MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

AN INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED EVERY AFTERNOON EXCEPT SUNDAY BY THE MEDFORD PRINTING CO.

Office Mail Tribune Building, 25-27-29 North Fir street; telephone 75.

The Democratic Times, The Medford Mail, The Medford Tribune, The Southern Oregonian, The Ashland Tribune.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One year, by mail	$5.00
One month, by mail	.50
Per month, delivered by carrier in Medford, Phoenix, Jacksonville and Central Point	.50
Saturday only, by mail, per year	2.00
Weekly, per year	1.50

Official Paper of the City of Medford. Official Paper of Jackson County. Entered as second-class matter at Medford, Oregon, under the act of March 3, 1879.

Sworn Circulation for 1914, 2588.

Full leased wire Associated Press dispatches.

Subscribers failing to receive papers promptly, phone Circulation Manager at 250-R

HONG KONG KOLUM

To every man who is too good for his job there are a hundred whose job is too good for them.

* * *

Today's Bellringer.

"Remember the eyes of the nation are on you," exclaimed the constituent. "I know it," replied Senator Sorghum. "And the nation's getting more acutely discerning every day. The time is gone when a man can assume an impressive pose and get by as an optical illusion."—Washington Star.

* * *

Says the Girl on the Film

No woman is thoroughly content to make a man happy unless she is sure she has the power to make him unhappy.

* * *

Simplicity in Advertising

Look on the handle of your umbrella. If it's got my name on it—it ain't yourn. I've got yourn at the Guide office.—The Dunn (N. C.) Guide.

* * *

An Old One

Mr. Sykes has been married fifty years and his war stories are well worth listening to.—The Lansing (Wis.) Banner.

* * *

Why not disband a few of our societies for preventing things and organize some for doing something?

* * *

Try This on Your Typewriter

Miss Marizanna Urbanowicz has become Mrs. Vladslowicz Gurnczdowrkizxk at Passiac, New Jersey.—Fargo (N. D.) Courier-News.

* * *

Aunt Lucy—Good mo'nin' Pahson Pewter! Mout Ah ask what kind er music yo' all gwine ter hab inter de new church

The Parson—Organic.—Punch.

* * *

Courted in An Auto

Married—At the M. E. parsonage last Thursday evening, Miss Annabelle Skidder and Charles E. Speeder.—The Edgerton (Neb.) Gazette.

* * *

Laughing Gas

Mrs. Col. Jessup is wearing a broad smile now, as the colonel has installed a nice gas range in their home and had the gas doctor, Mr. Waterman, come out and pipe the gas in. Mrs. Jessup says cooking is a pleasure now.—The Westport (Ind.) Courier.

* * *

Why Not a Cannon?

"Wanted for East Coast, Curate. One not afraid of occasion bombardments. Apply Vicar.—Church Times (London.)

* * *

Today's Bellringer

A bishop of the Church of England had invited the clergymen of his see to a week-end party at the Episcopal residence. The guest of honor was a bishop from an adjoining diocese.

The first morning at breakfast as the visiting bishop was about to crack the shell of his egg, he suddenly stopped, and, turning to the butler who was standing at the back of the bishop's chair, he said, all the while holding his fingers tightly to his nose:

"Oh! my man! take this egg away; the odor of it is atrocious. Take it away, please; take it away!"

The butler, taking the egg in his hand and eyeing it closely said, with great deference:

"My lord, a most regrettable mistake has been made. The stupid servant has given your lordship a curate's egg."—Binghamton Republican-Herald.

* * *

Says the Girl on the Film

Compromise is the secret of success in married life. If you want to go to the lodge and she wants you to take her to a motion picture show, compromise and go to the movies.

* * *

Amateur Note

He asked the government not to muzzle the ox that laid golden eggs.—The Daily Argosy.

POVERTY CAUSES DELINQUENCY.

A CHINESE proverb says "Crime begins in poverty," a conclusion that all investigators arrive at.

An extended probe of vice was recently made by a senate committee of the Illinois legislature. Its conclusions are thus summarized:

First, That poverty is the principal cause, direct and indirect, of commercialized vice. Second, That thousands of girls are driven into such a life because of the sheer inability to keep body and soul together on the low wages received by them. Third, That thousands of girls are forced into industrial employment by the low wages received by their fathers; that they are separated from proper home influences at an excessively early age; that they are inadequately schooled and are insufficiently protected, and that many of them become recruits for the system.

Your committee has found no disagreement as to the effect of the family life and standards on the morals of the growing children. That any causes with tendency to reduce home standards and to destroy family circles will promote vice is unanimously accepted as true reasoning by all students of the problem and by all of the witnesses appearing before this committee and questioned thereon. It must logically follow that any wage inadequate to the proper sustenance of a normal family of husband, wife and children, will inevitably promote immorality.

Some $800,000,000 collected by taxation was spent in the United States last year to maintain institutions for dependents and defectives, fifty millions more than was spent for free public schools. These defectives are the fruit of poverty.

We glibly plan the expenditure of billions for military preparedness, but plans to abolish poverty by the establishment of social justice receive small consideration and small appropriations.

The danger that threattens the nation from within through increase in misery, crime and degeneration is greater than the imaginary dangers that threaten from wthout, yet there are no leagues organized and few statesmen advocating the highest ideal of real national preparedness.

BLUFF FAILS—PERSUASION FOLLOWS.

WHEN the bill for a government armor plate plant was first introduced, the armor plate trust, composed of the Midvale, Bethlehem and Carnegie plants, notified the government that if the government erected such a plant, the trust would at once raise the price of armor plate to an exorbitant figure.

The bluff and bluster of the armor bully failed to scare congress and the senate passed the bill. The trust then changed its tactics and is now entreating and pleading with congress, and has offered to cut the price from $425 per ton to $395 per ton for five years, if the government does not erect the plant. A campaign of persuasion is on, and newspaper offices are flooded with appeals from the armament barons.

In twenty years the trust has robbed the government of $70,000,000 states Secretary of the Navy Daniels, who thus summarizes the history of armor plate bids:

In 1906 we had the first competition for armor, says Secretary Daniels. The Midvale company bid $346 per ton. This brought the price down from $420.

If competition had continued the price would never have been higher than $346, and the government would have saved $21,706,299. This sum paid to armor makers in excess of a fair price, has practically paid for the plants of all three of the companies making armor.

If the government had erected a plant of its own in 1894 the government today would own three armor plants.

In 1897 congress fixed the price at $300, but the manufacturers refused to sell any until congress increased the limit to $400, and it afterwards took off the limit.

Thinking they stood in no danger from a government plant, the companies put up the price to $454, in 1913.

When I became secretary of the navy, I secured a reduction to $440 and then to $425, and now the Bethlehem company holds out the tempting bait of $395 for five years now that they see congress will no longer stand for extortionate prices.

But after five years, what guarantee would the government have that prices would not again go soaring?

Everybody knows the answer. The only way to secure a square deal is by government ownership of a plant and the competition entailed thereby will keep the prices down.

The three armor plate firms practically admitted to Secretary Daniels that they divided the contracts between them. Seeing the handwriting on the wall, the eleventh hour proposal to treat the government fairly should not deceive anyone.

A "GOVERNMENT" NITRATE PLANT.

IN THEORY, the government ownership of a nitrate plant for the manufacture by hydro-electric process of nitrate from the air as part of the plans for preparedness is correct. The government should own and operate all munition plants as well as plants manufacturing the essentials of munitions, both as a safeguard and to take the private profits out of war. But the plan offered in the army bill now before congress is in reality a partnership affair in that the government furnishes the capital for the investment and turns the profits over to a private corporation.

The plan provided in Section 82 of the army bill, which was rejected by the house by a narrow margin and is now before the senate, provides for the expenditure by the government of $24,000,000 in building a power plant for the Alabama Power company at Mussel Shoals, and then permit the corporation to operate the plant and sell the nitrate to the government at a profit, for munitions, and to the general public for fertilizer.

A strong lobby headed by Frank S. Washburn, president of the American Cyanamid company at Niagara Falls and promoter of many power plants in the south, has been for months urging the project. The lobbying activity is such that it has already called forth the introduction of a resolution of inquiry.

Undoubtedly the $24,000,000 will be of great aid to the promoters—but where does the government come in?

This is but one of many schemes being worked by the advocates of preparedness to grab the people's money under the pretension of patriotism.

NEW BOOKS ADDED TO PUBLIC LIBRARY

The following books have just been added to the public library: The Arrogance, Salamanca; The Dutty, Sunlight; Bloom of Youth, Gilmore; Bookpenny and the Movies, Van Loan; Freckle; Way of Return, Cooper; Father Payne, Benson; Indian Boyhood; Lady of the Manor; Wee Reggie; Lady of Leisure, Sedgwick; Life and the Spindle, Bourrow; Mr. Bingle, McCutcheon; Pelle the Conqueror, Nexo; Soul Adventure, Cutting; Russian Silhouettes, Tchekhov; Several Houses Revealed by Lady Peggy O'Malley; Williamson; Son of the Duke; You Never Can Tell About French Ladies.

BELL-ANS
Absolutely Removes Indigestion. One package proves it. 25c at all druggists.

STAR THEATER TODAY

Lasky's picturization of "The Puppet Crown" is the first production in which Carlyle Blackwell has appeared since he joined this company. He plays the role of the American hero who falls in love with the princess, played by Ina Claire. "The Puppet Crown" will be the attraction today at the Star and is positively a photo-dramatic event.

AUSTRIANS PREPARE GREAT OFFENSIVE

ROME, April 10.—The Austrians are preparing an offensive on a large scale along the whole Italian front, according to dispatches received here, which state that this action was decided on at a recent conference between Archduke Eugene and the other Austrian commanders.

Strong bodies of troops have been withdrawn from the Rumanian border and quantities of munitions are being sent from the interior of the empire. The Italian military chiefs, the dispatches say, have made all preparations to break the offensive and to force the Austrians back on the defensive.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR CITIZEN SOLDIERY

WASHINGTON, April 10. Secretary Baker of the war department today told Representative Olney of Massachusetts, he expected to ask congress for money to maintain citizen soldier summer training camps. Representative Olney urged that from $3,000,000 to $5,000,000 be requested saying that 75,000 civilians should be trained annually at such camps with an appropriation of $5,000,000.

HANDY HUSBAND

Knew How to Get Part of the Breakfast

"I know one dish I can prepare for breakfast as well as any cook on earth," said my husband one morning when the cook was ill and he had volunteered to help get breakfast. He appeared with his dish and I discovered it was Grape-Nuts which, of course, was easy to prepare for it was perfectly cooked at the factory, but it was a good illustration of the convenience of having Grape-Nuts about.

"We took up Grape-Nuts immediately after returning from a five years' sojourn in a hot country. Our stomachs were in bad condition and we were in poor health generally.

"In a day or two we liked Grape-Nuts better than any other kind of food on the table. We both gained steadily in health and strength, and this was caused by Grape-Nuts and Postum.

"A friend of ours had a similar experience. She was seriously ill with indigestion and could find nothing to eat that would not give her heartburn and palpitation, especially at night.

"She found that a small dish of Grape-Nuts with cream made her a satisfactory supper and gave her a comfortable night's rest. In a short time she gained several pounds in weight."

"There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

JOHN A. PERL
UNDERTAKER
Lady Assistant
29 S. BARTLETT
Phones M. 47 and 47-J2
Ambulance Service Coroner

BREAK IN RANKS OF THE TRAIN MEN

LARAMIE, Wyo., April 10.—A. L. Konold, general chairman of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers of the Union Pacific railroad, announced today that the engineers of that road have voted to withdraw from concerted action in the movement for an eight hour day and time and a half for overtime. Konold said the engineers were satisfied with their contract and that their action does not affect the firemen, conductors and trainmen.

TOLEDO TROLLEY STRIKE NOW ENDED

TOLEDO, O., April 10.—Toledo's street cars today began running after being idle two weeks owing to differences between the Toledo Railways and Light company and its recently organized employes.

The settlement with the men means the elimination of the 3-cent fare, company officials said.

The city law department will fight this proposal.

THE BEST PROOF

Medford Citizens Cannot Doubt It.

Doan's Kidney Pills were used—
They brought benefit.
Time has strengthened the evidence.
Has proven the result lasting.
The testimony is from this locality.
The proof convincing.

John Kremer, farmer, Jacksonville, Ore., says: "For years I suffered from kidney complaint. I tried one medicine after another, but nothing gave me relief. A friend who had taken Doan's Kidney Pills, told me to try them. After I had used three boxes, the trouble left me."

OVER THREE YEARS LATER, Mr. Kremer said: "I am happy to say that kidney trouble has left me, never to return."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Kremer has twice publicly recommended. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

STAR THEATRE

TODAY

JESSE L. LASKY PRESENTS

INA CLAIRE

the inimitable Broadway Favorite Star in a picturization of Harold MacGrath's Romance,

THE PUPPET CROWN

WITH

Carlyle Blackwell

This is Miss Claire's second appearance on the screen and Mr. Blackwell's first appearance under the Lasky management. A romance through and through. The love story of a princess and an American Hero. Thrilling and dashing and beautiful from start to conclusion.

This is a "Paramount" picture which stands for the best in motion pictures.

COMING TOMORROW, EDITH STOREY IN

DUST OF EGYPT

Page Theatre
TUESDAY NIGHT

Gus Hill's Rollicking Musical Comedy

BRINGING UPFATHER

The Biggest of Laughing Hits Based on Geo. McManus' Famous Cartoons

PRICES 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50
Seat Sale Now.

Medford House Movers
We Move
HOUSES, BARNS, GARAGES, MACHINERY, Etc.
Phone 488-M
612 S. Newtown, 737 W. 14th St.

K C Baking Powder is guaranteed absolutely pure and wholesome. There is no Rochelle salts, no harmful residue left in the food that is leavened with K C.

Even the most delicate can eat hot breads raised with K C without distress. Try K C Baking Powder breads if yeast-raised bread does not agree with you.

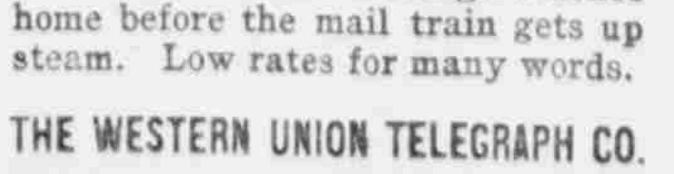
MERCHANTS' DAY
At the Page Thursday, April 13

Consult the Following Merchants, who will ask you to be their guests:

AHREN'S Cloak and Suit House	MODEL Clothing Co. Hirsch-Wickwire Clothing
FOUTS GROCERY CO.	Oakdale Cash Grocery
HASKINS, DRUGS	Pantorium Dye Works
JONES' Cash Grocery	RED FRONT 5-10-15c Store
KRIBS & CO., Grocers	ROYAL BAKERY Peerless Bread
M'BRIDE'S CONFECTIONERY	Silliman's Sugar Bowl
Medford Cigar Store News and Smokers' Supplies	TRUAX CO., Gen. Mdse., Gold Hill

We now carry a complete stock of springs for Buick, Overland, Studebaker, Maxwell and Ford cars.

C. E. GATES



The Key to Your Home

Separated from home by county or continent—standing on Broadway or 'longside a water-tank—close at your hand is the key to your home.

WESTERN UNION

keys start your Day Letters and Night Letters on their way.

Your "All's Well" message reaches home before the mail train gets up steam. Low rates for many words.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO.

Auto Service from Eagle Point to Medford and Back

The undersigned will leave Frank Lewis' confectionery every day except Sunday for Medford with his auto at 1 o'clock p. m., arriving at 2:00 p. m. Leave Nash Hotel, Medford, at 5:00 p. m., arrive Eagle Point at 6:00 p. m. A part of the traffic is solicited. S. H. HARNISH, Eagle Point, Oregon.

KENSINGTON HOTEL
CORNER GEARY AND JONES STS.
SAN FRANCISCO
Centrally located—within theatre and shopping districts. Every room with private bath. Beautifully furnished.
140 SUNNY OUTSIDE ROOMS
Seven Story steel and concrete Building.
RATES $1.00 A DAY ONE PERSON
$1.50 A DAY TWO PERSONS
From Ferry or Depots take "UNIVERSAL BUS" (at our expense)
Any Geary street car passes the door.