

INFORMS INDIANA VALLEY'S BEAUTIES IN LETTER HOME

The Ellwood, Ind., Daily Record of January 12, contains the following letter from Mrs. Ida Purdum, who has been visiting in Medford:

Medford, Oregon, Dec. 31, 1913.

I reached this place on September 29, and this is Dec. 29, and I am still here. I have surely been well paid for coming. The sights I have seen, the finest fruit I have ever eaten or seen, and this pure mountain water to drink means something. The thermometer registers 52 today. Now about Medford and Rogue river valley. The beauty and grandeur far exceeds my expectations. As far as I have seen it can safely be called the Garden of Eden. Instead of the snow and rains of the eastern and middle west states, we are enjoying beautiful sunshine and flowers, roses in full bloom, fresh strawberries right off the vines, besides all the other kinds of fruit that grows to perfection in this valley. The thermometer registered Oct. 5, 75 to 80 in the shade. That sounds like good old summer time. Medford is located in the heart of the valley. It is now a prosperous and thriving city of about 10,000 population, where only a few years ago it was a little hamlet of a few hundred people. It is enclosed by many snow capped mountains. Among the most prominent of these is old Roxy Ann, which directly overlooks the city. Medford has more miles of paving than any other in the state of its size, and more automobiles than any other city of its size in the world. They are now building a trolley line right up Main street which will be ready for traffic Jan. 1st. Medford has two branch railroads, with the Southern Pacific main line. This Rogue river valley is surely beautiful; would have to say this to realize it.

A party of us motored out last Sunday to a small town called Central Point, on the Southern Pacific railroad—quite a nice, clean little town. On our way the first thing we met was a big jack rabbit right in the middle of the road. The next thing was a pumpkin patch and a muskmelon patch. They can grow more of them to the square foot in this valley than I have ever seen grown anywhere. After that we passed some beautiful alfalfa farms. They were surely great. We went on and next we met an automobile that carried some hunters and they had captured three deer, so the people of Medford are eating venison. Next we looked on Mt. Pitt, where the snow lays all the year around, and another mountain called Table Rock that was surely beautiful to behold. The orchards and the fruit that grows in this valley can not be beaten anywhere on earth.

We were out riding again and went north of Medford to what is called Willow creek orchard. There we saw some beautiful apple and pear orchards, then we went west to what is called Jacksonville, the county seat of Jackson county. Going over the road to that town we saw such a beautiful deer park with deer and elk, about 20 of them, and the laurel trees with their beautiful red berries hanging like grapes and the loveliest farms I ever looked on. The town of Jacksonville is one of the oldest towns in the state. It lies at the foot of a mountain and is beautifully surrounded. On one side are mountains and on the other beautiful valley farms, dairy farms and cattle and hog farms.

The people here are putting their attention to stock largely now. I heard a Rogue river rancher declare the other night that no one who had ever lived on the Pacific coast ever lived anywhere else if it could be helped. We have one man here from the state of Ohio that owns 1640 acres. While his orchards are coming on he has gone into hog raising extensively. He has 400 hogs on his ranch and just shipped a car load. He is U. P. Dodge, of Akron, Ohio.

We took another auto ride south of Medford to a place called Talent. There we looked on some beautiful country and among the rest was a ranch belonging to two prominent men of Ellwood, Indiana, a Mr. Osborn and a Mr. Bower. They have a fine place, a great investment for their money and lovely country to live in and the climate can not be beat anywhere on earth. The grass is growing green here and the roses blooming in the yards, but oh, the snows and storms between here and Ellwood.

MRS. IDA PURDUM.

Weather Forecast

Oregon—Fair tonight; warmer east portion; Wednesday, probably fair west, snow east portion; winds mostly northerly.

BABCOCK GATHERS STATISTICS FOR NEW COMPENSATION LAW

C. D. Babcock, a member of the State Industrial Accident Commission, is in Medford compiling statistics regarding industries that will be affected by the Workmen's Compensation Act. He states that the new law is very favorably regarded by the great majority of the employers affected and that the act promises to be a gratifying success.

Discussing the law and its workings Mr. Babcock said: "The law became effective immediately after the November election in so far as the organization of the commission was concerned. The insurance features of the act, however, do not become operative until July 1, 1914.

"The law provides for the creation of the Industrial Accident Fund, to be made up by contributions from employers, workmen and the state. "Two classes of occupations are defined in the act and are designated as classes A and B. In class A, the rate of payment by the employer is three per cent and by the employee one-half of one per cent. In class B, the employer pays one and one-half per cent and the employee one-fourth of one per cent. In class A, both the employer and workmen are entitled to exemption when the individual employer has to his credit, three per cent of his annual payroll and no accidents have occurred in his plant; while under Class B, the amount required to be maintained by the employer, in the accident fund is one and one-half of the payroll.

"The law is elective, both in its application to the employer and employee, either of whom may elect to come in or stay out, but employers in any of the hazardous occupations, who elect not to take advantage of the act, are deprived of the common law defenses of contributory negligence, fellow servant liability and assumption of risk in any action for damages by their employees. Workmen who reject the act lose the benefits provided.

"The Oregon law provides a liberal schedule of compensation for injured workmen and for the beneficiaries of workmen who lose their lives in industrial accidents. The act also provides for first aid to injured workmen in an amount not to exceed \$250 in any one case."

Any one interested in the subject can obtain a copy of the law by writing the commission at Salem.

UPTON REGISTER OF ROSEBURG LAND OFFICE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—The nomination of J. M. Upton of Marshfield, Ore., to be registrar of the land office at Roseburg, Ore., was sent to the senate this afternoon.

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C. D. BABCOCK



HOOD RIVER APPLE CROP DISPOSED OF

HOOD RIVER, Ore., Feb. 3.—The Hood River apple crop for the season 1913 has been approximately disposed of. Only about 50,000 boxes remain in storage at Hood River awaiting shipment to fill orders previously booked. The Apple Growers' association, that has handled nearly the entire output of the valley, will distribute among the growers approximately \$100,000.00. The association has shipped about 900 carloads this season, which have been sold at f. o. b. prices.

The association began the season with refusing to consign its apples to be sold in the eastern market at auction and on a commission basis, and as a result has secured more satisfactory prices for all of the grades. William Sieg, sales manager for the association and one of the sales managers for the Pacific Distributors, said:

"When we wind up the season and the reports of sales are in the hands of the growers, I think it will be evident that good prices have been secured for the Hood River apples this year. The smaller sizes and the cheaper grades have brought exceptionally good prices along with the better grades and sizes. The association has been more successful in marketing the cheaper grades this year, and the prices secured for these grades that have heretofore brought very low prices will materially swell the orchard earnings of the growers of the Hood River valley this season. Many cars have been saved from the elder mill prices, and will net the growers handsome profits."

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There are other industries that could be started and operated here with profit to the investor and community at large. More factories for Medford is the campaign mapped out by the commercial club for 1914.

AXE IS SWUNG UPON COURT HOUSE PAYROLL, KLAMATH

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 3.—A sweeping order lopping off \$15,000 a year from the payroll and office expenses of Klamath county was issued shortly before midnight last night by the county court. The order cuts expenses in every county office except that of school superintendent. Information from the best sources is to the effect that this program of economy will be followed by the dismissal of all the suits now pending against the payment of county warrants and that the long war against the credit of Klamath county will soon be a thing of the past.

The salary of county sealer is cut from \$75 to \$25 a month, the sheriff's deputies reduced from three to one, the deputy circuit court clerks reduced \$75 a month, the deputies of the county clerk reduced from four to two at \$95 and \$75 a month, the county treasurer's deputy is cut off, as is the surveyor's deputy. The assessor is only allowed one deputy. The prosecuting attorney's assistant is eliminated, and all office supplies must be ordered through the county court.

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