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The Mist extends to you the Greetings of the Season and wishes all its readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Jonathan Bourne's term as U S Senator from Oregon will expire next year and he has already begun an active campaign for re-election. So many things have been said about him through the press and by orators during the past two or three campaigns that it is useless to say any more at this time other than to say that the Mist is of the opinion that Oregon is not represented in the U S Senate as it should be and that Senator Bourne is not the right man for the place. There is a very earnest desire to displace him at the next election, but from present appearances he will again go sailing into office without much trouble. There can be no question but that he is a very astute politician, and with his money and his clever manipulations he will see to it that the opposition to him is not concentrated, and the result will be his own re-election. If those persons in Oregon who are really in earnest in their desire to defeat him will use the good judgment to concentrate their efforts upon some one good clean, capable man, he will not be hard to displace, but unless some such action takes place he will hold the job.

Already there are quite a number of aspirants for the place, some of them good men and capable, and indications are that there will be quite a number yet to announce, so that everything just now is working very nicely for Mr. Bourne. We hear of Judge Stephen A. Lowell of Pendleton; of Charles A. Johns of Baker; of J. W. Morton of Hood River; of Ben Selling and Dan J. Malarkey of Portland and the latest is the nomination of Ex-Senator Fulton by the Morning Astorian. Some of the best men in Oregon from the standpoint of ability, yet not one of them can be elected unless all but one pulls out. It is a case of Jonathan against the field and with the field divided Jonathan will win.

It has been said a great many times that St. Helens is too close to Portland to ever become much of a city; that trading can be done in Portland, where there is a larger assortment of goods to select from, as cheap as can be done in St. Helens. All of which can not be verified and is very easily disproven. If any person will take the trouble to investigate they will find that our merchants can and do sell their goods at practically the same prices as do the Portland merchants, and in many instances much less. Their assortment of goods is amply sufficient to satisfy the most particular. The stocks of Christmas goods now on display in the various stores of this city do credit to the city and, outside of two or three big department stores where prices are really higher than in the smaller places, our stocks are as large as are the Portland stocks. To any person who thinks he or she can go to Portland, pay car or boat fare, buy his dinner and save money, a trial shopping tour around St. Helens and Houlton will convince him of his mistake. Try it.

During the last six months the merchants of St. Helens have observed Sunday closing and the experiment has worked so well that the most of them are very anxious to continue. However it is rumored that there is apt to be a breaking over of this rule by one or two of them. As a matter of right and justice to the merchants and their employes this rule should be strictly observed. The hours of work in a store are sufficiently long during the week days to entitle everybody connected with one to have at least one day of the week away from his or her work. The customers of the various stores have become accustomed to do their trading during the week and the only persons who would do any shopping on Sunday are the negligent and careless. A merchant who refuses to close on Sunday in a city like this is not doing himself justice nor is he doing the fair thing by the others; it is a pretty good indication that he is not getting his share of the business and when such is the case there must be some cause for it. By all means close the store on Sunday.

The people in the Town of Deer Island have made up their minds to do a little in the way of City Improvements and have commenced the construction of good sidewalks around the business portion of the city and connecting with the depot. The town is not incorporated and there is no way of improving the city other than by mutual cooperation of the citizens. In this way great things may be accomplished. Already a dance has been given and some funds raised in that manner. Others will follow and then the boosters will dig down in their pockets and furnish the balance. Deer Island, like the other towns of Columbia County, has had a very healthy growth during the past two or three years and now has some very creditable business buildings and residences; the school house is a modern structure and the grounds surrounding it are beautiful and well kept. On every hand prosperity and progress are noticeable.

Boys may be had and sometimes girls. The older ones at ordinary wages and others to be schooled and cared for in return for slight services rendered.

For particulars address W. T. Gardner, Supt. Boys and Girls Aid Society of Oregon, Portland, Oregon.

COURT PROCEEDINGS, ETC.

A L Clark clerk
D A Adams clerk
SCAPPOOSE PRE.: Watts & Price Hall 1st. Board
Harry West chairman
I G Wikstrom judge
J D McKay judge
A D Holaday clerk
J D Lynch clerk
Gustave Lange clerk

2nd. Board
W E Stevens chairman
Geo W Grant judge
Harry Stanton judge
Albert Johnson clerk
W G Pomeroy clerk
John H Flynn clerk

St. HELENS PRE. Court House
1st. Board
R Cox chairman
Andrew King judge
John Lafferty judge
J W Day clerk
M E Miller clerk
Geo H Lemont clerk

2nd. Board
W Muckle chairman
M F Hazen judge
R S Hattan judge
A J Deming clerk
A L Stone clerk
John G Pringle clerk

VERNONIA PRE.: Keasey Hall
Israel Spencer chairman
J R Dallas judge
G H Sitts judge
Judson Weed clerk
W L Hall clerk
Geo B Johnson clerk

WARRE PRE.: Bacon's Hall
A H Tarbell chairman
John Lindahl judge
Jacob Hegele judge
H J Southard clerk
J A Boesel clerk
F A Hoyt clerk

Whereupon Court adjourned until Thursday, Dec. 7, 1911.

Thursday, Dec. 7, 1911, 4th. Judicial Day, Court came pursuant to adjournment, officers all present, due proclamation being made, the following proceeding were had.

Matter of transfer of funds.— On this day it is ordered by the Court that the treasurer be, and he is hereby instructed to make the following transfers of funds.

\$5000.00 from the general county fund to the general road fund.
46.00 from the general county fund to road district No. 2.
65.50 from gen. road fund to special fund of R P No. 6.

Matter of aid for V Carlson family.

On this day it is ordered by the Court that the Clerk, be and he is hereby instructed to issue a warrant in the sum of \$10.00 in favor of Thos. Basse, for aid for V Carlson and family, and that said warrant issue monthly for a period of four months.

Matter of aid for John Anderson.
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July 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 19, 20, 26, 27 and 28.
August 3, 4, 5, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29 and 30.
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