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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—28,401; estimated, 1911—30,000.

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

Postoffice receipts for year ending November 20, 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 pears brought highest price in all markets of the world during the past six years.

TELEGRAPHIC TABLOIDS.

MARYSVILLE, Cal.—J. Fritz saved \$125 intending to marry Miss Eva Lamb. Fritz says he gave her the money to buy furniture, but instead she bought a ticket for Reno. He's "on the Fritz."

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—"Get your mother to leave and I'll withdraw my divorce suit," Marion Lemons told his wife. Mamma-in-law skiddooed, lawyers were dismissed and the couple are all smiles again.

OAKLAND, Cal.—"Your money or your life" a thug said to Mrs. N. J. Miller. Mrs. Miller failed to scarce. Instead, she jabbed the bandit with a hatpin until he begged for mercy.

NEW YORK—"Nothing doing." That was the invariable answer made today to an army of fortune hunters by Miss Mary Chase, a spinster, who has inherited \$1,000,000.

GAINESVILLE, Texas—Captain A. J. Merriweather, noted Confederate naval commander, died here today.

WALLA WALLA—After several weeks of near spring weather the Walla Walla valley is covered with snow, the result of storm which swept down last night. Fruit trees in many sections have budded. The snow is melting rapidly.

CHARLES CITY, Iowa—More than \$50,000 damage was done today by a fire that swept the business section of Floyd, six miles from here.

PORTLAND, Ore.—Patrolman Griffith was hunting blind pigs when he entered Bessie Levy's boarding house. He spent the next half hour treed on a dining room table by her bulldog which she "sliced" in him.

PORTLAND, Ore.—Missippi At-trata, being examined for naturalization was told to read the preamble to the constitution. He did, although he held the book upside down. He wonders why the papers were not granted.

SAN RAFAEL, Cal.—"Quit that infernal racket or I'll run you in," said Constable George Agnew as he stopped an automobile load of noisy persons. One of them was his daughter, whose friends were celebrating her wedding.

CHICAGO—E. F. Gonzales, manufacturer of alleged fake hair tonic, was sentenced to grow hair on the head of a bald policeman within one year. Otherwise, positively the rock pile.

TACOMA, Wn.—A Vancouver (Wash'n) hardware manufacturer requires all young women in his employ to sign a bond, secured by cash, that they will not marry within six months.

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—"Losh't in jungle—millions wild beasts. Be good feller and save desperate man" pleaded a slightly muddled stranger. He was escorted from the corral of the Sweetwater Dairy.

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—"What a fine place for a 'dip' to work," remarked J. P. Kerr to a friend. When they emerged from a Broadway theater crowd five minutes later Kerr found he was minus a \$5000 pin.

JUST A START.

EVEN with a high-powered automobile that could keep up a pace of 90 miles a day indefinitely, it would take a man more than 65 years to cover all the public roads in the United States. A young man of twenty starting out to accomplish this tremendous task would be eighty-five before he had covered the last mile of public highway in this country.

After an investigation extending over many months, Logan Waller Page, director of the office of public roads, has ascertained that there are now 2,199,645 miles of public roads in the United States. The figures include all the new roads built up to the year 1909. In 1904 there were exactly 2,151,379. It is apparent, therefore, that the increased mileage of new roads within a period of about five years has been 48,266.

"The investigation just concluded," said Director Page, in an interview, "shows conclusively that the movement for the improvement of public highways has obtained a firm grip on the country. The percentage of roads which were really improved amounted to 7.14 in 1904, while in 1909, to which year statistics are now available, the percentage was 8.66.

"It is interesting to observe the growth of improved methods in road construction. For instance, the total mileage of stone roads in 1904 was 36,818, while in 1909 it was 59,237. The total mileage of gravel roads in 1904 was 109,905, while in 1909 it was only 102,870. This decrease in gravel roads, however, was due to a reclassification of roads. Many of those reported in 1904 to be of gravel proved to be of some other substance, while exaggerations were eliminated.

"The total mileage of sand-clay, brick, bituminous-macadam and other improved roads in 1904 was 6806, while in 1909 the mileage reached 28,372."

TRAINING FOR MILL STARTS

Dixon Braves Snow Storm for Return Go With Evans on March 6—Boys Are Both Hard Workers.

Despite the little snow storm this morning Young Dixon, who is slated to meet Bobbie Evans in a return match in Medford March 6th, commenced training in earnest today. Dixon is a hard worker when preparing for a boxing contest. During his career in the ring he has always made it a habit to be an early riser and in taking a run on the road from three to five miles every morning. To the average person this may seem somewhat of a task, but Dixon says, "every person who cares to retain his health should do plenty of fast walking, and if the men would only form a habit to take a short jog on the road every morning or exercise in a gymnasium, they would not be all in at the age of 45 or 50. Early to bed and early to rise with a little light exercise is a pretty good motto to stick to."

SENSATION COMES IN THURSTON WILL CASE

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 22.—A sensation was caused today in the Thurston will trial during the cross-examination of Dr. Lorin Wood, member of the Theosophical society, and physician for the testatrix, Mrs. Harriet W. Patterson-Thurston, prior to her death, and who took the stand in behalf of Katherine Tingley, the principal defendant.

Attorney McKinley, counsel for George L. Patterson, the contestant, was questioning Dr. Wood concerning an alleged telephone conversation between himself and George L. Patterson relative to the latter's visit to the Quinn children at Point Loma. "Did he not have to ask your permission in case he wanted to see the children?" asked McKinley.

"No, sir!" emphatically replied Dr. Wood. The witness denied that he knew anything of such a conversation occurring at that time.

"I suppose you didn't know, Dr. Wood, that a stenographer, Stanley Howe, was on an extension of that line and took down what was said in shorthand?" asked McKinley with a smile.

"No, sir; I did not know of any such arrangement," answered the witness.

BANKER'S VALET IS FREED ON HABEAS CORPUS

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Except for the service of five years in prison, Folke E. Brandt tonight is the same man in the eyes of the law as he was before he was sent away on April 4, 1907, to serve thirty years for burglary at the home of Mortimer L. Schiff, where he once worked as a servant. The justice term was broken today when Justice Gerard of the supreme court sustained a writ of habeas corpus in Brandt's behalf.

Mulatto Charged With Blackmail.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Bessie Green, a mulatto, 23 years of age, is arrested here, charged with attempting to blackmail Francis Arnold, father of Dorothy Arnold, who mysteriously disappeared some months ago. It is charged that the Green woman is one of a band that sent Arnold threatening letters telling him that unless he paid large sums of money his other children would disappear as had Dorothy.

Berlin, Feb. 21.—Professor Albert Hertel, a noted landscape painter, is dead here today. He was 69 years of age.

ACTRESS SECRETLY WED.

Miss Marjorie Rhodes, cousin of George M. Cohan, the comedian, has just announced that she was secretly married to James Troup, of Rochester, N. Y., January 25 last. Her sister, Lida, was also secretly wed last month.

COME ON; IT'S TIME TO PAY YOUR TAXES

All may now pay their taxes. The welcome news has been received and all who have the money and wish to possess a free conscience may call at the courthouse and there give up a portion of their goods. At the present time Sheriff Wilbur Jones has appointed Charles Gay, Mrs. E. A. Thompson, Mrs. Wilbur Jones, E. W. Wilson and Robert Dow to assist him as deputies in making the collection.

If the taxes are paid before March 15 a 3 per cent discount will be given. Taxes will not become delinquent until after April 1, ann not at that time a one-half of the total amount has been paid. In the latter case the balance will not be required until the first Monday in October, which is October 7.

Captain Lewis Dead

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 22.—William Lewis, 71, who was paymaster of the "ram" fleet in the civil war, and who because of personal bravery was made a captain by President Lincoln, is dead here.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Real Estate Transactions.

John E. Wright to Adolphus H. Houston, lots 7 and 8, blk. 38, R. B. add. Phoenix, \$ 109

M. Bellinger to W. P. Wood, property in Galloway add. Medford 800

Lillian V. Baldwin to Frank O. Stinson, property in Kenwood add. Medford 10

James C. Gibson to Clarence A. Hazen, land in D L C 64, Tp 38, 1W 10

E. C. Sherman to Mrs. M. A. Burrow, property in Ashland C. H. H. Parker to A. L. Cusick, property in Medford, 10

James McDonough to Myra B. Smith, land in Tp. 35, 3W, 374

G. B. Richmond to D. G. Scooby, land in Tp. 35, 4W, 4500

Wm. S. Dewing to Mrs. Emma James, lot 12, blk. 22 Bluff add. Butte Falls 10

F. E. Merriek to Arthur E. Bingham, land in Tp. 37, 1W 100

A. L. Cusick to N. L. Townsend, lot 6, blk. 3 Highland Park add. Medford 1

J. C. Barnes to Gertrude A. Mann, land in Cottage add. Medford 1

Thos. J. Downing to Amos C. Nininger, property Ashland Roguelands Inc. to Jo Mc-Nab, land in Tp. 26, 2W, 1

H. H. Helms et al. to Geo. L. Helms, lot 16, blk. L, Talent U. S. to James K. Vincent, 160 acres in Tp. 35, 3W, 1

E. R. Tedrick to Irvin Finley, lot 18, blk. 1, Tuttle Second add. Medford 10

Fred Tedrick to Irvin Finley, lot 17, blk. 1 Tuttle Second add. Medford 10

Nicholas Weiter to Fred Tedrick lot 17, blk. 1, Tuttle Second add. Medford 1

Nicholas Weiter to E. R. Tedrick, lot 15, blk. 1 Tuttle Second add. Medford 10

Lewis Albert Rose et al. to John E. Wright, property in Phoenix 400

S. Shofner to Robert Wilson, lot 3, blk. 4 Page add. Medford 10

R. J. Edwards to T. J. Downing, property in Ashland 1200

J. L. Hammerly to Barbara Barber, property in Gold Hill John B. Hammerly to J. L. Hammerly, property in Gold Hill 50

Edward Judy to T. Henroth, land in Tp. 38, 2W, 11,828.40

Wm. Wright Von der Hellen to E. L. Ingle, lots 5 and 6, blk 8 Central add. Eagle Pt. 280

Jennie W. Young to Elizabeth B. Yockey, property in Glen Terrace add. Ashland 100

Anna E. Nye to W. E. Peck, 21 acres in Tp. 36, 2W, 2100

W. H. Balch to J. P. Hale, property in Medford 10

Marriage Licenses.

Ernest C. Peachey and Effie V. Wise. William L. Spayde and Mary Adah Smith.

New Cases.

Joseph Randles vs. H. C. Bonney and P. A. Bonney; action for money. A. E. Reames, attorney for plaintiff. State of Oregon ex rel. C. P. Cowles vs. E. T. Foss, city recorder of Medford; action. E. E. Kelly, attorney for plaintiff.

Probate.

Estate Leven C. Allen, administrator's bond filed and approved. Guard Amos Woodcock; order appointing Edward Woodcock guardian. Bond filed.

PINCHOT ASKS HALF MILLION TO FIGHT FOREST FIRES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22.—Gifford Pinchot, former United States forester, throughout the National Conservation association today asked congress for at least \$500,000 appropriation in the agricultural bill for the fighting of forest fires. "It is hardly less unpatriotic and unwise to withhold money to equip troops against an invading army than to refuse forest fire appropriations," said Pinchot, and continuing, said, "It is said to malign the forest service, as certain congressmen are accustomed to doing, but it is easier to malign the forest ranger than to do their brave and efficient work on the fire line. We must not let false economy further imperil the safety of our public resources, and the protection of human lives."

Dust Storm on High Seas.

SAN DIEGO, Feb. 22.—With her decks covered with an inch or more of sand, the schooner Alvina, twenty-seven days from the Columbia river, arrived here today. While the vessel was seventy-five miles off shore and 125 miles north of here Sunday last she became enveloped in a dust storm which lasted two days. The sea was smooth and dust seemed to drop from the skies.

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