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OREGON LEADS
In the production of Fine Fruits
The Rogue River Valley
Leads OREGON and Medford,
its metropolis and trade center,
is best represented by
THE MEDFORD MAIL
SEND IT TO YOUR EASTERN FRIENDS

FIRST NATIONAL IN NEW HOME

Prosperous Banking House
Pleasantly Situated in a
New and Handsome Es-
tablishment.

With no more stir or ostentatious display than has marked its phenomenal financial achievements of the past year, the First National Bank of Medford last week quietly transferred its business from its birthplace on East Seventh street to the new home recently completed for it in the center of the business district.

The building is a handsome two-story brick structure 25x30 feet. The front is of buff colored Newburg brick with stucco trimmings and in point of architectural design is the peer of any business house on the street. The cost of the building alone will approximate \$15,000. The interior has been apportioned to a main banking room about 32x24, with a reception room 10x12 adjoining. A small room 14x18 opening off the banking room is being fitted up for the use of the directors. The interior decorations are plain, yet tasty and substantial, as are the office furniture and other essential fittings.

The spacious vault is in the fullest sense the strong feature of the establishment. It has been so constructed with air chambers above and about the sides as to render it absolutely fire proof.

A further guarantee of safety from fire and burglars were necessary it is afforded by a massive, manganese steel, burglar proof safe, with time locks and every modern device for resisting the arts of the most skilled burglar. As yet criminal history records no instance of the successful plundering of one of these safes.

The double steel fire and burglar proof doors that afford access to the vaults during banking hours are equipped with the Hall Safe and Lock Co.'s double time locks, that once closed and set, defy the most scientific appliances of the clever burglar.

TRADE TIPS FROM ADVERTISERS

Some Good Suggestions From
Medford Merchants to In-
tending Buyers. Consider
Them Carefully.

The Toggery has an overcoat talk for men, with an undercurrent suggestion on reasonable underwear that every prospective purchaser should read and profit by. Toggery clothes are up to the highest standard in all that makes ready to wear garments really desirable. They have some new creations in neckwear for the holidays and a line of these good, warm, comfortable looking sweaters for the boys. Mothers will find them useful and serviceable for boy's school wear. There is a standing invitation to call at the Toggery.

The Medford Book Store has secured a more commodious location in the Moore block and has a word to book-lovers in their new ad in this issue. If there is anything gettable in the book and magazine line, that you want, you will find it there or they will find it for you.

"Discounts on dress goods" is a special order at Deuel & Kentner's this week. This enterprising firm had arranged with a popular Los Angeles tailoring house for two first-class cutters who were to cut, fit and baste all dress patterns purchased at their store, free for one week. At the last moment the plan failed and a discount of ten percent on all dress goods has been made to compensate the ladies for the disappointment.

The young man of good taste in matters of dress will be both pleased and profited by reading Meeker's new ad on Kirschbaum clothes. You know Meeker and anyone who has worn Kirschbaum clothes will endorse what he has to say about them.

"The Spot," where everything can be got, from a thimble to a what-not, and at right prices, has an attractive trade winner to offer—a large, life size doll, costing \$25, will be given away on the night before Christmas. The plan will be unfolded upon application at the store. Read their ad in this issue.

Crystal & Morey have a word to housewives about soap. The Johnson Naphtha soap that has been known to remove the stains from a politician's record and it should wash well. Read their ad and try their soap.

Five Indictments against Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz and Abraham Rueff for extortion were returned by the grand jury at San Francisco Thursday night. The mayor and boss of the city administration are jointly accused of unlawfully and feloniously forcing certain French restaurant proprietors to pay specific sums of money for retail liquor licenses.

One indictment charges that on January 15, 1905, Schmitz and Rueff extorted \$1175 from Antonio B. Blanco, who was the proprietor of the Poodle Dog restaurant, then at the corner of Eddy and Mason streets; in another, that on February 6, 1906, Blanco had to pay Schmitz and Rueff the further sum of \$1000; in two others that these same amounts on the dates mentioned were corruptly extorted from Joseph Melanti, Charles Kels and William Larenz, who conducted the Delmonico restaurant, which before the fire was located at 110 O'Farrell street; and in the fifth, that on January 15, 1905, Pierre Priet, Michel Debrat and Edward J. Marchand's restaurant, then on Stockton and Geary streets, had to pay the mayor and the boss \$1175, they escaping the demand for another \$1000 in late February.

ROMANCE HIDDEN IN PEAR BOX

Missive Deposited by Rogue
River Maiden Secures Re-
sponse from English Buy-
er.

Mr. C. H. Lewis, a few weeks since shipped a carload of Buerre Chairgean pears from his orchard, south of Medford, to London, England. Never but once before has there been a shipment of pears made to this market from the Rogue River Valley, and this first time the experiment was not entirely satisfactory—in fact it was quite the reverse, and wholly because the fruit was not loaded en route and when it reached its destination it was in bad shape. This shipment, made by Mr. Lewis, was in every way satisfactory and while fancy prices were not received for the fruit the experiment of shipping was very gratifying notwithstanding the fact that the fruit arrived in London at a time when the market was loaded down and it was necessary to hold it three days before putting on the market.

There were 860 half boxes in the shipment and the net price realized was a little better than they could have been sold for in Medford—and Mr. Lewis has the experiment as an extra margin on the credit side of his account.

There is a bit of romance connected with this shipment of pears—just a little strand of pleasantness as packer girls have before been known to indulge in, but which oftentimes has proven a means of building a lasting friendship. When these pears were being packed, one of the packers, Miss Alma Gault, knowing they were to be shipped to England, wrote a little message to the consumer of the fruit, whoever he or she might be, and placed it in one of the boxes. That the message did not escape the notice of the purchaser of the fruit is conclusively proven by the receipt of the following letter:

"46 Russell street, Southsea, Portsmouth, Hants, England.
October 17, 1906.
DEAR MISS GAULT:
I opened a box of pears today (Wednesday) and inside I found your message. I was the individual that unpacked the pears and was very interested, so take the liberty of writing to you. I should think it a very pretty country where all those pears grow. They are so splendid that I have sent them sold at one shilling each. That is twenty-four cents in your money, and the people in London will think nothing of that price for a pear. I suppose they are much cheaper out there. I have never been to America. I have been to Cherbourg and Bolougne in France and in Scotland and in a good many large cities in my own country. I think your people know how to pack fruit. You must write and let me know what sort of place the states are. It must be a few months ago when you wrote that note, as I have had the pears in my shop for a month or more.
Yours sincerely,
MR. MARK COUSTICK.

S. P. Will Add Third Train.
Commencing next Sunday, November 25th, the Southern Pacific Railroad Company will increase its passenger train service to three trains daily each way between Portland and San Francisco.

The new train will leave Portland at 11:30 p. m., arriving at San Francisco on the morning of the second day at 9:48. The return train will leave San Francisco at 3:45 p. m. and arrive in Portland at 11:30 p. m. Agent Wilcox at Medford has not as yet received official notification of the new train, hence it is impossible to give the exact hour of the arrival of these trains at Medford, but as best can be figured the northbound train will reach here about noon and the southbound about between one and two o'clock in the afternoon. Slight changes will be made in the running time of the other trains.

The running time of the old trains between San Francisco and Portland is thirty-six hours. This new train will cut down two hours.

HUBBARD BLOCK NEAR COMPLETION

Substantial Addition to Med-
ford's Business District.
Will Be Occupied Decem-
ber 15th.

The Hubbard and Woods blocks, now approaching completion on East Seventh street, will be ready for occupancy about December 15th, at which time the Hubbard Bros., whose growing business the larger block was designed to accommodate, will occupy the corner building.

The building is a substantial structure of Oregon brick, with a frontage of 50 feet on Seventh street and 140 feet on A street. The Hubbard building has a frontage of 40 feet and the Woods building 25 feet. The entire upper floor of the block will be used by them as a carriage repository, but the first floor of the Woods building is available as a store for the first desirable tenant who applies.

The Hubbard Bros. have suffered much inconvenience during the past summer from lack of suitable store room for their goods, and expect, as soon as the new building is under roof, to employ it temporarily for the storage of a large shipment of vehicles and implements now enroute from the factory at Moline, Ill.

The Hubbard Bros. have been engaged in the implement business in Medford for the past twelve years and the new building they are soon to occupy is a credit, not to Medford alone, but to their industry and business methods. It is a splendid testimonial of public confidence in their business integrity and their faith in the future of Medford.

Indian Money Apportioned.
From Klamath Falls Express:
The Indian agent at the Klamath reservation, assisted by Capt. O. C. Applegate, has compiled a census of the Indians and the roll shows 1050 men, women and children. The taking of the census is the preliminary step to the apportionment of the funds the Indians are to receive for about 600,000 acres of land, laying along the north and east side of the reservation, which they relinquished to the government for a cash payment. The first of this payment, \$25,000, has been received and will be divided among the 1050 Klamath, Modoc, Pitt Rivers and Plutes that inhabit the reservation.

The remainder of the money, \$350,000, due from the government, has been placed on interest and every year the Indians will receive the interest money amounting to about \$10,000. While the per capita payments will not be large, yet when it is considered as a lump sum it is no small income to the reservation wards of Uncle Sam. The sum of \$350,000 placed on interest is held up at the will of the secretary of interior and it may be many years before this amount is apportioned among the Indians.

Another important matter in the Indian affairs is the definite settlement of the Central Military road land grant in the reservation. This matter was first taken up by Capt. O. C. Applegate during his administration as Indian agent and was brought to a successful issue by Major Wilson, the present agent, in a comparatively short time.

CURIOS FROM HEATHEN LANDS

Interesting Exhibit Made Un-
der Auspices of Ladies' Aid
Society of the Methodist
Episcopal Church.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church is arranging for a very interesting entertainment at Angle's opera house, on the afternoon and evening of Friday, November 23d. There will be a number of features, any one of which will be worthy of patronage. The ladies of the society have for weeks been making a great number of dainty and beautiful handkerchiefs. These they will offer for sale. Then there will be a number of booths at which light refreshments will be served.

Then again there will be something more, and that something is a feature, the character of which few Medford people have had an opportunity of familiarizing themselves. This feature will be a display of curios brought home from Malaysia by Rev. Frank Van Dyke, who has been a missionary in that country for a number of years and who is soon to return to his work there. This collection will consist of curious tools and implements used by the natives, as well as a number of native costumes. Aside from these there will be displayed skins and bones of wild animals and birds, some nests of the beaver and tailor birds, a number of strange native coins and postage stamps. There is also a set of ten charts, two by four feet in size, painted by Chinese artists and illustrative of the Chinese belief of the future existence of man. These were painted for an English government officer in China and from whom they were afterwards obtained. There is also a wild boar's head having four tusks, the shortest of which is eight inches in length, while the two growing from the upper jaw are turned upward and touch the skull above the eyes. There is as well the head of a horn-bill, measuring eight and a half inches in length and is four inches thick. It is one of the jungle birds of the Malay peninsula.

Many of these curios will be disposed of at this time, as Mr. Van Dyke will sail soon for Singapore and does not intend taking them back with him. Mr. Van Dyke will be present Friday and will give a brief history of the curios which he will show.

An admission of fifteen cents will be charged adults and ten cents will be charged for children under twelve years of age. The handkerchiefs, refreshments and curios, if you wish to buy them, will be extra.

Mr. Vawter Sizes Up the Situation.
Hon. W. L. Vawter, joint representative from Jackson and Douglas counties, was interviewed by the Portland Telegram the other day, upon the subject of his candidacy for speaker of the lower house of the next legislature. The Telegram quoted Mr. Vawter as saying:

"I'll be in the fight to the finish, and I'll either win or I'll be shot to pieces. If I get beat I'll not have the naming of a committee.

"I shall go to Salem this winter with enough votes to elect me. I am not giving names, but at this time I have at least fifteen votes in sight. I feel that the Southern Oregon counties are with me almost to a unit. I expect support from several Willamette Valley counties and also from Eastern Oregon.

ROGUE RIVER TO BE REPRESENTED

In Contest Between Fruit-
growers of the Northwest-
ern Territory For Valu-
able Prizes.

The following letter has been received by a citizen of Medford, from which it can be seen that the Rogue River Valley will be given a chance to compete for laurels on its fruit products:

CORVALLIS, Ore., Nov. 12, 1906.
I am pleased to note your query. Most assuredly your section is in the game. Only heretofore you have not manifested particular interest in this direction, due I think to the fact that we have found it too expensive in recent years to get a meeting in your region. But we shall be mighty glad to have you in the competition. The committee on exhibits has not yet issued their regulations, but I can give you the essentials, the merely technical points will not interfere with your plans at first.

None but bona fide members of the state society this year, 1906, can enter the competition for cups or awards. (The fee is \$1 for individual or firm, but not association.)

All cups except "officers" are for commercial packages apples and pears; one box for varietal cups; optional number of boxes for the sweepstakes cups.

These latter cups are given for the "best and second best" display of commercial packages for standard varieties.

Fruit must be in place by January 8, 12 m.

Competitors must file for space (naming amount) with J. H. Held, Millauke, not later than December 15th.

Officers cup for best plate display of varietals, four specimens to each plate; not less than three plates of each variety; not less than five varietals.

This cup to be won three times by the same person or firm before it becomes his or their property.

THINGS TOLD ON THE STREET

Opinions, Wise and Other-
wise, Expressed by Lead-
ing Citizens of Medford and
Elsewhere.

H. E. Taylor, by letter from Klamath, Calif.:—"A young man from Medford, Oregon, by the name of A. D. Perdue, was drowned in Klamath river recently, while rafting logs. He had only been here a few days. A letter from his wife at Mill City, Oregon, was found in his pocket. Please tell his friends of his death."

Jim Ritter:—"That's no pipe dream. It's just one of the best displays of pipes and smoker's necessities ever shown in Medford. What, you've quit smoking? That's nothing, you do that regularly every thirty days. When you swear on again come around and Duff or I will sell you a new outfit. But look at that array of pipes. You never saw a better line. They are all prices, qualities and sizes."

J. S. Howard:—"What do I know about railroad lands? Not a thing. I wrote to the head office a few months ago asking for information and the answer I received was so very caustic that I decided if they ever got me in line for anything that would tend to their good they would have to explain away some few little items which I have laid up. No, I do not know that any of their lands are as yet on the market. You might write to C. W. Ebertine, Land agent, San Francisco."

That there are several or more Red Men in Southern Oregon is not questioned by Grants Pass townspeople since Saturday night of last week, upon which date over 400 members of that order donned war paint and went out after 100 of the pale faces of that town.

The occasion was that of the initiation of over 100 candidates into that order. Preparations had been in the "making ready" process for a number of weeks and to properly celebrate the occasion invitations to attend were sent to the braves of Jackson county. Did they respond? Well, they went some—that is some of them went—nearly 300.

A special train was chartered for the occasion, which left Ashland at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The engine of this train was decorated with a large Indian head and all the cars were decorated with banners and the colors of the order and the train crew was made up of Red Men. When that train pulled out of Medford there were 200 passengers—all Red Men and their wives—and upon arriving in Grants Pass they were met at the depot by over 100 warriors of that city. At Gold Hill they picked up the girls' band, which had previously been engaged, to furnish music for the occasion. About 8:45 the grand parade was formed and over 400 of the braves marched through the streets headed by the band. The procession finished at the opera house and the entire body assembled therein—except, of course, the band girls—and the three degrees of the order were conferred on 105 candidates. The degree of Adoption was conferred by Tallima Tribe team of Grants Pass and the Warriors and Chief degrees by the degree team of Westonka Tribe of Medford.

After these three degrees had been conferred all were invited to the wigwam, or lodge hall, where four tables, 100 feet each in length, were weighted down with the very best of everything which Grants Pass people know so well how to prepare. There was enough table room that all present might be seated at one time.

After the feast speeches were made by various members of the order, among whom were Hon. W. E. Crowell, State Grand Sachem L. L. Jacobs and J. H. Fitzgerald of Medford and Grand Chief of Records Butner of Portland.

That the ladies of the party might not weary while the braves were giving the initiatory ceremonies, a cosy and pleasant sitting room had been prepared adjoining the wigwam.

The braves from Jackson county were from Ashland, Medford and Jacksonville—of which 200 were from Medford. The visiting members were very royally entertained by the boys in the town by the Rogus and you will have differences to settle with our boys if you dare to intimate anything to the contrary.

For Sale.
An excellent driving horse.
O. D. OWEN.