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MEDFORD, OREGON: Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and the fastest-growing city in Oregon.

Population—U. S. census 1910—8540; estimated, 1912—10,000. Five hundred thousand dollar Gravity Water System completed, giving finest supply pure mountain water, and 11.3 miles of streets paved.

Postoffice receipts for year ending November 30, 1911, show increase of 12 per cent. Banner fruit city in Oregon—Rogue River Spitzbergen apples won sweepstakes prize and title of "Apple King of the World" at the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909, and a car of Newtowns won First Prize in 1910.

First Prize in 1910 at Canadian International Apple Show, Vancouver, B. C.

JOLTS AND JINGLES By Ad Brown

Joke or Coincidence?

Arthur G. Perry, editor of Conning Tower in the Sun, has had something slipped over on him or else the typographical freak of the century has come to light. Last Sunday Perry called for contributions to his column and among the lot was the one we print below. The heavy initial letters reveal the secret of Perry's subsequent peevishness.

Politics bubbled Early and late, Rows in the council, Rows in the state, Yet now 'tis quiet, so they relate.

Into the turmoil came Conning Tower Squelched all the upstarts with mighty power.

But some wish for times as they Used for to be, Gay times as those were Seldom we see.

Merry Widow Waltz? M. W. Waltz was in from Muddy Creek Sunday—Wingville Notes in Baker Herald.

The man who plants the cabbage gets ahead.

And the man who tries to get a head in lettuce doesn't always succeed.

In spite of the fact that a "Go To IT" sign still remains on a woodpile in our alley no hobo has taken the hint.

FIGHT FOR REVISION OF TARIFF BEGINS

WASHINGTON, April 9.—The fight for the democratic tariff revision began in congress today when conferences and party plans which held the stage for weeks gave way to the first open steps for the passage of a new tariff bill.

President Wilson's personally delivered message calling upon his party associates in both houses to speedily enact the party pledges of tariff revision was followed by a caucus of democratic house members which will continue for several days and in which the democrats will attempt to settle their differences and agree upon the support of the Underwood bill.

Criticism of many features of the proposed law developed today in democratic circles in the senate. In short the caucus of senate democrats to consider other matters than the criticism was voiced by one or two western senators against the free wool provision and the sugar schedule proposing free sugar in 1916.

The house democrats settled none of the general tariff questions today. The senate leaders are still insistent the bill be sub-divided so the separate votes may be had if desired upon sugar and wool.

Many progressive republican senators expressed opposition to the democratic bill because of the sweeping character of reductions and the democrats are counting on little if any support from them.

John A. Perl Undertaker

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PESTIFEROUS PARKINSON'S PALS.

NOTHING discredits popular government more than the misuse of the referendum to cripple the state university. It was one of Joe Bailey's telling notes in his wailful swan song on leaving the senate. Yet every one of the names affixed to Parkinson's statement in the voters' pamphlet last fall attacking the millage bill in support of the higher educational institutions of the state was that of a member of the people's power league. Parkinson's statement contained a direct, palpable, conscious lie—and yet these men stood as sponsors.

No fault can be found with these men for their theoretical objections to a millage tax, nor to their desire for reformation and reorganization of higher education. Yet their alliance with Parkinson causes many thousands of voters, who are in sympathy with the aims of the People's Power League to believe that Parkinson's pestiferous program is an essential part of the league's activities.

Mr. U'Ren, who signed with Parkinson last fall, has spent twenty years in establishing the "Oregon System." Does he want to show the world now how a disgruntled agitator can disarrange not alone the state's higher cultural endeavors, but its instrumentalities of higher sociologic and industrial efficiency as well? Mr. U'Ren is a candidate for governor. Does he wish it understood that Parkinson methods and Parkinsonian aroma are to prevail around the state house in case of his success? Mr. U'Ren owes it to himself and to his friends to openly repudiate Parkinson.

Another signer to the Parkinson statement and one of his chief supporters today is the ultra-literary editor of the Oregonian, Dr. Chapman. Once upon a time Dr. Chapman was president of the state university, and made a failure of the job. Since then he has mainly been in charge of the literary, scientific, philosophical, theological and pedagogical columns of the Oregonian. Education naturally has been a favorite and constant theme of Dr. Chapman's pen. His estimate of professors has habitually been summed up in gems more or less to the effect that college professorships exist chiefly for the benefit of the professor. The only kind of honest, real education, Dr. Chapman would tell us, is the horny-handed, more or less O. A. C. sort. The incubations of professors over literature, science, art and all the rest of it, are pedantry and fake. The poor goggled souls do not realize that they are quite out of the actual world. Dr. Chapman evidently regards himself and the Oregonian as the only authentic mediums through which the higher cultures and learning are to be poured down upon the people of Oregon, for the orphic, final note which he practices in all his wide range of subjects, covering every theme under the sun would indicate it.

Dr. Chapman's pedagogic preachments through the Oregonian are not founded upon profound philosophy, but upon pique. It is time that he were made aware that the public of the state knows this. But especially should Dr. Chapman take one reflection to heart: Very few persons will suspect the sincerity of his devotion to the People's Power program, and reform in general; but does he wish, in order to gratify resentment over an unhappy experience, to lame the labor of his love by associating himself and it with Parkinson and dive-born referendums? At this point, it would not be inappropriate to ask the Oregonian, chaste repository of all standpat purities, whether it is aware that not only the Parkinson smell, but the much more parlous, unrespectable U'Renic odor has been insidiously introduced into its clean idea-intellected sanctums? Did it think by keeping its literary editor purely literary to keep him harmless? 'Tis a lost hope. The trail of the serpent is over all its fairest culture-light flowers!

One person more whose name does not figure publicly with Parkinson, needs to clear his skirts in this whole referendum business. Too many trails led around Dr. Kerr's door at the O. A. C. in the old referendum for him to be able to act indifferently on the projected new one. If he does not want to stand suspected of waiting to inherit the wreckage of the university, there is just one thing that he and his institution need to do: Let them officially tell the state that they are against Mr. Parkinson's present undertaking. Not even the repudiation by the granges and organized labor, could do more to squelch Parkinson than this frank, simple statement by the O. A. C. executive.

EXTEND THE FRANCHISE.

APPLICATION has been made to the city council for an extension of time under the Minney franchise to begin construction of the interurban trolley line.

The three months time limit asked by the Minney company, expires April 10. So far as the Minney company is concerned, it has abandoned the project of constructing the line, and turned the franchise over to one of its stockholders, F. D. Waite, with whom is associated a number of local people.

Mr. Waite and associates have only had the franchise for the past ten days. They have worked hard to finance the project. It has been offered to a syndicate, whose engineer has favorably reported upon it. Further time is necessary to complete the transaction—so the extension is requested.

The Minney company wasted ten weeks waiting upon the Southern Pacific to make up its mind whether it would build the trolley—ignorant of the fact that in Oregon the Southern Pacific builds nothing until someone else starts to build, when it is stampeded and throws away millions foolishly.

Medford wants the trolley line. The \$2,500 forfeit does not help the city much. If the city can aid in the promotion and building of the trolley by an extension of time, the extension ought to be granted. It costs the city nothing.

If the extension is not granted, all efforts cease, for the present at any rate, on work to secure the interurban. As long as the forfeit is up, most of the live ones in the

community are working on the project. Take it down and their efforts cease, they are driven elsewhere.

It is easy to knock, but it is hard to finance big projects under present conditions. It is easy to shout "forfeit the money" but what is gained by it? Give the promoters every opportunity and all the co-operation possible—if you can't finance a trolley yourself, make it easy as possible for someone else to, for after all the trolley is what we all want.

Capital is not looking for investments in the valley, so the valley must look for capital. The promoter is the go-between that brings the opportunity to the capitalist and the capitalist to the opportunity. He fulfills a useful and legitimate occupation. We need him in Medford and we don't need the knocker.

Industrial Contest for Oregon Boys and Girls of Public Schools

(From State Department of Education.)

Our last article told about the five cash prizes, \$100, \$75, \$50, \$25, and \$10, to be given to the counties that make the best showing in the children's contest.

In any county not entering this competition, any and all one room schools may enter the district competition. The first prize in this is a Victor phonograph and 12 records, given by the publishers of the Rural Spirit. This would be a fine thing for entertainment in the school and a great aid in making the school a social center.

The second prize is an 18-inch library globe given by the Northwest Furniture company, a useful article in any school.

The third prize is a school flag given by the publisher of the Pacific Northwest.

The fourth prize, another school flag, given by A. L. Mills, president of the First National bank, Portland.

and the fifth prize is a Babcock tester, given by Monroe & Crisale.

Every school should show its patriotism by floating the stars and stripes. A Babcock tester should be in every school. Its use is one of the best ways to teach percentage, and it will encourage an interest in dairying.

This industrial contest is one in which every girl and boy attending school can take a part. While the pupils are thus advertising their school and county, and increasing their pride of home and patriotism, they are also learning to do something useful—something by which they can earn a living and can also make of themselves more valuable citizens.

The prize list will be off the press in a few days. In the meantime we planning to do all you can to help win one of those fine district or county prizes. Your articles can compete in the individual classes, also, even though they are a part of a county or district exhibit.

BEEMAN PERJURY CASE POSTPONED

The perjury case against Joe Beeman of Gold Hill, preferred by former Chief Noe of that place following charges against Noe, has been postponed in the justice's court indefinitely. Beeman was released on his own recognizance.

It is believed that this will end the matter until the next grand jury meets. A probe of the whole affair will probably be made then.

DEMOCRATS IN SENATE WILL CURB COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, April 9.—The senate democrats agreed today to a policy designed to prevent the affairs of the senate being controlled by a few members. Resolutions adopted by the caucus today gave the right to the majority of any committee to call a meeting and to designate the members of the conference and sub-committees. Democrats expressed the opinion the new policy will prevent the burying of legislation in committee by the action of any chairman who might oppose it.

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