

PURELY PERSONAL.

C. SERFIELD, of Lake Creek, was in Medford last week upon business.

THOS FARLOW, of Brownsboro, was among the Medford visitors Saturday.

Merchant H. U. LUMSDEN left for Yreka, Calif., Tuesday upon a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. GEO. S. NICKERSON arrived in Medford from Klamath Falls Saturday on a visit to friends.

Mrs. H. L. MISER, who has been visiting her parents at Dallas for the past two months, returned home last week.

G. H. LYNCH and J. R. MORRISON, two of Trail creek's substantial citizens, were doing business in Medford Monday.

WALTER COFER, who is attending the state normal, at Ashland, spent his Thanksgiving vacation at his home in Medford.

Mrs. A. A. KELLOGG left this week for San Francisco, for a short visit, after which she will go to Los Angeles to spend the winter with friends in that city.

W. H. BOSTWICK was in from the Applegate country Tuesday with a number of head of beef cattle, which he sold to J. W. Wiley for shipment to San Francisco.

E. A. B. HOWARD, of Marion county, was in Medford this week disposing of a few carloads of potatoes to Medford merchants. The gentleman has nine or ten carloads to dispose of.

JAS. KESSLER, formerly proprietor of the Western hotel, in this city, was in Medford Thursday, en route to San Francisco, upon business connected with his mining operations in Josephine county.

W. R. JOHNSON, of Florence, Oregon, an old friend of THE MAIL publishers, and a cracking good ship carpenter and bridge builder, was in the city this week shying his optics in the direction of the Applegate mines.

Hon. G. W. RIDDLE, representative elect from Douglas county, was in Medford Wednesday upon a visit to Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Crosby. Mr. R. is an uncle of Mrs. Crosby. Politics might have had something to do with his sojourn in this direction.

Mr. and Mrs. ALONZO SMITH, of this city left Monday evening for Olympia, Wash., where they will reside permanently. Mr. Smith has had the good fortune to come into possession of a good fruit farm, near Olympia, and it is to take charge of this, that he leaves Medford—not without much regret, however.

Mrs. WM. WARNER, of San Francisco, arrived in Medford Tuesday evening and will visit for a time with her friends, Mr. and Mrs. Van Antwerp. Mrs. Warner saw the much talked of airship, but the lady is not inclined to say much that is complimentary regarding it—she undoubtedly believing, as others do, that it is a hoax.

F. E. MOREY, son of our good townsman, J. A. Morey, returned to Medford Sunday from a summer's work in various places on the coast. He has been employed as engineer with a merry-go-round firm of Portland and in that capacity has been earning big wages. He will probably accept the same position next season. His friends will be glad to know that he will spend the winter in Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. GREEN left Wednesday for Los Angeles, to reside this winter. Mr. Green has the promise of considerable work in his line, at that place, and it is in order to accept it, that he goes thither. He states that as soon as the spring work is resumed in Medford, he will return and become one of us again—and as Mr. and Mrs. Green have made a great many warm friends during their residence here, their return will be made welcome.

Hinman the Jail Breaker in Medford.

Considerable excitement was caused in Medford last Friday, as a result of an attempt to recapture Bob Hinman, the Roseburg jail-breaker and would-be murderer. As the southbound freight stopped at two o'clock in the afternoon, word was sent to Constable Woolf that Hinman was on the train, and as soon as the information was received, preparations to recapture him were commenced by Constable Woolf and Marshall Cofer. On the train with Hinman were about a dozen brakebeam tourists, and while the officers were trying to locate their man, he jumped off the car and before they were aware of his presence, they found themselves peering into the muzzle of a very vicious looking revolver. The action of Hinman was so sudden and unlooked for that the officers had no time to draw their own weapons, and Hinman, taking advantage of the situation, backed over behind Woods' lumber yard and from there he circled around until he reached the railroad track and made his escape. Chase was immediately given, but Hinman had the start and they were unable to overtake him. Quite a number of the young braves of Medford were soon in pursuit, but when they came within hearing distance of him, he advised them to go back and attend to their business unless they were anxious to be shot—and it is needless to say his advice was readily accepted. The last seen of him he was making for the hills south of the city. Hinman is an all round hard customer—and has served a term in the penitentiary before. He was arrested in Roseburg a short time since for robbing a store but broke jail—and in an attempt to capture him, the Canyonville constable was shot through the hip and badly wounded. He has said that if he is taken back, he will be taken dead—which makes the work of arresting him very hazardous.

A Testimonial.

We, the undersigned, deem it a duty as well as a pleasure to make known any means of relieving the suffering of humanity. For four years J. M. Balm, of Table Rock, Jackson county, Oregon, has been suffering with cancer in his left cheek. He had been under the care of two doctors, who failed to give him any relief. The cancer kept getting worse all the time and all hopes of staying the ravages of the disease had been despaired of until he put himself under the treatment of J. S. Turnbull, who resides in Wisconsin. In nine days after the first application of Mr. Turnbull's remedy the cancer was gone and his face is rapidly healing. His eyesight, which was also badly effected, has been fully restored. Any one wishing to know the full particulars can do so by addressing Mr. Balm or any of the undersigned.

JOSEPH BALM,
WM. GILLILAND,
G. L. GILLILAND.

—At G. L. Davis' grocery store will always be found a fine assortment of fruits of all varieties.

—Beadless barley, for seed, for sale, at the feed store of J. R. Erford.

A Family of Giants.

During these times of quiet the newspapers find their paths anything but a bed of thornless roses, but, after all, their efforts are most always rewarded by a discovery of something new under the sun, as was the result of THE MAIL reporter's diligent rambles last week in quest of news. In his rounds of the city he met and conversed with W. H. Rhoten, who is considered one of the tallest men in the state and by dint of much questioning the reporter discovered the interesting fact that there lives, and has lived, right in our midst, for 103 these many years, a family, who for height and weight cannot be equaled in the state and as we confidently believe, surpassed on the Pacific coast.

During the conversation the fact was elicited that in the Rhoten family, including parents, there were twelve in number, whose combined height is 75 feet and 8 inches. The tallest one in the family is Enos Rhoten, of Gold Hill, who is 6 feet 11 inches in height and whose weight is 198 pounds. The lowest in stature is the mother, who is but 4 feet 9 inches high and weighs 250 pounds. The rest of the family are all over 6 feet tall and weigh from 125 to 222 pounds. The names, height and weight of the individual members are as follows: The father, John R. Rhoten, height 6 feet 7 inches, weight 185; Mrs. Bhoten, height 4 feet 9 inches, weight 250 pounds; Mary—now Mrs. D. B. Mar-don—height 6 feet 24 inches, weight 195 pounds; Cynthia Ann, height 6 feet 12 inches, weight 162 pounds; Rachel—now Mrs. Coen—height 6 feet 4 inches, weight 150; Eliza, height 6 feet 34 inches, weight 125 pounds; Emma—now Mrs. Boggis—height 6 feet 44 inches, weight 188 pounds; John Rhoten, Jr., height 6 feet 54 inches, weight 185 pounds; Enos, 6 feet 11 inches, weight 198 pounds; Abraham, height 6 feet 64 inches, weight 200 pounds; Alfred, height 6 feet 54 inches, weight 189 pounds and William H. height 6 feet 94 inches, weight 222 pounds.

Of the twelve, only two are dead, the father who has been dead ten years, and Cynthia Ann, who has been dead eighteen years. The combined weight of the family is 2327 pounds or an average of nearly 194 pounds for each one of the family. The average height is 6 feet, 24 inches.

There are very few families of which some of them are not endowed with some special gift, and of this family Enos appears to have been the lucky one. For years he has had the reputation of being the luckiest gold "pocket hunter" in the country, which is borne out by the fact that many of the rich pocket discoveries that have been made in this country have been discovered by him. He is able to trace a vein of gold to its deposit with apparently as much ease as the blood hound is able to follow the fresh track of a deer. The ten living members of the family are all healthy and vigorous, and are industrious and hard working people. They are all aware of their phenomenal height, and while not ashamed of it, are not disposed to talk about it to any extent. William H. is nothing slow at a pocket finder and much of the rich metal found hereabouts has been the result of his tracings.

Sociable at the Baptist Parsonage.

The Ladies Aid society of the Baptist church have arranged for a sociable to be given at the Baptist church parsonage, on this, Friday evening, Dec. 4th. The refreshments will consist of sandwiches, coffee and cake—and the cost will be only fifteen cents. These good ladies are promising all who attend a very enjoyable evening—and they want to see every person there who can possibly so arrange. It is not often that these sociables are given by this society, but when they are, success is always theirs—they don't want this occasion to pull down the average. Let us all turn out and help them—with our nickels and dimes—on general principals, and because the proceeds will be devoted to a good cause.

Positively Going to be First-Class.

Extensive preparations are being made to make the Presbyterian church entertainment the success of the season. There are sixteen selections, consisting of solos, both vocal and instrumental, duets, recitations, etc., and all by some of the best talent in Medford. The entertainment is given for the purpose of assisting in the payment of the church debt, and the small admission fee to be charged should result in giving these people a crowded house. Remember the date, Tuesday December 8th. Following is the program:

PROGRAM:
Music.....Presbyterian Choir
Piano solo, "Norma".....Maisy Foster
Recitation, "How I Struck Jim," Bessie Conde
Vocal solo, "Lullaby".....Mabel Jones
Vocal duet, "Greeting".....Mrs. and Miss Foster
Recitation, "Mary, Queen of Scots".....Miss Hibbard
Vocal solo.....Miss Lillian Rhinehart
Whistling solo.....Mrs. Foster
Vocal solo.....Eva West
Violin and piano duet, selection from Bohemian Girl.....Misses Hibbard
Vocal solo.....Mrs. Yawter
Piano solo.....Miss Lillian Rhinehart
Vocal solo, "Pauline".....Grace Foster
Recitation, "Heroes".....Percy Degroot, and Everett Geary
Vocal solo, "The Watchers," Goebel, Miss Silsby
Music.....Presbyterian Choir
General admission, 25 cents; reserved seats, 35 cents; children, 15 cents. Tickets on sale at Wolters' grocery.

Home at a Sacrifice.

I have two beautiful homes listed for sale, within two miles of the flourishing little town of Gold Hill.

No. 1.—Containing 160 acres with improvements.

No. 2.—Containing 82 acres, improved, about 50 acres in cultivation. Can be purchased at a great sacrifice. If sold on or before the first day of January, 1897. Also several other parcels of desirable property in the country, and residence and business property in Gold Hill, with prices cut in two. For further particulars call on or address,

DAN RICHARDS,
Real Estate Agent, Notary Public,
Conveyancer and Collecting Agent,
Gold Hill, Jackson County, Oregon.

Must Settle Before January 1st.

All parties knowing themselves to be indebted to me are requested to call and settle their accounts at once. All accounts not settled by January 1st will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection. A. A. WHITMAN, Central Point, Oregon.

A New Thing

At the Racket in the shape of boots and shoes. They'll be here for Saturday's trade. Call and see them. New goods every week now for some time—at bed rock prices.

MEDFORD SHOE CO.
A Word to the Finer.

After careful searching for just the right thing in the shape of GOOD Rubber Boots, we placed an order for something that will give you satisfaction. Call and inspect them—at the Racket.

Wants to Trade for Grain.
Good heavy team of mares, wagon and harness to trade for grain. Apply at this office.

PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES.

Bernard and Dennis McMann are new pupils in the second grade this week.

Pupils are back to school with renewed energy after their short vacation.

The pupils of the high school will give literary exercises the day before Christmas. Everyone is cordially invited.

Omer Walden, Frank Hurst, Frank Crouch, Emmet Barkdull and Chas. Isaacs have entered the seventh grade this week.

During the short vacation old Jack Frost played havoc among the house plants which adorned the rooms of the school building.

The term examinations came to close on Tuesday evening of this week and the scholars are rejoicing over their work, which was very well done.

Pupils of the fifth grade are very busy this week with the term examinations. They are handing in very neat papers and so far as these have been examined, pupils are standing well.

Good music is enjoyed by almost every one. The pupils of this school are among those who enjoy it and to such an extent that examinations on this branch of study are not a dread, but a pleasure.

The Thanksgiving exercises held in Mrs. Peters' room were well attended. The little folks acquitted themselves quite creditably and all parted to their homes very well pleased with the afternoon's mixture of work and pleasure.

The Thanksgiving program, rendered by the eighth and ninth grades, on the 25th, was a success in all respects. The tenth grade along with many visiting patrons of the school were present, crowding the room to such a degree that it was necessary for some of the young men to assume and maintain a perpendicular position.

At the close of the Thanksgiving exercises, held last Wednesday afternoon, Prof. Gregory tested the willingness of the pupils to have their parents visit their rooms. Every pupil answered in the affirmative and also said that he would be glad to help his parents so that they could find time to spend in the various departments. From this we expect to see flocks of parents turning their steps toward the school house.

Visitors during the week: Mesdames Spangler, Rivers, J. T. Ferguson, J. A. Hanley, E. Wilkinson, P. S. Enyart, M. A. Davidson, L. B. Warner, S. G. and H. G. Wortman, A. Fisk, W. McCurdy, L. Young, J. H. Whitman, G. C. Noble, Emma Rose, I. D. Heard, G. W. Howard, G. W. White, W. L. Kame, S. Chance, Johnson, C. J. Howard, L. E. Hoover, J. A. Morey, A. S. Hammond, T. W. Ward, E. B. Pickett, D. T. Lawton, A. N. Woody, Sarra, E. E. Berg, DeGroot, J. B. Rhinehart, J. Ferguson, M. Fish, J. Morris, F. W. Wait, A. C. Wiley, S. B. Kingdon, W. L. Vawter, E. P. Pickett, L. L. Reame, Theo. Dunn, W. H. Barr, J. Beck, J. M. Weaver, M. C. Fitzgerald, J. B. Smith, J. M. Faris, J. R. Wilson, A. S. Bliton, I. F. Williams, G. W. Odgers, I. E. Sayre, Ora Lamar, Leona Lloyd, Lathrop, W. R. Barz, Red and Mrs. J. A. Critchfield, Rev. and Mrs. A. S. Foster, Rev. E. G. Giltens, Mrs. and Mrs. P. J. Halley, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Churchman, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mickley, Mr. and Mrs. E. Brown, Misses Grace Lumsden, Maisie Foster, Lulu Marlow, Artie Morey, Minnie Pickett, Lulu Bellinger, Minnie McPherson, Lillian Rhinehart, Grace Fawcett, Nostler, Mae Earhart, S. Homes, J. E. Little, I. Burdard, M. Day, E. A. Ward, M. Gresh, Mabel Beaver, Kinney, Bessie Conde, Messrs Chas. Higginbotham, E. Martin, J. Cook, A. C. Faris, S. Childers, H. Frobenburg, W. R. West.

The Whole Story

Of the wonderful cure by Hood's Sarsaparilla is soon told. It makes the blood rich, pure and nourishing. It cures scrofula, catarrh, rheumatism.

Hood's pills act harmoniously with Hood's Sarsaparilla. Cures all liver ills. 25 cents.

Advertised Letter List.

Following is a list of letters remaining uncalled for in the Medford postoffice on November 4, '96.

Swaford Harvey.
A charge of one cent will be made upon delivery of each of the above letters.
Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "Advertised."
M. PERDIS, Postmaster.

Bicycles weighing less than thirty pounds can be sent by mail in England.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured

With local applications as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in the country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surface. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHURCH & Co., Props., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, etc.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Drop into the

CRATER

And slake the appetite with the succulent bivalves fresh from Berneick Bay, served to suit the most fastidious....

OYSTER COCKTAILS
HOT BEEF TEA and
TEMPERANCE DRINKS

Fine Candy and Cigars
a Specialty....

D. I. WALDROOP, Prop'r

Among the Churches.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Morning service, 11 o'clock. Sermon by the pastor, subject—"Patience." Sunday school, 10 a. m.; Christian Endeavor, 6 p. m. In place of the evening service the Ladies' Missionary society will give a review of our mission work in Syria. Three short papers will be read by ladies. Special music by the choir. See program.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Annual roll call meeting. Each member is expected to respond to his or her name by a scripture verse or some suitable quotation. Members who cannot be present are requested to send in some selection to be read in response to their names. The trustees will have an interesting statement to make as to the result of our Thanksgiving offering that will certainly cheer the hearts of all who are interested in the prosperity of the church. The pastor will preach a short sermon suitable to the day and the occasions at 11 a. m., and at 7 p. m., a sermon on the Church; its Triumph—the Millennium. Miss Rhinehart will sing a solo. The people especially invited. Good music, seats free.

ELI FISHER, Pastor.

In Probate Court.

In the matter of the estate of J. R. Newman, citation to heirs to show cause why real property should not be sold.

Estate of James P. Friddy; order appointing Geo. Friddy administrator, Jesse Hinkle, J. W. Merritt and Wm. Cary, appraisers.

Estate of J. O. Johnson; Carry Johnson appointed administratrix with a bond of 1000; F. M. Plymale, Arnold Childers and A. R. Childers, appraisers.

Estate of Flora A. Murray; order approving undertaking of administrator.

Notice to Voters.

Section 32, page 131, of the laws of Oregon of 1883, reads:

No person shall be allowed to vote at any municipal election who has not resided therein for thirty days next preceding the election or who shall have refused, or neglected after proper demand to pay any city or town fee, or tax legally imposed or assessed against him, and the council may prescribe such oath as it may deem proper to ascertain such fact.

Here Is Your Opportunity.

On Saturday next, December 5th, there will be sold at auction at the court house door at Jacksonville, the remainder of the land of the Constant estate. The terms of the sale are one third down, one third in one year and one third in two years. This is a splendid opportunity to secure a good home cheap.

W. T. LEEVER.

—Excelsior Dye works, Medford—clothes cleaned, and repaired.

Peacocks generally scream vociferously when a change of weather is impending. In the countries where these birds are native the sign is regarded as unfailing.

THE FAIR

McAndrews Block ...

DON'T TAKE MUCH MONEY

For Groceries here; that is, not so much as they cost in most other stores. My stock is complete, and besides I have anything you need in ...

Holiday Delicacies...

Have you tried any of those Sultanis raisins?—they are the best that grow. Then I have orange and lemon peel, citron and nice, clean currants. Perhaps you haven't tried any of our baking powder—the kind you get a nice doll with at every purchase—you had better try it. My prices are at the bottom notch

... G. L. DAVIS ...

MEDFORD, OREGON

Trouble at The "Racket" and

W. T. Kame is responsible for it

He has booted George Webb—not painfully, but very agreeably—and he is prepared to boot you in like manner. His first invoice of

BOOTS AND SHOES

Has arrived, and the goods are now on sale. A better stock in this line was never shown in Medford—and the prices are low

SEE Kame, AT THE RACKET for good values

Call and see the

CANTON BLACK LAND PLOWS

Oliver Chilled Plows,
Steel Frame Harrows,
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AT HUBBARD BROS.

Get Legal Blanks—The Mail Office

CALL AT J. H. Miller's Shoe Store
And examine his excellent line of Buckinham & Heck's boots and shoes. There is positively not a better article on the market than the goods made by this firm ...
While these goods are an exceptionally good value I am selling them no higher than other dealers ask for inferior goods. It's a little trouble to show goods—but I want you to trouble me. All goods warranted...
AT The Fair Store, Medford, Ore.

Pocket Cutlery
Great reduction in price! Entirely new line. Also a fine line of ...
Carvers ...
Cole's Air Tight Heaters
Hand Loaded Shells ...
BOYDEN & NICHOLSON ...

SNOWED UNDER ...
And will be until the end of the year. Santa Claus has established headquarters at our store, and has left with us one of the largest assortments of Christmas goods ever shown in Medford. There's books for old and young, toys of all description, too numerous to mention, dolls by the wholesale and a thousand and one things that we can't enumerate. Call and select your presents while our stock is complete
THE FAIR
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THE FAVORITE HOME REMEDY.
For all diseases caused by derangement of the Liver, Kidneys, and Stomach. Keep it always in the house and you will save time and Doctor's Bills, and have at hand an active, harmless and perfectly safe purgative, alterative and tonic. If you feel dull, debilitated, have frequent headache, mouth tastes badly, poor appetite and tongue coated, you are suffering from torpid liver or biliousness, and SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR will cure you. If you have eaten anything hard to digest, or feel heavy after meals or sleepless at night, a dose of SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR will relieve you and bring pleasant sleep. If at any time you feel your system needs cleansing and regulating without violent purging, take SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR.
J. H. Zeilin & Co., Philadelphia.

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