

**MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE**

Complete Series: Thirty-ninth Year: Daily, Fifth Year.

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Official Paper of the City of Medford.

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 One month by mail..... .50  
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 Weekly, one year..... 1.50

Full Leased Wire United Press Dispatches.

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**Postage Rates:**  
 5 to 12-page paper.....1c  
 12 to 24-page paper.....2c  
 24 to 36-page paper.....3c

**KNOWN CIRCULATION:**

Average Daily for—	
November, 1909	1,700
December, 1909	1,842
January, 1910	1,925
February, 1910	2,122
March Circulation:	
1.....	2,208
2.....	2,225
3.....	2,225
4.....	2,225
5.....	2,225
6.....	2,225
7.....	2,225
8.....	2,225
9.....	2,225
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22.....	2,225
23.....	2,225
24.....	2,225
25.....	2,225
26.....	2,225
27.....	2,225
28.....	2,225
29.....	2,225
30.....	2,225
31.....	2,225
Total.....	68,820
Less deductions.....	1,350
Net total.....	67,470
Average net daily.....	2,176

**MEDFORD, OREGON.**

Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California and fastest-growing city in Oregon.  
 Population, April, 1910, 8500.  
 Banner fruit city of Oregon—Rogue River apples won sweepstakes prize and title of "Apple Kings of the World" at National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909.  
 Rogue River pears brought highest prices in all markets of the world during the past five years.  
 Write Commercial Club for pamphlets.

The automobile germ proved fatal to the alfalfa.

Caught on the fly—fish in the Rogue river.

Halleys comet will furnish the Stung club with a blaze of glory.

Italy will soon have two volcanoes spouting. Teddy has arrived.

Don't forget to plant shade trees. In a few days it will be too late for another year.

There is a vacant seat in the Down and Out club awaiting Congressman Hawley.

Commercial club booklets will be shipped from Portland Tuesday. All things come to those who wait.

The dew point table having been figured, it is up to some genius to devise a pay-point table.

The Republican assembly can get its picture in the next American Progress magazine.

If you don't think it is spring, listen to the man who is afflicted with insomnia swearing at the early lawn mower.

Jackson county men are too prosperous to become candidates for office. Hence the lack of interest in politics.

Has the hookworm taken possession of Medford men who began with loud flourish the erection of new buildings?

Dimmick, the Claekamas statesman, feels called upon to save the country by running for governor. However, the worst is yet to come.

Don't think you can build up a city by plating farms in town lots. One house is worth several vacant additions.

The famous alfalfa farm which brought renown to its owner has been sold. Who will be the next genius to advertise the valley?

The Southern Pacific has again shown its friendliness for Medford by cutting the rate on gravel and crushed rock from 60 to 25 cents per ton, from Gold Ray, facilitating street improvement and building operations.

**MEDFORD'S RAPID GROWTH.**

THE rapid growth of Medford is again reflected in the postoffice and bank reports. The postoffice for the year ending April 1 shows an increase of 38 per cent, the largest percentage of increase shown in any Oregon town. A year ago the increase was over 30 per cent, and this has been the ratio of increase each year for the past five years. March had the heaviest business ever transacted in Medford, greater even than December, the increase over a year ago being 54 per cent.

The bank deposits show an increase of 76 per cent in the past fourteen months. They show an increase in two months of \$400,000. There is over \$2,225,000 on deposit in the four banks near twice the deposits of all banks outside of Medford in the Rogue River valley combined.

Railroad receipts and those of the both Western Union and Postal Telegraph Co., as well as the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. show proportionate growth. In short, all lines of business reflect the development of country and city.

The growth of both has been steady. Each year for five years has seen proportionate increase. The ten miles of paving, the many miles of sewer and water system contracted for the present year, the construction of a large gas plant, the completion of the Pacific & Eastern to the east and the building of an interurban trolley line through the valley will all contribute to the increased growth of city and valley.

**THE PARTING OF THE WAYS.**

The other day Senator Elihu Root of New York made a speech of three hours in favor of the administration railroad bill. This bill will be opposed by the insurgent senators.

The die is cast. The battle has but commenced. On the one side is Senator Root pleading for the railroads and demanding they be let alone and be permitted to fix rates and make traffic agreements, and on the other side are the people who know of increasing transportation profits and demand reasonable reduction.

Under the circumstances it is amusing to read the daily news. The telegraphic news doled out to the public by the "Associated Press." By such methods the people are deceived as to the profits of railroads.

The present contest is no ordinary one. Led by Senator LaFollette, a constructive statesman, Bristow, Beveridge, Cummins and Dolliver have hoisted a banner which means no retreat. The grasping tactics of railroads are to be exposed. Exposure means reduction and reasonable regulations. On the outside are a few patriotic honest senators and on the other is the aggregation of railroad and corporate wealth who look upon the public as victims to be exploited for the last dollar.

Senator Root is a typical representative of the alliance between corporate brigands, who know no party, and the administration in power. As the attorney of Ryan he has learned his lesson well. Will the people be deceived by his prestige, his power?

The bass drum is no longer a political argument. The world moves. The people read and think. Having thought, they expect action and will demand it. Corporate greed will oppose it as it has all progress. Upon this issue the party in power will be rent in twain. The battle will be one of noise but for results. The question will be one of just profits for railroads against robbery and extortion on behalf of stolen stocks and dishonest fortunes.

**INCREASING OUR PLANT.**

The first new modern press ever brought to southern Oregon was installed in the Mail Tribune office this week. It is a two-revolution Whitlock, designed for book and job work, as well as an emergency press for the daily. The Mail Tribune has now the most complete printing and publishing house south of Salem and can turn out high grade work equal to that produced in Portland.

Few cities the size of Medford have a printing plant as large as that of the Mail Tribune, and fewer still publish as good a newspaper. This has been made possible by the united support of the business men, which has enabled the production of one good daily, instead of several poor ones, as is usually the case.

The Mail Tribune is one of the best advertisements that Medford has. A community is usually judged by its newspapers and a comparison of Medford with the other cities of Oregon, made by the newspapers, is always in favor of Medford.

Such a newspaper as is printed today would be impossible if the support given the paper was divided among two or more papers, and as long as a paper is produced that Medford can be proud of, it expects to receive undivided support, until such time as the population increases to an extent that justifies establishment of another daily—and that time is still in the future.

As the Mail Tribune grows, it will be constantly improved, both mechanically and editorially, keeping pace with the development of city and country, making it one of the best assets of the valley, a live, fearless paper, printing all the news worth while.

**AGED MAN DROPS DEAD, GOLD HILL**

John Bailey, Well-Known Resident of Southern Oregon, Drops Dead as He Rises to Await on Customer in His Shoe Shop in Gold Hill.

John Bailey dropped dead in his shoe repair shop in Gold Hill Friday morning as he arose from his bench to wait on a customer. He was 81 years old and, except for a few days' illness recently, worked up to the time of his death.

He was born in Missouri, March 13, 1830, and came to Oregon in 1853, remaining a year. He went back to Iowa in 1854, where he married Naomi Patterson and lived until 1875, when he moved to Oregon again, settling on Foothills creek. He has lived in this section ever since, part of the time in the Meadows district, where he homesteaded the Tony Olson place. There were ten children, eight boys and two girls. The eldest boy died in infancy. The others survive, residing as follows: Mrs. Alex Orm, Mrs. T. T. Thomas, H. F. J. T. and Alex Bailey, all in Seattle; C. A. and Robert Bailey, Portland; W. P. and H. S. Bailey, Foothills creek. The mother died in 1902. Mr. Bailey married Mrs. Lizzie Wyatt, who survives him, in 1907.

The deceased was a miner and rancher in the earlier years of his life, but of late years had followed the occupation of shoemaking.

S. Mears, Jr., of Table Rock, was in Medford Saturday.

**Wright's Money Makers**

10 acres of the finest building sites, magnificent view of Medford and valley, sandy soil; for five days at a bargain price.

83 1-3 acres, 3 1/2 miles out, in fine locality, 26 acres pears, apples, about 5 years old, some choice apricots in full bearing, 60 acres under cultivation, half under ditch; a money-maker at \$175 per acre, liberal terms.

7-room bungalow, 1001165 foot lot, fine oak shade trees, well located and excellent home investment; \$2350, easy terms.

6-room house, 2 lots, close to Main, 5 blocks from city park; \$3000.

Fine corner lot on Newtown, 56x166, cement walk; for quick sale, \$525, \$150 cash, balance \$10 per month.

Three nice lots on 14th near Newtown, 56x112 1/2; \$400 each, \$125 cash, balance \$10 per month.

Choice lots in all parts of city. LET ME SHOW YOU.

**Bruce Wright & Co.**

132 WEST MAIN. PHONE 2691.

WE ANNOUNCE THE ARRIVAL OF THE FAMOUS


# EDWIN C. BURT

## Line of Oxfords

FOR MEN WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Just received immense shipments of new spring Oxfords in all the most wanted and popular styles. You will certainly be pleased with our showing and especially with the Boys' Oxfords.

You will surely delight in seeing these swell styles and we will be pleased to exhibit them. The leather, the finish, the trimmings, are all alike—beautiful.



THE CLASSIEST STYLES EVER

THE QUALITY THAT COUNTS

### Quality Counts

VISIT THE MEDFORD SHOE PARLORS

We pride ourselves on being able to select manufacturers who turn out only the highest quality. Every shoe we show will appeal to you—the long wear—durability to a high degree is at once apparent in our shoes.

THE PRICES ARE RIGHT.

# DUFFIELD BROS.

EAST MAIN STREET, MEDFORD

## Grand Exhibition at the Silver King's Palace

Finest collection of Chinese and Japanese Art Novelties, Brass and Bronze work, Cloinase ware, fancy China, bric-brac, separate pieces of Japanese craft goods, screens, hand-carved tables, chairs, etc., etc.

Open Tuesday at 11 A. M.

The Palace will be open for the first time at 11 a. m. Tuesday. All art lovers and the public in general are cordially invited to call and inspect the finest art collection ever brought to the coast. No goods will be sold first few days.

CALL FROM 10 A. M. TO 11 P. M. AT THE

# Old Christian Tabernacle

A nice selection of monthly blooming roses at 25 cents each. H. B. Patterson, Hotel Nash.

**THE SAVOY THEATRE**

THE APEX OF PICTUREDOM

**AFTERNOON AND EVENING**

The Crowded Hotel (One Long Laugh.)  
 The Dawn of Freedom... (Realistic War Story.)  
 The President's Special (Thrilling Drama.)  
 Matinee 3:30. Evening 7 P M

### The Louvre Cafe

THE ONE BEST PLACE TO EAT

We Serve Daily

RARDON'S—Fresh Doughnuts and Snails for breakfast.  
 RARDON'S—Steam and French Bread for lunch.  
 RARDON'S—Delicious Ice Cream for dinner.

### Medford's Manufacturing Jeweler & Designer

will be glad to work up any design you may desire or will suggest designs.

**ENGRAVING A SPECIALTY.**

Your engraving will be done quickly, artistically and is sure to be satisfactory.

**FINE REPAIRING.**

Your watch is safe if entrusted to a skilled watchmaker.

## BUTT Is the Man

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### Instep Straps Ankle Straps

and many other new and nobby designs in ladies' footwear that is distinctively classy. They will have to be seen to be appreciated.

\$3.00 AND \$3.50

## Edmeades Bros