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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: 8849; estimated, 1911—10,000.

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 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 sweet-stakes prize and title of "Apple King of the World."

at the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909, and a car of Newtons 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.

Wrote Commercial club, inclosing 5 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever written.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Medford Or., May 30.

Editor Mail Tribune I was pleased to see that you were so progressive as to get busy with that suggestion as to Medford making a big pull to secure the big university that Mrs. Harriman is said to contemplate endowing. When I read in the Oregonian of Sunday the news item that she was thinking of giving a large sum for such a purpose I was going to write you to work it up and am glad you published such a good editorial, etc. When she considers that already California has two large universities endowed by the Stanford and Hearst millions and that Medford is 300 miles from any large university and has a growing population with hundreds of young men and women anxious to attend a large university and the high class of the citizenship now coming into the Rogue river valley also the fact that Mr. Harriman liked the scenery and mountain air here and his favorite railroad has done so well in southern Oregon and really originated the city of Medford why it does seem as though Medford should stand the best show of securing this great university. Only last fall a leading educator of Illinois reported to his college that there was no doubt in his mind that here was the best opening in the United States today for a university, the pupils were here, the water, the air drainage, and all that goes to make it healthful for them what more could Mrs. Harriman ask for? The Commercial club should call a meeting at once and send some influential man to try to secure what Medford needs most of all, a large college or university. Yours respectfully, A. K. WARE.

A GOOD BEGINNING.

THE new state game and fish commission has made a good beginning in the effort to remove both game and fish from politics, by reappointing Edward Clanton as master fish warden and by selecting W. L. Finley as game warden.

Mr. Clanton is thoroughly versed in the subjects under his jurisdiction, and has made good, both as a fish culturist and as a fearless enforcer of the law. Mr. Finley's appointment is an innovation, as he is a bird lover instead of a bird butcher. He is president of the Audubon society and his regime promises something entirely novel in the history of game wardenships.

Preservation of game by means of game laws and regulations, has its origin in the least for slaughter that still survives in civilized humanity. The game birds and animals are protected during certain seasons so that there will be more of them to kill during other seasons.

Mr. Finley, however, is not actuated in his labors for bird and animal protection by the sport of slaughter, but by the love of the wild creatures themselves. As a naturalist and ornithologist, he has a fame that is nation wide, and no one has a more intimate knowledge of birds and animals, gained from life among them, than he. The only gun he uses is a camera. He utilizes the knowledge thus gained to awaken in mankind a love for the feathered denizens of woodland, prairie and swamp.

Mr. Finley announces that in his visits to different sections of the state to study the game situation, he will hold open meetings with sportsmen, listen to their suggestions, and follow them with a lecture upon game birds, their habits and habitats, illustrated with several hundred lantern slides from photos he secured himself. By this means he hopes to arouse public interest and secure more effective cooperation in the enforcement of game and protective laws.

Few even among sportsmen, have much knowledge of natural history. Such a knowledge as that imparted by Mr. Finley cannot help but awaken a wider interest in bird life and by broadening comprehension, result in more effective protection.

Mr. Finley is to be commended upon the course he has outlined. Success will undoubtedly crown his efforts, and as a result, Oregon will be leading the states in a new way—in the efficient protection of wild birds and animals.

FIGHT FOR PRESIDENCY ON.

THE difference between a progressive republican and a progressive democrat, and a conservative democrat and a conservative republican, is a difference in name only. The progressives or insurgents of each party and the conservatives or standpatters of each, have more in common than either has with the other faction of his own party.

Generally speaking, the stand-patters of each party are against tariff revision, except upward, oppose the initiative, referendum, recall and popular election of senators, and object to legislation curbing the power of trusts, railroads and combinations. In brief, this element of both parties stand pat for the old order, for the rule of the plutocrat and politician.

The progressive, on the other hand, favors all those reforms that the interests opposes and is earnestly trying, by every means in his power, to restore government by, to and for the people.

This promises to be a pretty struggle waged from now on between these contending factions for control of both parties. Each will seek to the name the presidential candidate of each.

At the present time, it would appear that the stand-pat candidate for the republican nomination will be President Taft, and for the democratic nomination, Governor Harmon of Ohio. The progressive candidate for the republican nomination will probably be Senator La Follette, with Theodore Roosevelt as a dark horse. The progressive candidate for the democratic nomination promises to be either Woodrow Wilson or Champ Clark, with the chances favoring the former.

Should the progressives succeed in controlling only one of the party nominations, it is probably that all progressives regardless of party affiliations, will support that candidate. And the same is true of the conservatives or standpatters. Should however, the latter dominate both political conventions, an unlikely contingency, there will probably be a third party in the field.

SAYS LAFFERTY IS PESTILENCE

In Last Issue of Spectator, Direct Charges Are Made Against Congressman Accusing Him of Having Been Arrested Insulting Women.

PORTLAND, May 31.—In the last issue of the Portland Spectator, direct charges are made against Congressman A. W. (Walter) Lafferty, accusing him of having been arrested for insulting women on the street. The accusation is as follows:

In a letter to the Oregonian, A. W. Lafferty, representative in congress from the Second district of Oregon, which includes Portland, says certain newspapers:

"Charged me during the campaign with being insincere in my professions of friendship for the public, as against the special interests, with being a disreputable lawyer, who 'had been up for disbarment before the land department,' and with having been arrested for 'insulting decent women on the streets of Portland.'"

"I admitted everything they charged against me last campaign except the allegation that I had been on the streets. If they had said I arrested for insulting decent women should have been arrested for any reason, instead of saying that I actually had been arrested, perhaps I would have denied that. But as it was I made the statement in my speech at Sixth and Washington streets just before the election that if they would produce the record showing where I had ever been arrested in my life on any charge, or the statement of any officer who made the arrest, that I would withdraw from the race, and that if such proof could be produced after my election that I would resign."

"I am still waiting for the proof, and my challenge then made still holds good."

"The Spectator was the newspaper that made these charges against Lafferty; The Spectator repeats the charges; it accepts Lafferty's challenge, and demands that he resign his seat in congress."

"On the 18th day of June, 1908, at the corner of Fifth and Washington streets, in Portland, Lafferty tried to force his insulting attentions on a married lady, as he had sought to do before. (The name of this lady is, of course, in the possession of The Spectator). She told him if he did not desist, she would ask protection from a policeman. Lafferty met this with a grossly insulting remark. The lady called a policeman (whose name The Spectator has) and had him arrest Lafferty."

"At the city prison, the lady called her husband by phone and told what had happened; the husband, fearing the scandal that would follow trial of Lafferty, would not permit her to swear to a warrant for Lafferty's arrest, and Lafferty was turned loose."

"A short time afterward, the husband told Lafferty that he would 'knock Lafferty's head off,' and Lafferty apologized for insulting the wife, saying he did not know she was married."

"That is a plain statement of fact. There is no record of Lafferty's arrest, because the lady he insulted on the street did not swear to a warrant. Lafferty probably will not resign, which is very likely a good thing for the decent women of Portland. Morally he is a pestilence."

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TURNER INVESTS ON EAST SIDE Buys Half Interest With Joe Brown in Property Situated Next to the Pacific & Eastern Depot—Shows His Faith in Medford. W. F. Turner, comptroller of the Hill lines in Oregon, has purchased a half interest in J. C. Brown's property adjoining the Pacific & Eastern depot on East Main street, paying \$7000. The property has a frontage on Main street and extends back for some distance. Mr. Turner is thoroughly conversant with conditions here having been auditor of the Pacific & Eastern for some time, leaving that position to assume his present position in Portland with the Hill people. That he should return to make this substantial investment shows his faith in the future of Medford. Haskins for Health.

STRAW HATS ARE AGAIN IN SEASON Weather Bureau Issues Formal Announcement of the Season—Mercury Touched 90 Tuesday—Mean Temperature Was 67. The old straw hat may now be worn with impunity, immunity, and without fear. So says the weather man. Tomorrow the straw season will be formally ushered in, and the old felt hat will be relegated to the wardrobe shelf. Tuesday was the hottest day of the year the mercury, according to the local weather bureau, touching 90 between two and three o'clock. The lowest it dropped was 45, so that mean temperature was 67.5. Professor O'Gara this morning issued a formal bulletin in regard to straw hats. Following tomorrow they may be worn, without comment on the part of the rabble.

'OLD GREY EAGLE' TO SAIL TONIGHT Surrounded by His Family and Twenty Faithful Officers Diaz is Escorted to His Ship—Will Quit Native Shores Forever. VERA CRUZ, Mexico, May 31.—The steamer Ypiranga, with General Porfirio Diaz, the "old grey eagle" of Mexico, on board, was scheduled to sail this afternoon for Spain via Havana. The former president, surrounded by his family and twenty faithful officers, was escorted to the dock by a picked detachment of federal troops. There was no demonstration. Diaz was calm and bade his friends and few faithful troops farewell. The Madero element here expressed the fear that Diaz and General Bernardino Reyes may conspire to combine with Limantour to bring about the election of a Diaz adherent in the coming general election.