

# Christmas Sale Now On

We have one of the largest lines of Christmas goods ever handled in this city. Presents for every member of the family to be had here.

For the older members of the family; we have all the latest books in suitable bindings for presents and as we have by far the largest stock in the city, you can pick your presents readily. We also have

**A Large Assortment of Toilet Sets, Shaving Sets, Military Brushes, Jewel Cases, Candle Sticks, Ladies Seal Skin Purses, Dr. Fabers Fountain Pens, Photo Albums and the Finest Stock of Stationery to be had on the bay.**

**What Would Make a Nicer Present than any of the Above Mentioned Articles.**



In buying our Christmas presents this year, do not forget the little folks. Our stock of presents suitable for the youngsters is the largest in the history of our store.

Following is a list of a few things that will please the little folks.



**A large stock of Children's Books, Dolls, Teddy Bears Dishes, Doll Buggies, Wagons, Shoo Flys, Drums, Blocks, Doll Beds, Banks, Velocipedes and many other things too numerous to mention here.**

**Come now and look around whether you care to buy or not, and don't fail to bring the little ones.**

## NORTON & HANSEN FRONT STREET

**Sample Line of Shawls, Reefers . . . Scarfs, Fascinators and Knitted . . . Goods of all Kinds . . .**

AT

**33 1-3**

**Per Cent Less Regular Prices.**

**WE HAVE PURCHASED A DRUMMER'S SAMPLE LINE OF THE ABOVE GOODS AT A**

**...GREAT...**

**BIG BARGAIN**

**AND WHAT WE CAN SAVE BY OUR BUYING WE ARE WILLING TO SHARE WITH OUR CUSTOMERS**

**IF YOU ARE CONTEMPLATING A NICE CHRISTMAS PRESENT FOR SOME ONE YOU NEVER HAD A BETTER OPPORTUNITY THAN NOW TO BUY SOMETHING APPROPRIATE AND USEFUL AT BARGAIN PRICES.**

**EVERY CONCEIVABLE SHAPE OF HEADGEAR CAN BE FOUND IN THIS LOT,**

**Ice .. Shawls, .. Silk Shawls, Wool Shawls, ALL KINDS**

**CREAM, NAVY, PINK, BLUE, RED, AND MIXED PATTERNS. YOUR CHOICE OF THE ENTIRE LOT.**

**1-3 REGULAR PRICE**

**The Greatest Christmas Bargains Ever**

**MERCHANT BROS.**

**The Launch Tioga**  
Leaves Marshfield at 8:30 a. m. for head of the river on South Coos River. Returns, leaves at 2:30 p. m.  
**Thomas Goodale**

### COOS BAY ECHO OF FEARFUL TRAGEDY

**Casteel Family Murdered at Macleay, Oregon, Formerly Residents Near Sumner.**

SALEM, Dec. 6.—No arrest has yet been made in the case of Mrs. Casteel, her son and her daughter and their farm foreman, Mr. Montgomery, whose charred bodies were found in the ashes of the farm house at Macleay, Oregon. The theory first advanced that the four persons were murdered by tramps in resisting robbery has been displaced by another to the effect that Montgomery, who was to marry Mrs. Casteel, killed the three, then committed suicide, the burning of the house resulting either from some mishap during the tragedy or from some deliberate act of Montgomery just before ending his own life. There is no tangible clew upon which the police can work.

Mrs. Casteel's daughter, Martha, was, at which time the wedding of the widow and Montgomery was also to have occurred. Mrs. Casteel's son was weak both physically and mentally. A bloodstained hatchet and a loaded shotgun were found near the ruins of the house.

The fearful tragedy has something of local color in it. Mrs. Casteel's husband, Jasper Casteel, was employed with the Southern Oregon company at Sumner, during the building of the railroad from the head of tidewater to Sumner. This was twenty years ago, and Casteel is well remembered by some of the old residents of Sumner. His reputation was not of the best when he was at Sumner, and he was considered a tough character. Nothing was known of Mrs. Casteel, as she was residing at Myrtle Creek, Douglas county while he was working at Sumner. Casteel was killed in a drunken brawl by a partner who was mining with him near Myrtle Creek. D. C. Pitzer, a real estate dealer, who gives no credit to the theory that the family was murdered by Montgomery, the hired man. The Roseburg Review, in commenting on the tragedy says:

"Mr. Pitzer passed through here this afternoon on the 'Flyer' enroute to Macleay to investigate the affair. He discredits absolutely the theory that Montgomery was in any way responsible for the tragedy. Mr. Pitzer stated that when Mrs. Casteel left Myrtle Creek for Macleay she took along about \$1000 in money, and he is of the firm belief that certain persons knowing of this fact and bent on robbery murdered Mrs. Casteel and of necessity in order to conceal their identity also killed her son and daughter and Mr. Montgomery."

—Empire claims at Ellerby's Fish market.

—Turkey Dinner Sunday at the Melrose.

—Don't forget the Turkey Dinner at the Melrose Sunday.

—Ladies' dining room at the Melrose now open.

### WANT ADS

Rates for want advertising—Five cents per line.

FOR RENT—Two new and modern equipped flats. New O'Connell Building.

WANTED—Bench men and finishers at once, \$3.50 per day. Coos Bay Furniture Co, North Bend, Oregon.

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping on Sheridan street, close in. Call phone 1751.

WANTED—Team work wanted by H. E. Chance. Phone 1885.

FOR RENT—5-room house, apply to F. P. Norton.

FOR RENT—Couple furnished rooms modern convenience. Call at corner Second and B Sts. or inquire at Times.

FURNISHED ROOMS—Call at Mrs. M. C. Chapman, Broadway.

For Sale. —One lot in Caples Addition to Marshfield. For particulars apply to Mrs. Lucinda Christmas, 567 Milwaukee Street, Portland, Oregon.

FOR RENT—Housekeeping and bedrooms. Coos Bay Auction Co.

FOR SALE—18-foot gasoline boat. Apply to Max Timmerman.

FOR SALE—Best business in town. Apply Coos Bay Auction Co.

### BUSINESS DIRECTORY

<b>Doctors</b>		<b>COKE &amp; COKE,</b>	
<b>DR. J. W. INGRAM</b> Physician and Surgeon. Office over Sengstaken's Drug Store Phones—Office 1621; Residence 789		Attorneys at Law. Marshfield, Oregon	
<b>Dr. A. L. Houseworth,</b> Physician and Surgeon. Office over First National Bank. Residence, two blocks north of Crystal Theater. Office Phone 1431.		<b>A. H. EDDY</b> Architect Modern cottages a specialty. Office opposite Blanco Hotel, Over Telephone Building.	
<b>Lawyers.</b>		<b>MR. ALBERT ABEL,</b>	
<b>J. W. BENNETT,</b> Office over Flanagan & Bennett Bank. Marshfield, Oregon		Contractor for Teaming of all kinds. Phone 1884.	
<b>Francis H. Clarke</b> Lawrence A. Liljeqvist <b>CLARKE, BLAKE &amp; LILJEQVIST,</b> ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW Times Building, Marshfield, Ore United States Commissioner's Office.	<b>Jacob M. Blake</b>	<b>L. J. POST,</b> Contractor and Builder 18 Years' Experience Has taught us a Motto, "Take Your Time and do Our Work Right." Prices Consistent with Best Work	
<b>C. F. McKNIGHT,</b> Attorney at Law. Upstairs, Bennett & Walker Block Marshfield, Oregon		Piano Tuning. By <b>J. F. O'REILLY,</b> Resident Tuner. Address Box 210, Marshfield.	

THEY'RE ALL GETTING THEIR CLOTHES PRESSED AT THE

**\$1.00 PER MONTH**  
**PHONE 1444**  
**Marshfield and North Bend**

**SHOW CASES and FIXTURES**  
The Modern Company  
Odd Fellows' Building, Marshfield

Everything Electrical at  
**Oregon Electric Supply Co.**  
New O'Connell Bldg.

**Steam Dye Works**  
Ladies' and Men's Garments  
Cleaned and Dyed  
**Philip Becker, Proprietor.**

Pull the **BELL CORD**  
Wet Your Face Then Blow  
**J. R. HANSON, Prop.**  
Front Street, Marshfield, Oregon

—Hunting coats at Milner's.

—Safty razors at Milner's.

**"CRYSTAL"**  
**Two Changes This Week.**  
**Monday and Thursday**  
Performances 7:30 and 9 p. m. Matinee Saturday 3:30.  
**Admission Ten Cents.**