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These isn't anything surprising in the news that there are warring factions among the Alabama Republicans—it only takes two to make a fight. Now, a Democratic scrap couldn't occur in Oregon—George couldn't fight with himself.

The row over the reorganization of the Oregon Trust and Savings bank has subsided, after some strenuous words and a few scraps, and there seems to be a likelihood that the defunct bank will be resurrected and its creditors re-imburged.

We suppose it's because of the passengers it has been carrying a loss that the Missouri Pacific has inaugurated a railroad war by cutting fares from Denver to New York to \$32.00. If such a thing had been suggested by an outsider he would have been called a confederator.

That personal message brought by Tatt from the Mikado desiring peace is all right as an interchange of courtesies. Fact is, there's nobody caring much, except a few old grannies, whether the Japs are peaceful or warlike in their feelings toward us. We are not looking for trouble, but trouble knows where to find us when it commences looking about, and we don't intend to change our address.

T. T. Geer has shied his castor into the ring as a candidate for congress from the second congressional district. That makes everything all right. Now the rest of the boys can announce themselves. A political campaign without T. T. being a candidate for something or anything would lose all its savor, now that Hinger has retired.

Oregon's criminal blotter for the year 1907 shows the commission of 56 homicides. For these crimes not one conviction of murder in the first degree has been secured. Only two of the homicides were convicted of murder in the second degree, and are serving sentence in the state penitentiary. One other was convicted of manslaughter, but he is out on bail pending an appeal to the Supreme Court. Fourteen were acquitted for different causes, ten committed suicide. 11 have not been apprehended, and 13 cases are pending in the courts. Of the 13 defendants awaiting trial nine will plead self-defense. Eight of the 14 acquitted homicides were discharged on the ground of self-defense or justification, three went free because of lack of evidence, two were acquitted as insane and one successfully pleaded the "unwritten" law. Only one legal execution occurred and that was for murder committed over two years ago. "There is too much of a tendency to hold life cheaply, and the ease with which murderers escape their just due incites others to a reckless disregard for the injunction "Thou shall not kill." A murderer is reasonably cer-

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tain of escaping the gallows if he has a shadow of a defense, and then has all kinds of chances to be pardoned or paroled if sent to prison.

Socialist Platform

We demand the following immediate measures:

The abolition of the contract system on all public work, labor to be hired direct by the proper city officials, with an eight hour working day, and a minimum wage of \$3 per day.

The employment of all idle resident working men on public improvements.

The establishment of a public bath house and library.

We demand the Southern Pacific Company be compelled to put in crossings on all of the principal streets crossed by its track.

We favor a perfect sewerage system. We favor the paving of 7th street and the better grading of other streets.

We declare that the present management of our public water system to be a disgrace to our city, and pledge our candidates, if elected, to work for the improvement and extension of the same in every possible way.

We pledge our candidates to work for the adoption of the imperative mandate in our city charter, so that the people may recall unfaithful public servants.

We demand that the corporations and large property holders be compelled to pay their just share of the taxes, so that the necessary funds may be secured to carry out these measures.

We call the attention of the people to the fact that there can be no lasting remedy for the evils of the liquor traffic as long as there is a seven cent profit in a ten cent drink.

We the Socialist candidates, agree to sign a blank resignation to be filled out and presented at any time we fail to work for the above measures.

A New Disease

Young Featherhead soon after purchasing his elegant new touring car was taken with a swelling on the back of his neck. He went and consulted his physician about it.

"Doctor," he said, "are there such things as automobile diseases?" "It is not unlikely," was the doctor's response. "At least automobilism may develop tendencies to disease that the dormant under ordinary conditions."

"Well, I wish you would look at that spot on the back of my neck and tell me if the excessive use of my motor car has anything to do with it."

The doctor complied.

"H'm," he said gravely, "that looks as if it might be either a carbuncle or an automobile."

Notice

The County Clerk has received a full supply of registration blanks. All precinct officers who are in need of same will please notify County Clerk W. K. Coleman.

Eagle Point Eagles.

BY A. C. HOWLETT.

There is not the usual amount of business done at Eagle Point on account of the free ferry being out of commission, it being on dry land and there being no way for the travel to cross Rogue river between the Plouonce Rook bridge and the Bybee bridge, a distance of about thirty miles, thus causing those on the north and 2nd and west side of the river to travel a long way around to even get to any railroad station.

There is a lot of lumber laying on the bank of Rogue river about a mile below the old ferry place, that has been hauled out to build a new boat and the wire cable and other supplies are here at Eagle Point for said boat, but no boat. What we want and will eventually have is a good bridge across the river somewhere near the old Jackson place, so that the people of Sams Valley can come here and we can go to that section without traveling twenty-five miles to get ten or twelve.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hazleton, January 7, '08, a son.

Mr. Wilson of the unscrupulous came out last Friday and went to Medford to have some dental work done and returned here on Monday (and on Tuesday morning started from the Sams Side for his home with Mr. Dittsworth.

M. C. Mahony came down from Butte Falls last Sunday for a load of goods for Mr. Hughes, one of the merchants of that place. He went on to Medford the same day returning on Monday. He was accompanied by L. V. Marcy. They report that the sawmill at that place is in operation and that business is living up again.

Mr. Hawk, proprietor of the Wakefield saw mill on the north side of Big Butte creek, and his son and daughter, who have been spending the holidays on their mountain home stand, spent Sunday night here. The two children were on their way to Medford to resume their studies in the Medford schools.

The masque ball given by George Daley on the night of January 1, '08 was a grand success. There were eighty-five whole and ten half tickets sold, and a large number of those who participated in the dance were masked and all seemed to have a fine time. Owing to the fact that the P. & E. railroad was in such a condition that the cars couldn't run, quite a number came on horse back and in riga. After the midnight supper was over Mrs. Howlett thought that she was through feeding the crowd, but that morning she had fifty-two of the ball guests for breakfast, besides our regular boarders, and for once she had to cook more for the company, but they all had all they could eat and were satisfied.

Fred Green, who is working for the S. P. R. Co. in San Francisco, came up on New Years day with his grand parents, J. J. Fryer and wife, and his brother Austen. He attended the masque ball and after he removed his masque his many friends here extended to him a hearty greeting.

Rev. Haskell, of Medford, came out last Sunday and preached for us at 11 o'clock. The Sunday School was re-organized that afternoon. There was a good attendance.

Mr. Miller, one of the old time teachers, who has been teaching in Josephine county, passed through here last Tuesday on his way to his mountain home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Bond, formerly of Prineville, but now stopping with Mrs. Bond's mother, Mrs. A. N. Thomas, were visiting Mrs. Howlett last Tuesday. They are spending the winter here sending the children to school.

Misses Viola Kassarhur and Mable Sanders returned from their visit to Jacksonville last Tuesday.

C. W. Jackson, one of the forest rangers, who has been stopping in the neighborhood of Brown's cabin on Upper Rogue river, came out last Saturday, and Sunday went on to Roseburg.

Mrs. Lible Elkmyer came down from Washington last week to visit friends and attend to business.

Mrs. Ben Brophy, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Nichols, went to Talent last week to visit relatives there.

Mr. Dittsworth and his daughter, Miss Bertha, stayed with us last Monday night on their way home from Jacksonville, where they had been to have Miss Bertha take the examination. She procured a permit and expects to commence teaching in the Nye school house next Monday. That is the fourth teacher that is at work teaching at that family and he has another daughter that has passed the eighth grade examination and will commence teaching as soon as she arrives at the required age—five teachers in one family, way back

in a mountain district, where they try to get the best of teachers, pay a good price and consequently have good schools. If my memory serves me right that will be the tenth or eleventh teacher for that small mountain district.

NORTH MEDFORD ITEMS.

(By J. G. Martin.)

Mr. Woolen is building a pretty six room cottage on his 1/4 acre of land in North Medford.

Horn—to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCutcheon of North Medford on December 29, 1907, a son.

Chas. Boardman, of North C street, is building a four room add to his present home.

H. Coram is having a pretty six room cottage built on the property he recently purchased of John Stewart. Carpenter O. E. Scott has the contract.

W. P. Gould, the rustling teamster, of North C street, met with quite a painful, but not serious accident Friday, by his wagon wheel passing over and mashing two of his toe while engaged in hauling wood from the slippery hills of Griffin creek.

Arthur Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones, the well known pioneer farmer of Beagle, entered the 6th grade of our city schools Monday. His home is with J. G. Martin and family.

Mrs. Lewis, the unfortunate aged, one armed lady that lives alone on North A street is dangerously sick at this writing. This is a case where charitable aid would be welcome.

Mrs. Paul Theiss, of North C street was a welcome visitor Monday actively engaged in soliciting funds for a public library for our city—a worthy cause.

Elite Laundry.

A representative of the Mail, on invitation from Mr. Peil, visited the Elite laundry one day this week and inspected the work being done from the bringing in of the clothes to the turning out of the finished product, and we are convinced that as far as machinery and conveniences are concerned there is no more up-to-date laundry in Oregon.

The laundry is scrupulously clean from the engine room to the office. It is light and airy, built especially for laundry purposes, and everything possible has been done to enhance the comfort of the operatives.

Sixteen girls are employed in the laundry and the payroll runs \$150 and over each week.

Mr. Peil has invested \$11,000 erecting his building and putting in the machinery. He has been handicapped in various ways and is just now getting things in shape so that he can turn out the class of work demanded by his patrons, and is in a position to guarantee that work. At a considerable expense he has sunk two large wells, from which the water used in the laundry is drawn. This water passes through a filter and is absolutely pure and clean before it is used. This is a substantial improvement over city water and shows the desire of the management to give its patrons first class service.

The Mail representative was shown the class of work being done—the finished goods, no better nor no worse than on any other day and he could not see how it could be bettered.

Mr. Peil desires us to say to his patrons that he only asks an opportunity to show them that he can and will do good work. Mistakes are made, bound to be, but the management of the laundry is always willing to rectify them. Damaged or lost garments will be replaced cheerfully when the matter is called to the attention of the management.

Wednesday afternoon has been set apart as visitor's day and anyone is welcome to visit the plant and go through the whole works.

Church-Family Gathering.

On January 16th at 7:30 p. m. a meeting of all Baptists in the city of Medford will be held. All the debts on the church have been paid and the mortgage will be burned. All Baptists and those who helped to lift this debt are cordially invited to be present. The roll will be called and those not present will be expected to send a letter of a scripture text to be read in response to their names.

Ben A. Lowell, of Woodville, was in Medford Wednesday. Mr. Lowell is said to have as fine a tract of fruit land as there is in the whole valley. He has 43 acres, and of this nine or ten acres are already set to fruit, and all of it is under a ditch. He is desirous of selling the property—owing to the ill health of his wife.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Nordby and son, of Portland, were in Medford this week paying a visit to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Handley. These people left Wednesday morning for the South accompanied by Mrs. Handley. They will visit at Oakland, Los Angeles and San Diego, Calif., and from there they will go to Florida. They expect to be absent about six weeks. Mr. Nordby is a member of the Nordby Lumber Company of Portland, and Mrs. Nordby is a sister of Mrs. Handley.

Mrs. A. J. Jennings, traveling saleswoman for the Lamb Kilt Glove establishment, of Colon, Michigan, is in Medford this week paying a visit

PURELY PERSONAL.

Ross Jeffs left Tuesday for Oakland, Calif., to remain.

Hernon Meyers, of Lake Creek, was a Medford visitor Saturday.

J. C. Pendleton, off Table Rock, spent Friday night in Medford.

Hon. H. von der Hellen was a Medford visitor on business Monday.

George H. Church returned Monday from a business trip to Portland.

Merchant F. K. Deuel left this week for his annual purchasing trip to the East.

Mrs. U. F. Cook left Wednesday for Portland, on a visit to relatives and friends.

H. C. Maury, of Jacksonville precinct, was in Medford on business Monday.

G. A. Peck and Arthur Reynolds, of Lake Creek, were in Medford, Monday.

Miss Hazel Tice is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ira Phelps, at Harrisburg, Oregon.

B. F. Allen has returned from a visit of three months duration at Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Short and daughter, Miss Irene, are visiting in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Davis are spending several weeks in Southern California.

C. F. Cook, agent for the Oregon Nursery, was at Ashland this week on business.

Will Muller, "Shorty" Miles and Will Hale are out in the hills looking up timber land.

J. W. Berrieh, of the Upper Rogue River section, was in Medford on business this week.

Misses Lucy and Amy Kent, were visitors in Medford Thursday and Friday of last week.

Mrs. A. D. Hall and daughter returned last week from Salem, where they spent the holidays with relatives and friends.

Ed. Redden and family returned Friday to their home at Del Rey, Calif., after a few weeks visit here with relatives.

Louis Bennett is home from the Agricultural college. He has completed his post graduate course at that institution.

Mrs. F. E. Lamb and son, Earl, of Bowling Green, Ohio, are here paying a visit to Mrs. R. C. Minear, a sister of Mrs. Lamb.

G. S. Wright, one of the members of the Penna Mining Co., operating on Elliott creek, left Wednesday for his home in East Brady, Pa.

Miss Grace Pearce, who has been employed in Deuel & Kestner's store for the past several months, returned to her home on Poorman's creek Tuesday.

A Mr. Clark, of Pesseaden, North Dakota, and Mr. Ferguson and family of Grains, North Dakota, are among the recent arrivals in Medford from that state.

Mrs. D. C. Clingdale, of Eagle Point, who has been visiting relatives and friends in San Francisco for the past several months, returned home Monday.

J. S. Sumerville was in town this week from Elliott creek, on business.

Dick Traverso (Italian Dick) the original McKinley man in Southern Oregon, was in the city a couple of days this week.

Misses Odalite Hornig and Mary Davidson, of Klamath Falls, who have been spending the holidays in Medford returned to their duties as teachers in Klamath Falls public schools Monday.

Mrs. C. L. Hestablon and daughter Miss Fern, returned to Portland, Sunday night. They will remain in that city for several months during which time Miss Fern will continue her musical studies.

J. A. Ward returned to Portland Sunday evening after a week's visit with relatives and friends. He was accompanied upon his return by his daughter, Mrs. Ted Kalso, who has not been in the best of health for a few weeks past.

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to Merchant H. C. Kentner and family. This is Mrs. Jennings second visit to Medford, she having spent several weeks here last winter. During the past year she has spent about six months upon a pleasure trip to England, Ireland and France. This was her fourth visit to foreign countries. She has been western representative of the above named glove house for twelve years, handling all business west of the Mississippi river. She started the western work single handed, but now has six traveling salesmen under her supervision, and this year, for the first time, shipped gloves west in carload lots.

Eden Valley Items.

Grace Smith returned to her studies at the Normal school at Ashland after spending a pleasant holiday vacation with home folks and her many friends here.

C. C. Johnson is busy this week in Medford, taking out oak stumps with his grubbing machine on his property across from the DeHart place.

Will Hoover and bride are in California on their honeymoon trip, and they have the best wishes of a large circle of friends. The boys are preparing to give them a royal welcome on their return.

The young trees on the Burrell orchard are nearly all pruned and two brush burners are now kept busy cleaning up ready for the spray pump and the plow. This orchard work is not all "boys play" but it brings the double eagles, and they are what most of us are somewhat interested in and some have a nice collection of them.

P. J. O'Gara, one of Uncle Sam's specialists on diseases of fruit, is busy in our orchards this week giving practical lessons to an interested group of orchardmen. School boys grown up taking their post graduate course. Mr. O'Gara is doing a good work and it looks good to see thirty or forty interested fruit growers grouped around him out in a big pear orchard. There are no college jells or foot ball teams to this school.

In our last bunch of items we spoke a good word for our county fruit inspector, Mr. Taylor, and few interpreted it as a slap at Mr. Weeks, our former inspector. Because we said Mr. Taylor was doing good work is not saying Mr. Weeks did not, and we wish to say right here that our former inspector did his work well and there has not been a word of complaint. We are surprised that any one should take our comment on Taylor's work as an insinuation that Weeks did not perform his services equally as well. If we say Roosevelt is a good president it does not imply that Lincoln or Washington was not and while we are on this subject let it be clearly understood that these items are written for the general benefit of this section, and if there are any slaps to be dealt out to any one you will not need to read between the lines to find out for whom it is meant.

Yes, real winter weather we are having—that is winter for this valley. Our orchardmen are busy setting trees, pruning and burning brush. The farmers are plowing, clearing land and building fence. The larks are staging. Our school children gathering buttercups on the school grounds, and yet with these conditions in January there are a few disgruntled people who kick every time we have a foggy morning, or the roads get muddy. If we had 25 below zero weather and a coal trust to deal with we would have some excuse to kick for it would keep us kicking to keep warm, but the proper thing to do here is to always have a good word for Rogue River Valley. It adds digestion and makes your coffee taste better.

The Great Debate.

Medford High school vs. Klamath Falls, Friday night at the Opera House.

The judges are: B. F. Mulkey, Ashland, Mrs. E. E. Gore, Medford, Prof. J. P. Wells, Jacksonville.

The teams: Medford—Vernon Vawter, Elmer Swagerty, Carl Glasgow.

Klamath Falls—Alex. Martin, Vin. Yaden, Carlisle Yaden.

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County Tax Levy

The county commissioners court for Jackson county, after being in session Thursday, Friday and Saturday, disposing of a large amount of accumulated business, adjourned until next Monday, when it will take the work of drawing the annual jury lists, appointing election officers for the ensuing two years, etc.

Before adjournment the total tax levy for 1908 for state and county purposes was fixed at seven mills, viz, school 1.8 mills, state 1.6 mills, road 1.6 mills, county general fund 2.0 mills. The budget for county purposes is about the same as last year, but the state and school funds call for larger sums this year than last.

The president has sent to the senate the name of Christian Schuebel, of Oregon City to be U. S. district attorney, vice W. C. Bristol. Schuebel was the choice of Senator Bonare

Advertisements Letter List.

Following is a list of letters remaining un-called for at the Medford postoffice on Jan. 9, 1908:

Albershardt Mrs. Mary Bennett F N
Eaton H B
Hamilton L
Henry Mrs Louisa
Merkel L
Root Frank L
Seaborg B A

A change of one cent will be made upon delivery of each of the above notices.

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "Advertorial."

A. M. WOODFORD, Postmaster

Growing Business



You never heard of a man having to consult an oculist on account of weak eyes caused from looking on the bright side of things. Lots of people in the world would be real good if they didn't think they were so good. Then take the other fellow who has troubles and tries to drown them. In nearly every case, he seems to think they are located in his stomach. Worry is the undesirable thoughts a fellow can't help thinking. Cheer up! You are not half as bad off as you think you are. Prosperity is in the air, and although it may not have struck you yet, it will in a few days or a few weeks, because we're going to have several more years of it. Gosh, how this store is growing. People from all over the world are flocking to Medford on account of our wonderful prosperity. We'll soon have to have about two more stores right here in this town. I think if you haven't been in, it's about time you were coming. There is lots of good stuff to look at. You needn't hurry about buying—all we want is to have you look and not over-look.

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