

## WILL GIVE AWAY CAR OF APPLES

Oregon Development League and Northwestern Fruit Exchange Make Preparations for Attracting Easterners to Oregon.

Big Oregon apples will be distributed at the Pittsburg Land Show, October 12-28, this year, through the efforts of the Northwestern Exchange and the Oregon Development League. These exchange will contribute a carload of fine apples and the league will attend to their free distribution.

Space has been taken at the land show by the league and an information bureau will be maintained there. Literature descriptive of the whole state will be handed out to land show visitors and representatives of the northwest will be on hand to answer questions about this section of the country. Each community in the state should forward literature to the Portland Commercial club, so it can be sent on to Pittsburg.

This land show will be one of the important avenues for reaching colonists for the Pacific northwest. Located as it is where the three states of West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania, Ohio and Pennsylvania corner a great many farmers from this whole territory and the exhibits of what the west can do agriculturally will prove an inducement to any of them to move out here.

## THINK MEDFORD DULL? THEN TAKE A TRIP

"If you think that Medford is dull climb on the train and take a trip."

That is the way John M. Root has the situation sized up. He has just returned from a 10 days trip throughout the northwest and says that Medford is the liveliest place on the map.

"I hear people say that Medford is dull," says Mr. Root. "This, I take it, is coming from those who haven't been across the limits for a year. Let them go out and see some of the other towns and they will come back and marvel at the way Medford is keeping up. The next complainant you find tell him to climb on the train for a week and then he will come back full of enthusiasm. Medford is the one best bet."

## SINGLE MEN WIN FROM BENEDICTS IN BALL GAME

The single men of the University club won a fast baseball game from the married men of the club on the grounds of the Medford Golf and Country club Saturday afternoon by a score of 14 to 15. The game was quite a social event as well, there being many prominent members of the local social set in attendance.

## VOLCANIC ASH PROVES GOOD BALLAST FOR ROAD

Near Black Butte in the Shasta mountains between the stations of Weed and Sisson, California, the Southern Pacific company has uncovered a huge deposit of volcanic ash that has proved unusually fine ballasting material. It was discovered already broken into the proper size for ballast and the company has just completed ballasting that part of its line over the Siskiyou mountains with this material. It is of a pinkish color, porous, yet has a great deal of weight and its porous qualities make it perfect for drainage of the roadbed, that part of the road upon which it is being used being exceptionally well drained during the rainy seasons.

## The Coming of the Railway.

The Oregon Trunk railway is being rapidly extended into the interior of Central Oregon by way of the Deschutes valley. On March 1, 1911, service for the transportation of freight and passengers was inaugurated to Madras and Metolius, Or., over the first 115 miles of the road. This railroad connects with the Spokane-Portland & Seattle railway popularly known as the North Bank road at the station of Fall Bridge, Wash., (formerly Clarke), thence crosses the Columbia river and follows the Deschutes river to the town of Bend; the distance from Clarke to Bend being about 150 miles. The line has been surveyed and located from Bend southward through Crook and Klamath counties, crossing the Cascade mountains, connecting at Butte Falls in Jackson county with the Pacific & Eastern railway, which extends from Butte Falls to Medford, in the heart of one of the finest fruit-growing districts in western Oregon.

All three of the railroads named the Spokane, Portland & Seattle, the

## BIG DECLINE IN PEAR SHIPMENTS

Over 50 Cars Less Last Week Shipped in California Than During the Week Before—Hardy's Are Now Offering.

The California Fruit Distributors under date of May 19, say:

The following gives the number of cars of deciduous fruit shipped from all points in California for the week (seven days) ending Friday morning, August 18, 1911:

Peaches—265 3/4 cars: As indicated last week the shipment of this fruit has fallen off quite materially, over 100 cars less going forward than during the previous seven days. Some of the desirable varieties of clings from Placer county are now offering—MealDvitts, considerable quantities and a few Orange Clings. Lats Crawfords are nearly finished. There will be very few peaches to offer until Salways are available, which will be about September 1.

Pears—301 3/4 cars: A decline of over 50 cars in this variety is noted from shipments of last week. A further decline during the coming week is probable. Pear shipments on the river are practically completed. Fruit has improved in quality and later shipments will be better than those previously sent out. Some Beurre Hardy's are not offering.

Grapes—197 1/2 cars: An increase in the shipment of this variety over last week, amounting to practically 50 cars is noted. A further increase is expected next week. Movement of Thompson Seedless is practically concluded, varieties now mostly in evidence being Malagas, Black Prince and limited offering of Muscat and Tokay. The quality of grapes this year is unusually good. After next week considerable quantities of Tokays will be available.

## Comparative Statement of Shipments.

1910	1911
289 3/4 Apricots	214 1/2
250 1/2 Cherries	216 1/2
1023 3/4 Peaches	1209 1/2
1487 3/4 Plums	1040 1/4
1806 3/4 Pears	1209 1/4
500 1/4 Grapes	338
104 1/4 Apples	1
3063	4275

Oregon Trunk, and the Pacific & Eastern, are affiliated lines of the Northern Pacific and will therefore practically become a part of the Northern Pacific system, insuring first-class passenger and freight service.

## OPERA HOUSE IS BEING REPAIRED

Manager McCallum Making Many Changes Which Will Add to the Appearance and Comfort of the Building.

Walter McCallum, manager of the Medford opera house, has a force of making many changes in the interior of the playhouse which has served Medford for many years. The interior has been treated to a fresh coat of kalsomine and paint while a row of seats has been taken out on each side of the orchestra circle making aisles along each side making it possible to clear the building rapidly in case of fire. Improvements have also been made in the heating plant and a new exit has been cut in on the west side. The platform on the east side has also been widened and strengthened so that there is no longer any danger of a stampede. The improvements were needed and give Medford the best house in its history which will have to serve until a new opera house, on modern lines, is erected. The 1911-12 season will open September 1 with Henry Miller in "The Havoc."

## NOTICE TO JAIL CONTRACTORS.

Sealed proposals will be received by the county court of Jackson county at his office in the county court house at Jacksonville to be opened August 28, 1911, at 10 o'clock for the construction of the cell work in the new county jail at Jacksonville, Jackson county, Oregon. Plans and specifications are on file in the office of the county court, also in W. W. Harmons office in the court house in Jacksonville, Oregon. A certified check of 10 per cent of the amount of the bid must accompany same. The court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Signed

J. R. NEIL, County Judge.

## NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, at its next regular meeting on September 5, 1911, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in quantities less than a gallon, at their place of business at Hotel Medford, located on southeast corner Main and Ivy, lots 16, 17 and 18, in said city, for a period of six months. RAU-MOHR CO. Date of first publication August 17, 1911.

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The Eilers Music House have another of these fine pianos ordered which will arrive here this week and invite any one interested in the world's best makes to call at their store No. 27 N. Fir street and examine the superlative merits of the Chickering & Sons Piano, oldest in America, Best on Earth.

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