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## CITY HAPPENINGS.

F. V. Modynski returned last Friday from his summer's stay in Alaska. He was chief engineer on one of the large river boats which ply between St. Michaels and Dawson. The season, he says, was an unusually short one because of the fact that the ice in St. Michaels bay did not break until July 31, at which time there were twenty-one boats from up river waiting to get into the bay, and another reason was that because boats which were to bring freight for Dawson were tied up in the strike at San Francisco, thus cutting all the river boats down one round trip. He only made a trip and a half this season whereas heretofore two and a half trips have been made. He left Dawson with his boat, which wintered up the river, on June 10th with 208 passengers, mostly gamblers who had been run out of Dawson, and eleven tons of gold, which latter was mostly consigned to Canadian banks. Only about one-third as many boats ran this year as usual but they did as much business as before because of a pool which had been made. His boat took up the river the largest cargo ever carried, 931 tons dead weight, or 1600 tons measurement. On this trip his boat's engines consumed 180 tons of coal, at a cost of \$18 per ton, and 671 cords of wood, at \$4 per cord. He saw Ed. Hanley at Dawson and took fifty head of fat cattle down the river for him to Tanna, where he has a supply shop for the government post, and of which George Love is in charge. Fresh beef is worth seventy-five cents per pound straight. The White Pass & Yukon railroad, Mr. Modynski says, is the grandest piece of engineering he ever saw, and is built through the finest scenery anywhere to be found. It is a narrow gauge affair and for miles and miles the road bed was blasted out alongside of mountains of solid granite. In nine miles the road makes a raise of 1500 feet. The engines used are very heavy and the drive wheels very small. Only two cars are hauled in a train and the fare for a ride of 108 miles is \$25. The speed does not average more than three or four miles an hour, and in some places, he says, you would wish they were going slower than that.

—Lost—During M. E. Church, South conference week, between Mr. Ferguson's home, in East Medford, and Mrs. A. R. Phipps' place, a gold chain bracelet, heart fastening. Finder please leave at MAIL office.

—The Methodist Episcopal conference which has been in session at Hillsboro since early last week, closed its

session Monday evening, September 30th. The appointments for this district are: Presiding elder, D. L. Sumner; Ashland, J. T. Abbott; Bonanza, E. R. Keesterson; Canyonville, L. C. Zimmerman; Central Point, E. B. Lockhart; Deer Creek, to be supplied; Fort Bidwell, W. P. Pepper; Fort Klamath, W. B. Clame; Glendale, W. M. Jordan; Grants Pass, J. W. McDougal; Jacksonville, M. McGregor; Klamath Falls, N. J. Harber; Klamath Indian mission, A. M. Brisbois; Lakeview, D. L. Shroder; Medford, W. B. Moore; Okland, T. J. Ferguson; Paisley, J. B. Stark; Roseburg, A. S. Mulligan; Ten-mile, C. B. Rees; Wilbur, C. M. Rees; Wilderville, W. F. Rogers; T. B. Ford is presiding elder of the Eugene district; H. N. Rounds goes to Dallas; J. C. Gregory, formerly at Central Point, goes to Wendling; Edward Gittins goes to Springfield.

—I have moved my stock of harness and saddlery from the Woolf building to my new store, near the Union livery stables, where I will be pleased to do business with former patrons—and new ones as well. I guarantee every article I put out to be as recommended or money refunded. J. G. Taylor.

—There is another industry in Jackson County which has hitherto been given but little attention. It is that of growing onions. For the past few years the industry has been gradually creeping into prominence and today, in one particular locality at least, it is one of the most prominent sources of revenue. The lands near Eagle Point and up Butte creek seem especially adapted to the growth of this fragrant vegetable and the farmers are quite alive to the conditions which surround them and are making money. The advantage of this product over many others is that so little land is required. A. L. Haselton, of Eagle Point, will harvest this fall from 1 1/2 acres of ground not less than 100,000 pounds of prime onions. These Mr. Haselton has sold for \$1.15 per hundred pounds. The market price, however, ranges from one to one and a quarter cents per pound. There are many other extensive growers in that locality, among whom may be mentioned Irving Daley, whose crop this season is estimated at 100,000 pounds; Royal Brown, with 12,000 pounds; Eli Dabaack, 10,000; Frank Lewis, 15,000; Jos. Moomaw, 8000; John Daley, 9000, and besides these there are several up Butte creek who will harvest from 3000 to 20,000 pounds. Then there is John Nelson, in Sams Valley, who has 8000 pounds. These probably are many others whose names we are unable to learn. The onion industry is a close second to that of Newtown and Spitzenburg apples. It has

features that the orchard does not possess, being greater returns for the land cultivated, and in that these returns are much sooner realized.

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

—While it is quite true that Jackson County did not get away with any of the prizes at the state fair on county exhibits in bunch lots, it is just as well true that we scored a ten pin stroke on Jersey stock, Mr. E. E. Gore having taken first money on his celebrated Jersey bull. The reason attributed for our not doing business with the rest of the counties on agricultural and horticultural products was that our representatives did not have time to properly arrange their exhibits. However, our unburnished exhibit, our crude, unfilled product of nature unadorned brought out no end of comment, and the good the exhibit did our county as an advertising feature more than compensated for expense and trouble.

—Dr. I. D. Phipps has opened dental parlors in the Adkins building, over Boyden's hardware store. Dr. Phipps is a graduate of Chicago College of Dental Surgery, Lake Forest University. He has had over six years of experience. His appliances are of the latest and his work is up-to-date and as near painless as science makes it.

—Some means ought to be adopted, either by the city or the railroad company, to do away with the necessity of incoming passengers from the south-bound trains being obliged to step off the cars into the mud of the street crossing near the depot. The train stops, almost invariably, at a point where passengers alighting from the car or in getting aboard are compelled to wade in mud for about two rods. This could be obviated by putting down a plank crossing between the main line and the east side track, or the train could be pulled a car length further south before the stop is made. This mud is not only decidedly unpleasant to walk in but it tends not to the good of our town in the minds of strangers who visit us.

—Get a suit of good clothes at half price. The Rosenthal stock is being closed out. The stock is a good one and the prices are cut squarely in two in the middle.

—Merchant W. T. Kame has purchased the Rufus Cox place, one and a half miles north of Central Point, and will take possession next week. There are eighty-eight acres in the farm and eighty acres of it are now sown to alfalfa. It is first-class alfalfa land and Mr. Kame cannot well help making money off of it. The price paid was \$5000. The purchase includes several head of horses and cows, and farming implements. Mr. Kame and his most estimable family will be greatly missed from Medford but none there are here who will not wish them abundance of success—and an alfalfa crop every once in a while—or as often as his fertile acres can produce.

—The Rosenthal stock of clothing, gents furnishing goods, hats and shoes is being closed out at fifty cents on the dollar. Get good bargains for little money—get 'em now while this opportunity is yours.

—Charlie Terrill, the Brownsboro orchardist and farmer, while in Medford this week sold his crop of apples, Newtowns and Spitzenburgs, to W. C. Michael, a representative of Porter Bros. Mr. Terrill will have about three carloads and the fruit is said to be an excellent quality. He will make a nice little clean-up on his fruit this year and he is entitled to a good bit of credit for having had the nerve and enterprise to go into the business even though his place is some distance from the railroad. There is lots of good orchard land up Brownsboro way and it could not be more profitably employed than in growing apples.

—All the counters and show cases of the Rosenthal estate in Medford for sale cheap.

—Dr. Pickel:—"Say, don't you dislike a fool trick when you do it yourself? I was going to Portland Wednesday morning on the carnival excursion and had risen early, 4 o'clock, and had eaten my breakfast, after which I fooled around home for half an hour, not thinking for a minute that the train would be on time, but when I finally decided to go I discovered, while yet on my threshold, the train pulling out of the station. No, I'll not try my dog on China pheasants this season. I wish I could hire some one to kick me around about seven blocks. Thompson's colt, did you say? No, I never swam a river to get a drink, but I missed that train—plague take the luck."

—Five room house to rent; centrally located; good neighbors. Inquire at this office.

—Rogue river valley of late has been attracting a very desirable class of immigration. No great rush is visible, but every now and then someone with the necessary "almolons" drops in and in nearly every instance finds a piece of property or a business location to suit his taste and a transfer of interests is the result. The amount of outside capital invested in this section of late has been upward of considerable and the end is by no means yet.

—The Russ mill is now rolling feed. Bring your grists Fridays or Saturdays.

—F. M. Wilson, proprietor of the Model restaurant, commenced work this week on a new residence which he will build on his property on South C street. The main building will be 18x20 feet in

size with a 16x18 foot oil, all one story high. The buildings now on the place will be torn down and the material used in the new residence and in constructing outbuildings. It will be a neat little cottage—convenience being the prominent feature, and being handy to his business there's no good reason why Frank should not have grounds to congratulate himself because of his good fortune in possessing the property.

—The Woodburn nursery stock is positively the best on the market. This nursery has been doing business for a great many years. Its stock planted the pioneer orchards of Oregon and stock from this same nursery is planting the orchards today. The orchardists of Oregon all endorse the Woodburn nursery. L. E. Hoover, of Medford, is the agent for Southern Oregon and Northern California. Orders given him are never changed or raised—you get just what you order—no kind "just as good" is substituted, and no orders are increased after first made.

—A pretty wedding took place in Phoenix at the home of D. O'Toole on Thursday, Sept. 26th, when Miss Catherine O'Toole and Mr. Geo. W. Woody were united in marriage in the presence of a large circle of relatives and a few friends. At 2 o'clock Julia, the bride's little sister, commenced the wedding march and the groom and best man, Mr. Milton Anderson, marched in followed a little later by the maid of honor, Miss Frances O'Toole, immediately after the bride leaning on her father's arm, all forming a semi-circle under an arch of pink and green, the bride and groom standing under a cross of white carnations, where Rev. Father George Doyle performed the ceremony. After the ceremony all marched to the dining room, where everyone partook of a bounteous repast. The bride was handsomely dressed in cream laces and trimmed in lace and satin. She wore a veil and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. The maid of honor was dressed in pale blue organdie and carried a single rose. They were serenaded in the evening by a number of friends.

—Saturday evening, while descending the stairs at his residence on North D street, Rev. Reese P. Kendall slipped and fell down the stairs, sustaining a severe fracture of the right femur, or thigh bone. The fracture occurred in the neck of the bone, being practically one of the hip, known professionally as an "intra capsular fracture." The limb was set by Dr. Pickel on Sunday morning and the patient is doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances, as Mr. K. is over seventy-two years of age. His many friends in the community are hopeful of his speedy recovery.

—Pipes, Pipes—All kinds of pipes. Big pipes, little pipes, half grown pipes, dwarf pipes and giant pipes. Cheap pipes, costly pipes and pipes that are moderate in price. Get a pipe at Billy Isaacs' smoke house.

—Many farmers have already commenced preparing for the next season's crop, the late rains having wet the soil sufficiently to admit of plowing in most parts of the valley. Some grain is being sown on summer fallow land. Southern Oregon was never in a more prosperous condition than this year. With bountiful crops of all kinds save wheat, and good prices, the average tiller of the soil can be easily distinguished by the broad grin which constantly illumines his features.

—Purdin's blacksmith shop—rear of Medford bank. All work guaranteed.

—John Hart, aged 22 years, a son of Mrs. J. C. Mitchell, of Ashland, met with an accident Saturday morning which resulted in his death Sunday morning. He was driving cattle from Montague to Gazelle when his horse slipped and fell, the young man going underneath the animal. He was taken to Julia's place, where assistance was given, but death resulted the following morning. He was a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Mitchell, of Medford, and these people left here Sunday night to attend the funeral.

—Wells & Shearer have the best equipped outfit for draying and household moving in Medford. See them when need the services of a good draying outfit.

—A Southern Pacific wood train loaded several hundred cords of wood at Medford this week, the same having been sold to the company by Messrs. Max Muller and Chris. Ulrich, of Jacksonville. The workmen were nearly all "Japs," and the way they handled that wood was an object lesson in deliberate movement. Six men were assigned to each car, and, as a bystander remarked, ten Irishmen could have done as much work as the whole twenty-four Japs in the gang.

—You get a fine piece of graniteware with each can of baking powder purchased of Chessmore & Myers.

—The Palm-Whitman Co., cigar manufacturers, have resumed work in their factory after a few weeks lay-off. They have nearly their full force of help at work and are turning out cigars at the usual rate. One of their traveling salesmen, R. U. McClennahan, has been ill for several weeks and is still unable to go on the road, but he is improving and will probably be able to resume his work in a few weeks. His route will be covered by another salesman until he recovers.

—A teacher in one of the Medford schools, one day this week, was trying to explain to a class of juveniles the difference between the words "set" and "sit." "You can set a hen on a nest,

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and then what would she do?" the teacher asked. "She'd jump off and run," triumphantly shouted a small boy near the foot of the class. The correctness of this solution is obvious to anyone who has had experience with the average female of the genus gallinae.

—If you are looking for shoes, call at Gurnea's.

—R. H. Halley:—"Tell me what it means, will you? While I was over in the Evans creek country I found some freshly driven surveyors' stakes. The line of stakes extends up Evans creek and as far as the summit of the Umpqua divide. How much further they extended I do not know. People living up there told me the surveyors had been there for several weeks and had but just left. From where I was I could see over into Cow creek canyon, but, of course, could not see any stakes. Railroad, did you say? I don't know anything about it more than what the people up there told me, and that was that the surveyors were in the employ of a railroad company and that they were running the line into the Cow creek country."

—John Fletcher, who, in company with Mr. Reed, of this city, purchased the Jackson-Baker gold mine, on Shelley creek, a few weeks ago, for which they paid \$15,000, was in Medford this week, having come here direct from the mine. He reports that 50,000 tons of ore are now in sight at the mine. It is a smelter proposition, he says, and further that it is the intention to put one in. The rock goes from \$15 to \$50 to the ton.

—W. H. McGowan is figuring on putting up a residence this fall on his property in Southwest Medford. He owns a little over two acres of land opposite Orin Davis' home and it is upon part of this he will build. He has not determined as yet as to style or size—but it's going to be a good one whatever may be the design. The location is a first-class one and an opportunity is offered there to make a beautiful home—and one that'll be worth big money.

—Robert Lawton, who has been ill for several days past with malarial fever, is somewhat improved. Dr. Stephenson is the attending physician. Robert and Electrician Gurnea were up at Crater lake a couple of weeks ago and were caught out in a heavy rain storm, and Robert caught a severe cold, necessitating their return home sooner than they expected.

—Men's shoes at Gurnea's.

—J. A. Pruitt, living east of Medford, has caught the horticulture infection and is going to plant forty acres of his farm to Yellow Newtown and Spitzenburg apples. He has already ordered his trees for the planting from L. E. Hoover. His is good orchard land and in six or seven years' time he'll be boxing apples with the rest of the boys—and from that time on an annual revenue is almost assured.

—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.

—J. D. Whitman, the orchardist, is having a residence built on his property, just south of the Mrs. Stevenson barn and near the Southern Pacific track. The main building will be 14x32 feet in size with an all 14x16 feet in size, and all one story. His present residence will be occupied by his son, J. A. Whitman.

—When you want draying done get Slover to do it. He's always ready—always reliable and his charges are always just right.

—A. M. Woodford has purchased the W. T. Kame stock of boots and shoes, notions and hats and has taken possession of the same. He will close out his feed store and will give his entire attention to his new business. Mr. Woodford has a great many friends in Medford who will be glad of an opportunity to give him patronage.

—Acetylene gas head lights—for mining after night—at Wolfer's tinshop.

—The Presbytery of Southern Oregon meets at Yoncolla on Monday and Tuesday, October 7th and 8th. Rev. Adolph Haberly and Elder W. H. Gore will represent the Medford Presbyterian Church. These representatives will go from Yoncolla to Baker City, where the Synod of Oregon meets on Thursday and holds through the rest of the week.

—We want all the eggs we can get; cash or trade. H. H. Howard & Co.

—Joe Powell was arrested at Ashland Monday by Deputy Game Warden Kropke, charged with shooting quails out of season. He was caught on the True ranch Sunday and was taken to Ashland. He had with him fourteen birds which he had shot.

—Did you know it? When you want a fine photo call on Geo. W. Mackey—he can make 'em O. K.

—A special meeting of the lodge of Fraternal Brotherhood will be held in K. of P. hall on Saturday evening of this week, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. E. R. Neidig, of Los Angeles, and vice presi-

dent of the order, will address the meeting. All members are urgently requested to be present.

—D. T. Lawton, Medford Manager of the Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., reports that he has received so far this season six full carloads of wagons and hacks, besides this quite a number of the same class of goods have been received by local freight.

—D. Brooks:—"I am just finishing another 400 order of Clark's window washers. These I am sending to Idaho. I have several other orders which go to points further east. Good business? Well, yes. It keeps the old chap busy—and then there's money in it."

—Advices from Mrs. B. N. Butler, who is in a hospital at San Francisco, and that she is recovering as fast as could be expected from the operation, and that there seems nothing in the way of speedy recovery.

—The Medford livery stables have consolidated and are now run under one management. The brick stables are closed and are only used for storage rooms, all business being done at the Union barns.

—J. G. Taylor has moved his stock of harness and saddlery to his new brick building, on East Seventh street, near the Union livery stables. He has a large and convenient room and is fast filling it with new material.

—L. T. Pierce has taken the agency for Oregon for the Perry Nursery Company, of Rochester, N. Y. He will commence his work at Grants Pass and cover all of Southern Oregon, when he will go to the Willamette valley.

—The White-Thomas building in West Medford is being rapidly pushed to completion. It is expected that the rooms destined for the use of the Medford Academy will be ready for occupancy in about two weeks.

—C. T. Nicholson has purchased the Mrs. West property, on North B street. The price paid was \$800. Mr. Nicholson will make several needed improvements about the place and will keep it for a home.

—S. G. Edwards, who has been ill for several weeks, from the effects of being overheated in the hop yards, near Grants Pass, is somewhat improved, but still quite feeble.

—The moist weather of the past ten days has retarded building operations in Medford somewhat, but things are booming along now with increased vigor.

—County Treasurer Muller is advertising that he has funds on hand to redeem all outstanding county warrants protested from May 1, 1898, to May 31, 1898.

—The open season for quail commenced on Tuesday. A number of local simrods took advantage of the first day, and most of them secured fair oags.

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