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ARKANSAS HOLDS SPECIAL ELECTION

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., July 23.—Arkansas is today holding a special election to elect a governor to serve the unexpired term of Governor Joe T. Robinson, recently elected United States senator. Judge George W. Hays of Camden is the democratic nominee and his election was generally conceded as Arkansas is strongly democratic. Harry H. Myers is the republican nominee and George W. Murphy, former attorney general and democratic leader, is the progressive candidate.

Today's election brings to an end one of the most remarkable political periods in the history of the state. In the last six months Arkansas has had five United States senators and four governors. The death of United States Senator Jeff Davis last January caused it all. J. N. Helsel was appointed by Governor Donaghey to succeed Davis. W. M. Kavanaugh was then elected by the legislature to serve out the unexpired term of Davis and finally Joe T. Robinson, who had just been elected governor and had entered upon his term of office was elected United States senator for the six year term. Davis had been the primary nominee to succeed himself and his death left the assembly free to act.

ALASKA RAILROAD BILL IN HOUSE

WASHINGTON, July 23.—Representative Bryan of Washington introduced in the house today Senator Polindexter's bill providing for the government ownership and operation of the railroads and coal mines of Alaska. Its features include a regulation of the hours of labor and profit-sharing plans for employees in the mines and drastic regulations to prevent private interests gaining undue advantage in the development of the mineral resources of the territory.

FRENCH PARLIAMENT SHOWN IN MOVIES

PARIS, July 23.—Parliamentary life in Paris is to be shown on the "movies" as the result of successful negotiations between a leading firm of film makers and the French government. Permission was today officially given for the taking of a series of pictures showing the various stages of debates in the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate, and the legislators displayed much anxiety to figure on the films. The pictures show the empty benches in the mornings, the arrival of the legislators, a dozen or so deputies, discussing laws affecting the whole of France, the solemn arrival of the president, life in the lobbies, a stormy afternoon session, and the thronged refreshment bar.

DANGEROUS FIRES ARE CHECKED BY THE RAIN

The rain Tuesday evening made an end to five forest fires near Medford that threatened to be destructive. One of the fires, the most dangerous, was in Ashland canyon and was reported at headquarters at Medford Tuesday by Forest Ranger S. A. Moore who with a number of Ashland men fought the fire. The others were near the Crater Lake forest, about Prospect, near the Elk creek hatchery and received the attention of the Jackson County Fire Patrol association. Several other small fires were reported on the east side of the Cascade near Pelican Bay. The fires are the first of the season and were started by the electrical storm Monday evening.

A NEGLECTED RESOURCE.

RECORDS of the Growers' association at Hood River show that 109 carloads of strawberries were shipped from Hood River this spring, and twelve carloads of cherries, all of which realized good prices.

Records of the Pullup Co-operative Exchange show hundreds of carloads of berries, principally logan berries, profitably handled, mostly canned or dried. So do the books of the Corvallis and numerous other fruit associations.

Records of the Payallup Co-operative Exchange show loads of berries or cherries shipped, scarcely enough raised to supply local demands, and yet the valley is admirably equipped by nature for berry culture and as fine fruit raised here as anywhere on the globe.

Berries are one of many crops local producers are neglecting, to their own and the country's loss. There are about 7000 acres of so-called desert land, on which any kind of a berry yields abundantly, which is supplied by water and yet which is untouched.

The resources and possibilities of the valley will never be realized until this land and other land is under profitable cultivation. Any crop must be raised in quantity to make its marketing possible and profitable and the land and water are here in any quantity.

Berry culture means work—and there are too many people here who don't like work—or rather it is so easy to make a living that they won't work more than they have to—which is mighty little. The rest of the time they loaf, talk hard times and cuss the country in village fashion.

The valley needs a colony of Italian-Swiss or other people who are not afraid of labor to make neglected regions bloom with the flower of industry that fruits into prosperity.

16,000 to 18,000 Less Cars of Apples This Year Than Last

PORTLAND, Or., July 16.—There is going to be a large apple crop—not as large as 1912, but considerably larger than 1911. An analysis of the reports at hand shows a prospect of a 1.10 per cent loss of an apple crop this season than last, or 16,000 to 18,000 cars below 1912.

Table with columns: State, 1912, 1913, 1912, increase. Rows include Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Montana, California, Oregon, Washington, New Mexico, and Total.

"An Unnamed Topic"

(From the Ashland Tidings.) We are reminded by an editorial in one of the valley papers under date of the 17th inst. of a subject which we purposely avoided under the topic, "What the Matter With the Rogue River Valley?" in our editorial series just completed. We wrote broadly of the whole valley, not of a particular and infinitesimal spot. In the discussion we handled only subjects of a somewhat extended influence and scope, and tried to avoid small and narrow topics. Had we written on "What the Matter With Fir Street, or a Fractional Lot Between the Alley and the Hotel on Fir Street?" we could have justly stated, "The Tribune, That's What the Matter With Fir Street," but in discussing broad topics, to inject pinched and narrow things, not understood beyond the scope of its immediate presence, could have but the effect of confusing. Had we written on the topic, "What the Matter With the Tribune?" we could have rightly said, "Putnam, that's what the matter with the Tribune," but in writing on a subject as broad as the Rogue river valley, or as the city of Medford, or as the newspapers of the valley, or on any topic broad enough to extend beyond the four walls of the Tribune building, to mention either Putnam or the Tribune would have been but to deal with matters foreign to in-

LOVERS WHISPERPHONE LATEST INVENTION

LONDON, July 23.—A telephone for lovers, called the Whisperphone, was granted a patent here today. In appearance it resembles the ordinary phone, but the mouthpiece is deeper and the bashful lover who formerly dared not ask if Angelina loved him as much as ever, for fear of the ridicule of his office colleagues, can now safely whisper sweet nothings, knowing that, in the cup there is a little spiral coil which will quiver to his most subdued tones. Incidentally the instrument will be valuable for business men who find themselves compelled to discuss confidential matters in public places.

PACIFIC MAIL SUES PANAMA RAILROAD

NEW YORK, July 23.—A suit to recover \$500,000 damages by the Pacific Mail Steamship company from the Panama Railroad company is on file in the United States district court here today. The petition alleges two huge cranes belonging to the defendant collapsed and wrecked the steamer Newport, owned by the plaintiff.

John A. Perl Undertaker Lady Assistant 28 S. BARTLETT Phones M. 47 and 47-J-2 Ambulance Service Deputy Coroner

HOME PARTICIPATION IN FOREST CONTROL

WASHINGTON, July 23.—To give settlers and other local users a larger voice in national forest administration, Secretary of Agriculture Houston has just promulgated a new regulation which goes into effect at once, providing a means by which the forest service may systematically co-operate with duly organized associations of such users.

Any association whose members include a majority of the local residents making use of the national forests may get together and select a committee, to meet with the local forest officers. This committee will be recognized in an advisory capacity in settling questions which may arise between the forest service and the public in the use of the forests.

Notice. To members of Crystanthemum Circle, No. 84, W. of W.: You are requested to pay your dues not later than Monday, July 28th, as I leave for Portland on the 29th. KATHERINE WAITE, Clerk of W. of W.

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