

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

George W. Stacy, wife and son of Beagle came over this week on a Christmas shopping trip. They were the guests of Mr. Stacy's sister, Mrs. John Eales of Bunkerhill addition.

Wm. Vincent returned from Yreka Tuesday where he accompanied his wife and son for an indefinite visit with Mrs. Vincent's parents. He reports northern California remarkably dull.

Don't forget the Christmas bazaar Saturday, December 18th at Angle opera house.

R. P. and C. R. Watkins and their families are here looking for a location from Greer, Idaho.

Sam Rogers of Eileen, the daddy of the Blue Ledge district, is in Medford on business.

H. D. Stratton of Hills, Calif., is in Medford.

Dr. W. L. and Mrs. Cameron and their son were in Medford from the Applegate Thursday.

Ex-County Judge G. W. Dunn, was a Medford visitor Thursday.

Dr. J. F. Reddy made a business trip to Grants Pass Thursday.

W. E. Thompson of Gold Hill, one of the prominent farmers of that section, was in Medford, on business Wednesday.

Wilson Rother left Wednesday for Belva, North Dakota, on a visit.

Miss McCully of Jacksonville, and Mrs. Belle Nickell of Sterling, were doing Christmas shopping in Medford Thursday.

The ladies of St. Mark's Guild will hold a reception at the home of Mrs. Kentner this evening, to which all members of the church and their friends are cordially invited.

Meetings which will be held monthly from now on at the homes of the members of the guild, are in the nature of "getting acquainted" meetings, in talk every member of the church and the guild is expected to be present and to see that new arrivals who affiliate are given an opportunity to attend and become acquainted with their fellow townspeople.

W. H. Stetson of Eagle Point was a recent visitor in Medford.

E. J. Smith is expected home for the holidays on Saturday from the University of Oregon.

W. B. Reynolds of Grants Pass is spending a few days in Medford on business.

C. W. Thompson of Griffin Creek is in Medford a few days receiving medical attention.

Walter R. Pittenger, who was in Medford two years ago for some time will arrive about the first of the year to take up his residence here permanently.

John R. Wilson of Big Butte is spending a few days in Medford.

Ed Purdy, known to his many friends as Count De Bogus, has arrived from Klamath Falls to spend the holidays with his parents.

Arthur Brown has returned from a short business trip to Woodville. Jack Sheriffs who spent last winter in southern Oregon, is on his way from Barre, Vt., to spend the coming year here.

Harry L. Young of Brownsboro, who has been quite ill for some time is rapidly recovering and expects to return to his work in Medford soon.

Norman Whiting of Eagle Point was a recent Medford visitor.

Attorney A. E. Reames was a recent visitor in Medford.

All of the prominent fruit growers of the Rogue River valley are meeting this afternoon with Professor P. J. O'Garra to take up the matter and see what can be done in the way of inducing the county court to keep on a full force of inspectors and aid in the warfare against the fruit pests of the valley. Professor O'Garra unless given aid will be forced to give up his work here. The fruit growers are prepared to take every step possible to prevent his leaving.

John Conner of Table Rock is spending a few days in Medford.

T. H. Williams of Talent was a Medford visitor Thursday.

SPOKANE AFTER BETTER HIGHWAYS

Association Formed and Newspaper Man is Chosen to Direct the Work—Plan Much Improvement.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 16.—J. A. Perry, formerly a member of the editorial staff of the Constitution of Chillicothe, and other prominent newspapers in Missouri, and city hall reporter for the Spokane Chronicle the last three months, has been appointed secretary of the Spokane County Good Roads association, of which Fred H. Mason, a millionaire hardware merchant, is president. R. Insinger, a banker, is vice-president, and the trustees are: W. H. Cowles, owner and publisher of the Spokesman-Review and the Chronicle; Arthur D. Jones, land owner and real estate dealer; D. W. Twoby, president of the Old National Bank; Frederick W. Dewart, counsel, and Fred K. McElroy, president of the board of county commissioners.

The association will co-operate with the state and county in establishing a system of macadamized roads in eastern Washington. This will become a part of the state system and work will be pushed vigorously to make a good showing by next fall. Some of the roads will be built by state aid and others will be paid for directly by the land owners benefited by them.

Mr. Perry was associated for years with the League of American Wheelmen, which organization virtually inaugurated the first good roads campaign in this country. Through its efforts hundreds of miles of broken stone and gravel roads were built throughout the rural districts in the east. Mr. Perry made trips to Europe in 1896 and 1899 to study the methods of road building and maintenance practiced in France, Germany and England. He said:

"During the winter months the association hopes to inoculate very man, woman and child with the good roads germ, and by next spring we will have developed a fever which will make every resident a booster for better highways."

NO LUMBER TRUST SAYS SECRETARY

Beckman Denys Report That Manufacturers on the Pacific Coast Have Formed a Combination.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 16.—Denials of the reports that a lumber and shingle trust has been organized on the Pacific coast was made in a telegram which has just been sent by Victor H. Beckman, secretary of the Pacific Coast Lumber Manufacturers' association, to Edward Hines of Chicago, president of the National Lumber Manufacturers' association. The dispatch is as follows:

"All dispatches about formation of lumber and shingle trust on the Pacific coast are absolute falsehoods, and evidently the work of free lumber advocates. Whoever is responsible for the reports should be asked to make an emphatic denial. The published reports of a trust having been formed do an injury to the lumber trade."

A copy of this telegram also was sent to Secretary Smith of the national association, who recently wrote to the coast seeking information as to the facts of the alleged combine.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

WANTED—Bids on contract to dig 10,000 tree holes. For particulars write or see E. C. Gardner, Talent, Oregon. 233

LOST—A pair of Hamilton-Brown high-top mountain boots. Reward if returned to Hutchason & Lemsen's store. 237

WANTED—Good quarter of beef. Telephone 3311 or see Woolverton, Jackson County Bank Bldg. 233

FOR RENT—New cottage, 6 rooms, east Jackson street, 1/2 acre ground. Inquire 806 East Jackson st. 236

FOR SALE—At a bargain if taken at once two lots close in. Medford and rooms. Phone 2001. 237

BIG APPLE SHOW IN DENVER SOON

In January Apples From All Sections Middle West Will Be Shown at Big Fair in Denver.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 16.—Elaborate preparations are under way for the Colorado National Apple Exposition that will be held in the Denver Auditorium January 3 to 8. It is the intention of the apple growers of Colorado to make this exposition the finest show of its kind ever held in the west, and their efforts are being supported by the Denver Chamber of Commerce.

Entries are open to all of the apple-producing states in the union and the apple districts of Canada, but the majority of the exhibits will come from the western states. More than 6,000 boxes of the choicest apples of the entire western country have been entered up to date, and there is no question that more than 10,000 boxes will be displayed in Denver's big convention hall.

Colorado takes great pride in her apples and the crop this year is the largest in the history of the state, being 4,300 car loads, valued at about \$4,000,000. However, the growers of the Centennial state realize that the states of the northwest, as well as California and New Mexico, have reason to be proud of their apples, and local growers know that the contest for honors will be a battle that will be remembered for many years in the apple world, and feels confident that the laurels will remain at home, but that question has not been decided by any means. In the meantime Colorado extends a hearty and whole-souled welcome to the apple growers of the North American continent, and particularly to those of her sister states of the west, to take part in the great exposition.

New Lights.

New lights have been placed in the Emerick Cafe and for the first time in the history of this popular resort the patron can read his evening paper without difficulty. Messrs. Phillips & Leaders have proven themselves excellent caterers and deserve the excellent patronage that is being accorded them. 233

7,305,000 BOXES NORTHWEST CROP

No Other Section of United States Received as High Prices for Apple Crop as Did the Northwest States.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 16.—Statistics compiled from reports by growers and handlers show that the production of commercial apples in 1909 was a matter of 22,735,000 barrels, of which 2,435,000 barrels or 7,305,000 boxes were marketed by western orchardists. California and Colorado report crops of 80 and 90 per cent, respectively, while the yield in the other western states are given at from 35 to 40 per cent.

The crops in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana were shorter than at any time in the last five years, but the growers received more money for their fruit than in either 1908 or 1907. They also received more money for their fruit than in either 1908 or 1907. They also received more than the growers packing their apples in barrels, as is evidenced by reports from Boston, New York and Chicago, showing winter apples in barrels selling at from \$3 to \$6 a barrel, while boxed apples are quoted at from \$2.50 to \$5, with extra fancy selling as high as \$7.50 a box. Thousands of boxes of apples exhibited at the second National Apple Show in Spokane in November sold at from \$2.50 to \$10 a box. James J. Hill buying 100 boxes at the last named figure.

A four-line furnished room ad. that enables you to save a dollar a week on your room rent is worth a dollar a line to you every month.

Notice. A special meeting of Canton Daylight, No. 16, will be held Friday evening. All members are urged to be present. J. L. DEMMER, Clerk. 232

When so simple a thing as reading the ads. will keep you in touch with the daily life and the business opportunities of this city, isn't it worth while?

BUSINESS LOCALS

Wanted, those in, or wishing to join an amateur brass band, please call at Sherman, Clay & Co's. piano rooms next Thursday afternoon or eve. George F. Dyer, telephone 3204. 230

Nicely furnished rooms with all modern conveniences at the Palma. Phone 1001 for teas and coffee. Here is a snap: 100 acres one mile from railroad station; 100 acres good red soil, several thousand cords good wood which has a ready market. Price, \$1750; one-third cash, long time on balance. P. O. box 544. 231*

Christmas reduction sale on all millinery. All hats at cost. Special sales each Tuesday and Friday will continue. Lottie M. Howard, 109 N. Central avenue. eod-4

If you could buy an equity in good city lots for 25 per cent with easy terms, would you take them? Address box 768. 234*

Forty acres first-class pear, peach or grape land, 4 1/2 miles from railroad station, close to school, daily mail, phone and main county road; easily cleared. Price, \$2000; \$500 cash. Long term. P. O. box 656. 231*

Have you anything you want to trade for good city lots? Box 768. 234*

Four 10-acre tracts of first-class fruit land, well located, unenclosed; \$75.00 per acre, one-third cash; easy terms. P. O. box 544. 231*

Ella Gaunyaw, public stenographer, room 4, Palm building.

Best tea and coffee obtainable at 36 South Grape street. Southern Oregon Tea & Coffee Co.

First quality apples in any quantity at McBride's. 235*

Van De Car & Jasmann guarantee to protect their customers against loss on a diamond investment. We buy in the right channel and sell accordingly. Give us a call and inspect our goods. They are new and crisp. Phipps Building. 229*

First quality apples in any quantity at McBride's. 235*

Four hundred and eighteen acres first-class ranch, four miles from railroad station, 40 acres alfalfa, irrigation for 160 acres, first-class orchard, 3 good barns, 2 good houses, school, daily mail. A snap for \$50 per acre; one-fourth cash. 3 to 5 years for balance. See J. W. Dressler Agency, West Main. 237*

I have an equity in city lots which I will sell at 25 per cent and give easy terms. Box 768. 234*

Mail your presents in a holly box, 5 to 20 cents, at Haskins for Health. 333*

In looking around for trees to plant that orchard of yours don't forget to see L. E. Hoover. He has the goods as orders for over 200,000 trees for this season will prove. 228*

Live at the Palms, new brick building, new furniture, strictly modern, corner Grape and Main streets.

A business man would be foolish to try to save dimes when he knew he would later lose dollars. This applies particularly to the fruit grower; don't buy poor stock because its cheap. See L. E. Hoover and get the best. 228*

Just arrived from factory, a new line of Sterling silver. Toilet, manicuring and military sets. They are the latest in design. At Van De Car & Jasmann's, Phipps Bldg.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, at its next meeting for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors, in quantities less than a gallon, for a period of six months, at its place of business at lots 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, in block 20, in the city of Medford, Oregon.

Dated December 8, 1909. HOTEL NASH COMPANY.

A Select Line of Ladies' Purses and Handbags AT COST

Herman Bros. 317 E. Seventh St.

What Shall I Give?

This very pertinent question is answered—suggestively, exhaustively, thoroughly, comprehensively—at this store. We mention gifts for mother, sister, sweetheart or friend. And with the selection as varied and attractive as it is this year at this store, Christmas shopping and gift selecting is more of a pleasure than a task. You come in this store and see so many things that are suitable gifts for loved ones in mind that you are happily perplexed in not knowing which one of the hundreds to purchase. We offer you the result of years of experience in selecting Christmas goods. While we are always desirous of selling just as low as we possibly can, yet quality is first considered by us. Rest assured that any article bought here for a present will give satisfaction and pleasure to the recipient every time she has occasion to use it. The days between now and Christmas are not many. The time will slip by very quickly and before you realize it you will have to make your selections when everywhere you'll find crowds of shoppers and stocks depleted—"eleventh hour" buying—which at best is most unsatisfactory. Now is the time. Stocks are large and varieties broad. Goods fresh and unhandled. Study these lists. If what's wanted isn't included, you will surely find it here—if you come now.

- A SUIT HOSIERY
A COAT HANDKERCHIEFS
A HAT COLLARS
A CAPE RIBBONS
A CORSET HANDBAGS
A WAIST NOVELTY GOODS
A BATHROBE GLOVES



BENSON'S BARGAINS

We Are Headquarters for Small Orchard Tracts

4 miles south of Medford. Price \$245 per acre.

Will exchange five residence lots for improved city property. Our plan and terms makes investment easy. Own some property and receive your share of the increase in value this spring.

2 1/2 acres on Newtown street, good 2 1/2 room house, well and outbuildings, nearly all set to fruit. \$2800

2 1/2 acres between Peach and Newtown streets; nicely located for subdividing. \$2100

We represent seven strong fire insurance companies. Insure before the fire; its too late after.

Within 100 feet of Oakdale avenue, new 10-room modern house, south front, large lot. \$2500

Surety Bonds—We represent the Union Guarantee Association of Portland.

Become informed about our ten and twenty-acre orchard tracts, mostly undeveloped and prices right.

One five-acre tract, close in, will make 26 building lots. Figure it out and see for yourself what you can make on it. \$4000

Our rental department can handle your houses right.

Benson Investment Company Over Farmers and Fruitgrowers Bank

Plain Facts

You will lose money in purchasing your holiday goods, especially

DIAMONDS, CUT GLASS, WATCHES, GOLD AND SILVERWARE, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, ETC. if you fail to see us.

All we ask is the opportunity to show you our stock, as values are such that you will not leave the store without buying.

Medford Loan Office

Corner of Central Avenue and Main.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Rogue River Canning & Evaporating company will devote Mondays and Thursdays of each week to custom work in the manufacture of cider, apple butter and jellies.

Phone your orders for nice sweet cider to 11X2. Deliveries will be made on Tuesdays and Fridays of each week. ROGUE RIVER CANNERY & EVAPORATING COMPANY Mill in West Medford. Phone 11X2.

REMEMBER

If you are looking for fine diamonds, watches and jewelry, rich cut class and silverware, I have these articles in stock, and the quality is absolutely guaranteed.

Martin J. Reddy THE JEWELER Near P. O.