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Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California and the fastest-growing city in Oregon. Population—U. S. census 1910—8940; estimated, 1912—10,000.

MORGAN'S ILLNESS DEPRESSES STOCKS

LONDON, Feb. 19.—Financial interest here persisted today in reporting that the health of J. Pierpont Morgan, the American financier, is still unsatisfactory.

CHARGE SOUTHERN PACIFIC IS TRYING EVASION. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19.—Accusing the Southern Pacific company of attempting to evade by subterfuge the order of the United States supreme court for the dissolution of the Harriman lines, so far as the order applies to its operations in California, the Western Pacific railway will oppose before the state railroad commission the former road's application for the commission's sanction of certain compact with the Central Pacific.

NORTH DAKOTANS WILL MEET FEBRUARY 20. The fifth annual meeting of the North Dakota association of Medford and the Rogue River valley will be held at the Hotel Medford Thursday evening, February 20, to which all North Dakotans are invited.

WANT NEW MAIL ROUTE. To the Editor: The people along Rogue river want a mail route via the lower steel bridge to Trail and return via the free ferry to Eagle Point Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

FIRST ESSENTIAL TO PROSPERITY.

ELSEWHERE the bankers of Medford appeal to the farmers and fruit growers to sign up for water so that an irrigation system can be constructed.

The advice is excellent. The growth, development and prosperity of the valley is dependent largely upon water.

If we want to interest capital, we must increase the productivity and output of the land. We must utilize the idle tracts and double the production of those now farmed—and the only way to do it, is by irrigation.

If we want to make a surety of the interurban trolley line, we must guarantee it tonnage by increased production, which comes only from irrigation.

If we want to double the population, we must make it possible for people to live on small tracts, which can only be done by irrigation.

If we want to raise values and maintain the present values of our lands, we must justify this valuation by increased production, which can only be done by irrigation.

If we want to insure our orchards and farms against failure from drouth and insure our crops, irrigation is essential.

We have got to come to irrigation some day, every one admits it, and the longer we delay it, the worse for us.

The Pajaro valley, California, with one-sixth of our area, offers an instance of what water will do. Last year, Watsonville shipped 6000 cars of apples, 125 carloads of dried apples, 20,000 barrels of vinegar, 140,000 chests of strawberries, six carloads of canned strawberries, and many carloads of apricots, sugar beets, potatoes, onions and other products.

There is nothing grown in the Pajaro valley that cannot be grown better in the Rogue River valley. There is no reason why the Rogue River valley should not grow and ship much more than the Pajaro valley ships.

The Rogue River valley will become far more populous, far more productive, far more famous than the Pajaro valley, because its natural soil and climatic advantages are far greater, its natural resources of greater variety and extent, and its area of cultivable land far greater—but the initial step for this development is irrigation, and until the entire valley is under water and the water in use, the valley will remain in the A B C of its development.

With irrigation will come the subdivision of farms, with water will come intensified farming and diversified production. With water will come population and prosperity.

EIFERT'S HARA KIRI.

THE Mail Tribune regrets the stand that Mayor Eifert has taken—attempting to use the authority of his office to build up a personal political machine.

The mayor's attack on the public market was unjustifiable and unwarranted. He lost public sympathy and support when he made it. He is losing it every day he continues it.

The charter gives the mayor no authority to appoint committees of investigation unless authorized by the council—yet Mayor Eifert assumed this authority and the report resulting is a boomerang to his assertions.

There is no complaint against Mr. Arnsperger. It is admitted that he has made extensive improvements satisfactorily and is conversant with the situation.

The majority of the council are to be commended for the stand they have taken against the conversion of the city hall into a political machine.

Before election, Mr. Eifert published the following pledge: "If elected, my time and services will always be available to the public and suggestions and criticisms will at all times receive most careful consideration."

The petition presented the mayor, and public sentiment ought to convince Mr. Eifert that it is time for him to yield to the majority, regardless of personal opinions.

Mr. Eifert should live up to his pledge and not commit political hara-kiri.

CHICAGO MAN BUYS 40 ACRES FOR \$12,000

One of the real estate deals just closed is the purchase through C. D. Hoy of a forty-acre farm four miles north of Medford by I. D. Berg of Chicago for \$12,000.

EX-GOVERNOR'S SON IS ELEVATOR VICTIM. PORTLAND, Feb. 19.—While the twin sons of former Acting Governor

John A. Perl Undertaker 28 S. BARTLETT Phones M. 471 and 473 Ambulance Service Deputy Coroner

"The Logging Professor"

(Dallas Observer.) A bill has been introduced in the legislature to appropriate some \$65,000 to employ a professor of logging at the agricultural college. Now that is something like it. Our young men will be able to acquire practical knowledge of an industry that will be of very material benefit to them in the days to come, one which they can utilize from a number of different points of view.

Three in Every Seven Cops Grafters

(Special Correspondence.) NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The police graft revelations surpass all previous performances. On six New York blocks there are twenty-five hotels with a collection charge of \$100 each month.

The high cost of living is resolving itself into an effort to establish terminal markets in connection with cold-storage facilities. Retailers complain of graft collected by cooks, butlers and others ranging from five to ten per cent as adding to the high prices charged.

Several good plays are attracting attention, among them the Arny's case in which Robert Hilliard portrays a detection of the William J. Burns' type and presents an interesting exhibition on the stage of finger print methods employed for detection of crime as well as the diagraph in a scene well calculated to cause thrills.

The undersigned has decided to make another auction sale of 2 1/2 to 5 acre tracts in the Pierce Subdivision between the 15th day of April and the 15th of March.

Since my sale last March much improvement has been done in this locality, positive evidence that this is the preferable location for building suburban homes.

Two nice homes and a number of smaller ones have been built this past summer and fall. Building is now going on in the neighborhood; a new free rural delivery now passes through the Pierce Subdivision.

For particulars and terms write me. C. H. PIERCE 628 E. Main Street, Medford

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