

## PURELY PERSONAL.

W. H. Bradshaw, of Brownsboro, was a Medford visitor Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Fox, of Central Point, were in Medford Monday.

Miss Mary Chapman, of Talent, is visiting Medford friends this week.

Mrs. Chas. Carney went to Ashland last Saturday to spend a week with friends.

Cashier G. R. Lindley and family left this week for an outing in Klamath County.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller, of Grants Pass, visited Medford friends and relatives Sunday.

Miss Carrie Umphlette went to Grants Pass last Friday evening for a short visit with her parents.

Mrs. H. C. Mackey left last Friday for Cottage Grove, where she will spend a month with relatives.

W. H. and J. Meeker left Wednesday for Rancho, where they will enjoy an outing of about ten days.

J. H. Davis and family left Tuesday for Klamath Falls, at which place Mr. Davis will engage in photography.

Mrs. W. J. Prall left last week for Alden, Minn., where she will spend about three months with her parents.

A. O. Jensen, of Fremont, Nebraska, arrived in the city Sunday. The gentleman is here with a view to locating.

Miss Fern Norris returned Sunday from Grants Pass, where she has been the guest of Mrs. Fred Miller for a week.

E. E. Morrison, W. S. Clay, W. L. and P. J. Halley are over in the McAllister springs country having an outing.

Mrs. E. A. Hicks, who has been at Sacramento for some time visiting relatives, is expected home Saturday of this week.

Miss Alma Johnson went to Coles, Calif., Saturday, where she will spend a month or six weeks with her sister, Mrs. R. P. Daw.

Miss Lottie Little returned Saturday from Grants Pass, where she had been for three weeks on a visit with her sister, Mrs. Fred Miller.

Miss Evelyn Jennings came up from Grants Pass Wednesday to spend a few days with her uncle, Merchant A. M. Woodford, and family.

I. A. Webb and family left yesterday for an outing at their homestead on Big Butte. Ernest Welch accompanied the party as aid-de-camp.

Miss Mac Merriman, one of the popular clerks in the Medford postoffice, went to Coles last Saturday for a week's vacation and rest.

W. F. Mackey, who has been in Medford for the previous two weeks on a visit with his brothers, left last Friday for his home at Cottage Grove.

Attorney S. S. Pentz went to Ashland Monday to look after some legal business, and while there attended the Chautauqua and heard Henry W. Waterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Reyburn, of Olson's mill, came to Medford Sunday, bringing with them a very sick child, which they have placed under the care of Dr. Jones.

Mrs. S. Carlton, of Kalamazoo, Mich., and Mrs. E. Abill, of Kansas City, Mo., are in the city visiting their sister, Mrs. M. Winches, and their niece, Mrs. Welch.

Miss Emma Hawkins, of Des Moines, Iowa, arrived in Medford last Monday for an extended visit at the home of her uncle, W. H. Moore, and with her cousin, Mrs. W. L. Orr.

Mrs. M. Walker and daughter, Miss Anna, left Wednesday for Ashland where they will reside. Mrs. Walker's son, C. E., having secured permanent employment in the Virgin flouring mill.

J. E. Enyart and A. M. Cannon will leave the first of next week for Prospect, where they will join Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Enyart and Miss Hazel Enyart, who have been there for some time, and spend a few weeks upon their homesteads.

D. T. Cox drove up to Tolman springs yesterday to see his wife and children, who are camping at that place, and to take up his father and sister, Rufus Cox and Miss Minnie, and Miss Tamar Gregory, who will join Mrs. Cox for the remainder of the season.

W. J. Prall came up from Grants Pass Sunday. He started for Crescent City a couple of weeks ago with forty-five head of horses which he expected to sell at that place and while en route, but did not get further than Grants Pass before his stock of horse flesh was "done cleaned clear out."

Chas. Yates and family, of Boulder, Colorado, arrived in the valley last week and have taken up their residence at Jacksonville where they will be temporarily located. Mr. Yates will be employed by the Iowa Lumber Company and will undoubtedly move to one of the camps of this company as soon as said camps are established.

J. R. Welch and B. C. Ward returned last Saturday tired, hungry and hopeful as prospectors always are, from their trip through the Blackwell hills, north of Jacksonville. They claim to have found no rich find, but got their eyes

on some good prospects but they were so located that they could not be handled except by the expenditure of a very big sum of money.

Mr. and Mrs. Fort Hubbard and Miss Allie Klippel are at Portland this week—Mr. Hubbard as a delegate to a meeting of the grand lodge, A. O. U. W. and Miss Klippel as a delegate to the D. of H. grand lodge. Sam'l Van Dyke is also in Portland as a delegate from the Phoenix lodge, A. O. U. W., and Mrs. Joshua Patterson from the D. of H. lodge in Phoenix.

Mrs. A. R. Phipps and her daughters, Misses Ella and Effie and Mrs. J. S. Lindley, together with Mr. and Mrs. E. Denton, returned Monday from Ashland, where they had been camping during Chautauqua. Thursday Mrs. Lindley left for her home in Fairhaven, Washington. Accompanying her were her sisters, Miss Ella and Effie Phipps, who will spend about a month with her to enjoy the cool breezes of the Sound country.

William Muller, of Los Angeles, was over from Jacksonville Monday, and stated to a representative of THE MAIL that his father, ex-County Treasurer Max Muller, was still quite sick, in fact so serious was his condition that friends could not be permitted to see him. Mr. Muller has many friends throughout Jackson County who deeply regret to learn of his serious illness and hope that he may yet regain his health.

F. S. Gould and family, J. J. Vis and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hollis and Miss Nell MorDyke left Tuesday for the Rogue river country, where the gentlemen each have a homestead. They expect to be away a month or six weeks. Geo. C. King will have charge of the Rialto cigar store during the absence of Messrs. Vis & Gould. Mr. King is a young man whose geniality fits him to the letter for a place like this. Before returning the above mentioned outing party will visit Crater Lake National Park.

Prof. A. J. Hanby, principal of the Central Point schools, returned Sunday from a several weeks' visit to his parents in Cedarvale, Kansas. He reports having had a fine visit but glad to be back again in Southern Oregon. The weather was oppressively hot back there—very unlike any warm weather we have here. He saw Jack Morris, who formerly resided in Medford. Mr. Morris is in business in Cedarvale but he longs many a time for good, old Southern Oregon—and then goes out in the back yard and kicks himself vigorously.

## TRACY DINES WITH FARMERS.

### The Oregon Convict Outlaw, Like the Rural School Marm, Boards 'Round Among Farmers of Washington—Compels Boy to Shave Him.

ENUMCLAW, Wash., July 15.—Word reached here this evening that Tracy had dinner Sunday afternoon with Morris Garner on what is known as the Gannon farm, on Boise creek, three and a half miles southeast of here. Garner's story has, up to the present time, been kept quiet by him, through fear of the outlaw, who, he says, threatened him when leaving. Garner says that at or near 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon a man entered the house without knocking, and announced himself as Tracy, saying: "Gentlemen, I am Tracy, and I want something to eat quick."

The Garners, father and three sons, had just finished dinner, so they told him to sit up and help himself, which he proceeded to do, first ordering the two eldest sons to go to one corner of the room, directly in front of him, where he could keep them covered with his murderous rifle. At the time of Tracy's entrance the youngest boy was shaving, but after the convict announced himself he ceased the operation, and was unable to proceed, even when told by Tracy to go ahead and finish his shaving.

TRACY MAKES BOY SHAVE HIM. After eating his dinner, Tracy said: "Young man, come here and shave me." Upon the young man demurring on the ground of not being an adept with the razor, Tracy said: "That's all right; I am not particular, and if I don't kick you need not," whereupon young Garner lathered his face and proceeded to remove his beard. They state he had at least a two weeks' growth of beard, with which he was much pleased to part. After being shaved, Tracy helped himself to a pair of trousers that were hanging on the wall, putting them under his arm, and went out.

Cut this out and take it to Strang's Drug store and get a box of Chamberlain's Stomach & Liver tablets. The best physic. They also correct disorders of the stomach. Price 25 cents.

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## MEDFORD DRUG COMPANY

Mrs. E. D. Fellows came home Thursday from Portland, where she has been for the past two months.

T. J. West, of Brownsboro, was in the city Wednesday upon business. The gentleman reports the hay and grain crop a big yield in his locality this year, while the fruit crop is immense—could not possibly be better. The Fish Lake ditch passes through Mr. West's land and by it he and his son will be enabled to irrigate 200 acres of land, which, in his opinion, will add materially to its productiveness. He says the ditch company has fifty or sixty men at work now finishing certain portions of the ditch and every effort seems to be put forth to have water running in it as soon as is possible.

## CONVICT MERRILL'S BODY FOUND.

### The Dead Body of the Escaped Convict Is Found Near Chehalis, Wash.—Merrill Was Shot by Tracy, His Partner.

CHEHALIS, Wash., July 15.—All doubt of Convict Harry Tracy's story that he had slain his pal David Merrill, was removed today by the news that Merrill's body had been found, four miles southeast of here, partially concealed by two logs, between which the murderer had thrown it. Although partially decomposed, two bullet wounds were plainly discernible in the body, one in the wrist and another in the back, and it is believed that a third bullet found lodgement in the neck a the victim of a fellow-criminal's treachery. The discovery was made by Mrs. Mary Wagoner, of Napavine, and her twelve-year-old son, George, who were picking blackberries in the woods near the Northern Pacific railroad track, and were attracted to the body by the odor. Thinking at once of the story of Tracy, which, with the many tales of his adventures, is known to everyone in this vicinity, they at once made an investigation.

ON AN UNFREQUENTED ROAD. The body was lying between two logs, face down, and with the legs and one hand up. The spot where it lay is about 200 feet from the Northern Pacific railroad track, on an unfrequented road, and so distant from any dwelling that the crack of Tracy's murderous rifle might be sounded without attracting any attention. The surroundings and the location of the bullet holes indicate that the story Tracy told to the crew of the launch which carried him down Puget Sound from near Olympia, July 2, may be true, although there is no reason to believe that the convict, fearing that Merrill would reveal the whereabouts of the fugitives by his clumsiness, killed him in cold blood.

TRACY'S STORY OF MURDER. According to the story told by Tracy to Will Langridge on the launch, he first discovered that Merrill was responsible for his capture in Portland when the pair were near Castle Rock. This incensed him, and as Merrill was noisy and careless about his trail he resolved to pick a quarrel with him. Each man was to walk ten paces and wheel and fire. Tracy walked nine paces, and looking over his shoulder, saw that Merrill was about to shoot. He immediately turned and fired, and Merrill fell dead. At another time he said he did not give Merrill a chance for his life, but fired after walking eight paces.

WILL NOT GET FULL REWARD. SALEM, Ore., July 15.—Superintendent J. D. Lee, of the Oregon penitentiary, today received a message asking whether the reward will be paid to the person who found the body of Merrill, if the body found near Chehalis shall prove to be that of the convict. Superintendent Lee replied that the reward would be paid according to the language of the offer, which was for the "capture and return" of the convicts, dead or alive but that in any event he would pay liberally for the return of the body even though not captured as specified in the offer.

### Grand Opening Ball.

On the evening of July 31st, J. R. Wilson's new opera house will be opened with a grand ball. H. M. Coss has the management of affairs and everything is being done that is possible to make this the leading event of the season. The best of order will be maintained and especial attention will be given strangers. Supper will be served on the opera house stage by F. M. Wilson, proprietor of the Model restaurant, which is a guarantee that it will be good and in abundance. The assistant floor committee consists of J. A. Whitman, Medford; John Orth, Jacksonville; Hon. J. W. Olwell, Central Point; Dr. R. T. Burnette, Ashland; E. H. Lister, Grants Pass. Music by Boffa's orchestra. Tickets including supper \$2; spectators gallery tickets 25 cents. Grand march at nine o'clock sharp, lead by Mayor W. S. Crowell.

—Henry C. Barnum died in this city Wednesday night of consumption. He was formerly a resident of California and came to Medford a year and a half ago, and has since resided here, he finding the climate more agreeable to him than that of California. He was a single man, his wife having died five years ago. He was about forty years old. He was a relative of Mrs. Stanley, formerly of this city, and a nephew of W. S. Barnum, of this city. His body was sent to Los Angeles yesterday to be buried by the side of that of his wife.

## ADDITIONAL LOCAL

—Wednesday afternoon as Jack Fredenburg was putting on a load of lumber from a car on the siding at Woods' lumber yard, the team from some unknown cause took fright and at the first jump were in for a wild runaway. Jack was standing at the side of the wagon and made a grab for the lines, but only got one. Pulling on that line brought the team over to the track, where Mr. Fredenburg caught his foot on a tie, which threw him to the track bruising him considerably, but not severely. The team took down the railroad with lumber flying in every direction. At Perry's warehouse a number of men were sitting in the shade and the team taking a sheer direct for them, a wild scramble was made for safety with but a moment to spare. G. W. Priddy had just ridden up on his wheel and so suddenly did the team come upon him that he had no time to dismount, but rolled off backwards, the wheels of the wagon passing within six inches of his body. The runaway tore the end off of the railroad platform at the Perry warehouse and continued on down the track. At the Sixth street crossing the team missed the road and crashed into the crossing posts, throwing both horses to the ground but one of them got to his feet continuing on while the other was fast between the posts. A crowd quickly gathered, expecting to find the horse fatally hurt, but after being pulled from between the posts he got to his feet none the worse but for some bad bruises. The wagon was torn to pieces and pretty well wrecked.

—It is the rule for Medford merchants to be improving their stores both as to convenience and appearance, that their customers may be better served and their goods better displayed. This week H. B. Nye, of the Racket store, has been making a decided improvement in his store to enable him to handle to better advantage the large stock of hats which he carries. Heretofore he has had an array of handboxes to keep his hats in, and to do away with that antiquated method he is having Weeks & Baker take out the shelving and put in glass front cases, having brass rods upon which to lay the hats. There are four of these cases, each capable of holding over 250 hats, and being made of oak and finished in oil they present quite an attractive appearance.

—Messrs. Warner & Wortman have purchased a portion of the Hammond residence property, on West Seventh street, from Attorney A. S. Hammond. The portion purchased is all the frontage, 100 feet, and 140 feet back, which takes in all the ground south of the residence. The purchasers will undoubtedly build two dwelling houses on the property. The price paid was \$475. Mr. Hammond will open up a thirty foot street on the east of this and his land adjoining on the north, and by doing this will have remaining several good lots which he will undoubtedly put on the market.

—For Sale—Good, heavy work horse, weigh about 1500 pounds. A. Slover, the drayman, Medford.

—To C. W. Turpin belongs the honor of bringing to the Medford market the first peaches of this year's crop, he making his first delivery last Thursday. The first apricots were brought in Monday by J. E. Nute from the orchard of his mother, Mrs. N. E. Nute. Gravenstein apples, full grown and of fine quality, have been in the market for more than a week. The first peaches shipped to the Portland market were sent Monday by W. R. Culton and the first shipment of apricots to that market was made Tuesday by Capt. W. Carroll.

—Last Thursday evening the relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lawrentz to the number of eighteen, unannounced, came in on them at their home on West Seventh street, and gave them a happy surprise. A generous supply of ice cream, cake and lemonade was brought along to add zest to what was a delightful evening to both guests and hosts.

—Edwin Russ is putting in a private water supply for his residence on C street, between Tenth and Eleventh. He has put in a pump which will be operated by a wind wheel and a big tank to be used as a reservoir. He expects to have water enough for household purposes and an ample supply for irrigation of his yard and garden.

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

The Best Prescription for Malaria Chills and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHINA TONIC. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, no pay. Price 50 cents.

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Attention, Everybody!

The stores in Medford will close, by mutual agreement, at 8 o'clock p. m. on and after Monday, July 21. This rule does not apply to Saturday evenings, and customers in a store at the hour of closing will be served, but no one will be admitted.

—Many Medford people are making ready for a several weeks' stay at the famous Coleslin mineral springs. Manager Telford is reported to have everything in excellent shape for the accommodation of guests. It's a grand place to go—so handy to get at, and so pleasant when you get at it.

—A. S. Wells has rented his fruit-dryer, on North A street, to John Hammer, who is at work putting it in order for the drying season. Mr. Hammer is planning to put coal burners in the furnaces with a view of getting a more steady heat, which would give a better grade of dried fruit.

—Rough lumber at \$11 per thousand for thirty days. O. E. Gorsline, Medford.

—A. J. Stevens has sold his sawmill on Wagner creek to Chamberlain & Son, who will operate it, and just as soon as possible Mr. Stevens will put in a new mill. These two, together with Mr. Gorsline's, makes three mills for that creek—and all will be operated.

—This is the correct time of year to buy wood for winter use. You can get it cheaper right now than at any other season of the year. You can save still more money if you buy four-foot wood and get Ed. Whiteside to saw it for you with his steam saw.

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

—E. H. Maddox, a gentleman residing near Phoenix, has purchased of R. B. Orr his twenty-acre tract of land, situated near Central Point. The price paid was \$1500 and the deal was consummated through the York, Palm real estate agency.

—Johnson's Pure Herb Tonic has no equal. Get a bottle and try it—at Distillery Office.

—A detachment of fifteen men of the 126th U. S. Artillery was on the train last Sunday going from Benicia Barracks, Calif., to Alaska. At what place the men did not know but thought their destination would be St. Michaels.

—For Rent—The Elite photo studio, best location in city. Inquire at THE MAIL office.

—Notice—There will be a meeting of Federal Labor Union, No. 10,005, at the Academy hall Saturday evening, July 19th. All members as well as all who wish to affiliate are requested to be present. Eight o'clock, sharp.

—If you want fine candies go to the Bakery, where you will find all cream candies made by A. Learned, of Jacksonville, and received fresh every week—and sold very reasonable.

—In response to a telephone message Architect I. A. Palmer went to Grants Pass Wednesday to arrange for drawing up plans and specifications for some new buildings soon to be erected to take the places of buildings burned in Monday's fire.

—Billie Isaacs is selling school supplies up in the Willamette valley and is said to be making all kinds of money. He will be down this way in about three weeks.

—Mrs. I. L. Hamilton, we are sorry to state, has been quite seriously ill with nervous prostration for the past couple of weeks.

—Miss Lillian Barr has taken a position as stenographer and typewriter in the office of W. I. Vawter.

—Rev. Holcroft will hold services at Central Point next Sunday.

