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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; 8840; estimated, 1911—16,000.

Five hundred thousand dollar Gravity Water System completed, giving finest supply pure mountain water and six 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 32 per cent.

Banner fruit city in Oregon—Rogue River Spitzenberg apples won sweepstakes prize and title of "Apple King of the World."

Prize won at National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909, and a car at Portland, 1910.

Prize won 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.

Write Commercial Club, including 5 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever published.

AN ASHLAND VIEW OF BOND ELECTION

(Ashland Tidings)

Ashland is by no means "sore" over the outcome of the bond election. The city cast her vote against the proposition, it is true, but not in any desire to act as a fly on the wheel of progress, neither out of jealousy nor ill-feeling towards any other section of the county.

Now that the county by an almost overwhelming majority, has decided in favor of the proposition, it is assured that Ashland will assist to the very best of her ability in getting the most satisfactory results possible.

No doubt about it, it's going to prove a splendid advertisement for Jackson county, and the judicious expenditure of the \$1,500,000 should provide a magnificent system of roads. Emphatic assurances have been given by the county court that no partiality whatever in the distribution of the money will be shown.

CIVIC WORKER TO ADDRESS LADIES

There will be a special meeting of the Greater Medford club Monday, Oct. 9th, at 3 o'clock, in the Guild hall of St. Mark's building.

Special business will be transacted after which Miss Clark of Chicago, who has been actively engaged in social and civic work will give a brief talk.

WHITE GIRL WHO WED JAP GETS A DIVORCE

SEATTLE, Wn., Oct. 4.—Entangled through a temporary infatuation for Henry Uyeno, who represented himself as a Japanese merchant, Lena Uyeno, a white girl of education, today obtained a decree of divorce. The couple were married May 11, 1910, and lived together two weeks. Then the bride ran away.

PORTLAND, Ore.—Aroused by the report of City Chemist E. C. Calloway, in which he asserted the death of 24 infants in Portland during 20 days of September was directly attributable to "dirty" milk, the city health board today recommended that additional assistance be given Calloway in running down the sources of impure supply of milk.

Haskins for Health.

A MUDDLE OF MISINFORMATION.

THE Oregonian through its news columns has told the people some wonderful things about the new organization that has come into existence to secure the constitutional equality of freight rates, which that instrument insures. It has said what the People's Equitable Rate League is, what it is not, forecasted the results it will not obtain, and prophesied direful forebodings of the things it will accomplish.

The same correspondent who presumably furnished news in question evidently does not believe in spoiling a good story for the sake of telling the truth. For instance, in the report of the league's organization it is asserted that a discussion took place as to the value of railroads as a basis of rate-making. No such discussion took place. In addition it is stated, "It was contended that the interstate commerce commission probably would find it impossible to allow rates on this basis for a number of reasons." No such contention was made nor was there any such discussion.

What has the Interstate Commerce Commission to do with railroad rates within the state of Oregon? Nothing. Commissioner Lane in a recent hearing at Portland shut off all discussion of Oregon state rates with the remark: "We have no control over state rates."

The Interstate Commerce Commission in the Spokane rate case discarded physical valuation as a basis of rate making for the present until such time as the government itself ascertains the valuation uniformly.

The Oregonian announces that the purpose of the league is to "secure a postage stamp rate on all railroads in Oregon."

A "postage stamp" rate is the same rate for all territory regardless of distance. The demand of the league is for a uniform rate for equal mileage on the same class of railroads, different classes of railroads taking different rates, but no point in the state to have a different rate for the same service. The Oregonian's statement is a malicious perversion of the truth.

The direful results predicted for Medford is the destruction of the fruit industry. Medford's fruit goes east and the rates thereon are under control of the Interstate Commerce Commission, which has just passed judgment upon east-bound fruit rates from California, and has protected the fruit growers in that state. The Interstate Commerce Commission has also passed its judgment on west bound rates to the interior, of which Medford and Hood River are a part, and held that the interior is to be protected from the monopoly so long held by coast cities. The Interstate Commerce Commission is not biased in its judgment, and will properly safeguard the rights of all.

If the Oregonian had told the truth, instead of perverting the facts, in order to prejudice the public against the People's Equitable Rate League it would have set forth the following simple facts:

The league did not discuss actual rates at all. The league did not adopt any policy for the adjustment of rates.

The league simply organized and vested full authority in a board of five directors to formulate a policy of procedure that declared against preferential rates, but said nothing about the rate to be charged.

The directors of the Equitable Rate League are all prominent and successful business men, whose acumen and business judgment are beyond the vision of the Oregonian and "the rate experts" who confound the unbiased judgment and known attitude of the Interstate Commerce Commission with a serpentine twisting of the law and the evasion thereof by the Railroad Commission of Oregon, whose acts are to increase Portland's advantages over the interior and to deny on some untenable pretext, the interior equal rates when prayed for.

FOWLER TO TRY FLIGHT AGAIN

Will Start this Time from Los Angeles and Take Southern Route—Wants to be First to Cross Continent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 4.—Undaunted by his reverses Robert Fowler, the aviator who almost conquered the Sierras in the transcontinental \$50,000 prize contest, announced today that he will make a fresh start from Los Angeles October 10.

Fowler is confident that his second flight will be successful and he will make good his determination to be the first to fly across the continent.

SAN DIEGO, Cal.—Word was received here from Tacoma that Ike Butler, a well known baseball player and manager, might be selected to lead Tacoma again next year. He managed the Tacoma players in 1906, '07 and '08. Butler said today that he had received no offer, but would be glad to return. He is playing ball here once a week with a county league team and is in fine trim.

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—District Attorney Fredericks admitted today that he will endeavor to bring exhibits from Indianapolis into the trial of the McNamara here. These proposed exhibits include dynamite found in the Jones barn near Indianapolis and the clockwork alleged to have been discovered in J. J. McNamara's office and in the basement of the office building occupied by him.

Haskins for Health.

PROSPERITY ON TAP SAYS HILL

Empire Builder States that the Only Thing the Matter with the Country is Political Ghost Dancing—Will Soon Loosen Up

SEATTLE, Wn., Oct. 4.—"There is nothing the matter with the country save political ghost dancing," said James J. Hill, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern, who is in this city today. "There is plenty of money in the banks and it only awaits a complete resumption of confidence before we shall have a period of prosperity never before exceeded."

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—A post season series between Oakland and Portland will be played, if negotiations between Tyler Christian of Oakland and Tommy Sheehan of the Beavers succeed. The series will be unofficial, that is, will not be under the Pacific Coast League auspices, but promises to be exciting enough for all that. It will probably be played in Oakland and partly in Portland. Definite announcement is expected in a day or so.

TACOMA, Wn.—Members of Home Colony, an alleged anarchistic settlement 20 miles from Tacoma, will be under strict surveillance during President Taft's visit here, though the colonists protest that they are peaceful and discountenance violent methods.

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FRENCH WRESTLERS HERE READY TO TACKLE AMERICANS.



Raymond Cazeaux and Jess Pederson are two French wrestlers just arrived from the other side to try conclusions with American experts at the art. Cazeaux is from Pau and will go to Montreal to wrestle. Pederson says he is "champion of all champions" and has thrown all the great men of Europe.

MOOSE MAKE DECIDED HIT

Clever Minstrel Show is Staged—Will be Repeated Tonight—Audience Comes to Laugh and Meets Ample Provocation

Score a hit for the Moose minstrels. Good jokes with local flavor, fine swinging songs of the whistling variety, and team work that was the result of careful direction, made the Moose minstrels last evening an occasion of enjoyment and merriment long to be remembered. To large audience was in a happy mood; it came to laugh and was given ample provocation.

M. P. Sherman, the organizer and man who made the Moose lodge in Medford, started the fireworks with a song "Any Little Moose is the Right Little Moose for me" and was given a hearty encore and then came a sensation. W. E. Mulkey, as end man in an ideal make-up, warbled a touching little ditty which gave out the impression that he devoutly wished that he were a little bird. It was the first broadside of comedy introduced. Had he been a little bird he couldn't have been more light and graceful nor could he have chirped any sweeter. He has a job of end man cinched any time he wishes to leave the Rogue River valley.

From a vocal point of view the tenor ballad by H. M. Whetsel, the duet by George Andrews and Mr. Wilson, and "Annie Laurie", by Messrs. Whetsel, Gore, Andrews and Andrews, were the real treats of the evening. Their work is well known to Medford people and alone assures the success of any performance. E. C. Montgomery was given a warm reception when he sang "Dear Old Dear."

A novel feature of the program was the plantation lullaby as sung by Edward H. Wild with little pickinny assistance. In the end song, "Come Along My Mandy," several characters were introduced and the result was one of the evening's biggest hits. The characters represented a wedding party with R. A. McCarron as the groom, W. H. Borchers as the bride, H. A. Canaday as the parson, Messrs. Mulkey and Lewis as his old folks and Loyd English and Oro Taylor as pickaninnies.

No minstrel is real without the olio and the Moose show last evening did not omit this important part. It started off with the best fun making act of the evening, Jun Norling in a musical melange. What John didn't play and didn't attempt would be easy to tell, but words fail to tell all he did try to do. This act is alone worth going miles to see, and has been the theme of many street corner recollections of the show today.

The new crop of local lemons was beautifully unpacked by W. H. Borchers. This is where Mr. Borchers gets a chance to rub it in gently on a good proportion of local celebrities.

A reading by Mrs. G. T. Wilson had all the flavor of a professional act and was well received. The olio closed with a musical comedy "Our Fam'ly Doctor" with E. C. Montgomery, Glenn B. Conwell, E. H. Wild and G. T. Wilson in the cast. It was a fitting laugh provoker to close an evening of fun.

The show will be put on for the second and last performance this evening. It's success is assured for those who attended last evening are spreading the tip around that it is too good to miss, and that tip sizes up the whole situation.

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ROGUE PEARS IN FIRST PLACE

Walter McCallum Jubilant Over Showing Made by Medford Exhibit at Spokane—Wires that Judge Wasted no Time in Awarding Prize

Spokane, Wn., Oct. 3, 1911. Medford first prize at Spokane Inter State fair for non-irrigated pears for best display plate exhibits. Winter Nells, D'Anjou and Comice awarded firsts. Howells took second. Was an easy victory for we had the goods. Score of entries in each class. WALTER MCCALLUM.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Frank Gould, who has long been fighting with others of his family for a voice in the direction of the Gould railways, was defeated today when his personal representative, Lancaster Williams of Baltimore, failed in election to a seat on the board of directors of the cotton belt railroad.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Invitations are out today for a "tea party" in New York on Thursday, when 2,000,000 pounds of Chinese tea will be the issue of a discussion by the now famous "tea board," which argued the recent order which Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh concerning the barring of officially colored tea from the United States.

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