

ASHLAND HEARS ADVANTAGES OF SUGAR FACTORY

ASHLAND, Jan. 11.—Financial returns exceeding those afforded by fruit or vegetable raising, alfalfa or grain, was the claim made in behalf of beet sugar at a meeting held in the city hall Saturday, to talk over the situation and "strike while the iron is hot." F. G. McWilliams presided, Ed Kruser was the official long hand reporter, and the secretary of the Commercial club voluntarily acted as usher. A Medford delegation, headed by W. H. Gore, who was accompanied by Bert Anderson, George Carpenter, J. A. Perry and others, came over to help the big movement along and give the project a lively impetus. Gore was the chief speaker, and without confining himself to figures on paper, submitted results in raising beets which work had been done by himself personally for experimental purposes under the suggestion of the State Agricultural college.

What It Means.

Primarily, a sugar factory in this valley meant an investment of three-quarters of a million dollars, or more in plant, and the employment of 150 workmen. Furthermore, it meant the addition of at least \$500,000 annually to present revenues. For planting, cultivating, thinning and lifting, the maximum cost would be about \$35 per acre. On the other side of the ledger, an average yield of fifteen tons to the acre would bring \$75 revenue, the net profit depending upon whether the beets were marketed direct at the factory at \$5 per ton or delivered at a siding for \$4.50. The incidental advantages also should not be overlooked. Erection of such a plant meant a demand for a million brick, a trainload of cement, vast quantities of lime and the annual consumption of at least 15,000 cords of wood, all of which supplies are practically at our doors. The speaker announced an intention of planting 100 acres, whether out-siders planted or not. The question of securing the required 5000 acreage was up to business men as well as ranchers.

Clubs Pledge Acreeage.

Two clubs in Medford had pledged to secure 100 acres each, and even professional men were encouraging the movement. In closing, Mr. Gore disavowed any dictation on his part as to where the factory should be located. "Place it where it will accommodate the greatest number," he said. However, he did warn his hearers against the twin microbes, "inertia" and "procrastination," either of which would defeat any project. The syndicate back of the beet sugar movement was no benevolent institution. If it came to this valley it would be with the intention of making money. It presented a clear-cut and comprehensive statement of its requirements, and these would have to be met squarely in the same spirit in which they were presented.

Gore Makes Impression.

Gore is a pleasing talker. Neither is he any kid-gloved theoretical farmer, having been brought up to face hard knocks, whether in cultivating the soil or in efforts to bull the price of onions in the face of a depressed market. His plain, practical talk left a "saccharine" impression equivalent to what might be expected in the ordinary individual sweetened by a single dose of the average annual consumption of sugar by each man, woman and child in Jackson county, which is 85 pounds per capita, according to our government's statistics regarding sweets. Other speakers quoted facts from personal experience in the sugar beet districts of Colorado, Michigan, Idaho and California. Another fact which should be considered is the trainload of fat stock which follows in the wake of a beet sugar factory, the pulp refuse being almost given away for feeding purposes.

Soil Expert Explains.

Sam Storey of eastern Oregon, in the employ of the syndicate as a soil expert, was present to answer any questions which might be asked regarding this particular phase of the question. Among local residents who expressed their views were D. M. Lowe, J. W. Millner, J. W. Abbott and others, all in favor of the project. A brief canvass on the spot resulted in a prospective area of 300 acres in this locality. D. M. Lowe pledged 25 acres and O. L. Young 100 or more. The chairman appointed a special committee of live wires to take up an active canvass, the bunch being headed by Lowe, other members being C. B. Larkin, J. W. Millner, Frank Moore and G. W. Dunn. In the meantime whatever action is taken must be done quickly. The sugar interests have received offers of bonuses to go elsewhere. They simply agree to come to this sun-kissed vale of vales, realizing that the Rogue River valley

MARY PICKFORD IN "THE EAGLE'S MATE, AT THE STAR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JANUARY 15-16



WORLD'S FAIR RATE TO ASHLAND \$21.50 ROUND TRIP

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 11.—Ashland folks can visit the Panama exposition, San Francisco, round trip rates, for \$21.50, on a 96-day limit, or \$18.50 for 30 days. If they wish to extend the tour to take in San Diego, \$39.50 will cover the bill to and from. Stopovers in either direction. Tickets on sale February 15 to November 30, 1915.

Jesse Clary met with a terrible injury last Friday while assisting a wood-sawing crew. His right knee came in contact with the saw, making a dangerous wound. He is at the Granite City hospital. Young Clary is 20 years of age and the son of C. F. Clary, residing on Granite street. The family have been grievously stricken of late by a series of accidents and serious illness among its members.

It is gratifying to learn that, for the benefit of the widow and children of the late game warden, Arthur Hubbard, who was shot down December 17 while in performance of his duty, the Oregon Sportsmen's league will give an exhibition of Game Commissioner Finley's motion pictures, "Wild Life in Oregon," in Portland at an early date. Committees have been appointed to arrange for the benefit, which is expected to realize a generous sum.

McConnell Promoted.

Members of the National Guard are pleased to learn of the promotion of Henry McConnell, late first lieutenant of Company C, third infantry, who gets a government position, that of inspector and auditor of federal attorneys, marshals and clerks. For ten years he was actively identified with the O. N. G. and enjoys a wide acquaintance in the ranks of that organization. He relinquished a position as chief clerk for United States District Attorney Reames in order to accept this new appointment.

Instruction coach No. 1 of the Westinghouse Autobrake Co., representing practical demonstrations in the most important branch of railway safety appliances, was in the city Saturday and went south on No. 15.

Week of Prayer.

Following the week of prayer, union revival services began Sunday evening on the orthodox circuit. The initial meeting was under Methodist auspices. The movement is backed by the local Ministerial Union and the line-up includes home exhorters only, professionalism being strictly barred.

R. A. Alford of Klamath Falls left for home Saturday after a visit with numerous relatives, which included his parents at Talent, his brother, Mose, at Medford, and a host of minor connections in this vicinity.

Mrs. Libbie Rhodes, a former well-known resident here, died at Talent January 8, and her funeral was held in that town on Sunday, interment being in the Stearns cemetery. She was 57 years old. Her husband survives her.

Tom Richardson Here.

Tom Richardson was in town Saturday on his way home to Portland from Klamath Falls. There was a time when his coming meant a demonstration, but on the occasion of this visit only a few of the old guard put in an appearance to do him reverence.

With the advent of revival meetings the altar Bible belonging to the Odd Fellows has put in a disappearance, and all the affiliated bodies of that order are instituting a search for the sacred volume who has made away with the sacred volume.

Marion county tax levy is reduced three and seven-tenths mills.

SANITARY MEAT REGULATIONS FOR ASHLAND PASSED

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 11.—At an adjourned meeting of the council Friday night, several ordinances passed through the ordeal of introduction, amendment and enactment. One relates to sanitary conditions in connection with slaughter establishments and markets, defining the status of drawn and undrawn poultry, dressed and undressed hives, porkers and sheep. In a financial way the position taken by Greer, chairman of the water commission, was tacitly considered untenable insofar as disposal of water bonds is concerned. A movement is under way to form a sort of local syndicate to take over the bond problem and finance the securities. Saturday afternoon the council met again specifically to consider bonding measures, but nothing definite was arrived at, although there was in attendance a duly accredited envoy representing investments in British consols, French rentes and various South American securities. Proposals have been tendered for the \$175,000 bond issue, but the fact remains that the city cannot entertain a bid which is not on the basis of par and accrued interest.

Lyman D. McKee, assistant postmaster at Ashland, has resigned, the resignation taking effect January 8. He has been connected with the service here for about ten years.

MEDFORD FILMS AT PAGE TONIGHT

Medford people of all calases, good looking and otherwise, tall, thin, lean and fat, hundreds of faces, you and your neighbor, all are going to be seen on the picture screen at the Page theater tonight.

The camera man's victims were numerous, and all told there are 200 scenes taken on the street from Thursday until today. The churches came in for their share yesterday and it kept the camera man hustling to get the Sunday crowd between the churches and the streets.

This morning a hurried trip to Roosevelt school finished and completed the second series and the first part of Life in Medford shown tonight will give Medford citizens an opportunity to see in a most interesting series of pictures what goes on in daily life in Medford.

The pictures of our good citizens will be shown as the true eye of the camera sees them and from the camera man's report, many a laugh will go up from the audience when they see themselves as they really look while busy shopping or homeward bound in lunchtime and trying to dodge the swift camera or taken unaware.

On account of the length of the series they will be shown in two parts and it is our advice to see both series tonight and tomorrow to be sure not to miss to see yourself as others see you.

The Page Theater orchestra will play and five feature pictures complete the unusual interesting program. Admission as on other picture nights, 5-10 and 15c.

Jonathan Bourne, Jr., in an able article in Colliers warns the American people against the present tendency toward bureaucracy. He says that the inevitable result of the present course is the development of a monarchy in fact if not in name.

Experting county records by Portland accountants has doubled the cost to nearly every county.

TRI-STATES ROAD ASSOCIATION OPENS LOS ANGELES OFFICE

The following circular has been received from George E. Boos, secretary of the Tri-State Good Roads association:

"The Tri-State Good Roads association is now represented by active working members in nearly every county along the great highways of California, Oregon and Washington, from Mexico to British Columbia. An immense territory is being covered and a good work is being done.

"Owing to the increasing membership and the great interest being shown, the association has found it necessary to open southern California headquarters in the Wilcox building, Los Angeles, Cal., which will be in charge of Commissioners F. A. Somerby and John McLaurin.

"The Tri-State Good Roads association have now in course of compilation a volume which will be of great interest, entitled, 'Pacific Coast Good Roads,' and contains articles by the leading authorities, which will be reprinted by the latest statistical data and the reasons why the 'good road movement' is particularly vital to you and why you should be a member of the Tri-State Good Roads association. This book will be issued in conjunction with the third annual convention, beginning August 2, 1915, at the convention hall of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, Cal.

The association bespeaks your hearty co-operation and support for the success of this work and great convention.

CHARTER ASSURES POPULAR CONTROL

To the Editor: Democratic Management.—The workers in an industry owning the machinery used in the industry, elect from their number a board of directors, who in return secure a manager. The workers retain the right to recall the directors. An industry so managed is democratically managed.

Balanced Supervision.—The directors of an industry are so chosen that no particular class of workers, say the skilled engineers, can combine so as to elect all of the directors or more than a proportional representation. When directors are so chosen we have balanced supervision of industry.

Under the new charter the recall is operative as it is now; also the vote is so taken and counted as to insure more nearly balanced supervision than is provided under present charter. No one class could elect all the board of directors; they might if they felt the need and chose to organize and work, elect one by giving a preferential vote to that one and getting enough others to cast a second or third choice vote for the one, but they would find it next to impossible to elect two. Proportional representation is insured as nearly as possible. I shall vote for the charter.

J. C. BARNES.

CHILD'S TONGUE BECOMES COATED IF CONSTIPATED

Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver and bowels so nicely.

A child simply will not stop playing to empty the bowels, and the result is, they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour, then your little one becomes cross, half-sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or act naturally, breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomach-ache or diarrhoea. Listen, mother! See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a well, playful child again.

Millions of mothers give "California Syrup of Figs" because it is perfectly harmless; children love it, and it never fails to act on the stomach, liver and bowels.

Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.—Adv.

PLAN BENEFITS FOR GAME WARDEN HUBBARD'S WIDOW

Following the movement started by the state league of sportsmen clubs at Portland, officials of the Rogue River Fish Protective association are in correspondence with State Game Warden W. L. Finley to give a series of motion pictures of wild life of Oregon and fish and game scenes for the benefit of the widow and family of A. C. Hubbard of Ashland, the game warden killed on Trail creek while in performance of his duty. It has been suggested to Mr. Finley that the benefits be given at Medford.

"All the scenes are Oregon scenes, taken by an Oregon man, and consequently they are of great interest to Oregon people," writes I. N. Fleischer of Portland, chairman of the committee in charge of the benefit fund. "It is our desire to place them before the public so that all will become better acquainted with the wild bird and animal life of our state and while we are showing these wonderful pictures we will be putting the money up for a worthy cause.

"Mr. Finley will deliver his lecture in connection with the pictures, and that alone is enough to warrant considerable patronage and interest. He knows all the conditions of the state, and it is after several years' experience that he is able to obtain this collection. Some of the pictures were taken off the Oregon coast, while others were obtained in the interior and all are interesting.

Ashland and Gold Hill. The state sportsmen league plans similar benefits all over the state.

All Oregon Scenes.

The educational feature of the films will be emphasized, as the pictures show Oregon birds and fish in their real habitats. The pictures are exceptionally clear and distinct, making it possible to see every phase of animal and bird life of the state.

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