

EXPERT LAUGHS AT EDISON'S TALE

Wizard Out With Statement That Man Should Live 150 Years With Proper Care of the Body, Which is Taken as Joke by Physician.

PARIS, May 12.—Dr. Eli Metchnikoff of the Pasteur institute here when shown an interview today with Thomas A. Edison, in which the great inventor was quoted as having said that the human body was a machine which, if properly treated, is capable of sustaining life for 150 years, smiled and shrugged his shoulders.

FRUIT PROSPECTS NOT GOOD SOUTH

While Damage Here Is Slight, California Producers Suffer Losses—Pears Will Only Produce 65 Per Cent of Last Year's Crop.

While only fractional damage has been done the fruit crop in general in the states of Oregon, Idaho and Washington by the recent cold snaps, immense damage is confirmed by California reports in that state.

4,000 DEER ARE KILLED EACH YEAR

Federal Authorities Report on Slaughter of Elk, Deer and Birds in the Various Forest Reserves of the State.

SALEM, Or., May 12.—Governor West has received a complete report from the United States forestry service in which an estimate of the conditions of game in the various national forests in Oregon is made, and which the governor will refer to the state fish and game commission. The estimate is based upon investigations of supervisors of the national forests concerned. The report estimates elk as follows: Cascade forest, 30; Malheur forest, 29, with hunters killing an average of five a year; Oregon national forest, 75; Siskiyou forest, 50; Siskiyou forest, 200; Unmatted forest, 13; Whitman forest, 125, with hunters killing an average of 225 annually; Crater national forest, 15, gray wolves destroying nearly all the young, while the winter pull down the weak ones. In all, the estimate limits the number of elk in the national forests in Oregon to 558. It is estimated that 400,000 of various species of deer are found within the boundaries of Oregon forests, and about 14,000 of these are killed annually by hunters, while 20,000 are the prey of predatory animals. The report estimates that the forest contain about 10 per cent of their productive capacity of field birds, while ducks appear to be decreasing about 2 per cent annually in the reserves, especially in the region of Crater Lake forest on account of the fact that 5000 persons spend from one to six weeks each season there hunting and fishing.

DRIVER OF AUTO IS ACQUITTED

Jury in Justice Taylor's Court Says Young Man Who Ran Down Cyclist is Not Guilty of Breaking Road Laws.

Ernest Waterman was acquitted of breaking the laws of the road, of which he was accused when he ran down Frank Miller of Central Point, Saturday afternoon, by a jury in Justice Taylor's court, Thursday afternoon. A number of witnesses were introduced by both sides, the testimony taking up the greater part of the afternoon. Aside from a few casual remarks made by Judge Kelly, for the defense, and District Attorney Miller, the trial was uninteresting and the case was given to the jury after short deliberations. The decision was unanimous in favor of Waterman's innocence of breaking the laws of the road.

GEORGE AND MARY APPEAR IN PUBLIC

England's Ruler for First Time Takes Part in Public Ceremony—Crowds Line Streets and Heartily Cheer Their Majesties.

LONDON, May 12.—Riding in state from Buckingham palace through crowded London streets this afternoon, King George went to the Crystal palace and formally opened the festival of the empire exposition as his first ceremony since his accession.

SENATOR LABORS TO RUSH HEARING

Chamberlain Will Go Before Supreme Court to Ask for Hastening of Cases in Connection With Portland Rate Cases Against Road.

WASHINGTON, D. C. May 12.—Senator Chamberlain will appear before the supreme court here for the state of Oregon Monday to move to advance for an early hearing the Portland distributive rate case, brought by shippers, against the Northern Pacific Railway company and other roads.

STAGE DRIVER FATALLY HURT

John Lowden Thrown Out on His Head When Crescent City Stage Horses Became Unmanageable—Wild Run Made.

GRANTS PASS, May 12.—Stagedriver Lowden died shortly after noon today, the result of a runaway a few minutes after 12 o'clock yesterday. The Crescent City stage, en route to Grants Pass, was wrecked on Hayes hill, a short distance out of Love station, and Driver John Lowden lies unconscious and death may ensue at any moment. There were two passengers in the stage, each of whom escaped with only minor injuries. The injured are Mr. Record, Sr., of Wadco, of the former blacksmith firm of Record & Son, and O. K. Entrioken of Portland. Mr. Record received severe bruises and Entrioken has a badly bruised eye.

SISTERS MAY CARE FOR POOR

Movement on Foot to Abolish Present County Poor Farm and Have Sisters of Providence Care for Inmates.

A movement is on foot to have the Sisters of Providence when their new hospital in this city is complete, take over the inmates at the county poor farm and care for them or going away with the county institution on the Ashland road. The Sisters have signified their willingness to do this and a large number of people throughout the county are favoring the move as it would not only be cheaper for the county but it would assure the inmates of the poor house much better treatment and attention. For the most part, such inmates are aged persons without kith or kin or any one to make their remaining few days comfortable as would be the case if the Sisters cared for their poor.

POLICE SCOUT SUICIDE STORY

Refuse to Accept Verdict of Coroner's Office—Nurse Tells of Finding Body—Says She "Passionately" Loved Him.

NEW YORK, May 12.—The police announced today that they were unable to accept the theory that Dr. W. R. Latson, a well known specialist and editor of the Health Culture Magazine, had committed suicide at his apartment in Riverside drive, notwithstanding a statement to that effect from the coroner's office.

BRINGS ELOPING COUPLE NORTH

R. F. Clark, formerly of Medford, now of San Francisco, arrived here Tuesday from the bay city bringing in his automobile an eloping bride couple, who were married in Sulpan two days before.

WILL PAY INDEMNITY

WASHINGTON, D. C. May 11.—The state department has been informed by Minister Calhoun at Peking that the Chinese government has agreed to an indemnity in case any of the American physicians assisting in the fight against the pneumonic plague in Manchuria are stricken by the disease. Besides more than a score of American doctors being employed by the government, Drs. Strong and Torgue of the Philippine service officially represent the United States at the plague conference at Mukden. In case of the death of any of the American medical representatives, the Chinese government agreed to pay \$5000 to the families of the deceased.

SENATOR PERKINS IS NOT TO RESIGN

WASHINGTON, D. C. May 12.—Reports that he is to resign were emphatically denied here today by Senator Perkins of California, who, it was said, was about to quit public life on account of ill health. Senator Perkins said his condition was in no wise serious and that as long as he could get to and from senate meetings he declared he would continue to represent his state.

NEW COMPANY TO INVADE FIELD

The Klamath Power company has entered the field in competition with the Gold Ray Electric company and a royal contest will no doubt result in the scramble to secure the lighting throughout the valley. A franchise for the use of the public highways has been granted the company in Josephine county and a similar franchise was granted in Jackson county last week.

CLAIM LARGEST SCHOOL IN STATE

The Sunday school division of the First Methodist church is now claiming the largest enrollment of any Sunday school in southern Oregon, having a total of 412 pupils at the present time with a steady increase every Sunday. Easter Sunday witnessed an attendance of 245 and the weekly attendance is nearly as much.

SURFACE BEING LAID JACKSON

The laying of the wearing surface on Jackson street started this morning and the surface crew is following close on the crew laying the binder course which passed Central avenue this morning.

SATURDAY SPECIALS

Silk Hose 35c Pair, 3 pair \$1.00. Men's and ladies Silk Hose; light gauze weight; linen heel and toe; double sole; mercerized ribbed garter top; colors black and tan; all sizes; 35c pair, 3 for \$1.00.

FANCY CHINA See our big window of Fancy China plates regular \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 values; Saturday special, 50c Ea. BOYS' WAISTS A new line just in; light and dark colors; sizes 4 to 12 years, 25c and 50c. SUN BONNETS Ladies' and misses' new line just in; 25c Each

Talcum Powder 15c box, 2 for 25c. Mennen's and Colgate's Talcum Powder; special for Saturday only, 15c box, 2 for 25. Limited 2 to a person.

GLASSWARE — BEST QUALITY AND FINEST ASSORTMENT IN THE CITY.

Hussey's

Medford Theatre, Friday May 19th. LEW FIELDS PRESENTS Blanche Ring. "The Yankee Girl" Book by Geo. V. Hobart Music by Silvio Hein. Harry Gilfoil and 50 others. A SONG A GIRL THEN A MERRY QUIP. YOU LAUGH YOU SIGH THEN TO YOUR FINGER TIP SENSATIONS NEW HAVE GOT YOU IN THEIR GRIP. THEY ALL GO TO SEE HER AND SO WILL YOU 40 WINSOME WINNERS IN THE GETAWAY HEAR MISS RING SING THE NEW SONGS And maybe—if you're good—a few of the old. PRICES—\$1.50, \$2.00. Seat sale Tuesday, May 16, at Huskies'.

Wear a Flower for Mother's Sake. To honor the best Mother who ever lived—your own. That is the purpose of Mother's Day. SUNDAY, MAY 14. A white flower for Mother's memory. A bright flower for Mother's living. We shall be prepared Saturday, May 13, and Sunday, May 14, with a large assortment of fine, fresh flowers, appropriate for Mothers' Day, offered at our usual moderate prices. All customers served promptly. Special rates to Sunday Schools, Lodges, etc. Medford Green House, 933 East Main St. Send Mother a Bouquet on Mother's Day. We have correspondents to deliver flowers fresh anywhere in the United States.

If You Desire to Look Your Best Visit The MARINELLO SHOP. Where a Marinello graduate will dress your hair and suggest the latest and most becoming coiffures and where you can purchase FINE HAIR GOODS. You are sure of getting the latest styles and the most satisfactory values. MARINELLO PREPARATIONS You won't know what real satisfaction in toilet articles means until you try our special preparations. CORA E. UTLEY OVER KENTNER'S, EAST MAIN ST.

MILLINERY. Miss Paynter announces that she has moved her millinery parlors to the ground floor of the Medford National Bank building. Every lady is invited to call, inspect the new styles and learn the low prices. Complete line of summer goods will be introduced in due season.

The Medford National Bank. Capital, \$100,000.00 Surplus, \$20,000.00. SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES FOR RENT. A GENERAL BANKING BUSINESS TRANSACTED. WE SOLICIT YOUR PATRONAGE. J. E. ENYART, President F. E. MERRICK, Vice-President J. A. PERRY, Vice-President JOHN S. ORTH, Cashier W. B. JACKSON, Asst. Cashier.

Special for Friday and Saturday. 6-room modern bungalow; cement foundation; plastered and tinted walls; located within six blocks from Washington school; lot 50x150 to alley; south front. You cannot buy the lot and build for the price asked. Party leaving the city and will sacrifice if sold by Saturday night. PRICE \$2100. C. A. MCARTHUR ROOM NO. 3 P. O. BLOCK. HOME 279 PHONE 3081.

NOTICE. Dr. Barber is now located in rooms 307 and 308 Farmers and Fruitgrowers bank building and will be pleased to meet his friends and patrons in the new location.

TRIN HAIR ON TOP. If Parisian Sage, the hair grower that Chas. Strain guarantees will not cause hair to grow where the hair is thinning out, nothing on this earth will. And we say to everybody, man, woman young or old you can have your money back if Parisian Sage isn't the best hair grower, hair saver, hair beautifier and dandruff cure on the market today.