

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

One good resolution to make and carry out on the first of the year is that you will pay the printer every cent you owe him. Try it one year, just for luck.

The least we can do is to wish our friends and patrons a happy and prosperous New Year. We appreciate the many kindnesses shown us during the year just at a close, and might go further, by returning good for evil.

The Mist office has the only job printing plant in this end of the county. We are prepared to do all sorts of commercial job printing on brief notice and at low prices. We can print anything from a visiting card to a large size poster. Book work a specialty. Leave orders with us.

The New York Voice, the mouth-piece of the prohibition party, says that party will be compelled to adopt different methods before it can ever hope to win. The Voice has been very slow to get its eyes open to a thing that has been remarkably plain to most people for a long, long time.

Inasmuch as you would like that your paper to be a good local paper, just reflect a moment and see how much local news you have furnished for it. As you would like that your home paper would speak a good word about you, just reflect how many good words you have spoken of the paper.

The three absolutely necessary things to be taken into consideration, with complete accomplishment, is the ratification of the peace treaty by congress, the construction of the Nicaragua canal, and its absolute ownership by the United States, and the improvement of the wagon road from Pittsburg and Vernonia to St. Helens.

There are petitions being circulated throughout the county praying the legislature, which meets in a few days, to pass an enabling act, permitting the people of Columbia county to vote upon a permanent location for their county seat. The petitions are being quite generally signed, but we do not know whether or not the bill has yet been drafted.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by Dr. E. Ross, druggist.

The price of fir lumber has taken a jump of \$1 per thousand feet, or from \$8 to \$9. The market is firm and charter rates are lower, which accounts for the increase. The increase in price, it is said, is not due to any combined action on the part of mill owners, but is the natural result of conditions existing in the trade. The price of logs, it is said, have also advanced.

Mr. Jolly and family, of Houlton, request us to tender their sincere thanks to the people of that place and St. Helens for the generous Christmas donation of articles of food left at their home last Saturday. Perhaps if one could have seen the cheer that the message took to hearts in gloom, and helped make the world seem brighter and better, they would be stronger believers in the scriptural passage that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

The Tillamook Herald says that "George Bartoo, a trapper, reports having caught in one of his traps a curious animal about three feet wide by one and a half feet long. Its back was covered with feathers. The stomach held a flush of scales. Its tail was like a fish, and its head was ornamented with a bill and comb; while its forefeet were webbed and the hind ones were just like a dog." Really, Tillamook moonkeepers should be compelled to handle a better brand of liquor.

Captain Good keeps a light on a buoy placed by himself at the edge of the reef in the slough, just above the mouth of Seapooze bay. This light, while known to exist by but few steamboatmen, proved a danger signal to all of that class, who, by force of circumstances, were obliged to navigate that body of water during the recent freeze-up. The government should place beacon lights on either side of the channel at that place, especially since the slough is not generally navigated only in emergency cases, and its channel is practically unknown to many steamboatmen.

Representative Flagg, of Marion county, will introduce a bill at the next legislature requiring all executions of criminals to be made at the state penitentiary at Salem. Flagg is of the opinion that public executions have a demoralizing effect upon a community, and while under the present law executions are not public, they are usually witnessed by from 100 to 500 people. If all executions were conducted at the state penitentiary, he contends, this influence would in a large measure be abated, while a most salutary effect might be wrought upon the convicts at the same time.

Another Christmas has come and gone, and one which will be long remembered by the people of St. Helens. A Christmas boat, rigged like an ocean sailing vessel, in the Congregational church, with "The Oregon" written on her bow, and across her stern was beautifully decorated and loaded with presents. The church decorations were of evergreen, arranged in the most attractive manner. High up on the white plastered wall, in plain view to all, was a large lone star, made of five evergreen branches; the whole making a beautiful and touching scene. The church was crowded as never before, and many hearts were made joyful on this anniversary of the birth of their Saviour. All St. Helens feels proud of the interest which was manifested and the cheerful manner in which her citizens contributed towards making this a pleasant and attractive occasion.

In our last issue we laid in a complaint about the mail service in this county, and to be honest about it, it does not trouble our conscience in the least to touch up the deficiencies that exist. The only reason for regret on our part is that our comment was construed as reflecting on Mr. Perry, the Houlton postmaster, when, in reality, it was as foreign to our intent as could possibly be. We do not hesitate to say that Mr. Perry is one of the most obliging postmasters in the county, and comes as near doing what is expected of him as a postmaster as any person serving in that capacity within the scope of our acquaintance. Mr. Perry will testify that our papers for railroad distribution arrive at his office each Thursday evening, and we are satisfied that Mr. Perry loses no time in shipping the mail, not even waiting for orders from headquarters, because he considers it his duty to start mail on its journey without any red-tape attachments. Mr. Perry is a strong advocate of the principle that the mail service is for the benefit and convenience of the public, and not the postmaster. No doubt the greater percent of the kicks that are registered are warranted. In one case of our own last week, in which a letter from Oregon City, containing legal documents for publication, mailed at that office on the 17th, reached the St. Helens office on the 21st, postmarked "Portland, Dec. 17th"; "Astoria, Dec. 18th"; "Mist, Dec. 20th"; "Houlton, Dec. 21st." The fault, in our opinion, attaches to the railway mail service, on the Astoria road. One would be led to that opinion from recent occurrences, especially so when it requires three days for a bundle of papers to go from St. Helens to Warren, a distance of four miles, and when they do arrive it is on the north-bound train. An occasional mistake can be overlooked, but there is no excuse for repeated negligence which we know has existed ever since the Astoria trains began carrying the mail.

Tuesday evening of this week was celebrated in this city by the Masonic fraternity in a manner peculiar to their own style. There were Masons from everywhere present, besides many ladies, members of the Eastern Star. The occasion was the joint installation of officers of the lodges at this place and from Rainier, as well as the officers of Mipah chapter of Eastern Star. The officers of the home Masonic lodge installed were: A. King, W. M.; S. Selzer, W.; E. E. Quigg, J. W.; James Muckle, treasurer; C. H. Johns, secretary; U. W. Clark, E. D.; A. B. Little, J. D.; Chas. Muckle and Jacob Severance, stewards; Washington Muckle, Tyler. Past Master Dean Blanchard acted in the capacity of installing officer of both Masonic lodges. The officers of Rainier lodge installed were: Bruce Polworth, W. M.; Wm. Fluhrer, S. W.; Henry Nice, J. W.; Wm. Slaughter, S. D.; Ira Saylor, S. S. Past Matron, Francis Johns installed the officers of the Eastern Star as follows: S. M. Quigg, W. M.; E. E. Watta, A. M.; A. King, W. P.; May Mayer, Cond.; May Cox, A. C.; Ellen Darr, treasurer; Francis Johns, secretary; G. G. Mayer, W.; Wash Muckle, sentinel; Annie Cox, chaplain; Jas. Muckle, marshal; Susie Dillard, Ad.; Elizabeth Henderson, Ruth; Eliza Switzer, Ester; Irene M. Day, Martha; Nancy E. Dolman, Electa. Following the installation Judge McBride and Mr. Polworth delivered appropriate addresses along the line of Masonry, which were received with much favor. After the festivities in the lodgeroom those present, numbering something over a hundred, repaired to the lower room of the building and there partook of a most sumptuous supper. The occasion was certainly the most pleasant of any in the history of the lodge at this place, as every one present speaks highly of it.

In an attempt to replace white laborers on the section forces with Japs, the Astoria railroad people are meeting with vigorous opposition, and it has been an almost impossibility for the Japs to accomplish any work along the line owing to the interference of crowds of masked men, who subject the brownskins to all sorts of frolics by threats and actions. Last Friday night at Clatskanie a mob of masked men attacked the Japanese laborers in the bunkhouse, broke in the windows and spirited the occupants away, and it was feared for a short time that they had been murdered, but the fear was finally dispelled by locating the Japs at Maygers. On Monday night a similar occurrence took place at Westport, and on Tuesday night the force of Japs at work near Rainier were marched to the river and put on board the Telephone and shipped to Portland. Sheriff Rice is doing all that is possible to quell the disturbances, but it is a difficult matter owing to the organized secrecy with which the work is dispatched. Sheriff Williams, of Clatsop county, is helping the road in the vicinity of Westport patrolled, but like Sheriff Rice, has so far been unable to discover any clues as to who the perpetrators are. There undoubtedly will be bloodshed before the trouble ends.

Senator McBride has offered an amendment to the naval bill, which provides for the construction of a stone drydock on the Columbia river and appropriate \$200,000 for immediate use in beginning the work. According to the provisions of the amendment, the dock shall be 700 feet in length, and its other dimensions shall be such as to accommodate the largest vessels in the regular or auxiliary navy, either existing at the present time, or likely to be constructed in the future. The cost of the dock when completed is not to exceed \$1,025,000. Provision is also made for a board of naval officers, to be appointed by the secretary of the navy, to select a suitable location for the dock, \$100,000 being set aside to defray the expenses of such a board.

Happy New Year. We have on hand a large supply of ladies' visiting cards. F. L. Clear spent Christmas with his family in this city. Charley Gable has sealed the after-portion of the bowling alley. The first fall of the beautiful, to remain, occurred Wednesday night. Ed Philbrook is spending the holidays with his parents at Houlton. Blank note and receipt books and legal blanks kept in stock at this office. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Sheldon spent Christmas with relatives in Portland. Thomas Henderson, of Astoria, is visiting his brother, the captain, at Houlton. Semiannual installation of officers of Avon lodge K. of P. will take place Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Cleston are in town and expect to remain at home for about two weeks. Capt. and Mrs. Sullivan spent Christmas with Mrs. Sullivan's mother, Mrs. Butler, in this city. Chas. Cooper returned to Oak Point Tuesday after spending Christmas with his parents in this city. Clerk Watta issued a marriage license on Tuesday to Mr. W. J. Stacy and Miss Lucy Quigley. Sheriff Rice has been absent from town for several days, attending duties connected with his office. Rev. Mr. Philbrook will preach at Bachelor Flat Sunday at 11 a. m. and at Seapooze at 7:30 p. m. The Oregon Wood Company wants twenty men to cut wood. Apply to George Mayer, St. Helens. Mr. S. S. Way was up from Muckle's Coweman logging camp spending Christmas with his family in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Perry and Miss Sammie Dart came down from Portland Saturday to spend Christmas with relatives here. We will furnish the stationery if some one will volunteer to do the writing. We want a correspondent at each postoffice in the county. The Oregon Wood Company wants a team and man to haul wood. Apply to G. G. Mayer, St. Helens. One dollar a year for a county paper is little enough when promptly paid. If your subscription is not paid at all you can draw your own conclusion. As I have not been able to finish the work on hands in my appointed time, I will return January 1st and remain until January 15th. J. A. Reid. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. Sold by Dr. E. Ross, druggist. The Kalamazoo Press says that A. H. Imms, of that place, and Geo. E. Davis, of Portland, are soon to engage in the practice of law in La Grande, this state. The continuous rain storm of Sunday and Monday last caused two landslides on the Astoria road. Fortunately no damage, save a few hours' delay, resulted. Brother R. H. Mitchell, of Vernonia, one time editor of the Nehalem Journal and later of the Sentinel, at Pittsburg, has assumed charge of the News, at this place. There are several of our subscribers whom we should be pleased to make a New Year's present of a receipt for subscription to THE MIST in exchange for a few four-bit pieces. The friends of Mrs. C. H. Piggott will be pleased to learn that she has sufficiently recovered from her recent illness as to be able to leave the hospital. She is in Astoria at present. We defy competition in class of work and quality of stock used in our job printing department; and we are prepared to quote prices on job printing which cannot be underbid. Leave your orders with us. All that is necessary to convince one that our public roads could stand a change in the method of improving is to attempt a trip into the rural districts just now. What you would experience would be more convincing than columns of argument. A twenty-ounce Pippin variety apple, weighing two pounds, one ounce. It is of fine shape and color, and the variety is one of the best table apples known. This monster apple was grown in the orchard of J. M. Payne, Deer Island.—Portland Dispatch. A newspaper deprecating the value of its advertising space and medium, shipped by beggarly custom at bread and water prices in worse than a Chinaman, because it thereby enters the field of avowed incompetency—like a fake lawyer underbidding a Blackstonian of recognized ability. School boards throughout the county should call meetings at once if it is desired to vote a special tax in the district for school purposes. The county clerk has the valuation of property in each district segregated in order that no delay will be occasioned on his account. It must be remembered if these meetings are called and a special tax levied it must be done and reported back to the clerk before or not later than the first of February, as at that time the work of extending the tax on the roll will be commenced. Ten days notice is required to be given for such meetings.

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On last Tuesday evening as Mat Grewell, who is employed on the Honeyman ranch, was returning home from the postoffice, someone, who had evidently been in waiting, jumped upon him and struck him in the face with his fist, which dashed him for a second; but Mat responded promptly and landed a right-hander on the fellow's jaw, knocking him off the railroad track and into the ditch. Fearing that there was an accomplice near at hand, Mat took to his heels. In telling of his adventures the next day someone asked him why he did not jump on his assailant after he had knocked him down, and Mat replied that his legs were too well trained for his body to be abused. High Price for Salmon. It is quite evident from present indications that the price paid for raw fish next year will be fully as high, if not higher, than during the season just closed, says a dispatch from Astoria in last Sunday's Oregonian. A representative of one of the local canneries stated today that he was authorized to make contracts for the coming season at the rate of 5 cents per pound. It is also reported that one up-river cannery is making a similar offer. Neither of these, however, will give out any twine or other supplies. A meeting of several of the local canners was held a few days ago, and the question was discussed, but one of them said today that no conclusion as to the price had been arrived at. It is understood, however, that a majority of them favor making it 4 1/2 cents. As far as can be learned none of the fishermen have so far made contracts, even under the tempting offer of 5 cents, some of them who own their own gear preferring to remain free to sell their catch as to the collector, or use it at a better price is paid.

Warren News. The Oregonian's editorial statement, on Tuesday, that football playing is not as brutal as prizefighting doesn't fit very well with the following dispatch from Astoria appearing in the same paper: Astoria, Dec. 28.—Astoria won a football game from Fort Stevens today by a score of 17 to 0. The game was not a close one, before Young often, having difficulty in finding the ball, Astoria made three touchdowns in the first 15 minutes, and after that played on the defensive. Left Guard Spencer and Full-Back Win Crosby, of the Astoria team, were brought back with broken legs, and several of the soldiers are in the hospital. Savors Strongly of Populism. The following communication appeared in Tuesday's Oregonian: HILLABRO, Or., Dec. 25.—(To the Editor.) Figuring out General Miles Testimony about that "Emballued beef" given to our soldiers, a world of light is thrown on events and things all of the leading newspapers have been asserting that Populism was dead, or dying out in fact we lost 10,000 last election to say nothing of the State of Washington is not this Indisputable Evidence that the Devil Mark Hanna and the Bank, have adopted this Plan of Embalming, and selling them to the Government for our Army's Subsistence in Order to get rid of the Populist the same as the Bunch grass horses There is but little dependence to be put in quartermasters that don't know the Difference between Embalmed Populist and good Beef, as common clad hoppers are for Gun Miles. R. C. DIED. BROOKS.—At Warren, on Wednesday, December 28, 1928, John B. Brooks, Sr., of heart trouble, Funeral Friday. SMITH.—At Houlton, Friday, December 28, 1928, the wife of W. H. Smith, of paralysis. FOR SALE. One span of horses, harness and wagon, \$60; horses harness \$25. 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APACH, Homestead entry No. 927, for the west 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of section 29, township 5, north of range 2 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Joseph Dupont and N. J. Dupont, of Valley, Oregon, and H. Apach and C. U. Meyer, of Paris, Oregon. CHAS. B. MOORES, Register. NOTICE OF PUBLICATION. LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, Or., December 7, 1928. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the county clerk of Columbia county at St. Helens, Oregon, on January 14th, 1929, viz: W. D. CASE, Homestead entry No. 927, for the west 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of section 29, township 5, north of range 2 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Joseph Dupont and N. J. Dupont, of Valley, Oregon, and H. Apach and C. U. 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Harris, his wife, for the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty (\$350) dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum from the 15th day of May, 1928, and further sum of One Hundred and thirty dollars as attorney's fee, and the further sum of Ten and forty-one hundredths (\$10.41) dollars costs and disbursements, and the costs of and upon this writ, commanding and requiring me to cause sale of the following described mortgaged premises to-wit: The south-west one-quarter (1/4) section 1, township 5 north, range 2 west of the Willamette meridian, in Columbia county, Oregon, and containing 160 acres of land, with the improvements thereon. Now, therefore, by virtue of said execution, judgment, order and decree, and in compliance with the commands of said writ, I will, on Monday, the 22nd day of January, 1929, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the front door of the county courthouse, in the City of St. Helens, Columbia county, State of Oregon, sell, at public auction, subject to redemption, to the highest bidder, for United States gold coin, cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the above named defendant, John Harris and Lucy E. Harris, has in and to the foregoing described mortgaged premises on the date of this writ, according to said writ, to-wit: said land, improvements, order and decree, and all accruing costs. Sheriff of Columbia County, Oregon. Dated at St. Helens, Or., Dec. 28, 1928. J. G. W. Cole, attorney for plaintiff.

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On last Tuesday evening as Mat Grewell, who is employed on the Honeyman ranch, was returning home from the postoffice, someone, who had evidently been in waiting, jumped upon him and struck him in the face with his fist, which dashed him for a second; but Mat responded promptly and landed a right-hander on the fellow's jaw, knocking him off the railroad track and into the ditch. Fearing that there was an accomplice near at hand, Mat took to his heels. In telling of his adventures the next day someone asked him why he did not jump on his assailant after he had knocked him down, and Mat replied that his legs were too well trained for his body to be abused. High Price for Salmon. It is quite evident from present indications that the price paid for raw fish next year will be fully as high, if not higher, than during the season just closed, says a dispatch from Astoria in last Sunday's Oregonian. A representative of one of the local canneries stated today that he was authorized to make contracts for the coming season at the rate of 5 cents per pound. It is also reported that one up-river cannery is making a similar offer. Neither of these, however, will give out any twine or other supplies. A meeting of several of the local canners was held a few days ago, and the question was discussed, but one of them said today that no conclusion as to the price had been arrived at. It is understood, however, that a majority of them favor making it 4 1/2 cents. As far as can be learned none of the fishermen have so far made contracts, even under the tempting offer of 5 cents, some of them who own their own gear preferring to remain free to sell their catch as to the collector, or use it at a better price is paid.

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