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CITY HAPPENINGS.

—Last Thursday evening a joint installation of officers was had by Woodmen of the World lodge and Chrysanthemum Circle. The hall was very beautifully decorated and a good crowd of members of each of these orders and their families was in attendance. The first order of business was the installation of officers in the Woodmen lodge. Frank W. Wait being installing officer, he was made ex-officio master of ceremonies, and in that capacity he installed the following officers: J. U. Willeke, C. C. Perry, Stewart, adviser; W. H. Meeker, clerk; H. L. Glikkey, banker; J. Fredenburg, escort; S. G. Hodges, sontry. When this part of the program had been completed the past guardian of the circle, Mrs. Bassie Webb, announced that the circle officers would be installed and instructed the guards to repair to the anteroom and prepare for the ceremonies. The guards, consisting of Miss Etta Medynski, captain; Mrs. Perry, Stewart, Mrs. J. H. Whitman and Mrs. J. A. Perry, retired and when their robes had been donned they re-entered, and after marching several times around the hall, during which time they gathered with them the officers elect, all, at a given signal from the captain's whistle, circled around the camp fire, in the center of the room, where the oath of office was taken and the admonitions delivered by Past Guardian Webb. This being done the march around the hall was resumed and in their unwinding the installed officers dropped from line and took their designated positions in the lodge room as those points were reached in the march. The officers installed were: Bassie Webb, past guardian; Ada Mills, guardian; Mrs. Elwood, adviser; Kate Wait, clerk; Clara Meeker, banker; Nellie Bliton, magician; Mrs. Medynski, attendant; Frank Wait, sentinels; Etta Medynski, captain of guards. When this work was through with an intermission was declared—and right here followed an hour of good time, during which the good ladies of the circle served hot coffee, cakes, candies and nuts. Both these lodges are on very prosperous footings, and the sociability among the members is the keynote of their success. We must not forget to mention the floor work of the ladies of the circle. It was very pretty and very nicely presented, showing plainly the painstaking practice of the enthusiastic ladies of the guard, with Miss Etta Medynski as captain.

—Mrs. C. E. Goble, teacher of piano and organ, wishes to state to the public that her prices are—for four lessons, 50 cents; for half hour lessons, 25 cents. At residence of Dr. Goble, Medford.

—A burglary was committed in Medford on Wednesday night of last week, and the place burglarized was G. L. Schermerhorn's second hand store, on the West Side. An entrance was effected by prying open the outside door at the rear and then two doors leading from the back rooms to the salesroom were forcibly opened. The thief sought the showcase near the front of the store and from it took a number of pocket knives, four revolvers, a piccolo, hunting knife, pair of hair clippers, two watches and a few other small articles, amounting in all to about \$40 in value. Mr. Schermerhorn did not discover his loss until Thursday afternoon, but immediately thereafter he telegraphed to officers in towns both north and south as well as description of the fellow he suspected of committing the theft. Friday he received word from the marshal at Roseburg stating that on Thursday three revolvers had been sold to a second hand dealer in that city by a man answering the description but he had left town. The fellow whom Mr. Schermerhorn suspects was in his store Wednesday afternoon for quite a while and was very much interested in looking at and prying the goods which were stolen. A MAIL reporter met him, or a person supposed to be the thief, on Wednesday and was told that his name was W. E. Kinney, that he was from Grants Pass and was looking for a place to open a grocery store and junk shop. To J. A. Lyon he stated his name was Kyle. He is described as being about five feet, ten inches high, weighs about 165 pounds, thirty-eight or forty years old, sandy mustache, wore dark colored coat and vest with brown pants. Clothes were quite shabby and his general appearance was not that of a grocer but he would pass as a junk dealer almost anywhere. He is thought to have committed the theft soon after midnight and to have taken the northbound passenger train at 3 o'clock.

—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.

two more will be added to the force very soon. C. W. Palm states that 250 sheets of this are daily being made into these articles of household necessity. Orders have already been placed for either bins or boxes by many merchants of the valley and the business promises to be a very flattering success. The articles are sold to merchants and in most cases the merchants make their customers a present of one or both of them when a specified amount of trading has been done at their stores. The articles are actual kitchen necessities and there is no apparent good reason why they should not be good sellers. Inasmuch as merchants handling them make their customers presents there is no question but that they will find a quick market. If the merchants can be made to see the matter in the light of profit to them, this new manufacturing industry in Medford will prove of great value to our town and the promoters of the enterprise. The parties interested are C. W. Palm, J. A. Whitman and G. F. Palm.

—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.

—Charles Dickison met with such phenomenal success with his small apple orchard last fall that he feels warranted in planting more of his land to trees, and he now has men at work setting out trees on a thirty-five acre tract, joining his old orchard. This land is in Table Rock precinct, and is on pumice soil, which is light and very mellow, and is proving itself to be the very best fruit land in the valley for successful growth of fruit trees. Mr. Dickison will put out 2500 trees, and of these 1000 will be of the Yellow Newtown variety, 1000 Spitzenbergs, 300 Ben Davis and 200 Winesaps. This will give him forty-five acres of orchard and as it is all on pumice land there is little doubt of his making a fortune from it. From the old orchard of ten acres he gathered 2000 boxes of very choice apples last fall. Other farmers in that locality who own pumice land had better follow Mr. Dickison's example, and by so doing lay fortune's cornerstone.

—A carload of sulphur for spraying trees has been ordered and will be here the first of next week. All parties wishing to buy some at bottom prices, can get the same from Medford Distilling Co.

—Thos. Harlan, formerly publisher and founder of THE MAIL, was in Medford this week doing missionary work for his paper, the Register-Democrat, published at Portland, and also endeavoring to re-organize the democratic party in Southern Oregon. It was on December 14, 1888, that Mr. Harlan, together with his son, Newell, put the first "types" in line for THE MAIL and presented it to the public as a republican newspaper. Since leaving here in '92 Mr. Harlan has been engaged in farming in a small way near Mosler, Oregon, until a few months ago when he established his democratic paper in Portland. Newell Harlan is now at Selma, Calif., where he is operating a large job printing establishment—and making money. His eight-year-old daughter, Libbie, who was born in Medford, died last December. Milton Harlan is associated with his father in the newspaper business.

—Geo. Wigg, M. D., makes chronic diseases a specialty. Have you a disease of the above nature? If so, either call at his office, Burkhard building, or write him. Box 2066, Station A, Portland, Oregon.

—Eugene State Journal: "The following is taken from the MEDFORD MAIL, a new and successful Jackson County paper, whose publisher, A. S. Bliton, used to be manager of the Florence West. Mr. Bliton is making a success of his paper as his subscription and advertising columns plainly show. K. K. Kubli, of the firm of Kubli Bros. mentioned in the article, is well known in Eugene having graduated from the State University in the class of '92." Following the above was a mining item in which we spoke of Kubli Bros. Gold Standard Mine on Foots creek. Our good friend Kineald, of the Journal, is a veteran Oregon Newspaper man and, like other good friends of THE MAIL and its publisher, he is watching for opportunities to say kind words—words which cannot fail to push a fellow on to still greater achievements.

—The Ashland Iron Works have added to their plant a boiler making branch. If you need any repairs in this line they can save you time and money. Write them at Ashland, Ore.

—We notice by the Roseburg Review that Mr. C. W. Sherman, the genial general agent of the Penn Life Insurance Company, located at Portland, has gone east and will make a foreign tour. Mrs. Sherman accompanies him. The gentleman has a 20 year endowment policy in the company he represents, which matures on January 27th, and the proceeds of the policy will be expended in foreign travel. On February 1st they sail from Boston for a cruise on the Mediterranean, visiting all the principal points and making inland excursions through Egypt, Turkey and the Holy Land. They will also spend some time in Rome and Italy, and later

on visit the Paris Exposition. Miss Floy Willis, of Portland, accompanies them on the trip. Mr. and Mrs. Sherman are well known in Medford.

—Why is it so many suffer with headache when glasses will relieve it by having your eyes properly fitted by Elwood.

—A telegram was received last Saturday from Los Angeles, Calif., announcing the serious illness of Mrs. A. J. Stewart, and on Tuesday morning another one was received announcing her death. Her son, F. K. Denel, left Monday for Los Angeles but did not reach that place before her death. Mrs. Stewart had been ill for some time in Texas and had arrived in Los Angeles only a few days prior to her death. Deceased had a great many friends and relatives in Medford, where for the past few years she had spent much of her time, and news of her sudden demise was a severe shock to them, all of whom held her in the highest esteem. It is quite probable that the remains will be taken east for interment, and will be accompanied by her husband and her son, Mr. Denel.

—"La Bella," a gentleman's cigar, a fine smoke from beginning to end. 10 cents straight. Pure Havana. At the Distillery office.

—Dr. B. F. Adkins has decided to extend his brick block, corner of Seventh and C streets, back to the alley, a distance of forty feet. The new part will be 25x40 feet and when completed will give to Messrs. J. Beek & Co., hardware dealers, a sales and stock room 25x140 feet in size. Spencer Childers is now at work clearing away the old wooden sheds and digging trenches preparatory to the commencement of brick work. This will give Beek & Co. the room which they have long needed, and as John Norris says: "I'll tell you, Bliton, we have needed it a long time and we'll be able to more than fill the extra room with bar iron, plumbers' goods and other articles of that nature."

—Dr. Goble, the optician, will be at his residence in Medford on Saturday of each week. Eyes tested free of charge.

—Court Hall was up from Gold Hill this week. He is engaged in the saloon business at that place. While it is true that the business he follows is not an exalted one it is just as true that Mr. Hall raises the business above its common level, which feat is accomplished by his strict compliance with not alone the laws of the land, but as well with the prescribed edicts of a better class of society. No rimbaldy is allowed in his place of business, but instead everything is kept in an orderly manner and the people of Gold Hill, if they must have a saloon, are to be congratulated in having Mr. Hall as its proprietor.

—Why so sad, so lifeless and colorless? Brace up and use Hood's Peppin Celery Bitters. Sold by the Distilling Co. at \$1 per quart.

—The Medford McKinley club met last Friday evening at the town hall. W. T. York was elected secretary in place of W. H. Gore, who has joined the club in Jacksonville, in which precinct he is a voter. Ten delegates were elected to the State Republican League which meets in Portland on February 6th. The delegates chosen were D. T. Lawton, delegate at large; C. W. Wolters, W. T. York, F. M. Stewart, A. M. Woodford, W. I. Vawter, H. G. Nicholson, Adolph Haberly, I. A. Webb, G. A. Gregory. The next meeting of the club will be held one week from tonight.

—Notice is hereby given forbidding all persons from trespassing upon the lands of W. R. Jones, in Jackson County, Oregon.

—The law passed at the last session of the Oregon legislature providing for the registration of voters went into effect on January 1, 1900. By this law it becomes the duty of every elector in Oregon between the first Monday in January, 1900, and 5 o'clock p. m. of the 15th day of May, 1900, and between the same dates and hours biennially thereafter, to register with some notary public or justice of the peace, or with the county clerk of the county in which the elector resides, in accordance with the act.

—Don't forget about those elegant dishes we are giving away. Every purchaser gets a coupon. W. H. Meeker & Co.

—It is hardly expected that roses are going to bloom all winter, even in the mild climate of Southern Oregon, but Mrs. E. J. Cole, living on West Sixth street, has a rose bush which has broken a record, there having been blooms on it all winter. Mrs. G. H. Haskins also has a bush from which was taken a rose last Sunday. Now you eastern skeptics don't think for a moment that these bushes are house plants. They are not, but instead are growing in outside rose gardens.

—For sale—Half interest in good, paying business in Medford. Capital necessary, about \$1800. Apply to W. T. York, Medford.

—An exchange tells that "smooth talkers are at work in some Eastern Oregon counties, selling ranges and household articles to families at 'low prices,' which turn out to be higher than those asked by regular dealers." It's that way everywhere. The flim flam of circus proportions can sell an inferior article at an advanced price where the honest home merchant has trouble in unloading honest goods which are backed by his guarantee.

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Foot Hurt?

—"Shorty" Hamilton is almost always of a generous turn. He is so dog-blasted kind hearted and the fact is becoming so widely known that strangers are imposing upon him. He has been in the habit, for several years, during his time as landlord at the Nash, of accommodating his guests by indorsing drafts and checks for them, and not until last week did he lose a penny by so doing, but now he is shy just \$25 by his over indulgence in kind-heartedness. A young man, giving his name as Harry C. Collins, was stopping at the Nash last week for a few days and as "Shorty's" shirt parlors are next to or a part of the hotel they naturally became acquainted. Just prior to Collins leaving-taking for northern points Mr. Hamilton was asked to indorse a sight draft on Wm. Waddle, of Roseburg. Mr. H. demurred for a while but being so well acquainted with Waddle and knowing that Collins had formerly been in his (Waddle's) employ he hitched his name to a draft that drew from the bank \$25. The draft proved to be a forgery and Mr. H. was out the gold shiners. Collins is said to have worked the same scheme over at Hornbrook, where F. T. Fredenburg put up \$10 on an Ashland draft, and again he worked Lou Heberlie, of Grants Pass, to the tune of \$25 on a similar forgery. When last heard from he was going north.

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\$14 and a revolver. The desperado has not yet been captured.

—Don't forget the Boss Candy Kitchen when you are in Jacksonville.

—A. S. Rosenbaum, formerly station agent at Gold Hill, now occupying a like position at Wolf Creek, has been appointed justice of the peace by the county court of Josephine County. As a magistrate, "your honor," Mr. Rosenbaum will undoubtedly dispense justice with becoming dignity—and impartiality.

—For tin and granite ware, china and toys go to Gurnea's.

—Messrs. Weeks & Orr are loading a carload of prunes this week for shipment to Toronto, Canada. This is a new market for Southern Oregon fruit but these gentlemen feel confident that they will find a market equal to if not better than any eastern city to which the fruit has formerly been sent.

—Eat Gunther's candy and be happy for sale at the Rialto.

—A school meeting is called by Clerk Jones of school district No. 49, to meet at the Medford school house on Saturday, January 20th, at 2 o'clock, p. m. The purpose of the meeting is to vote a tax for the payment of interest on outstanding school warrants and for general school purposes.

—For fine oyster cocktails, try Karnes & Ritter's.

—Messrs. A. A. Davis & Co., the Medford millers, have THE MAIL's thanks for an elegant calendar. On its special attention is called to their brand of excellent flour—which is labeled "Our Patent," the superior qualities of which many housewives are familiar.

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

—The Boss Candy Kitchen, Jacksonville—finest and freshest home-made candies sold in Southern Oregon.

—Mrs. J. P. O'Harra, of Tolo, who has been seriously ill for several weeks past with blood poisoning, we are pleased to state, is very much improved—in fact is nearly well again. The poisoning was caused by her pricking the end of her finger with a needle. A short time thereafter her hand began swelling and later her arm and shoulder were swollen so badly as to necessitate lancing. It was thought at one time that she could not possibly recover.

—For a right good 10 cent cigar, try the "Girl from Paris" 5 cent cigar at the Distillery office.

—Grants Pass Mining Journal: "Harry Bousum, of Medford, was attacked on Thursday evening between Lister's stable and Stanard by a man who made an attack on him with a knife, afterwards knocking him down. Mr. B. claimed to have been robbed of

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