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NEW BRIDGE IS NEARLY COMPLETE

New Structure at Gold Hill Will Be Open for Traffic at First of the Week—Rests on Two Concrete Piers.

The handsome new steel bridge across Rogue river near Gold Hill will be completed this week and ready for traffic.

SHIP'S FATE IS STILL MYSTERY

Steamer Tees, Which Sent Out Distress Signals Wednesday Morning Not Yet Reached by Rescuing Vessels.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 1.—The fate of the Canadian Pacific steamer Tees, which was stranded on the coast of Vancouver Island early on Wednesday morning, is still a mystery.

COMMUNICATIONS.

YREKA, Cal., Nov. 27, 1911.—Editor Mail Tribune, Medford, Ore.

It has grossly misstated the facts in regard to the rejection of nursery stock shipped to the various points in Siskiyou county by the Capital City Nursery company of Salem, Ore.

These trees were not destroyed, but held for evidence until Mr. Bennett arrived here, in case Mr. Bennett saw fit to go to court.

ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S ISSUE.

IN ACCORDANCE with annual custom The Mail Tribune will this year, as usual, issue a New Year's edition devoted to the progress and development of the Rogue River valley and its various communities.

The issue will be replete with illustrations and cover in a comprehensive manner the growth and prosperity of this section.

To make the New Year's number the best possible advertisement for every section of the valley, orchardists, farmers and gardeners are requested to mail to The Mail Tribune any records they have made during the past year.

It is especially desired to show what can be done in the line of truck and market gardening, berry growing, poultry raising, etc., in order to stimulate these lines of industry.

The issue will sell at the usual price of 5 cents apiece and orders should be booked in advance, the edition being limited to the demand indicated by advance orders.

NEGLECTING ESSENTIALS.

SOME eighty or ninety cars of potatoes were shipped into the Rogue River valley last year. The quantity this year will be nearly as great.

A few years ago the valley was exporting potatoes. There is no reason under the sun why its farmers should not be exporting them today.

There is no valid excuse for sending tens of thousands of dollars out of here annually for a product that we can easily supply ourselves. Hardly a place that will not, with intelligent care, produce with irrigation an abundant crop of needed staples.

Here is an instance of what potatoes will do here: Fred Puhl, an energetic farmer near the city, had some so-called "desert" land idle. He bought water for it, and in one year paid for his water and made a handsome profit besides.

Another instance of the money potatoes yield: Scott Davis and A. S. Rosenbaum planted twelve acres of Rogue river irrigated bottom land in the Table Rock district to potatoes.

Why, not produce what we consume, in at least one line? Every farmer can do it—with water.

Turn back the pages of time a few years and the Rogue River valley is seen a large exporter of poultry. Today it is an importer. Why?

George L. Davis, now county commissioner, states that for years he bought from \$10,000 to \$20,000 worth of poultry, mostly turkeys, every fall, and shipped to San Francisco.

These are but two everyday products among the many overlooked by Rogue River valley producers which almost anyone can supply. The country will not be upon a sound basis until it is an exporter in other lines than fancy fruit.

It is an absurd and humiliating confession—that we do not produce the necessary a b c's of farm life, that with ideal climate, soil and natural advantages we have passed up the very foundation of a successful community.

FOOTBALL SCORES.

- Carlisle 12, Brown 6. Michigan Agricultural 17, Wabash 6. Ohio State 11, Cincinnati 6.

FOR SALE

Herring-Hall-Marvin Fire-Proof Safe, Size 23x35 by 22 Deep

\$50.00

Our Team, Harness, Wagon and Top. Price Reasonable

CUTHBERTS

WILL ADVANCE ROAD BOND ISSUE

Attorneys Return From Salem With Assurance That Local Bond Issue Case Will Be Given an Early Hearing by Court.

After spending several days at Salem in the state law library, where they searched through the law books for all possible light bearing on the road bond case, Attorneys Reamos and Neff for Ed M. Andrews and Attorney A. E. Reamos for the county have returned to Medford with the assurance from the supreme court that the case will be advanced on the calendar and given an early hearing.

According to the attorneys the supreme court will probably hear the case within the next few days and will in all probability hand down a decision by the first of the year.

BIG IRRIGATION MEETING SOON

Commercial Club Committee Reports That They Think It Advisable to Hold Big Meeting to Discuss Water.

Irrigation was discussed by the Medford Commercial club Wednesday evening in detail, and it was unanimously decided to act upon the report of the committee on irrigation to the effect that they thought it advisable to cooperate with the Merchants' association on December 9, when they are to hold their Dollar Bargain day, by giving an irrigation meeting in the opera house or Natatorium.

Fred N. Cummings of the Rogue River Canal company explained the company's plans for placing 50,000 acres of land under water.

OPEN- For Business RIGGINS & LESLIE'S Second-Hand Store at 26 South Grape Street.

Special Items

From The

Mid-Season Clearance Sale

TAILORED SUITS

- \$35.00 Tailored Suits at this sale.....\$19.50 \$25.00 Tailored Suits at this sale.....\$14.75 \$20.00 Tailored Suits at this sale.....\$9.75

TRIMMED HATS

HAND BAGS

MESSALINE AND TAFFETA PETTICOATS AT THIS SALE Phoenix Mufflers, the 50c quality.....30c The 75c quality.....55c

AHRENS

PLUMBING STEAM AND HOT WATER HEATING All Work Guaranteed Prices Reasonable 25 Howard Block, Entrance on 6th Street. Coffeen & Price Pacific 3031 Home 249

Valley Second Hand Store We Buy and Sell All Kinds of Second Hand Goods. M. J. PILCHER, Prop. 15 North Fir Home 354 Bell 3072

Clark & Wright LAWYERS WASHINGTON, D. C. Public Land Matters: Final Proof, Desert Lands, Contests and Mining Cases, Serp. Associate Work for Attorneys' Hasbins for Health.

SMITH'S APARTMENT HOUSE South Riverside New and Up-to-Date—Modern in every particular, gas cooking, steam heat, etc. Women and girls must bring references. W. M. SMITH Home Phone 84K.

Medford Parcel Delivery Fred Crocker, Prop. Parcels, 10c, 15c, 25c. Trunks 25c anywhere in the city. Office: Valley Second Hand Store, 15 N. Fir St. Phones: Main 5012; Home 354. Residence Phone: Home 115 X. Prompt Service

WOOD! The Medford Wood Yard. All kinds and any length of good dry wood. Corner Seventh and Newtown. Come to the shed and see the wood. Phone Bell, 6941; Home, 326 X. A. B. Tull & Grant Proprietors

We Have Moved The J. T. Broadley flower store is now in the M. F. & H. store, across the street from former location. Choice lots of cut flowers, bulbs, ferns, palms, etc., always on hand. J. T. BROADLEY

Medford Employment Agency women to cook on ranch, Girls for housework. FOR SALE 15 acres 2 miles out, \$1500. 40 acres, 2 houses, 3 barns, \$1000.

MISCELLANEOUS Wanted to rent a piano. Wanted to sell a mortgage; will give it \$1000. Houses to rent in different parts of this city. 10 acres to trade near Eagle Point for house and lot in Medford. Furniture for sale. Women to cook on ranch. E. F. A. BITTNER ROOM 7, PALM BLOCK Opposite Nash Hotel Phone 4141; Home, 14.

IF YOU OWN A LOT We will build you a home on monthly payments. MEDFORD REALTY AND IMPROVEMENT COMPANY M. F. and H. Co. Building

WHERE TO GO TONIGHT SAVOY THEATRE Under New Management First Run, Licensed Motion Pictures Clean Show, Courteous Treatment Frank H. Hull, Prop. TEN CENTS

ISIS THEATRE TWO BIG DOUBLE ACTS LIPMAN AND KELLY Comedy Singing and Talking Being one of the big feature acts on the Pantagon circuit for the past month they come with the greatest kind of a reputation as fun makers, both possessing extraordinary good "ylegs, they are sure to be a big drawing card for the next few nights. NOW COMES THE SURPRISE We are going to feature the biggest kind of a surprise—one that will please every one and one that will hold the crowd for the remainder of the week. This act alone will cause the whole town to sit up and take notice.

U-GO THEATRE VAUDEVILLE AND MOVING PICTURES 10 and 15c Change of Program Sundays and Thursdays

STAR THEATRE COMFORTABLE A Show Full of Laughter. The Romance of the Desert A Western Hummer. The Foolishness of Jealousy Highly amusing. How They Stopped the Run on the Bank Unique Comedy. AL SATHER In New Songs. Music and Effects to Suit the Pictures

Rock Spring Coal ON HAND ALL THE TIME Office and Coal Yard, Twelfth and Front Streets. Phone 7101. Burbidge THE COAL MAN

Electric Rooms Under New Management Newly furnished, all modern, steam heat, baths, etc. 218 East Main