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MEDFORD, OREGON. Metropolitan of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and the fastest-growing city in Oregon.

Population—U. S. census 1910—4840; estimated, 1911—10,000.

Five hundred thousand dollar Gravity Water System completed, giving finest supply pure mountain water, and 17.3 miles of streets paved.

Postoffice receipts for year ending November 30, 1911, show increase of 19 per cent.

Banner fruit city in Oregon—Rogue River Spitzenberg 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.

First Prize in 1910 at Canadian International Apple Show, Vancouver, B. C.

First Prize in 1911 at Spokane National Apple Show won by carload of Newtowns.

Rogue River apples brought highest prices in all markets of the world during the past six years.

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

KEEP THE MONEY AT HOME.

MEDFORD dealers are offering California grown apples to their customers. Without exception these are as poor, mealy and rotten as ever placed before the confiding and gullible public.

It is true that the apples are free from pests, and hence there may be no way to stop the sale, but the fruit is the most inferior ever offered locally.

These apples sell at Watsonville for 50 and 60 cents a box. They are retailed here from \$1.50 to \$2 a box. Two carloads have been received.

These apples are not uniform in size, are uneven in pack, and once below the first row, are more or less decayed. They do not keep and are of inferior flavor.

At the same time that local dealers are buying California apples, Rogue river valley growers are forced to ship to California their culls and undersized apples in order to find a market. These culls are superior in flavor, quality and keeping properties to the imported fruit, yet growers claim that local dealers refuse their offerings.

This condition is wrong. It should be the policy of every dealer to handle only local products when possible. Consumers should demand the local product and insist upon getting it.

How is this valley ever going to become self-sustaining if we send our money away from home to buy what we produce here and let our own products rot in the field?

A public market will help solve this problem. The sooner we have it, the better for everyone—producer and consumer.

POTATO POSSIBILITIES.

THE Princeton (Minnesota) Union, under the caption "Just a Few 'Spuds,'" discusses the potato situation in its district as follows:

Princeton is not much of a potato market. Only 22 regular buyers and 25 warehouses with a storage capacity of 500,000 bushels here. Some days quite a few potatoes are hauled in by the farmers—50,000 bushels or thereabouts. Probably 1,110,000 bushels will be shipped out of here this season—that's not a great many. Yield? Oh, anywhere from 250 to 500 bushels per acre—not very prolific. Prices—not very good—from 50 cents to \$1 per bushel. Other towns make quite a fuss over a few hundred thousand bushels of spuds, but we are modest people here in Princeton and do not make any ado over ten or eleven hundred thousand bushels of Irish lemons.

What the farmers of Princeton have done, can be done a great deal more profitably and prolifically by the farmers of the Rogue river valley. A heavier yield and a better price can be obtained.

The past season was very disadvantageous to the potato grower. Conditions were unfavorable, yet those who planted potatoes have reaped a good harvest. Enough has been demonstrated to prove the success of the crop.

"With proper seeding, proper soil, proper irrigation and cultivation potatoes can be made one of the great crops of the Rogue river valley," states Professor P. J. O'Gara. "There is no reason why this section should not become a famous producer of fine potatoes."

As high as 600 bushels of potatoes to the acre was the record of E. W. Carlton of the Table Rock district, who made this record growing spuds between rows of young trees as a side crop. It has been and can be duplicated on many other farms.

Two other neglected staples can be grown locally and find a ready market at profitable prices—tomatoes and beans. Of course irrigation is necessary for the success of all three of these crops. As high as twenty-two and a half tons of tomatoes were taken from an acre and a half of land. All kinds of beans do well in light land.

Any fruit grower can make expenses during the years before his orchard has come into bearing by raising these three staple crops. If he does not, his own lethargy is principally to blame.

PERJURY FREED MRS. PATTERSON

Such Is Charge of Prosecutor, and Bar Association Names Committee to Investigate—Murder Re-enacted Before Moving Picture Machine.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 5.—That Mrs. Gertrude Gibson Patterson was acquitted of the murder of her husband, Charles A. Patterson, by perjured testimony is the charge of Prosecutor Benson, which today the Denver Bar association named a committee to investigate.

Benson asserts that the testimony of Wynance Easton, star witness for the defense, was manufactured, and Judge O. H. Hilton, chief counsel for the defense, will be called upon to explain. If the investigation by the committee supports Benson's charge, Easton will be tried for perjury.

Before leaving Denver Mrs. Patterson and an actor representing her husband reacted the killing upon the scene of the crime, the Hendrie home, before a moving picture machine.

Two Sworn In. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—Hoke Smith of Georgia and Obediah Gardner of Maine, democrats, were today sworn in as United States senators. The senate adjourned at 12:20 p. m. until tomorrow.

Haskins for Health.

ENGLAND GRABS GERMAN OFFICER

Ports-mouth, England, Dec. 5.—Captain Heinrich Grosse, a German army officer on leave of absence, was arrested today here as a spy. He is alleged to have been making maps of the dockyard and harbor. Great excitement followed the arrest owing to the belief that war between England and Germany is imminent.

LOS ANGELES EXCURSION. Leaving Medford December 29th, an excursion will be run to Los Angeles, round trip rate will be \$35, tickets limited to 90 days for the round trip, stopovers in both directions at the pleasure of the excursionists. Whatever equipment in the way of Pullman and tourist cars will be provided, also chair cars for those who prefer to make entire trip by daylight. Those desiring to go should call, phone or write passenger office Southern Pacific company, Medford, Oregon, and give their orders for sleeping accommodations. The date set will enable those who desire to be in San Francisco for New Years eve (a great treat in itself) and also reach southern California for other attractions.

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LOS ANGELES EXCURSION. For the irrigation meeting to be held in Medford on December 9th, 1911, the Southern Pacific company will sell round trip tickets at fare and one-third, good December 8th and 9th, good returning December 9th and 10th. To accommodate all who desire to attend this meeting, steam service with extra equipment will be run, instead of the motor car, on December 9th.

ST. PETERSBURG. Russian schoolboys are to get 25,000 copies of General Baden Powell's handbook for boy scouts, an order having just been issued to that effect by the czar.

ALL CLAMOR FOR HEAVY PENALTY

While Many Are Opposed to Capital Punishment, Labor Leaders Are Unanimous in Stating They Believe It Should Be Imposed.

What should be done with the McNamara brothers is a question which today is engrossing the minds of labor leaders throughout the United States. Here is a synopsis of the opinions of some of the most prominent directors of the labor movement: Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, "I do not believe in capital punishment, no matter what the offense. However, I think the McNamaras should pay a severe penalty."

President Hayes of the Knights of Labor: "I think James R. McNamara should hang, and that John J. should be imprisoned for from twenty to forty years."

Edward Hirsch, president of the Baltimore branch of the American Federation of Labor: "The McNamaras should be strapped to a gun and blown to pieces."

Victor Berger, socialist congress man from Wisconsin: "I am opposed to capital punishment, but outside of that I think the McNamaras should get the heaviest punishment provided by law."

John McLennan, president of the Colorado Federation of Labor: "I think the McNamaras should hang."

John O'Connell, secretary-treasurer of the Typographical union, No. 6, New York city: "They have confessed and should get the extreme penalty."

Allan Studholme, labor member of the Ontario (Canada) provincial parliament: "I consider the crime stupendous, and believe they should get the full extent of the law."

John Colpoys, secretary of the Washington (D. C.) Central Labor union: "Personally I feel that the McNamaras should get the limit of the law; but our motto is 'charity to all,' and this is one of the times when charity might be shown."

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THIS OPPORTUNITY Will not be YOURS ALWAYS. Fruit land 3 miles from Eagle Point on good road and free from frost at 1/2 its value on terms of \$5 per acre cash and \$1 per acre per month till paid without interest or taxes, and other advantages. Oliver B. Brown, 1427 E. Main St.

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DON'T GET RUN DOWN Weak and miserable. If you have kidney or bladder trouble, dull head pains, dizziness, nervousness, pain in the back, and feel tired all over, get a package of Mother Gray's AROMATIC-LEAF, the pleasantest cure. It never fails. We have many testimonials from grateful people who have used this wonderful remedy. As a regulator it has no equal. Ask for Mother Gray's Aromatic-Leaf at Drugists or send by mail for 50 cts. Sample FREE. Address The Mother Gray Co., LeRoy, N. Y.

BURN RECEPTION TENT FOR KING

Extensive Precautions Are Being Taken to Guard Against Danger to the Lives of King George and Queen Mary.

DELHI, British India, Dec. 5.—An incendiary today burned the reception tent prepared for the coming of King George and Queen Mary, who arrive here from Bombay tomorrow. Extensive precautions are being taken to guard against danger to the lives of their majesties.

FREE ENTERTAINMENT. The Central Labor council will give a few entertainments at the Medford opera house on December 14th and 15th. Several beautiful, high class, up-to-date moving picture subjects, music, illustrated songs, and a short lecture on trade union labels. Children admitted if accompanied by parents.

Draperies We carry a very complete line of draperies, lace curtains, fixtures, etc., and to all classes of upholstery. A special man to look after this work exclusively and will give as good service as is possible to get in even the largest cities.

EAGLE POINT LIVERY STABLE The undersigned having just completed a large new livery stable in Eagle Point, we invite the traveling public to call and examine our rigs, teams, etc., all being in first-class condition. Our motto is to Live and Let Live. Phone at stable and residence. Call central.

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Pacific Railway & Navigation Co. Trains will run daily, except Sunday, on the following schedule: Lv. Portland, 7:20 a. m. Lv. Hillsboro, 8:50 a. m. Ar. Beach Points, 1:20 p. m. Ar. Bay City, 2:04 p. m. Ar. Tillamook, 2:25 p. m. Lv. Tillamook, 7:55 a. m. Lv. Bay City, 8:15 a. m. Lv. Beach Points, 9:00 a. m. Ar. Hillsboro, 1:25 p. m. Ar. Portland, 4:10 p. m. Through tickets on sale at city ticket office, Third and Washington streets, on Fourth and Yamhill, to all points on the P. R. & N. Further particulars from the city ticket agent or agent Fourth and Yamhill streets.

John M. Scott, General Passenger Agent Portland, Oregon

PLUMBING

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OPEN- For Business RIGGINS & LESLIE'S Second-Hand Store at 36 South Grape Street. Give us a call and we will treat you fair. Highest cash price for second hand goods of all kinds.

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, 6041; Home, 236 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. 160 acres, 7 head of horses, 2 cows, 20 hogs, 100 chickens, 20 stands of bees, a number of turkeys and all farm implements. Call and see me about this.

MISCELLANEOUS Wanted to rent a piano. Wanted to sell a mortgage; will shave 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.

WHERE TO GO TONIGHT

SAVOY THEATRE Under New Management First Run, Licensed Motion Pictures, Clean Show, Courteous Treatment, Frank H. Hull, Prop. 10c TEN CENTS 10c

ISIS THEATRE TWO BIG DOUBLE ACTS THE SHROUD TRIO Bert Violet and Baby Violet Society's Entertainers This being the greatest act that has ever played Medford direct from Orpheum at Portland, where they have been the biggest kind of a drawing card, as Baby Violet is only four years old and doing all kinds of entertaining—causing all Portland to talk of her as no child ever has—this act alone is double worth the price of admission. But NOW Here Is Another LEW WHEELER Black-face Comedian All of you who have forgotten how to laugh just come down and pay Lew a visit. If he can't make you laugh then there's no hope for you. It's the original assassin of sorrow.

STAR THEATRE COMFORTABLE THE SMUGGLERS A thrilling story of smuggling on the Pacific Coast. MADGE OF THE MOUNTAINS A mountain romance of remarkable beauty. JACK'S UMBRELLA All comedy. AL SATHER The Singer. THE WOOLWORTHS Playing music and effects to suit the pictures.

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

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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

SNAPPY TONE TO CATTLE MARKET

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 5.—Receipts for the week were 985 cattle, 110 calves, 1857 hogs, 2053 sheep and 16 horses.

In the face of holiday conditions the market for cattle strengthened. There was a snappier tone than was expected. Steers sold at \$6.76. One car lot of spayed heifers sold at \$5.40; cows were in active demand at good prices, calves sold at \$7.50, and bulls, which are in constant demand, sold at \$4.25.

Hog receipts were made up entirely from territory tributary to this market and prices were strong, being from 5c to 10c higher than the previous week. The quality of hogs was good in almost every shipment, except a few which were over the desirable weight. The opening of a new territory by the railroad was evidenced in the receipt of a shipment of hogs from Tillamook.

Sheep receipts were moderate and the market was fairly strong. One lot of yearling wethers, medium quality, sold at \$4.40.

MILLION DOLLAR FIRE JERSEY CITY

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Dec. 5.—Several hundred horses were suffocated in a fire which destroyed the United States Express company's main building here today. The company's records since its organization are believed to be lost. The property loss approximates \$1,000,000. Fred Ockey, night watchman, is missing, and is believed to have perished.

STACY CLAIMS DO NOT HOLD

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—The United States supreme court declared illegal today the so-called Stacy group of claims in Alaska, which are valued at \$10,000,000. Charles Munday and Archibald Shields obtained the claims through dummies, according to the government's charge.

Federal Probe Soon. GELES, Cal., Dec. 5.—The federal GELES, Cal., Dec. 4.—The federal probe into the McNamara case, so far as California is concerned, will begin here within the next few days. The federal grand jury which is now in session here has been instructed by the department of justice at Washington to take up the entire case.

Following the conference between Assistant District Attorney Regan and County District Attorney Fredericks on Saturday, the tentative plans for the investigation were arranged.