

**PURELY PERSONAL.**

Major Barron, of Ashland, was a visitor in the city Tuesday.

E. C. Pomeroy was in from Spikeland Monday upon business.

B. O'Neil was a passenger for Ashland Friday, returning Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Pelton, of Gold Hill, were shopping here on Tuesday.

E. E. Emmerson left for a visit to Redding Tuesday to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace D. Jones visited H. L. White and wife in Ashland Sunday.

Miss Laura Bennett came home from the Ashland normal Friday for the holidays.

District Attorney Reames left for Salem and Portland Monday night on business.

Prof. VanSoo, of the normal, was visiting friends in the city the last of the week.

J. D. Heard and J. A. Whitman returned Tuesday from a business visit to Portland.

Miss Edie Atterberry left Tuesday morning for a visit with friends at Montague.

Zach Cameron and Roscoe Cantrall, of Union precinct, were Medford visitors on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Garrett and their two sons left for Ashland Wednesday to spend the holidays.

W. R. Coleman, postmaster and merchant of Phoenix, was among the visitors in the city Monday.

D. W. Crosby, the always accommodating clerk at Hotel Nash, was a passenger for Ashland Tuesday.

W. R. Dickson, of Table Rock, was visiting his daughter-in-law, Mrs. C. A. Dickson, in the city Saturday.

Colonel White, of Ashland, who had been visiting relatives in Central Point, was a southbound passenger Saturday.

Mrs. W. B. Moore and her brother, J. O. Holt, left Monday to spend Christmas with relatives and friends in Eugene.

Miss Edith Van Dyke, who is attending college at Albany, came home last Friday to spend holiday week with her parents and friends.

W. A. Carter, of Gold Hill, was here on legal business Friday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Carter, who visited friends here during the day.

A. C. Stansell came over from Jacksonville Wednesday to meet some friends from the north. He returned to his home with numerous Christmas presents.

James Culbertson, of Lake Creek, was in the city the first of the week and bought his supplies for the winter, including extras for the Christmas dance.

George Birdsey, who is attending school at Jacksonville, did his holiday shopping in Medford and visited a number of his family's friends while here Saturday.

Miss Mabel Jones returned from Ashland the last of the week. Miss Jones had taken part in a musical at Ashland and received many compliments for her singing.

Chas. F. Kernan, of Gazelle, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kernan, for Christmas. He leaves Friday morning on the excursion to San Francisco.

Harry L. Harvey, the hardware merchant of Gold Hill, came up Monday accompanied by Mrs. Harvey and their

Don't forget to call on me

Before buying Xmas goods.

Reasonable and right prices.  
 U can get toys from 1 cent up,  
 Sweetest and freshest candies  
 Swellest candy boxes that ever hit the town  
 Every kind of tropical fruit  
 Largest popcorn balls for 5c  
 Largest grab bags, with best prizes  
 Sourest lemons and sweetest oranges

Cake candies for Christmas cakes  
 Only place in town where you can get  
 Nice, fresh taffy and peanut candy  
 Full line of tree decorations  
 Every description and right prices  
 Candles and holders for trees  
 Toys to please the little folks  
 In all styles—horses, cows, pigs, dogs, etc.  
 Only place in town where you can get pineapples  
 New candies arriving every day  
 Early customers get first choice  
 Remember we treat the old and  
 Young right. Call on me

child. Christmas shopping occupied the most of their time.

T. J. Kenney was over from Jacksonville Tuesday on business.

Jap O'Harra was up from Tolo last week buying Christmas goods.

Hon. S. M. Nealon was in from Table Rock Monday—doing Christmas shopping.

Louis Hessler, of Brownsboro, was registered at the Nash several days this week.

William Von der Hellen, one of popular young farmers of Wellen, was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Austin left Tuesday morning for a couple or three weeks' visit with friends at Etna, Calif.

C. W. Baker, of Shelley Creek, Calif., arrived in Medford Monday and will remain for a few days with old-time friends.

Assessor and Mrs. J. C. Pendleton and son, Vernon, of Table Rock, were buying Christmas goods in our city last Saturday.

Henry Kubil drove over from Applegate Tuesday, returning, with his buggy well packed with Christmas presents, in the evening.

E. P. Pickens, a former good resident of Jackson county, now employed at Igerna, Calif., is spending holiday week with his family in this city.

George Walker, of Sams Valley, was in the city Tuesday. He says the roads in his portion of the county are in very good condition for this time of year.

Claud Comegys, a student in the Agricultural College at Pullman, Wash., is in Medford upon a holiday visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Comegys.

D. P. Britton, of Talent, was in the city Tuesday. Mr. Britton is one of the staunch readers of the MAIL and made this office a pleasant call while here.

F. E. Payne left Medford Sunday morning for a couple or three weeks' visit with relatives and old-time friends at Spokane and other Washington points.

Dr. and Mrs. Darlu passed through Medford Tuesday morning en route for Los Angeles, Calif., where they will spend the winter. The doctor has been topping at Salem for the past eight months.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Lee, of Salem, arrived in Medford Wednesday and will

spend the holidays with friends and relatives. Mrs. Lee is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Talent, of this city.

H. E. Ankeny came over from the Sterling mine Thursday afternoon to meet Mrs. Ankeny and Misses Dolly and Gladys, who came down from Eugene to spend the holidays.

Zach Cameron was over from Uniontown Friday shopping for Christmas. While here his daughter, Miss Cora, arrived from Eugene, where she has been attending the university.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Hall are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Hall, Sr., are from Myrtle Creek and are the parents of J. C. Hall. They expect to remain during the holidays.

John Broad, of Jacksonville, left Monday night to spend the holidays at Stockton and other California points. He was accompanied by Mrs. Broad and expects to be gone about two weeks.

W. C. Leever, of Central Point, was in the city Monday on business and reports trade at his home as the best it has been for years, all due to the era of general prosperity throughout the country.

R. V. Jones, agent for the Astoria & Columbia River railroad, at Astoria, and J. M. Jones, of Corvallis, Mont., are in Medford spending holiday week with their parents, Hon. and Mrs. Carl T. Jones.

Robert Von der Hellen came in from Wellen the first of the week and indulged in Christmas trading. He says the cattle in his part of the county are all in first-class condition and that the range is very good.

John A. Ross and O. A. Theill, of Gold Hill, came up Wednesday and proceeded to Jacksonville. They report their town as progressing in the distribution of merchandise and the promotion of mining enterprises.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Crawford, of Gold Hill, were passengers for Jacksonville Wednesday. They were on their way to spend the holidays with their son, Deputy Sheriff Orris Crawford, and his family.

Mrs. E. E. Emmerson left Saturday for a few days' visit with her brother, George Jones, at Tolo, after which she left for Redding, Calif., where she will visit friends for a couple or three months.

I. A. Webb left Sunday night for Goldendale, Wash., where he will remain for the next six months with his son, Carl, who is in business there. His daughter, Miss Pearl, is also at Goldendale.

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bondsman case transferred from Lake County for trial, he having expected the books of the sheriff's office before the trial of Neilon for defaultation.

Jack Fredenburg returned Monday from a four months stay at Lakeview, at which place he has been employed all this time at brick work, at \$3.50 per day—and he has more of the same kind of work waiting for him in the spring. He reports that the thermometer had reached eight below zero before he left.

Charles A. Dickson will leave this (Friday) morning for San Francisco. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Dickson and daughter, Grace. He expects to remain in California and may decide to engage in business there. Mrs. Dickson and daughter will return after a few days' visit and remain here until Mr. Dickson is permanently located.

George H. Lynch, of Trail creek, was in the city Monday. Mr. Lynch is greatly pleased over the recent change in the mail route in his portion of the county. All the residents along the road from Agate to Trail now have their mail dropped in a box at their gate. This saves their many disagreeable trips to the postoffice.

"Uncle" Miles Wakeman, of Pleasant creek, was a passenger for Jacksonville one day last week. Mr. Wakeman is highly pleased with the result of the suit of Owens vs. Wakeman recently decided in his favor by the supreme court. The question involved was the right to water through a certain ditch used in irrigating and taken from Pleasant creek.

R. E. Cantrall, brother of Representative Miles Cantrall, came over from Klamath Falls last week. Mr. Cantrall is engaged in farming and stockraising east of the mountains but always comes home for the holidays. He keeps himself posted on Jackson County affairs through the columns of THE MAIL, of which he has been a subscriber for a number of years.

McDonald Pardus, of Prospect, was a Medford visitor over Sunday. Mr. Pardus is one of the sturdy pioneers of the upper Rogue river country and it will not be many years until he can, if he so wishes, retire from the activities of mountain farm life, as all the lands in that locality are rapidly becoming valuable, and as he owns some of the best of it, he will realize a competency for his declining years.

Jeff Brophy and family came down from their mountain home at Leeds last week. The family will remain here with relatives until after Christmas but Jeff returned to look after the stock, of which he has no small amount. Mr. Brophy is making a great success at stock raising—and in this respect he is not unlike many others in that locality—in fact in any locality where this industry is made a business of.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Fox, of Central Point, was in the city Tuesday upon business and visiting relatives. Mr. Fox has a fifty acre field of alfalfa, on his place and is going to put in another twenty acre chunk next spring. A few years ago when alfalfa was but first introduced in the valley it was thought that so many would grow it that the price would be materially reduced. This was another possible over production scare, which has been effectually put on the shelf. The alfalfa acreage has increased every year for the past ten and this season the price is not only as good but better than it has been for several years.

F. W. Hutchison and his sister, Mrs. E. M. Lumsden, returned Friday from an extended trip north, south and east. They left Medford last spring and visited friends in Portland, Seattle, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Indiana, Chicago and points in Iowa and Ohio, coming back by the way of Southern California and stopping at Los Angeles, San Jose and San Francisco. While east they encountered all kinds of weather, from burning heat to disagreeable rains. They found many changes in their old home city—Minneapolis—and while having had an enjoyable trip, were heartily glad when they stepped from the train at Medford. Mr. Hutchison relates that during the month of July last past, in Indiana, rain fell twenty-nine days out of the thirty-one in the month, and in Iowa during the seventeen days he was there rain fell on twelve of them. Speaking about precipitation there does not seem to be anything wrong with Iowa and Indiana, but it comes in spells and they are all bad spells—for the people. For instance, a year ago last summer there was scarcely any rain at all during the whole season and all vegetation dried up, while last summer it was all wet and no dry. Old Oregon never in her whole history did a trick as mean as those two above mentioned. Here we get just a good bit of sunshine, just enough of rain—and then a heart that's glad.

The Fringe of Heroes. Many soldiers in the last war wrote to say that for scratches, bruises, cuts, wounds, corns, sore feet and stiff joints, Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best in the world. Same for burns, scalds, boils, ulcers, skin eruptions and piles. It cures or no pay. Only 25c at Chas. Strang's drug store.

Thoroughbred Chickens for Sale. I have several very fine thoroughbred Plymouth Rock roosters for sale.

D. T. LAWTON.

**ADDITIONAL LOCAL**

—At City Opera House New Year's eve, December 31st.

—There are reported to be several cases of smallpox at Montague, Calif.

—Turkeys were scarce for the Christmas trade and sold from 18 to 20 cents per pound.

—E. A. Langley is engineer on the Medford-Jacksonville shortline, during Mr. Barnum's absence in California.

—Eugene Amann and Mrs. Cara McKay were married in Grants Pass last week. They will make their home in Medford.

—January 5th is the date upon which Wilbur Jones, the new assessor, will take office, J. C. Pendleton's term expiring at that time.

—The parsonage of the First M. E. Church, on B street, has been improved by the addition of a new fence at the front and now presents a cheerful, homelike appearance.

—The order of execution to foreclose judgment against the Maybelle mining property in the Blackwell district has been issued, and the personal property will be sold next week.

—Don't forget the date—New Year's eve, December 31st. Nor the place—City Opera House. Nor the occasion—New Year's entertainment, by St. Mark's Guild. Nor the price—25 cents, children 15 cents.

—Mrs. J. S. McCain sells the California Medicated Soap. A stock now on hand.

—The Christian Scientists of this vicinity will be pleased to learn that regular Sunday services will be held at the residence of E. H. Dunham in Talent, to which all earnest investigators are welcome.

—E. J. Miller, son-in-law of Rev. W. B. Moore, has moved from Ashland to Medford and will shortly engage in business for himself here. The nature of his intended enterprise is not being made public at present.

—The Jacksonville fire department gives its annual dance next Friday, and a number of the Medford fire fighters have signified their intention of attending as a return for the patronage shown when the Medford company danced.

—The merchants of the city all express themselves as highly pleased with the Christmas trade this year, many of them reporting more than double the amount of business transacted this time than in any former season.

—R. U. McClannahan has taken a position as bookkeeper and shipping clerk with the Palm-Whitman cigar company. Mr. McClannahan is a capable man in almost any capacity—and he will not be found wanting in his present position.

—William Louden, of Watkins, and Miss Annie Watkins, oldest daughter of the late M. Watkins, were married in Yreka Monday, arriving here the same evening. They will make their home at Watkins and left for there Tuesday morning.

—The rains of the past week replenished the water in the mountain gulches and as a result the placer miners have resumed operations with liberal supplies of water. The present outlook indicates a more steady run than has been had for several years.

—One of C. C. McClendon's cows, while grazing in Gold Hill, eat the packing from one of the axle-boxes of a freight car standing on the sidetrack. "Mac" is now short one cow, for the combination of grease and cotton waste was too much for the bovine.

—Wallace Woods has his new residence, in East Medford, nearly com-



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Wood's Shoe Store, 7th Street.

pleted. Is one of the prettiest homes on that side of the creek, and while much of architect's skill was brought into use making it a thing of beauty, nothing has been lost in its convenience.

—J. Winger was in from his Lake Creek ranch Saturday and while here purchased the hay on the 1st place, west of Medford, and will drive down eighty head of cattle to fatten. "Dick" has some of the finest stock on the range and gets to ship a number of head to Sagarancio during the winter.

—A prudent young bachelor gave a house-warming the other night in the new quarters he has recently fitted up. There were of good things to eat and drink, and that a hilarious time was had could be readily seen from the appearance of the participants the next morning and the number of "bromos" consumed.

—Sowing 'y' the day. Inquire of Miss M. J. Wilson, at D. B. Solles' residence, W. Sixth street.

—Clarence Reames was over from Jacksonville Sunday on legal business. He says the prosecuting attorney's office has been the recipient of many messages of congratulation over the winning of the Neilon bondsman case at this last session. It is expected, however, that there will be an appeal taken to the supreme court.

—Word was received from Berkeley, Calif., this week that Lee H. Patty, a cousin of Miss Itha Hardie, of Medford, has been seriously injured by a fall while working as an electrician in a building. Mr. Patty is a student in the electrical department of the U. of C. and was working as a matter of experience. Hope are entertained of his recovery.

—William Ulrich returned from the Willamette valley Tuesday morning with five carloads of young cattle, which he had purchased for himself and Sheriff Rader. When the stock was unloaded here, two were found badly injured and five were dead. After being allowed a rest of several hours the entire band was driven to Ulrich's ranch near Jacksonville and turned into the pasture.

**A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All.**

WE have enjoyed a splendid trade during the past twelve months and to those who have helped to make it such we express our gratitude—and if you are satisfied that we have treated you fairly and honestly we would be pleased to see you many times at our place of business during the coming twelve months.

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