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MEDFORD, OREGON. Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and the fastest-growing city in Oregon. Population—U. S. cansus 1910—8840; estimated, 1911—10,000. Five hundred thousand dollar Gravity estimated, 1911—10,000.

Five hundred thousand deliar Gravity
Water System completed, giving finest
sumply pure mountain water, and 17.2
miles of streets paved.

Postoffice receipts for year ending
November 20, 1911, show increase of 19

per cent. Banner fruit city in Oregon-Rogue Banner fruit city in Oregon Rogue River Spitzenberg apples won sweep-stakes prize and title of "Apple King of the World" at the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909, and a car of Newtowns won Pirst Prize in 1910 at Canadian international Apple Show,

at Canadian interactional Apple Show,
Vancouver, B. C.

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

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

Write Commercial Club, inclosing 6
cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet over published.

Play However Is Not Up to Usual Standard, Being a Little Too Full in the Skirt-Characters Are Over- ilies don't figure on the payroll. drawn.

There's been a good deal written is papers and magazines about "Checkers," but we fail to see where the play deserves more than passing no- except on Fourth of July and circus day!" The plot is founded upon a matists. In fact we never meet them in real life. They are exaggerations a net profit of \$4,139,419.

know less about the true rural character than any other class of observ-

The story of "Checkers" is one of interest but is crudely worked out. The actors at last night's performance were very good and the audience heartily enjoyed the play. It would be a delight to see H. B. Warner, "Alias Jimmy Valentine," the original "Cheekers," hardle the part.

Henry Blossom, the author, is not in the class with Klein, George Ade and others of our modern group. But it should be taken into account that "Checkers" was written some years ago and is a bit too full in the skirt for the present style.

Plays, like garments are subject to the arbitrary laws of fashion. Of course Hamlet and the full dress cont are staples that stand the test of

ED ANDREWS.

OREGON APPLES MAKE BIG HIT

Each Visitor to Land Show Presented With Luscious Prize Winning Apple-Tom Richardson Hammers Home Facts Regarding Oregon.

CHICAGO III., Dec. 8 .- Oregon apples scored a big hit yesterday when visitors to the big land show at the Collseum here, were each presented with one of the big luscious prize winners by the officials of the Union-Southern Pacific railroad. The apples had been sent to the show by Oregon growers who were anxlous that their fruit should be put into the mouths of as many Chicagoans as it was possible to reach in one day. The program of speech and music which has been prepared was given in one of the Union-Southern Pacific halls. J. H. O'Neill,

CASH THE ONLY ETHICS.

C ASH is apparently the only ethics involved in the exploitation of the self-imagined virtues of the un-The Democratic Times. The Medford Speakable Lafferty—such at any rate is the conclusion to be drawn from the Portland Oregonian's apology for singing the congressman's praises in one issue after having justiv berated him in previous issues,

> The Oregonian admits that it had opened its columns to Lafferty to defend himself, which he did. Having done this, the Oregonian fulfilled its journalistic functions. It was not obliged to open its advertising columns for Lafferty's falsehoods and self exploitation, simply because they were paid for.

The Oregonian says: "No newspaper can abdicate its editorial function of selection and limitation"-yet this is what the Oregonian did when it printed lies for Lafferty, knowing that they were lies, simply because the cash accompanied them, and they were marked paid.

The Oregonian thus concludes its lame apology: "Would the Medford paper criticise the owner of a public theater at Medford, for example, if he were to rent his place to Lafferty to hold a meeting and make a

This is entirely beside the mark. It is not a parallel case. But if the theater owner had publicly denounced a play as immoral and unfit, and a fraud upon the public, and then had permitted the production of the play, because it was paid for, he certainly would be subjected to

The Oregonian evidently cannot see any ethics involved in advertising fakirs and frauds or in permitting the use of its columns to swindle and mulct its readers. providing it gets the cash. Otherwise the Oregonian's columns would not be promoting wild-cat mining fakes or through advertisements bordering upon the obscene and vulgar and unfit for family perusal, be making it possible for medical quacks to prey upon afflicted humanity.

OLD SI HAWKINS AGAIN AT IT.

OLD Si Hawkins, the handy man of the Southern Pacific, is at it again with his pencil. Uncle Si farms industriously in the dope sent out by the railroad press bureau to unsophisticated newspapers for free publication. He "figgers" faithfully and each time arrives at the conclusion that the poor Espee is on the verge of bankruptcy and the farmer ought to rush to its aid and request his freight rate doubled.

In his latest "reasonings" Si finds that the railroad payroll of the nation is greater than the farm payroll. Certainly, most farmers do their own work and their fam-

Then Mrs. Si comes to the rescue: "Land sakes, these railroad fellows get an average of nearly \$700 a year; no wonder they can wear blue suits and brass buttons. Why, that is about three times as much as we pay our hired man. John, and he works thirteen hours every day of the year,

Farmers would like to know what part of the railroad pretty little love story and in as much | Si farms and gets 13 hours of work per day for \$233 per as "Checkers," the gambler, shows year. Certainly not in Oregon. Meantime please help the early in the first act he has his au- Southern Pacific by contributing a Christmas pot. They dience with him from the start. The sorely need it, especially in Oregon, where in 1910 the characters of the play are types that O. & C. earnings were only \$8,659,945 and operating exhave been somewhat worn by dra- penses, including Uncle Si's salary, reached \$4,520,516, or

that have been overworked and acting as Governor West's personal speeches and pounded home in the should be given a much needed rest. representative and Tom Richardson minds of their auditors the fact that The ordinary playwright seems to of Portland made the principal Oregon is the best state.

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15c Rockford Socks, dozen for	1 lot Meu's \$3 and \$3.50 Hats for	1
50e heavy wool Socks, 3 for	\$1.50 24-inch Caratol Suit Case	ı
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Boys' Blouse Waists, 2 for	A special discount on Trunks of	ı
Boys' \$1.50 Corduroy Pants	"Men's \$1.50 all wool Shirts and Drawers \$	1
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