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Childers Block, Seventh Street

CITY HAPPENINGS.

—Medford's new music store has opened its doors to the public. Its title will be the "Coss Piano House." Its location is in the Childers block, opposite F. K. Deuel & Co.'s store; its manager, or rather proprietor, is Mr. H. M. Coss, of Portland. The gentleman has put in a stock of fine grade pianos and organs and has decided positively to make Medford his business headquarters. He is a splendid gentleman to meet, and as his goods are of a high grade, there is every reason apparent why he should do a good business. There is one fact, which our people ought to appreciate, and doubtless do, and that is that he is not a flimflammer, neither is he here to sell a few instruments to our people and then move to other fields. He has associated with him Miss Mae Ross, an accomplished music teacher of Portland. Miss Ross will act in the capacity of house saleswoman and give instrumental music lessons. Mr. Coss will give his attention to a canvass of the outlying country and neighboring towns. He handles and keeps in stock the Burdett and Kimball organs, the celebrated Jacob Doll piano, also the Stuyvesant, Webber, Chickering and Kimball pianos—and the Singer sewing machine.

—Listen to this!—The Dewey washing machine will remove every particle of dirt from wrist bands of shirts. W. H. Hembree, of Medford, is agent for them. Let him prove to you the excellent qualities of the machine.

—It's the same thing over again this summer with regard to the use of city water. There seem always to be several, more or less, users of city water who persist in violating the town ordinance in this matter, but this season the disposition to violate seems more prevalent than ever before. H. B. Lawton, superintendent of the pumping station, has a notice elsewhere in this issue, in which he warns violators to desist at once or suffer the consequences. There seems just grounds for the enforcement of this ordinance, in that during the past week the tanks have been nearly emptied of water during the night. If a fire should occur at a time when the tanks were empty, the result would prove very disastrous to the town.

—Now baby carriages and go-carts—see them at I. A. Webb's.

—Ex-Postmaster Purdin has decided to again take up the study of law, and is once more at home in the law office of Attorney Francis Fitch. It was eight or nine years ago that "Judge" Purdin was reading law with Mr. Fitch in this city, but by some hokus pokus or a shift of the cut Mr. Purdin drifted away from Blackstone. Since that

time, however, and while engaged in other pursuits, he has read his law books more or less, until now, or rather after a year's additional reading with Mr. Fitch, he hopes to be admitted to the Oregon bar. In connection with his law reading he will do a general collection agency business. THE MAIL hopes his most sanguine expectations may be realized and that bouquets of success may be showered lavishly upon him—and there are lots of other people here who are feeling just as THE MAIL does. THE MAIL cannot soon forget Mr. Purdin's efficiency as a postmaster.

—The Boss has a soda fountain with soft drinks of various descriptions in connection, also nuts of all kinds, tropical fruits and cigars. When in Jacksonville, call.

—A. C. (Art) Faris, formerly of Medford, now of Fresno, Calif., writes THE MAIL that he has been given a position as nozzleman with the Fresno chemical fire engine No. 2, and that he is doing finely. Says all the boys have positions and are doing well. Since leaving Medford, three years ago, Art has held exalted and good paying positions in various lines of work, there being only two weeks that he was out of employment. He has been grocery salesman, railroad billing clerk, bookkeeper, and now fireman. His many Medford friends will be pleased to learn of his success—and THE MAIL is among 'em.

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

—On Wednesday of this week Messrs. York & Wortman, real estate dealers, closed a deal whereby Fred Rupert, of Talent, sold to Joe Cummings 3 1/2 acres of land, near Talent. Mr. Cummings came to Medford about three months ago and has since been casting about the valley for a home which would be entirely to his liking. He is a fine old gentleman, and THE MAIL is glad he is to remain in the valley. He will at once move to the farm with his family. The consideration in the above deal was \$1000, which includes farm implements and stock.

—For sale—An all 'round, general purpose family horse; color, black; weighs 1400 pounds; kind and gentle. C. C. Gilchrist, Central Point.

—It was on Monday of last week that our good friend, J. McPherson, met with quite a painful, if not serious, accident. He was putting the cinch to a binding pole on a load of hay when the cinch cinched too hard and "busted" the pole—and Mr. McPherson was thrown to the ground, breaking a bone in his right forearm and three or four ribs. Dr. Stephenson was called and reduced the fracture.

—Barr'd Plymouth Rock eggs for sale—50 cents for setting of 15. Will deliver at Davis' grocery store, Medford each week. J. W. Smith.

—Some of the socially inclined friends of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Lawton learned that Monday evening was the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding day, and to allow such an opportunity for a good time to pass unimproved seemed to be contrary to their natures, so the word was quietly passed and resulted in the gathering of about sixty of their friends, and, going in a body, they completely surprised the above named Lawton household and demanded their immediate and unconditional surrender, which, of course, in the face of such odds, was quickly acceded to. After the customary congratulations and good wishes had been expressed, a short program of vocal and instrumental music was rendered and light refreshments, consisting of ice cream, cake and lemonade, were served. That all enjoyed the evening and pronounced it one of the most pleasant of the season was not surprising, as it could hardly be otherwise at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawton. A few choice pieces of silverware were left as a reminder that one-quarter of a century had glided by since their marriage vows were given.

—Almost all kinds of vehicles at Schermerhorn's second hand store—also new and second hand furniture. Household goods of all kinds.

—About twenty-five ladies met at the home of Mrs. I. A. Webb last Friday afternoon to arrange for the entertainment to be given June 13th for the benefit of the famine sufferers in India. Mrs. De Groot acted as chairman and Mrs. Gore as secretary. The following were elected members of the executive committee: Mrs. Fellows, Mrs. Birge, Mrs. I. A. Webb, Mrs. Lippincott, Mrs. Orr, Mrs. Wm. Davis, the pastors of all the churches, Mr. Lippincott, Mr. Olwell and Judge Crowell. Committees were appointed from the various churches and chairmen of special committees as follows: table, Mrs. P. B. Thelma; social, Mrs. Weber; music, Mrs. G. L. Webb; Miss Pearl Webb to have charge of the chocolate booth, Miss Warman the palmistry booth, and Miss Rhinehart the Japanese booth.

—The girls tell us—and they are authority—that our candles have the real flavor. The choicest candles in Medford—at the Rialto.

—The ladies of the Episcopal Guild, of St. Mark's Church, of this city, will give a social at the fine, large home of Druggist Chas. Strang on Monday evening, May 28th. The price of admission will be ten cents. This little band of church workers is in debt—some—not heavily involved, but it's uncomfortable for a church to be in debt—so many of our readers doubtless know. There are not many members in the church and their expenses are proportionately heavy, still they feel like they ought to keep the little band together—and they are striving to do this—hence the social. They want everybody who can possibly afford it and who feel that they want to spend an evening pleasantly at the home of our esteemed townsman to be present upon this occasion.

—Dr. J. W. Odgers has some very neatly appointed offices in the Adkins block. Call upon him when in need of the best dentistry.

—Little Miss Mary Calkins entertained her girl friends at a birthday party last Saturday afternoon. Many child's sports were indulged in, refreshments of ice cream and cake were served—and the little folks had fun in large quantities. It was Miss Mary's tenth birthday and those who helped her celebrate the event were Martha Lawrence, Edna Markley, Pearl Hembree, Althea Hembree, Ethel, Gladys, and Ray Curry, Fay Sears, Irma Noble, Jeannette Butler, Beth Stevens, Angie Purdin, Maudie Jones, Bessie Macaulay, Nellie Morey, Lorraine Bliton, Agnes Isaacs, Ruth Taylor, George Heard and Eva Huffer, of Jacksonville.

—Capital furnished to develop mines Send average samples by express, pre paid, and full particulars. Dr. Ray Gold Hill.

—Rails are here for the construction of a temporary track to the old depot—for the purpose of removing that structure. The depot will be raised high enough to permit of laying a track under it and to admit of flat cars running under. The building will then be lowered onto the cars and taken to Talent where it will be placed in position for a station house.

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

—The Medford-Jacksonville shortline is hauling a considerable amount of wood from Jacksonville to Medford, for Southern Pacific engines. The wood is being piled temporarily near the shortline depot, but as soon as the wood spur is completed it will be piled in the company's wood yard.

—Mrs. E. E. Gore, teacher of piano, organ, voice culture and singing. Residence, corner Ninth and C streets.

—The Sunset Telephone Company has extended its line into East Medford and has put a new phone into Dr. Jones' residence. Phones have also been placed in the Rialto cigar store, G. W. Isaacs' and Mrs. J. H. Whitman's residences.

—See the new baby carriages and go-carts at I. A. Webb's.

—The Medford high school attended the laying of the corner stone of the new school building in Ashland.

—The Sugar Pine Company's big steam road engine came in Wednesday with about 10,000 feet of lumber. This is the first trip of the train this spring. The roads were found in fairly good condition except a few hundred feet on stloky, near Mr. Gregory's place, where they were still soft. The hauling with the engine this season will be wholly from Big Butte, twenty-six miles from Medford. The company now has sixteen teams engaged in hauling lumber from the Gray mill to Big Butte, a distance of sixteen miles. Mr. A. A. Davis, a member of the company, has been given the superintendency of the hauling for the season and proposes to put forth every effort to make the enterprise a success—and he'll make the anticipated success if any one can. He is a gentleman of good business ideas and knows how to utilize them to advantage. He informs a MAIL reporter that the one and only difficulty to overcome is the condition of the roads. However, he hopes to remedy this and now has a gang of men at work lengthening some of the short turns and smoothing down the rough places.

—American beauties wear F. C. corsets—money refunded after four weeks' trial if not satisfactory. W. H. Meeker & Co.

—The Worthy Matron of Reames Chapter, O. E. S., requests the presence of all officers and so many members as can possibly attend, at the meeting for drill in the work on Tuesday evening, May 29th, at 8 o'clock sharp. As this will be the last meeting for practice, a full attendance is desired.

—New Ceylon tea in air-tight pound cans. Unquestionably the best tea in the market—at Warner & Wortman's.

—The corner stone of the new school building at Ashland was laid on Tuesday of this week by the Masonic fraternity, according to their beautiful and instructive ceremonies. Masons were present from Grants Pass, Jacksonville and Medford—twenty-five of the A. F. & A. M. boys being from Medford.

—Latest novelties in ladies' suspender belts just received at White, Harbaugh & Co's store, Medford.

—Emil DeRoboam, proprietor of the Union livery stables, is fitting out his livery stock in splendid shape. He is making many repairs on old rigs and adding several new ones, also putting in new driving horses. Mr. DeRoboam is a man of business—a fact which is noticeable everywhere about the stables.

—G. L. Davis has now on sale the largest stock of garden seeds ever brought to Southern Oregon.

—J. E. Kenworthy, a United Brethren minister, late of California, has purchased a two-acre tract of land from G. W. Isaacs and S. J. Day, in West Medford, and will soon occupy the same with his family. The deal was made through the Stewart & Chessmore agency.

—Agricultural implements and garden tools—U. L. Schermerhorn's second hand store, Medford.

—The foundations are being laid this week for the Hotel Nash annex and A. M. Helms' saloon building. The Nash annex will be 25x100 feet in size and one story high. The Helms building 25x60, one story high; both of brick. G. W. Priddy is doing the mason work.

—Wanted—Girl for general housework; wages, \$3.50 per week. Dr. Ray, Gold Hill, Oregon.

—The Medford high school has a band of sixteen pieces, an orchestra of fourteen pieces, a boys' octet and a girls' octet, and, combined, a jolly glee club. Hear them all commencement week, and be convinced that your schools are excelled by none in music.

—Hawaiian coffee, in one and two pound, air-tight tin cans—at Warner & Wortman's.

—A rush of business in the J. G. Taylor harness and saddlery emporium has made necessary the addition of more help, and J. H. Pierce, an experienced and all-round good leather worker, of Marysville, Calif., has been duly entailed.

—J. W. Odgers, dentist, in Adkins block. Work always first-class and guaranteed.

—Get your reserved seats for the beautiful and instructive cantata, "The Jolly Farmers," to be given by the Medford high school, June 7th. A full program with a description of the cantata will appear in the next issue of this paper.

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

—A game of base ball was played in Medford Sunday between Eagle Point and Medford nines, resulting in a victory for Medford, the score standing 19 to 18. These same teams will play in Medford on July 4th—for a purse of \$50.

—Candy ten cents per pound for the next thirty days at the Boss—Jacksonville.

—Dr. Pletcher, who, with his family, moved over from Ft. Klamath last week, has taken rooms in the McAndrews block, in this city. They are thinking quite seriously of soon taking a trip to their old home in Indiana.

—Mens new and nobby hats and neckwear at White, Harbaugh & Co. Medford.

—Myron Skeel and family have moved to Grants Pass, at which place Mr. Skeel has employment in a planing mill.

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Now, gentlemen, you must come to it—a Neglige Shirt brings comfort, ease and peace of mind and quickly dissipates that irritable feeling. Spend a few dollars here tomorrow and make life pleasant for the next three months. Doesn't take much money to rig you out—the way we are selling.

Neglige Golf Shirts—all grades, styles and prices. The finest assortment in Medford.



TAYLER, The Footfitter

Wishes to call the attention of the gentlemen of Southern Oregon to the lines of Fine Fitting Shoes constantly arriving direct from the factories. In the next two weeks we will receive some 40 different styles in tan or black, dress or walking shoes, constructed by the best shoe-making skill of the world.

—H. H. Mitchell and F. M. Denton have built a 24x30 foot frame blacksmith shop, adjoining the old Elliott shop, corner South A and Seventh street, and are doing blacksmithing therein.

—Butter, eggs and chickens—we want all you can bring us; cash or trade. H. H. Howard & Co.

—Miss Millie Tryer has been quite ill for several days—with appendicitis symptoms. No operation has as yet been performed, but the attending physician, Dr. Wait, is not sure but that one will be necessary.

—The first appearance of the Medford high school orchestra, Thursday, June 7th.

—Several Medford people attended the picnic at Phoenix last Friday. All report having had a splendid time and to have been royally entertained by Phoenix people.

—Call on Miss Medynski for the latest in summer millinery—back of new bank.

—Mrs. Fort Hubbard, who was quite seriously ill last week with pneumonia, is now almost entirely recovered. Dr. Pickel was the attending physician.

—For sale, two good driving horses; see Schermerhorn at second hand store.

—S. P. Conger, a mining man formerly of Medford, now living in the Illinois valley, passed through Medford this week en route for Colorado.

—Admission to the "Jolly Farmers," 25 and 35 cents. Tickets at Howard's.

—Mrs. Betsey Whiteman, widow of the late J. W. Whiteman, died near Woodville on May 14th, aged seventy years.

—Wanted, old stoves of all kinds at Schermerhorn's second hand store.

—M. S. Biden is pretty bad sick this week with inflammatory rheumatism. Dr. Stephenson is in attendance.

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

—Hubbard Bros. received a carload of McCormick harvesting machinery this week.

—W. H. Meeker & Co. wants to buy your mohair. Highest market price paid.

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4TH OF JULY

is coming, and you will need a new Suit of Clothes to go with that new Dress your best girl will wear; so be on time, and order a nice

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In WHITE GOODS

We have 500 yards of White Goods, very sheer and fine for summer costumes, in corded stripes, checks and block patterns, that are worth 15c to 20c per yard, which we are offering at 11c per yard.

We also have a few pieces of a cheaper quality—worth from 10c to 12½c per yard—that go at 7½c and 8½c, respectively.

These are Genuine Bargains,

and we respectfully ask your kind consideration and inspection of them.

J. G. VAN DYKE & CO.,

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