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OREGON LEADS

In the production of Fine Fruit
The Rogue River Valley

Lands OREGON and Medford,
its metropolitan and trade center,
is best represented by
THE MEDFORD MAIL
SEND IT TO YOUR FAVORITE FRIENDS

READER, IF YOU WANT TO
Raise Fruit, Grow Stock,
Mine or Lumber.
Or engage in any occupation in
this precious section of a land of
almost unlimited opportunities
THE MEDFORD MAIL
WILL TELL YOU ALL ABOUT IT

SPECIAL SALES

NOW GOING ON HERE

Space will not permit us to tell you all about the many specials being offered at this store. We invite you here to see them and tell about a few just to give you an idea of the splendid savings

Pike Peeps Free with Purchases

CHILDREN'S COAT SALE

Every Coat at Half Price

Does your child need a coat? Or do you think the old one will do this winter and you can afford to pay double next? Better buy the child a coat now and save half the money and have a good coat for next season, too. Coats formerly selling for \$2 and to \$12 now to be closed out at \$1 and to \$6

\$1.75 Belts 89c	\$5 Bags \$2.50
A lot of fine silk Elastic belts that formerly sold at \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75, and going at the one price 89c	A collection of fine leather bags that formerly sold at \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50 and \$5, now selling at \$2.50

Sale of Undermuslins

We are running a genuine sale of NEW UNDER MUSLINS and simply want to impress you with the fact that we are offering unmatched values. Values that you cannot find after this sale is over

We Invite You to Look

19c Collars 10c	All of Our Knit Underwear Reduced 1-4
A lot of collars that formerly sold at 19c; and sold by some stores over the country for 25c, while they last 10c	If you need any extra garments of knit underwear to carry you thro the winter, now is the time to get supplied

Pike Peeps Free

Ladies Goods Exclusively.

Baker-Hutchason Company
First Room North of Jackson County Bank

OPERA HOUSE

(ONE NIGHT ONLY)

MONDAY, - FEBRUARY - 30

GLORIA DARE

AND HER

FLORODORA GIRLS

Concert and recital selections from all the late metropolitan musical successes

FOR THE BENEFIT OF

Weatonka Tribe, Imp. Order of Redmen

RESERVED SEATS 75 CENTS

GENERAL ADMISSION 50 CENTS

The Musical Treat of the Season

THE INCOME FROM FRUIT

In an article in the New York Fruit Trade Journal of January 7th, an estimate is made of the income derived by Hood river growers from their apples this year, the amount being placed at \$200,000, about the same as last year, in spite of a shortage of 20,000 boxes in the output, owing to the better prices realized. Rogue River Valley can beat that \$190,000 on the income from fruit, as by a conservative estimate the income from fruit shipped from this section this year has reached the grand total of \$300,000. It is not possible to get accurate figures, owing to the fact that there are so many different shippers, but the estimate may be regarded as fairly accurate, and not excessive.

For instance there were at least a hundred and forty cars of pears shipped from the valley this season. It is safe to say that these cars would average \$1500 to the car, and several of them brought over three times as much, and very few of them less. That makes the tidy little sum of \$210,000. Of the 180 cars of apples and small fruit seventy-five cars of apples are estimated at \$1500 to the car, which would total \$1,125,000, and eighty cars at \$800, totaling \$64,000, making in all for the apples \$1,800,000, or a grand total of \$2,010,000, leaving twenty-five cars of peaches, berries, etc., unaccounted for. Besides this there is the prune crop which is not placed in this estimate, as we were unable to get figures upon it. It is safe to say that the fruit crop of Rogue River sold for over \$40,000 in 1907.

The Mascot

The performance of "The Mascot" Wednesday night by local talent was one of the best and most finished performances seen at the Medford Opera house this season—and that is saying a good deal. Mr. Hazelrigg secured the finest costumes possible for the principals and chorus and the effect was great.

It is not necessary to praise the singing or acting of Mr. Andrews and Mrs. Hazelrigg, as Prince Lorenzo and Bettina, they have received so many encomiums in so many different places that we could add nothing to it. Sufficient to say that Mrs. Hazelrigg was a winsome and charming Bettina, and no one could blame Prince Lorenzo for desiring to retain such a "Mascot." When "It is to laugh" and everybody did it.

Miss Edna Eifert, as Princess Flametta, was in voice and stage presence all the role demanded. Her duet in the second act with Frederic (E. E. Gore) was especially pleasing, and one could appreciate the troubles of Hippo, in choosing between the princess and Bettina.

Dr. R. T. Burnett as Pippo was in his element. His solos were well rendered, and the "Gobble Duet" between he and Bettina, was one of the most pleasing numbers of the evening.

E. E. Gore sang the role of Prince Frederic, and earned his meed of applause.

H. Withington, as Kocco, the farmer, helped Mr. Andrews furnish most of the comedy and held up his end in that respect.

The chorus was not the least pleasing feature of the show, both in voice and looks. Why, that chorus has the majority of the traveling opera companies beaten a block both ways, either in singing or looks.

The house was crowded and then some. The S. K. O. sign went up early in the advance ticket sale and it kept getting higher all the time.

Saturday evening, by request, the opera will be repeated. Reserved seats on sale Friday morning at Harkins' drugstore.

Resolutions

Whereas, It has pleased the Supreme Ruler of the Universe to remove from our midst, our worthy brother, E. E. Calkins, and
Whereas, The members of Medford Lodge No. 83, L. O. O. F. have suffered an irreparable loss in the decease of our brother, therefore be it

Resolved, that we extend to the sorrowing friends and relatives of our brother, our deepest sympathy and commend them to the tender mercies of "Him who doeth all things well," and

Resolved, That the charter of Medford Lodge No. 83, L. O. O. F. be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Lodge, and also a copy be sent to the local papers for publication.

E. C. Gaddis
J. W. Mitchell
L. M. Lyon,
Committee.

—Dr. Stephenson examines eyes free.

ROGUE RIVER VALLEY APPLES

The Hood river people carried off most of the prizes at the Horticultural show at Portland, but it wasn't a unanimous decision by any means. The Rogue river exhibit, especially the three-tier Newtowns and Spitzenbergs made the judges cogitate not a little and the spectators, some of them probably more competent to appraise fruit than the official judges, were out spoken in favor of the Southern Oregon exhibit. It is an indisputable fact that Hood river had no better Spitzenbergs than Rogue river—in fact it should have been a standoff between the two localities on that variety. In three-tier Newtowns C. H. Lewis of Medford, should have by all means taken first—but he didn't. In the four-tier class Hood river had the best of it.

Rogue river Winestaps should also have had first prize.

In an interview, J. E. Watt, of Medford, gave a Mail reporter the following:
"It was the finest exhibit of apples ever gathered together in any country," said Mr. Watt, "and never expect to see a better one, and outside of the fact that Rogue river didn't get the prizes I think we should have been entitled to, I am proud of the showing we made." A box of our three-tier Spitzenbergs was purchased by the Horticultural Society to be presented to the Portland Oregonian which shows that they were regarded as being in the first class. Next year the meeting will be in December and cups are offered for different varieties of pears, and if we don't show those people something in the way of pears it will be our own fault."

City Council

The City Council met in adjourned session Tuesday evening for the purpose of winding up the business of the old council and inducting the new members into office. All were present except Mayor Keady and Councilman Hafer.

On motion it was ordered that the city recorder proceed to place insurance on the new city hall to the amount of \$5000, to be increased to \$8000 when the building is finished.

It was also ordered that Recorder Collins be required to return to the city \$41.03, being the amount his books were found short by N. L. Narregan when the said books were experty by him.

The above two motions were incorporated in the minutes, and then the minutes of the previous regular and special meetings were approved, where upon the old council dissolved, and newly elected members, having previously taken the oath of office, came forward and took their seats.

Councilman Trowbridge was elected temporary chairman, and the board proceeded to organize by the election of a permanent chairman. The councilmen were exceedingly polite to each other and each nominated the other until the whole five were in the race. Nobody withdrew and the ballot resulted, Merrick 1, Wortman 1, Eifert 1, Trowbridge 1, Owell 1. It looks as if each member had been caught voting for himself. The next ballot resulted: Trowbridge 3, Eifert 1, Merrick 1, and Mr. Trowbridge was declared elected. There being no further business the council adjourned until Saturday evening when the bids for the city bonds will be open.

Death of D. S. Bussey.

Harrisburg Bulletin:
David S. Bussey, one of Harrisburg's pioneer citizens died at the family home in this city, Monday January 13, 1908, aged 77 years, one month and 29 days, after an illness of short duration, although he had been failing in health for sometime past.

Mr. Bussey was born in Indiana and moved from that state with his parents when quite small to Iowa, where he resided until he became of age. In 1851 he came across the plains to Oregon, arriving here at the age of 21 years and settling on a farm north of town where he resided until fifteen years ago, when he moved into town. He was married in April 1855, and six children were the result of this happy union, two of whom have preceded him to the silent grave. He is survived by a heart-broken widow and four children, they being Wm. and Oscar Bussey, Mrs. M. M. McDaniell, of Los Angeles and Mrs. J. H. Butler, of Medford.

He was invariably a good neighbor, and there was no happier family circle in the land than his. When he died, full of years, and ready to be gathered to his fathers, the grief that was felt over the close of his long career was widespread and sincere. His best monument will be the good report that he has left behind him in the community in which he had lived for more than fifty years.

—Clarence D. Kellow, instructor on piano. Lessons, 75 cents. 25 1/2.

PACIFIC & EASTERN RAILROAD SOLD TO EDGAR HAFFER AND C. H. LEWIS

The Pacific & Eastern railroad has been sold again. This time local people have become its possessor. It was on Tuesday of this week that Hunt Lewis, owner of the Lewis orchards, south of Medford, and Edgar Hafer, manager of the Iowa Lumber & Box Co., of this city, paid into the hands of W. C. Morris, George Estes and Dr. Striker, of Portland, the necessary cash to entitle them to the possession of the road above referred to. Portland papers state that the amount paid was \$150,000, but that is incorrect. It was less than these figures, but the exact amount is not given out. However, this does not matter so much to the people generally in this locality. The more important questions being—will the P. & E. be again operated and will its line be extended? The Mail has it from one of the purchasers that a crew of laborers will at once be put to work and just so soon as the road and track are repaired traffic will be resumed.

Further than this the present owners will not commit themselves as to future movements, but it has been whispered that before the close of next fall's work trains will be running to Derby, which is fourteen miles from Eagle Point, the present terminus of the road. Mr. Hafer being asked to confirm this report stated that neither Mr. Lewis nor himself would promise anything, more than to say that they proposed to operate the present line and extend it, but, as to how far or how soon he would not say.

Should the road be built to Derby another season it will then be within two miles of the larger tract of timber land owned by the Iowa Lumber & Box Company. There has been current an opinion that if Mr. Hafer had a say in the extension of this road it would not be built beyond the Iowa Lumber & Box Co.'s timber. This, The Mail believes to be untrue. While very little definite information could be gotten from Mr. Hafer Butte Falls was referred to as the objective point, or immediately prospective terminus of the line.

The Iowa Lumber & Box Company has no interest whatever in the Pacific & Eastern, notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Hafer is manager for that company. As before stated this company has larger timber interests in that section and they are materially interested in getting this timber to market.

In the purchase of the P. & E. Mr. Hafer and Mr. Lewis assume all indebtedness of the road—that is, all indebtedness which may have been incurred since the line has been owned and operated by Estes, Morris and others, which indebtedness could only come for equipment and maintenance. The liabilities of the old Medford & Crater Lake road are not assumed. These, it is claimed, including the Dewing mortgage, the A. A. Davis claim and the stockholders claims must be paid from the \$81,500 deposit which Receiver Ruddy made in the now defunct Oregon Trust Company's bank. The purchasers do assume, however, the \$100,000 in bonds which were issued by Estes and Morris, which bonds are drawing interest and will be paid at maturity.

The perplexing problem at this time for Mr. Lewis and Mr. Hafer to solve is how to get their line into the central part of Medford. The Southern Pacific Company will not permit them to run in on their line, neither will they permit the construction of a track on their right-of-way. The shops and other buildings, of course, be erected on the P. & E. grounds, north of the city, but there is need for the running of a track to some place near the center of the city. Several routes have been suggested but the one which may be the easiest acquired has not been determined on. Fact is if they get into the city a right-of-way will have to be given over some one of our streets.

Indications are really and truly encouraging at this time, better than ever before, for the extension and operation of the road.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.
Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at eleven o'clock in the Commercial Club room. Subject for Sunday, Jan. 26, "Truth." All are welcome.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
"An earnestness of Conscience," will be the subject at the Methodist Episcopal church next Sabbath at 11 a. m. At eight the theme will be: "When did a Sinner Raise a Shout in Heaven?" Sabbath school at 10 a. m. Epworth League 6:30 p. m. Mrs. Krause will assist in the singing at the morning services. All are invited.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH.
The Sunday services at 11 and evening services at 7:30. The Sunday school meets at 9:45. The music for the morning service will be the same as that of last Sunday, which was so good that Mr. Hazelrigg and his efficient choir have been requested to repeat it next Sunday.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend the services of this church. Good music, bright services, and inspiring worship, combined with short practical sermons make it good for you to spend an hour Sunday at St. Marks church.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
Sunday, January 26th, at 10 a. m. Bible school, lesson "Jesus Cleansing the Temple," John 2:13-22. Everyone not in some Bible school is cordially invited to come. 11 a. m. sermon: "The Modern Sunday School, its place in Church Work." Let every lover of the church and the Bible school plan to hear this address. A new emphasis is being put on the Bible school.

6:30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E., "The Home Mission work of the Disciples" 7:30 p. m. sermon: "The Man Christ Jesus, His Great Sermon on the Mount." This is the fourth in the popular evening sermons on the life of Jesus. A cordial invitation to the public to attend all these services.

Marion F. Horn, Minister.
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Evangelistic meetings next Sunday morning and evening. Rev. J. K. Howard, the evangelist still continues to preach spiritual and soul winning sermons. All come, Sunday school at 10 a. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.

STRANGERS (SUNDAY HOME).
Baptist church—Rev. George Learn, superintendent of the Baptist orphanage on Wood Island, Alaska will speak Sunday morning, February 2nd. All the services as usual next Sunday. Better visit the Sunday School, how Shortie's Sunday School succeeds. It is a very attractive service. We invite you to worship with us. Remember, pastor preaches plain preaching.

NORTH MEDFORD ITEMS.

(By J. G. Martin.)
The Conder Water and Power Company are having new yard arms put on and wire strung on the electric poles on North C street.

H. Corum's pretty new residence on North C street is nearing completion.

Mr. Lawrence Crowell has bought the Kay E. Wilson property on North C street of M. Piceo and has moved into it. Consideration \$800.

Florence Walker, of North C street, was taken dangerously sick Friday with a bad attack of La-grippe. Dr. Jones was called. He is but little improved at this writing.

Mrs. O. Vincent, of Antioch, is on an extended visit with her son, W. Vincent, of North Medford.

Miss Joie Houston, one of Trail creek's promising young ladies, is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Richardson of North D street.

Mr. and Mrs. Florence Walker, of North Medford, received the sad news of the death of Mrs. Walker's youngest sister, Daisy Myers, who died after a brief illness with an attack of pneumonia fever at Klamath Falls, January 14, 1908, and was laid to rest in Klamath Falls cemetery by a large gathering of relatives and friends. Miss Daisy was a young lady of 14 summers full of hope and promise and youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Myers, formerly pioneer residents of Antioch section. Her death is much regretted by a wide circle of relatives and friends.

I was much delighted with my brief walk this morning in the Northern part of our restless city to see so much building and development going on, it tells the story of the city from its settlement and points to its bright and promising future.

Ed. Hooker, of North C street, has bought three lots of Walter Kennedy on the west side of North C street and is preparing to build by moving the old dilapidated fence that has enclosed it for twenty years. The removal of this old landmarks disgraceful appearance from our pretty O street is a welcome and appreciated improvement to adjoining property owners.

Mr. Graessback, who has been spending a couple of months with his wife and babe at the home of Mrs. Graessback's parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Caskey, took the train Tuesday of Vancouver, where he has a lucrative position awaiting him.

Scale Spray

We have just received a car of lime and sulphur solution and are prepared to furnish same in any quantity. Call on or write J. A. Perry for further information.

THINGS TOLD ON THE STREET.

A Medford Lady—"My husband and I came to the Rogue River valley from Devils Lake, North Dakota. The name of the place in which we lived before going to North Dakota is not going to disclose—it may have had a name as sulphurous as either "Devils Lake" or the "Rogues," but what is bothering me is as to where we will go next—when we go. If the opinion Phil Sheridan held of Texas be true we may go to that state—but I doubt it. We surely don't want to go there.

Will Hoeksey—"I had a letter a few days ago from my sister, Rose, who is at Sawtelle, Calif. in which she tells that another sister there, Minnie, is quite ill. She also stated that there had been no rain in that section this season and that people were very much worried for fear there would be none. She said, to avoid the dust from the streets, they had to arrive very early on wash day and get their washing dried before travel began. It's different here, isn't it, but mud is better than dust at the proper time in my opinion."

Ralph Woodford—"Recently, when a postoffice inspector was here, we made an estimate as to the number of pieces of mail matter despatched from the Medford office and the estimates made were an average of 55,000 each month. This is nearly 2,000 for every calendar day of the month. I fancy that's not so bad, in fact I know it is going some, and then when you figure the amount of mail matter which comes into the office for distribution I fancy that's coming some, too. Another thing which makes us feel pretty good is the fact that we are charged with making only sixteen errors in throwing mail during the entire year just past. You understand that every letter we tie in the wrong bundle or every package we put in the wrong sack is charged up against us by the postal clerks on the train as an error and it is reported to the department—and we have made less than two of these errors a month for the past year."

M. E. Nye—"What am I doing? Why, say Hinton, I am busier than a bird dog. Since I bought that old Colvig homestead I have been shaping things (for the planting of a lot of fruit trees. There are 230 acres in the trunk and 110 acres of it is farming and fruit land. What did it cost me? Well, strictly on the quiet, it cost me \$3000. You need not send any prospective buyers to me. Don't want to sell—not at any price. That was a little streak of luck which happened my way and am going to make all the margin myself. I am putting out 800 peaches, peach and apple trees this winter, and next year I will put out another chunk of land. There is an old log building on the place and in the sides and ends of this building are port holes through which I have no doubt but leaden missiles were garried to the destruction of many an Indian in those early days of the valley when there was rivalry between the white man and the red man for possession of these fertile acres. I am going to put a rabbit tight fence around the garden part of the land. Just across the river from my place is the land Alf Weeks and F. K. Duell bought last fall and upon which they are now planting 200 acres of apple and peaches—and I want to say to you that their foreman, Tom Gallagher, is all right in his line. My but those trees do look pretty. Come down sometime and see our lay-out."

Davenport Tonight

Tonight (Friday) Homer Davenport at the Opera House.

The great cartoonist will lecture on his travels in the far east at the opera house at 8:15 tonight.

Mr. Davenport is a native Oregonian, who has become famous the world over. His lecture at The White Temple in Portland was received with the greatest enthusiasm, people crowding the aisles for standing room. After two hours they still wanted more. But a few good seats remain. Get one of them and enjoy one of the most delightful evenings you have spent this season.

Married.

At the home of the mother of the groom, in Grants Pass, Friday, January 19, 1908, Jasper Jennings and Miss Blanche Roberts.

This marriage occurred at 5 o'clock this afternoon and is the culmination of an interesting courtship, as this is the young lady who remained steadfast throughout all the troubles of the groom.—Rogue River Courier.

Notice to Masses.

Special meeting Medford Lodge No. 103 A. F. & M. Friday, January 24, 1908, degree work. Brethren take notice you are invited to attend. M. Pardin, M. M.