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WASHINGTON has elected Addison G. Foster, of Tacoma, United States senator.

MR. HOAR'S solicitude about the American flag may be accounted for by the fact that his state is the home of the bunting trust.

SAM JONES says that he finds the devil is just before him in every city that he visits. The craze among public entertainers for sensational advance agents has about reached its limit.

THE Pullman palace car company paid taxes in Minnesota for 1898 to the enormous amount of \$344.81 and the year previous \$219.73. The present legislature is amending the law so that this class of property shall hereafter pay taxes in something approaching equal proportion with other property. The people are getting onto the idea of collecting the revenues that should legitimately accrue to the public treasury.

THE MAIL has more correspondents than all other newspapers of Jackson County. Some of these have been with us for years, and pretty nearly every week our readers have enjoyed reading items from their pens. THE MAIL is proud of its able and faithful helpers in this line of work and we want more of them, we want 'em on every four corners of Jackson County. We may have to enlarge our paper to accommodate them—but we will do that gladly if it becomes necessary.

IT MAY be a long time before the constitution of the United States will be amended in any particular but a good start might be made any time now by beginning the preliminaries necessary to secure an amendment providing for the election of United States senators by vote of the people. The several disgraceful contests which have been going on during the winter in several states over the election of a senator ought to be evidence conclusive that state representatives are either fools or knaves and ought not to be given an opportunity to vote even for or against the election of a pound master, much less a United States senator.

IT HAS been suggestively said that what is shoplifting among the poorer classes is kleptomania among the rich. This is the irresistible logic of social conditions. It is conceivable to the average mind how a man or woman suffering from poverty and want should appropriate to themselves those things which they most need and desire. It is inconceivable, however, how a woman with every want supplied and money to purchase her heart's desire should deliberately steal that which is of no material value to her and by so doing court the risk of social ruin. It is not well to deal too carelessly with the word kleptomania. It is a disease. It has ruined hundreds of homes. Kleptomania in its actuality is shoplifting, but all kleptomaniacs are not shoplifters.

A BILL has been introduced in the legislature which extends the incorporate limits of Medford to take in that portion of the city known as East Medford. The people which are included in the limit of the territory which the extension

is proposed to cover object to being taken in. The people on this side of the river feel that it is not fair to them that the East Side be left out. Bear creek is the dividing line and it is true that some of the business places of Medford are within almost a stone's throw of lands which the bill proposes taking in. There are some people on the East Side who do not object to the extension because that they appreciate the advantages to be derived from being located so near a good business city—as a matter of fact East Medford is a part and parcel of the town. If those who are opposing the measure will consider the matter carefully they cannot but agree that it would be right and in justice to all concerned, and of profit to them. There is a time coming when these people will want city water for their lawns and gardens and for fire protection, but they cannot expect this unless they are within the incorporate limits of the town. In fact applications have been made for city water, which applications were not considered because the applicants did not live in the city limits. Several of the residents of East Medford are now doing business on this side of the creek. As we understand the bill it does not include any of the farm lands—only the more thickly settled resident portion.

NORTH DAKOTA'S new United States senator, Hon. P. J. McCumber, is every inch an expansionist. Read what he says about expansion in the following:

"I am in favor of the greatest and broadest expansion of American industries and American commerce, and to facilitate that I am in favor of holding all territory now held by us which may be necessary or proper to facilitate that commerce and that trade, and I want to say finally that I believe that the flag which today floats over Manila and whose every fold sings a song of glory, and whose very stars vie with the gems of the Orient, should never be withdrawn. It should be the beacon light that will forever invite the commerce, the intelligence, the progress of Americanism to the very shores of the old world; and I feel and believe that Hawaii, the Ladrones and the Philippines should be the stepping stones between San Francisco and Hong Kong, over which will in future march in steady progress the commerce and the intelligence and the glory of America as a nation."

ONE of the most unjust bills ever introduced in a legislature was that one which came to light at Salem last week and was introduced in the senate by Joseph, of Portland—and the most remarkable part of it is that it passed the senate. Here is one section of the bill:

"Any person shall be regarded as practicing (medicine and surgery) within the meaning of this act who shall directly or indirectly, personally or as a representative, claim to possess a knowledge of the cure of diseases, or a knowledge of physiological processes, and offer gratuitously or for a fee to apply such knowledge for the cure or treatment of disease or for the regulation of management of physiological processes, or gratuitously or for a fee prescribe, direct, or recommend, or offer to prescribe, direct or recommend, for the use of any person any drug or medicine or agency for the treatment, cure or relief of any wound, fracture, bodily injury, infirmity, or disease, or for the regulation or management of physiological processes."

"Under this act," says the Salem Capital Journal, "a druggist cannot stick a plaster on a boil, put up a dose of quinine, cannot recommend a patent medicine, or give a man the benefit of his neighbor's experience in using some efficient remedy. The barber cannot offer or recommend a hair tonic, or cure for dandruff, much less apply it. The saloonkeeper cannot prescribe a glass of bitters or malt extract. A man or woman cannot give a child a dose of castor oil."

A legal fight for the rich Rawhide mine has begun in the courts at Sonora, Cal.

The power of Cedar river is to be harnessed to furnish electric light and power for Seattle, Wash.

Echoes From the Street.

E. C. Boeck:—"Business is good for this time of the year. That? Why, it is a buckboard for Thos. McAndrew's mountain travel. Isn't it a hammer? Built for all kinds of roads; a regular rock and put resistor. I want THE MAIL and Examiner for next year."

Attorney S. S. Pentz, by letter:—"We have located in Oakland, Calif. You may send THE MAIL to me, care the 'Arcade.' I have offices opposite the court house and am doing well. Prospects for a good business are first-class. Palms, flowers and fruit all around."

F. M. Mings:—"I shall remain in Southern Oregon until May when I will probably return to the wheat growing sections of Washington. My wife is stopping with her father, Thomas Wright, in the Willow Springs district. We will go to housekeeping in Ashland. Father's health is not very good and we want to be near him."

E. Russ:—"We are building a 16x32 foot addition to our mill in East Medford. What are we going to put into it? Well, sir, we will put in mill machinery of different kinds. We have ordered a new pair of burrs and other machinery which will be necessary in operating a first-class mill of this kind will be gotten here just as soon as possible. The building will be eighteen feet high and will give us ample room—for the time being."

J. W. Lawton:—"Yes, I hear from Robert quite often. He is getting along finely. He is traveling on the river steamer 'Northwest' which plies between Portland and Toledo, Wash. About the first of April, if everything moves along smoothly, and we think it will, he will be promoted to the position of assistant engineer on this boat. He has been offered a position, at \$75 per month, to fire on a railroad locomotive but this he has declined. His ambition is ocean steamship engineering but we are all trying to dissuade him from that notion."

Frank Shideler:—"I received a copy of an Iowa paper Monday in which is a marked notice of the death of John W. Mattox, who formerly lived in Medford. I think Mr. Mattox and his family lived here about four years, and left for Iowa in '92. They were here in hopes of benefiting Mr. Mattox's health, but it did not improve very much and they returned to their old home. His malady was consumption. His family made many friends during their stay here, and all will regret to learn of their recent sad bereavement. His death occurred on January 19th, at Shenandoah."

J. G. Taylor:—"Here is as pretty a little saddle as you ever saw. It was presented to me by a traveling salesman for a saddlery house. While it is decidedly diminutive in size it possesses all the qualities of leather and trimmings as does a full grown saddle—in fact, it is a reduced representation of the saddles I keep in stock. Business, did you ask? Well, it's better than I expected it would be at this season of the year. I have done a good business ever since my coming here but it has taken sometime to get acquainted. I have ordered a much larger stock of goods this spring than ever before."

Scott Davis:—"Our flooring mill is shut down for one month. What do I know about Brooks' roofing cement? Was that what you asked? I know it is all right. Several months ago we had Mr. Brooks cover our flour house with his roofing and it is proving to be all that he claims for it. We have had much trouble with this roof leaking, but all the trouble seems now to have been done away with. The roof is very flat and we have had some very heavy rains since it was put on but every drop of wet stays on the outside—much to our satisfaction. You can say what you have a mind to that's good about Brooks' roofing cement and sign my name to it. Oh, yes, you may say that the tin roof which Mr. Brooks covered for us was put on wrong end up."

Judge R. S. Dunlap, of Jacksonville:—"Business in my court was unusually light during January. As a matter of positive record I didn't have a case during the whole month. Our people, it would seem, are getting very good—which is good for them—but not of so much profit to me. A bill has been introduced in the Oregon legislature which provides that justices of the peace, except in cases of murder, arson, and all criminal complaints, shall refer parties making complaints to the district attorney. This will take from the justices' shoulders the burden of responsibility in trivial disagreements among neighbors which so often are bones of contention in justice courts. I hope the bill will pass. You might say that many justices of the peace in the county made an error this year in drawing jurors for the year on Monday, January 2d. The law provides that the jurors shall be drawn upon the first Monday in January of each year, provided it be not a holiday. If the first Monday is a holiday then the drawing shall take place on the first Monday in February, or any month thereafter. The first day of January this year was Sunday, also a holiday, but the laws of Oregon designate that when a legal holiday comes on Sunday the next day, in a business sense, shall be the legal holiday."

—All wool pants for \$4.50—Bodge, the tailor.

—THE MAIL will print 50 calling cards for 25 cents.

The proposed Nicaraguan canal, if built, will be about 170 miles long and would take about 48 hours for a vessel to pass through. The Panama canal if completed, would be but 48 miles in length, but it is a noteworthy fact that the estimated cost of completing the work is more than the total of the Nicaraguan canal. Already the Panama people have spent about \$275,000,000 on the work. The Nicaraguan Canal Commission reports a feasible route and estimate the cost of building at \$124,000,000.

Dock laborers at Colon, Columbia, are on a strike for increased wages.

Dennis McCarthy, of Mahonoy City, Pa., shot and killed his aged mother and then attempted to commit suicide by shooting himself. The crime was committed in a drunken frenzy.

County School Notes.

By Supt. G. A. Gregory.

The Brownsboro term of school has been extended two months, making six months in all and will not close until about the first of April.

Several school districts in the county have no need to the land on which the school house stands. This matter should be attended to and a good time is at the annual meeting.

There is some talk of moving the school house in the Sterling district so that it will be more convenient to a larger number of pupils. Probably a better building can be provided at the same time.

Ella Parks, having finished a four months' term in Squaw Lake district, enters the Ashland normal. That is the proper thing to do. Many teachers will do well to make more preparation for their work.

The time is near at hand for school clerks to make their reports to the county superintendent. A blank for this purpose will be sent to each clerk soon, also a blank bond for the clerk who will be elected at the annual meeting.

In taking school census clerks should be careful to conform to the requirements laid down in the school law for that purpose. Actual residence of a pupil decides where he is to be enumerated. The home or permanent residence of the parents is the home of the children unless the children "are in good faith and for a continuance of time hired to labor or service in a family" outside of the district.

Among the districts of the county that believe in having good schools, even if it is necessary to vote a special tax to do it, are—Table Rock, with a two mill tax which will enable that district to have six months school, three in the spring and three in the fall; independent district, a two mill tax to enlarge and fence school ground and make repairs; Gold Hill, a twelve mill tax which will give the girls and boys of that enterprising town eight months of school. There are about fifteen districts that have voted a special tax this year. Those communities that are desirous of advancing the intellectual, social and moral condition of the rising generation are not slow in spending a few extra dollars, when necessary, to improve their schools.

Among the Churches.

SPECIAL SERVICE—EPISCOPAL CHURCH
A special service for the celebration of the holy communion will be held in St. Marks Church on Sunday next, Feb. 5th, at 11 o'clock. All invited.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
On Sunday, 11 a. m., the subject will be "Christ, the Mediator." In the evening Rev. S. H. Jones, of Jacksonville, will preach in this church. Everybody welcome.

METHODIST CHURCH
Prayer meeting on Wednesday at 7 o'clock. Sunday services: Sunday school at 10 o'clock a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m.; class meeting, 12 o'clock; Epworth League, 6 p. m.; preaching, 7 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend. Revival services will begin on Sunday evening, Feb. 12. Rev. N. F. Jenkins, of Grants Pass, will assist in the meeting. Let all Methodists take notice and pray for the success of the meeting.
H. N. ROUNDS, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Next Sunday morning the pastor will have for the subject of his sermon, "Sin and its Punishment." "Whoever committeth sin transgresseth the law, for sin is the transgression of the law." In the evening the subject will be, the supreme question, "What Must I Do to Be Saved."
"We have had a good meeting, Elder McCollough's sermons have been very helpful." In these and similar words many have been heard to express themselves since the close of the special services at the Christian Church. At their meeting last Monday morning, the pastors of Medford very heartily expressed their appreciation of the influence of these meetings on the cause of religion in our little city. In behalf of the Christian Church, I wish to thank the neighboring ministers, and many of their people, for their frequent attendance and their hearty co-operation. Not a few who are members of any church also have our thanks for their help and encouraging words. It is the wish and prayer of the writer that much good may come to us all, and much honor to God, as the result of these services.
O. J. GIST.

For La Grippe.

Thomas Whitfield & Co., 240 Wabash Av., corner Jackson street, one of Chicago's oldest and most prominent druggists, recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for la grippe, as it not only gives a prompt and complete relief, but also counteracts any tendency of la grippe to result in pneumonia. For sale by Chas. Strang, druggist, Medford; Dr. J. Hinkle, Central Point.

Advertised Letter List.

Following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed for in the Medford postoffice on February 1, 1899.

Burr, Bros
Lynch, William
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. FURDIN, Postmaster.

An Honest Medicine for La Grippe.
George W. Waitt, of South Gardiner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one 50-cent bottle and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine." For sale by Chas. Strang, druggist, Medford; Dr. J. Hinkle, Central Point.

Hood's Pills
Are gaining favor rapidly. Business men and travelers carry them in vest pockets, ladies carry them in purses, housekeepers keep them in medicine closets, friends recommend them to friends. 2c.

Groceries.

That word means a heap to every housewife. It means a heap more when the grocerier are known to be fresh and first-class. When your wife tells you to get groceries at Davis', you better not run chances on buying them elsewhere. When she don't say where to go, you had better use a little of your own judgment and make sure you're right.

Davis

Delivers goods free. Trades groceries for farm produce, vegetables and poultry.
Medford, Oregon.

IF YOU CAN IN
Beat Me CIGARS or PIPES
Cigars Per Box From **65c** Up }
Kurtz
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A happy medium in the price of all articles in our line, and can furnish you
...A STOVE or A RANGE...
Cheaper than you ever purchased one before. We also have in stock Roasters, Bakers, Pie Plates, Meat Cutters, Raisin Seeders and Nutmeg Graters in an endless variety. Call and see
The Hardware Men Boyden & Nicholson

NASH LIVERY and FEED STABLES.

PERRY & FOSTER, Proprietors.

Having lately purchased these stables we are prepared to furnish
First-Class Rigs and Teams at Reasonable Rates.
Boarders and transient will receive careful attention. Commercial travelers' rigs a specialty.
FRONT STREET - MEDFORD, ORE

W. L. DOUGLAS \$3.00 and **LACE SHOES** \$3.50
and Congress Gaiters Light and Heavy Weight
Every Pair Fully Warranted
Also several lines of extra-well made Boys' and Children's School Shoes.
Taylor, the Foot Fitter.

First-class Rigs Fast Horses Careful Drivers
UNION LIVERY STABLES
De ROBOAM & ORSER, Props.
Cor. Seventh and B Sts. - Medford, Ore.
Special Attention to Commercial Men

Shone & Schermerhorn
The Second-Hand Men
Not second-hand in principle, but in the matter of goods they have new and second-hand of all descriptions—
Furniture, Stoves, Ranges Buy, sell and exchange anything on earth. Give them a call at their store,
Branch House Gold Hill } **West Side, Medford, Ore**