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READER, IF YOU WANT TO
Raise Fruit, Grow Stock
Mine or Lumber.
Or engage in any occupation in
this province, you will find in
this paper almost unlimited opportunities.
THE MEDFORD MAIL
WILL TELL YOU ALL ABOUT IT

OREGON LEADS
In the production of Fine Fruit
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

THE JANUARY SALE of UNDERMUSLINS

Now under full blast

Ladies, we want you to come to the full realization of the fact that you can buy muslin underwear cheaper at this sale than you can make it. Come to this sale and we will prove it to you. In hunting around last June for muslin for a sale we found a manufacturer who had conceived the idea of putting up a certain number of BIG LOTS of muslin Underwear and selling these lots at 20 per cent under market prices, in order to keep his regular hands at work during the dull months. We secured one of these lots, and can offer you the finest, best made goods at almost the cost of the raw material now. It's made better than you would make it as a rule. The sale closes February 1, so come soon. Biggest assortment shown in Medford at a White Sale

Gowns	Skirts	Corset Covers
50 cents	59 cents	all sizes from
to	to	19c to \$1.98
\$2.69	\$7.47	Drawers
		25c to \$1.69

THE NEW GOODS

First to appear at this Store

NEW SUITS For Misses and Small Women just received. They come with the short jackets and walking skirts, light and dark styles for Spring 1908

Prices, \$8 to \$11

NEW SILK and NET WAISTS

Black, Navy and Brown silk waists, all sizes, now \$4 to \$9.50. Net waists from \$5 to \$9.50

New Skirts of Panama

\$4 to \$15

Ladies Goods Exclusively.

Baker-Hutchason Company
First Room North of Jackson County Bank

BANK

YOUR MONEY IN SOILS OF EVANS CREEK VALLEY

One grower sold \$110 strawberries from 1/2 acre rows 3 feet apart. Another grew 14 tons of pumpkins on less than 2 acres. Sold berries to local store \$97, besides giving quantities of fruit for picking from 40 hills raspberries and 38 Logan berries. Less than 1/2 acre of onions produced 14,000 lbs., sold \$280. 225 Salway Peach trees in four successive years sold: 1904, 1300 boxes; 1905, 2300 boxes; 1906, 1300 boxes; 1907, 1000. One Royal Ann Cherry, 16 years, picked 500 pounds in 1907. One D'Anjou Pear, 7 years, picked 6 boxes. You can get such results as these and better. Come to me and I will tell you why. You can buy a cosy 7 room house and bath with one acre lot for \$800. 4 room cottage and 1/2 acre for \$240.

BEN A. LOWELL
WOODVILLE, OREGON

MEDFORD OPERA HOUSE

HAZELRIGG & WILLIAMS, Mgrs

The Great Comic Opera Success

THE MASCOT

AS PRESENTED BY THE HAZELRIGG-ANDREWS CO. OF

40 Medford Singers 40

A COMPLETE PRODUCTION

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

Seats New on Sale

Try an "Ad." in The Mail.

THE CITY ELECTION

The city election Tuesday was a very quiet one, but a fair vote was polled just the same.

None of the contests were close the successful candidate winning out by good margins. The newly elected officers are B. M. Collins, recorder, L. L. Jacobs, treasurer, Councilmen, F. E. Merrick 1st ward, H. G. Wortman, 2d ward, W. W. Elfert, 3d ward.

Following is the vote—1st ward—Recorder, Collins, 150, Stewart, 107, Treasurer, Jacobs, 154, Smith, 12, Councilman, Fitzgerald, 30, Merrick, 114, Simmons, 10, 11.

2d ward—Recorder, Collins, 151, Stewart, 23, Treasurer, Jacobs, 157, Smith, 19, Councilman, Bundy, 69, Wortman, 36, Wilson, 11, 11.

3d ward—Recorder, Collins, 130, Stewart, 30, Treasurer, Jacobs, 142, Smith, 16, Councilman, Bliss, 52, Elfert, 67, Walter, 16, 16.

Found What He Wanted.

F. S. Green is having thirty odd acres of land in the Table Rock district set to fruit trees. Mr. Green purchased a forty acre tract of land just west from the Col. Washburn orchards, in that section some months ago. There was at that time eight or nine acres of trees growing on the place and he is now putting out enough to bring the acreage up to over thirty acres. He is planting 1,000 pear trees and the remainder are Newtown and Spitzenberg apples. Mr. Green was formerly traveling salesman, and for five years he visited monthly all the principal towns in Oregon, Washington and Idaho. The fruit sections on his route were the Rogue River Valley, the Willamette Valley, the Hood River Valley, the Wenatchee section and the Payette valley and he bought his fruit land in the Rogue River Valley—and it is here he is planting his orchard.

Mr. Green did not make these facts known to this paper in a boastful manner, neither did he do it for the purpose of injuring other fruit localities. They were just plain statements which he made—such as would be made by him upon any other topic. The significance of the purchase of fruit land in this valley stands out very distinctly, however, and The Mail feels itself called upon to infer that the whyfore of the fact is our superior fruit products, our more congenial climate and the reasonable values placed on our land.

The New Skating Rink.

Wendie, Looney & Co. have material on the ground for the erection of their skating rink, at the corner of 10th and D streets and work was commenced Wednesday on the foundation. The rink will have a skating surface 100x45 feet in size and the floor will be of selected lumber and will be the best in Southern Oregon. The work will be pushed as rapidly as possible and the projectors purpose to open about the first week in February. During the coming summer they expect to put in a hardwood floor.

L. M. Lyon, the well known contractor, is in charge of the construction work.

One hundred pairs of the Richardson ball-bearing skates, said to be the best on the market, have been ordered and will be here in time for use. The rink will be run in a strictly up-to-date manner and no boisterous conduct will be allowed.

Monster Cat.

M. C. Mahoney and R. L. Wilson, of Butte Falls, were in Medford Tuesday on business. They had with them the skin of a huge mountain lion which had been slain by Mr. Wilson on the reserve near his homestead Friday last. The big cat measured nine feet four inches from the tip of his nose to the end of his tail, and when alive was an ugly customer to deal with. The fur was in prime order and Mr. Wilson will have the skin dressed and make a rug of it. Mr. Wilson is justly proud of this trophy and refused a number of tempting offers from would-be purchasers.

Putnam Found Guilty.

The jury in the Putnam libel case, after being out three hours, Saturday evening, returned a verdict of guilty. Judge Hanna imposed a fine of \$150, and a notice of appeal to the supreme court was immediately filed.

The jury consisted of George Hoffman, A. B. Chapman, W. A. Patrick, J. C. Wilson, S. F. Hathaway, F. M. Amy, Geo. L. Davis, S. L. Bennett, L. A. Merriman, John H. Bellinger and N. W. Kime.

Buy your cigars from Ritter & Dunlap, where you get a valuable coupon with every cigar.

PROSPERITY MASS MEETING

In spite of the inclement weather the opera house was well filled Monday night with an interested and enthusiastic audience, and a feeling of universal good fellowship and inclination to work together for the common good of the community pervaded the air.

The Medford band discoursed appropriate music at intervals during the meeting.

Chairman Colvig opened the meeting with a short address in which he detailed the object thereof. H. C. Garnett spoke briefly on the growth of Medford as it had come under his observation. The financial outlook of Southern Oregon was the theme of Hon. W. L. Vawter's address, in which he showed the financial soundness of the institutions of the valley.

Gore Bros. quartet rendered a couple of selections and were heartily encored.

Hon. J. D. Olwell spoke on the products and shipments of the Rogue River valley and presented some facts and figures that were startling but true. "There are now in this valley, or will be when this season's planting is finished 25,000 acres of land planted to orchard," said Mr. Olwell. "Of these 4,500 acres will have been planted this season. Figure what the production of that vast acreage will be when it comes in bearing, say six years from now. At a very low estimate—a carload to each three acres, there will be 8,000 cars of fruit, forty train loads of twenty cars to the train, and at the extremely low price of \$1 per box it would mean an income of \$4,800,000 from the fruit of Medford district. That is double the deposits of all the ten banks of the valley."

The figures make a fellow gasp but they are true. The acreage is here, the estimate of the yield is very conservative—it will be better than that—and a dollar a box is lower than the average. Mr. Olwell's address attracted the attention of all, as it showed the people the magnitude of the orchard interests.

Prof. Signs gave a few facts about the educational interests of the city.

Rev. G. L. Hall told of some of the things he was looking forward to. E. E. Kelly spoke from the standpoint of a tenderfoot. Rev. M. F. Horn spoke of the optimism as a citizen, and C. H. Pierce closed the speech making by delineating a few facts about the Commercial Club.

The success of the meeting was unqualified, and the Mail believes that we ought to have more of them. Let's have one of these every once in a while. They will do a lot of good and bring the people closer together. The success of this meeting was due to the efforts of the committee in charge, and especially Chairman Colvig.

Medford Defeated.

The Klamath Falls High School team, consisting of Alex Martin, Carlisle and Vincent Yaden, defeated the Medford High School, represented by Vernon Vawter, Carl Glasgow and Elmer Swagerty in debate last Friday night on the question: "Resolved that the Naturalization laws of the United States should be more stringent." The defeat wasn't an overwhelming one, as the judges were rather split to it to render a decision, and then the vote was two for Klamath Falls and one for Medford. The Klamath boys showed more experience in public debating—this being the first appearance of our boys in public—and the decision went to them for that reason as much as any thing else.

The Judges were Prof. B. F. Mulkey, Prof. J. P. Wells and Mrs. E. E. Gore, and the Medford team finds much encouragement in the fact that the vote cast for them was Prof. Mulkey's, himself an orator and debater of experience.

Announcement.

I have sold my photograph gallery to Mr. F. W. Leavelle. I have not made public announcement of this before, for the reason that I wished to assure myself of his competence to give my customers the class of work to which they have become accustomed. I can now say that he is a first-class, all round photographer, and that I can recommend him to all my customers and friends.

H. C. Mackey.

New Cases Filed

Chas. P. Champlin vs Roxana S. Champlin, suit for divorce on grounds of desertion. The Champlins were married in Wisconsin in 1903. There are no children. Gus Newbury and J. L. Hammerly plaintiffs attorneys.

Stephen Hart vs A. L. Irwin and Flora Irwin judgement for plaintiff.

WILL WE WIN A PRIZE?

If Rogue River Valley doesn't carry off a prize or at least be better than an "also ran" in the apple show at the State Horticultural Meeting at Portland this week it won't be because the apples are not large enough or good looking enough. For years Hood River has been going back up the Columbia with red and blue ribbons enough to make an uninitiated onlooker think it was an aftermath of a Yale-Harvard football game.—difference of opinion between the wearers of the blue and the crimson and all—but this year unless Messrs Smith and Lowndes have the "sundry stuff" Rogue River valley is going to annex a few of those colored symbols of quality.

Sunday evening there were forty-one boxes of apples shipped to the apple show from Medford, gathered by J. A. Perry, president of the Commercial Club, under instructions from that organization, and among those forty one boxes were some prize winners in any country. The idea was to show the different packs. There were Spitzenbergs and Newtowns 128 to the fifty-pound box—that's the regular four-tier pack, but the Spitzenbergs ran down—in number, not in size—to fifty-four to the box. There were ten boxes of them. We don't claim to be the only Spitzenberg growing section but we can raise them some.

Of Newtowns—where we do claim to shine—there were seventeen boxes. Twelve of these held only fifty-four apples at fifty pounds to the box, figure what the weight of each apple would be. Three boxes held seventy-two apples each and one held sixty-three.

There were five boxes of Hovers, three of which had fifty four, one 63, and one 80 apples, and there were four boxes of Winesaps at 88 to the box.

Only one box of blue Pearsains was sent and that held only fifty-four apples.

The above was written and put in type before we had received the returns from the show, and the result shows that we are not much of a prophet. The majority of the first prizes fell to Hood River, as usual, chiefly on account of the extensiveness of the exhibit from that section. There really isn't enough interest taken in the matter by growers here. We have the fruit—we know that—and we get good prices, and that seems to be the chief ambition of the most of us. The only first prize won in Rogue river valley went to F. H. Hopkins, of Central Point, for winter Nellis pears.

The Public Library.

The ladies of the Greater Medford Club have started a vigorous campaign to secure funds to start a public library and free reading room, and all those interested in the progress of our beautiful little city are called upon to contribute. A public library is one of the necessities. Its influence is far reaching. A librarian will be employed and books will be at the disposal of people every day. The Mayor and council have offered the use of the Council room in the new city hall until more commodious quarters can be secured, and the club members are determined to keep up the good work until a Carnegie building can be procured. The following committees were appointed:

Ways and Means of raising money—Medames, Vawter, Alford, Ray. To solicit from business men—Medames, Hollis, Stoddard, Merrick, Van Dyke.

Quite a sum could be secured through the different clergymen interesting their congregations, and the teachers by interesting the school children. Each club member is requested to collect from their friends and neighbors \$5 and bring to next club.

Meeting—the club meets the 1st Monday of the month at 2:30 at Commercial Club rooms.

The present membership: Medames, F. W. Streets, B. P. Theiss, J. M. Keene, J. A. Perry, E. N. Warner, H. C. Kentner, J. H. Butler, G. Miller, C. Corey, F. E. Page, J. D. Heard, I. L. Hamilton, C. R. Hay, H. G. Nicholson, E. E. Pottenger, H. U. Lumden, Chas. Strang, W. I. Vawter, S. L. Eisenhart, F. W. Hollis, S. R. Hill, M. L. Alford, D. H. Miller, H. E. Morrison, G. L. Schumhorst, F. E. Merrick, O. I. Hutchison, E. B. Pickett, L. Bandy, H. C. Stoddard, McCray, S. M. Short, E. D. Elwood, J. E. Watt, W. T. York, G. H. Hastings, W. H. McGown, M. Van Dyke, Misses Alta and Minerva Naylor, Julia Pinder and F. Hastings.

Come and get our special prices on Chinaware, Allen & Moran. Silver plated milk cans for sale at the Rogue River Creamery, Medford.

COUNTY PRESS ASSOCIATION

Temporary organization of a county press-association was effected at Ashland Sunday.

E. A. Pattison, of the Central Point Herald was chosen as temporary chairman and Lynn Purfin, of the Gold Hill News, as secretary. The chairman was chosen to represent the association at the state association in Portland this week.

E. J. Kaiser was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws.

A meeting will be held in Medford, Sunday January 26th, for the purpose of effecting a permanent organization.

Coming From Everywhere.

As an example of the attention which the Rogue River Valley is attracting the fact may be cited that fruit growers from every fruit growing section of the coast have had en masse in the valley lately or have been here themselves looking over the country with a view to investing largely. Some of them have already made partial arrangements to purchase orchard land and others will return soon.

No less than fifteen growers from the famous Wenatchee section have been here during the past week. Several of these will make investments as soon as they are assured that the plans of the Fish Lake Ditch Co. will be carried out in relation to their high line ditch. The completion of this project would make available a large acreage of land suitable for orchard purposes.

The acreage of pears, with this year's planting will reach about one-half of the apple acreage in the valley, and will perhaps continue to gain in the future. If the ratio of planting continues it will be but a few years until the valley and foothills will be almost solid orchard, with handsome residence inhabited by happy, prosperous families on nearly every ten acres, and the Rogue River Valley will be the wealthiest section of the United States.

"The Mascot."

Seats are now on sale for Mr. Chas. D. Hazelrigg's production of "The Mascot" which is billed for Wednesday, January 22nd, and judging by the demand for seats the Medford Opera house will be taxed to its utmost capacity on the occasion. The following is the complete cast:

Prince Lorenzo	Ed. Andrews
Rocco, a farmer	H. Withington
Pippo, a shepherd	R. T. Burnett
Prince Frederic	E. E. Gore
Matteo, an innkeeper	George Merritt
Sergeant	Emil Payette
Laird	Ben Plymale
Angelo	Virgil Strang
Peasants	
Antonio	Homer Rothermal
Paola	Mrs. R. T. Burnett
Farnese	Mrs. Edna Elfert
Princess Flaminia	Miss Edna Elfert
Bettina, The Mascot	Mrs. Hazelrigg
Ensemble:	Misses Hamilton, Enyart, Hoyt, Porter, Kay, Golluf, Farlow, Kent, Wood, Hartzel, Mrs. Barnum, Mrs. Burnett, Messrs. Muller, Hill, Gregory, Sweet, Warner, Hartzel, Rothermal, Merritt.

The entire production is under the personal direction of Mr. Hazelrigg, who has proven himself a past master in this line of work.

School House Burned

Friday evening the fine, new brick school house at Central Point, which was erected a little over a year ago at a cost of \$10,000 was destroyed by fire, supposed to have originated from a defective flue.

Having no means of fighting the flames the people were compelled to stand by and see the handsome structure destroyed. The flames were plainly to be seen from Medford.

The old building which stood nearby escaped and will be used temporarily until a new building can be erected, which the people of that town are already planning to do. There was an insurance of \$10,000 on the building.

The Pot Simmers

Fire has been lighted under the political pot and it will soon be boiling merrily.

Only two prospective candidates have filed their declarations of intention to become candidates for office at the primary election to be held this year on April 17th. These are Gus Newbury, of Jacksonville, who aspires to be district attorney for the first judicial district, and J. L. Hammerly, of Gold Hill, who wishes to represent the county of Jackson in the state legislature.

The ice being broken it is to be expected that the aspirants for public honors will begin to make themselves known rapidly.

COMMERCIAL CLUB SMOKER

The smoker given by the Commercial Club Wednesday night was largely attended. The rooms were filled with an enthusiastic and interested crowd. Among those in attendance were quite a number of people who had but lately come to this section and their presence showed the good work which had been done by the club.

It was developed from the discussion that there would be needed several thousand dollars to carry on the campaign of advertising which in the past year has brought forth such good results, in the way of turning the attention of people to this section and its resources. A committee consisting of Messrs. Enyart, Colvig, Pierce, Findlay and Brooks was appointed to devise ways and means for raising funds.

After the business of the meeting had been taken care of a general social good time was enjoyed. Speeches were made by members and others, but by far the most striking feature was the experience of new comers, who were invited to tell how they first heard of the Rogue River Valley and what induced them to come here, and in nearly every instance the first inducement came from the perusal of the booklet issued by the Commercial club last year, and once here the country did the rest.

The first Wednesday in February—the 5th—the annual meeting of the Commercial club will be held, at which time new officers will be elected.

A smoker will be held after the election. Every member of the club should be present.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning in the Commercial club rooms Subject for January 19th, "Life". All are welcome.

STRANGERS' SUNDAY HOME.

First Baptist church: Next Sunday evening Miss Jeannette Butler will give a short piano recital preceding the evening service, beginning at 7:20 p. m. Last Sunday the attendance at both Sunday school and preaching was the largest for several weeks. The Sunday school was the largest that has ever been in the history of the Baptist church. Superintendent Garnett has not been able to stop smiling yet over the large number of attendance.

Baptism again Sunday evening.

St. Paul's Episcopal church: G. L. Roy Hall, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

10 a. m. Bible school, "Jesus and His First Disciples." John 1: 35-42. 11. Sermon: "The Macedonian Call, Come Over and Help Us," a call to service. 3:30 p. m. meeting of whole church, a conference. 6:30 P. M. C. E., leader, Farl Reynolds, lesson, "How God Speaks to Man," 7:30 sermon: "The Man Christ Jesus." The third in the series of the life of Christ, Splendid audiences were in attendance last Sunday evening, one always feels welcome at the Christian church, come let us worship together.

Marion F. Horn, Minister.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

"The Second Coming of Christ" will be the subject at the Methodist church next Sabbath at 11 a. m. At night the theme will be: "The Devil's Trinity." Sabbath school 10 a. m. Epworth League 6:30 p. m. Mrs. Krause, the accomplished musician from Los Angeles, is now drilling the choir. She will assist the choir at the morning services. Good music morning and evening. All are invited.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Evangelistic services next Sunday morning and evening. Preaching by the Rev. J. K. Howard. All come.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

The regular services of the church will be held Sunday morning and evening, January 19, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. At the morning services the double quartet will sing: "The Heavens Declare the glory of God" by Arthur F. A. Costello, "Onward Christian Soldiers" music by H. R. Fuller, "Venit" in A flat by J. Robinson, "Benedictus" in A flat, "Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning" by Gounod, "Come with God the Father" by J. Barnby. The sermon in the evening will be the third in the series on the Lord's Prayer. These sermons on this particular prayer are proving helpful and interesting. A hearty welcome is extended to all who attend the services of the church.

Every lady in Medford should see that Haviland's new "special sale" at Roberts & Beach.

Silver plated milk cans for sale at the Rogue River Creamery, Medford. Court adjourned until January 27, 1908.