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## The May Sales

Now is the time to save  
We want every lady in Jackson county to come to the realization of the fact that this store is giving special values in the form of special sales every little while. When we find a line of goods has been slow in moving after being in the house a few weeks, we inaugurate a sale and reduce the prices. It will pay you to visit these sales, for you can save money. We defy you to buy cotton piece goods anywhere for less than we are now asking at regular prices. All we ask is a look at the values we are now showing in our big south window.

### Piece Goods Sale

10c Gingham.....5c	15c Dress Gingham.....10c
8c Bleached Muslin.....6c	20c Dress Gingham.....15c
10c Bleached Muslin.....7c	25c Dress Gingham.....20c
12c Bleached Muslin.....8c	35c Dress Gingham.....25c
7c Bro. Muslin.....5c	5c Dress Prints.....4c
9c Bro. Muslin.....7c	12c Cantons.....10c

### WHITE GOODS SALE

Two big windows full of White Goods—on a Muslinwear window, showing the regular and sale prices on every piece of Muslinwear displayed, and one showing the style in White Goods and their former and sale prices. These goods are going fast, so don't delay if you want some of the prettiest white goods and muslinwear ever shown in this section and at a saving.

### LADIES' SKIRT SALE

Note the saving  
A separate Skirt is always an acceptable adjunct to a lady's wardrobe. Over 300 to choose from and no two exactly alike in color or design.

Styles worth to \$8.00, for \$4.00
A lot of finer all wool Chiffon and Imported Panama Skirts in all colors, worth to \$13.50 for 7.00
A lot of fine all wool Panama and Mohair Skirts, worth to \$5.00 now on sale at 3.00
A lot of fine all wool Panama Skirts in black, brown and navy, all new

### HOSIERY and UNDERWEAR

Have you tried our Hosiery? We will give you \$10 in gold for every person you find that has returned a pair of hose to us that did not give satisfaction and did not get another pair instead or ample satisfaction.

5c Hose for.....3c	10c Hose for.....7c
15c Hose for.....10c	20c Hose for.....14c
25c Hose for.....17c	35c Hose for.....24c
45c Hose for.....31c	65c Hose for.....47c

lot of fine Gaiter Socks and Vests in a number of good styles values to 25 cent, now on sale at 12c

12 1-2 cents

Medford's Style Store for Ladies

## Baker-Hutchinson Co.

C St., Just North of Jackson County Bank

## Southern Oregon Tea and Coffee Co.

QUALITY AND QUANTITY OUR MOTTO

No Prizes. We put Prizes in the Quality we give you in our goods.

J. H. Heuselmann Prop.

18 G St. Karnes Building, Medford, Oregon. Phone 587

**RESOLVED**  
YOU CAN'T PLAY OVER THE WHOLE COURSE WITH ONE GOLF-STICK AND YOU CAN'T PLAY EVERY OCCASION WITH ONE OUTFIT. YOU FEEL SO MUCH MORE CONFIDENT WITH NICE NEW CLOTHES

**BUSTER BROWN.**

IT IS NOT EXTRAVAGANCE TO HAVE MORE THAN ONE SUIT OF CLOTHES. YOU ONLY NEED TO HAVE A LITTLE MORE MONEY INVESTED IN THEM. ALL YOU NEED TO DO TO MAKE YOUR WARDROBE MORE COMPLETE, IS TO GET AHEAD JUST ONE SUIT OF CLOTHES. AND WHAT A COMFORT IT IS TO CHANGE OFTEN. THEN YOU COULD HAVE A GOOD SUIT TO WEAR WHILE THE OTHER WAS BEING PRESSED. REMEMBER OUR STORE IS THE ONLY ONE THAT EMPLOYS A TAILOR AND KEEP YOUR CLOTHES IN REPAIR FREE.

## DANIELS' New Clothing Store

## BOOSTERS LEAVE FOR THE EAST

Ed Andrews and W. H. Stalker left on the north bound train Tuesday morning for an extended trip east for the purpose of boosting Medford. They went with a trunk full of circulars descriptive of the Rogue River Valley and expect to do much in the way of enticing settlers to this country after they arrive in the East. They will go direct to Chicago and then north to St. Paul and Minneapolis. All along their route they will distribute literature and speak of the great resources surrounding Medford. The promoters go in the interests of the Realty Bond Syndicate Company of this city and they expect to promote their own business by promoting Medford in persuading men with capital to invest in this valley. They will probably be gone three weeks or a month. A large number of the members of the Commercial Club were at the train to bid them good luck.

### Death of Mrs. Beckett.

Mrs. Viola G. Beckett, the wife of Thomas W. Beckett died at the family residence on the Manwaring place west of Medford on Friday morning, May 8th. Mrs. Beckett has been ill for a number of years and for some time previous to her death she was in a precarious condition so that the news of her death did not come as a surprise to her many friends in this city.

Mrs. Beckett was a native of Lambertville, New Jersey. She came to this valley about fifteen years ago and has resided here since that time. She was married to Thomas W. Beckett in the East. Three children were born to her and at the time of her death one son Clifford survived her two daughters having died a year or two ago in this valley. Her mother, Mrs. Sarah A. Hull, was with her at the end, having lived with her for a number of years. Frank H. Hull of this city was her brother. She was aged at the time of her death, forty-two years, four months and seventeen days.

The funeral was held at the grave, conducted by Rev. C. O. Under the aegis of the Phoenix cemetery. The cemetery was crowded with her many friends who gathered to pay their last respects. Mrs. Beckett was well known throughout the valley and her character was such as to make her loved by many. Her lines extending as it did over a number of years, confined her to her home to a considerable extent, yet all who came in contact with her marveled at her cheerfulness in spite of her affliction. Her death will be regretted by those who had the fortune of knowing her.

One of the Last.

One of the familiar figures of pioneer times in Southern Oregon left Wednesday for Roseburg, where he will enter the Oregon Soldiers' Home, where he will enjoy the rest and freedom from care that his services to the struggling commonwealth of Oregon in the Indian war entitles him. John X. Miller, miner, promoter, Indian fighter and above all a big-hearted man, is one of the few typical representatives left of the men who fought their way in the early days through all kinds of obstacles to the golden shores of the Pacific. He has watched Southern Oregon develop from his virgin state of grass covered prairies and forest clad mountains, when the few settlers were all isolated from the world, to a prosperous country with every modern convenience. He has seen the grass-grown plains change to well tilled fields, and prolific orchards, and the forest clad hills which once echoed to the rifle shot of hostile redmen, now resound with the stroke of the woodman's ax. Now in the sun down time of life he goes to join some of his old comrades beneath the shady oaks of the beautiful grounds of the Oregon Soldier's Home. John X. was one of the original discoverers and owners of the famous Gold Hill mine and an old friend of the late R. S. Dunlap, and one of his deepest regrets is that on his previous visit to Roseburg, he arrived too late to attend the funeral of his old friend. He informed the writer, however, that it was said to be the largest funeral ever held at the Home, for "Sergeant" was beloved by all.

For Sale.

One three year old stallion. One registered Jersey Bull. One Pola and China bear. Seven good milch cows. Either call on Bert Anderson, Medford, Oregon, or the Van Hardenberg place three miles north of Central Point. 20-21

For sale—An excellent quality of brick—in any quantity. G. W. Friddy, Medford, Oregon.

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The city council met in special session on Monday evening and passed the ordinance providing for the entering into a ten year contract with the Rogue River Valley Railroad Company for the hauling of grade rock from the quarry purchased recently by the city at a cost of \$1000 on the other side of Jacksonville. The agreement provides that the R. R. R. Company shall haul the crushed rock at a charge of 20 cents a ton and that the city shall have hauled during a year 4000 tons or pay the company for hauling that amount even if not hauled. The Company is to furnish the material for building the extension of the road to the quarry providing the city gives them a free right of way. The city agreed to pay the company at the first regular meeting of the council for the material hauled during the month preceding. The company is to furnish 20 ton cars of a design approved by the city engineer for the hauling of the material. The company also agrees to build such side-tracks as may be necessary for the proper disposal of the material. The council authorized the payment of \$1600.25 to A. S. Meyer the contractor in charge of the building of the city hall.

The council was instructed to call for bids for the paving of Seventh street. The council was informed that the machinery for the laying of the water mains had been shipped from Portland and that the work of laying the pipe would soon commence. At a meeting on Saturday evening the council canvassed the vote of the special election and accepted the vote.

### Special Service Last Sunday.

Last Sunday the services of the young people were held at 11 a. m. The subject of the address was "Strings! Strings!" a large audience was present and the address and while the service was especially for young people, it interested heartily into the spirit of the worship.

The evening service was also held in the series of popular evening subjects on Christian Union, the special theme being "The Impediments to Christian Union, How Removed." Among other obstacles mentioned in the way of Christian Union, it was proven at three of the greatest art human names for the church, and members, and human creeds, remove these and a great stride, will have been made toward Union. Next Sunday morning the service will be especially for our old folks, and the evening sermon will be "The Glory of a United Church." No doubt the audience will be still larger than on last Sunday.

### School Board Having Trouble.

The members of the school board are having troubles of their own. Last week they advertised for bids for the erection of the new High School building and on Monday evening they met to consider the bids. A number of these were considered but none accepted for they were much higher than the estimated cost of the building. The board sent immediately for Architect Burgart of Albany to come to Medford and through the matter out with the bidder in order to find if there was any possible chance to lower the cost of construction. The bidders, it is understood, in some instances, ran as high as \$10,000 above the architect's estimate which was \$27,000. A large number of bids were received, most of them being from local parties, but a few outside bids were received by the board. But owing to the fact that all of the bids were so high none of them could be considered. When the architect arrives he will endeavor to straighten out the tangle.

### Maxfield-Loder.

At the home of the bride's brother, E. W. Halley, under a canopy of smilax and greenery, into which were woven lilies and white roses, stood Mr. James Maxfield and Mrs. Anna Loder Thursday evening while Judge Solon Smith pronounced the words that united them in the holy bonds of matrimony. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a number of friends of the couple, who had gathered to extend congratulations and well wishes. An old time charivari was soon instituted and the doors were thrown open and a general good time followed. Refreshments were served and several toasts were given. Mr. and Mrs. Maxfield have taken up their residence at the Maxfield home on north Wallace avenue.—Advocate-Courier, Suisun, Calif.

The bride was for many years a resident of Medford.

## GROUND BROKEN FOR NEW SYSTEM

And the work of constructing "Greater Medford" has been undertaken. On Tuesday last ground was broken and the work of laying the new water distributing system was actually undertaken. The work is to be rushed now until it is finished as the contract states that the system must be completed by the first day of August. The machinery for the digging of the trenches has been shipped from Portland and is expected any day and in the meantime workmen are busily engaged in laying the pipe under the tracks of the Southern Pacific Company where the excavating machine cannot be used. The engineers are ready to take the field and map out the line for the gravity water supply from Wasman Canyon. The city recorder has been authorized to call for bids for the paving of Seventh street. The school board have under advisement the bids for the work of building the new high school building which is to cost \$40,000. Surely it may truthfully be said that in Medford there is "something doing."

### Work at Centennial Mine.

From Gold Hill News:  
The work of installing the electric shovel at the Centennial mine on Kane's creek is progressing rapidly under the supervision of J. W. Hough, and within three weeks the ponderous machine will be moving dirt at the rate of 150 yards an hour. Around the mine carpenters, electricians and laborers are all busily engaged in their different vocations, working as rapidly as possible in order to have the machine at work at the earliest possible date. The shovel is being installed under the supervision of C. S. Webber of the Vulcan Iron Works, of Toledo, Ohio where it was made. It is known as the Little Giant Special, and is the first electric machine turned out for these people. The machine is equipped with three separate motors, all of 15-horse power each, and weighs 32 tons. The power-room of the shovel is equipped with automatic relays that are used to control the mammoth shovel as it starts in its work. These relays are so made that if the machine strikes an object that it can, on one stroke, the current of electricity is automatically thrown from the motors into the relays, which prevent them from being burned out. The machine is then released and the current again turns itself into the motors. The transformer house is equipped with all modern circuit breakers and lightning arresters. Here the current is reduced from 23,000 volts to a voltage of 450. The gold washer is propelled by a 20-horse motor, and two motors on the water and gravel pumps make a combined strength of 165 horsepower. The washer, which is an entirely separate machine from the shovel, is composed of a big revolving cylinder and iron riffles, lined with cocoa matting. The washer has a combined length of 20 feet. The water for the machine will be supplied from three reservoirs, two of which are now completed and have a capacity of 17,000,000 gallons and the third one will have a capacity of 500,000 gallons. The water is pumped through the machine and returned to the reservoir, after the rocks and dirt have been again deposited on the ground. As the ground is mined the larger boulders are replaced on the earth, then the smaller ones are placed upon the big ones, and last the dirt is again placed on top of the rocks, with all stumps and other debris removed, making it better for agricultural purposes than ever. The value of this machine to Gold Hill and Southern Oregon can hardly be appreciated until it has been seen and until it has proven that it will successfully work these placer grounds. If it is successful, and there can be no doubt of it, a cheap manner will be found of working these grounds, and after the gold has been removed it can be used for agricultural purposes, instead of being entirely useless as it is when worked by a dredger or other machinery.

### Died.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hutt passed away at 11:15 p. m. on the evening of May 11, at their home at 315 South U. Street. The funeral was held at their home on Wednesday afternoon. Interment took place in the Odd Fellows' cemetery.

### Automobile for Sale.

Runabout for sale cheap. Thoroughly equipped with odometer, top, acetylene lights, etc.

A. C. Allen, Medford.

—When you are in town don't forget to call at the Emerick Cafe—under new management.

## HAFER'S BROTHER IN AUTO WRECK

The following clipped from the Eastern papers tells of the narrow escape Wylie W. Hafer, brother of Edgar Hafer of this city, from being instantly killed in a recent automobile accident. Mr. Hafer states that his brother's machine had just been purchased at a cost of \$3500. He states further that nine persons had been killed at the same crossing within the past three years. Wylie Hafer visited in Medford last year. The clipping follows:

"Wreckage is about all that is left of the brand new automobile belonging to Wylie W. Hafer, vice-president of the C. Hafer Lumber company, since a switch engine at the Illinois Central crossing at Eighteenth street and Broadway crashed into it about 2 o'clock at night.

"Mr. Hafer and a friend were returning from Omaha in the machine. As they passed the tracks, they did not observe the engine which came backing toward them. Mr. Hafer states that no lights were displayed on the engine and he could not perceive its shape until it was almost upon his vehicle. The automobile as running slowly over the tracks and the rear of the engine's tender caught it fairly. As it crashed into bits, the young man leaped to the ground. Mr. Hafer was slightly scratched, but his companion was uninjured."

### Aldenhausen-Hartzell

#### Nuptials.

On Monday, May 11, 1908, at the home of her brother, Mr. F. E. Hartzell in Oakland, California, Miss Francis Louise Hartzell was married to Mr. William G. Aldenhausen. They will be at home to their many friends in this city after July 1, 1908.

Both of the contracting parties are very well known in this city. Miss Hartzell has resided here for a number of years and is popular with the younger set. Mr. Aldenhausen is connected with the Rogue River Water and Power Company and is favorably known as one of Medford's best young business men.

The happy couple left for a tour of Southern California after the wedding. They will occupy the residence of the bride's mother on West Seventh street, Mrs. Hartzell moving to a residence nearer town. The couple have many friends in this city who will await an opportunity to congratulate the groom and wish the bride a long life and a happy one.

### Deserved Promotion.

Hon. S. C. Hartman, of this city, supervisor of the Cascade national forest, received a telegram from the Interior Department last week announcing him to Washington on special work for the summer. He will leave with his family for Washington on the 20th of this month and report for duty June 1. Enroute Mr. Hartman and his family will visit at his old home in Chicago. Just what the nature of his work will be Mr. Hartman will not know until he receives details in an official letter which he expects some time this week.

It is not unlikely that he will be placed permanently in charge of one of the branches of the department, a promotion that Mr. Hartman merits by reason of the splendid record he has made during his nine years of forestry work.—Roseburg Review

### Excursion Rates to Seattle and Tacoma.

Account of the visit of the fleet of battleships to Tacoma and Seattle the Southern Pacific Company offer the following reduced rates. One and one third fare to Portland, plus \$7.50 to Seattle and \$5.00 to Tacoma. Sale dates to Seattle May 21 and 22nd to Tacoma May 25th and 26th continuous passage in both directions with final return limit 14 days from date of sale.

This is the last opportunity to see this fleet after its memorable cruise. These cities are making great preparation for entertainment of the fleet and other visitors.

Further particulars at the depot.

### Card of Thanks

We desire to express our sincere thanks to our friends for their kind sympathy and many floral offerings extended to us in the hour of our late bereavement in the loss of a lovely wife and devoted daughter. We wish especially to thank the Women of Woodcraft for their sympathy and aid.

Thomas W. Beckett, Mrs. Sarah A. Hull.

—For Sale—7 room house, near church and school house, price \$1500, two thirds cash. Address Box 223, Medford.

## AGED MAN LEAVES SUDDENLY

James F. Coss, Sr., the aged father of H. M. Coss of this city, mysteriously disappeared on Monday evening from the home of his son and it was only after the local police had made search for him that it developed that he had left for the home of another son in the state of Washington in company with an attorney sent to this city by the son to assist the father in making the trip. A woman whose identity is still unknown accompanied the aged man and the attorney.

The report spread about the city at first to the effect that Mr. Coss Sr., had been kidnapped but later developments tend to prove that the old gentleman did not leave the city against his will but went of his own accord. His reason for not notifying H. M. Coss that he was going, was that he feared that he would be detained.

Ever since the elder Mr. Coss came to this city to reside with his son here, he has wanted to go back to Washington to the other son. It is reported that when in Washington he wished to be here. A number of times he has been taken back and forth by his son until lately Mr. Coss of this city told his father that he feared that he was getting too old to make the trip again and that he had better remain here. In fact the younger Mr. Coss refused to allow him to make the trip again, basing his refusal upon the state of his father's health, which, owing to his advanced age of 85 years, is not of the best. And so the father decided to go in spite of his son's objections. It is reported that he got neighbors to write to his son in Washington and his son replied by sending an attorney to get the old gentleman out of Medford and take him to Washington.

The attorney laid his plans well. A carriage was hired and the party drove to Central Point where they boarded the northbound train on Monday evening, buying tickets to Grants Pass. It is reported that they purchased sleeping accommodation to Portland.

As soon as it developed that Mr. Coss had left for the north and action upon the assumption that he had been kidnapped, H. M. Coss obtained a warrant for the arrest of the attorney, John Truesax. Roseburg was telegraphed to in an endeavor to have the police of that city stop the party but they succeeded in getting through that city. Eugene understood that no warrant had been issued and let them pass that city. Portland police were communicated with and a reply was received to the effect that they had not appeared in that city. Instead Attorney Truesax took his party from the train at Salem and left by the electric line for Vancouver, Washington getting safely across the line into Washington.

As soon as H. M. Coss learned that his father was in Washington, and that he was not taken against his will, he decided to drop the matter and let his father stay with the brother in Washington.

J. F. Coss, Sr., is 85 years of age and it is feared by his many friends in this city that he will not withstand the strain and excitement of the trip. He was in a feeble condition at the time of his departure and it is thought that he will be much embarrassed by the trip. H. M. Coss plans a trip to Washington soon in order to visit his father. The matter is to be allowed to drop where it is at present.

### City Election.

By a vote of 124 to 15 the proposition to issue 50 year bonds for the construction of the gravity water system carried at the special election on last Saturday. Only a small percentage of the voters in the city went to the polls, the total vote being 139. The proposition voted on Saturday amended the charter so that the city could issue bonds for a term of 30 years instead of 10 years as the charter at present provides. When the bonds were voted for the construction of the water system it was understood that they were to be for a period of thirty years but after the election at which the bonds carried, the city attorney, found that he had overlooked the charter provision that no bonds be issued for a longer period than ten years. The council desired the longer period as a considerable better rate of interest could be secured.

The vote by wards:

First Ward	Yes	No
Second Ward	41	4
Third Ward	39	6
Fourth Ward	44	5
Totals	124	15

—Mrs. E. Arnold expects to leave soon for Wyoming and is selling out her line of millinery including hats, flowers, ribbon, veils, velvet ribbons, and pinnes at cost. Second door south of 7th street on U street.