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## FIRE BOYS WILL GO ON STRIKE

At a stormy meeting held Monday evening the fire department agreed to disband and turn the charter back to the secretary of state unless the wages asked were granted by the city council. The scale demanded calls for \$100 per month for chief, \$85 for assistant chief and driver and \$75 apiece for three men or \$495 a month total.

The council has offered \$85 for the chief, \$75 for assistant chief and four men at \$65, or a total of \$420 per month.

The distance between Medford and a fire department at present then is \$75 a month. If this is not bridged tonight there will be no fire department unless the mayor is in a position to form a new one.

The position of the council is that no provision has been made for raising money for a paid fire department and the city finances are in such a condition that the city cannot afford to pay more than the schedule determined upon.

## HOMESTEADER WINS PROLONGED CONTEST

John Loughlin, homesteader, has won the contest case brought against him by the forestry bureau and after a prolonged contest has been awarded a prolonged contest has been passed upon in favor of the entryman by the Lakeview land office.

The facts appear, from the testimony submitted, to be that, about ten or eleven years ago, the entryman made a homestead entry of certain lands in the Cascade Reserve, but prior to the time when the same was established as a reserve, and, about five or six years ago, made his final proof.

The proof was held up for first one cause and then another during all of these years, the entryman making every effort to secure a hearing of his case, so that he might get action on the proofs that he had submitted as to his residence and cultivation.

Numerous special agents of the Forestry department called on the entryman and other citizens and endeavored to get affidavits and other statements that might be used against the entryman in the trial of contest, which was evidently contemplated. But the entryman refused to make any statements excepting those made in his final proof.

### COMMUNICATION.

#### Help the Fire Boys

To the editor: The city of Medford should not be without a paid fire department. If the city cannot afford to pay the firemen living wages, the business men should contribute.

It should be a very easy matter to get twelve business firms to voluntarily subscribe say \$75 a month towards the paid department.

If I was a little better known in this city I could go out and raise the \$900 in a couple of hours. I would either raise the money or raise it.

Just think what a large amount it is—12 men to subscribe \$6.50 a month. Now let a few more like a dozen, say, of our enterprising citizens fall in line or fall in Bear Creek. You can put me down for \$6.50 a month for 12 months. It is not a very good advertisement for a city of this size and enterprise to be without a good paid fire department. Are we going back?  
**H. E. GATES.**

#### SULTAN IS WILLING TO QUIT HIS JOB

TANGIER, March 19.—Suffering from a severe nervous affection and dejected over the shaky condition of his throne Mulai Hafid, the Sultan of Morocco, has announced his intention of abdicating, according to reports here today. He has been persuaded to remain in the palace.

## TAFT AND ROOSEVELT.

NINE-TENTHS of the press of the country is controlled by big business, stand-pat and conservative interests. The Associated Press, which supplies the majority of newspapers with telegraph news, is controlled by the large newspapers, which, if not owned by the captains of industry are in full accord and sympathy with the latter. Hence we see most of the newspapers as active in their denunciation of Theodore Roosevelt as they were a short time since of La Follette.

But these newspapers do not reflect public opinion. The majority of voters are insurgent in proclivities not only west, but east. The more studious of the insurgents undoubtedly prefer La Follette—but Roosevelt is still the idol of the masses.

There is a strong fight on in each party for control between progressives and reactionaries. There is really no difference between the two parties except the name. All the difference lies between the factions of the two.

We are daily told in the press that Taft is receiving great ovations, that his campaign is making great headway, that he is becoming more and more popular, that La Follette is a collapsed physical wreck, that Roosevelt's boom is a fizzle—and in all of these stories the wish is father to the thought.

Roosevelt will carry Oregon by an overwhelming vote. Popularity cannot be manufactured to order. Taft's every utterance stamps him as a reactionary of the deepest dye, and every speech he makes removes him further from the ideals and systems favored here—while every speech of Roosevelt's brings him nearer to the Oregon system.

### TO LIGHT HIGHWAYS OF NEW YORK.

A BILL has been introduced in the New York state legislature by Senator White appropriating \$25,000 for the experimental lighting of ten miles of improved highway. If this plan is approved concrete poles will be erected 300 feet apart on some designated highway and high candlepower incandescent lamps installed on 12-foot mast arms. Experts are practically agreed that a few years' test of this line will prove the feasibility and economy of lighting the state highways every night.

It was only a few years ago that nearly every city in this country was shrouded in darkness after nightfall. The streets were unlighted and thieves, murderers, highway robbers and ruffians took advantage of this dark mantle to ply their nefarious purposes. If people had to be abroad on the streets after dark it was necessary to protect them from accidents and ruffians by an abundance of artificial light and now, as traffic increases on the improved highways, it is equally important that the roads be lighted every night.

It is evident that all the main highways will be lighted in a few years, at the most, and this test system in New York state will be anxiously watched by every state in the Union as well as foreign countries.

It will not cost much to accomplish this. A few years ago such a scheme would have been impossible, because are lamps require too much attention, but the advent of the new high candlepower metal filament incandescent lamps are ideal for this purpose as they require no attention and can be turned on and off from a reasonable distance. This would eliminate lamp lighters, trimmers and most of the work incident to old style lighting systems.

The poles will be of solid reinforced concrete 30 to 40 feet high and will last for 100 years. These poles will also be rented out to the various telephone, telegraph and electrical distribution lines. It will be cheaper for such companies to rent the concrete poles than it is now for them to maintain a wooden pole line.

Another revenue will be obtained from the various electrical distribution stations of cities and villages who are anxious to supply the farming districts with light and power but are now held back by the prohibitive cost of a pole line for this work. They can rent the use of the state poles for a nominal sum and thus reach all the farmers within a mile or two of the main highways.

It will be seen that the farmers are the ones to profit most by this illumination. The automobilist will also enjoy the safety and convenience of a well lighted highway, and he will be taxed to pay his share, but it is the farmer who will receive the greatest benefit. He will have the advantage of a well lighted way whenever and wherever he wants to drive after dark. He will be protected from highwaymen and tramps by an abundance of light, and under its rays he will be in less danger of being run down by automobilists.

## Our Apples Are Lallapaloosas

(From the Portland Spectator.)

Here is praise for the Rogue river valley apple—praise from a very Sir Hubert of fruit—Cousin George Harvey, the able editor of the best periodical in the country—Harper's Weekly. The charming tribute to the Rogue river valley's apple appears in Harper's Weekly of March 9, as follows:

"Brother Hugh Hume, of the Portland Spectator, rises to the occasion after the manner of a born journalist:

"The Spectator decides that Harper's Weekly has won, and hereby presents to Cousin George Harvey, the cleverest editor in the country, a red apple grown in the Rogue river valley, Oregon—the best apple, from the most productive orchards in the world.

"We return thanks for this noble specimen of the products of Rogue river valley. It is a lallapaloosa."

Some kindly things have been said of the products of the Valley of the Rogue—things that appeared to have exhausted praise itself in their hon-

or. But never before have the beautiful apples of the productive Rogue valley been honored as lallapaloosas. The term is at once catchy and endearing, musical and fitting.

If Colonel Harvey thinks so much of Oregon's apples in their raw state, I wonder what he would say if he tasted their very soul as it is distilled into the nectar-like apple-jack—or their essence in the form of cider—hard or soft. But there is no use wondering. Neither word nor phrase is left with which to characterize the apple-jack or cider made from the Oregon apple. Commendation quite outdid itself when Cousin George Harvey, of Harper's Weekly, coined on behalf of our fruit the word "Lallapaloosa!" Long may it wave.

#### Aeroplane Kills Arabs

BENGHAZI, Tripoli, March 19.—Ten Arabs were killed and a number wounded by bombs dropped from an aeroplane belonging to the Turkish forces into a Turkish camp some distance from here today.

## WEST'S HONOR MAN RETURNS

SAN FRANCISCO, March 19.—Conscience stricken because he violated a parole extended by Governor West of Oregon, Joseph McMillan, one of the honor prisoners at the Salea penitentiary, surrendered to the police here today and wants to return to prison.

McMillan was placed on honor and sent to the tuberculosis sanatorium to do some work, and then escaped. "I have not treated the governor right," McMillan told the police, "I want to go back and show him that I am sorry for running away."

McMillan was serving a fourteen year sentence for forgery committed at Klamath Falls in 1911.

### CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION. CLERK-CARRIER, TO BE HELD

An examination for clerk and carrier will be held at the post office in this city on April 13, 1912. Age limit, 18 to 45 years. Married women will not be admitted to the examination. This prohibition, however, does not apply to women who are divorced or those who are separated from their husbands and support themselves, but they are eligible for appointment only as clerk.

Applicants must be physically sound, and male applicants must be not less than 5 feet 4 inches in height without boots or shoes, and weigh not less than 125 pounds without overcoat or hat.

For full information address William J. Warner.

### To Test Battleship Florida

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 19.—The steaming trials of the super-dreadnought Florida are expected to engross the undivided attention of naval men this week. The interest in the trials is due partly to the fact that the Florida is to be one of the largest and most formidable fighting machines afloat, but more especially because she is the first battleship to be built in a government yard in many years. A close comparison naturally will be made between her performances and those of her stater ship, the Utah, which has just been turned out at a private yard.

## POLITICAL CARDS

(Paid Advertisement.)  
 County Clerk.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the democratic nomination for the office of county clerk, subject to the will of the voters of that party at the primaries. I promise the people of Jackson county that in case of my nomination and election I will fulfill the duties of the office according to law and the best of my knowledge and ability.

W. H. MILLER.  
 Gold Hill, Ore., Feb. 16, 1912.

### County Recorder.

I am a candidate for a second term for the office of County Recorder on the Republican ticket, subject to the coming primary.

I have conducted the office to the best of my ability, the books are always open for inspection and feel that I am entitled to a second term.  
 FRED L. COLVIG.

### For Sheriff.

I announce myself as a candidate for sheriff, promising a continuance of the businesslike administration I have given the office in the past.  
 W. A. JONES.

### For Prosecuting Attorney.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the democratic nomination for the office of prosecuting attorney for the first prosecuting attorney district of Oregon, embracing the counties of Jackson and Josephine, subject to the will of the voters of that party at the primaries, and I pledge the people of Jackson and Josephine counties that in the event of my nomination and election I will fearlessly, impartially and to the best of my ability prosecute all violations of law in said district and endeavor to administer the duties of said office with the utmost efficiency and economy.  
 E. E. KELLY.

### For Representative.

I respectfully present my name as candidate for representative to the republican voters at the coming primary. I have been once honored by the people of Jackson county, having been chosen to represent them in the state assembly two years ago. If nominated and elected, I shall do in the future as I have in the past: give to my constituents as honest and faithful service as lies within my power. I realize that there are matters of importance to southern Oregon that will come up in the next meeting of the legislature at Salem, and it will be my earnest desire if elected to act to the fullest satisfac-

tion of all the people of Jackson county.

J. A. WESTERLUND.

### For County Commissioner.

I hereby announce myself as candidate for the nomination of county commissioner for the four year term, subject to the endorsement of the republican voters at the primary election April 19, 1912.

If nominated and elected I will during my term of office conduct the business of Jackson county on a strictly business basis, and to the best interests of the taxpayers, and without fear or favor to any party, parties or to any particular section of the county.

W. C. LEEVER.

### For Sheriff.

I respectfully present my name to the republican voters as candidate for sheriff of Jackson county at the coming primaries. I have served two terms as constable of Medford district, and if nominated and elected I shall serve the people in the future as in the past.

AUG. D. SINGLER.

### For County Judge.

I am a candidate for the nomination of county judge of Jackson county to be determined by the will of the voters at the primaries April 19, 1912. If I am nominated and elected I will during my term of office, as soon as lawful authority of the voters can be secured, bond the county and begin the construction of a scientific system of permanent roads. One million and a half dollars is not too much for this purpose. But a dollar's value must be had for every dollar spent. I will oppose increasing the county's warrant indebtedness and will endeavor to reduce the same and restore the county's credit. I will assume full responsibility for a business administration of every county office.

F. E. MERRICK.

### For Assessor.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for a second term for county assessor, subject to the republican primaries, April 19, 1912, and promise if nominated and elected to do my duty in the future as I have in the past.  
 W. T. GRIEVE.

### NEW THOUGHT MEETINGS

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 20 acres near Eagle Point, 160 acres close to Eagle Point, 65 acres in cultivation.  
 20 acres in fruit 8 miles from Medford.  
 135 acres 3 miles of Medford, 27 in hay, good improvements.  
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