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CITY HAPPENINGS.

The first carload of Bartlett pears to be shipped from this year's crop was started last Thursday, and was billed for Chicago. This was followed Friday with two carloads for New York City, and again Saturday, two more carloads for the same place. It is estimated there will be fully thirty carloads of Bartlett pears alone shipped from this station this year. Each carload will average 650 boxes—or about 20,000 boxes. These are all sold at \$1 per box in cars at Medford. By this it can be easily figured that the growers of Bartlett pears will receive \$20,000 for their crop—and every dollar of this amount will be distributed among the working people and merchants of the valley. There will probably be ten carloads of winter pears grown in this vicinity but no price on those can as yet be fixed but it will be a dollar a box or better. A very conservative estimate as to the number of carloads of apples grown this year places it at 100—and these, too, will sell for, probably, as good a price as the pears. The cured prune output will reach easily ten carloads. It would not be a very wild estimate to say that 200 carloads of all varieties of fruit will be shipped from Medford this season.

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Miss Martha S. Evans, teacher of voice culture and expression in the Pacific university at Forest Grove, is expected to arrive in Medford tomorrow—Saturday. The lady is coming here for a visit to L. B. Warner and family and during her stay of a week or more, the Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church will arrange for her to give an entertainment in music and elocution at the opera house. The exact date has not as yet been decided upon but it will be some evening next week. Posters, which will be gotten out later, will give the date. Miss Evans is unquestionably one of the very best entertainers in her class on the coast and as this class of entertainment is such as a great many Medford people appreciate there seems little doubt but that there will be a large attendance. An entertainment of this nature is quite a rarity in Southern Oregon, and because of this is the why of the success of our guess of a good attendance.

Time and money saved by taking the Northern Pacific to all points east. Tickets sold from Medford same as Portland. Do not forget that a Northern Pacific car passes through Medford Wednesday evening each week for the accommodation of passengers who wish a sleeper from Medford to St. Paul without change. W. T. York, agent, Medford, Oregon.

The MAIL is at work this week printing Attorney Parker's Key to the Oregon Law. There will be about 600 pages in the book and references are cited to all the state laws. We have said much regarding this book in these columns but not one-half that might have been said to its good has been

printed. When our most prominent and learned attorneys tell us that this is the most complete and useful article any attorney could have on his shelves the conclusion that it's a good thing is quickly arrived at. One attorney, while a little skeptical as to its usefulness, admitted that it would prove a great help to an attorney if correct—and then he took a number of the unbound pages and endeavored to find an error. At the end of a half day's search he found no incorrect references—and then he placed an order for a book.

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Wm. Clark returned this week from the Roseburg fair. The gentleman is enthusiastic over the treatment given him and his associate horsemen. Heretofore the Roseburg fairs have been given a black eye by the horsemen but this year Mr. Clark says the management has redeemed itself and the boys are saying all manner of pretty things about the fair and its managers. The exhibit, Mr. Clark says, was fine and the attendance each day was big and every body was happy. The races were good and purses were paid in full. Mr. Clark entered Volo, Klamath Maid, Tintoleit and Free Coinage. In the three minute race Tintoleit won first money, and second money in the 2:40 class. Volo won second money in the free for all race—best time 2:27.

Bill Nyo used to say that if, when arriving in a strange town, you wanted to stop at a first class hotel you must follow the commercial traveler—the hotel they stop at is it. The cigar the commercial traveler smokes is always a cream article—the Rialto sells them and the cigar they buy is it.

The Sugar Pine Company's road engine and lumber train came in Sunday evening with 18,000 feet of lumber. The outfit started on a return trip Wednesday morning. The company now has about 60,000 feet of sugar pine lumber in their yard in Medford and about 75,000 feet more at the Olson mill, which will be brought in. The company is figuring on putting on an extra crew and running the train nights. This can easily be done, particularly on this end of the line, where the roads are in a fairly good condition, by using a headlight. The company is very anxious to get out all the lumber possible while the good weather lasts. After the company's lumber is all hauled from the Olson mill they will commence hauling from the Prospect mill.

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Sidney Cole has rented the building formerly occupied by the Orator candy store and has fitted the same up for a chop house. A counter with all the accustomed fixtures has been put in the front room, while back of this a room has been fitted up for use of parties who wish to partake of the viands he will dispense, and which can be entered by a side door. The cook room is still back of this and it is here Mr. Cole will do the cooking. His able aid will be Dale Hazel. Sidney promises to fit out an establishment which will be a credit to both the town

and himself. The interior of the building has been repapered and repainted—and is clean and bright throughout.

The Rialto's cigar and tobacco trade is climbing in to bigger figures with every new day. This is easily accounted for—nothing but the very best goods are handled.

D. T. Cox, manager of the Independent warehouse, received a blow on the head last Saturday which came very near proving fatal. He was engaged in storing sacks of wheat away in the new warehouse, when the tackle block broke away from the roof where it was fastened and came to the floor with a crash, striking him on the head. The scalp was torn away from the skull, but fortunately the block struck a little to one side of the top of his head and only a glancing blow was received and the skull was not broken. Had the block struck him squarely on the head he would surely have been killed. Dr. Pickett dressed the wound and Mr. Cox is now quite himself again.

People wishing the best time ever burned in the valley should see Messrs. Andrus & Carpenter, Medford. They have recently filled their new store house with this lime.

The parade this season with the Walter L. Main Show which exhibits at Medford, Saturday, September 9th, is especially noteworthy in that it contains more novelties than ever before, notably the Zouave Drum Corps, a troop of performing elephants, and an ancient historical Quebec Calash properly costumed. The parade is said to be of unusual length and brilliancy, and worth going miles to witness. The parade will leave show grounds at 10 o'clock a. m. A free exhibition will be given at the show grounds after the return of the parade. In order to give all a chance to see the grand exhibition of the "Congress of Nations" in the menagerie the doors will be open at 1 and 7 o'clock p. m.

The Rialto is daily gaining more popularity and in consequence its patronage is increasing. It is without a peer in all Oregon for neatness, while the summer drinks and confections are excellent in quality.

The Western Clay Company, of Portland, has taken the contract for putting in the Medford sewer. The contract they have is the one forfeited by Frick Bros. The city council has decided to allow them to fill the same as mapped out and for the same price as that given to Frick Bros. R. E. Smith, representing the Portland company, has been in Medford this week arranging all details necessary for starting the work and just as soon as men can be secured to dig the sewer they will be put to work. It is given out that sixty men are wanted. The city council has appointed Earl T. Jones as superintendent of the work for the town.

The Turf Exchange saloon, Thos. Collins, proprietor, is unquestionably the most popular resort in Medford. Here all kinds of drinks are served—plain and fancy. Medford Brewing Company's beer at five cents per glass.

M. F. Parker, the insurance agent, is over in Klamath County working in the interest of his company. In a letter to Ashel Hubbard, dated Sept. 3d, he gives the following items of news from that county: On Friday last, Frank Wallace was knocked into the cylinder of a thrashing machine and was killed. Mrs. E. J. Pool, who was in Medford last winter and spring, died at her home on Sunday. An emigrant lady, 91 years old, lay speechless and dying at the residence of old Mr. Anderson. A little rain fell Sunday and the wind blew a gale. Mr. Parker was poisoned with alkali and for three days wore potato poultices on his eyes.

School will soon commence. Remember that Jas. Stewart has a complete line of school books and school supplies for the children. Medford Book store, next door to the postoffice.

James I. Fredenburg, supervisor in road district No. 6, was in Medford Monday circulating a subscription paper, asking for aid in traveling about a quarter mile of the Beall and Orlow lane. Many of the Medford business men subscribed quite liberally, and there were names of others outside of Medford. The amount required will be about \$200. The greater part of the Orwell lane has already been graveled—and a decided improvement it has proven to be. Mr. Fredenburg is showing a very commendable bit of interest in road matters by getting out and hustling for means to better the conditions of thoroughfares in his district.

Say, now don't give the printer fits about this print being poor, when you have outgrown your old "specks." Go to Geo. Webb's Racket and buy a pair for 25 cents, that are guaranteed.

The ladies of the Methodist Church will give a social at D. T. Lawton's next Monday evening, for the benefit of the pastor, Rev. Rounds, before he goes to conference. Coffee, cake and sandwiches will be served. Everybody is cordially invited to attend and they are kindly asked to bring a dime or two-bit piece for contribution to this most deserving cause. A collection will be taken. Mr. Rounds has proven himself a splendid citizen and a good pastor and all ought to feel that they could afford to contribute a small amount to his well-being and his worldly goods and comforts.

With the new facilities that B. N. Butler put in his shop, he turns out as good work in repairing watches and jewelry as any one in Southern Oregon.

Engineer J. S. Howard came in Sunday from the line of survey of the high line ditch. The line is run and permanently located for a distance of sixty-five miles out of Gold Hill. The party is now camped at the mouth of Elk creek, near the government fish hatchery. Another month's time will be required to finish the survey. No construction is expected to be done this fall as the necessary office work to be done after the line is located and before construction work is commenced will not be given any time before the winter rains.

Why in this world do you go around squinting your eyes in the sunshine just like you were half asleep, when that Racket store sells colored glasses for 10 cents?

The shipping business from and to the Medford station has been gradually growing for the past several years. At no time has there been the noticeable activity about the station that is apparent right now. Tuesday there were twenty-six cars on the sidings in the railroad yards. From many of these merchandise was being unloaded and delivered to our merchants, while many

more of them were being loaded with fruit for shipment east. Truly, and very surely, Medford is becoming a place of business of no small calibre.

The Mounce & Karnes Soda Palace is doing business—and a goodly amount of it—strictly on business principles.

Jacob Wise and Mrs. Betty Minnus, of Shaeta Valley, Calif., arrived in Medford Tuesday evening and on Wednesday they were united in marriage. Mr. Wise is a brother of Mrs. James Kent, of Wellen, and the bride is the widow of Dr. Minnus, who several years ago practiced medicine in Medford. Mr. and Mrs. Kent met these people at the train Tuesday evening and remained in Medford until Wednesday and were witnesses to the marriage. THE MAIL is extending its heartfelt congratulations.

The next time you are in need of a pair of hose or socks, just try a pair of the famous "Black Cat" brand. They are kept at the Racket only.

George Coulter, the painter, has purchased a piece of property near the A. A. Davis mill from G. W. Isaacs, paying therefor \$150. The property is 95x120 feet in size and upon it is a fairly good barn, which barn Mr. Coulter has had moved to the street at the east end of the lot, and will fit the same up for a paint shop and a bachelor's residence. George surely struck a bargain when he grappled with this deal—the property is easy worth \$250.

We wear specs. So does our clerk, but we have the finest line of stationery in Medford. Stewart, at the Book store.

The Wiley B. Allen Co., represented by E. G. Magoon, is located in the Medford Bank building with a fine line of pianos and organs, which will be sold at Portland prices. Old instruments taken in exchange. The music loving people of Medford and vicinity are respectfully invited to call and examine these instruments and get prices. Don't fail to see the Hamilton piano with the mandolin attachment.

Commercial men and all our town-people who enjoy a really good smoke are patrons of the Rialto.

Parties having war relics or curios that they are willing to loan for use at the Soldiers' Reunion at Grants Pass on the 18th, and who cannot take them, will please leave same at this office in the care of F. M. Stewart or at W. H. Meeker & Co.'s store in Medford, with Mrs. Brown, who will see that they are properly cared for and returned to owners. Bring them in by the 15th, at the latest.

Just arrived—finest line of lunch goods in the city. We have them in cans from ten to fifty cents. Mounce & Karnes.

Ed. Pence, of the Winningham-Pence quartz mine, on Forest creek, was in the city Saturday, Messrs. Pence & Winningham have been very busy at work on their ledge during the past few months and during their development work they threw out twenty tons of rock which was recently crushed and from which they got \$720. Their mine is christened the "Sunset" and it bids fair to be one of the best ledges on Forest creek.

Ladies will find just what they want in stationery, at the Book store. Also fashion paper and magazines.

Delbert Terrill returned Saturday from San Francisco. While in the city he arranged with some big stock men whereby he becomes their purchasing representative in Southern Oregon, and Delbert is right now skrimishing around the country for fat beef cattle. While he does not hope to close many deals at present, yet he is going to have the bands located, and when the shipping season arrives he will be in the market to meet all competition.

Notice. Don't purchase any plated ware until you see what I have. Elwood, the jeweler and optician.

O. L. Walden, the manufacturer of the best brooms in Oregon, is at work this week putting up a 20x30 foot shed for use in curing and storing his broom corn. Mr. Walden has about fifty acres of broom corn planted this year and it is a prime article. His business has increased so materially that he has been compelled to put on additional help in his broom factory.

"White Lily" and "Snow Cap" baking powder—prize with every can. Davis sells both kinds.

It has been decided by the Southern Pacific Railroad Company that the new depot in Medford will be built on their grounds just west of Hotel Nash, but just when the depot will be commenced has not yet been given out. We will hope, however, in the interest of the townspeople and the depot help, that it will not be many months.

New goods will be arriving from now until December, at Elwood's, the jeweler and optician.

Cleveland Parker, the fourteen year old son of C. C. Parker, while cleaning a rifle, which he did not know was loaded, discharged one bullet from it and in consequence two toes on his right foot were nearly shot off. The bullet passed between the toes and lacerated both of them badly. Dr. Wait dressed the wounds and is hopeful of saving both toes.

Farmers! We want your hen eggs—highest market price. W. H. Meeker & Co.

The Medford bank was the successful bidder for the two thousand dollars' worth of five per cent bonds recently sold by Treasurer Jacobs for the Talent school district, No. 22. The bank is to pay one per cent premium and the bonds are to run twenty years. The Ashland bank bid was at par value. These two were the only bidders.

Smoke Billie Dougan five cent cigars—best on earth—at Mounce & Karnes'.

The Rogue River Baptist Association will meet in Ashland next Thursday, Sept. 14th, and continue in session three days. Rev. Robt. Leslie, of Grants Pass, will deliver the opening address. There will be other good speakers present and an interesting program throughout is promised. Everybody is invited to attend.

Elwood, the jeweler and optician, is back from the mountains and ready for business.

Milton Gregory, one of the 2d Oregon boys who returned from Manila with his regiment and who has been quite seriously ill with dysentery at his home in Ashland, is reported to be very much improved. He was ill a month before leaving Manila and has been in an almost dangerous condition ever since.

Strained and comb honey—Davis the grocer.

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Ladies', Misses' and Children's
Capes and Jackets!

Something New in **Little Girls' Jackets!**

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U. S. Bartholomew has purchased the interest of his partner, W. L. Townsend, in the Front street billiard hall. Mr. Bartholomew will put in an additional stock of cigars, tobacco and candy, and will also add a lunch counter to the establishment. Mr. B. has a great many friends in the city and as he conducts an orderly place these same friends are doing all possible to better his trade. He promises all his patrons fair and courteous treatment and is inviting the people of Medford and vicinity to drop in and see what his place is like. Mr. Townsend and family have moved to Ashland, where they expect to reside.

Klamath County cheese at G. L. Davis' grocery.

It is with much regret that THE MAIL chronicles the bit of information that the store of Messrs. White & Jacobs was closed by Sheriff Orme last Friday night. The trouble came about through some San Francisco creditors who hold accounts against the above firm to the amount of \$3500. There are other creditors, but these are at home and no trouble is expected from that source. It is hoped, and, as a matter of fact, it is quite probable, that the difficulty will be righted within a few days, in which event the stock of merchandise can be closed out at not too great a sacrifice.

Will exchange lumber or red cedar shingles for grain. W. Woods.

Captain Hugh Thomason and his company of Rough Riders, which are the sensation of the day, who fought under three flags, will appear at every performance on the Hippodrome track with the Walter L. Main shows at Medford, Saturday, Sept. 9th, and give the most novel and exciting exhibition that has ever been given to the public. They will be dressed as they were in Cuba, where they took part in the battles of San Juan Hill, Daiquiri, Sibony and El Caney.

Get Wells & Shearer to do your moving—satisfaction always.

Our good friend, J. G. Norton, who lives some three miles east of the city, says: "While you are talking about a good crop of wheat this season, you can say that I threshed from an even thirty-two acres 1328 bushels—an average for the field of forty-one and a half bushels per acre. About one-half of the field did better than this—averaging over forty-four bushels per acre."

All kinds of sash and doors and screen doors, at lowest market price. W. Woods.

W. T. Nelson has again taken charge of his feed barn, the same being the I. J. Phillips property. Mr. Nelson will conduct a feed and sale stable and will make a special business of raising chickens. He will also buy and sell horses—or stock of any kind. There would seem an opportunity here open for a good business and it is probable Mr. Nelson will grasp it.

Klamath County salt fish at G. L. Davis' grocery.

The Soldiers' Reunion Assembly has posters out for their encampment at Grants Pass, commencing on Sept. 18th. A jolly good time is assured to all who attend. Round trip tickets from Medford by rail are \$1.75, tickets good

for the whole week. Soldiers of all wars will be present. A drill by the old veterans will be an interesting feature.

Spring trucks for spring household moving. Wells & Shearer.

Edw. Robertson, the Medford-Klamath County peddler, reports the road over the Orator lake and Rogue river route in fine shape. Says the Sugar Pine Company's road engine makes a good road on this end and the people along the route on the other end have made some decided improvements.

Set of second hand single and double harness for sale cheap—E. W. Starr.

Messrs. Nelson & Harris' threshing outfit moved to the W. R. Jones wheat ranch Saturday and threshed out one stack, but the rain of Sunday evening hindered them off from further operations for a couple or three days. The average daily run of this machine for this season has been 1300 bushels.

If you want clean, fresh vegetables, go to G. L. Davis.

The new bridge across Rogue river is to be tested Saturday. The county judge and commissioners will be there and witness the test. The test will be made with the Sugar Pine Company's big road engine—and if it stands up under that weight it is positively all right.

See Mackey, the leading photographer, for superior photos.

Report is current that F. A. Peil has purchased 200 acres of the O. Bursell ranch, north and east of Medford, at a price in the neighborhood of \$3500. It is also told that Mr. Peil has purchased forty acres adjoining the above tract for \$500.

Cash paid for eggs and poultry—G. L. Davis, the grocer.

Mrs. M. W. Steel came up from Grants Pass Sunday. Her household effects have also arrived and with Braes and Clara she is now housekeeping in their home in Southwest Medford. Myron will not return to Medford for sometime yet.

Medford beer at Collins' Turf Exchange saloon at five cents per glass.

The Grand Army Hall Association, of Central Point, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The incorporated amount is \$150 and the incorporators are S. M. Nelson, John Wright, W. H. Patrick and Rufus Cox.

D. W. Pence, father of the Pence boys living on Forest and Elk creeks, died near Williams postoffice, in Josephine County, on August 27th. He was eighty-eight years of age and had lived in Southern Oregon since '76.

C. G. Johnson is parent to a new girl baby which came to his home on Thursday of last week. This gives that household a covey of eight children—four boys and four girls.

The Ladies.

The pleasant effect and perfect safety with which ladies may use Syrup of Figs, under all conditions, makes it their favorite remedy. To get the true and genuine article, look for the name of the California Fig Syrup Co. printed near the bottom of the package. For sale by all druggists.

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Every housewife who has used our groceries knows they are the best. She knows they are always as represented or money back. We have built up our trade by selling honest goods at lowest prices.

Every housewife knows our line of crockery is unexcelled in Southern Oregon. She knows that in buying of us she is getting the very best and for the least money. No dealer undersells us.

CROCKERY

Every housewife knows we carry the only complete line of glassware in Medford. She knows, if she has patronized us, that in this department she can find low or high priced wares.

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MEDFORD, OREGON.

GLASSWARE

SHORT DAYS

Begin to remind one of autumn's nearness and the householder of supplies for the winter. THE RACKET is prepared to furnish you with warm Underwear and Hosiery, Suspenders, Hats, Gloves, Toweling, Table Linens, Corsets, Ribbons, Laces, School Supplies, Jewelry, Notions and nicknacks of all kinds. If you don't see what you want, call for it. We will divide the profits with you.

G. L. WEBB.