

**Social and Personal**

L. Bennett has left for Portland on a short business trip.  
 Johnson's Best Flour, \$1.35. McComb & True.  
 The Commercial club will meet this evening in regular session.  
 Save 10 to 15 pounds per bale by getting your hay at the Ross Mill. 65  
 George L. Davis, the Jacksonville banker, spent Wednesday in Medford.  
 List land with Benson Investment Co., Over the Bijou Theater. 254  
 Joseph Gephart and wife are visiting Medford.  
 Hot popcorn and roasted peanuts at the M. & B. Candy Kitchen. 234  
 Polk Hull of Griffin Creek is looking after county business in company with several other grand jurors.  
 Have customer for hearing commercial orchard. Benson Investment Co., over Bijou Theater. 259  
 R. P. Tucker of Brownsboro has been attending court at Jacksonville, being a grand juror.  
 There'll be something doing in Merlin very soon. 232  
 L. D. Harris has returned from the Spokane apple fair.  
 The ideal holiday candles. King & Long. 231  
 F. B. Ostman of Talent spent Tuesday in Medford.  
 Call up the Ross Mill and get prices on feed and hay before buying. Phone 3101. 65  
 A stray Jersey heifer will be sold at the Central Point pound Thursday, December 17.  
 Get in your orders early and avoid the rush at the M. & B. Candy kitchen. 234  
 Mrs. Thomas Bundy of Hills, Cal., is visiting in this city with the family of M. M. Gault.  
 Special attention paid to fancy box candy orders for Christmas, put up ready to mail. King & Long. 231  
 F. L. Cranfill has returned from a business trip north. He will visit southern California in January.  
 We don't want the earth, but we do want your food trade. We sell for cash, but we make it an object for you to pay cash at the Ross Mill. 68  
 A. E. Buttner, secretary of the Weinhart estate, spent Wednesday in Medford.  
 Do you want to build a home? Do you want to speculate? If you desire to do either, see Toft & Anderson about lots in their new addition just opened in West Medford. 235  
 Elmer A. Hlecks made a business trip to Ashland on Wednesday. He was accompanied by T. J. Carney.  
 R. H. Bradshaw and T. C. Hall have been attending to business matters in Medford the past week.  
 W. C. Smith and family of Central Point have gone to Buffalo, N. Y., to visit.  
 A. S. Rosenbaum, who has been confined at his home by grip for several days, is able to be out again.  
 William C. Crane of Eugene arrived in Medford Wednesday morning and will remain for several days looking over the valley with a view to locating.  
 Bert Percival has spent several days in Ashland during the past week and may decide to accept a position in that city.  
 John B. Baker of Grants Pass was a Medford visitor on Tuesday.  
 P. M. Kershaw is in Eugene on a business trip.  
 Mrs. J. F. Reddy is expected to return home on Thursday from a trip of several weeks throughout the north-west.  
 Mrs. L. L. Stone, son and daughter have left for California, where they go for the benefit of young Mr. Stone, who is suffering from pulmonary troubles. Mrs. Stone conducted the Coletan hotel last summer at Coles, and afterward a boarding house at the Moore homestead.

**CITY TREASURER'S NOTICE.**  
 Office of City Treasurer, Medford, Oregon, Dec. 15th, 1908.  
 Notice is hereby given that there are funds in the city treasury for the redemption of all outstanding warrants issued against the light and water fund, and all outstanding warrants issued against Sewer Dist. No. 6, protested September and October, 1908, and Nos. 13 to 23, inclusive, protested November 10th, 1908.  
 Interest on the same will cease after the above date.  
 L. L. JACOBS,  
 City Treasurer.

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS.**  
 Medford, Or., Dec. 15.  
 Sealed proposals will be received by the City Recorder of Medford, Oregon, until 5 o'clock p. m. December 21, 1908, for painting street signs.  
 All bids must be submitted on the printed forms furnished by the city recorder.  
 All labor and material to be done and furnished strictly in accordance with the specifications on file in the office of the city recorder and to the satisfaction of the city engineer.

**JURORS FIND JACKSON NOT GUILTY OF AN ASSAULT**  
 The grand jury today is examining conditions at the county hospital and upon making its report will probably be discharged. The grand jury refused to indict Earl E. Jackson for assault and battery for which he had been held by Justice of the Peace Cannon of Medford assault upon George Patnam, editor of The Tribune. But one witness, Patnam, was examined by the jurors and his testimony was uncontroverted and all the evidence placed before the jury.

**YUBA COUNTY PRODUCES BANANAS AND DATES**  
 MARYSVILLE, Yuba county, Cal., Dec. 16.—In proof of the versatility of the soil of Yuba county dates and bananas are being exhibited in the Christmas show windows here as products of Marysville yards.  
 The dates are grown to a state of perfection in the yards of William Church, Jr. and William Englund, while J. G. Goba boasts of the producing banana plant, which has yielded fruit for a number of years past.

**Sensible Holiday Presents**

**Christmas Neckwear**  
 Our different lines of Neckwear positively surpass anything in the tie line ever shown in Medford. The silks are better quality, patterns richer and the ties are longer than any you will find elsewhere. Prices 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, on to \$2.00.



**Holiday Suspenders**  
 Holiday Suspenders in beautiful effects. Prices 50c to \$3.00 the pair. Linen and silk handkerchiefs, all prices, 25c up. Bath Robes and House Coats in a gorgeous array of patterns. The new Phoenix would make an excellent Xmas gift. In the high school colors. Prices moderate.

**COUNTLESS OTHER USEFUL GIFTS**

Collar Boxes \$1.50 and up. Hosiery, Gloves, Shirts, Mufflers, Reefers, Full Dress Shields, Silk Handkerchiefs, Silk Umbrellas, Underwear and a countless list of other articles.

Do your shopping with A LIVE STORE--The one that HAS THE REPUTATION--Saves You the dollars and at the same time gives you better merchandise.

**The Toggery**

MEDFORD'S FASHION STORE FOR MEN

Honest Prices guaranteed. Quality and Courteous treatment are responsible for THE TOGGERY being the leading Men's Store.

**Classified Advertisements**

**FOR SALE.**  
 FOR SALE—New three-seated hack. Inquire of H. M. Cass. 236  
 FOR SALE—House, lots and land in Phoenix, or in tracts to suit from one acre to 640 acres. Matt Calhoun, Phoenix, Or.  
 FOR SALE—Invalid chair; used but very few times. Mrs. Conley, 24 B street. 236  
 FOR RENT—Rooms for light house-keeping. See Mrs. Joe Thomas, Holly street. 231  
 LOST—Fountain pen, with initials J. J. W. on same. Return to Medford National bank and receive reward. 232  
 FOR SALE—Five and ten-acre tracts within and adjoining city limits, at a bargain on long time. Address P. O. Box 418, Medford, Or. 248  
 FOR SALE—A good small business on Seventh street. Reasons for selling. Address, P. O. box 512 or call at this office. 24  
 FOR SALE—No. 6 Remington typewriter; nearly new; cheap. E. E. Kelly, Palm block. 237  
 FOR RENT—Home keeping room. Apply at southeast corner of C and Ninth streets. 231  
 FOR SALE—Auto, \$3500; machine for \$850; 40 H. P., top, glass front; demonstration given in Portland. The Oregon Co., 305 Wells-Fargo bldg., Portland, Or. 237  
 FOR SALE—60-acre ranch, near station, stock, implements and household goods to exchange for residence in Medford or Talent. Ben A. Lowell, Woodville, Or. 232  
 FOR SALE—First class blacksmith and wagon shop, also town lots, 2 good milk cows. Inquire G. N. Lewis, Jacksonville, Or. 236  
 FOR SALE OR TRADE—Mare for a fresh cow. Write W. G. Gordon, Medford, R. P. D., or call mile and half south of Medford, old Hoxie place. 232

**WANTED.**  
 WANTED—Experienced waitress and chambermaid at Franco American hotel, Yreka, Cal. 230

WANTED—Horses to board by the month. Plenty of good, clean hay, good warm barn; terms \$5 per month. No horses taken for less than one month. Walter Moore, Phoenix. 250

WANTED—I desire family washing to do. I go to the house and wash by the day. Prices reasonable; satisfaction guaranteed. Mrs. M. P. Schaenfeld, Medford, Or. Box 2A, route No. 1 250

WANTED—300 men for Alaska work, season 1909; \$5 per day; \$109 required. Alaska Investment & Development Co., Roseburg, Or. 233

WANTED—You are ambitious and possess at least an average amount of taciturnity and perseverance. Therefore, we want you and will pay you \$75 a month for taking only four orders a day. You can earn a big money. We furnish all supplies free. Write today to Manager, P. O. Box 1159, New York City. 240

**MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP OF WATER IS THE ISSUE**  
 The question of municipal ownership of the water system will be the issue of the next city election in Jacksonville. The ownership people are working quietly and are confident of success. Their main argument is that water can be piped to all parts of the city at an expense of \$30,000, and that sufficient water can be sold to pay off the bonds, pay the interest and keep the system in repair. They have had a canvass of the city and have got the names of all those who will take water. Some of the anti-ownership men claim that the city is too large now, and that they

**Useful Presents**

CAN BE BOUGHT AT VERY SMALL PRICES AT

**The CHRISTMAS SALE**

NOW GOING ON AT THIS STORE

The Christmas sale at this store affords an opportunity to buy goods at the smallest possible prices. You can't afford to miss a look at our large assortments of Xmas goods if you are at all interested in saving on your Holiday purchases. We invite you to come to Medford and do your Xmas shopping here. We will pay railroad fare both ways on purchases of \$5.00 or over if you mention that you are from out of town.



**GIFTS**

We have Gift Boxes in which you may enclose Gloves, Hosiery, Neckwear, Belts, Handkerchiefs or any articles which you may select at this store. Boxes will be furnished free with all purchases amounting to \$5.00 or over. Remember that the way you send a present leaves much the same impression as a letter. Let us help you to send neat parcels.

Listen—We have thousands of little, inexpensive articles suitable for gifts—and the prices are exceptional—very low.

**SPECIAL SALES**

- SAVE FROM 1-5 TO 1-3
- SALE OF SUITS FOR LADIES—Save from one-fifth to one-third.
- SALE OF COATS FOR LADIES—Save from one-fifth to one-third.
- SALE OF WAISTS—Saving one-fifth.
- SALE OF HANDKERCHIEFS—Save about one-fifth.
- SALE OF FANCY APRONS—Save just one-fifth.
- SALE OF LINENS—Save just one-fifth.
- Silks, Dress Goods, Baby Goods, Fancy Goods, all marked at SPECIAL PRICES.

**MEDFORD'S EXCLUSIVE LADIES' SHOP**  
**Baker-Hutchason Co.**  
 Central Avenue, Just North of the Jackson County Bank

**PAKIR'S MISTAKE ONLY PREVENTED A FRAUD**  
 REDDING, Cal., Dec. 16.—Because a "T" was left out in writing the word "Stewart," a man alleging that his name was J. H. Stewart failed to get \$2500 that would have been his had he spelled the name correctly. Disappointed, he left Redding on a midnight train, failing to pay his hotel bill, and has not been seen or heard of since.  
 It was two weeks ago when a man assuming the name of J. H. Stewart and claiming to own five parcels of land near Fall River Mills, in this county, came to Redding and tried to borrow \$2500 on the land.  
 The real owner of the land, J. H. Stewart, is said to be living in Santa Rosa, indicating that the would-be borrower assumed the name and claimed to be a son of J. H. Stewart.  
 The alleged swindler's scheme was all right, as he had secured abstracts of title to all the parcels of land, over 1900 acres, worth \$6000 or \$7000. A good rate of interest was offered, and he wanted the money to buy a bunch of cattle, he said. There were only a few minor details to be fixed in the abstracts. While these details were being attended to the man was let out of the bag. When he came to sign a note the endorser's suspicion was aroused by the fact that he signed his name "Stewart," leaving out one "T."  
 It is not likely that the man is any relation to the real J. H. Stewart, at that he had any interest in the property he sought to mortgage. He even failed to pay for the abstracts, which were elaborate and up-to-date.

**CERTAIN DRUGS ARE BARRED IN DRY EUGENE**  
 EUGENE, Or., Dec. 16.—Acting under the local option law in Lane county, District Attorney E. R. Bryson has just notified the druggists of Eugene that they must not sell certain kinds of bitters, which, it is alleged, have been sold regularly since the local option law went into effect to a

number of persons for beverages, on account of the great amount of alcohol said to be contained in them. Among the medicines placed under the ban by the district attorney are four patent medicines. The druggists have written to the manufacturers of each of these compounds to see whether or not they will take up the matter and test it in the courts.  
 Notice has been served not only upon the druggists of Eugene, but those in every town in Lane county as well as in Benton and Lincoln counties, which comprise Bryson's district. This order has created consternation among the local druggists, as they have always done a big business in the sale of these medicines, both before and since the local option law went into effect.

**LAWRENCE EXPLAINS THE FOREST RESERVE MIXUP**  
 The following statement regarding the misinformation published broadcast about the Umpqua forest reserve is issued by Receiver J. M. Lawrence:  
 A great deal of misleading information has been published about the forthcoming elimination of certain lands

from the Umpqua forest reserve. Advantage has been taken of the land hunger of the people and their lack of technical knowledge and a large number have been induced by false and misleading statements to send money to abstractors for information they would have had no interest in if they had known the truth.  
 It is true that nearly 92,000 acres of lands are to be eliminated from the Umpqua national forest, but it is not true that such area is to be restored, or "opened," to entry, for the very good reason that more than 90 per cent of the lands are already in private ownership and control. But little more than 5 per cent of these lands are vacant and subject to entry hereafter. Up to March 2, 1907, the entire tract was open to entry by qualified applicants, and the portions remaining vacant include the less desirable land in that section. When anything has been picked up until but one-twentieth remains, it is not to be expected that such remainder is "choice," of even average. We have no reason to suppose that there are any "choice dairy, fruit and timber tracts" in the area to be opened, though tastes differ, and it may be that somebody would regard some of the land as choice.  
 Settlers are permitted to go upon the vacant lands within the area described on and after December 21, but not before that date, while entries at the land office are not permitted until January 20. Since entries other than homestead must be accompanied by showing that the land is unoccupied, it follows that occupancy, settlement, before January 20 will defeat adverse application for the land on or after January 20. The presence of the settler upon the land will prevent the non-occupancy showing necessary for entry by one who is not a settler.  
 The misrepresentation of the facts in this case seem to have been for the purpose of exciting interest in order that "information"—plats and lists—might be sold by the local abstract companies. A plain statement of the truth would not have excited much interest. Multitudes of honest homesteaders have been misled by this mischievous exploitation. Those who have been engaged in it have been denied further access to the land office records, but it will be impossible to cure the harm already done.

**Don't Give Up**

If you can't find it anywhere else just STOP at . . .

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We carry most everything, including things no one else carries, and in Holiday Needs we have the Largest, Best Assorted and Most Complete Line ever shown in Medford.

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