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HONG KONG KOLUM



Honesty must pay dividends in advance with most people.

Card of Joliet, Ill. man: ROBERT NOOS. Subscriptions taken for magazines and newspapers.

A Dope Fiend Bossy (From Enterprise, Kan., Push) One of J. E. Etantz's cows, a full blooded Jersey, was humanely killed the first of the week to end her misery.

He Got It "That half dollar you loaned me yesterday was counterfeit."

His Business Doctor—What you need is a change of scene— Patient—Get out! I'm scene shifter, Doc!

Hesitation I love my dolly for her form (The Maid of Milo couldn't change it) But, ah the styles have turned, And dolly has to rearrange it. —New York Sun

THE SPITE RECALL

MEDFORD is offering the world an illustration astonishingly like that of children playing at government. Because times have been hard and real estate plungers and speculators have been pinched, an ingenious scheme is devised for the relief of the needy by selling the city's credit for a mess of pottage by plunging the community into debt a million dollars, using half of the money to liquidate outstanding paying debts assessed against property, distributing the balance as a refund to those who have met the obligations incurred under the Bancroft act.

When the matter is presented to the council, action is properly delayed until it is ascertained by a special committee whether the bonds can be sold if issued. Inquiry does not show that they can be—at least no proof is offered that such securities can be marketed for anything like par.

Thereupon the advocates of frenzied finance circulate initiative petitions for a special election to submit the re-bonding plan to popular vote before it is known whether the bonds are marketable. Because the council submits another plan also, recall petitions are circulated against the councilmen to vent the spite of those grasping at the municipal indebtedness straw to save individual credit.

There is no valid charge made against the four councilmen whose scalps are sought. They have not been guilty of malfeasance in office. They have not been guilty of extravagance. They have unselfishly served the city to the best of their ability, at a sacrifice of personal interests. They accepted office unwillingly at the request of leading citizens. The terms of two of them expire the first of the year.

The recall is simply a spite move to rebuke faithful public servants of the best type for having the audacity to express honest convictions and stand for the best interests of the community as they saw them, instead of yielding to the clamor of the rule-or-ruin boomers of private rebates at public expense, who think that they can get rich by taxing themselves.

How is the community to induce any self-respecting citizen to serve in the council—a thankless job at best—when carping vilification, defamation, contumely and recall are the rewards offered?

This is an abuse of the recall which offers the strongest argument against it for the enemies of popular government. It is a shame to our citizenship and a disgrace to Medford.

ALASKAN STEAMER MARIPOSA ASHORE

SEATTLE, Oct. 8.—The Alaska Steamship company's freight and passenger steamship Mariposa, bound from Seattle for Alaskan ports with 79 passengers and a large freight cargo, is ashore at the Indian village of Bella Bella, B. C., north of Queen Charlotte sound. It is supposed she struck during a fog. The captain has asked that a steamship be sent to take off his freight, and this is taken by the owners to mean that the Mariposa is hard aground. Bella Bella is on the inside passage to Alaska, and the water is calm. No fear is felt for the safety of the Mariposa. Arrangements have been made to send a relief boat. The passengers probably will be placed aboard another northbound boat.

VILLA IN JUAREZ VISITS CAROTHERS

EL PASO, Tex., Oct. 8.—General Francisco Villa arrived in Juarez today to confer with George C. Carothers, special representative of the state department.

HEAVY SNOW STORM SWEEPS LAKE SUPERIOR

CALUMET, Mich., Oct. 8.—A heavy snow storm was sweeping over the Lake Superior district today. An inch of snow had fallen at noon.

Advertisement for Gothic Arrow Collar, featuring an illustration of a collar and the text 'GOTHIC THE NEW ARROW 2 for 25c COLLAR IT FITS THE CRAVAT'.

Advertisement for John A. Perl, Undertaker, Lady Assistant, 28 S. BARTLETT, Phones M. 47 and 47-J8.

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Liggitt & Myers Tobacco Co.

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Warner, Wortman & Gore

Phone 701

THE PAGE

Medford's Leading Theater

Daily Matinee 2 p. m. Evening 7 p. m.

TODAY TOMORROW

Funny Charlie Chaplin

who turns tragedies into laughs in his latest success

"The Bank"

The Bridge of Time

A 3 act Sellig Drama

"Saving the Coupons"

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Presenting Fascinating Lillian Walker and Evert Overton

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MONEY, TIME AND LABOR SAVED No Smoke—No Soot—No Odor—No Dirt—No Work—No Danger.

COME, SEE, BE CONVINCED

We have nothing to sell you—we only wish to show you. Ladies especially invited to attend these. We will be in your city but a few days demonstrating the modern fuel for the purpose of establishing a permanent sales office here.

We have thousands of satisfied users. Eventually you will be one of them. Come, let us show you. Demonstrating Room, first floor south of Postoffice, Medford, Or. Hours 2 to 5 p. m. and from 7 to 9 p. m. daily.

MANAGER WANTED FOR LOCAL OFFICE, ALSO MANAGERS AND SALESMEN FOR OUT-OF-TOWN OFFICES

American Gas Machine Company MANUFACTURERS.

FIRE PREVENTION DAY

We Declare Ourselves to Be in Favor of Fire Prevention Day---Saturday, October 9th

Not only on this day, but on every other day; meanwhile, as a protection against accidents which do occur, we urge that everyone secure fire loss indemnity in reliable companies through a permanent agency.

STATE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER HARVEY WELLS ON FIRE PREVENTION DAY

"During the year 1914 over \$400 worth of property was destroyed, wasted and lost through fires in the state every hour.

"Part of this loss is caused by carelessness and could be easily prevented."

"Fire prevention day is no longer an experiment, and I hope every city or town will observe this day. Those who can render valuable assistance are the special agents and the local fire agents, who, I am sure, with perfect propriety, will co-operate in this practical state-wide movement to reduce the enormous fire waste."

"Let people know the full danger of fire chargeable annually to carelessness through the thoughtless handling of matches, the storage and handling of gasoline, oil, fireworks and explosives. Show the menace of permitting trash piles to accumulate or in the unkept cellar, inflammable materials to be stored in closets, attics or elsewhere."

"Care should be taken to clean up yards and burn accumulated

rubbish away from buildings or fences, where a fire might be started. Fires should not be made on days of high winds. Gather the trash in piles on a bare space and burn when some grown person can watch that no child plays with the burning brands, and that the fire is completely quenched before leaving it."

"Some day we shall come to full realization of the enormous unnecessary loss entailed by fire, and shall begin the right sort of preventive campaign to lower it. One place to begin is in the schools. By teaching the children, some of whom will in a few years administer the laws, a long stride toward fire prevention will be taken, and the children, while being taught, will interest the parents who will, as never before, recognize the importance of the question, and, rather than plead ignorance on such an important and self-interested subject, will lend their aid in the campaign for fire prevention."

"If you will inspect your home or your place of business on Fire Prevention Day, you will assist in making this day a successful one."

The McCurdy Insurance Agency Insurance Any Kind Telephone one-two-three