

LOCAL

Talk to Ross, Columbia County Bank. Mrs. D. A. Morrison and daughter Marion, of Seattle, is visiting Mrs. E. H. Plagg.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Black and daughter went to Portland Monday to spend Christmas and attend a family reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Mayer.

Mr. J. H. Dart, wife and daughter, of Portland, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Dart, in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Davis, Mrs. Ray Watts, Mr. and Mrs. James Muckle, Misses Amy and Ann George, Miss Agnes Muckle, Capt. Ed. Watts and wife, and Mr. Wilbur Muckle, all of Portland, spent Christmas in this city, guests of Mrs. D. J. Switzer.

Each week brings us new depositors. Columbia County Bank.

Mr. W. D. Quick, of Philomath, is visiting his brother, Mr. E. E. Quick, of this city.

The steam schooner Chas. Nelson, is loading ties at Muckle Brothers' wharf. This is the fifth vessel for St. Helens during the month of December, and probably thirty have taken full or partial cargoes here during the year.

Mr. Jos. Barchet and Miss Nettie Hazgin, both of Rainier, were married at their future home in this city last Sunday evening, Dec. 22. Rev. H. G. Kemp officiating. Only immediate relatives were present. They left on the east-bound train to enjoy their honeymoon visiting various places of interest.

Seven room house for sale or rent. Inquire of E. E. Quick, St. Helens.

WANTED—One hundred men to make stave bolts at \$1.40 per cord. First class yellow fir timber. Call on or communicate with the Western Co. Co., Houlton, Or.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wharton and Mrs. A. J. Rabert, of Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Downing, F. M. and W. A. Miles, of Portland, spent their Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Miles, of this city.

Wm. Skene, N. J. Dupont, S. Newell Sherwood, and Gas Skene, have organized the Benignus Lumber Co. and expect to have a sawmill in operation at Bachelor Flat, on the Starwood place, by April 1st. They expect to cut about 25,000 daily and will have the product to the cars at Houlton.

Note the change in the advertisement of Bailey & Brian, the enterprising Houlton merchants. It will pay you to keep your eye on their advertisements and purchase your supplies from them. Fair dealing is their watchword.

TIME IS MONEY—And you save time by taking the Multnomah when you have business in Portland. Leaves St. Helens at 7 a. m. Reaches Portland at 10 a. m. Starts home at 2:30 p. m. You have plenty of time to do your shopping.

The tree and entertainment at the Congregational church Christmas evening was the main feature of the celebration in this city. No presents were hung upon the tree except for the children, and each of these was presented with a book, a sack of candy and nuts, and an orange, from the Sunday School. The entertainment consisted of recitations and songs by children of the Sunday School, assisted by the choir. The managers of the affair are entitled to great credit for their work in behalf of the youngsters.

I have little pigs for sale, seven weeks old, at Bachelor Flat, Gable's place, opposite the school house.

GUS SKUZE.

Warren, Or.

The death of M. R. Ransom, of Vernonia, reminds another of the worthy pioneers of the Nehalem Valley. Mr. Ransom was a wise and progressive farmer and the Vernonia Grange does him only justice in passing resolutions of respect for his memory. He demonstrated the adaptability of the Valley for horticulture, and at the time of his death had succeeded, not only in raising good fruit, but also in English walnut and Italian chestnut, many of these trees being in bearing on his place. He was one of those who delighted in "fining two blades of grass grow where only one grew before"—a plain, unassuming, useful citizen.

Columbia County will have an increase of at least two new railroad logging camps next spring. That of C. C. Masten at St. Helens and the Peterson camp at Deer Island. This means work for two hundred more men and a largely increased output of logs.

Report cards for sale at this office. Best form.

COMMERCIAL ACCOUNTS—We are glad to open checking accounts with individuals, firms, societies, corporations, and banks, and give careful and prompt attention to all business, whether large or small. Columbia County Bank.

GRAND RELECTION—Vernonia Grange, PATRONS of Hasbunry, has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: J. G. Pringle, Master; Ethel Pringle, L. A. A. Hodford, O.; N. J. Parker, S.; Amanda Cheddell, Chap.; Roy Tucker, G. K.; B. Mills, A. S.; E. H. Coulter, Ceres; Ellen Mills, Pomona; Alice Tucker, Flora; Irene Duggins, L. A. S. The Grange is in a flourishing condition, with seven candidates for membership. The installation of officers will take place the fourth Sunday in January. Preparations are being made for a basket social in the near future.

As a result of the heavy rains last week the barn of J. Kuhnis, who owns the old Richardson place opposite St. Helens, was swept down the river by the high water. The barn had considerable hay in it and the total loss is estimated at \$100.

Paints, Etc., Groceries, Etc., Feed, Etc., All Guaranteed, Etc., M. C. GRAY.

SPECIAL SERVICES—Rev. Charles Scadding, bishop of the Episcopal Church for the diocese of Oregon, will preach at Christ's Church, St. Helens, next Sunday evening, December 30th, services beginning at 7:30. A part of St. Matthews choir will sing. Bishop Scadding is a great big man, both mentally and physically, and the people of St. Helens and Houlton should give him a hearty reception. It is a pity that the church is so small, as he is worthy of a much larger congregation than will be able to gain admission.

TO OWNERS OF TIMBER CLAIMS AND TIMBER.—We will buy for cash any good timber tributary to the Nehalem river. Will deal with owners only. No others need answer. Write giving full particulars to box 8, U. P. Station, Portland, Oregon. 2 20

A special meeting of the tax payers of school district No. 2 was held at the school house in St. Helens last Friday evening. It was decided to levy a special tax of seven mills, and, after discussion, they left on the east-bound train to enjoy their honeymoon visiting various places of interest.

Jack Craig, a blockmaker, was found dead on the bank of the river, back of the Riverside hotel, in Rainier, at about four o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The body was taken to the Rev. office and Coroner Cliff summoned from St. Helens. The inquest developed nothing substantial, and the coroner came to the conclusion that he had wandered to the beach in a drunken condition, laid down, and the water had washed over him, drowning him. Craig was a member of Stone Cutters Union No. 47, of St. Helens, and had been a resident of this place, off and on, for about eighteen years. He was an excellent workman, and when at work commanded a wage of about six dollars per day. He was about 35 years of age and a native of Kylesthe, Scotland, where his father and mother are still living. He will be buried in the Old Fellows Cemetery at Warren today, by the members of his union.

Syrup of White Pine and Tar, the old reliable cough remedy. For sale by A. J. Denning, druggist.

GOY OFF EASY—Matt Weber was brought before Justice Symons, at Rainier Wednesday morning, charged with assault and battery, consisting of striking his wife. Weber has been in the habit of disciplining his wife whenever it suited his brutal, drunken fancy, but heretofore the woman has refused to make complaint against him, probably fearing that such action would bring upon her worse punishment. There are four children, one of them a cripple, and Weber, who earns three dollars a day, has neglected to provide decently for them, preferring to spend his money in the saloons. Justice Symons gave him \$25 fine, which he will serve out in the county jail. He is very lucky that the complaint was not for wife beating, as in that case he would be Columbia County's first candidate for the whipping post. It is hoped this mild sentence will be a warning to him to mend his ways.

STRAVED OR STOLEN—One cow, iron gray, with "W" on right hip, white star in forehead, white belly, short tail. Disappeared three weeks ago from my place at Bunker Hill. \$5 reward will be given for definite information concerning same. JOHN WALCZAK, Yankton, Or.

The new steamer Iraida was given a trial spin on the Willamette Wednesday afternoon. Everything was new and the engines were not turned up to the limit, but the craft worked to the entire satisfaction of her master and owners. She made her first regular trip to Rainier on Thursday afternoon. The Iraida was built by the Portland Shipbuilding Company, and is considered one of the finest pieces of marine construction turned out by that concern. She is exactly the same tonnage as the old craft but is more roomy and will develop greater speed.

STRAVED—A dark red two year old steer, split in left ear. Send any information to this office.

Mr. Percy George and wife, of Portland, spent Christmas in this city the guests of Mr. George's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur George.

Miss Iva Grewell, of Ostrander, Wash., is visiting Miss Leo Wilkins.

Miss Carrie Elbertson, of Portland, spent Christmas with Dr. Ross and wife.

BORN—To the wife of D. R. Fowler, of Carpio, Friday Dec. 21, a son. Dr. Ross attending. Optimo cigars; two for twenty-five cts. Tea lers in quality. Brinn Ross.

Pure bred White Plymouth Rock roosters for sale. Inquire at this office. Mrs. Partridge and her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Ross, were called to Seattle on Sunday last on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Partridge's daughter, Mrs. Crandall.

Mr. Harold Ross, who is attending school at Gresham, is spending the holidays with his parents in this city.

Miss Hettie Dunn, of St. Johns, and Miss Lala Parmely, of Gresham, are spending the week with friends in St. Helens.

Mrs. Thos. Cooper and children, of Kalama, spent Xmas with relatives in this city.

JOINT INSTALLATION—Mizpah Chapter of the Eastern Star and St. Helens Lodge A. F. & M. held their joint installation St. John Eve., Thursday, the 27th. Hon. T. A. McBride acted as installing officer for the Masons and Mrs. Susie B. Dillard for the S'ars. There were about one hundred Masons and their families, together with a few invited guests present, and the ceremonies were conducted expeditiously, terminating at about 10 o'clock. Then followed a short period of sociability, after which all repaired to the St. Helens hotel, where a fine banquet had been prepared. From oysters to ice cream it was all that could be desired, and the manner in which it was served reflected credit upon Mrs. George and her assistants.

Mrs. W. H. Dolman, of Portland, attended the installation Thursday night.

GOLD BEADS LOST—Anyone finding a string of gold beads will please return them to Miss Dorothy John, who lost them one day this week.

Mr. John Carny has resigned his position as clerk for Perry & Graham, at Houlton, and took the Iraida for Portland to day.

POMONA AT GOBLE—The next meeting of the Pomona Grange for Columbia County takes place at Goble, on Saturday, February 3rd, being the Saturday before the first full moon in February. As Goble is convenient it is hoped there will be a full attendance from all parts of the county.

County Commissioners meet next Wednesday. It will be a very important session.

Those desiring copies of the report of the Board of Tax Commissioners can procure them by applying to the county clerk. It is a very important document and the Msr is publishing a portion of it each week.

Miss Maud Decker, of Portland, visited with the folks at home this week.

Long Tennessee Fight. For twenty years W. L. Rawls, of Bells, Tenn., fought nasal catarrh. He writes: "The swelling and soreness inside my nose was fearful, till I began applying Backless' Arnica Salve to the sore swelling; this caused the soreness and swelling to disappear, never to return." Best salve in existence. 25c at all druggists.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Following is the report for the third month of school in Dist. 2: No. boys enrolled 40 No. girls enrolled 28 No. days taught 18 No. days attendance 1163 No. days absence 61 No. times tardy 9

Those neither absent nor tardy during the month were: Maud Richardson, Roy Thorp, Alvina White, Roy Laws, Hamor McKie, Matthew McKie, Olive LaHare, Gladys Waters, Charley Brought, Warren Thorpe, Goldie Hattan, Fay Lynch, Ethel Lynch, Harry Richardson, Susie Ketel, Harry Thorpe, Florence Ryer, Ruth Decker, Charley Laws, Stuart McKie, Frank Thorp, Leola Henderson, Virgil Hattan, Floyd Henderson, Pearl Day, Harry Henderson, Anna Quick, Ada George, Alice Quick, Lloyd Hattaa, LINA STOUFFER, MARY G. MACLAV, LULU GEORGE. Teachers.

A Western Wonder.

There's a Hill at Bowie, Tex., that's twice as big as last year. This wonder is W. L. Hill, who from a weight of 90 pounds has grown to over 180. He says: "I suffered with a terrible cough, and doctors gave me up to die of Consumption. I was reduced to 90 pounds, when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Now, after taking 12 bottles, I have more than doubled in weight and am completely cured." Only one Cough and Cold cure. Guaranteed by all druggists. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

SCHOOL EXERCISES.

Following is the program given by the pupils of the Renben school Saturday evening: Recitation Harry Maginn Song—"Santa Claus" Primary Pupils Recitation Mary Nussbaumer Christmas Acrostic Small boys Dialogue "Taking the Census" Duet "Why Don't They Play With Me" by Lizzie Hunter and May Gowen Song "Oregon Grape" Dialogue "Way Down East" Recitation Gladys Jordan Recitation Beryl Cox Doll Drill Recitation Vernice Fowler Duet "Please Come and Play With Me" by Lizzie Hunter and Gladys Cox Recitation Miss Magnusson Recitation May Gowen Dialogue "Seeing Santa Claus" Song "Beautiful Bells" Recitation Catherine Ehrlinger

A Miraculous Cure.

The following statement by H. M. Adams and wife, Henrietta, Pa., will interest parents and others. "A miraculous cure has taken place in our home. Our child had eczema 5 years and was pronounced incurable, when we read about Electric Bitters, and concluded to try it. Before the second bottle was all taken we noticed a change for the better, and after taking 7 bottles he was completely cured." It is the up-to-date blood medicine and body building tonic. Guaranteed. 50c and \$1 at all druggists.

I have money to loan on approved real estate security. W. H. POWELL, St. Helens, Oregon.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

(Timber Land, Act June 2, 1878) United States Land Office, Portland, Oregon, December 18, 1888. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 2, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Charles L. Day, of Portland, County of Multnomah, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 114, for the purchase of the W. 1/2 Sec. 6, and N. 1/2 Sec. 7, of Section No. 7, Township No. 4 North, Range No. 3 West and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver at Portland, Oregon, on Monday the 4th day of March, 1897. He names as witnesses: George S. Keasey, Or.; John Pringle, of Vernonia, Or.; J. E. Metcalf, of Portland, Or.; R. F. Cox, of Portland, Or.

New Cure For Epilepsy.

J. B. Waterman, of Watertown, O., Rural free delivery, writes: "My daughter, afflicted for years with epilepsy, was cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills. She has not had an attack for over two years." Best body cleanser and life giving tonic pills on earth. 25c at all druggists.

C. P. BISHOP Portland's Clothier. Sells a high quality of clothing of exclusive designs and an unusual clever styling and fitting that gives the wearer a distinctively refined air. 87 Third Street.

W. C. FISCHER, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. RAINIER OREGON. DR. H. R. CLIFF, PHYSICIAN & SURGEON. ST. HELENS OREGON. DR. EDWIN ROSS, PHYSICIAN & SURGEON. ST. HELENS, OREGON.

FOR PORTLAND, DAILY. STEAMER "America" Willamett Slough Route. Leave St. Helens 6:30 A.M. Arrive at Portland 10:30 A.M. Leave Portland 3:30 P.M. Arrive at St. Helens 6:30 P.M. FARE 50 CENTS. Will Carry Nothing but Passengers and Fast Freight. JAMES GOOD, Master.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT. In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Columbia. In the matter of the estate of Charles Fischer, deceased. Notice is hereby given that I have this day filed my final account, as administrator of the estate of Charles Fischer, deceased, and petitioned the court for an order releasing myself and bondsmen from further obligations as such administrator of said estate, and that Wednesday, the 22d day of January, 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day at the court house in said county and state, has been appointed by said court as the time for the settlement of said final account, at which time and place any person interested in said estate may appear and file his objections, and show cause, if any, why an order should not be made allowing said final account, and releasing myself and bondsmen from further obligations in said estate. CHAS. W. MAYER, Administrator.

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L. S. FRANKS, 352 MORRISON ST., PORTLAND. DESIGNERS OF FINE MILITARY HATS. SPECIAL HATS MADE TO ORDER. Columbia County People are especially invited to Call and Inspect.

2 TRAINS DAILY TO DULUTH-MINNEAPOLIS. SEE EUROPE IF YOU WILL, BUT SEE AMERICA FIRST. YELLOWSTONE PARK. PARTICULARS AT 255 MORRISON STREET. A. D. CHARLTON, Assistant General Passenger Agent. Portland Oregon.

Royal Oak Dresser. No. 58. When you see this Dresser you will have abundant and very tangible evidence of the fact that we sell furniture at lower rates than any other firm in the city. The size of this Dresser—top 28x34 inches, with oval bevel plate mirror 19x27 inches. It is made of royal oak with beautiful quarter grain top and front. There are four drawers, top drawers having swell fronts, just like the illustration, and all are fitted with cast brass pulls and locks and keys. A very neat and attractive design and one that cannot fail to please. Price is only \$16.00. PAY \$3 CASH. \$1.50 MONTHLY. Send for our complete furniture catalog, showing the fine furniture we sell on the installment plan. We pay freight. GEVURTZ & SONS, 173-175 FIRST STREET, 210-222 XAMHILL STREET, PORTLAND, OREGON.

W. B. LOTTMAN, CASHIER. Collections Made - Drafts Issued.

ST. HELENS BARBER SHOP. D. P. BEELER, Prop. CLEANLINESS, SANITATION, NEATNESS. Hair trimming neatly done at the old stand, St. Helens.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as administrator of the estate of Charles G. Caples, deceased, has filed his final account in the office of the County Clerk of Columbia County, Oregon, and the Honorable County Court for said County and state, has appointed Saturday, the 15th day of January, 1907, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day as the time, and the court room of said court in the county court house at St. Helens, Oregon, as the place for the hearing of objections to said final account and the settlement thereof. FREDERICK C. CAPLES, Administrator of the estate of Charles G. Caples, deceased. First pub. Dec. 7, 1906. Last pub. Jan. 4, 1907.

H. MORGUS, ST. HELENS. Carries a Complete Line of Groceries, Dry Goods, Hardware, Crockery, Flour and Feed, Hay, Notions, Candies, Stationery, Fancy Goods. In fact, everything usually kept in a first class General Merchandise Store. All prices will be found as reasonable as at any store in Columbia County. Your trade solicited.

ASTORIA & COLUMBIA RIVER RAILROAD COMPANY. All trains make close connections at Goble with Northern Pacific trains to and from the East and Sound points. At Portland with all trains leaving Union Depot, at Astoria with L. & N. Co.'s boats and rail line and Pioneer F. J. Potter to and from Ilwaco and North Beach points.

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O. R. & N. OREGON SHORT LINE AND UNION PACIFIC. LOWER COLUMBIA RIVER.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Henry J. Waters, deceased, by the Hon. R. S. Hattan, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Columbia. Any and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same in writing, verified according to the provisions of the Statute of Oregon, within six months from the date hereof. Dated this 9th day of Nov., 1906. HENRY J. WATERS, Administrator.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT. In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Columbia. In the matter of the estate of Andrew Bergson, deceased. Notice is hereby given that Gust A. Larson, the administrator of the estate of Andrew Bergson, deceased, has filed his final account for settlement, and filed in said court his final account of his administration of said estate, and that Saturday, the 22nd day of January, 1907, at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the court room in the court house, in the city of St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon, has been appointed by the Judge of said county court for the settlement of said account, at which time any person interested in said estate may appear and file his objections to said account or any item thereof. This notice is published by order of the Hon. R. S. Hattan, Judge of said county court, which order bears date Dec. 20, 1906, and the first publication hereof has been made on Dec. 20, 1906. GUST A. LARSON, Administrator.