

WIRES COLLAPSE TRAFFIC DELAYED BY HEAVY STORM

The rain which began less than forty-eight hours ago and has continued intermittently since is hailed as a welcome change in the weather. The precipitation yesterday measured .18 of an inch, .33 of an inch last night and .19 at noon, making a total of .70 of an inch in that time. The barometer is falling rapidly, indicating a continuation of the rain in the valley, while snow is falling in equal abundance in the surrounding mountains.

The storm appears to be general over southern Oregon and northern California. Southern Pacific trains were delayed today from the north. Eighteen inches of snow at tunnel 9, between Leland and Merlin, is reported, while trainmen say there is more snow in sight in the foothills in that direction than there has heretofore been this season.

Six feet of snow is reported in the Siskiyou mountains. Electric wires are down between Ashland and Fall Creek and between Fall Creek and Dunsmuir, and between Yreka and Scott's Valley, while north of this point the wires are down between Merlin and Glendale.

The snow, even in the hills, appears to be very wet. The wires, both power, telephone and telegraph, are being disordered more from the weight of the snowfall than from the violence of the wind. In the valley there is no wind blowing at this time, nor has there been during the present precipitation.

IS HE LISTENING?



(News dispatches from Geneva state that Germany is considering sending her peace terms to the allies.)

GREAT DEMAND FOR LOGANBERRIES AT ALL CANNERIES

Referring to the article on loganberries in this paper on Friday, Manager Hoke of the Rogue River Valley Canning Co. states that he had orders in advance for more loganberry juice last year than he could obtain berries to produce. He has promise this year of a much larger supply of the berries. A good many vineyards planted last spring will come into bearing this year, and from them he expects a good supply, if the vineyardists will take care of the irrigation of their berry gardens.

Manager Hoke also stated that, in a conversation with Mr. Reed, a prominent member of the Rogue River Orchard Co., which has expended over \$300,000 on its orchards and vineyards in the northern end of the valley, including its irrigation systems, the latter said that on his visit to California berry producers, where he investigated carefully all of the methods and their products, California producers admitted that they could not produce as fine a loganberry as the Oregon product. The California berry is less juicy and less in its delicacy of flavor.

The estimate of 400 crates to the acre of loganberries is said by growers to be very modest; that an acre of loganberries in this vicinity, under irrigation carefully applied, has produced more than 800 crates. The exact figures on this particular vineyard are ascertainable and will be obtained and given later.

Altogether, it is believed that the loganberry has a splendid future in this valley. They will evidently be a conspicuous figure in the system of diversified farming that will surely follow the introduction of general irrigation here. Without the latter, successful diversified farming is impossible.

The county court Saturday completed the selection of county election boards.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF	
The Medford National Bank	
at Medford, Oregon, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business on December 31st, 1915.	
RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$294,028.08
Overdrafts, secured	638.32
U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	1,800.00
Premium on U. S. bonds	101,800.00
Bonds other than U. S. bonds pledged to secure postal savings deposits	5,000.00
Bonds and securities pledged for State, or other deposits or bills payable (postal excluded)	5,000.00
Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged	14,450.19
Total bonds, securities, etc.	24,450.19
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	7,500.00
Less amount unpaid	3,750.00
Value of banking house (if unencumbered)	43,800.00
Furniture and fixtures	5,000.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	31,954.95
Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank	12,430.00
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago and St. Louis	27,918.40
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	129,312.43
Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than included in 10 or 11)	3,146.74
Exchanges for clearing house	3,467.86
Outside checks and other cash items	1,599.15
Fractional currency, nickels, and cents	289.41
Notes of other national banks	1,888.56
Coin and certificates	4,800.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	29,547.84
	5,000.00
Total	\$722,933.33
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Undivided profits	36,263.33
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	17,206.89
Circulating notes outstanding	100,000.00
Dividends unpaid	12.00
Individual deposits subject to check	295,991.66
Certified checks	13,717.43
Cashier's checks outstanding	81.70
Postal savings deposits	3,084.35
State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by item of "Resources"	5,000.00
Deposits requiring notice but less than 30 days	2,685.41
Total demand deposits	320,560.70
Time deposits	98,226.61
Other time deposits	61,927.13
Total of time deposits	160,153.74
Total	\$722,933.33
STATE OF OREGON, County of Jackson, ss: I, John S. Orth, cashier of the above-named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. JOHN S. ORTH, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, 1916. G. M. ROBERTS, Notary Public. My commission expires September 25, 1916. CORRECT—Attest: W. H. GORE, F. E. MEHRICK, J. A. PERRY, Directors.	

ART EXHIBIT IS POSTPONED A WEEK

On account of the illness of Miss Dorland Robinson, who has been suffering from a severe attack of la grippe, the studio tea, which was to have been held at the Holland hotel Friday, January 14, has been postponed one week. The various committees are sparing no effort to make this event thoroughly enjoyable to all who attend. By your presence you will accomplish three good things—you will do honor to a local artist of much ability, you will give yourself a delightful afternoon and you will put 25 cents into the fund for civic improvements.

Some of Medford's best dramatic and musical talent will contribute to the pleasure of the afternoon, thus assuring its artistic success.

FIRE, MURDER AND RIOTS FILL YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

YOUNGSTOWN, Jan. 8.—Four men were killed, nineteen other persons including a woman shot, and fifteen city blocks destroyed by fire as a result of rioting growing out of the steel mill strike here last night.

At 3 o'clock this morning the fire was still raging having caused a loss estimated at from \$800,000 to \$1,000,000. Troops of the State National Guard are guarding outside the city but will not be brought in until daylight. Pending their arrival armed citizens patrolled the strike zone.

Rioters who for hours had held the city in a reign of terror, looting stores and the postoffice and setting fire to many buildings began to quit the streets after rumors of the arrival of the troops spread. Citizens however, fear a new outbreak at daylight, as it is known that some of the rioters have obtained a supply of dynamite.

TITANIC SLAV EFFORT BEFORE CZERNOWITZ

LONDON, Jan. 8.—Some idea of the determined nature of the Russian blow on the Bessarabian front is conveyed by Petrograd dispatches today which state that the Russians for fifty hours concentrated 400 guns on the Austrians positions at Czernowitz as a preparation for infantry attack. The Russian communications do not yet claim that Czernowitz has fallen but dispatches from German sources admit the Teutonic position there is critical.

It is not yet clear whether the Russian operations in this theater heralded a big general offensive movement of all the Russian armies from the Baltic to the Rumanian border or merely like a division of parallel magnitude and fierceness designed to weaken the pressure of the central powers in the Balkans and incidentally on the Italian front. The fighting has been of the most bitter character, according to both the Austrian and Russian reports. Few prisoners are being taken and the infantry engagements are largely in the nature of hand to hand encounters.

BIRD OF PARADISE COMING TO PAGE IS FINE ATTRACTION

"The Bird of Paradise," which is booked for the 19th of this month at the Page theater, will without doubt be one of the finest attractions that the management will have secured for us this season. This production is beautiful and most refreshing in its treatment. It is the latest play of Richard Walton Tully, who also wrote "Onar, the Tentmaker" and "The Rose of the Rancho."

The scene is laid in the Hawaiian islands, the land of sun, sea, and love, and surrounded by an atmosphere of glow and warmth which is maintained throughout without a flaw.

The play was presented here two and a half years ago, but was witnessed by very few, to the regret of the many who too late realized its unusual literary and artistic merits, for Richard Walton Tully, who is most happily gifted in poetic sense, has conceived of the life and emotions of these simple, peace-loving people with depth of understanding and sympathy for which his personal contact and life with them so well prepared him.

The production is under the management of Oliver Morosco. In view of the choice qualities which this play possesses, it will be indeed a fact to be deplored if the public does not, upon this second opportunity, respond en masse and enjoy this unusually fine attraction.

Needless to say that the Drama League heartily supports it and that the local center will endeavor to bring to it an audience worthy of it, both in size and appreciation.

PRESIDENT DRAMA LEAGUE.

Miss Carmen, daughter of Chief of Police Hittson, who has been ill for some days, is reported to be better today.

LARGE PERCENTAGE SCHOOL CHILDREN POOR PHYSICALLY

Dr. De Bask's lecture to a large audience at the high school last night proved to be interesting and instructive. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the evening, school patrons of the city were well represented in the attendance.

During the course of the lecture, Dr. De Bask stated that he had investigated educational conditions in Colorado, Indiana and Massachusetts and had pursued research work at the Clark Stanley Hall of that institution, and he was willing to say with emphasis that, in equipment, buildings, etc., he finds Oregon is far ahead of any of the three states mentioned.

The vital points in the doctor's address are so closely related that justice cannot be served by quoting detached portions of it.

Referring to the pupils' capacity for work, however, the lecturer said it is important to make a careful survey thereof in order to avoid injury by overworking the child. Many children are found who are of slow growth, mentally and physically. Again, some will continue to grow mentally until they are 21 years of age and more. For many important reasons, the speaker declared, children cannot all be treated alike in the matter of assigning volume of work.

Ten per cent of children in school suffer from malnutrition. Ten thousand children go to school in Chicago without breakfast. Fifty per cent of school children have enlarged cervical glands. Fifty per cent show tuberculous systems; ten per cent will die from it. Four per cent have defective vision. Two and a half per cent have heart trouble. Five per cent are candidates for treatment for nervous disorders. A large percentage go

through school in bad physical condition, the speaker declared.

The discussion of the subject was throughout presented with a conscientious regard for scientific facts elicited by most careful survey of school pupils and their physical and mental conditions. It was vitally instructive alike to school patron and the more advanced school pupils.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Corliss and their son Guy, of West Phoenix, returned home Thursday from Portland where they spent the holidays with Judge Corliss and family.



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