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Owing to the fact that a few novelties in Embroideries have failed to arrive, we are going to continue the sale for a few days longer in order to show you all the latest fancies. If you want good, sturdy edges, insertions, whistings, silvers, readings, bands or carlet-cover embroideries, we are anxious to put them on. Values unexcelled.

10c, \$1 1/2 values.....	53	75c values.....	47c
12 1/2c values.....	48	\$1 04 values.....	89c
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20c values.....	30	\$2.04 values.....	1.08
25c values.....	25	\$2.54 values.....	1.18
30c values.....	20	\$3.04 values.....	1.28
40c values.....	15	\$3.54 values.....	1.38
50c values.....	10	\$4.04 values.....	1.48

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500 yards of fine mercerized checks, in Navy, Black, Gray and tan effects; also a lot of beautiful broken checks; sold all over the country for 25c a yard; bought at a very low price to sell as a special drive at

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Black, Cream, Tan, Brown, Oudet and Light Blue Solesettes, the genuine stamped cloth; colors fast; not over 15 yards of one pattern to one customer; lowest price ever made in Southern Oregon; only

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Our stock of WHITE GOODS is very complete; every piece is new and clean. We invite a look.

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Long Cloths at.....	10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c and 25c
Dimities all along from.....	15c
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 First Room North of Jackson County Bank

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To get a good-sized tract of  
 Good Land Near Medford  
 Cheap--Only \$75 per acre.

Many are looking for TRACTS to DIVIDE. This is by far the best chance at the RIGHT PRICE. Don't wait until some other fellow buys this and then sold your wife because you did not

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## CHICKENS

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## BIG PROFIT ON FRUIT LAND

F. L. TouVelle has sold his orchard south of Medford for \$38,000 in the aggregate. A little more than two years ago Mr. TouVelle purchased the tract through the agency of the Rogue River Land Co., from C. Kleinhammer for the sum of \$14,000. There were 143 acres in the tract, and the price was considered at that time a good one. In January of last year Mr. TouVelle sold 42 acres of the tract to W. C. Hopson, of Umatilla county, Oregon, for \$8,000, and this week he sold the balance to the same purchaser for \$30,000 making his profit on the original investment \$24,000.

That is not all. During the time he has owned the property Mr. TouVelle has marketed fruit which grossed him \$20,000. This brings the total receipts of the property to \$58,000. Deducting the cost price of the land and estimating the expense of maintenance at \$6,000—which we believe is conservative enough—he has netted \$38,000 in two years. That beats Wall street for the ordinary man and is a whole lot safer. Money invested in Rogue River orchard lands can't get away from you, and you can't keep it from increasing if you would. This is only one of the many big profits made from orchard lands which have been reported from time to time in this newspaper, and in nearly every case the owners have had the same experience. After having realized from a few crops the original price of the land they have been able to sell it for double or treble the amount they originally gave for it.

### Apportion Range Lands.

Stockmen whose ranges extend into the Ashland and Siskiyou National Forest gathered at Talent, Tuesday last week and conferred with Sgt. M. J. Anderson and Rangers W. G. Kropp and Ira Tange over division of range for stock on these reserves during the coming season. A dozen or more cattle men from the Applegate and Wagner Creek section were present. Only one sheep grower sought range on the reserve, J. S. Harris & Sons. Everything was harmonious between the cattlemen themselves and between the latter and the sheep man and the Superintendent left the allotment of the range to a committee composed of A. S. Kleinhammer, Welburn Heason and Fred Herrin. There was not a hitch as far as harmony between the stockmen was concerned and it is assured that all, including the Herrins, will get the range they have been using for years now covered by reserve. Lines are to be drawn, however, and the sheep confined strictly to their own territory. The stockmen present at the meeting represented about 2500 head of cattle and 2000 head of sheep to be ranged within the bounds of the Siskiyou and Ashland (new) Forests. When their stock is driven upon the range it will be counted by the Rangers and the stockmen will pay the price per head fixed by the Forest reserve for the grazing privilege.

### Correct Time for Medford.

Medford's time is now regulated from the U. S. observatory, by telegraph Time clocks have been installed in Medford, each one set winding and regulated each day by telegraph at noon. When the "time ball" falls at the observatory the clocks are automatically set at the correct time. At no time can the clock be wrong more than a few seconds, and all the twelve clocks, keep the same time, which is absolutely correct.

The clocks are located in the following business places: Haskins' Drug Store, Washburn & Brown's Billiard Parlors, The Emerick, Office Saloon, E. N. Warner's Grocery, Hotel Nash, two, E. D. Elwood, M. Elwood, Medford Mail, Medford Pharmacy, Medford National Bank. The master clock is located in the Southern Pacific depot.

### J. C. Devenney.

John Carson Devenney was born at Phoenix, Oregon, September 5, 1875. Here he grew to manhood, beloved by his family and well liked and respected by all who knew him. For the last two years he was a resident of Bennett, Shasta county, California, where he was taken with pneumonia and died on the morning of February 28, 1908, aged 32 years 5 months and 25 days. He leaves a sister at Phoenix, a brother in Astoria and a large circle of sorrowing relatives and friends. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. H. Norris in Phoenix March 1, 1908.

Wanted—by competent girl, general housework in small family. Mrs. M. C. Leelle, Medford, 10-28-p.

## MEDFORD HOMES PROSPEROUS

W. E. Jones, traveling salesman for Alexander Smith & Sons, of New York City, carpet dealers, paid a visit to Medford recently, and paid this city a tribute, speaking of its prosperity, and the growth it had made since a previous visit, one year ago.

"The goods that I sell," said Mr. Johnson to a reporter of The Mail, "give me an insight into the homes in the sections through which I travel, that I would not obtain if I handled other lines. Carpets are sold to people who desire finely furnished homes, and judging from my orders in this city and section of the country things must be prosperous with you."

"One hears a great deal of Southern California, but give me my choice and will choose Southern Oregon. Here one has the sunshine, the fruit and the flowers without the exceeding dryness of Southern California. On the other hand there is not more rain than needed. The weather in the Rogue River Valley is good enough for me. Last trip I was here in July and this time in March and between the two I believe I know something of your climate."

"Your homes are prosperous, I know that. There is more high priced carpets sold in the Rogue River Valley than in any other section. I know of, according to population in the west. Some day I am coming here to settle down with my family, but just at present I am busy settling up in the East."

### Amusements.

Fait, the Great & Co. opera house Thursday evening for an engagement of three nights. March 5, 6, 7.

He will introduce many new and novel features in psychic phenomena, mind reading and hypnotism. Prof. Fait has with him the noted baritone singer George Congable, who will sing two of the latest and most popular illustrated songs each evening.

The professor has also one of the largest and best moving picture machines and a great collection of pictures, both in motion and still views, from all parts of the Pacific coast states. Prof. Fait was in San Francisco at the time of the earthquake, and took 1600 views of the destruction of that city, before and during the fire, which will be exhibited on the opening night. All will be thoroughly explained.

The public clairvoyant work that the professor is giving this year has brought forth a world of praise from the press wherever he has been. So if there is something that you would like to know, just send the question all sealed and receive your answer. Prof. Fait certainly delivers one of the most interesting programs ever witnessed by an intelligent audience, and no one should overlook the opportunity to see him. There will be an entire change of program each evening.

### Repairing the Factory

The Iowa Lumber & Box Company have had a force of men repairing their box factory during the past week, putting it in order for the season's run, which will start as soon as the company is able to get lumber from Butte Creek, where they are erecting two sawmills. A new planer, with a capacity of 40,000 feet per day, has been ordered from the Merrill Machinery Company of Michigan and will be installed as soon as it arrives. It is a four out planer, which will do away with a rip saw to a considerable extent. The company plans to send their machinery to the woods. New platforms are to be built giving more room for the handling of lumber at the factory and several machines will be changed so as to make the factory more convenient, thus increasing its capacity.

### To Start Logging.

The Trail Lumber Company, with headquarters in Jacksonville, will start their work of logging within the next two weeks. They will keep a force of men in the woods throughout the summer and fall. A large order for logging machinery has been sent and as soon as the machinery arrives the company will start operations. The company some time ago purchased a mill from the Iowa Lumber & Box Company and will erect this on their property, and will saw out their own lumber. New fittings have been ordered for the mill and are expected to arrive at any time. Z. Gansong is the manager of the company.

Wanted—Middle aged widow lady—one with one young child preferable—to do general house work. Address box 18, Phoenix, Ore. 10-28-p.

Wanted—carefully the new real estate list of G. H. Pierce & Son in this issue.

## ELECTRIC ROAD CO. ORGANIZED

The incorporators of the Electric Road for the Rogue River Valley met Tuesday afternoon and perfected their organization. The officers of the new company are as follows: F. C. Page, president; Capt. F. L. Evans, vice-president and general manager; F. E. Merrick, treasurer; S. A. Nye, secretary. These men together with A. S. Hilton and J. E. Watt constitute the board of directors. Judge Hale of Grants Pass was elected attorney for the company.

The company propose at once to sell enough stock in the valley to pay for right of ways, water rights, sites, preliminary surveys, and like matters. The work is to be undertaken immediately, the company expects to have a portion of their lines in operation by next winter.

The new electric line will circle the valley on both sides from Grants Pass to Ashland, and it is expected to eventually extend beyond Ashland to Soda Springs. The Applegate and Illinois valleys will also be tapped eventually.

### CITY COUNCIL

The city wants water and is going to have water if the statements made by a score of prominent citizens of Medford at the meeting of the city council Tuesday evening, are any criterion. Public feeling is all in favor of having necessary water in the city and the committee of the council, that has this in charge, was urged to do their duty; bring water to the city, and were told that they would be supported by the community among those who spoke on the subject were H. C. Garnett, Dr. Pickett, J. A. Perry, former councilman Oesebrugg and a number of others.

The council convened in the office of the city recorder Tuesday evening, all of the councilmen being present, excepting Edgar Hafer.

A communication from the fire chief was read stating that the building belonging to D T Lawton at the corner of Sixth and E streets would be torn down as soon as Mr. Lawton's lease expired on the last day of June. The chief reported that the warehouse was nothing more or less than a fire trap but advised allowing the building to stand until June, when Mr. Lawton would pull it down. The communication was received and placed on file.

A petition from Mrs. Lillie Ray, asking that the city engineer be instructed to give her the grade so that she might have concrete sidewalks placed along the front of her property at Fifth and I streets, was referred to the city engineer with instructions to furnish the grade.

The property owners of South M street petitioned the council for the grading of M street from west Eleventh street to the city limits. Referred to the city engineer.

H. Withington, the city attorney, petition for a raise in salary. The petition stated that, in as much as the city was contemplating so many public improvements and as all of these improvements made more or less work for the city attorney, that it was no more than right that his compensation should be raised. The council voted an increase from \$20 to \$30. Recorder Collins closed the discussion with a remark that Mr. Withington should do the police court work. Mr. Withington however, was not enthusiastic.

The matter of allowing an off tank to be built in this city by the Standard Oil Company, or some other, which has been before the council innumerable times in the past, came up again, and after considerable discussion the city attorney was instructed to draw an ordinance allowing for the erection of such tank in accordance with the instructions furnished by a board of underwriters. The great demand for gasoline throughout the valley, makes it imperative that such a tank be built if none would wait for oil.

The water question was thoroughly discussed and the councilmen were assured of support if they would only get water for Medford and plenty of it.

The question of whether the city should obtain crushed rock from Gold Ray or from Jacksonville was thoroughly discussed but no action was taken by the council. The city engineer made a report upon the two propositions. He stated that to put in the plant at Gold Ray would cost \$500 or \$700 whereas the Jacksonville plant would cost in the neighborhood of \$2700. In the latter plant however the city would enjoy the right of ownership, while at Gold Ray the quarry would revert to the present owners. President Harsum of the Jacksonville road agreed to haul the rock at the same rate as at the Southern Pacific. The matter is to be gone into further as soon as the committee having the matter in charge are ready to report.

## ROCK FROM TWO PLACES

The city is going to have quarries from which to get rock for its streets, if it has nothing else. The committee of the council having the matter in charge have contracted to purchase 10 acres of quarry land at a cost of \$1,000 near Jacksonville, and have petitioned the city council of Jacksonville for a right of way for a spur track to reach the property, a distance of about 1000 feet beyond the end of the R. V. R. R. K. They have also decided to accept the proposition made by Dr. Ray for the use of the quarry at Gold Ray, according to statements made by Councilman Trowbridge to a reporter of The Mail.

The idea the council has in mind is to offer a choice of quarries to the company that obtains the contract for the paving of Seventh street. If they have their crusher they can use the Jacksonville quarry or they can get their stone from Gold Ray.

The consensus of public opinion in the matter favors the Jacksonville proposition. If this quarry is developed it can always be said that the money expended has gone for improvement and development of the quarry. On the other hand, if the Gold Ray proposition is taken up the improvements revert to Dr. Ray at the expiration of the lease, which is for one year, with a privilege of renewing it for two. To put in the Jacksonville plant, including the purchase price of the quarry land, it will cost approximately \$3,000 while at Gold Ray it will cost about \$1000 to get started. What ever work is done in developing the quarries in each place will be about equal in cost, but at Jacksonville the improvements will be permanent—at Gold Ray they will revert to Dr. Ray.

Experts state that the cost of quarrying the rock will be cheaper in Jacksonville. Here the rock is of such a formation that it breaks readily while at Gold Ray the rock breaks up with some difficulty. The Jacksonville rock is much the better for wear on the streets according to tests made in the east of the two rocks. The Jacksonville rock is known as trap rock and the Gold Ray as grey granite. In writing of the two qualities of stone to the city engineer, the expert says, "If you have the trap rock in sufficient quantities for your needs you are very fortunate, for it is equal to the best for paving purposes."

Now that both propositions are obtained the city should have no trouble in obtaining rock for the paving of its streets. There is a number of arguments advanced by the supporters of both propositions, but there seems to be a predominance of argument in favor of the Jacksonville quarry.

The committee having the matter in charge are engaged at present in obtaining a right from the Southern Pacific Company to put in a switch at Gold Ray for a year, with privilege of extending the time two years.

### Veteran Newspaper Man Dead.

Robt. Nixon, for half a century editor and proprietor of the Yreka Journal, who only a few months ago sold the paper, got out of the harness and went to San Francisco to live with relatives and enjoy the winter of life, died in that city Sunday afternoon, February 16, from an acute attack of pneumonia. Mr. Nixon, who was the best known newspaper man of Northern California, was aged 77 years. He was prominent in Republican affairs in his county and state and was frequently mentioned in connection with the office of State Treasurer though he never attained the place. The body was brought to the old home at Yreka, where his son Robt. J. is postmaster and several other children reside. The funeral was held Wednesday of last week and was very largely attended.

### City Buys Graders

During the past week two new graders arrived for use upon the city's streets. The machines are of different sizes, one, a two horse affair, for the scraping of mud in cleaning the streets, and the other a large one for preliminary grading and will require four or six horses. The machines cost the city \$431.42 after the freight had been paid from Portland to Medford.

### Telegraphers Here Not Affected.

The nine hour labor law (Federal) going into effect March 4th will not affect the local Southern Pacific office. Four operators are employed and none of them are required to work more than nine hours daily, even before the operation of the law.

Wanted—A girl to do general house work—small family—washing sent away. Inquire of Mrs. Wm. M. Colvig, near West side School.

## COAL ROAD TO BE BUILT.

There is something doing in coal mine circles. Actual work on the construction of the railroad is to be started within the next few days according to statements made by H. C. Garnett to a reporter of The Mail. The surveys are nearly completed and negotiations for teams to do the grading are already under way.

The road will join the Southern Pacific at a point about one mile south of town and will extend in as direct a line as possible to the mine. The road will be completed within three months. Another dream of the Rogue River valley will thus have come true.

The company is to purchase its own engine and a number of coal cars and the work will be opened on a large scale. There is a force of men working in the mine at present opening levels and running side tunnels so that there will not be a delay in opening up on a large scale as soon as the road is completed. The necessary material for the road has been ordered and no hitch of any kind is expected.

The mine is bound to prove another of the large industries of the Rogue River Valley and its situation is such as to insure this city of the benefit of its pay roll. A force of 500, a low estimate when the mine is opened, will mean a pay roll of at least \$40,000 a month, most of which will be spent in Medford. This with out doubt will prove a great impetus to trade.

Most of the right-of-ways have been secured for the line and no trouble is anticipated in the securing of the remainder.

### Successful Meetings.

The revival meetings which were held at the Methodist church on B street for the last three weeks under the leadership of Rev. Van Marter and Prof. Gray were brought to a close last Sabbath night. The revival was a glorious victory, a pronounced success.

On last Sabbath three meetings were held, one at 11 a. m. the end at 3 p. m., the 3rd at 7:30 p. m. In this the last day of the meeting twenty-nine united with the church making a total of 96 during the meeting. Others will follow, some will go to other churches.

At the evening services the congregation by a rising vote adopted the following resolutions: Whereas Rev. C. M. Van Marter, Prof. and Mrs. Gray are about to close a three weeks revival campaign at Medford, Oregon.

Resolved, That we have greatly enjoyed the sermons and addresses of Rev. C. M. Van Marter, that his work has been an inspiration and a benediction to us, that we can safely recommend him to any church as a preacher who is evangelical in doctrine, earnest in delivery and if the church co-operates with him will be the instrument in God's hands of saving souls and building up the cause of Christ.

Resolved, That we have been delighted with the singing of Prof. Gray, that he is an inspiring factor in revival meetings, and that while Rev. Van Marter preaches souls into the Kingdom, Prof. Gray sings them into the Kingdom.

Resolved, That Sister Gray's presence here has been a benediction to our church, that we appreciate her services and can recommend her as a valuable assistant in the great work of soul-saving.

Resolved, That we cheerfully recommend these three servants of God to any community as successful soul savers, and pray that God's blessing may go with them wherever they may be called to labor in the Master's vineyard.

Resolved, That the thanks of this church and congregation are due to the Medford Mail, The Medford Daily Tribune and the Southern Oregonian for publishing the reports of this series of meetings.

### Meeting at Woodville.

Wednesday, March 18th, J. K. Knodell, the famous temperance lecturer, will address the people of Woodville and vicinity on the subject of Temperance. Mr. Knodell has a state-wide reputation as an orator, and at the meeting at Woodville will be accompanied by a quartette of first rate singers from Medford.

The temperance sentiment is growing stronger all the time in this community.

Blue prints of township maps showing all vacant land, city centers etc. For reliable information concerning Government land write to G. W. Alley, Abstractor, Roseburg, Ore.

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