

# Rogue River Orchards Yield \$1000 an Acre Annually

# MEDFORD DAILY TRIBUNE

FOURTH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1909.

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## NINE PERSONS ARE CAUGHT IN FIRE TRAP

Twenty Are Injured in Trying to Escape—Three City Blocks Are Wiped Out.

## MOTHER LAYS DOWN LIFE TO SAVE CHILD

Fire Spread Rapidly, Making It Difficult for Rescuers to Work.

ST. JOHNSBURG, Vt., Oct. 30.—At least nine persons were burned to death or killed while attempting to escape when the Citizens' bank building burned with several buildings near the structure. Three city blocks were burned over. Over 20 are seriously injured and some may not recover.

Mrs. Berino Cushman perished in endeavoring to save her 2-year-old daughter from the flames.

The fire spread rapidly, making it difficult for anyone to escape.

Rescue work was practically impossible.

## CARPENTERS OF ASHLAND UNITE

Local Carpenters Visit Ashland and Institute Local in That City.

A large delegation of local carpenters, headed by Frank Poole, visited Ashland on Wednesday evening and instituted a local in that city. The new organization will start off with 27 members.

## LAND OFFICE DOES RECORD BUSINESS

HAILEY, Idaho, Oct. 28.—The United States land office in Hailey is entitled to the record for the most extensive business ever done during a month. The fees collected in July of this year are exceeded by \$388.92 during September. As against August the excess or overrun was \$305.60.

Segregation of 90,000 acres of land for the Twin Falls and Raft River company's irrigation project in the Raft river valley is about completed.

## Auto Found.

ASHLAND, Oct. 30.—H. P. Holmes automobile buckboard disappeared from its garage at his home on Manzanita street last night and was found this morning on North Main street, opposite the old north school site. The police are after the perpetrators of this and some minor depredations which occurred the previous evening, who are believed to be boys who do not realize the extent of their offense, and who have been anticipating the Halloween season which does not begin until Saturday.

## NOTICE.

Water bills are payable at the office of the city recorder from the first to the tenth of each month. No notice other than this will be given. Water bills not paid on or before the tenth will become delinquent and water will be shut off without further notice.

ROBT. W. TELFER, City Recorder.

## GRAVITY LINE COMPLETED TO HANLEY LINE

Men and Teams Taken Off the Line—Question Now Is Where to Get Water to Fill the Pipeline.

## CITY SOON AGAIN TO TALK WITH MR. HANLEY

Some Arrangements May Be Made in Near Future Which Will Settle Question.

The gravity pipeline has been completed to the west line of M. F. Hanley's premises on Little Butte creek and the men and teams taken from the work. The question which now confronts the city is where to get the water to keep the line full until such time as the litigation which is keeping the city from entering upon Mr. Hanley's land can be settled and the system completed.

Within the next few days the city council will have another consultation with M. F. Hanley and it may be that some agreement can be reached.

Another matter that is bothering the Fish Lake Ditch company is in regard to cleaning their canal. Every winter they clean out the canal, and how to do this and still supply the city with water from the Bradshaw drop is a question.

## NATIONAL APPLE SHOW BEGINS TOO EARLY

DAYTON, Wash., Oct. 30.—Fruit-growers of Touchet valley are planning to represent this district at the national apple show to be held at Spokane next month. President J. L. Dumas of the Washington Horticultural society and owner of the famous Pomona ranch near here, will ship a carload of Yellow Newtowns in addition to 20 10-box exhibits. Part of the Pomona exhibit has already been shipped. J. D. Taggart of Waitsburg may send a carload of Rome Beauties and will at least display several 10-box selections. E. C. Ryerson will be one of the principal Touchet valley exhibitors.

President Dumas believes the date of the national show has been fixed too early. He said that owing to the lateness of the apple crop of the northwest many of the large growers will not be through their fall work in time to prepare a suitable display. The apple crop of the valley will not be over 40 cars this year, according to President Dumas. The shortage is due to overproduction the last three years. Picking, packing and shipping is now in full blast.

## GREAT VIEW FROM TOP OF GRIZZLY PEAK

In the words of those who have recently made the trip, parties who wish to observe one of the most striking views of the scenic attractions of this vicinity, should cross Bear creek and take the Antelope valley trail towards Grizzly peak, and view a panorama of not only Ashland but Medford, Central Point, Phoenix, and Talent, together with Mounts Shasta and Ashland and Table Rock. Those who have taken this outing these glorious autumnal days, pronounce the outlook surpassing any which they have noted from different directions, and well worth the effort, which is not a difficult one, as there is a fairly good highway over this route.—Tidings.

## RAINFALL WILL ADD COLOR TO LATE APPLES

Nearly Two Inches Has Fallen So Far and Only Good Has Been Done in the Valley.

## FOOTHILLS BLANKETED FIRST TIME THIS YEAR

Weather Man Predicts Continued Showers for This Evening and Sunday.

Nearly two inches of rain has fallen so far during the present storm, which has been by far the heaviest of the season. Last evening the downpour was continuous and heavy for some hours. Saturday morning snow was in evidence on the tops of all the nearby mountains, the white blanket reaching nearer to the foothills than at any time before this season.

The rain has done good for the most part over the valley. It will put an added bit of color in the late apples and will not injure those being picked, although it will make it rather damp for picking.

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## FINCH WILL KNOW HIS FATE IN A FEW DAYS

PORTLAND, Oct. 30.—Within a few days James A. Finch will learn whether or not the supreme court of the United States will entertain a writ of error upon his conviction for the murder of Ralph B. Fisher, or whether he must hang by the neck until dead on Friday November 12, the date fixed by Judge Bronaugh.

John A. Jeffrey, his attorney, states that a petition for writ of error has been filed with supreme court at Washington and will be taken up very early next week, questions of this sort having precedence as matters of urgency. Within a few days thereafter the supreme court is expected to make known whether or not the writ will issue. If it does, the matter will be set for hearing and a stay will be granted to prevent the execution of Finch on the date fixed.

## PRESBYTERIANS OUT OF POLITICAL FIGHT

COLUMBIA, Mo., Oct. 30.—After a long discussion the Missouri synod of the Presbyterian church in session here yesterday refused to endorse the movement of the state constitutional amendment organization, which is seeking to make the entire state "dry." It was finally agreed that the question was purely a political one. Resolutions were adopted asking the state legislature to pass laws requiring marriage bans to be published two weeks in advance before a ceremony can be performed in the state, and to disqualify justices of the peace from officiating at marriages.

## AMERICAN HOSPITAL IN PARIS FORMALLY OPENED

PARIS, Oct. 30.—The American hospital, built and equipped through the generosity of the American colony in Paris, was formally opened yesterday in the presence of Ambassador White, Minister of Education Doumergen, who represented the French government, members of the board of governors and the medical staff.

## HAZEL CASE TO JURY SOMETIME THIS AFTERNOON

Morning Spent in Arguing Motion Made by Fenton for a Directed Verdict.

## ATTORNEYS MAKING THEIR FINAL ARGUMENTS

Judge Wolverton Takes Motion of Fenton Under Advisement Until Later.

The suit brought by W. D. Hazel against the Southern Pacific for \$20,150 damages for personal injuries will be submitted to the jury sometime during the afternoon. The attorneys are making their final arguments in the case and are expected to submit the matter to the jury soon.

The morning was spent arguing a motion made by W. D. Fenton for the defendant asking that a directed verdict be returned in favor of his company. After hearing the arguments, Judge Wolverton announced that he would reserve a ruling and allow the case to go to the jury. Then the matter can be taken up again on a motion for a new trial if the jury finds for the plaintiff.

It is not thought that the jury will be out long in reaching a verdict, as only a few matters are to be considered.

## RUSSIA TO FINLAND: "STAND AND DELIVER!"

HELSINGFORS, Finland, Oct. 30.—A force of 125 Cossacks arrived at Tavastehus today, and more are expected to arrive at Frederikshamn and Helsingfors soon. These are the advance guard of the force to be sent there by the Russian government as a preventative against any movement on the part of the Finns to oppose Russia's enforcement of her demand for \$4,000,000 for national defense.

Grand Duke Nicholas Nikolaievitch, commander of the imperial guard, has arrived to take charge of the dispatch of troops to Finland if it becomes necessary to send them.

## BIG TIME PLANNED FOR OPENING OF NATATORIUM

ASHLAND, Oct. 30.—The formal opening of the fine new natatorium in Ashland Saturday afternoon and evening has been signalized by the issuance of a proclamation for a general gala day in Ashland by Mayor R. N. Snell, who calls attention to the importance of the enterprise and the credit due its projectors as well as the pride that should be felt by all loyal citizens of the community in the addition of another attraction to Ashland tending to increase its prestige as a coming resort city.

## EIGHT POUND POTATO GROWN AT ELGIN

Engene, Oregon, Oct. 28.—What is thought to be the largest potato in the world is on exhibition by the commercial club here. It weighs eight pounds and considerably overizes any potato ever grown of which there is record. At the world's fair in Chicago, the prize for the largest potato was secured by Honorable Dunham Wright of Medical Springs, in this county, who showed a potato which weighed six and one half pounds. The Elgin monster beats this record by a pound and a half.

## EDICT ISSUED THAT ALL MUST SPRAY TREES

Every Fruit Grower Must Spray by March 1 for San Jose Scale or Lose Trees.

## COMMISSIONER CARSON EMPOWERED TO ACT

Ashland Is Cleaned Up by Inspectors and Phoenix and Talent Will Be Next Point of Attack.

"Every farmer, orchardist and back yard fruit grower is given until the first of March to spray for San Jose scale and if at the end of that time the work is not done, the trees will be cut down" says Professor P. J. O'Gara. This is by the order of the state board of horticulture, and the Hon. A. H. Carson as commissioner to this district is authorized to see that the law is enforced.

Professor O'Gara and assistants have practically destroyed all the pear blight in the city of Ashland and with it 400 pear, quince and apple trees. From Ashland the inspectors go to Phoenix and Talent, then to Central Point and finally to Medford. Professor O'Gara has encountered no very decided objections from the owners of trees and what was encountered was removed by a little tact and patience.

It is the opinion of the men who know that there will be no trees destroyed March 1, for scale, as everyone will take advantage of the time given them to spray.

## ATTEMPT MADE TO MAKE AWAY WITH MUCH FLOUR

ASHLAND, Oct. 30.—Elmer Niles, night watchman at the Warren Construction company's bitulithic mixing plant in the railroad yards on A street, reported to the police Thursday that about 2 o'clock in the morning six men, with a heavy wagon and team of horses, drove up to a carload of flour on a siding and were loading their wagon with it when frightened away by him. Later one of the men approached him and wanted to know if he was watchman for the paving plant or the railroad company and offered to furnish him a supply of flour if he would go in on the job, which he indignantly refused to do. He failed to notify the night officer, however, or the bold plunderers might have been captured forthwith.

## FOREGOES THE CLOISTER TO FIND LOST FATHER

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 30.—Miss Elsie Swanson of St. Louis renounced her aspiration to become a nun because she believed her duty was to search for her father, whom she had not seen for 11 years. She found him yesterday in the county jail at Joplin, a few minutes after he was convicted of burglary and larceny and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Swanson did not recognize his daughter, but she picked him from a crowd of prisoners in the main cell room. Father and daughter wept in each other's arms. She will not try to obtain a parole for him, and as he was convicted solely on his own admission of guilt, it is possible her plea for clemency will be granted.

## GRANT WINS VANDERBILT AUTO RACE

Drives His Car 278.08 Miles in Four Hours, Twenty-five Minutes and Forty Seconds—Parker Is Second.

## NO ONE INJURED, BUT MANY ACCIDENTS OCCUR

Day Was Ideal—150,000 People Witnessed the Race—Fifteen Started.

VANDERBILT RACE COURSE, Long Island, Oct. 30.—Harry F. Grant, driving an Alco car, captured the Vanderbilt cup race this afternoon. He drove the car 278.08 miles in 4:25:40. Parker, in a Fiat car, was second, being only five minutes behind.

Although no persons were injured, the race was marked by several accidents to machines. Although the day was ideal for racing only 150,000 people witnessed it. Strang was the first starter and was followed by other cars at intervals of 15 seconds. Fifteen cars started.

## WILL GRAZE 15,000 SHEEP IN COUNTY

Negotiations Concluded Whereby the Weyerhaeuser Company Lease Much Land.

It is reported that negotiations have just been concluded by an extensive sheepman, Mr. Bowne, whereby the Weyerhaeuser company has leased over a hundred thousand acres of its timber lands lying in the vicinity of Aspen lake and westward to the Jackson county line for sheep grazing purposes. Mr. Bowne calculates, it is said, to put about 15,000 sheep upon the land. He also leases the big ranch at Thrall owned by the Weyerhaeuser interests which he will operate in connection with the care of the sheep.

## PRACTICAL TRAINING FOR INDIAN FARMERS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—To train Indians in agricultural pursuits on a broader and more practical scale, the Indian bureau has undertaken the project of installing model farms on all Indian reservations, with teachers who have been in scientific agricultural schools.

## INSURANCE POLICY FOR AVIATORS IS THE LATEST

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Insurance for those who go up in flying machines is the latest form of policy brought out by an enterprising Scottish casualty insurance company. Maxwell Blake, United States Consul at Dumfries, Scotland, reports today at the Bureau of Commerce and Labor, that the corporation in question has recognized the need for insuring aviators.

## NOTICE.

There will be a meeting of the stockholders of the Joe Creek Mining company at the offices of Withington & Kelly, Palb block, Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock, November 1. H. C. GARNETT, President.