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Commencing with April 1st, we will put in a complete stock of high grade lumber, both rough and dressed, Kiln dried flooring, mouldings, windows, doors etc. of

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 Also stock of shingles and other building material. Will be pleased to figure with you on what you may need in our line.

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Good Alfalfa land in Rogue River Valley will pay 20 per cent on the investment if you pay \$200.00 per acre. What kind of a bargain would such be at \$60.00? We have 500 acres of the same. The land is as good as Jackson County affords. The price ranges from \$60 to \$100 per acre according to improvements, such as young orchard, buildings, and etc.

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 SHOULD NOT YOU BLOOM
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 BLOSSOMS
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TO BLOOM OUT WILL BE EASY IF YOU COME TO US, AND YOU SURELY ARE NOT GOING TO LET EASTER PASS WITHOUT BLOOMING OUT ARE YOU? TAKE THE BLOSSOMS FROM A VINE AND IT WILL LOOK BARE. FAIL TO DRESS WELL AND YOU YOURSELF WILL NOT LOOK SO ATTRACTIVE, DRESS WILL HELP YOU. DRESS WILL MAKE YOU FEEL GOOD AND PROSPER. SWELL NECKTIES WILL ADD TO YOUR DRESS. WE CAN SHOW YOU SWELL NECKTIES FOR 50 CTS. PROPER THINGS IN SHIRTS FOR \$1.25 TO \$5.00. GOOD FEELING UNDERWEAR FOR 50 CTS. TASTY HOSE FOR 25 AND 50 C.

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WAS HE ONLY A MAN?

Nineteen hundred years ago a remarkable personage walked this earth. He was remarkable for his teaching and for the manner of life he led. For centuries he has been admired by friend and foe.

John Paul Richter calls him "the holiest among the mighty, and the mightiest among the holy." Gallileo and Kepler, Newton and Bacon set the name of Jesus above every other name. We believe that he was what he claimed to be—a supernatural character, the SON OF GOD. Why?

(1). Because he cannot be classified. Take any of the prominent characters of the Bible and you can classify them. Take Abraham; you can find a group of men to which he belongs, a class of men into which he will fit. Take Peter or any other bible character, (except Jesus) and you will find a group of men to which he belongs, a class into which he will fit. Not so with Christ. It will not do to classify him with Zoroaster, Mohammed or Confucius. Jesus Christ as far transcends Mohammed and Confucius, as the light of the sun transcends the light of the moon. The eagle-eyed Napoleon saw this. Once he said, "I know man; Jesus Christ was not a man." He stands out as a perfectly unique character. This fact, that he cannot be classified, is a strong presumptive evidence in favor of his supernatural character.

(2). He breaks the universal law that "like begets like." Throughout nature, in every department where there is life that is the law. The flower and the herb bring forth after their kind. The animal brings forth after its kind. This law was laid down in the beginning, as found in Gen. 1, 11th v.

Your ancestors and my ancestors were sinful. Christ's mother, his ancestors back to Adam, the fountain-head were sinful. But he was sinless. How shall we account for this? The only way you can account for it, is to accept the scripture statement: He was conceived of the Holy Ghost.

(3). He rose from the dead. That there was such a person as Jesus Christ is admitted by friend and foe. That he gathered about him a body of followers who believed him to be the Messiah, is admitted by friend and foe. That he was put to death by order of the Roman government is admitted by friend and foe. Now if Jesus did not rise from the dead, his dead body must have been in one of two places; either in the hands of his friends, or in the hands of his enemies. Had the dead body been in the hands of his friends, it is contrary to reason to entertain the notion that the disciples would have gone up and down the country preaching that he was alive, when they knew it was a lie, and ready to die for that lie. Men may by mistake die for a lie, but men do not knowingly die for a lie. On the other hand, had the dead body been in the hands of his enemies, then when Peter, James, John and the other disciples preached the new religion, if they had brought forth the corpse, it would have crushed the new religion for all time. Since the first is contrary to reason, and the second never occurred, the third must be true, that he rose from the dead. Glory be to the Father and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, for the solidity of the foundation of the Christian religion.

Our Fame Spreading.

The fame of Southern Oregon is spreading rapidly, and has already reached the men of Uncle Sam's battleship fleet, as the following letter received by White & Trowbridge from James L. Carter, pay clerk on the Minnesota would indicate:

"I am thinking of leaving the Navy, and together with my three brothers locating on a farm either in Washington or Oregon. Any information you can give me about farming lands in your vicinity would be greatly appreciated by me, and might result in business to your advantage.

"We have sufficient money to start in right, and are particularly interested in homestead relinquishments where some improvements have been made, or in other cheap farming lands."

The Stallion "Dewey."

"Dewey" the Percheron and Copperbottom stallion, owned by J. M. Samuels, will make the season of 1908, at the following places: Monday and Tuesday of each week at the Niel Walsh ranch, on Yankee creek, and remaining days of each week at the owner's residence two miles east of Central Point, on the Eagle Point road.

Dewey is a young stallion being only seven years old and weighs 1000 pounds.

—Just arrived—A full line of sewing machines. You can have a free trial at your home by seeing G. H. Johnson, Medford Pharmacy, near post office. We rent machines

MEDFORD LEADS IN REGISTRATION

The official figures of the registered voters of Jackson county shows that Medford has been growing some in the last two years. In the last primary election we thought we were doing first rate to come within 250 of the registration of the three Ashland precincts, but this year Medford's two precincts registered fifty-seven more voters than did Ashland's three.

The registration as follows:
 East Ashland—Republican, 298, Democrats, 50, Prohibitionists, 9, Socialists, 23, Independents, 6, No position, 1, Total 373.
 West Ashland—R, 252, D, 55, P, 8, S, 1, N, P, 4, Total 334.
 South Ashland—R, 228, D, 40, P, 7, S, 14, N, P, 5, Total 300.
 Grand Total, 913.
 North Medford—R, 309, D, 143, P, 11, S, 19, I, 54, Total 536.
 South Medford—R, 261, D, 96, P, 10, S, 16, Populists, 1, I, 46, N, P, 5, Total 435. Grand total 971.

The total number of voters registered in the county was 3883, of which 2362 were Republicans, 1012 Democrats, 15 Prohibitionists, 150 Socialists, 4, populists, 209 Independents, and 29 had no politics or were afraid to state what they were. Taken in conjunction with the comparative post office returns published last week this shows how marvelous has been Medford's growth during the past two years. It shows that the youngest city in the valley is catching up with the oldest "live" one. It shows we are forging ahead. Not by reason of especially good management, but principally because we deliver the goods.

Edward Baxter Perry's Piano Recital.

The piano recital by Edward Baxter Perry of Boston, at the opera house Monday night, was a rare treat to all music lovers and was an unqualified success in every way. The program was made up of representative selections from the greatest masters of the modern classic and romantic schools and each number was prefaced by explanatory matter dealing with the musical intent of the compositions. The Schumann number, Carnival op. 9, was a group of varied musical pictures representing the gaiety, mirth and kaleidoscopic scenes of the carnival, which originated in Roman Catholic countries and is celebrated the week preceding Lent. The wealth of tone color, variety of touch and exquisite phrasing, brought out distinctly the imaginative qualities of the music and made it alike intelligible to the musical and non-musical.

Two contrasting numbers by Franz Liszt, with whom Mr. Perry was privileged to study, followed. The Liebestraum, a beautifully constructed melody with rippling arpeggio accompaniment, was enthusiastically received while the Rhapsodie No. 6, brought forth a storm of applause that was quieted by Mr. Perry's rendering the Liszt transcription of Schubert's "Erl King" for which there had been numerous requests.

To those who had heard Grieg's Peer Gynt Suite for orchestra, the excerpt "Roll Dance" which Mr. Perry had arranged for piano, seemed a bit weak, and emphasized the limitations of the piano as a means of reproducing orchestral effects.

Excursion Rates to S. F.

On account of the fleet of battleships and other visiting in San Francisco harbor early in May, the Southern Pacific company will sell tickets at a fare and a third on May 2nd, 3rd and 4th, these tickets will be good for 29 days, but will not permit of stop overs. The company is granting this low rate and long limit to give all an opportunity to see this warship fleet, and partake in the Grand Celebration San Francisco has prepared for the officers and jacksies. It will also be an excellent opportunity to see how San Francisco has risen from the ruins in two years. Further information at the depot Medford, Oregon.

For Sale.

1 span mares, about 1000 pounds each, 1 grey mare and colt, two spring wagons, good shotgun and rifle, saddle and harness and other articles for sale. Inquire of Mrs. C. H. Welworth, 16-25tp Jacksonville, Oregon.
 —Don't forget the Medford Pharmacy next to the post office

IT WAS A BIG LOG ROLLING

Over sixty-five new logs were rolled by the Woodmen of the World on Monday evening and there was a big time on all day. High officials of the order were present—the highest of the Pacific Jurisdiction—and the local camp of the W. O. W. showed them that Medford and the Rogue River Valley could find timber equal to the best on the Pacific coast. Although the big rolling was at Medford the camps from Phoenix and Ashland together with other camps in the surrounding country met in this city, as it was impossible for the head officers of the jurisdiction to visit all of the camps. It was a gala occasion and one that will be remembered by the Woodmen for some time. The local camp is one of the strongest in Southern Oregon with its additional stock.

The officials who were present on Monday evening were:
 Head Consul I. L. Boak, T. Clinton Veale, of Pasadena, Calif., head adviser, P. E. Snodgrass, of Eugene, Ore., head banker C. V. Benson, of Denver, Colo., head clerk, M. H. Wilson, of Roseman, Mont., head escort, A. M. McCallar, of Salt Lake, head watchman, John Patterson, of Spokane, Wash., E. P. Hawke, of Pueblo, Colo., and Dr. James Stanhouse, of Denver, Colo., head managers.

The evening's entertainment began with a parade which started from the Nash Hotel at 7:30 p. m. and proceeded to the Hedmen's Hall which had been beautifully decorated for the occasion. An open meeting was held from 8 until 10 o'clock at which many speeches were made. The meeting then adjourned for the initiatory work in the lodge rooms.

A banquet was served after the work was completed. It was in the wood men's hours when the festivities closed.

The Women of Woodcraft met with the Woodmen in the open meeting adjourning later to go to the Commercial Club rooms where a most enjoyable social evening was spent. The ladies prepared the banquet which followed the other events of the evening and are to be complimented upon the way the tables were prepared and upon the quantity and quality of the edibles.

The open meeting was held in the Apple opera house, which was beautifully decorated with green fir boughs. Streamers of green tissue paper were spread to the chandeliers and a number of stumps representing the insignia of the order were placed about the room. The stair way to the meeting room as well as the room was lined with branches and the effect was at once tasteful and pleasant. The committee in charge of the decorating did their work well.

One of the most interesting speeches of the evening was made by the Head Consul, I. L. Boak. He sketched the work that is being done by the W. O. W. and stated the many things that the order stood for. His hearers gave him the closest attention and many visitors came away feeling that they should be members of the organization. The other speeches made during the evening were much in the same view as that of the Head Consul. J. H. Fitzgerald presided over the meeting.

The local committee in charge of the evening consisted of J. H. Fitzgerald, J. H. Atwell, J. W. Wiley, J. W. Ling, Perry Stewart, A. S. Wells, A. W. Lacey, Luther Hazelwood, H. L. Griffin, C. W. Turpin, F. E. Martin, William Garrett, W. H. Jackson, L. E. Hoyer, G. G. Shirley and M. W. Skeel.

May Festival Coming.

On May 1st the pupils of the city schools under the training of Miss Wilson, supervisor of music, will present the beautiful cantata "David the Shepherd Boy" There will be a chorus of 300 voices mainly pupils of the schools. Some of the leading parts are taken by local talent out side the school full announcement of which will be made later. The characters will be in costume using many that were used for the Mikado. This entertainment will be given at the opera house, Medford, Friday evening, May 1st at 8:30 Admission 50 and 75 cents.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our heart felt thanks to our neighbors and friends during our bereavement, and are especially grateful for the beautiful floral tributes to our dear, departed daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. James

WANTED.

All kinds of new and second hand goods, bought, sold and exchanged. M. D. Moore, 313 E 7th.

AS OTHERS SEE MEDFORD

The following from Julius Beeman, manufacturer's agent for the Alamo Gas Engines on the Pacific coast to E. F. Clark, shows how some people appreciate our resources. Mr. Beeman spent several days here on business with Mr. Clark who has been appointed agent for the territory from Eugene to Redding, Calif., and his letter shows how he liked the country:

"I wish to thank your better half and yourself for the enjoyable time I had at Medford the last two days. There is a feeling however, which I fear will linger long with me, and that is that I have lost much of life that cannot be regained and conditions are such as to possibly prevent making the most of conditions in the future.

"I have traveled much and seen much, have visited many places, some charming, some otherwise, but it remained for you to show me the real 20th Century Eden. If nature has been as generous elsewhere I do not know it; if nature has combined an ideal climate with a rich, marvellously rich soil such as you have in the Rogue River Valley, is undoubtedly reserved for us in Paradise. It is not to be found elsewhere in this world.

"Why do people live elsewhere? For the same reason I did, I presume. I know no better. In all California there is no valley like the Rogue and yet California has claimed for herself all that was desirable in the West.

"I have Eastern friends who desire to locate in the West. If I advised them to go elsewhere than to Medford, not Central Point, Ashland or Grant Pass, but to Medford, I would add a guilty conscience to my regrets of Paradise Lost. When they come lead them up on the mount as you did me and show them the glories of nature in the panorama of the valley and they will rise up and call me blessed.

"Nature is not socialistic in the even distribution of her bounties. In Eastern Oregon 320 acres means a living, a cayuse pony, sand, alkali, and hope; in the Rogue River Valley ten acres means a bank account, an automobile and realism. Never mind, I'll be paying taxes in Jackson county before long.

That's all
 Julius Beeman

MEDFORD IN THE ROSE FESTIVAL

The Medford Commercial Club at their regular meeting on Wednesday evening decided to have a float in the parade of the Rose Festival in Portland in June. A committee consisting of Messrs. Hutcheson, Ray and Findlay was appointed to thoroughly investigate the matter and were empowered to expend not to exceed \$500 in the construction of the float. The committee will decide upon the design to be followed out in the float and they will then contract with Portland parties who are making a specialty of building floats and have the float properly built.

G. B. Thomas a representative of the Portland business men was present at the meeting and outlined the intention of the business men of Portland and what their idea was in having the festival. His address was listened to with much interest. At the close of his address it was decided to enter a suitable float in the parade. All of the live towns of Oregon will be represented and Medford in voting \$500 to enter the parade was but keeping up her reputation of being a live one.

A committee was appointed to see if the government could not be induced to build a wagon road from Prospect to Crater Lake. The committee consist of Messrs. Reddy, Osgood and Root.

The matter of placing a permanent exhibit in Portland with a live man in charge was discussed and Messrs. Putnam, O'Neil and Stocker were appointed to investigate the expense of maintaining such an exhibit.

An Evening With Riley.

A literary program will be rendered at the Baptist church Friday evening, April 24th. Readings from James Whitcomb Riley by Rev. J. LeRoy Hall and musical numbers by local talent will be given.

This evening has been arranged by the 100 club under whose auspices it will be given.

Mrs. A. J. DeLay, Miss Hazel Tice, Miss Jennie Butler, and Fred Metz will contribute to the program, and besides these there will be a male quartette.

WORKING ON SPECIFICATIONS

The office force of the City Engineer is busily engaged in getting out the specifications for the paving of Seventh street. To the average layman this does not seem to be much of a job, but a visit to the office of the Engineer will show that there is a great deal of necessary figuring to be done before bids for the paving of the street can be called for. The work is being rushed so that the street can be graded and paved this summer and the office force is devoting its entire time to the matter.

The specifications must state how much material is to be removed from the street and in order to compute this, each ten feet of the street must be surveyed and the amount of filling required or the amount of material that must be removed has to be computed. If the street to be paved was a new one all that would have to be done would be to establish the grade and then construct the street to it. But Seventh street is irregular, portions of it are far too high and portions are low. When the specifications are completed the contractors will know how much material must be removed from each ten feet of the street, to the tenth of a yard just how soon the matter will be completed and bids called for is hard to state. The paving is to be put in as soon as possible, but work of this kind takes considerable time.

Bilton-Redden

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Redden in Medford, Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock when their second daughter, Ida M., became the bride of Albert S. Bilton, publisher of the Medford Mail. Only the members of the immediate family and the personal friends of the bride, witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. W. C. Keater, of the Methodist Episcopal church. The rooms were most tastefully decorated with a color scheme of pink and white which was also carried out in the luncheon. Preceding the ceremony Mrs. Otis Krause sang, "Oh, Promise Me", Clarence Kellogg serving as accompanist. Miss Nellie Keater played the wedding march and Miss [Name] rendered a very effective violin solo during the plighting of troth.

The groom and his best man, Mr. Clarence Meeker availed the bridal party under a beautiful floral arch in the front parlor. The bridesmaids, Miss Stella Ducloux and Miss Ruth McPherson, in dainty lingerie gowns over blue taffets, and Miss Minnie Corey and Miss Bernice Carder, in perline lawn over yellow taffets, preceded Miss Sadie Amann, maid of honor and Mrs. D. A. Forbes, matron of honor, who were followed by the bride leaning on her father's arm. The bride looked handsome in a gown of white crepe de chine over cream silk, trimmed with bands of white insertion and cut en princess, she wore lilies of the valley in her hair and carried a beautiful bouquet of white carnations and fern. The going away gown was of brown tulle over silk, worn with long gloves and small traveling hat to match.

The bride has grown to womanhood in our city and is held in high esteem by a wide circle of friends because of her sterling worth of character and her many accomplishments.

After partaking of a dainty informal wedding breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. Bilton left by private conveyance for Phoenix, at which place they took the train for Southern California where they will spend the honeymoon. They will be at home to their many friends after May 5th in Medford, Oregon.

Among the out of town guests were Mrs. George Barrington and Miss Sadie Amann of Oakland Calif., Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Forbes, of Talent, and Mrs. A. D. Jauson, of Portland, sister of the bride.

Mrs. D. A. Forbes, of Talent entertained about twenty young ladies at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Lawton, in Medford Wednesday evening April 8th. The party was a package shower in honor of Miss Ida Redden. The evening was spent in various games and music. First was the winding of a spider web at the end of each string the young lady found the picture of her future husband. There was a flower contest in which Miss Lutwin Ulrich won the prize. Mrs. Leon Haskins won the prize in the wood contest. Miss May Phipps was the most successful in the bow and arrow shooting at a heart. Miss Redden received many beautiful presents in the packages presented to her by her friends during the evening.

After a dainty luncheon was served the young ladies departed for their homes saying they had had a loyal good time.