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 March 31, 1911, show increase of 41 per cent. Bank deposits a gain of 22 per cent.

Banner 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 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. Write Commercial Club, enclosing 6 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever written.

STATESMEN TELL GOOD ROAD VALUE

Western Governors and Senators Contribute Opinions in Northwest Publication—West Says Highways Must Be Improved.

An edition of the Pacific Northwest entirely given up to the good roads movement has just been issued by the publisher, Phillip S. Bates. Opinions related to the value of better highway construction, pointing out proper methods of procedure, are given by the governors and congressmen of Oregon, Washington and Idaho. One of the most valuable articles was contributed by Judge Lionel R. Webster, formerly chairman of the Oregon Good Roads association's executive committee.

Governor Oswald West: "Oregon will never come into her own in the way of development until she takes steps to improve her highways. There are sections of our state—great empires where you could lose several of the New England states—absolutely without means of reaching the railroads or markets with their products except by a two or three days' and sometimes a week's journey over almost impassable wagon roads."

Senator George E. Chamberlain: "There is no single factor that will contribute so much to the development of the state as the adoption and carrying out of a sound policy with reference to road building."

Senator W. L. Jones, Washington: "We all seek cheap transportation by rail, overlooking the fact that a post road a few miles in length adds more to the cost of the thing we buy and subtracts more from what we have to sell than the cost of hundreds of miles of transportation by rail."

Senator Miles Poindeexter of Washington: "Good roads in a country community add value in actual dollars to every acre of land in the vicinity. The saving in the cost of transportation to market in a very short time equals the cost of the road."

Senator W. B. Heyburn of Idaho: "The question of good roads is a question for national, state and local governments to deal with promptly, intelligently and efficiently."

Governor James H. Hawley of Idaho: "The demand for good roads is the most insistent requisite of civilization; in fact, the movement toward the cities, which has so perplexed our public economists is largely due to the fact that practical road building has not kept progress with the advancement noted in other fields of human endeavor."

Senator William E. Borah of Idaho: "The tendencies of our years have been in favor of urban life in every possible way, and I think good roads are one means of reversing the cause for so long greatly neglected."

Judge L. R. Webster: "No farmer or business man could conduct his business in the allspiced, haphazard manner that money is spent on roads without being bankrupt in a year."

Haskins for Health.

SCIENTIFIC FROST FIGHTING.

PRESENT indications are that the Rogue River valley will be one of the few fruit districts of the entire country to escape frost damage this spring. Even here the thermometer has hovered around the danger mark, but the crops will be saved through scientific methods of fighting frost.

No other fruit district in the country is so far advanced in modern scientific methods. Pests of all kinds, including the dreaded fire-blight, have been and are being successfully resisted. And now frost has lost its terror to the orchardist, who has learned that a few dollars spent in heating apparatus saves many thousands in yield.

Experiments here in past years have demonstrated the fact that temperature can be raised ten degrees in orchards by heating apparatus, so that the prospect of the coldest night probable at this season of the year means simply added labor to the fruitgrower, instead of a fruitless year ahead.

For the present advanced position in the fruit world—this is the third year orchard heating has been resorted to—the Rogue River valley is largely indebted to labor and efforts of P. J. O'Gara of the department of agriculture, who after two years' work here for the government, was loaned to Jackson county to take charge of the campaigns against pests and frost. No money spent by the county court is better spent, or returns a larger dividend to the taxpayers than that spent to secure the services of Professor O'Gara and his assistants, and the commissioners are to be congratulated upon securing his services for another year.

BEAUTIFYING THE RIGHT OF WAY.

FOR the Southern Pacific's effort to beautify Medford by parking the narrow strip of right of way between the depot and Exhibit building, citizens are profoundly grateful.

This little strip of park, however, is principally valuable as a stimulator of the city beautiful. Like the first stretch of paving, it is an object lesson. It creates a desire for more. The railroad will have no peace now until all that section of the right of way from Sixth to Eighth is similarly improved.

If the work is too much for the railroad, the city should assist. No money could be better invested than in such a park, for it would add a hundred per cent to the improvement of the city's appearance.

It is time that the city council acted in this matter and arrived at a definite understanding with the railroad officials as to what can be expected, and a program of action promulgated. The sooner the matter is adjusted the better, for nothing is gained by delay.

The efforts of the ladies of the Greater Medford club to beautify the right of way by planting shade trees and prevent its use as a loafing ground for idle express wagons is to be commended and should receive the co-operation of city officials.

RIDDLE OF THE SPHINX SOLVED

Said to Be Sculptured Portrait of Cephren, Pharaoh of Egypt, who Ruled 2850 Years Before Christ Has Puzzled Scholars.

BOSTON, Mass., April 11.—The great Sphinx which has puzzled scholars for centuries is a sculptured portrait of Cephren, a Pharaoh of Egypt who ruled in the year 2850 B. C., according to Prof. George A. Reisner of Harvard university.

Reisner says he made the discovery when he headed the archaeological expedition sent into Egypt by Harvard and the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. He said the identification of the mysterious monument was unearthed in excavations made recently in Egypt.

GRAND JURY TO INVESTIGATE REDDING BANK FAILURE

REDDING, Cal., April 11.—Thirty citizens listed in January for grand jury duty have been summoned to appear April 20, and from this number 12 men will be selected to investigate the failure of the Bank of Shasta County which closed March 23 with reputed assets of \$1,000,000, but which Bank Examiner Dibbs declares re only \$423,482. Bad and doubtful loans, according to Dibbs, were responsible for the bank's downfall. Banking Superintendent Williams announced today that he was thoroughly investigating the bank's affairs.

Rebels in El Paso Jail.

EL PASO, Tex., April 11.—After a night spent in the El Paso jail, L. Gutierrez de Lara, captain in Madero's rebel army, and two companions took steps today through their friends on the outside to secure their release. The men were held on simple charges of disturbing the peace, committed by addressing noisy street gatherings in the Mexican quarter last night, but the authorities refused to admit them to bail sooner because a large mob that followed them to jail refused to disperse until nearly daylight. De Lara's companions were Santiago Casanova and Antonio Saenz.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

An adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Rogue River Fruit & Produce association will be held on Wednesday, April 12, 1911, 10:30 a. m. at Horticultural Hall, Medford.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply at the next regular meeting of the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, on April 18, 1911, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in quantities less than a gallon for a period of six months, at his place of business at No. 22 North Front street, in said city.

Dated April 7, 1911. JOHN HARRINGTON, Secretary.

CRY FOR MADERO COSTS A LIFE

Drunken Sailor Who Shouted His Sympathy for Rebel Chief is Shot Down by an Escaped Murderer From Santa Ana.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 11.—The rebel cry of "Vive Madero" cost Juan Gonzales, a Mexican sailor from the schooner Jennie Theling his life at Ensenada Saturday night. He was shot down by Sarcio Zain, an escaped murderer from Santa Ana, Cal., who fled to Lower California and joined the Mexican army.

Gonzales, who had been drinking, was unarmed. With a crowd of companions at a canten, he had been singing. Gonzales shouted his sympathy for the Madero forces and Zain stepped forward and declared that if he repeated the shout he would kill him.

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ASTORIA INVITES MUTT AND JEFF

Centennial Committee Offers Jeff Fine Chance to Marry an Heiress—Chapman Promises Meal Ticket Each Way for Them.

Mutt and Jeff, having returned from Mexico, have been invited to Oregon. Astoria will have big doings next fall while celebrating the centennial of the Astor expedition, and it was felt the list of guests would be incomplete unless Mutt and Jeff are included.

Therefore, John Day, manager of publicity of the Astoria event, has wired the most influential and intimate friend of the venturesome pair to induce them to pay Oregon a visit, promising a full meal and heiresses who want to marry little Jeff. His "Bud" Fisher, New York American: The Astoria Centennial committee desires you to bring Mutt and Jeff for a trip to the Centennial, which is celebrated August 10 to September 9. Colonel Astor of New York city has contributed \$10,000 toward the expenses of the centennial, the state of Oregon \$50,000, Clatsop county \$25,000 and Oregon business men \$100,000. Curtiss will be here with his air ships, national guard encampment here, state school teachers' institute for a week, two fleets of battleships, Pacific coast regatta, with \$12,000 in cash prizes. Other big features including Pain's fireworks spectacle, Orpheum theatre, Oregon hotel and the girls in general just crazy for little Jeff. Fine chance for Jeff to marry a rich heiress here. This not so dangerous as war in Mexico. Manager Chapman of Portland Commercial club promises full meal ticket during trip. Harriman lines will allow Mutt and Jeff private car from New York city. Don't you think you ought to let them come and tell the people of the country how they are getting here and what they see en route?

NOTICE: Is hereby given that the undersigned will apply at the meeting of the city council of the city of Medford to be held on April 18th, 1911, at 7:30 p. m. for a retail liquor license to sell malt vinous and spirituous liquors at retail for six months at the store room on the ground floor No. 21 South D'Anjou street, Medford, Oregon. Dated March 29th, 1911. WM. GILL, JOHN S. GILL, JAMES VOGELI.

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