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THE COSS PIANO HOUSE...

CITY HAPPENINGS.

—W. J. Freeman, representing the E. A. O. Kelley Fruit Association of London, Hamburg and Paris, was in the valley last week and in company with Joe Olwell, made a drive to the various orchards herabouts. Mr. Freeman has traveled extensively over the United States and Canada in the interest of his association, and also in Nova Scotia, from which latter place he but recently came. He tells that in that country there are over 200 miles of solid apple orchards and that the crop is very heavy this year. He says the crop all over the country is equal to that of 1904, which was the greatest crop of record. However, he admitted that the superior methods we have of packing fruit would insure us a good price regardless of the immense crop. In all eastern states, and in fact in all countries, save the Pacific coast, apples are packed in barrels and not nearly so much attention is given to the careful selection of only sound and even sized fruit, while the matter of wrapping each apple with paper is not thought of any other place than here. Pacific coast apples are always quoted as "fancy fruit" and, as such it is, it is consumed by a class of people who care not so much for quantity as they do for quality—and the price cuts no figure at all—hence it can be easily explained why the Pacific coast apple rarely ever goes begging for a market.

—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.

—Last week these columns told of Clem Parker having five acres of early Sunrise potatoes that would produce 1200 bushels, three samples of which weighed six and three-fourths pounds. That was a pretty big potato story, but it was a true one. However big and true that story was, we have a bigger one this week—and just as true. W. F. McKinney, who is farming Dr. B. F. Adkins' place, south of Medford, has six acres of this same kind of potatoes now ripening. Three samples of them weighed ten pounds—one potato alone weighing over four pounds. Mr. McKinney figures he will have at least 60,000 pounds of marketable potatoes, and as he is now offered seventy-five cents per hundred for them he can see, with the prospects of a dollar a hundred in sight, a neat little harvest of all kinds of money.

—Best brands of cigars at Billie Isaacs' smoke house.

—The ninth annual Soldiers' and Sailors' Reunion, at Ashland, convenes

on Monday next and continues all the week. Entertainment for everybody in the Chautauqua building each afternoon and evening. Tents, fuel and coffee free for all comrades. The program for the entire time is not yet arranged in shape for publication, but all may rest assured they will be well entertained. Friday, the 14th, has been set as Medford's day and the G. A. R. Post and Corps here wish assistance from our people on this occasion. Those willing to take part will apply to Comrades Pierce, Damon or Stewart. Everybody turn out and enjoy a week's camping with the boys. Veterans of the Spanish war are entitled to membership and many of them have promised to be present.

—The big show is coming Sept. 10th. See your leading photographer for superior photos on that day. My work is fine and prices are reasonable. Nine hundred samples, from a stamp up to a life size. H. C. Mackey, the leading photographer.

—Olwell Bros. shipped 100 boxes of Nonesuch apples to Nome last week. The freight on this fruit from Central Point to its destination is \$1.40 per box. This particular variety of fruit is an especially fine keeper and is therefore very suitable for shipment to that point, in fact, it is about the only apple that is now mature that would stand shipment to any distant mart. In speaking of the apple market Mr. Joe Olwell expressed an opinion that the best markets the Pacific coast could find this year would be Alaska, the Orient, the Philippines and Hawaii, and the varieties best adapted for these long distance shipments and best suited to the markets were the Spitzenburg and Newtown pippin. The Olwell Bros. will harvest from fifty to sixty carloads of apples from their orchard this season.

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

—Arthur Earhart's team ran away Saturday. They started in an alley back of THE MAIL office and ran south to Eighth street, where they turned and came near making a bad mix-up with several teams that were hitched there—but they didn't get mixed, notwithstanding that they ran through an opening between two carriages that would hardly permit them to go if cautiously driven. Ole Michelson was sitting in one of the carriages and he tells that when he saw the team coming he threw his hat and whistled, and that when the perfume of that whistle reached the team they stopped dead still and did not move a muscle until the spell of the aroma of the whistle was broken.

—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.

—A man in Spokane who has been taken in charge by the authorities imagines that he has a phonograph somewhere inside of him that persists in talking, notwithstanding his efforts to keep it quiet. He became so worried with his futile endeavor that his distress of mind drew the attention of the police. The great trouble with the phonograph is that it talks on its own hook, so that the poor man can't hear himself think. The most remarkable thing in connection with this phonograph business is that the fellow found out he had one. Lots of fellows have phonographs inside of them with Waterbury attachments, but their discovery is almost always made by the fellows who have to listen to them grind.

—The Kin-Hen 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.

—Thos. Smith, who came to Medford from Kansas a couple of years ago and who has been farming the Childers place, near Tolo, for the past year, has purchased the Leonard place, near Jacksonville, and will move his family thereto during the fall. The place is situated just east from Jacksonville and contains nineteen acres of as good land as can be found in the county. The price paid was \$1400. Mr. Smith is a very fine old gentleman and THE MAIL is glad he has purchased this very desirable piece of property upon which to spend the declining years of his life—in a climate that's the best under the sun. This sale was made through W. T. York's real estate agency.

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

—Book-keeper Maxey, at the Jackson County bank, was called to Grants Pass Monday evening by a telegram announcing the sudden death of Ed. Dana, husband of Mr. Maxey's niece, at Leland. Mr. Dana was quite an extensive mine owner in Josephine County and at the time of his death was at his mine near Leland. He was either operating or standing near a hoisting machine when a part of the machinery known to miners as "whim" struck him on the breast, directly over the heart, causing instant death. He was a young man, being only 25 years of age, and quite well-to-do. His remains were taken to his home in Illinois for interment.

—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.

—"Eugene has plenty of residents with two sound limbs who could not stick on a bicycle if their life depended on it, but we have a resident who is minus one leg and the other is off above the knee, yet he rides a bike around town like an expert."—Eugene Register. That's nothing worth talking about. THE MAIL knows a man in North Dakota who has both legs cut off, who rides a bicycle, also rides on horse back, and is always the wildest and most reckless rider in the crowd when the customary fox chase is on in the fall of the year. His artificial feet are strapped to the stirrups and with a whoop and a hurrah he is off for a thirty mile chase.

—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.

—L. A. Rose, one of the directors of the Phoenix school, informs us that the board has secured the service of Miss Pearl L. Applegate, of Salem, a granddaughter of Lindley Applegate, as assistant teacher in their schools. Prof. A. J. Hanby, who taught the school last year and who gave such general satisfaction, has been secured again for next year. School will open on September 17th. Last year the board had the school building painted outside and this year it has been similarly treated on the interior, giving the entire structure a very neat appearance.

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

—L. T. Pierce is busy these days, preparing for the Medford Day exercises at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Reunion at Ashland. His especial mission is that of securing little boys and girls for a cake walk. Miss Lillian Rhinohart is drilling the little folks. Mr. Pierce has experienced some little trouble in securing girls to take the parts because of the fact that he is a stranger to many of our people. THE MAIL can assure parents that their children will be in good hands. Mr. Pierce is an honorable man and the little ones will be carefully looked after.

—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.

—F. M. Stewart, the real estate dealer, has invested in another chunk of Medford realty this week, he having purchased four residence lots from Edw. Russ. The property is located on North C street, corner of Second,

Mr. Stewart has also purchased the Courtney dwelling house, in front of the Galloway residence, on Sixth street, from Messrs. W. I. Vawter and A. A. Davis, and will move the same to his recent purchase and fit it up comfortable and offer it for rent—and there is little doubt of its being long so offered, as dwelling houses are a scarce article.

—"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.

—Advertising car No. 3 of the Ringling Bros. circus was in Medford Monday doing billing. These people certainly do enough advertising and if their circus is in the same proportion it is surely a whale of an affair. First came the man who looked after newspaper advertising and made contracts for breadstuffs and provisions generally for man and beast. Then came advertising car No. 1: this followed by cars Nos. 2 and 3, and Saturday will come the inspector's car, the business of which is to see that the advertising has been done properly and that everything is in readiness for the show—then comes the elephants and the circus.

—Joe Casky, 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.

—One of our subscribers tells us that many farmers in the valley are laboring under the impression that the government buyer of horses and mules will buy animals only through contractors or agents. This, he says, is a great, big mistake. Anyone who has horses or mules that will meet the government requirements can sell direct and get a good price for their stock. The gentleman tells us that the reason better horses were not brought in was that farmers supposed their stock had to go through the hands of a middle man, or agent, and that they did not want to allow these agents a profit.

—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.

—Messrs. C. B. Williams and Vic McCray left Tuesday morning for the Little Butte creek country, whither they went to ascertain the exact amount of water now running in Little Butte creek and to lay plans for commencement of work on the Medford water ditch. This being our very driest season is why the estimate of water available is now made. If a sufficient amount is not found to be in the creek a reservoir will be built at Fish Lake. Everything right now looks very favorable for the commencement of work on the ditch at a date not far distant.

—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.

—At a meeting of the city council held Tuesday night C. B. Rostel was granted a beer license for six months. His sureties are John Arnold and B. P. Theiss. In the matter of street gutters on Seventh street it was decided that the interested property owners should be asked to meet in conference and decide upon a style of gutter which, in their opinion, would be most serviceable and most desirable, and when the council shall have been advised of their preference an order will be made commanding that such a gutter be put in.

—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.

—The city council's attention is called to the necessity for more hitching racks, which is almost daily manifest. It is quite true that a difficult problem confronts the council in finding sufficient and suitable locations for these hitching racks, but there surely is no excuse for not keeping those now located in repair. On Eighth street, between C and D, there is nothing but posts to tie to and only a few of them, where there is supposed to be posts and racks across the entire block.

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

—Painter D. L. Day, of Medford, finished a fine job of painting in Jacksonville last week, the same being the interior and exterior of Geo. E. Neubor's residence. Some of the rooms were grained in ash, others in oak, while still others were painted in white with gold trimmings. The walls were also beautifully papered.

—Everybody who enjoys a right good smoke buy their cigars at Billie Isaacs' smoke house.

—J. S. March, living near the Bear creek bridge, in Central Point, is, as well as several others, in slang parlance, a "cracker-jack" at growing potatoes. He brought in seven of the Early Sunrise variety Monday that weighed 134 pounds.

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

—It's a little late to mention the fact, but J. W. Wiley has just told us that he is papa to a new girl baby, which was born to Mrs. Wiley on July 18th, at Bridgeport, Calif., where she was visiting. This is their thirteenth child, eight of whom are living.

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—Dr. J. B. Wait has Contractors C. H. Elmore and Jas. Brandenburg at work on a new dwelling house which he is having built on a lot just north of his home place, on South G street. The building will be 16x24 feet in size with a 16x16 foot annex, or ell, and all two stories high. It will be lathed and plastered throughout, and built in a good, substantial manner, and will be for rent. A new barn has already been built and a new fence will be put up around the property.

—Cigars, from a nickel to four bits—a one-best cigars made for the money—at Billie Isaacs' smoke house.

—L. A. Murphy returned about ten days ago from the Shovel creek hot springs. He was there eight weeks taking treatment for rheumatism but did not improve to any great extent. It is indeed strange that the hot mud baths which have given relief and permanent cure to so many should not benefit him. His many friends hereabouts are hoping that he may find relief from some source.

—In matters of final proof THE MAIL will make out all papers necessary for the commencement of proof free of charge.

—G. W. Wild, who came here a few weeks ago from The Dalles, Ore., has rented the Dr. West farm, near Phoenix, and is moving thereto this week. He also purchased farm implements from Wm. Davis, a former rector of the land. Mr. Davis and family have moved to Medford and will reside with his father, corner South B and Ninth streets. Mr. Wild is considerable of a hustler and can hardly fail of success in his farming venture in Southern Oregon.

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

—Wm. McIntire, who lives a few miles south of Ashland, was in Medford Friday with a load of very fine peaches which he disposed of to H. H. Howard & Co. Mr. McIntire will have about 1200 boxes of this fruit, and as his orchard is one of the few favored ones this season he will make a neat little clean up in golden shekels from the sales of his fruit—all of which brings a good price.

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

—John Gaine, salesman in Hutchison & Lumsden's store, was taken ill Friday night with hemorrhage of the lungs, since which time he has been quite ill. Dr. Stephenson is in attendance. The young man's many Medford friends will be glad to learn of news of his recovery. Johnnie is one of the best boys in all Medford.

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

—Sam McClendon, living near Central Point, had Surveyor Jones at work last week surveying his 330 acre farm into four sub-divisions. Mr. McClendon

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

—J. F. White, agent for the Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine, has moved his stock of machines to the Wiley second hand store, on the West Side, and has established his agency at that place—and will continue to sell the best machine ever made.

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

—At the school meeting held Monday evening the resignation of Miss Maymie Foster, as teacher in the sixth grade of our public schools, was accepted and Miss Elsie Wiley was elected to fill the vacancy. Ed. Miller was engaged as janitor for the coming school year.

—Flowers at Brooks' tin shop at reduced prices.

—THE MAIL hears a rumor going the rounds to the effect that Miss Mabel Beaver, daughter of C. A. Beaver, living west of Medford, is to be married next Wednesday to a Mr. McKinney, of Leadville, Colorado. The wedding will take place at the residence of the bride's parents.

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

—A letter from Mr. Nicholson's people at Ft. Klamath, states that they will not return to Medford this fall or winter. Mrs. Nicholson has almost entirely recovered her health and will continue to improve—and is able to go hunting—and slay deer.

—Boyden & Nicholson keep the Dewey washer in stock.

—Mrs. C. H. Paine, who has been ill for several weeks with typhoid fever, we are pleased to state, is improving; a change for the better having taken place Tuesday night. Her friends and those of the family will be pleased to learn this glad news.

—Yucca. Yucca. What is Yucca? Ask H. H. Howard & Co.

—Lee Jacobs, salesman at H. H. Howard & Co.'s store, expects to soon move his family to Medford from Jacksonville, and take up his permanent residence here.

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