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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

(From Tuesday's daily)
Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Anderson were in the city yesterday trading.
John O. McClure of Minneapolis is in Medford, looking the Rogue River valley over.
R. P. Little was at Central Point yesterday attending to some business matters.
Ray Maul returned yesterday from Tacoma, where he has been employed for some time.
L. F. Loxier went down to Salem yesterday on matters pertaining to dried fruit shipments.
Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Owell returned Sunday from a several days' visit to Portland and Seattle.
Mrs. I. J. Jennings of Michigan arrived in the city Sunday and will remain several days visiting.
J. P. Roberts came up yesterday from his home at Albany to look after some business affairs.
Chief of Police Shearer was at Grants Pass yesterday as a witness before a recorder's court in that city.
O. K. Butler of Walla Walla, Wash., is in the city today for a brief visit with his friend, Rev. W. L. Black.
Mrs. D. R. Andrus and daughter, Miss Sadie, returned yesterday from a several weeks' visit at Astoria and Portland.
J. W. Brown of Los Angeles, Cal., is in the city for the purpose of locating, should he find something to his liking.
E. W. Garrison of Klamath Falls was in the city for a short time yesterday and went north on No. 16, bound for Portland.
We regret to announce the serious illness of J. L. Scott, father of Section Foreman Thomas Scott, at his home on North D street.
Ed A. Smith of Ruch was in the city yesterday attending to some matters relative to a pension for his mother, Mrs. Margaret Smith.
J. F. Hale, of the Hale piano house, left yesterday for Oakland, Or., with two pianos, which he recently sold to people living there.
Rev. G. L. Hall left yesterday for Pendleton, Or. He expects to be absent about ten days. His family will return to Medford with him.
I. J. Viss left yesterday for Los Angeles, Cal., after spending several days in this city attending to business matters before Commissioner Canon.
Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Stewart and son of Los Angeles, Cal., were in Medford Sunday and yesterday, looking the city over with a view to locating.
Delroy Getchell and wife of Minneapolis are spending several days in town. Mr. Getchell is a banker and views the Rogue River valley very favorably.
Mrs. Ed Hoyt of Fort Klamath came in Sunday and went over to Eagle Point yesterday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Howlett.
W. J. Pierce of Lakota, N. D., stopped off yesterday while on his way to Southern California for a brief visit with his friend, J. E. Watt, and others.
Indicating Medford's advance toward metropolitan things is the fact that a hairdressing shop has been opened in room 2 of the Mission block by Mrs. White.
The biggest business in the history of the Grand is being done every night. People are turned away at every performance. The house is going to be enlarged to accommodate the crowd.
M. Cusick of Southern California arrived in the city Sunday and will remain for an indefinite period. Mr. Cusick is a cousin of our townsman, A. L. Cusick, whom he had not seen for over 25 years.
Lovers of the game are discussing the match between W. H. West and Joe La Salle tonight. Admirers of the local boy, though admitting that La Salle has earned a great reputation, are banking on West to best his opponent.
Mrs. W. E. Caldwell returned to Medford Sunday after a two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. H. E. Hinds, at Beagle. Mrs. Hinds accompanying her here. They report that the Rogue river was out of its banks on the north side of the county bridge and running a stream of water body deep to a horse.
D. G. Karnes returned Saturday from a several weeks' visit at his old home in Illinois. This was Duff's first visit for over 20 years, and he found many changes had taken place. When in St. Louis, Mo., about ten

days ago, the thermometer registered 5 below zero, which made him long to be back in Oregon.
The funeral services of Mrs. T. E. Huth, who died suddenly on Friday evening at her home at 411 South G street, will take place today at 3 p. m. Services at the residence by Rev. W. C. Reuter. Interment in Oddfellows' cemetery.
C. O. Pollard, the government attorney, who has been conducting the land contest cases before Commissioner Canon for the past week, went up to Ashland Sunday to look after some business to come up before Commissioner Briggs this week.
The general topic of discussion among music-lovers these days is the musicale this evening at which Mrs. Isaacs and Miss Brown will appear. These talented musicians are popular favorites with Medford people, and there is every indication that a full house will greet them and bring out the best in them.
Mr. W. W. Glasgow, one of Medford's good townsmen, is in receipt of a letter from a friend in Grand Forks county, North Dakota, in which it is told that the thermometers there have this winter registered 46 degrees below zero. That's cold, even for that country. The Morning Mail publisher remembers that once, "way back in the winter of '83 and '84, the thermometers registered in this same 46 notch. He drove 40 miles over the prairie that day, and during the drive many times he was compelled to remove the ice from the horses' eyes and nostrils, that they might see and breathe. You fellows in Southern Oregon who get all humped up when the thermometer goes to 20 above zero have but a very meager idea as to what cold weather really is.
(From Wednesday's daily.)
R. A. Strahan went down to Woodville yesterday for a short visit.
J. S. Vandorty of Phoenix was a caller at The Morning Mail office yesterday.
E. W. Carder returned yesterday from a visit into Mexico, Texas and California.
Burt Childers returned yesterday to Klamath Falls, after visiting with home folks here.
Mr. and Mrs. H. Lofland went to Corvallis and Portland yesterday for a few weeks' visit with friends.
Blake Adams came in Monday from the Blue Ledge mining camp and will remain in Medford a week or more.
Judge Hanna and District Attorney Mulkey came up yesterday from Grants Pass, the term of circuit court there having adjourned.
H. C. Mackey, the well-known photographer of Grants Pass, came up on No. 13 yesterday and will visit in the city for a short time.
Rev. and Mrs. Bettles left yesterday for Weed, Cal., at which place Rev. Bettles will hold religious services, after which they will go to Dunsmuir and hold services.
Clarence Hamlin, delivery boy for the West Side market, fell from his delivery cart Monday and broke his right forearm. Dr. A. T. Long was called and reduced the fracture.
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Dillon leave today for Hot Springs, Ark., where Mr. Dillon will take treatment for an affection of the face and neck. They expect to be absent several months.
Mrs. S. E. Hawkins of Des Moines, Ia., came in yesterday and will remain for an indefinite time with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dunlop, of the Hillcrest Orchard company.
Ex-Sheriff G. W. McGowan of Klamath county yesterday brought in a nice bunch of cattle for shipment to Portland. These are only a part of 200 head that he is feeding for the market at the Swain ranch, on the Applegate, in this county.
Mrs. A. D. Briggs and daughter, Miss Nellie, Mrs. James J. McNair and Miss McNair and Miss Cambers returned to their homes at Ashland yesterday morning. They were here in attendance at the party Monday evening at the home of William Angie.
T. E. Pottinger was in yesterday from his ranch on Thompson creek. He reports that about six inches of snow fell at his place during the recent storm. Ed has been feeding a bunch of about 60 head of cattle and now has them in prime condition. Since coming to the city he has sold the entire lot, to be delivered as wanted to the Rex Grocery company of this city, for a fair price.
The recent high waters in Bear creek has done considerable damage to the adjacent lands. Among other places where ground is being washed away is near the south end of Almond street, in East Medford. A. McDonald and Thomas Kahler have each met with a considerable loss in this way. The waters were approaching rather closely to the barn of Mr. Kahler, which stood upon the bank, and he was yesterday moving it to a safer location.
Do you ever use oil meal for your milch cows and brood mares? The Russ Mill keeps it. 204-3tp-1w

WEST LOSES HIS FIRST CONTEST

At the Angle Opera house last night the sport-lovers of Medford witnessed the best and most scientific wrestling bout of the season. Joe La Salle, instructor of wrestling at the University of Oregon, threw the local gladiator West in a match three best out of five.
The entertainment opened with a preliminary bout between Walters of Omaha and Lorenzo of Gold Hill. The latter proved too light for Walters, yet his activity in avoiding pin downs deserves credit. After this preliminary contest, good as it was, the real excitement began. Judge Kelly of Medford refereed. In this capacity he showed his knowledge of the science of wrestling and rendered decisions with the greatest fairness, proving satisfactory to both sides.
La Salle was first to appear and explained briefly in a neat speech some technical points in the science of wrestling, for, as developed today, it is a true science. The pinfall—both shoulders held square on the mat—was the only kind of fall that counted in this contest. When West, the local champion, appeared a few moments later, the sporting blood of the fans of Medford who were out in force was stirred by lusty cheering for the local man.
Both La Salle and West appeared in fine condition and fit physically, but the former was hindered slightly by a bad cold and the latter by an injured rib. In the fourth bout, when La Salle had a body scissors and quarter half-Nelson hold, West's rib pained him so badly he called for a down. There was no fault in this hold, nor were there any throughout the contest, but West's sore spot proved vulnerable and somewhat handicapped him in the last bout.
La Salle graciously conceded a 17-minute intermission instead of the regular ten-minute rest between the fourth and last bout.
In the first half-minute after the men stepped on the mat it was clearly apparent that high-class wrestling would be seen. West secured the first fall in 12½ minutes by a clever arm scissors and half-Nelson hold. In this bout La Salle attempted his famous toe hold, but could not successfully execute it. West was too quick and wise.
The feature of this bout was the admirable bridging exhibited by La Salle. The second bout opened with a skirmish for an advantageous hold, and continued a deeply exciting contest for 17½ minutes, when Judge Kelly clapped a down for West. The local man won this fall with the old reliable half-Nelson hold.
La Salle won his first fall in the third bout. He tried again and again the noted toe hold and seemingly once had it fair, but West again proved too clever and strong and broke from it safely. Thereafter La Salle tried different tactics and finally after 16 minutes of exhausting effort downed West by a half-Nelson hold.
In the fourth bout La Salle seemed to have gained his second wind, for he fairly flew at West and by dint of hard work and clever maneuvers in which West also distinguished himself, ended after eight minutes of the most exciting mat manipulations in securing the fatal body scissors hold, from which West gasped and called "fall."
The last bout was won by La Salle in five minutes, thus beating Medford's champion by three falls out of five.
West regrets that his sore rib was so successfully located by La Salle, and believes it handicapped him in the match. He says his opponent is a good wrestler and won fairly.
La Salle said: "West is no rough-and-tumble wrestler. He knows the game thoroughly, is experienced and scientific. He is a mighty good man."
To Meet Seattle Men.
Jack Welch and W. H. West will leave today for Seattle, where Jack has a match. They will remain a couple of weeks, and it is probable that other matches will be pulled off in the meantime.
CONTEST CASES.
Evidence on Homestead Entries Before U. S. Commissioner.
Public interest yesterday centered in the contest hearing in the case of the United States vs. S. S. Pentz, before U. S. Commissioner W. H. Canon. The prominence of the defendant, who has a law office both here and in Butte Falls, and who is Justice of the Peace in that precinct, and the vigor with which the contest is being fought on both sides, has attracted attention to the case.
The defendant Pentz filed on the homestead in question, which is located in the Butte Falls country, in 1902, and has made final proof on the land, but has never received his patent. The government is contesting the case on the ground of non-compliance with the laws as to residence.
Charles O. Pollard is conducting the hearing on behalf of the General Land Office, while Mr. Pentz is conducting his own case with the assist-

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Creamery Butter (5c a roll below the Medford Butter trust prices.)	10c Corn Starch for the package.....7c	Dried Prunes, per pound.....7c
Green Olives at the quart.....25c	Yakima Best Flour, because the best, per sack.....\$1.45	German Lentils for soup making, per pound.....12½c
Kingsbury's 25c Jams cut to.....13c	Red Ribbon Canned, the best experience can buy.	20c Whisk Brooms.....15c
	Deep Sea Salt Mackerel, two fish for.....25c	This year's crop extra dry shelled Popcorn, per pound.....8-14c

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LOCAL ARTISTS SCORE SUCCESS

To an accompaniment of driving rain pattering on the tin roof with a monotonous insistence that threatened to drown the voices and piano both, and that did at times rise above the delicate preludes, Mrs. Irene Hampton Isaacs and Miss Grace Josephine Brown gave one of the most delightful recitals of classic music that Medford audiences have been privileged in many months to enjoy. While the down-pouring rain doubtless kept many away, the enthusiastic appreciation of the audience of genuine music-lovers was indeed gratifying.
The opening number, played by Mrs. Isaacs, was the intrinsically beautiful nocturne in D flat by Chopin. The sweet, long-sustained cantilena of the first theme, as well as the imitation of double stopping in the second, remind one of the violin, to which instrument, indeed, the composition is often adapted. This was followed by a Chopin waltz, the rendition of which was imbued with real artistic taste and feeling.
Miss Brown's pure, clear voice was never heard to better advantage than in the Rinaldo "Aria," which was well suited to her temperament, her smooth pronunciation is liquid and smooth and the interpretation all that could be desired. Her friends are most hearty in speaking of the remarkable advancement that she has made since she was last heard in concert here.
Hermann Genss, formerly director of the Klindworth-Scharwenka Conservatory of Berlin, now of San Francisco, who has been directing the musical education of both gifted ladies, is no less distinguished as a composer than as a teacher and a pianist. The selections from his piano compositions, as well as his songs, were much enjoyed.
A group of classic songs by Mendelssohn and Schumann brought out hearty applause. To sing such songs well is to be an artist.
Mrs. Isaacs' most popular number was the "Rondo" (Perpetual Motion), by Weber, which was played with gaiety and vivacity; the tone was crisp and sparkling, the tempo rapid and the rhythm distinct. The manner in which the inner melodies were brought out was very interesting. Responding to an insistent demand for an encore, she repeated the second half of the composition with increased brilliancy and dash. The modern French school was represented by two charming numbers by Godard, followed by the dainty "Scherzo" of Mendelssohn.
The songs in the second part of the program were well contrasted and were sung with abandon, sentiment and flexible rhythm, showing Miss Brown's natural vocal equipment and skill in expressing a wide range of elusive emotion.
Mrs. Isaacs proved herself an able and sympathetic accompanist.
The applause accorded, as well as the beautiful floral tributes, demonstrate that the concert was a success and greatly enjoyed.
Death of Mrs. Huth.
Blanche Amelia Schneider was born at Alma, Wis., March 17, 1877. She did not ignore the great subjects of divine things, but early in life gave them thought, united with the German Reformed church, and was a Sabbath school teacher in the same. On March 17, 1903, she was united in marriage with Ernest Huth. From this union there survive three children, two of whom survive her. In April, 1907, she, with her husband, removed from the state of Washington to Medford, where they have resided ever since. For some time she had been in feeble health. She died suddenly on the evening of Friday, January 15, thus attaining to an age of 31 years, 9 months and 29 days. She leaves a husband, two children, three brothers, five sisters and a large circle of friends to mourn her departure.
Rev. W. C. Reuter officiated at the funeral Tuesday at the home at 3 p. m.
Death of Miss Howard.
Miss Myra Howard, aged 35 years, died at her mother's home on Oakdale avenue, in this city, on Tuesday forenoon, January 19, 1909, after an illness of several months. Funeral services will be held at

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The sale was consummated after 20 days of advertising, and Utter & Burns being the highest bidders, secured the contract. The contract calls for the completion of the cutting inside of three years. Other timber sales are in progress at this time.
Abe Ruef Very Hard Up.
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 19.—Former Boss Abe Ruef, now under sentence of 14 years in San Quentin for bribery, is very hard up and has decided to sell his fine maroon-colored touring automobile, in which he was wont to spin around town. Ruef's financial condition, insofar as available funds are concerned, has not been anything to boast of for some time. Nearly all his property holdings are tied up for bail. Since the shooting of Heney, the convicted boss has derived but little pleasure from his buzz-wagon. The last time it appeared on the street was New Year's eve. Over at San Quentin Ruef will have less need for an automobile.
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Rebekah Lodge Entertained.
Last evening the following committee entertained the members and friends of Olive Rebekah Lodge: Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Boyden, Mrs. C. C. Taylor, Mrs. Corwin, Misses Bernice and Prudence Angle and Birdie Hall and Mr. F. M. Wilson. Hazelrigg's orchestra furnished music and Mrs. Hazelrigg charmed with a beautifully rendered soprano solo. Cards and dancing were the chief amusements and light refreshments were served in the banquet hall. Nearly 100 were present and the affair was one of the most successful ever given by this popular order.
Another Septic Tank.
Engineer Osgood has been busy for several days past preparing plans for the construction of a new septic tank for the city. This tank will be located outside the incorporate limits of the city on the north, near Bear creek, and will be about four times the size of the one now in use. Bids for its construction will soon be advertised for and as soon as the new trunk sewer line is completed it will be ready for use.
Local Shipments Delayed.
J. A. Perry, secretary of the Fruit-growers' union, states that the shipment of one carload of Newtown pippins to London has been delayed owing to the fact that the O. R. & N. refused to accept freight over its lines owing to the damage done by the recent storms. Several cars of Ben Davis apples for California are delayed for the reason that the Southern Pacific cannot accept freight owing to the condition of its roadbed caused by the recent high water in that state.
Tunnel Work Commenced.
A crew of four men was sent out to the Brownsboro tunnel this morning to begin the work of boring the tunnel for the new water system. Two men will work at each end in digging the tunnel. Later on, when the tunnel has progressed sufficiently far to afford shelter for the men, a double force will be put at work during the night shift.
Changes Hands Again.
The Mission Grill has changed hands again. Mr. Peachy, one of the old proprietors, has sold his interest to F. W. Rauch, and the popular eating place will hereafter be conducted by E. A. Hefler and F. W. Rauch.

SALE OF TIMBER LAND.

Papers confirming the sale of 5,000,000 feet of yellow pine and some white fir to Utter & Burns of Fort Klamath were received yesterday by the local forest officials.
The timber is located on Anna creek, about five miles west of Klamath Falls. The company has also secured a special use lease from the forest service for a mill site, on which they are erecting a sawmill with a capacity of 15,000 feet per day. They will also take out a ditch from Anna creek, which will be three-quarters of a mile in length, which will furnish power to operate their planing mill.
The price paid the government for the timber is \$3.25 per thousand and \$1 per thousand for the white pine. The latter wood was formerly considered worthless, but it is now found to be useful for a variety of purposes.
The cutting area embraces about 240 acres, and only about 35 per cent of the merchantable timber on the tract will be cut. The cutting will be done under strict governmental supervision, each tree to be cut will be marked by an employee of the forest service. All brush must be piled so as to lessen fire menace, and an occasional sound tree will be left for reseedling, so as to produce another crop equal to the present one in from 30 to 40 years. By this method of scientific cutting it is possible to prolong the use of a forest indefinitely.
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