

MIST MISTINGS

High School minstrels, Dec. 17.
 Reese Hall spent Sunday in Portland.
 Circuit court will convene next Monday.
 Bunte's Hard Candies, at the Plaza Pharmacy.
 High School minstrels, Friday, December 17.
 H. W. White of Portland, spent Saturday here.
 Mrs. C. E. Stevens was a Portland visitor Saturday.
 Mrs. Isbister visited in Portland Saturday and Sunday.
 W. S. Mason transacted business in Portland Tuesday.
 F. A. George attended the stock show in Portland Tuesday.
 Born, December 4, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Serephin, a boy.
 E. R. Botsford was a business visitor in Portland Saturday.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mackey spent Sunday here visiting relatives.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Day were Portland visitors Saturday.
 Mrs. W. G. Muckle and Mrs. L. R. Farris spent Sunday in Portland.
 High School minstrels will be great. You can't afford to miss it.
 Mrs. A. Frisk and Mrs. J. Walgren were Portland shoppers Saturday.
 Miss Margaret Rankin spent the week end in Portland, visiting relatives.
 Mrs. W. J. Muckle and Miss Beryl Muckle were Portland shoppers Saturday.
 Plaza Pharmacy will sell you hard Candies for Xmas for 15c up to 40c per pound.
 James Cox of Portland, visited at the home of his mother, Mrs. Annie Cox, this week.
 Wm. Belcher of Portland, spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Day.
 J. G. Watts of Scappoose, was a visitor to this city Saturday and attended the meeting of the Taxpayers League.
 Don't forget that the Plaza Pharmacy carries the biggest and best line of Stationery in town. Prices right.
 Judge Clark attended the fifth annual session of county judges and commissioners, which convened in Portland Wednesday.
 The St. Helens Woman's Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Farnsworth Tuesday evening, Dec. 14. All members are requested to be present.
 The Methodist Ladies Aid will serve a chicken supper in the church parlors Tuesday evening, December 21. They will also have handkerchiefs and towels for sale.
 Erik Backlund, a former resident, after traveling about for two years, has returned and purchased tract 13 in Mountain View, near his former home. The St. Helens Improvement Co. made the deal.
 Mr. and Mrs. Fisher of Portland, have purchased tract 14 in Mountain View, through the St. Helens Improvement Co. They expect to build a bungalow as soon as the materials can be assembled.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Allen and Reginald Cox arrived Wednesday evening from San Francisco. Mr. and Mrs. Allen expect to make their future home in Portland.
 Mrs. Frank James returned to her home in Portland Monday, after spending three weeks here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Thompson.
 Mrs. Ella Pasquire and Miss Mollie Linegar of Indianapolis, Ind., are the guests of E. E. Quick's family. The former is a niece and the latter a sister of Mrs. Quick.
 Prof. J. B. Wilkinson of Rainier, was in the city Friday. On account of ill health he has been obliged to give up his position in the Rainier schools and will leave the latter part of the present month for his old home in Tennessee.
 The pupils of Dr. Emil Enna will give a recital at the Guild hall on Wednesday evening, Dec. 15. The program will consist of piano, voice and violin selections, and will be very interesting. Everybody interested in music is invited.
 Mrs. J. M. Rodgers, sister of Mrs. S. C. Morton, and son, Carl, were visiting here this week before leaving for their future home in Salt Lake City, where her husband has been appointed Revenue agent. Both Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers are well known here.
 George Anderson and Miss Lillian Munson motored from Portland Wednesday afternoon and were married at the M. E. parsonage at 2 o'clock, by Rev. F. N. Sandifur of the M. E. church. They were accompanied by I. E. Nixon, also of Portland.
 Mrs. J. W. Allen entertained Friday afternoon at her home with an afternoon spent in sewing. A delicious lunch was served. The guests present were Mrs. Edwin Ross, Mrs. W. B. Dillard, Mrs. C. H. John, Mrs. T. Isbister, Mrs. Southard, Mrs. Wm. Cooper, Mrs. A. J. Peel, Mrs. L. L. Baker.

Everybody going to the High School minstrels.
 H. Morgus was in Portland Monday and Tuesday, purchasing new goods.
 Edgar Emerson, who was sent to the penitentiary from this county in November, 1913, on the charge of forgery, has been granted a parole.
 Mrs. Rosenthal and Miss Rosenthal deserve special mention for raising \$12.50 to the Mut fund. They made and donated a sofa pillow and sold numbers for for its sale.
 Mr. Rosasco, manager of the Columbia River Cannery and Produce Co., presented the editor of the Mist with samples of the product of the home cannery. We found them much superior to the goods shipped in from other states. His assortment of pickles, sour, dill and mustard, are first class. His line of pickles will soon be placed on sale in the local market and we do not hesitate to recommend them above any other brand. Home products should be first, anyhow.
 From the quarterly bulletin of the Oregon State Board of Health, we find the following vital statistics for Columbia county: births for July, 9 boys and 9 girls; deaths 3. For August, births, 8 boys and 6 girls; deaths 2. For September, births, 11 boys and 7 girls; deaths, 8.
 Max Wilson celebrated his thirteenth birthday by giving a party, Dec. 3. The eighth grade presented him with a beautiful scarf pin. Games were played and refreshments were served at a late hour, consisting of cake, sandwiches, pickles candy and nuts. The guests will remember it as one of the most pleasant parties. Those present were Mabel Davies, Constance Adams, Stella Barnes, Nellie Mackey, Mae Pierce, June Moorhead, Emil Hedstrom, Walter Smith, Wilbur Larabee, Roy Mackey, Walter Gage and Max Wilson.
COLUMBIA COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES
 Miss Lucile Clark of District No. 55, on the upper Nehalem, is serving hot lunch at noon. Many other schools have the necessary equipment and soon will be serving hot lunch.
 Many schools are giving a Christmas program on the evening of December 23. A. B. Lake of District No. 21, has been donated ten gallons of ice cream to start sweetening his pupils for the holiday season. It will be served as refreshments at their program on December 23.
 Several schools are preparing to standardize soon. Miss Mary McGregor of Beaver Homes School, District No. 9, just informs us that her enterprising school board has ordered play apparatus, pictures and drinking fountain, and expect to standardize before Christmas. St. Helens and Scappoose will ask for their plates soon. Those schools which became standard last year must keep up their requirements or lose their plates.
 The County Superintendent will go to Salem December 20, as a member of the State Examining Board, and will be gone about two weeks.
 St. Helens reports twelve students taking the Teachers Training Course; Clatskanie has three taking this course; several of these students will write for exemptions at the coming teachers' examinations.
 The school census of Columbia county shows 3790 pupils of school age at present. St. Helens has 546 pupils; Rainier, 468; Clatskanie, 431; Scappoose, 295; Warren, 201; Quincy, 248. St. Helens schools will close December 24, for the holiday season, and will reopen January 2, 1916. Most of the schools of the county will do likewise.
 Play sheds and play apparatus are sadly needed in many places. The cost is little and the benefits large. Scappoose and Yankton are erecting play sheds at present.
 The enrollment of the four standard High Schools are as follows: Scappoose, 43; St. Helens, 58; Clatskanie, 57; Rainier, 48.
 District No. 36, Near City, Miss Florence Taylor, teacher. Attendance so far this year 98 per cent and only two cases of tardiness, December 6, 18 present, none absent. Eighteen boosters are enrolled, all boosting for Near City's best school, and for the immediate procuring of play apparatus.
 District No. 20, Anna Kotel, principal; Mrs. E. E. Mallaber, assistant; good school, good teachers, good board, one-half mile good walk, good play shed, and a standard school. Have an organized literary society. A new clock and a new bookcase have just arrived.
 The superintendent wishes that the teachers would see that the library books are returned, and that they receive proper care. The bookcases should be kept locked, and in charge of a competent librarian.
 Yankton school is serving hot lunch.

CHURCHES.

Congregational Church.
 10 a. m., Bible school; 11 a. m., "The Secret of Influence." "Though the same sun with all-diffusive rays bluish in the rose, and in the diamond blaze, We prize the stronger effort of His power, And justly set the gem above the flower." 6:30 p. m., Christian Endeavor; leader, Jimmy Palmer (Portland Y. M. C. A.); 7:30 p. m., Special Service conducted by Jimmy Palmer of the Portland Y. M. C. A. Mr. Palmer is a fine public speaker (described as a "whirlwind") and he comes by invitation of St. Helens Congregational church young people. Special singing. All invited. John Foster, Ph. B., B. D., Minister.
M. E. Church.
 Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m., theme: Heaven, What Do We Know About It? Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.; evening sermon, 7:30. This will be a sermon to the Muts of St. Helens. Every member of the organization is specially invited. Special music will be rendered. F. N. Sandifur, pastor.

Episcopal Church
 There will be services in the Episcopal church next Sunday evening, Dec. 12, at 7:30.

THANKS

The St. Helens Muts and the Volunteer Fire Department wish to thank the public for their attendance and support of the minstrel show. It is appreciated.

We also wish to thank Messrs. McCoy and Ostrander for their assistance and the "loan" of the High School Glee Club, which aided our program very much.

We are much indebted to Mrs. E. B. Woods for her assistance. Thank you all.

THE MUTS,
 By Martin White.
FIRE DEPT.
 By L. E. Allen.

WELL, DO YOU KNOW

Bennett has changed locations! If you do not, call and see his new barber shop opposite the St. Helens hotel in the new Hewitt building. A real shoe shine at Bennett's.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Proposals for Sewer System, St. Helens, Oregon
 Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City Council of the City of St. Helens, Oregon, up to Monday, Dec. 27th, 1915, at 5 o'clock P. M., for the furnishing of all material and labor necessary for the construction and installation of such sewerage system, in accordance with the plans, profiles and specifications thereof filed with the City Recorder of said City, and on file in the office of Geo. Scroggins, City Engineer, McKay Building, Portland, Oregon, of sewer district number one (1), Section "B."
 A certified check in the sum of ten per cent of the bid, running to the Mayor of the City, shall be filed with the bid.
 The City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids, should they prove disadvantageous to the City.
 Bids will be opened at the City Hall in the City of St. Helens, Oregon, on December 27th, 1915, at 7:30 o'clock P. M.
 Signed, E. E. QUICK,
 City Recorder.

Look Here BOYS AND GIRLS
 Save your tickets until Christmas Eve and the boy that secures the largest number in value will be given a fine pair of skates, and the girl a big beautiful doll, at
EDDIE'S PLACE
 A ticket with every purchase.

TRY OUR WANT ADS
 For Rent—130-acre farm, two miles from Beaverton; one mile from electric car line station; 40 acres of good, tillable land, 90 acres in pasture and timber. A great bargain at \$250 per year. See St. Helens Improvement Co. 45-1f.
 For Sale—A quantity of Himalaya berry plants, at 4 cents each. Apply Columbia River Cannery & Produce Co., St. Helens. Mch191f
 Wanted Fresh Cows—We will buy your fresh cows if test is satisfactory, or sell you one. Write or phone Clover Hill Farm, Deer Island, Oregon. Mch19f
 For Sale—Five varieties fancy pigeons; 3 Black Spanish hens and rooster; first prize winners. R. C. Hamill, Deer Island.
 For Sale—Lot on Winter street, one block from Central grocery. No reasonable offer refused. R. Karth, Yankton, Oregon. 51-2t.

10 PER CENT DISCOUNT ON ALL HAND PAINTED FANCY DISHES UNTIL DEC. 25, 1915

Mail Order Prices Beat a Mile on Holiday Goods

I buy all of my goods East and can certainly give my customers the best price possible. You do not need to send away or go to Portland this year. Just come to Noah's Ark. We will fix you out and save you money. If you want Silverware we have it at about half the regular price. Come in and look over our stock whenever you shop. Shop early and get the benefit of a complete stock.

NOAH'S ARK ST. HELENS' 5c and 10c STORE.



Only 15 days to do your Christmas shopping. Time is short; don't delay. We are well prepared to serve you with a large and well chosen stock of useful gifts. Special reduced prices to Sunday Schools and charitable organizations.

Some Suggestions of What to Give

- A BOX OF SHIRTS FOR HIM. Three shirts in a box. All different patterns. Sizes 13 1/2 to 17. Regular \$1.25 Shirts, per box, \$3.00.
- SHIRT SETS, consisting of Cuff Links, Tie Clasp and Tie Pin, all match. Price per set, \$1.00.
- SILK HOSE FOR HER. We have the best line of ladies' silk hose that we have ever carried (the Notasome brand) guaranteed not to ravel, full length and have given excellent satisfaction to all our customers who have tried them for wearing quality. Sizes 8 1/2 to 9 1/2, per pair, \$1.00.
- ARROW COLLARS buy the box. One dozen to the box in different styles and sizes, \$1.50.
- SUSPENDERS in fancy holiday boxes, 50c per pair.
- SILK LISLE SOX six pairs, per box, \$1.25.
- Comfy Felt House Slippers in different colors and sizes, especially adaptable for bedroom or indoor wear. A very pleasing gift for your lady.

- SILVERWARE—Rogers 1847. Continental, Old Colony, Grape Designs.
- R. WALLACE OYSTER FORKS
- PICKLE FORKS
- GRAVY LADLES
- SUGAR SHELLS
- BREAD AND BUTTER KNIVES
- BUTTER KNIVES
- SERVING KNIVES
- BOUILLON SPOONS

An article selected from any of these is sure to prove a very acceptable as well as useful gift.
JAS. MUCKLE & SON Goods of Quality

Big Values For a Little Money

- 6 pkgs. new crop 12 oz. Seeded Raisins
- 4 cans Singapore Pineapple
- 2 1/2 lbs. No. 1 Walnuts
- 5 lbs. Xmas Mixed Candy
- 7 packages Lily Gloss or Corn Starch
- 7 cans Carnation or Mt. Vernon Milk
- 7 cans Tomatoes
- 7 cans Corn
- 4 lbs. Coffee

For 50c

Picnic Hams, 10c per pound.
 Remember the day, Friday, December 17, 1915. One day only

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Every person coming in our store will be served a cup of hot delicious Coffee. Come and bring your friends. We buy and sell for less.

A. S. HARRISON & CO.

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