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THE COSS PIANO HOUSE...

CITY HAPPENINGS.

—This old town of Medford was full of horses and horsemen last Friday—and then there were a great many mules and mulemen here besides. All were here for the purpose of selling stock to the government for cavalry purposes for service in the U. S. army. The inspector was very critical in his examination of the stock and only a few head passed muster. He expected to have inspected Saturday but on Friday night he received telegraphic orders to quit buying and report at Portland. This knocked all the farmers' calculations southwest and crooked and they were compelled to return home with their stock. All animals a few months too old or in any respect deficient in the requirements of a standard cavalry horse were rejected.

—If you haven't bought fruit at the Rialto you have never bought the best that's sold in Medford. You can rest assured that a full and complete stock of oranges, lemons and other tropical fruits may always be found at this very popular resort. Water melons and musk melons all sizes and prices and put on ice to cool when purchaser desires it.

—The Sugar Pine Company is still doing business with their road engine and lumber train. The rain showers have been somewhat of a hindrance to quick work but the train does all the business possible between showers. The company now has a little more than 200,000 feet of lumber in the Medford yard and it is expected another 100,000 will be gotten down before wet weather sets in for keeps. The company is very well satisfied with the summer's work. Now that the working of the train has gotten squarely down to business and the roads have been improved there is little trouble experienced in making regular trips. The lumber will be allowed to season in the Medford yards before it will be shipped.

—Dr. Odgers will be in his dental office, in Adkins block, Medford, after September 1st.

—The board of directors of the Medford school district have decided to open school on Monday, September 10th. Miss Lizzie Ferguson has been elected to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Miss Jessie Wait, who left for the east a few weeks ago. Miss Ferguson will teach the third grade and THE MAIL is of the opinion she will prove herself an able instructor.

—Everybody, that is everybody who enjoys a real good smoke, buys their cigars at Billie Isaacs' Rialto cigar store.

—Very few farmers are selling their wheat, and in this they are undoubtedly using a goodly amount of wisdom. After a few weeks it will matter very little to those of this valley who have wheat to sell what the price in the east

is. The demand from the Willamette will establish a price here that will be considerably in advance of either San Francisco or Chicago quotations. A Douglas County mill man is authority for the statement that there are not 5000 bushels of milling wheat in the whole county. The same conditions exist in Lane County and in nearly all the wheat producing sections of central western and northern Oregon.

—Why not have some force in your make-up when you are tired, run down and no ambition. When your blood is out of better vitalize it with pure grain whiskey—only sold at distillery office at \$2.25, \$2.50 and up.

—Druggist Strang is the happiest man in Medford. Up to Friday of last week there were numbered in his household of little druggists four stalwart boys. Boys are all right and a good thing to have around, but there is such a thing as too much of a good thing. Mr. Strang had quite plenty of good boys—and he was pretty well satisfied with his allotment, but when on the date above named there came to his home a little girl baby, his joys knew no bounds and he has been playing horse with himself, flirting with his shadow and throwing bouquets at his pictures on the wall ever since.

—Sometimes you are tired, other times slow and without ambition—use m. d. & r. co. pure grain whiskey and vitalize your blood and you will have force. \$2.25, \$2.50 per gallon, and up, at distillery office.

—Speaking of potatoes and things in that line THE MAIL wants to say that Clem Parker has five acres of record breakers, out on S. L. Bennett's place, north of Medford. Clem put in five acres of early Sunrise potatoes last spring and within a few weeks he will be harvesting at least 1200 bushels of as fine a lot of life sustainers as ever grew. Mr. Bennett brought three of them to THE MAIL office this week and the combined weight was six and three-fourths pounds, one alone weighing two and one-half pounds—and they are not ripe yet by a couple or three weeks.

—The Rialto cigar stand sells more cigars than any several other establishments of like kind in the city. You get the best brands made there—from five to fifty cents—any and all tastes satisfied.

—A water melon and ice cream social will be given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Barnum, on North D street, on Saturday evening of this week. In addition to refreshments there will be a splendid musical program. The social is given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church. Refreshments will be served to all those in attendance at fifteen cents a plate.

—Found—Near depot in Medford, a door key.

—The Roseburg street fair will be one of the finest celebrations ever held in Oregon. The entire town is alive with

enthusiasm over the affair and all are putting forth their best efforts in introducing new and novel features. Our good friend Roach is one of the prime factors and being the originator of the project the townspeople are naturally crowning him with laurels and everlastingly rolling logs to make his pet scheme a success. The dates of the fair are Sept. 17th, 18th and 19th.

—No person has yet dared to dispute my claim that I keep the best candles in Medford—cream and chocolate that melt in your mouth—W. F. Isaacs, proprietor of the Rialto ice cream parlors.

—C. P. Hicks, a MAIL printer, has rented the Rhodes residence, on South H street, and tomorrow will commence housekeeping therein. Mr. Hicks came to Medford a few weeks ago from Redding, Calif., filled to the guards with malaria, but the cool, invigorating atmosphere of the Rogue river valley has quit him of all this malady and he's now taking on flesh like a stall fed steer.

—Joe Ousky, the scientific horse-shoer and all round mechanic, is again on deck at Merriman's blacksmith shop. All work done at this shop is warranted in every respect. Geo. F. Merriman, proprietor.

—Past Grand Master D. C. Herrin, of the A. O. U. W. of Oregon, has accepted a position to do field work in Ohio for the same order and is now on his way to that state. The place was tendered him by the extension board of the Supreme Lodge, A. O. U. W. Mr. Herrin will doubtless give a good account of himself in Ohio as he has done in this state.—Salem Statesman.

—A. Slover, the drayman, got him to do your hauling. Household goods and heavy articles carefully and safely handled. Teams always handy and teamsters courteous.

—The White, Harbaugh & Co. stock of merchandise, which was purchased by Merchant Rosenthal, was boxed and shipped to Gold Hill this week, where it will replenish his already large stock. Mr. Rosey must be carrying a pretty big stock of goods in that man's town—and must be selling a heap of them or he couldn't keep up his end and buy so extensively.

—The Kin-Hee coffee pot, sold by Warner & Wortman, is the boss of all articles in that line. Those who enjoy a cup of good coffee cannot well afford to miss looking into the good qualities of this new invention.

—Will Gore will soon commence work on his new barn, on the fish farm. The building will be 24x61 feet in size with a 16-foot shed the full length of two sides and one end. This, while itself a very large barn, is the smallest on the place. One other is 120 feet long, another 84 feet long, and to each are added numerous sheds.

—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.

—Married—At the M. E. Church parsonage in Medford, Sunday, Aug. 26, 1900, Mr. Lawrence Cardwell and Miss Bertha L. Pankey, both of Central Point, Rev. W. B. Moore, pastor of the M. E. Church, conducting the wedding service. The newly married couple took the morning train for Knob, Calif., where they will reside for the present.

—For Sale—Parcel of land, 300x310 feet in size, in Fairview addition to Medford. Good fruit land—good fence. Will take stock as part payment. E. W. Starr, Medford.

—F. Osenbrugge has been making many improvements about his place of business—the Studebaker wagon warehouse. A new shed has been built, the interior of the building has been lined, making it dust proof, city water has been added—and a multiple of other improvements of minor importance made.

—The Coss Piano House, Medford, wants about 20 cords of good wood. Someone in the wood business can get an organ or a piano trade easily now.

—Dr. Arnold, the dentist, was taken suddenly ill with fever and chills Tuesday evening and he had a pretty tough time all through the night. A physician was called and Wednesday morning he was much better but still in bed. He is not subject to such spells and can in no way account for the sudden and unannounced illness.

—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.

—Nothing new is developing in the water ditch matter, but Mr. Williams is still here and Engineer McCray is expected today. There seems little doubt but that the proposition will be put through—still there are more water contracts to be signed before the building of it is assured.

—Girl wanted for general housework, good wages. Apply at THE MAIL office.

—A. H. Chessmore has changed his publication, the World, from a weekly to a semi-monthly publication. There is seemingly a field in Southern Oregon for a journal for the poultry and fruit growers of this section, and since it has been changed to a semi-monthly there is a fairly good chance for its success.

—Flowers at Brooks' tin shop at reduced prices.

—For the past couple of weeks there has been a hot chase of creditors after the personal property of John and George Wolff and John Kerchmann, all living out south of Medford. These

men have been here but a little more than a year, but they succeeded in establishing an almost unlimited credit—or rather in burdening their personal property with chattel mortgages several deep. Between the three their personal property amounted to about \$800, and upon this they succeeded in borrowing about \$2000. George Wolff and Kerchmann re-mortgaged their property several times and in some instances gave a bill of sale on the same property and also sold outright part of the property. These two have left the country and their whereabouts are unknown. John Wolff did not re-mortgage any of his property, but it was all covered by a first mortgage and was sold this week, together with the property of Geo. Wolff and Kerchmann, at public sale to satisfy a mortgage of \$600 held by L. B. Warner. Other claims have come to light as follows: G. W. Isaacs, over \$200; Thos. Collins, \$375; Mrs. Gaines, \$300; Mr. Goodwin, of Ashland, \$250, and besides these there were other smaller amounts. Such wholesale robbery as this should not go unpunished and it is to be hoped that the parties may be located and a term behind the bars given them. Still there is little excuse for the parties to put up who were fleeced. The records are open to them and they should have known what they were doing when they loaned the money.

—I am desirous of doing dressmaking. Will go to your house and do work by day. Inquire at T. H. Moore's, Eleventh and J street. Miss Simmons.

—A very pleasant party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Warner on Tuesday evening of this week, the same being in honor of their son, William. About forty invited guests were present and a very pleasant evening was spent in games and music. Refreshments were served and everyone present had a delightful time.

—C. M. Wilson, formerly of Medford, who has for a number of years been freight brakeman on this division of the Southern Pacific, has been promoted to conductor and is now running extra freights between Grants Pass and Ashland.

—Calcium carbon for bicycle lamps for sale at Wolff's tin shop at eight cents per pound.

—T. H. B. Taylor, the Woodville poet, has THE MAIL's heartiest thanks for a box of very fine blackberries—such as only Thos. H. B. grows—everyone the pink of perfection and as sound as is Mr. Taylor's advocacy of the yellow metal.

—Crusade prize baking powder—none better—none cheaper—you get a prize with every can. Warner & Wortman.

—Capt. Gordon Voorhies commenced pear picking out at his Eden valley orchard on Monday of this week. He had 18 girls at work Tuesday packing the fruit and on Tuesday he commenced hauling and loading the fruit into cars for shipment.

—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.

—H. J. Twiss and Benj. Butler, the former from Baker City, and the latter from Spokane, Wash., have rented the West Side feed stable and have opened them for business. They expect to put in some rigs later and do a little livery business.

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

—Mrs. Wm. Davis' class in the Baptist Sunday school enjoyed a very pleasant drive to Mrs. Davis' farm home near Phoenix, on Tuesday. Refreshments were served and the little folks had more fun than anyone.

—See H. C. Mackey, for the next ten days, for stamp photos. 28 for 25 cents. In Hamlin building.

—News has but recently reached Medford of the marriage of Miss Kate Bellinger, daughter of M. Bellinger, of Griffin creek, and John T. Talent, formerly of Talent, this county. The wedding took place on Feb. 28, 1900.

—Have you seen those new style photos at Mackey & Weston's? They are fine.

—E. S. Wolfer is lighting his tin shop and upstairs sleeping apartments with an acetylene generator of his own manufacture. It gives a splendid light and is guaranteed to be cheaper than coal oil or electricity.

—Stamp photos that are right—Mackey & Weston make them, 24 for 25 cents.

—Dr. O. C. Fletcher, formerly of Medford, who, together with his family, has been spending the summer at Seaside and Portland, will leave next week for San Francisco, but whether or not they will remain there we did not learn.

—Boyden & Nicholson keep the Dewey washer in stock.

—All of these may fellows around town ought to have their lives insured, so that when they die their families may have the consolation of knowing that the insurance more than covers the loss.

—See the latest in piano chairs at the Coss Piano House.

—Workmen are now pushing the construction of the new McAndrews block, and it will soon be ready for occupancy. Mr. Davis, who is to occupy the building, will have the finest business place in Medford.

—G. A. Hoyer has THE MAIL's thanks for a basket of very fine Muir

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Before you buy your fall supply of Groceries and Crockery

We want you to get our prices

We carry the best and freshest stock of Groceries in Medford, while our line of Crockery is the only complete stock in the city. If you buy from us once you are ever after a steady customer. The quality of our goods makes customers and keeps them.

Medford, Oregon H. H. HOWARD & CO

A FINE LOT OF MENS' DRESS SHOES

Just arrived at

TAYLER'S the Footfitter

LIGHT SINGLE SOLES AND HEAVY DOUBLE SOLES CLOTH AND KID TOPS. Also a full stock of Prospectors', Miners' and Farmers' Heavy Shoes.

peaches. This fruit was a sample from Mr. Hoyer's Valley View orchard, which he purchased last fall from F. M. Stewart.

—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.

—Sherman Orton writes from Copley, Calif., saying that he has a good job with the Mountain Copper Company. Mrs. Orton, nee Carrie Boussum, is visiting for a few months in Salt Lake City.

—F. J. Ryan, from Hoskins, Neb., has purchased the Al. Helms' farm, up near Talent. There are fifty-four acres in the track and the price paid was \$1350. Possession is to be given at once.

—See J. R. Wilson for all kinds of Piano machinery.

—Frank Wilson has Jas. Brandenburg and Charlie Elmore at work this week remodeling his recent purchase—the Coulter building—on South C street, into a residence.

—Wanted—Christian woman for general house work. Apply at Tayler's shoe store, Medford.

—The glass front is being put in the Halley block and masons are putting on the plastering. The building is expected to be ready for occupancy by the middle of September.

—The brick front on the D. T. Lawton block is being put on this week—and much is added to the beauty of the structure.

—Victor Holt, a former Jackson County boy, left Eugene last Saturday for Ft. Wrangel, Alaska, where he has a position as teacher in a government Indian training school.

—Frank Wait shipped a carload of cut building stone to Grants Pass this week, the same to be used in a new

brick structure which is being put up in that city.

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

—W. J. Beardsley, of Phoenix, passed through Medford yesterday morning with a load of women and girls bound for the hop fields of Josephine County.

—County Treasurer Muller has a notice elsewhere in THE MAIL calling in all county warrants protested from October 9, 1896, to November 30, 1896.

—Several sidewalks and crosswalks in Medford are in a very bad condition—and ought to be repaired—before the city has more accidents to pay for.

—D. R. Andrus is talking light subjects to our merchants. He has a burner that's all right, both as a light and power producer.

—The Medford base ball team has decided that they will not play another game with the Grants Pass team, this season at least.

—Mrs. S. M. Whitman and Mrs. Frank Stevenson returned Sunday from an outing over at Bybee springs.

—Wm. T. Leever, of Central Point, has been granted an increase of pension. From now on he will get \$12 per month.

—The mining laws of Oregon for sale at this office.

Change in Time—Barr's Excursion.

So many persons have expressed a desire to go through the Willamette valley in the day time, that we have changed the time of leaving from evening to the morning train, which passes Medford at 3:15 a. m. Wednesday, Sept. 5th. The fare is \$8.50 round trip, giving you six full days in Portland. Apply to H. L. Gilkey at the Jackson County Bank for tickets and information. Get your tickets by Sept. 3d.

Going at a Bargain

A few two-piece suits for little boys, 7 to 10 years of age, good for school suits and going at from 60c to \$2 per suit.

A lot of odds and ends of mens' shirts will be sold at cost to clean up stock. These are all great bargains.

If you need anything in these lines come to

The Racket

and inspect these Jobs.

G. L. WEBB

School Bargains Sept. 10

Free! Free!

We will give away free with Books, Tablets, Pencils—School Supplies—bought from us a \$10

KORONA FOLDING CAMERA

Watch for hand-bills

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SELZ WORK SHOES

BUILT ON HONOR—WEAR LIKE IRON

The man on the farm must have shoes that will wear. You never wore a Selz Shoe that did not give you entire satisfaction. It's because honesty in quality and workmanship go hand in hand in the make up.

LOOK FOR THE SIGN OF SELZ—IT MARKS THE POPULAR DEALER.

Selz shoes for Men, Women and Children are Satisfactory Shoes—price—quality—comfort—style. SELZ, SCHWAB & CO., CHICAGO. LARGEST MANUFACTURERS OF BOOTS AND SHOES IN THE WORLD.



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