

MURPHY CLAIMS RITCHIE RAN AWAY TO ESCAPE FIGHT

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 11.—With his nose swollen out of all proportion Willie Ritchie today bemoaned the mistake that befell him on the eve of his proposed battle with Tommy Murphy, while unconvinced thousands of boxing fans declared the champion is afraid of the challenger and for that reason refused to agree to Promoter Coffroth's suggestion that, after last night's postponement, due to rain, they fight it out tonight under the same conditions that would have governed last night's bout.

Jim Buckley, Murphy's manager, declared that Ritchie is afraid of the Harlanite and that the sore nose excuse was nothing but a plain run-out. Ritchie's physician, however, was authoritative in the statement that the champion really is suffering and that it would have been dangerous for him to have gone into the ring last night, even had the weather permitted, and that to do so tonight would be even more dangerous.

The complete cancellation of the match, following the enforced postponement, was a disappointment, not only to the Murphy clan and Coffroth but to Ritchie's followers, who see in his refusal to meet Murphy tonight a fine opportunity for those who have contended that the champion feared Murphy to say, "I told you so."

"I never felt better in my life," said Ritchie today, "until my nose began to bother me Tuesday night. Yesterday morning it was so sore that I went to see Dr. Charles F. McCarthy. He told me that an abscess was forming and that it was necessary to have an operation for it. I made up my mind that I would go into the ring if the fight was held as scheduled. I don't know what would happen if Murphy hit me on the nose but I decided to stand the pain."

Many fans were even disinclined to place faith in Ritchie's promise that he will give Murphy first chance but the champion and Manager Foley stoutly insisted today that no other fight will be considered until Murphy's claim is disposed of. "Nobody regrets this thing more than Ritchie," declared Foley. "It's tough, not only on Murphy and Coffroth, but on the champion, as well. We were ready to go on last night with Murphy, we may meet him in January."

Promoter Coffroth smiled today for it was the first time in nine years that he had been forced to postpone a contest on account of rain.

EAGLE POINT EAGLETS

Last Wednesday evening just at dark, Rev. M. C. Davis, the motorcycle preacher and Sunday school evangelist, came riding up to the Sunnyside to spend the night with your Eagle Point correspondent, and after spending the next day visiting old-time friends and getting things in readiness for a trip Friday to the Elk creek and Trail country and attending church at Eagle Point, we started Friday morning for our destination. We were somewhat surprised to find the roads so good as what they were. I noticed as I was riding along that there were several changes on the route, among which were several changes in the way of fencing, where heretofore they have had brush and rail fences, now they have torn them out and substantial, good, clean wire fencing instead of the old moss-covered rail. I also notice that there has been some improvements in the line of building. Mr. Bloss, the Fall ferryman, has in course of construction a two-story building for a residence, and Mr. McDonald, the man who bought out the Johnson brothers, Rube, Jeff and Frank, has built a very neat and commodious dwelling, and another man just above the old McClelland sawmill has built a beautiful residence, besides outbuildings, and Geo. Lynch has put an addition to his residence. This is for the accommodation of his mother, who has been spending the past few years in Canada. She is now in her ninety-third year of her age and seems to be as spry as an ordinary woman of sixty and bids fair to live several years yet.

While we were on our way we stopped at the schoolhouse and there met Miss Glyndon M. Scott of Ashland, who is teaching school in that district. She has a small school—that is, small in numbers—but a brighter list of pupils in proportion to their age would be hard to find. While she has some of the lower grades, she also has some that are in the high school grades, and although she is not compelled to teach higher than the eighth grade, still she cheerfully puts in the extra la-

bor to assist those who want to advance to a higher plane. While we were there we announced an appointment for preaching at night, and at the earnest solicitation of Brother Davis I consented to preach. The congregation was not large, but we had almost everybody in the neighborhood, and after I had preached Brother Davis followed with an interesting talk and everybody seemed to be satisfied.

While we were there we had a fine view of the sun, moon and stars, something we hadn't seen for several days for the blanket of fog that hangs over our valley.

Since I wrote last, G. H. Wamsley, who has been visiting his brother and other relatives in Washington, returned, more favorably impressed with Rogue River valley than ever before.

E. B. Edwards, recently from Alberta, Canada, but now stopping with Mr. Terrell, just above Brownsboro, called for dinner on his way to Medford.

Charles Clark of Nevada also called. Mr. Clark was formerly a resident of our town some thirty-two years ago, but he says that everything looks changed. His mother Mrs. John Pelling, spent the latter part of her life here, and his father was one of the early settlers in the Ranchario country. J. A. Howard, one of the veterans of the civil war, was also with us. Also F. A. Dunlap of Derby, beside Green Matthews and Wig Jacks.

Miss Inez Willis came out Saturday with her brother, Ray, and is visiting friends for a few days.

Bert Peachey and wife have gone to Ashland to remain indefinitely.

There were services in the Catholic church last Sunday and Henry Meyer and family of Lake Creek attended. Revs. Simmons and Lindblad are still continuing their meetings here and the interest is growing and the congregations are quite large. We had a lady preacher here last Friday night, but as I was away from home I did not meet her or learn her name. She is connected with the foreign missionary work.

PHOENIX PARAGRAPHS

E. Miller returned to Portland last week after spending a short vacation with his father and brother.

Pacific highway surveyors were in town last week.

Mrs. Stought has been ailing for the past two weeks.

Jeanette, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Sheets, had the misfortune to step on a needle. Blood poisoning set in and for a few days she was quite sick, but is now improving.

Mr. Harrington, state field worker in the interests of the school fairs, will visit the schools Wednesday and give a lecture in the auditorium on Wednesday evening. Parents are especially urged to be present.

The Parent-Teachers' association will meet in the school Friday afternoon.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. Rose Moore Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Howell of Medford, county president, will be present and give a report of the state convention recently held in Corvallis. The meeting is open for all and members are urged to be present and bring their friends.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid held a successful fair in the Engle building Friday afternoon and evening. The building was prettily decorated and attracted a large crowd.

Mrs. E. Anderson had charge of the apron booth, Mrs. Sheets and Mrs. Boyer the fancy work, Mrs. Ra-

der and Mrs. A. Furry the lunch counter, Mrs. F. Furry the oysters, Mrs. Morse and Mrs. Frome the cake, Mrs. Schmers the coffee, Mrs. W. Elmer and her Sunday school class the candy, and Mrs. Malmgren, as a recent arrival from Ireland, sold Phoenix famous apples. Mrs. Baillie, the president, moved around the busy room and apparently enjoyed the busy, smoothly running fair, which she planned and set in motion. The proceeds were in the neighborhood of \$125. Mr. Engle generously donated the use of his store building.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS. THE DIET AND DRUGGIST'S. A WHITE STRIPED MADRAS. ARROW COLLARS. 216 25 sts. Chitt, Peabody & Co., Inc.

Medford Fur & Hardware Co., supplies for machinery 24.05. R. R. V. Ry. Co., freight on road supplies 1.50. Total \$255.55. Recorder's Office. Jas. M. Cronemiller, stamps \$ 8.00. Fred L. Colvig, deputy hire, 50.00. Fred L. Colvig, recorder's salary 241.66. City Drug Store, supplies .20. Home Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone bill 2.25. Medford Book Store, supplies 4.05. Medford Printing Co., printing 5.50. Total \$212.76. Bond Election. E. E. Ash, rent of building \$ 2.00. P. L. Ashcraft, second judge 6.00. H. E. Applegate, first clerk 6.00. L. C. Applegate, third clerk 6.00. S. S. Atkin, chairman 6.00. Roy Ashpole, third clerk 6.00. A. C. Abrahams, third clerk 6.00. E. E. Ash, second clerk 6.00. Y. H. Allen, third judge 6.00. Ashland Record, printing 44.00. Ashland Tidings, printing 32.50. M. E. Abbott, stipules 1.40. W. J. Burbridge, rent of building 5.00. O. S. Blackford, first clerk 6.00. Geo. Beers, third judge 6.00. R. H. Bullock, third judge 6.00. S. P. Barneburg, second judge 6.00. A. S. Blitching, second clerk 6.00. H. E. Boyden, third judge 6.00. D. W. Beebe, chairman 6.00. R. G. Brown, first judge 6.00. B. H. Bryant, second clerk 6.00. H. D. Blanchard, third clerk 6.00. W. H. Bybee, chairman 6.00. R. W. Bagnshaw, second clerk 6.00. W. H. Brown, third clerk 6.00. Emil Britt, chairman 6.00. John Binahan, third judge and returning ballot box 12.20. J. C. Barnard, third judge 6.00. J. M. Beaver, second judge 6.00. George W. Barron, chairman and returning ballot box 14.00. O. H. Barnhill, second clerk 6.00. S. C. Collins, third clerk 6.00. E. W. Cooper, first clerk 6.00. Samuel Carpenter, third clerk and returning ballot box 10.20. J. F. Crump, second judge 6.00.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS (Continued from Thursday) Registration Expense. Susie L. Allen, registering voters \$29.50. Jas. M. Cronemiller, stamps 50.00. Frankie Edwards, registering voters 21.40. M. E. Gardner, registering voters .50. T. B. Higginbotham, registering voters 1.20. Paul D. Humphrey, registering voters 17.50. W. S. Hammond, registering voters 5.90. J. W. Jacobs, registering voters 30.80. J. A. Lemery, registering voters 52.50. Leta Luke, registering voters 18.10. R. R. V. Ry. Co., freight on supplies 1.46. H. G. Shearer, registering voters 11.30. Total \$248.16. Roads and Highways Drawn on General Fund. W. H. Barnum, wood for engines \$140.00. Chas. H. Basey, labor on machinery 5.50. Eli Bahack, labor on roads from year of 1912 5.00. Eads Transfer & Storage Co., hauling machinery 4.25. Hubbard Bros., supplies for machinery 20.25.

F. S. Carpenter, second clerk 6.00. C. F. Carpenter, third clerk 6.00. James Campbell, third clerk 6.00. Third Carter, first clerk 6.00. L. O. Caltor, third judge 6.00. Roy Coffman, second clerk 6.00. R. M. Cook, third clerk 6.00. John L. Cotton, third judge 6.00. W. A. Cook, chairman and returning ballot box 13.00. David Cronemiller, third clerk 6.00. J. D. Culbertson, second judge 6.00. E. W. Cooper, first clerk 2.00. C. F. Case, first clerk 6.00. C. E. Closser, third clerk and returning ballot box 12.40. S. A. Carlton, chairman and returning ballot box 12.40. J. F. Carson, third clerk 6.00. Vernon T. Cannon, first clerk 6.00. E. E. Dimmick, first clerk 6.00. J. L. Demmer, chairman 6.00. W. C. Davidson, third clerk 6.00. L. L. Damon, chairman and returning ballot box 10.00. Chas. Duffield, second judge 6.00. C. L. Dusenberry, third clerk and returning ballot box 13.60. F. W. Dodge, second clerk 6.00. L. L. Damon, putting up booths 3.25. W. M. Downing, third judge 6.00. J. M. Dews, second judge and returning ballot box 14.00. David Dorn, first clerk 6.00. R. P. Dean, chairman 6.00. W. C. Daley, second clerk 6.00. L. D. Dollarbide, third judge 6.00. Amos Dahuff, third clerk and returning ballot box 12.40. W. C. Bonoff, second judge 6.00. Henry G. Box, making official count 2.00. R. R. Eaton, first clerk 6.00. W. W. Edington, third judge 6.00. Daniel Foeller, third clerk 6.00. A. S. Furry, chairman and returning ballot box 11.00. T. A. Feather, third judge and returning ballot box 14.00. Wm. Fitzgen, second clerk 6.00. W. J. Freeman, first clerk and returning ballot box 10.00. A. S. Furry, fixing polling place 1.50. Rollin Flarety, janitor work 1.00. H. O. Frohbach, chairman and returning ballot box 12.40. (Continued on page 7)

REX - SPRAY - REX. THE REX CO. IS NOW ERECTING ONE OF THEIR PLANTS AT PHOENIX, OREGON AND WILL HAVE IT IN OPERATION BY THE 1ST OF JANUARY, 1914. This will be one of the chain of Rex plants, the others being located at Rochester, N. Y.; Toledo, O.; Omaha, Neb.; Payette, Idaho; North Yakima, Wash.; Wenatchee, Wash.; Benicia, Cal.; Brighton, Ontario. The most used spray is Sulphur Spray, and during the past FOURTEEN YEARS the Rex Factories have been furnishing REX LIME AND SULPHUR SOLUTION. To orchardists all over the United States and have exported considerable quantities. That means that the Rex Company has had longer and, to say the least, as much experience with lime and sulphur as any concern on the market. Each plant is under the supervision of a competent chemist and each of these chemists work in connection with The REX CHEMICAL CO., of Toledo, Ohio. And keep in touch with every new product that is offered, and their experience in connection with the experience of practical growers has demonstrated the fact that when you are told that any other form of Lime and Sulphur gives as good results as Lime and Sulphur Solution you are being asked to experiment, as such results have not been the experience of experienced orchardists, and the very fact that without exception each of the Rex plants has increased its output each year and each plant is now booking and shipping more REX LIME AND SULPHUR SOLUTION. This season than for the same season of any previous year means that none of these fruit-growing sections have found anything as good or better than REX. EACH of the CHEMISTS working for the REX COMPANY is continually working along the line of developing the Most EFFICIENT, Most ECONOMICAL, Most CONVENIENT FORM OF LIME AND SULPHUR or any form of Sulphur, and the proposition always resolves itself back to THE OLD RELIABLE REX LIME AND SULPHUR SOLUTION. DUST FORMS have come and gone. POWDERED FORMS have been tried time and again, and not only have failed to produce results, but have proven impractical. IF EVER A more efficient form of Lime and Sulphur or of Sulphur is developed anywhere, the REX COMPANY will be on the job. Our chemists keep in touch with conditions in all the fruit-growing sections, and it is their work to see that REX PRODUCTS are the best. Experiment Stations Everywhere. Will tell you that REX LIME AND SULPHUR SOLUTION is and has been O. K. REX SPRAY MATERIALS ARE: REX LIME AND SULPHUR SOLUTION, made at Rochester, Toledo, Omaha, Payette, North Yakima, Wenatchee, Benicia, Phoenix, Brighton. REX OILS, DISTILLATES, PHENOLS, processed at Benicia, Cal., and Toledo, Ohio. REX ARSENATE OF LEAD AND BORDEAUX MIXTURES, made at Toledo, Ohio. REX IRON SULPHIDE, made at all plants. "There is a REX for every orchard trouble." If your orchard is in Oregon, write for prices, bulletins and information to our office at MEDFORD, OREGON, or to CALIFORNIA REX SPRAY COMPANY BENICIA, CALIFORNIA

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Notice to Voters to Register. The Supreme Court of Oregon has rendered a decision, making the Registration Law, passed by the last legislature, void. This makes it necessary to revert to the old law, requiring every elector to register for the annual election of the City of Medford, to be held January 13, 1914, regardless of any other or former registration. The Registration Board will, therefore, sit in the Council Room at the City Hall from one until seven p. m. EVERY DAY (except Sundays) FOR TEN DAYS, beginning SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1913. Every voter in each ward should make it a point to come early so as to avoid the usual rush the last few days, there being no other time or place to register. No witnesses are required for this registration. Do not bother the members of the Board with questions as to why this registration is necessary. The reason is the decision of the Supreme Court, and the city officials have no alternative but to follow their decision. ELMER T. FOSS, City Recorder. Dated December 10, 1913.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS AT HOME. LOW ROUND TRIP FARES. Via the SOUTHERN PACIFIC. The Exposition Line, 1915. Between all points in Oregon, also from points in Oregon to California, Washington and Idaho. SALE DATES AND LIMITS. Christmas Holidays: Between all points in Oregon; also from Southern Pacific points to points in Washington and Idaho Dec. 18 to 24 inclusive. Between Oregon and California points Dec. 20 to 25. Return limit all points Jan. 5, 1914. New Years Holidays: Dec. 27 to Jan. 1, with final return limit Jan. 5, 1914. The New Year Fares apply only between points in Oregon and between Oregon and California. SUPERIOR TRAIN SERVICE. Observation Cars, Dining Cars and big, warm all-steel coaches. All trains solidly vestibuled. Call on nearest Southern Pacific Agent for full particulars, train schedules, specific fares, etc. John M. Scott, Gen. Passenger Agent, Portland, Ore.