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Medford Newspapers Are Consolidated

A deal was closed last week where-by the Medford Mail, the Medford Tribune and the Southern Oregonian are consolidated, the two concerns having been taken over by the Medford Printing Co., a local stock company organized for that purpose. It is understood the new company is capitalized at \$30,000. John R. Allen, recent purchaser and president of the Pacific & Eastern railroad is a heavy stockholder in the new company and many local business men are said to be also interested in the company.

George Putnam, for the past two years editor and business manager of the Tribune will have the editorial and business management of the merged papers which will publish under the name of the Mail and Tribune, as an afternoon paper. During Mr. Putnam's connection with the Tribune he has built that paper up from the plane of a joke to be the best edited small city daily in the state and his promise to make the Mail and Tribune the "best and most up-to-date newspaper published in a city of the size of Medford in the world" may be taken as no joke. Putnam is a forceful writer, a keen business man and his proclivity for publishing the news, no matter whom it displeases, has become somewhat proverbial.

A. S. Bliton, who for the past 18 years has been the capable and successful owner and editor of the Mail will retire from the newspaper grind for a season and take life easy on his fruit farm in the edge of Medford.

The Herald extends best wishes to the new Mail and Tribune for its future prosperity.

New Firm To Engage In Business Here

C. W. McDonald, of Medford, and E. C. Faber, of Gold Hill, have leased the Morris building on lower Pine street, formerly occupied by T. M. Jones, and will engage in the general merchandise business therein about January 1st.

Mr. McDonald was for a time owner of the Medford Shoe parlors which business he disposed of last winter. Mr. Faber has been engaged in farming and fruit growing near Gold Hill since coming to Oregon but has decided to engage again in active business. The gentlemen were formerly partners in the mercantile business in their former home in Iowa.

New Irrigation Book Free.

"Well Irrigation for Small Farms," a publication just issued by the General Passenger Department, of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Co., and the Southern Pacific, Lines in Oregon.

This booklet sets forth in a practical concise way the possibilities for profit of inexpensive irrigation, and should be in the hands of every farmer in Oregon.

Copies may be obtained free on application to Wm. McMurray, General Passenger Agent, Portland.

Fine Photos For Central Point Booklet

Prints of the photographs recently taken here by Mr. Miller, official photographer of the Southern Pacific Co., for use in the forthcoming community booklet, have been received by the commercial club and all the members who have seen them are more than pleased with the high quality of the work.

The views include many fine orchard scenes as well as some excellent views of the town, and about 25 of them will be used in the book.

A rough sketch of a cover design for the book has also been received which promises to be a real work of art when worked out. The general design is a fruit display occupying the upper one-fourth of the cover which will show in natural colors perfect specimens of the Spitzenberg and Newtown apples, Comice, Bosc and D'Anjou pears. Perfect specimens of these varieties as regards form and color have been secured and forwarded to Portland where the grouping will be arranged by a special artist and a photograph made. The fruit and photograph will then be sent to Chicago where an engraving will be made from the natural fruit. The back cover will also bear a colored engraving made from some local orchard view, and like the front cover will be printed in four colors. The entire booklet will be a work of art and the assurance is given that it will be more than the equal of any similar work yet issued.

WANTED—Offers of grain hay, baled or loose, delivered at Modoc Orchard, address Palmer Investment Co. Medford.

Hallowe'en Is Fittingly Observed

All Hallowe'en was duly observed in Central Point last Sunday night, the time honored ceremony of wheeling the old threshing machine into the middle of Pine street and of strewing the mortal remains of Mr. Freeman's unique ancient collection of prehistoric vehicles in a bottom-side-up condition around the business center being carefully and conscientiously carried out. There was no blare of trumpets nor clash of cymbals as the work progressed. The boys felt that they had a duty to perform, a tradition to uphold and a time honored occasion to celebrate. Hallowe'en would not be hallowe'en without getting these artistic decorations in the limelight although this is not saying that they are kept under a bushel the rest of the year. The owners of those artistic articles have for years shown great public spirit in allowing their property to stand out in the weather the year around that the beauty of the town might be enhanced and the public spirit and civic pride of the people might be advertised to every passing train.

A Broken Back.

That pain in your back caused by lumbago, stiff muscles or a strain is an easy thing to get rid of. Ballard's Snow Liniment cures rheumatism, lumbago, sore and stiff muscles, strains, sprains, cuts, burns, bruises, scalds and all aches and pains. You need a bottle in your house. Sold by Mary A. Mee.

City Council Holds Meeting.

Council met in regular session Monday evening, with Mayor Leever in the chair. Councilmen present were Hatfield, Jacobs and Pattison. After routine business the following bills were audited and allowed:

J. B. Holmes, salary as marshal \$50.00
Wm. Wright, labor - - - 1.80
R. R. Electric Co., lights - - 4.90
Central Point Herald, publishing 2.50
Roy Cochran, labor - - - 1.00
W. C. Leever, mdse. - - - 1.15
T. M. Jones, recorder work - - 7.30
Donald Colvig, typewriting - - 17.40
C. P. Bank, protest charges - - 3.81

An amendment to ordinance No. 21 regulating peddling within the Town of Central Point, and increasing the license for such occupation to \$5.00 per day or \$200 per year, was introduced, discussed and adopted.

Permission was granted I. C. Robnett to lay a sewer pipe from a septic tank on his property on Second street to empty into the water course running through the school grounds, work to be done under the direction of the committee on health.

The matter of getting the construction of a water system under way was discussed and, as the first necessary step, Civil Engineer Osgood, of Medford, was engaged as city engineer, the ordinance committee being instructed to prepare an ordinance covering the proposition as made by Mr. Osgood. An adjourned meeting of the council will be held this (Thursday) evening, when, it is expected, the ordinance will be passed.

Mr. Osgood stated that he would lose no time in getting plans and specifications of the water system prepared, and it is believed that a contract may be let by perhaps the 20th of the present month and that construction may soon be under way.

Institute the Best Ever.

The joint institute of the teachers of Jackson and Josephine counties, which concluded the session Saturday at Ashland, was the greatest success yet in this line in this county, according to the general opinion of the teachers in attendance, who united in endorsing the policy of Supt. J. Percy Wells and Supt. Lincoln Savage, which had brought the joint meeting about, and in recommending that it be continued next year, with Josephine county as the gathering place.

Supt. Wells stated that all the public school teachers of Jackson county were in attendance upon the institute except four, and Supt. Savage announced that there were only three absentees from his county at the institute.

One of the notable features of the institute was the public lecture at the Chautauqua building on Thursday evening by State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman, who discussed the question as to "What May Reasonably Be Expected of Our Public Schools."

Teachers in attendance from Central Point and immediate vicinity were: Grace Raypholtz Myra Roberts
Audrey Harvey Agnes Storey
Stella Purkeypile Beulah Caldwell
F. F. Cooper Elizabeth Ross
Rose Neslon Cora Gregory
Frances I. Aiken Mae B. Nealon
Sarah E. Wright.

Christian Science Lecture.

Judge Septimus J. Hanna, member of the board of trusteeship of the Christian Science church, discussed the tenets of that faith before a large and interested audience in the Medford opera house Tuesday evening. The speaker was introduced by Porter J. Neff, the well-known attorney, who referred to the wonderful growth of Christian Science among intelligent, thinking people and which indicates that the exponents of that faith must have a message to impart worthy of our attention and consideration.

Judge Hanna spoke for an hour and a half, holding the attention of the big audience every moment of the time. His remarks, for the most part, were confined to a discussion of the fundamental tenets of the Christian Science faith and to pointing out the scriptural authority on which they are based.

Judge Hanna has been prominent in the Christian Science movement for more than 20 years and in private life he has for many years ranked high as a lawyer and jurist. He is a cousin of Harvey W. Scott, editor of the Oregonian.

About 25 persons from Central Point attended the lecture many from Ashland, Jacksonville and other towns also being present.

Should Organize Fruitgrowers' Union.

Many orchardists in the section tributary to Central Point are discussing the urgent need for a fruitgrowers' union in the valley by which the packing and marketing of the fruit crop could be conducted on a strictly scientific and business basis. These men realize that the fruit industry in this valley is seriously handicapped because of the lack of organization, which is necessary to insure an absolute uniformity in pack by which a standard of excellence will be created that will make the Rogue River valley brand on a box of apples or pears an absolute guarantee to the buyer that every box purchased is up to a certain standard. Hood River and other northern fruit sections have discovered and taken advantage of this method of handling their fruit crops, with immense profit to the growers, and it is time Rogue River valley should get in line with the best modern ideas.

Such a project would entail the membership of every fruitgrower in the valley in a central organization and the erection of commodious packinghouses at every shipping point in the valley, where the fruit could be brought direct from the trees and graded and packed by expert workmen under the personal supervision of qualified superintendents.

Discussing this subject with a representative of the Herald Monday Ed Hanley, who owns one of the finest young orchards in the valley, just now coming into bearing, expressed himself as strongly in favor of such a project and he emphasized the fact that early action is of great importance.

"This project should be carried out without delay," said Mr. Hanley, "for the reason that so many young orchards will next year be in bearing, making it necessary for the owner to make some provision for taking care of his crop. In my own case if something is not done between now and the next packing season towards putting in an association packinghouse at Central Point I will be obliged to build one of my own at the orchard, but I would much prefer to put the money that a private packinghouse would cost me into a big community house at the railroad where I would know that every box of my own fruit as well as that of my neighbors would be handled in such a way as would make the Rogue River fruit brand synonymous with the best fruit on earth."

Mr. Hanley also urged the early action of the commercial interests of Central Point in taking up the matter of better accommodations for shippers with the Southern Pacific officials. During the rainy season it is difficult, if not impossible, for loaded teams to get to cars standing on the sidetrack for the purpose of receiving or discharging freight, and the need for a telegraph office here is patent to every

Willus Britt, Noted Boxing Manager Dies

Wm. F. Britt, manager of Starley Ketchel and Battling Nelson, and a brother of Jimmy Britt, the well known fighter, died at a San Francisco hospital last Saturday after a brief illness.

Britt was born in San Francisco and educated in the Polytechnical High School. He started in life as a newspaper reporter on the San Francisco Examiner and also worked on the Call. Always fond of athletics and a boxer on his own account of no mean ability, when his younger brother Jimmy expressed a determination to shine as a professional pugilist, William cast aside all other interests and came out as his brother's manager. It is said that the recent defeat of Ketchel by Johnson, hastened the manager's death, he having been in poor health for some time previous to the defeat of his man.

Chas. A. Newlin, a recent arrival from Delta, Colorado, has bought the barber shop of F. F. Stone, near the Central Point hotel, and took possession of the business Tuesday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Newlin are living in rooms in Mrs. Thompson's cottage on Laurel street.

Trespass notices, printed on cloth for sale at this office, 50 cents per dozen.

Shipper who has occasion to order cars or transact other business with the company.

W. H. Norcross is another prominent fruitman who is in earnest on the subject of organization and co-operation among the orchardists in the matter of handling and marketing their fruit. He believes that a strong organization and a community grading and packinghouse at the railway station is the only effective plan for guarding against badly graded and poorly packed stuff, every box of which, when sold on the eastern market, is, in a measure, a blackeye to every orchardist in the valley.

Murray Mine Is Bonded.

M. J. Wornack and associates have bonded the S. H. Murray mine on the mountain two miles west of town and have secured a two-year lease on the property. It is understood that active development work will commence at once and that a 10-stamp mill will be installed on the property soon.

The ledge, which is in the contact between granite and porphyry walls is five feet wide and can be traced for 800 feet the entire vein being said to carry good values.

The October number of the Rogue Magazine is out and an excellent number it is. Especial attention is given to Ashland in this number, a view of Ashland canyon embellishing the front cover. Arthur Brown, publisher of the Rogue, is making his magazine a factor in the worth of boosting Southern Oregon.

Putnam Wins Fine Tackle.

George Putnam, the Medford newspaper man, is an ardent disciple of old Iky Walton and he frequently finds time from the daily grind of writing editorials, placating irate subscribers and managing Ed Root to steal away to Rogue river to land a few big ones.

He has just been declared winner of the championship for the past season as well as of the fine \$80 fishing outfit offered by the Medford Hardware Co. for the best fish caught on one of their flies. The prize fish, a magnificent steelhead, weighed 10½ pounds.

M. Elwood, the jeweler, has an attractive new ad in this issue.

J. C. Smith, harness and saddle dealer of Medford, has a new ad in this issue. If you need up-to-date horse fixings it will interest you.

Read that half page Toggery ad.

Martin J. Redy's new ad on page 3 is worth reading.

Statement of the financial condition

of the Central Point State Bank, on Sept. 1, 1909.

Loans, Bonds and Warrants	\$49714.25	Capital Stock paid in	\$12500.00
Cash and due from Banks	39270.49	Surplus Fund	328.88
Banking house, furn, etc.	4778.98	Deposits	\$1118.42
Expenses	316.41	Interest and Exchange	255.27
Overdrafts	122.44		
	29489.79		\$94302.97

I, J. O. ISAACSON, cashier of the above named Bank do swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge.

J. O. ISAACSON.

What Fur Will You Have?

WE ARE PREPARED TO SHOW YOU A NEW AND COMPLETE LINE OF LADIES FURS

Ladies' Coats

We are also shying a line of Ladies, Misses and Childrens' Coats that please the most critical eye. Our ladies coats are Broadcloth and Kersey Made in 52 and 54 inch lengths

Make your selection and get your size before it is too late

Cranfill & Robnett

Merton Elwood

Watchmaker--Jeweler--Optician

Diamonds, watches, clocks, jewelry, optical goods, musical instruments, sewing machines and supplies, notions and stationery

Look at our Christmas line of China, Cut Glass and Silverware

We have on display a line of these articles that have never been duplicated in Central Point. Musical instruments, statuary, etc.

Drugs and Medicine Pine Street Opposite Post Office