

OUR COUNTY Correspondents

Jacksonville News. C. C. Beckman has returned from a business trip to San Francisco. Mr. and Mrs. N. Langell made a trip to Ashland the first of the week. Miss Kate Buckley, of Applegate, visited friends in Jacksonville during the week. Mr. M. M. Obenchain arrived from Klamath County last Friday for a short visit. Miss Ella Orth is paying friends at Eugene a visit, being the guest of the Misses Ankeny. Miss Mamie Isaacs, of Medford, is visiting in Jacksonville, the guest of Mrs. T. G. Reames. Marriage license issued February 14, to Wilmer Hill and Miss Ida Lane, all of Ashland. Ed. Booth has returned to Jacksonville after an absence of several years in eastern Oregon. Mrs. Chas. Bayne and daughters have gone to Missouri Flat to spend the week with relatives. Mack Wilson and his brother-in-law, Mr. Davidson, of Medford, were visitors here Tuesday. Clarence Lane and Wilmer Hill, of Ashland, were down Monday interviewing the county clerk. Married—At Talent, February 13, 1898, by Rev. Isaac Dawson, F. P. Roper and Miss Della M. Robinson. D. N. Birdsey, the aged father of Mrs. William Colvig, died at the family residence in Rock Point, February 11, after a lingering illness. The interment was at the Rock Point cemetery. Don Cameron celebrated his fifth birthday, February 10th, with a delightful juvenile party. The afternoon was spent in various sports dear to children. Those present were Don Cameron, Vance Colvig, Frances Kenney, Laura Nuber, Fleta Ulrich, Gertrude Fay, Genevieve Eckison, Zela White and Eula Jacobs. A reception was given at the residence of Mrs. E. J. Kubli last Thursday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Kubli, who had just returned from a two weeks' visit to San Francisco. They were met at the depot by the Jacksonville band and a delegation of friends. At eight o'clock, as per invitation, the guests began to arrive, and it was 12 o'clock before the last ones departed. A delicious luncheon was served during the evening. The parlors and dining room were artistically decorated in smilax and ivy tied with blue ribbons. This was one of the most brilliant social affairs that has ever been held in Jacksonville. At the convention held at the town hall last Thursday evening the following ticket was nominated: For marshal, J. H. Huffer, Jr.; recorder, R. S. Dunlap; treasurer, L. L. Jacobs; street commissioner, G. N. Lewis; trustees, J. Nunan, J. F. White, Emil Britt, John S. Orth and G. M. Love. The main contest was for the office of marshal. The several aspirants for the office were J. A. Wilson, Chas. Dunford, Henry Ireland, Wm. Radford, Wm. Grob and J. H. Huffer, Jr. The two last mentioned, having received the highest number of votes, were declared the opponents; on the next ballot Huffer received eight votes more than Grob, hence is the nominee. Mr. Grob is an independent candidate, so the battle will be fought to a finish at the polls. For Sale—A little Klondike, right here at home—and the same is nothing more or nothing less than J. H. Bellinger's dry business, and the necessary implements for its thorough and profitable conduct—consisting of two good teams, two drays and a whole lot of other fixtures that go with the business. See J. H. Bellinger for particulars. Griffin Creek Gatherings. BY PHILOMELA. Miss V. Hamlin was visiting at H. L. Griffin's Sunday. Mrs. L. A. Murphy, who has been quite ill for some time, is convalescing. Mrs. S. A. White was the guest of Mrs. J. P. Trice several days last week. Enterprise school started Monday, Feb. 7th, with Prof. Chase as teacher. J. L. Wilson and family were visiting at J. M. Guches' one day last week. Miss Cook, of Foots creek, is here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. F. Whetstone. Messrs. J. Bradbury and Arthur Poe, of Medford, were visiting at J. P. True's Sunday. Willie Murphy had the misfortune to injure his hand severely while chopping wood recently, caus-

ing outarrh of the hand. Dr. Jones dressed the wound and it is now getting along nicely. Misses Maud and Grace Wilson, of Jacksonville precinct, were visiting Miss Eva Hollas recently. Misses Rydal Bradbury and Gertrude Wilson, of Medford, were the guests of Miss Nettie Solias Sunday. Mrs. C. A. Dickson, of Table Rock, was over visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bashford, last week. Little Susie Fry has been quite ill with a severe cold for several days, but is greatly improved at this writing. J. M. Guches is the happy possessor of a fine new organ which he purchased last week of Prof. Head, of Medford. Taken Up. There came into my enclosure, 31 miles northeast of Medford, about January 1, 1898, one white cow, 4 years old; marks: Crop and two elite in right and under bit in left ear—5 months old calf with cow; also one red heifer about two years old—elit and under bit in left ear. Owner will please call for same and pay expenses. C. R. HEIMROTH. Lake Creek Items. Gustolph Peck made a trip to Medford last week. Mrs. F. Farlow spent a few days with her parents last week. Miss Eva Conley was the guest of Miss Edith Rattie last week. W. M. Nussbaum is lying very ill at his home on South Butte. H. H. Wright, M. Sidley and C. Heater made a business trip to Ragle Point last week. Mr. and Mrs. Dee Bradshaw, of Brownsboro, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bradshaw. M. Sidley will be the mail carrier between Brownsboro and Lake Creek for the next four years, he having secured the contract. Little Mabel Culbertson, the youngest daughter of James Culbertson, recently had the misfortune to cut her arm badly by falling on a crosscut saw. A People's Party club was organized in this precinct last Saturday. The officers are W. H. Bradshaw, president; G. S. Hosmer, vice president; M. D. Bowles, secretary. A long felt want is about to be realized by the people of South Butte and that is a bridge across the creek near the Sim Farlow ranch. Wagons have been capsize, horses have been drowned and some people have had close calls for their lives in attempting to cross this ugly stream. The people of this neighborhood decided that we must have a bridge, so they turned out en masse, shouldered their axes and went to the timber, and the result is that the timbers are all on the ground where the bridge is to be built, ready for framing. The Evidence in the case proves Hood's Sarsaparilla cures rheumatism, dyspepsia, catarrh, that tired feeling, serofula, salt rheum, boils, humors and all blood diseases. Hood's Pills are prompt, efficient, always reliable, easy to take, easy to operate. 25c. Table Rock Items. Colby Adams visited Jacksonville and Medford Monday. Hon. S. M. Nealon attended the Populist convention at Medford last Saturday. Miss Meta Morins left for Medford Friday and will be the guest of her friend, Miss Ferguson, for a week. T. H. Pendleton has taken a contract to open up a ledge for E. B. Jennings. He is now running a tunnel. Chas. Dickson and family made a trip to Medford last Thursday, and spent a few days visiting with relatives of Mrs. Dickson. At the school board meeting held Tuesday, the directors elected Miss Maude Downing to teach the spring term of three months, to begin March 7th. These are busy days for the farmers and should this splendid weather continue for ten days nearly everybody will be done seeding. Quite different from last year. Lots of jokes were cracked here on Valentine day, but as far as we can hear they were all taken with good feelings, so no one has cause to feel sorry for this peculiar style of celebrating a holiday. Our neighbor, Nealon, had a streak of bad luck lately. A valuable heifer died from an accident and one of the mules that had served him faithfully for so many years, succumbed to old age. T. J. Pierce visited this section last week, the guest of Mr. Jennings, and inspected the Cinnabar ledge that is being opened up, on the head of Sardines creek. They both returned to Medford Monday. J. C. P.

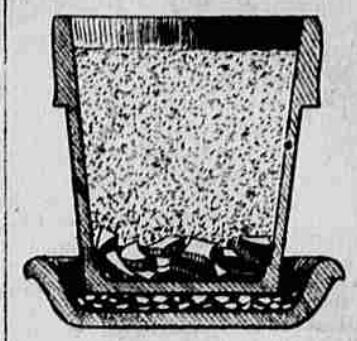
Gold Hill Nuggets. Bart Signorotti left Wednesday for California points. H. A. Cryder closed a very successful six months' term of school at Rock Point on the 4th. A pleasant party was given at the residence of T. P. Downing on Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Grace Bowden, who will leave soon for Vancouver, Wash. Elder S. W. P. Richardson has just been with us again and preached some excellent sermons. If we could keep him here we believe the cause of Christ would grow even here. Messdames Caldwell, Burris, Bish and Smith came down from Ashland Monday evening, the 14th, and Amethyst Rebekah lodge, No. 97, was instituted with 45 charter members. The following officers were elected and installed: Mrs E J Beidler, N G; Miss Martha Cardwell, V G; Miss May Pendleton, sec; Miss Hattie Sisemore, financial sec; Mrs Mary Cryder, treas; J A Harvey, P G; Miss Lucy Owens, warden; Mrs Tilla Hamraesley, conductor; Mrs Mary Steele, chaplain; H A Cryder, R S N G; Mrs L Moffitt, L S N G; Miss Libbie Pendleton, R S V G; Mrs S Downing, L S V G; Miss Maggie Miller, I G; J W Hay, O G. Supper was served at the Union hall and a pleasant time was had. [Account of Mr. Birdsey's death and the drowning of Mr. Randall will be found on another page. Ed.]

NATURAL PRUNING. Now This Takes Place—Conditions Under Which Artificial Removal is Beneficial. Natural pruning is always taking place, especially in woody plants. The shedding of leaves and twigs is a familiar example. The death and gradual decay of branches, due to shading, starvation, crowding, freezing or various mechanical injuries, may also be placed under this head. There can be no question but that the artificial removal of all branches which are dead or dying is beneficial to the plant. In the natural shedding of leaves or twigs a layer of corklike cells is formed between the part to be cut off and the parent plant, so that when the leaves fall the process of healing is very soon completed. In the death or decay of branches, however, no such natural cutting off occurs. The old stub remains for a long time, gradually decaying down into the larger limb or trunk, so that when it does fall it leaves a hole, in which water may gather and rot producing fungi and bacteria develop, and thus spread decay in the sound wood. The accompa-



TRUNK OF MAPLE, SHOWING HOLE. nyng out from the agricultural department yearbook shows a hole left by a limb which has decayed in this way. Albert F. Woods, assistant chief, division of vegetable physiology and pathology, says that if all such limbs were cut off close down to the shoulder or enlargement at their base the living cambium and bark would heal the wound in the course of a few years, and the internal rotting would usually be avoided, especially if the larger wounds were painted over as soon as dry enough with coal tar. This kind of pruning, at least, is applicable and beneficial to all trees, no matter for what purpose they are being cultivated, and even if they are not being cultivated at all. It may be all that is required in park, shade and ornamental trees, especially if the natural habit of the tree in question is suited, as it should be, to the locality in which it is grown. This is not the case very often, however, particularly in parks and along streets, where modified conditions may demand a different shaping of the tree. Any modifications necessary should be made here, as in all other cases, while the trees are young. Mere Mention. At the last meeting of the American Pomological society the membership fee was reduced from \$4 to \$3 and a motion to hold annual instead of biennial sessions was referred to the executive committee. The violet season lasts from November to April, and during that time New York city spends \$3,000,000 for the dainty flowers. The American Beauty rose now has a rival in the President Carnot of more recent introduction. A box 15 by 15 by 10 inches inside will hold a bushel. Every fruit grower should have a large lot of them, and winter is the time to make them; inch white pine for ends and half inch poplar for sides and bottom. American Agriculturist mentions the following as among the most promising of the new strawberries: Aroma, Anna Kennedy, Beauty, Copernicus, Clyde, Corrie, Enormous, Glen Mary, Hall's Favorite, Portage, Ruby, Two, Staples, Tennessee Prolific.

GROWING PALMS INDOORS. Directions For Keeping These Popular Plants in a Thrifty Condition. Your florist sells you a healthy, bushy plant of clear, bright green color. Soon the tips turn brown and the new leaves delay their opening. It is told in the Philadelphia Ledger that there is just one cause for this change. Unlike the atmosphere of the greenhouse, that of the house is extremely dry, and yet the plant has been abundantly watered. Now, you will see that it is very foolish to treat the roots in one way while treating the crown in another. You have placed it in a dry atmosphere; therefore you must keep an excess of water from the roots. Water only when the surface of the soil becomes dry, and at such times spray the leaves. Do not keep the room too warm, as the warmer the air of the house the drier it will be also. In the hothouse palms will grow luxuriantly in a very high temperature with much moisture, but just the opposite conditions must be observed when grown within the home. Occasionally loosen the surface of the soil, which should be a mixture of sand, loam and fine peat in equal parts. This will allow the water to penetrate more easily to the roots. In potting give plenty of drainage, the more if you use saucers, which is not advised, as their use is likely to sour the lower roots. Broken pottery is preferred to pebbles, as the soil is not so likely to work down through it. If saucers are used, half fill them with coarse cinders, as the pot drainage will avail nothing if the orifices in the bottom of the pot is closed. Do not at any time allow the water to rise above the cinders. In the out air represented a pot and saucer in section, showing the proportion of soil and drainage necessary. The authority quoted advises that the plant be placed where it will receive plenty of sun and light. Cherry Trees Blossoming In Grass. Our experience with cherry trees is that they do not require cultivation. Those we had in the garden were always more liable to rot and to be affected by insects than the trees that stood in dry places and were surrounded by grass. It may be that it is the extra moisture in the cultivated soil that predisposes cherries to rot, or it may be the manure annually applied to the garden and to which the cherry tree roots help themselves freely. The cherry tree does not do well with wet feet. On high, dry land its roots will run deeply enough to find all the moisture it needs, and on such land, in grass, is the best to plant cherries for profitable fruiting.—American Cultivator. Matching a Strawberry Bed. The chief object of a mulch is to hold the frost in the ground, not to keep it out. It is the freezing and thawing in spring that injure the plants by lifting or pulling the roots and leaving them exposed. Wait till the ground is frozen hard enough to bear up a wagon and then cover and leave the mulch until the plants grow through it in the spring. The French wheat crop promises to be very good in 13 departments, good in 44 and fair in 30. Siskiyou county, Cal., at the January term of the board of supervisors paid \$2200 in witness fees. Administrator's Notice to Creditors. NOTICE is hereby given that I, the undersigned, have this day been appointed by the county court of Jackson County, Oregon, administrator of the estate of Eliza Bell, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate must present them duly verified to me at Medford, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof. Dated at Medford, Oregon, this 17th day of January, 1898. ALBERT BELL.



PROPORTIONS FOR A PLANT POT. dantly watered. Now, you will see that it is very foolish to treat the roots in one way while treating the crown in another. You have placed it in a dry atmosphere; therefore you must keep an excess of water from the roots. Water only when the surface of the soil becomes dry, and at such times spray the leaves. Do not keep the room too warm, as the warmer the air of the house the drier it will be also. In the hothouse palms will grow luxuriantly in a very high temperature with much moisture, but just the opposite conditions must be observed when grown within the home. Occasionally loosen the surface of the soil, which should be a mixture of sand, loam and fine peat in equal parts. This will allow the water to penetrate more easily to the roots. In potting give plenty of drainage, the more if you use saucers, which is not advised, as their use is likely to sour the lower roots. Broken pottery is preferred to pebbles, as the soil is not so likely to work down through it. If saucers are used, half fill them with coarse cinders, as the pot drainage will avail nothing if the orifices in the bottom of the pot is closed. Do not at any time allow the water to rise above the cinders. In the out air represented a pot and saucer in section, showing the proportion of soil and drainage necessary. The authority quoted advises that the plant be placed where it will receive plenty of sun and light.

Cherry Trees Blossoming In Grass. Our experience with cherry trees is that they do not require cultivation. Those we had in the garden were always more liable to rot and to be affected by insects than the trees that stood in dry places and were surrounded by grass. It may be that it is the extra moisture in the cultivated soil that predisposes cherries to rot, or it may be the manure annually applied to the garden and to which the cherry tree roots help themselves freely. The cherry tree does not do well with wet feet. On high, dry land its roots will run deeply enough to find all the moisture it needs, and on such land, in grass, is the best to plant cherries for profitable fruiting.—American Cultivator. Matching a Strawberry Bed. The chief object of a mulch is to hold the frost in the ground, not to keep it out. It is the freezing and thawing in spring that injure the plants by lifting or pulling the roots and leaving them exposed. Wait till the ground is frozen hard enough to bear up a wagon and then cover and leave the mulch until the plants grow through it in the spring. The French wheat crop promises to be very good in 13 departments, good in 44 and fair in 30. Siskiyou county, Cal., at the January term of the board of supervisors paid \$2200 in witness fees. Administrator's Notice to Creditors. NOTICE is hereby given that I, the undersigned, have this day been appointed by the county court of Jackson County, Oregon, administrator of the estate of Eliza Bell, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate must present them duly verified to me at Medford, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof. Dated at Medford, Oregon, this 17th day of January, 1898. ALBERT BELL.

Sheriff's Sale. IN PURSUANCE of a decree and order of sale rendered by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Jackson, on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1897, in the suit of J. H. Lame, plaintiff, vs. Harriette Ellison, defendant, and of an execution duly issued out of the said court in the said suit, on the 24th day of February, A. D. 1898, for the sum of One Hundred Seventy and 50/100 (\$175.00) Dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from December 27, 1897, and costs amounting to \$6.00, and the further sum of \$25.00, attorney's fee, together with accruing costs, I will expose for sale and will sell, as the law directs, at the front door of the court house of said county, in the town of Jacksonville, Oregon, on FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1898, At two o'clock p. m., the real property described in said decree and order of sale, to-wit: Lot numbered thirty (30) in block numbered three (3) and lots numbered fourteen (14) and sixteen (16) in block numbered four (4) of the Orchard Home Association Tract, in Jackson County, Oregon. A. S. HANSEN, Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon. Dated at Jacksonville, Ore., February 9, 1898.

Administrators Notice to Creditors. NOTICE is hereby given that I, the undersigned, have this day been appointed by the county court of Jackson County, Oregon, administrator of the estate of Eliza Bell, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate must present them duly verified to me at Medford, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof. Dated at Medford, Oregon, this 17th day of January, 1898. ALBERT BELL.

Sheriff's Sale. IN PURSUANCE of a decree and order of sale rendered by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Jackson, on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1897, in the suit of J. H. Lame, plaintiff, vs. Harriette Ellison, defendant, and of an execution duly issued out of the said court in the said suit, on the 24th day of February, A. D. 1898, for the sum of One Hundred Seventy and 50/100 (\$175.00) Dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from December 27, 1897, and costs amounting to \$6.00, and the further sum of \$25.00, attorney's fee, together with accruing costs, I will expose for sale and will sell, as the law directs, at the front door of the court house of said county, in the town of Jacksonville, Oregon, on FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1898, At two o'clock p. m., the real property described in said decree and order of sale, to-wit: Lot numbered thirty (30) in block numbered three (3) and lots numbered fourteen (14) and sixteen (16) in block numbered four (4) of the Orchard Home Association Tract, in Jackson County, Oregon. A. S. HANSEN, Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon. Dated at Jacksonville, Ore., February 9, 1898.

For Catarrh, Hay-Fever, Cold in Head. KELLY'S CREAM BALM is a positive cure. Apply to the nostrils. It is quickly absorbed. 50 cents and 10 cents bottles. Ad. STEELING REMEDY CO., Chicago, Montreal, Cal., or New York. B. F. BROTHERS, 50 Warren St., New York City.

Education Your House With Cascarella. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

A NEW TRIUMPH! THE DREADED CONSUMPTION CAN BE CURED!! T. A. Slocum, the Great Chemist and Scientist, will send to Sufferers Three Free Bottles of His Newly Discovered Remedies to Cure Consumption and All Lung Troubles. Nothing could be fairer, more philanthropic or carry more joy to the afflicted than the generous offer of the honored and distinguished chemist, T. A. Slocum, M. C., of New York City. He has discovered a reliable and absolute cure for consumption, and all bronchial, throat, lung and chest diseases, catarrhal affections, general decline and weakness, loss of flesh and all conditions of wasting away; and to make its great merits known, will send three free bottles of his newly discovered remedies to any afflicted reader of THE MAIL. Already his "new scientific system of medicine" has permanently cured thousands of apparently hopeless cases. The Doctor considers it not only his professional, but his religious duty—a duty which he owes to humanity—to donate his infallible cure. He has proved the "dreaded consumption" to be a curable disease beyond a doubt, in any climate and has on file in his American and European laboratories thousands of "heartfelt testimonials of gratitude" from those benefited and cured in all parts of the world. Catarrhal and pulmonary troubles lead to consumption, and consumption, uninterrupted, means speedy and certain death. Don't delay until it is too late. Simply write T. A. Slocum, M. C., 88 Pine Street, New York, giving full name and postoffice address, and the free medicine will be promptly sent. Please tell the Doctor you saw his offer in THE MAIL.

SWAYNE'S OINTMENT. ABSOLUTELY CURE. PILES ITCHING PILES. SWAYNE'S OINTMENT. The danger applications of SWAYNE'S OINTMENT. Without any internal medicine, cures hemorrhoids, piles, itching, and all eruptions on the face, hands, neck, etc., leaving the skin clear, white and healthy. Sold by druggists, or sent by mail for 25c. Address Dr. Swayne & Sons, Philadelphia, Pa. Ask your druggist for it.



HUBBARD BROS., MEDFORD ORE. Agricultural Implements. We have a large and well selected stock of farm machinery, and our prices are at the bottom. Call and see us. L. M. LYON, CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER. JOBBING OF ALL KINDS. All work guaranteed first-class. Plans and estimates furnished or all kind of work either brick or wood. Bills of LUMBER of all kinds filled on short notice. Sash, Doors and Mill work of all kinds—any thing in the shape of wood work can be had on short notice. Medford, Oregon.

CANDY CATHARTIC Cascarets CURE CONSTIPATION. REGULATE THE LIVER. ALL DRUGGISTS. ABSOLUTELY GUARANTEED to cure any case of constipation. Cascarets are the ideal laxative and best of all. Ad. STEELING REMEDY CO., Chicago, Montreal, Cal., or New York. B. F. BROTHERS, 50 Warren St., New York City.

CITATION. In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Jackson, in the matter of the Estate of Allen J. Sherrill, Deceased. To Samuel C. Sherrill, Ida M. Sherrill, Bertha D. Sherrill, Chester G. Sherrill, aged 12 years, W. Everett Sherrill, Arthur J. Sherrill, aged 17 years, Edna P. Sherrill, aged 15 years, and Mrs. Hope Main, and all other persons interested in said Estate: IN THE name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear in the above-mentioned Court at the Court Room thereof, at Jacksonville, in the County of Jackson, on Tuesday, the 8th day of March, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m., then and there to show cause, if any you have, why an order should not be made empowering Thos. H. Taylor, Administrator of said Estate, as prayed for in his petition, to sell the real property thereto belonging, which is described as follows: N. W. 1/4 of Section 8, twp. 35 South, of Range 4 West of W. M. in Jackson County, Oregon, containing 160 acres. Witness the Hon. Wm. S. Crowell, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Jackson, with the seal of said Court affixed, this 9th day of January, 1898. Attest: [SEAL.] GEO. A. JACKSON, Clerk. J. S. P. By W. H. Jackson, Deputy.

Mrs. M. E. Rogers Practical Carpet... Weaver. Having lately purchased one of the celebrated Newcomb Fly-Shut-looms I am prepared to do all kinds of carpet and rug weaving. Call and examine work. I guarantee first-class work at low prices... One mile north of Central Point, Ore.

Hugh Elliott, The Scientific Horse Shoer. Can balance up your old plug and make a trotter out of him. My new running plates are too slick for anything. Will also make a big reduction on plow work. New shares cheaper than you ever got them. All Work Warranted.

"16 to 1" Barber Shop. J. R. HARDEN, Prop'r. All work strictly first-class and my prices are the lowest in the city... Shop on Seventh street, opposite Union Livery Stables.

Vienna Bakery.. F. M. WILSON, Prop'r. Fresh bread, pies, cakes and cookies always on hand. Lunches prepared for outing parties and sociale... 7th Street, Medford.