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MEDFORD, OREGON

Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and the fastest growing city in Oregon.

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Postoffice receipts for year ending March 31, 1911, show increase of 41 per cent. Bank deposits a gain of 21 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 car of Newtowns 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.

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JOLTS AND JINGLES

By Ad Brown

Do You Know Him?

The man who stays home on election day Bit off a reflective chew, "I hope they carry the bonds," he said, "But I've lots of work to do."

He worked all day out in the fields, At night he came to town And got so full it took six cops To hold that geezer down.

And when he woke up in the morn, As sober as a goat He said, "Election's gone, and I Did everything but vote."

It is a mean trick not to let Jack Johnson fight in England. Thing of the good American money he has left in the saloons over there.

Mighty cannon that will throw projectiles twenty-two miles will be used to protect the Panama canal. Unfortunately those who will attack the canal will be out of range, in newspaper offices across the Atlantic.

Uncle Epp Says: How much a man kin do depends on whether he is askin' fer a job or asked to do one. It's a good sight easier ter find fault than it is ter lose a grouch. The easiest way ter git rid of the embarrassment of wealth is ter take chances on things.

Now that there is a free tea room for women in Medford why canno, someone start a cold tea room for men along the same lines?

A man named Switzer has had his name changed to Webber because it sounded too much like cheese. Isn't it possible that his discarded name is the good strong one so long sought after by story writers?

One thing we never were able to find out whether Viscount Uchida's first initial is O.

It has been demonstrated that Taft isn't quite big enough to eat Chinese pheasants in the closed season.

California comes forward this week with the champion bean man. A forger at Berkeley beat a girl who was earning her way through college, out of \$300.

Let these be spread on the record: In the San Francisco election a man named Holler was defeated for collector and one name Grief lost out as recorder.

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AN INVESTOR AND GOOD ROADS.

FOR several years Medford and the Rogue River valley have been crying out to the east for settlers. Thousands of dollars have been expended to induce the best blood of the middle west to come here and locate, bring their families and live with us. Here then, is the view of one who came, invested his money, but still resides in Chicago. Why? The answer is patent—the lack of good roads.

The following communication has been received by the Mail Tribune from Carroll McMullen of Chicago. The lesson it teaches is obvious. Mr. McMullen writes:

As a property owner and tax payer in Jackson county and a prospective resident of Medford, particularly interested in the subject of good roads, I feel it my privilege if not duty, as viewing the situation from the outside, to say a word or two on this important subject before the present agitation closes. I would regard the defeat of this measure as next to criminal. It would at least be a calamity to Medford as nothing at present known to me is more needed or would more greatly benefit every individual and every foot of property in and surrounding, even remotely, your promising city.

In the first place, to get all the good there is to be had from the new investor he must be satisfied with his purchase, in which he is inclined to interest others and add to his own by further investments in high class improvement which cannot help enhancing the value of other property in the community, and this satisfied man immediately becomes a volunteer, unpaid booster. Do you quite understand just what it means to many to give up a lucrative business, long established, even though the battle at times hardly seems worth while—yet his past success justifies his confidence in the future—I say, do you understand what it means for him—may I make it personal and say "my family," after being established here in Chicago for more than 25 years—with all possible conveniences and comforts—finest churches, schools, public institutions, theatres, clubs, best roads in the world and most of all our business and social connections with added sacrifices, to answer your luring calls to the "Land of Promise?"

The element of doubt or chance in making the change amply excuses the deliberation which often causes a little impatience with the seller, anxious to close. As for me, my investment was made in Medford one beautiful June day in 1910 after having visited some twenty other advertised fruit districts. One day in Medford seemed enough. The sun was high, the day clear, the roads dry and hard, climate most beautiful, when but for business pressure at home one could have had my return ticket for the asking. I say, after one day's stay we bought, left Medford "up to the hilt" in enthusiasm over the place, its people, its possibilities and its prospects, since which time I have been an ardent booster and despite my experience and disappointment in my second trip, will continue to boost.

When I next visited Medford in February, 1911, I was crestfallen to find my orchard, though only two miles out, completely isolated from town by mud so deep and sticky that driving a horse through it with a fair load, was nothing short of cruelty to animals. I was not dismayed completely but promised myself then and there that I would never improve the place nor suffer my family to live on it until the roads would admit of our taking advantage of all Medford had to offer, which in its entirety could not for some time entirely satisfy.

I know it is our privilege to stay away, but we accept your call with willing hearts and free wills and no thought of anything but success, based on your representations and a sincere interest in the welfare and growth of your city. We are thankful for the discovery of the road conditions before building our home.

Imagine the bitter disappointment to an investor unfamiliar with this condition having moved his family onto his place expecting to have the benefit of the schools for his children, his church and other town advantages. Would his attitude be a friendly one? In all probabilities his place would be offered for sale and he become naturally, a knocker, who with such an experience could counteract a world of the good hoped for through your regular channels of advertising.

It would seem to me the better policy to subserv the interests of those already on the ground by giving their good roads which when completed would be the best bit of advertising Medford has ever had and overcome her greatest handicap. Through my efforts a reasonably good prospect visited Medford recently and on his return spoke well of your city in general way, but said one could not hire him to live out in the country to be hemmed in by mud and water all winter as he understood to be the case in Medford.

This is only one case. I have defended it many times. I often wonder if those opposing this movement ever have crops to market. Would not good roads fill a great need in that particular with them?

The plan considered carries little or no extra expense to the individual, but even though it did cost a little, your gain would be many fold. You would expect to pay a fair price for anything worth having. You owe the "Progressives" of your city and community a debt of gratitude for much of the increased value of your property today. The results accomplished on the streets of Medford in the past year are nothing short of wonderful. Will you not admit your benefit from this? But these streets effect principally your townspeople. You are pushing the sales of your orchards and seeking people of means and intelligence, many of whom are now used to asphalt, bitulithic or petrolithic roads. From such roads to no roads, would be a change not relished if tolerated, with a result to Medford easily imagined.

I realize the question does not concern Medford roads directly but those of Jackson county, but it seems to me that each is materially essential to the other. With good country roads, absolutely necessary to the man of means—so helpful to the entire community—will be the greatest help to that progressive, hustling element which has already accomplished so much, and is striving to make and will make Medford, Oregon, a solid, substantial city of 25,000 in the next five years. I feel that good roads will add

much value to my property in that time and yours can only be likewise affected.

I have followed with much interest, through your local papers, this campaign which can in my opinion terminate only in victory but I cannot at this last moment, refrain from urging your support of the measure—my one regret is that my non-residence prevents my casting my one little ballot with the majority.

The Good Roads Bond Issue

To the Editor:—

Just a word before we cast our vote for or against the \$1,500,000 bonds. Come let us reason together for a few minutes. Now this bond issue is of the most vital importance to every inhabitant of the valley. Why? Because it will give us all a chance to travel all over the county with out wallowing through the mud axel deep, also a farmer can haul as much at one load with good roads as he can now at three loads, also, see the tourists that will come and spend their money with the people of the valley, year by year, as we have the scenery and the beauties of nature for the sight-seers to look at and now let us have the good roads so that they can go a sightseeing and spend their money with us it means everything for the valley as it will bring new settlers to the valley and where one man owns one or two hundred acres now, in ten years there will be from 10 to twenty families on the land, where only one now, and it should be remembered that all of these will have to pay taxes.

Now a word as to how the county is building roads at the present time and the amount of money that is being spent for roads, and the kind of roads that we are getting for the money that is being spent for same. I do not wish to be understood that I am criticising the county road workers, not that for I believe that they are doing the best they can, but it is only patch work and for the

past eight years that I have lived here the county has spent from \$50,000 to \$125,000 each year on roads and the next year the county road gang would have this all to do over again and add a little more work if the county had the fund to use in extending of road work, and what has the county got for all of this money that has been spent on the roads of the county in the past eight years? Not one mile of road that will not have to be repaired next year. Now it looks to me as if this vast amount of money had been thrown away, of course we could not do otherwise in the past but we can now and let's all go to the poles on the 30th of September with a big YES on our ballot.

Now just a word as to grafting. We hear a lot of people a howling about graft. I will admit that there are grafters in this world of ours but I do not believe that the present county officials are grafters in any sense of the word, and I would suggest to anyone that thinks that there is any grafting going on to just go over to the county seat and look over the records and see for yourselves as every item is there an record so just go over and see for yourselves, and do not be too fast to judge your friends and neighbors as the good books says judge not least ye be judged with the judgment that ye judge.

Vote for the Good Roads bond. Very truly yours, C. S. SANDERSON, Central Point, Oregon.

A Neighbor's View.

The Jackson county good roads election will be held on Saturday, September 30. For the sake of the cause of good roads in general it is to be hoped that the \$1,500,000 bond issue will carry, as it will be a stimulant to other counties in the state, and especially to Josephine county. It is a twentieth century proposition and, as such, it stands that the bonds fail, it will prove that our neighboring county is dominated by a non-progressive element and its effect will be disastrous to every county in the state. The Courier hopes as well as believes the bonds will carry, and, should this be the case, the good roads people of our own county will rejoice with our neighbors.

TELEGRAPHIC TABLOIDS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—Almost drowned on the Jones street hill, H. H. Young of the University club and Miss Mabel Smith, a belated automobile couple, were saved by a nearby fire department crew. The couple had collided with a hydrant and the automobile stopped on top of what was left.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—Looking for wild bears in Golden Gate park, Floyd Tyler of Los Angeles, found two "wolves" instead. They lured him to a quiet spot with assurances of lots of "bar"; then assaulted him and took his money.

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—The case of General H. G. Otis, Harry Andrews and R. M. Whitney, publisher and editors of the Los Angeles Times, for publication of alleged indecent matter relative to the Beattie trial, has been postponed indefinitely because it was found impossible to secure an available court room.

SEATTLE, Wn.—Abraham W. Engle, former state bank examiner, has been appointed clerk of the federal district court for Western Washington by Judge C. H. Hanford. Engle came to Seattle from New Jersey in 1871.

SEATTLE, Wn.—An oratorical contest with temperance as the theme and a medal studded with diamonds, as the prize, will be the W. C. T. U. convention of Western Washington here.

SEATTLE, Wn.—The Seattle Electric Light company will not be compelled to sell discount rates at the rate of six for five cents as provided by a city council ordinance. The corporation counsel has just decided that the ordinance is illegal.

TACOMA, Wn.—Tacoma and Puallup authorities are investigating reports that the \$100,000 fire which destroyed the plant of the Puallup Veneer and Mill company Wednesday night may have been started by incendiaries. Many people living near the mill are certain that the

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Medford Ore., Aug. 9, 1911.—This is to certify that about November my daughter was taken with a severe attack of rheumatism which rendered her left arm useless, in fact it was so near paralyzed that she was not able to move her fingers, but knowing of some of Dr. Chas. Young's marvelous cures of long standing cases of rheumatism, we decided to consult him, in which I am pleased to say made no mistake, as his remedies acted as he claimed they would and after the third treatment the rheumatic pain entirely left her and she has not had any symptoms of rheumatism since; besides her general health is much improved and I do not hesitate in saying I believe those afflicted with rheumatism or paralysis will do well to consult Dr. Crow Young, whose house is corner of Tenth and Front streets, Medford, Oregon. A. P. WEISS 175

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11-2 acres; bearing orchard; water right; store; also lease on good pasture and hay land; sale or trade.

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20 acres, 18 in pears, close in fine building site and view.

160-acre stock and alfalfa ranch; 150 acres tillable; under ditch; \$75 per acre; take income property.

120 acres raw land; all fine fruit land; take any good property.

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