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PEACE BANQUET IS BIG SUCCESS

REPLIES TO CRITICS AND
MAKES FINE SPEECH
ON POLICY.

CHARGES OF DISSENSION SOON DIE

President Well Guarded As He Makes
Way To Hall—Charge Of
Inconsistency Is
Denied.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Proceeded by
specimens which seemed for a time
to threaten a climax anything but
peace, the peace banquet tonight pro-
vided a realization of everything that its
name implied in its attendant condi-
tions.

President Taft, the guest of honor
and speaker of the evening, while ar-
guing for the pending arbitration treat-
ies between the United States and
Great Britain and France, went forth-
rightly and heretofore and re-
fused specifically to criticisms re-
peatedly made against the principles
embodied in these treaties. He also
answered the charge of inconsistency
levelled against advocates of the arbi-
tration treaties who did not favor
arbitration in the difficulty between
the United States and Russia.

Those of us who are in favor of
these treaties have been criticised as
inconsistent because we did not in-
clude arbitration in the recent differ-
ence between Russia," said Mr. Taft.
"I am not entirely willing to speak
frankly as I might of that, because
my tongue is tied in a slight way by
what we hope for in future negotia-
tions."

"All I can say is that if you will
read the great argument of Elihu Root
on the question of why the treaty
should be terminated and why arbi-
tration would not do, I would be con-
fident to stand on his exhibit and ex-
planation of that."

"The truth is that the treaty it-
self contains contractual obligations
on the part of the United States to
recognize the doctrine of non-expat-
riation and recognize the right of
Russia to say that the naturalized
Russian citizens in the United States
should not lose their allegiance to
Russia and could be punished for be-
coming naturalized citizens. The Pres-
ident was well guarded as he entered
the hall."

STEAMER RACKED BY WAVE; ONE DEAD

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—One
man was lost and several passengers
and members of the crew were in-
jured when the steamer Roanoke,
Captain Jensen, bound from Portland
to San Francisco shipped a huge com-
ber in crossing the Columbia River
bar at 8 o'clock last Thursday morn-
ing.

One passenger, Robert Stevens,
twenty-three years old, a Canadian
electrician, who forced his way from
the social hall to the after-deck,
against the orders of the ship's offi-
cers, was washed overboard and
drowned. His body was not recover-
ed.

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS.

Monday is a holiday, the first
in the New Year, and The En-
terprise wishes to extend to its
many readers throughout Clacka-
mas County and elsewhere a
Happy and Prosperous New Year.
The Morning Enterprise in-
tends to celebrate the New Year
by issuing, on January 3, its first
anniversary edition, a Progress
Number, 64 pages and cover, and
the handsomest and most com-
prehensive review of Clackamas
County and its advantages and
opportunities ever attempted in
the Willamette Valley.
There will be no issue of The
Morning Enterprise Tuesday.
The employees want a holiday.
They deserve it. They are a hard
working bunch, and are always
up and coming in an effort to give
to the people of this section all
the news worth while every
morning.

The Enterprise expects a Pros-
perous New Year of its own in
1912. This newspaper distribut-
ed more than \$15,000 in wages
alone in Oregon City in 1911, and
is recognized as one of the great-
est factors in the business life
of the community.

TWO COUPLES MARRIED.

Licenses to marry were issued Sat-
urday to Lada McSandridge and Wil-
liam C. Caswell; Emma Kruml and
James Vaclav and Mary G. Dooly and
George S. Breittling. Judge Beattie of-
ficiated at the marriage of the first
named couple and Rev. S. A. Hay-
worth the second.

Commencing
Jan. 2, 1912

4 Big Reels
4000 feet of high
grade film

The Grand

Program Today

The Coward
A Modern Cinderella
A Frontier Doctor

SUES MAN HE SAYS DESPOILED HOME

JOHN B. HURST DEFENDANT IN
ACTION FOR DAMAGES BY
JOHN COFFEEN.

\$10,000 ASKED FOR LOSS OF WIFE

Young Woman And Rich Electrician
Accused of Having Clan-
destine Meetings in
Portland.

Alleging that the defendant alienat-
ed the affections of his wife, John
Coffeen, of Portland, but formerly of
Canby, through Attorney Brownell
& Stone, Saturday filed suit for \$10,-
000 damages against John B. Hurst,
an electrician, of Canby.
The plaintiff recites that he and
his wife lived happily together until
April, 1910, when she became ac-
quainted with the defendant. He
averts that between January, 1911, and
December 18, 1911, the defendant and
Mrs. Coffeen had clandestine meet-
ings in Canby. Coffeen says his
wife frequently went to dances with
the other man, remaining away from
home until almost daylight. The
plaintiff says he remonstrated with
the defendant and asked him to keep
away from Mrs. Coffeen. His re-
monstrating, however, he asserts,
was of no avail.

Coffeen says he finally induced his
wife to move to Portland, thinking
he could get her away from the in-
fluence of Hurst. He asserts, how-
ever, that it was not long until he
learned that the pair were having
clandestine meetings in that city.
"As a result of these meetings,"
says the plaintiff, "my wife no longer
loves me, but loves the defendant."
The plaintiff says the defendant is
worth \$25,000 or more.

MILL WORKER ACCUSED OF NOT SUPPORTING WIFE.

J. P. Baker, a mill worker and a
musician, was before Judge Beattie
Saturday on a charge of not support-
ing his wife. He was placed under
bonds and ordered to report to the
court Tuesday when the case will be
decided.

MRS. HUGHES IS BURIED.

The funeral services of Mrs. H. H.
Hughes, of Gladstone, were held at
St. Paul's Episcopal church Satur-
day afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. C.
W. Robinson officiating. The inter-
ment was in the Mountain View
cemetery. Many friends of the de-
ceased attended the services, and the
floral offerings were beautiful.

BOY KICKED ON HEAD RECOVERING RAPIDLY

The five-year-old son of Mr. and
Mrs. John Harding, of Maple Lane,
was seriously injured at the family
home Thursday afternoon. The little
fellow had gone into the barn and
had got too near one of the horses
which kicked the boy on the head.
His scalp was laid open by the blow.
The lad was taken to the office of

THE NEW YEAR'S EVE QUEST OF HAPPY MONTHS.



ONE of the most amusing of superstitions in connection with the beginning of the New Year in England is known as the quest of happy months. Just before 12 o'clock on New Year's eve the members of the family or house party station themselves at the foot of the stairs with their backs to the steps. At each stroke of the clock they turn one step backward. Should any person stumble at any one step up to the twelve the corresponding month in the coming year will be an unhappy one for that person, while each step successfully climbed in particular and a difficult feat, on account of their skirts. The strokes of the clock being very close together, there is little time for careful stepping, and as a consequence there are frequent stumbles. "A sorry June for Jennie" cries the mischievous brother, who observes that his big sister trips at step No. 6, while perhaps the lad himself takes a tumble from AUGUST 4, to late autumn.

Dr. C. A. Stuart, where he was given attention. He showed plenty of "grit" and allowed the stitches to be taken in the injury without an anesthetic. He is improving rapidly.

OAK GROVE VOTES AGAINST ROAD TAX

STATE SENATOR URGED TO
WORK FOR LAW PROVID-
ING COMMISSION.

JUDGE DIMICK GIVES TAX FIGURES

Oregon City's Mayor-Elect Declares
That Much Money Is
Wasted in Building
Thoroughfares.

At a road meeting held at Oak
Grove Thursday evening for the
purpose of considering a special tax for
the improvement of the public high-
ways in that district the proposition
was defeated by an overwhelming ma-
jority. Last year one of the most
bitter road fights in the history of
Clackamas county was at Oak Grove
over the management of road funds.
A resolution was introduced by B.
Lee Paget and unanimously adopted.

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PLAYGROUND FOR CHILDREN PLANNED

BROTHERHOOD OFFERS TO
WORK WITH CITY
AUTHORITIES.

COMMITTEE NAMED BY PRESIDENT

Josiah Strong Course of Study To Be
Taken Up Coming Year—Men-
derson is Teacher
of Class.

The Congregational Brotherhood
has taken the lead in providing a
swimming tank and playgrounds for
the children. A resolution providing
for this movement having been
adopted at the last meeting, Presi-
dent Gary has appointed the follow-
ing committee to arrange the details.
Rev. C. W. Robinson, J. W. Le-
der, Mrs. Emma L. Jones, Mr. J. W.
Norris and Major C. E. Noble. Major
Noble offered the resolution. It is
probable that the city council will
be appealed to to aid the work.

The Brotherhood class has announ-
ced a course of study for the year, be-
ginning January 7. It is the 1912
lesson in the "Gospel of the King-
dom" series, prepared by Josiah
Strong of New York City. These
Bible classes all over the country and
promise a year of exceptionally in-
teresting study along the lines of social
service. J. H. Henderson is the
teacher, G. W. H. Miller the presi-
dent.

The subjects for the first three
months are entitled "Religion for
Men," and are as follows:
January, Religion in Action.
1. The Delusion of Being Spiritual
Without Works.
2. The Mistake of Works Without
Faith.
3. Religion a Thing of Every Day.
February, The New Politics.
1. Existing Politics.
2. Christian Politics.
3. The Emancipation of the Voter.

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Great Holiday Reduc- tion

on all
Whiskies, Brandies, Wines
and Cigars

until
January 1st 1912.

All goods guaranteed
and satisfaction given

D. M. Klemsen
421 Main Street

Huntley Brothers Co. Annual January Sale

January is our month for invoicing, and naturally the time when we want to reduce our stock as much as possible. With this idea in view we go through the many departments in our big store and make our sales prices so low that the goods are bound to move quickly. It is impossible to note here one in a hundred of the specials we are offering but if you look in our windows and on our counters you will see many bargains that will interest you. Here are a few of them—Leather Goods, Brass, Books, Bibles and Prayer Books, Stationery, Perfumes, Brushes, Rubber Goods, Mirrors, Umbrellas, Pictures, Picture Framing, China, Soaps, Cutlery, Silverware, Pottery, Post Card Albums

- All Holiday Stationery reduced One Third
- All Fine Stationery reduced 10 to 50 per cent
- Brassware of all kinds reduced One Third
- All Haviland China red. One Third to Half
- All Cut Glass reduced One third to One Half
- All Table Silverware reduced One Third
- All Leather Goods reduced 10 to 50 per cent
- Umbrellas reduced 10 to 33 1-3 per cent
- Boys and Girls Books red. 10 to 25 per cent.

- All Pictures reduced 20 to 50 per cent
- Picture Framing reduced 10 to 50 per cent
- Post Card Albums red. 10 to 33 1-3 per cent
- All Bibles (revised and King James ed.) red. 10 per cent
- All Toilet Sets reduced One Fourth to Half
- Pyrography, Outfits & Wood to Burn, red. 20 per cent
- All Bristle Goods reduced 20 to 33 1-3 per cent. Hair, Cloth, Nail & Tooth Brushes
- All Mirrors reduced One Fourth to One Half
- All Rubber Goods reduced 10 to 33 1-3 per cent
- Soaps of all Kinds reduced 10 to 25 per cent

Nursery Stock Clean and Strong

Now is the time to set out Roses in your part of the city. Two-year-old budded roses.

Fifty Varieties to choose from
I will set them out and guarantee every one for only 20c each. Also a fine line of fancy Fruit Trees that you had ought to see. Beautiful Ornamental Shrubbery that will help to make your home attractive.

H. J. BIGGER
7th and Center Sts. At the Old Stand