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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: 8540; 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 installed for at a cost exceeding \$1,000,000, making a total of twenty miles of pavement receipts for year ending March 31, 1911, show increase of 41 per cent. Bank deposits a gain of 22 per cent.

"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 price in all markets of the world during the past year.

Write Commercial club, enclosing 6 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever published.

JOLTS AND JINGLES

By Ad Brown

This idea of driving a golden spike when opening a new railroad is hitting a pretty costly nail on the head.

They are having a terrible time with floods in Wisconsin and some conservatives will no doubt declare it is a direct result of the senate having investigated old Ike Stephenson.

Taft will probably be asleep when his train pulls through Medford on Friday, the 13th. Well, more unlucky things could happen on that date.

Now an actress whose principle occupation is tying pink ribbons on poodle dogs, advises women to think real deep thoughts if they would preserve their waist line.

Nine men out of ten who object to the referee's decision in a boxing bout have wagered as much as two bits on the result.

The man who stole Mona Lisa still has the smile.

It has been discovered who owns the biggest artificial leg in the world. What interesting facts do crop out.

If we have to have war, by all means let's have them like this Turkish-Italian one where all the killing is done by the war correspondents.

We think people are mean if they realize when we are lying.

GERMANS DISCLAIM WAR RESPONSIBILITY

BERLIN, Oct. 11.—Positively declining to accept responsibility for the Turkish-Italian war and its possible consequences, the German government today expressed surprise at the stand which it believes the American press has taken over that war. A high official of the foreign office, in a statement to the United Press, said:

"The government is astounded to learn that the American press holds Germany's political aspirations responsible for Italy's war with Turkey.

"It was not the Agadir incident, but the breaking of the Algeiras convention by France sending the expedition to Eez that is responsible for the present situation.

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THE WAIL OF A MOSSBACK.

THE Moro Observer is the typical mournful mossback when it comes to good roads. Not even Attorney Briggs of Ashland can shed as many tears in contemplating the doleful and direful future, when it will be possible to traverse the country in winter, and life will be worth while the year around upon the farm.

Where the Moro Observer got its misinformation from is unknown, but it has figured out that Jackson county will be paying interest for 50 years, and altogether have contributed something between four and five millions of dollars to bondholders; "leaving the principal to be put up in bulk by the taxpayers in 1961, with nothing in the world to show for it, as the annual interest tax left nothing in the treasury for maintenance and repairs of the original million and a half investment in the alleged long-forgotten good roads."

Those poor grandchildren of ours! This calls to mind a story going the rounds of the press: He was quite evidently from the country and he was also quite evidently a Yankee, and from behind his bowed spectacles he peered inquisitively at the little oily Jew who occupied the other half of the ear seat with him.

The little Jew looked at him deprecatingly. "Nice day," he began politely.

"You're a Jew, ain't you?" queried the Yankee.

"Yes, sir, I'm a clothing salesman," handing him a card.

"But you're a Jew?"

"Yes, yes, I'm a Jew," came the answer.

"Well," continued the Yankee, "I'm a Yankee, and in the little village in Maine where I come from I'm proud to say there ain't a Jew."

"Dot's why it's a village," replied the little Jew quietly.

And the attitude of the Moro Observer explains why there are no good roads in Sherman county. Dot's why Moro is a village.

Moro is the county seat of Sherman county. It is surrounded by what its own literature proclaims "the most fertile land in Oregon." The surrounding territory is one of the grainaries of the nation; yet Moro is one of the few towns in Oregon that has lost population during the past decade. Moro comes near being a finished town—with only the hammer of the knocker to break the quiet.

The majority of the farmers around Moro are not farmers at all. They are soil exhausters. They have more faith in the almanac than in agricultural science. They balk on spending money for good roads, yet contribute freely for rain making fakirs.

After harvesting a good crop the Sherman county farmer is apt to sell out to his neighbor, who mortgages both places to make the purchase—thus doubling the size of the farm, decreasing the population, shutting out needed new blood, and keeping the country in debt. When a farmer becomes prosperous, instead of improving the country or the local town, he spends his money in Portland.

With no roads or other improvements to make life in the country or country towns attractive, with mossback methods and active opposition not only to improving their own conditions but to the efforts of distant counties toward improvement, is it any wonder that Moro and Sherman county are going backwards at a time when nearly all Oregon is leaping forward?

Moro, however, has done a little paving in a method all its own. The main county road entering the city from the south has been "paved" for a quarter mile or so with stable refuse. It has the merit of being cheap—also odoriferous.

The Moro system of pavement should satisfy those citizens of Jackson county who are talking injunction proceedings against the good roads movement. A little of it will go a long way—when the wind blows.

ROGUE RIVER FRUIT & PRODUCE ASSOCIATION ADVISED OF THE SALE OF A CAR OF PEARS AT GOOD PRICES IN CHICAGO.

Take First Prize at Walla Walla District Fair—Bosc, Comice and Howells Are Given Firsts by Professor Thornber, as Judge.

Once again Rogue River valley pears have won laurels. This time exhibits of Bosc, Howells and Comice were awarded firsts at the Walla Walla district fair, according to a letter received by Prof. P. J. O'Gara from C. L. Whitney, commissioner of horticulture, Washington, who was in charge of the fruit exhibits at the fair.

Mr. Whitney writes Prof. O'Gara as follows: "I take great pleasure in notifying you that Bosc and Comice pears grown by A. C. Allen, Hollywood orchards, received a first prize each; also Howells pears grown by R. H. Parsons, Hillcrest orchards, received a first prize. Prof. W. S. Thornber of the Washington Agricultural college was judge.

"The pears attracted a great deal of attention, and we gave them a very prominent place."

Violin Maker. Repairing of all stringed instruments. Violin repairing a specialty. Corner of 8th and Central avenues. 177\* CHAS. HARRIS.

Haskins for Health.

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CITY NOTICES.

ORDINANCE NO. 593. An ordinance declaring the assessment on the property benefited by the cost of laying a four-inch water main on Eleventh street from Peach street to Plum street, and directing the City Recorder to lay out and assess the cost thereof on the property benefited by the laying of said water main on said part of said street and the assessment of the same.

Section 1. Whereas, the city council do hereby, by resolution, declare its intention to lay a four-inch water main on Eleventh street from Peach to Plum street, and to assess the cost thereof on the property benefited by the laying of said water main on said part of said street and the assessment of the same, and that the City Recorder be and he is hereby authorized to lay out and assess the cost thereof on the property benefited by the laying of said water main on said part of said street and the assessment of the same.

Section 2. It is further ordered that the notice above provided for be published three times in the Daily Mail Tribune, a newspaper published and of general circulation in the city of Medford, Oregon, on the 1st day of October, 1911, by the following vote: Merrick, absent; Elfert, absent; Worthington, present; and Miller, absent. Approved October 10, 1911.

Attest: W. H. CANON, Mayor.

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NOTICE.

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