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CITY HAPPENINGS.

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An Old Resident:—"You can put me down as saying that we have had the longest spell of really hot weather that I have ever known in this country. Yes, I know people are apt to poke fun at the 'oldest inhabitant' when he undertakes to compare past with present experiences; but I am willing to stand by my assertion. The weather conditions have been different this year from anything I have experienced before. I never saw a hail storm such as visited the valley a while back in all my fifty years' residence here, and I never saw the thunder storms persist in staying on the high mountains and over looking the valleys, as they have this year. The oppressive heat we have felt is to be accounted for by the absence of the frequent mild thunder storms we are wont to have in the valley. They do no harm particularly and seem to give the atmosphere the exhilarating and life-giving properties it is famous for in this section. We have felt an oppressive heat here this year, and it is due in a great measure, in my opinion, to the absence of our regular thunder storms."

The Norris Bros. are in Medford to stay, and they have furniture to sell and are selling it. They have the best set of furniture in Southern Oregon, and are selling it for less than half price. First in will be the winner in this case. Those whips and harness are going fast as they are selling regardless of cost. Only one door south of the postoffice.

Dr. E. B. Pickel is the latest addition to the ranks of the orchardmen of the Rogue river valley. This week he concluded a deal by which he became the owner of 240 acres of land,

lying north and east of Medford. The property is known as the old J. W. Smith place, and at the time purchased by Dr. Pickel, was owned by A. R. Rhodes. The price paid was \$4,500. Dr. Pickel has ordered from L. E. Hoover, agent for the Woodburn nursery, enough Yellow Newtown apple and Beurre Bosc pear trees to plant 100 acres of the tract and expects to put an additional 100 acres into alfalfa. The land is what is known as sticky; but experiments have proven its value, both as fruit and alfalfa land, when properly cultivated. This tract has the additional advantage of being capable of being irrigated from the Fish Lake ditch and besides this is sub-irrigated to a certain extent. East of this tract and of the same character of land is a four-year-old orchard owned by I. D. and Ed. Phipps. This orchard is flourishing, and this year will turn off its first crop. It may not be a large one; but when the fact is considered that orchardists do not figure on trees bearing under five years, it seems to lend credence to the theory that the displaced—in winter—sticky is among the best producing soils we have.

If you want to give your friends in the East some idea of what scenes in Southern Oregon are like, you send them a collection of the stereo views taken by N. S. Bennett. These views comprise a wide range of subjects and thoroughly cover the scenery of Southern Oregon. They can be had either at the Medford Book Store or at H. B. Nye's.

Mail Office Devil:—"Gee, you orter hear de hard luck stories dem fellers wot wuz in his gang, but none of dem guys could hit de side of de mountain. He wuz de only bloke in de outfit wot could have hit a deer if he'd a seen one, and he didn't see nothin.' Den one guy he come along an' tells about how de water was so clear in de creek he was fishin' in dat de trout could see his reflection before he got in a hundred yards of de water. 'Bout time he gets through, along comes 'nother fisherman wid a story 'bout de same stream, where de

water was so muddy de fish couldn't see de bait. Now wot ye're goin' to do about dat. Looks ter me like dere ain't no use goin' out an' fightin' musketers and things fer two weeks and not ketchin' anythin' but pizen oak an' freckles. 'Bout time I commence thinkin' dat way, long comes a feller with de information as to where I can locate a piece of fresh venison. I hikes for de place an' underneath de venison I finds a couple of big trout an' I gets de whole works. Dot guy didn't go to a camp an' lay 'round expectin' to have de trout flop out of de water into der fryin' pan, or de deer to come in an' hang demselves up in front of de cabin door. No, sirree, he just got out an' hunted an' fished and he got somethin'. Strikes me dat's de good deal like other tings; if you want anythin' go after it, dere isn't anything 'goin' to come to ye."

Blue prints of township maps, showing all vacant land, fifty cents each. For reliable information concerning Government land write to Frank E. Alley, Abstractor, Roseburg, Oregon.

H. F. Meader, N. B. Fisher and Chas. Drake returned this week from a trip to Squaw lake this week. They found no great amount of large game, but kept the camp well supplied with birds and fish. One of the incidents of the trip, as related by Mr. Meader, runs thusly: It was necessary to "pack" a few miles from the end of the wagon road. One of the two mules which made up their team had never been subject to the indignity of being loaded with a miscellaneous lot of camp stuff, and had it "singed" upon its back in the true western style. Consequently when it was turned loose this animal proceeded to buck the method of getting rid of its burden usual to the mule, in other words it twisted itself into all kinds of shapes and finally wound up in the middle of a shallow pond near the camp, where it "bucked" off its pack and returned to camp triumphant. Fortunately the pack consisted principally of bedding, so that the only bad result was that the party were compelled to sleep in wet blankets that night.

Guaranteed Forest Reserve scrip for sale, in large or small quantities, by Frank E. Alley, upstairs over Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon. Will place same for non-resident purchasers.

Saturday evening a meeting of the Gold Ray Rod and Gun club was held at Gold Ray, most of the members of the club being present, to the number of about fifty. A banquet was served and afterwards the members passed a few hours in social converse. A business meeting—the primary object of the gathering—was held, at which plans for keeping the club house open continuously and other matters pertaining to the good of the club were discussed. Gold Ray is becoming quite a resort for the members of the club, on account of the excellent fishing and bathing afforded.

Just received a carload of sash and doors, and screen doors. J. H. CHAMBERS Medford. 16-17

This week J. C. Smith, of Griffin creek, sold the 91.66 acres he purchased from G. W. Bashford, a little more than a year ago, to C. B. Kennedy recently of Merrill, Oregon, and at somewhat of an advance over the price paid by Mr. Smith. This sale is not like some others which have been made. Mr. Smith will become a resident of Medford, so that instead of losing a good citizen, the community gains one. Mr. Kennedy will take possession of his property within a few days. The sale was made through the White & Trowbridge real estate agency.

Mrs. E. E. Gore, teacher of music, Mason system. Children taught individually or in classes. Medford, Oregon.

W. F. Isaacs, T. M. Reed and others visited Little Rock, on Rogue river, above the Ray dam, Sunday and enjoyed some good fishing. Billy Isaacs says he is going to order one of those new automatic reels, which record the weight of the fish that get away. He figures that he has lost about seven thousand pounds of fish during his career as a disciple of Isaak Walton, and from this on proposes to know the weight of all the "big ones that get away."

Remember the goods are right and the price is right of your home-made creamery butter. Ask your grocer for it.

G. W. Bashford, of Medford, and his son, E. L. Bashford, of Roseburg, who is accompanied by his wife, are visiting in this section. Mr. Bashford, Sr., is looking for a location for a relative of his, who is a rancher. Bashford, Jr., is an employe of the flour mills at Roseburg. These are estimable people and we hope that Coos county will be lucky enough to claim them as permanent residents.—North Bend Post.

Beezon & Huger, Talent Nurserymen, are prepared to fill orders for fruit trees in any quantity, for commercial orchards.

Walter Tice returned to Medford Wednesday, after an absence of fifteen years. During that time he has traveled over a considerable part of the world, and has been engaged in

handling big teams most of the time. Just before he started for home he was driving a 20-mule team in Colorado to Star City, which ten hours after he left was wiped off of the face of the earth by a cloud burst.

Shearer & Smylle. General draying. Household moving. All kinds of wood for sale.

Just seventy days ago when Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Webb were at their homestead, on Big Butte, their fine driving team estrayed from their pasture into the mountains and not until Sunday last were they found. Fred Combest, living at Brownsboro, found the animals in an almost starving condition, near the foot of Mt. Pitt, fully fifteen miles from the Webb homestead. Both the horses when estrayed were in fine condition and when found one of them was so emaciated as to be scarcely able to walk. This one had a halter on the presumption is that it had gotten the halter caught to a snag and was hung up without food a number of days, perhaps weeks. Mr. Webb is giving the animals every attention possible and they will be "fine and dandy" in a few weeks. Mr. Webb's expense item reads like this: Paid men for hunting horses, \$26; paid man for finding horses, \$27.50.

Chicken dinner at Hotel Hart every Sunday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Brophy, at their home, east of Medford, August 2, 1904, a son. This is the fourth buxom lad to be born to these people—and not a girl. While there is much joy over the arrival of the son—to the manor born—there would have been just a little more elation had this last boy been a girl.

J. G. Morrison is the agent in this vicinity of the patent clod crusher manufactured by the Brillion Iron Works, of Brillion, Wisconsin. It is claimed for this machine that it is simpler in construction more effective in operation and lighter in draft than any other device of like nature upon the market. Call upon Mr. Morrison for further particulars.

At the Union services at the Presbyterian church Sunday night, Rev. Carstens will give a report on the International B. Y. P. U., which he recently attended at Detroit, Michigan. This will surely be very interesting and the attendance at the church will undoubtedly be large.

A. Day Parker, son of W. H. Parker, formerly of Medford, and Miss Jennie J. Maxwell, of Lakeview, were married at that place on July 20th. Mr. Parker is employed as book-keeper for the Steel Wire Co., of Oakland, Calif., and the couple will make their home at that place.

On and after August 7, 1904, Epworth League, of the Methodist church, will hold their devotional meetings in their church, union meetings having adjourned being unsuccessful. First Vice-President.

The Medynski building on C street, near the postoffice is being fitted up for the accommodation of the Wortman & Gore meat market. The central partition is being taken out, and a double door cut in front. When the changes are complete Messrs. Gore & Wortman will have a very neat and convenient shop.

H. N. Marcy and bride returned Tuesday from Oakland, Oregon, where they had been married on Sunday. Mrs. Marcy is a daughter of J. H. Ray, the mining man, and the many friends of the young couple are extending their warmest congratulations.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Schultz, at their home two miles north of Medford, on Saturday, July 30, 1904, a daughter.

Jeff Brophy has sent twenty head of milch cows to Ft. Klamath, where they will be put on a ranch which Mr. Brophy has leased.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Miller, in Medford, on Tuesday, August 2, 1904, a son.

Held-up That Failed.

EL PASO, Tex., July 31.—The Rock Island passenger train, which left El Paso Saturday morning, north-bound, was held up Saturday night at 11 o'clock at Logan, N. M., a station 70 miles north of Tucumcari and 90 miles north of Santa Rosa, the division point. Seven masked robbers boarded the train just as it was leaving Logan, uncoupled the baggage and express cars and went on with the engine.

Conductor John York resisted and was shot in the leg. The engine was run ahead a short distance, when it was stopped and dynamite applied. The small safe was placed on top of the large one and then the charge was fired, but the only effect was to blow the small safe through the roof of the car, the larger one not being injured.

The smaller safe was replaced and the second charge of dynamite put between the two safes with the same result, except that the small safe this time was blown through the side of the car. The robbers then mounted their horses and rode away in the darkness.

Officers were advised this morning of the hold-up and are on the trail of the men who are believed to be the

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The passengers were not molested by the robbers, and many did not know that the robbery was in progress, as most of them were asleep. Owing to the remoteness of Logan, the details of the hold-up were not obtained until tonight, when a south-bound Rock Island passenger train arrived here.

The Wells Fargo officials say there was only \$7 in the safe when it left here.

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Dr. J. C. Ayer

City Council Proceedings.

The city council met in regular session Tuesday evening.

Present—Mayor Pickel, councilmen Loy, Mitchell, Scott, Kelly, Trowbridge, Wilson.

The report of the treasurer and recorder for June were read and approved.

Applications of Kapnick & Kennedy and Young & Hall for liquor license were granted.

The contract with the Condon Water & Power Co., for furnishing the city with electric light and power for pumping purposes was read and accepted, and an ordinance covering the provisions thereof and authorizing the mayor and city council to enter into the contract was passed (The full text of the contract appears in another part of this paper.)

Bills on the various funds in the following amounts were approved: light and water fund, \$470.33; construction fund, \$7.00; General fund, \$45.00; street and road fund, \$57.85.

Irvin W. Rby, of Gold Hill, was in the city Monday, upon land business before Commissioner Bliton. He was accompanied by H. D. Perkins, from the East, who filed upon government land.

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