

ASHLAND MADE MUCH PROGRESS DURING YEAR 1912

Mayor's Report, Filed Recently With City Council of Ashland, Shows Gain Made in Past Year in Municipal Improvements.

ASHLAND, Jan. 13.—A perusal of the mayor's report for the year 1912 reveals a list of improvements that make Ashland stand out prominent among the cities of the coast for progressiveness. In this connection we quote from that report as follows: "It is doubtful if there is a city the size of Ashland on the Pacific coast that can make such a showing in the way of municipal improvements as can Ashland for the year 1911.

"We now have the best paved, the best watered, the best lighted and the best behaved city on the Pacific coast. Our public schools are unexcelled, our churches are prosperous and happy in the good work they are doing, and, all in all, our people as a whole are contented and happy."

From early spring to late fall the work of construction in one department or another has gone on and with the close of the year we take inventory and find an improved water system, an electric light plant completed, one of the most completely sewered cities on the coast, increased facilities for fire protection, miles of paving, and an armory provided for, bringing the grand total of expenditures for municipal improvements up to the sum of \$466,632.86. These figures prove the statement of the mayor that no previous like witnessed a like expenditure for improvements.

The sewer system has been extended 2.43 miles in all, including trunk lines on Granite street, North Main street and Mountain avenue. Two septic tanks have been ordered, one completed and the other in the process of construction, in addition to extensions of other lines in various parts of the city.

The water system has been improved by the substitution of new pipe for the old in many parts of the city. The lower intake up the canyon has been partially reconstructed at an expense of about \$8500, a spacious cement reservoir taking the place of the old wooden one. This should mean great benefit to the higher altitudes of the city in the matter of irrigation, as well as being an aid to the entire system.

The electric light plant has been completed. The street lighting system, consisting of splendid equipment of three light electroliners, adorns the main streets of the city. The side streets are provided with incandescent lights of high power. The system, after being in operation for only a few months, is nearly paying expenses. Receipts from this source aggregate in the neighborhood of \$1400 per month.

About four miles of cement walks have been added to the area covered in previous years. This has entailed an expenditure of about \$9500 and covers the main thoroughfares of the city.

The paving area has been extended so that at the present time Ashland has approximately 7.1 miles of hard surface pavement. During the year just passed all but about 1.8 miles of this has been laid, of which approximately 3.5 miles was ordered during 1911, 1.84 miles being a part of the old contract. These figures were secured from the engineer, they having been withheld from his former report to the council. The stretch of pavement extending from the hospital to the north city limits gives a boulevard scarcely equalled in any other city of the size on the coast.

An appropriation of \$7500 has been made for an armory, the state and county to furnish the balance of the \$30,000 for its construction. Additional apparatus for fire fighting has been purchased, which, with the splendid water pressure available, gives Ashland a splendid system of fire protection.

HUTCHASON MAKES A GREAT RECORD

J. F. Hutchason, who has been "hustling" insurance for the past seven months, is in receipt of highly complimentary letters from the officers of the Mutual Life Insurance company for his work to date. Mr. Hutchason is in the office of J. H. Cachran, who stands first in the state, while Mr. Hutchason stands third in point of business secured. Mr. Hutchason made a paid-for showing during December of \$70,750. He is certainly doing a large business.

HE'S A WHIRLWIND.



"WILLIE" BEECHER. Here is a boxer who would rather fight than eat. "Willie" Beecher has met every lightweight of prominence with the exception of "Ad" Wolgast.

At the Churches

At the Christian Church.

Subject for the morning hour, "Living Letters"; for the evening, "Our Great Counsellor." The choir has arranged excellent music for both services. Sunday school at 10 a. m.; Christian Endeavor, 6:30; prayer meeting Thursday at 7:30; choir practice Friday, 7:30 p. m. Come and welcome. D. D. Boyle, minister.

Free Methodist Church.

Rev. S. K. Wheatlake, general conference evangelist of the Free Methodist church, will conduct revival services at the Free Methodist church, corner Tenth and Ivy streets, tomorrow. Morning subject, "The Revival Needed." Evening subject, "The Revival Promised." He will also conduct services each evening during the next two weeks. Mr. Wheatlake is a revivalist of wide experience, ability and power. Come out and hear him and be convinced. All are cordially invited to attend. J. W. Sharpe, pastor.

First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Sunday service at 11 a. m. Subject, "Sacrament." Sunday school at 10. Wednesday evening meeting at 7:30. All are welcome. Reading room hours, 2 to 5 daily, except Sunday. Church edifice, 212 North Oakdale.

Episcopal Church.

Second Sunday after the Epiphany. Sunday services of St. Mark's church will be as follows: Holy communion, 8 a. m.; Sunday school, 10 a. m.; service and sermon, 11 a. m.; service and sermon, 7:30 p. m. All are welcome. Joseph Sheerin, rector.

Presbyterian Church.

Communion service at 11 a. m.; reception of members; good music; preaching at 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 10 a. m.; Christian Endeavor society at 6:30 p. m.; prayer meeting every Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

Baptist Church.

"Does the Bible teach Christians to give at least one-tenth of their income for the Lord's work?" is the subject of the morning sermon. Evening subject, "The Cause and Cure for Infidelity." Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Special music at all services. All are invited to these services. A. A. Holmes, pastor.

Evangelistic Meetings.

Evangelistic meetings will begin in the Presbyterian church January 29. Rev. William Parsons, D. D., of Portland will be the evangelist. He is pastor of the Third Presbyterian church of that city. He is a strong preacher and a successful evangelist. These meetings are for all the people.

Sunday School Convention.

Sunday school convention for southern Oregon in the Presbyterian church, Medford, from January 26 to January 28. Men, specialists in Sunday school work, will conduct the institute. This is for everybody who is interested in this great work.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

Usual services at the First M. E. church on North Bartlett street tomorrow. Sunday school at 9:45; preaching at 11 o'clock a. m. by the pastor, Rev. E. O. Eldridge, subject "Knowing Christ." Evening preaching services at 7:30 by the pastor; subject, "Vain Excuses." Epworth league meeting at 6:30 p. m. There will be no preaching services tonight (Saturday), but revival services will be held each evening next week except Saturday.

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BRIDGE CARRIED AWAY BY ROGUE

Section by Section Spiderlike Trestle Built by Railroad Over Rogue River Goes Down Stream—Water Rises Little Over Two Feet.

A rise of a little over two feet in Rogue river Friday night carried away the bridge near Grants Pass built last year by the Grants Pass & Rogue River Railroad company, now in a receiver's hands. The bridge gave way section by section and did not damage.

Rogue river is swollen to some extent by recent thaws, causing the snow to melt rapidly.

NEED MONEY TO MAKE HOME IN LOS ANGELES

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the coast line, vast stretches of desert country where the cattle and sheep are today suffering for water and food. In twenty miles of these stretches you will not see a speck of herbage as large as a man's hat. In fact, in nine-tenths of the country of the lower portion of southern California there cannot be anything raised except by irrigation. I made up my mind that Los Angeles is a good place to go when a person becomes physically weak by either old age or disease, because the climate will not offer any resistance to life. I think it is a mistake to say that southern California is a good place for people with weak lungs; I believe it to be the reverse. I notice that a majority of the deaths recorded in the newspapers are the result of pneumonia. Now, this may be for the reason that the country contains so many people who are already weak in that particular. The inhabitants of southern California consist of two classes, those who pray for a daily stranger to come into their midst with money so that they may show him around, and the other class consists of people with one lung, people with money and a desire to escape work, retired army officers, bookworms with enough to live on, religious cranks and philosophers, gamblers and spendthrifts.

I attended one of two public gatherings while in the city that had been called for the purpose of making arrangements to entertain different kinds of conventions that are to meet during the present year. As for instance, the Shriners from all over North America are to gather there in May, not less than 40,000 in number. The national encampment of the G. A. R. will be held at Los Angeles later in the season. It is estimated that 50,000 members of that body will be present on that occasion. The chamber of commerce has a committee with no other duty to perform than to induce and arrange these conventions. At one of these meetings I heard the mayor of the city, the chairman of the committee on entertaining and other leading citizens of Los Angeles speak. They did not forget to mention the glorious climate of southern California, and the many attractions to be seen in and about Los Angeles. One of the speakers said: "Mr. Chairman: While the thermometer is ranging 40 degrees below zero in the east and a blizzard is raging over Oregon, here we have sunny skies in the winter time." He also said, "I live in Fresno, but it takes 10 years off my life every time I come to Los Angeles." I was invited to make a few remarks and I could not resist making reply to the Fresno gentleman by saying: "My friend is not well advised as to Oregon. The only snow that I have seen this winter was in Sisqiyon and Shasta counties in California. There is no snow in the Rogue River valley. We have plenty of what your farmers here are so anxious to secure, a reasonable amount of rainfall. We have sunny skies in the winter time, our scenery is holdier and more sublime than any that can be found in Los Angeles, but money has not done so much for the country as it has here. Nature has done more. I would not care to come to Los Angeles very often, if it had the effect of taking 10 years from a man's life

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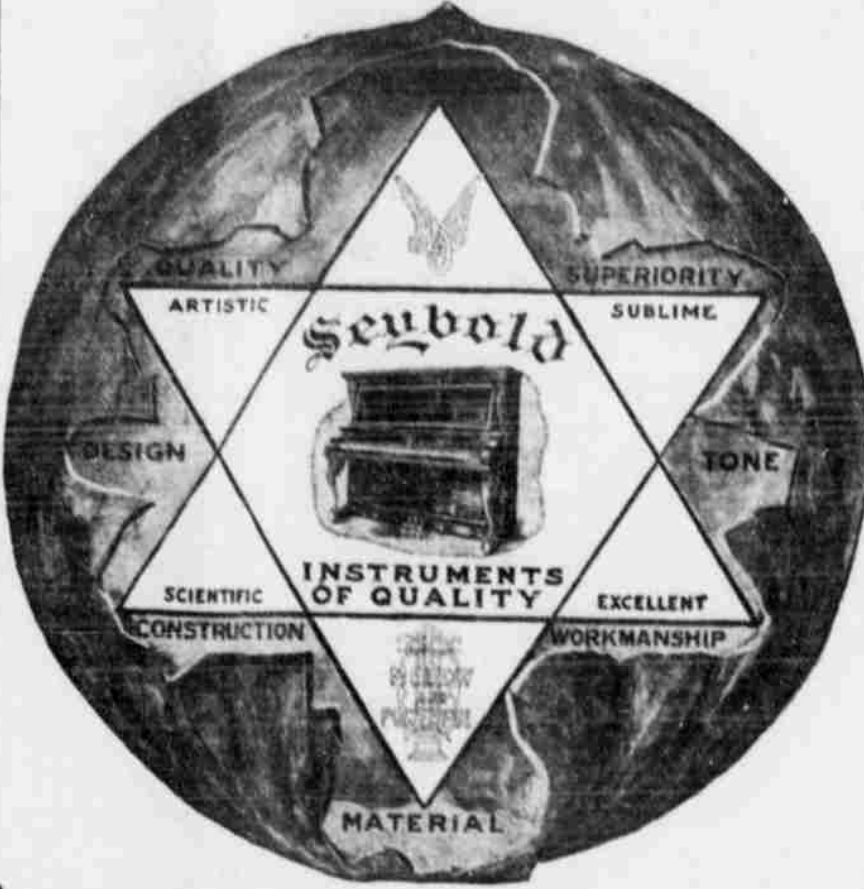
every time. I would be afraid of dying of cholera infantum. But seriously it is a wonderful country, and only convinces me that Rogue River valley, if properly exploited, can also be made a refuge for those who wish to live amid the most beautiful surroundings and where nature is generous with her gifts."

While in the city I met Howard Dudley, Earl Huntley and other Medfordites, who seem to want to do nothing in the winter time, and they certainly are enjoying life to the fullest extent in the beautiful city of the south.

SELL TAGS TO AID STRIKING SHOPMEN

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 13.—Hundreds of men, women and school children sold tags on San Francisco's streets today for the benefit of the striking Harriman shopmen. Similar tag sales will be held at all points on the system within the coming month.

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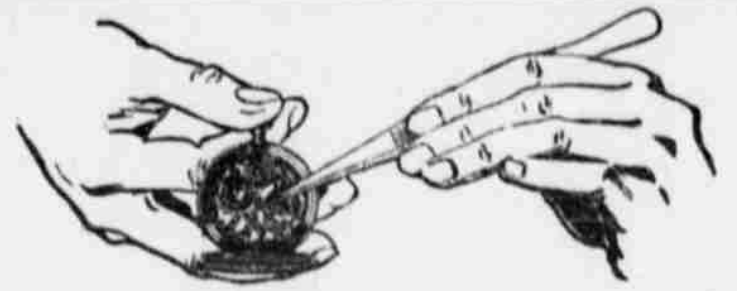
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