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HARDLY.

Will the state of Oregon subscribe to Governor West's ambition to create jobs for personal friends? Will the state of Oregon subscribe to Governor West's idea of spending \$50,000 on roads merely to give idle J. W. W.'s warm beds and food during the winter season? Well, Hardly. But the people in this state who work and pay their debts and try to do the square thing will never approve the West methods of handling state money to suit his individual whims. We had as well put all power in the governor's hands and be done with it. By what right has the chief executive to assume such arrogant management of the state money? Why should he comb the streets of Portland for every I. W. W. and provide bed and food for him? If Portland has idle men it is the fault of the men and of the city of Portland. They why should the great rural sections of this state be called upon to house and feed them? The governor's idea of running a labor bureau was all right. What ever his numerous clerks and stenographers can do to assist mills and farms in obtaining labor without extra cost to the state is a good thing and deserves commendation. But when he steps over the traces, as he almost invariably does, and proposes to feed his I. W. W. pets, the people have a right to rebel. And they will.

The Oregonian landed once good and hard on "Common User" Dan Kellaher in the egg case. A lot of people who "cuss" the Oregonian in Portland whenever they choose should begin to waken to a newspaper's power and return thanks that their individual short comings have never been played up in a spirit of revenge.

The scramble for appointment of county judge to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Basche in Baker county, began before the deceased had been buried, which is a mighty poor recommendation for those who saw fit to enter the race at that time.

So far La Grande has no regret at the selection of Manager Lafky. If things continue the way they have started in the city hall the municipality will have something to be proud of in another year.

Senator Dan Malarkey says, "Let's run the state by commission." All right, senator, if you will guarantee that men like Oswald West are not elected as commissioners.

Building four-story buildings in La Grande is not such a heavy task any more. Look how quickly the Bhnenkamp structure was built.

Portland school board is worrying about the tango entering the schools. Is there not some vaccine that can be used as preventative?

The Portland Telegram beseeches everyone, when sending Christmas presents, not to send the governor any more hobby horses. Well said.

Looks like it is near the time to organize the Mexican rough riders. Grape juice and diplomacy are about played out.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Dont' forget that for those unable to do their shopping during the day—our store will remain open evenings until Christmas—Geibel's.

Christmas Ball, Rex Hall, Christmas night, 12-18-7t.

George Kemp, dealer in New and second hand goods, upholstering and repairing done. Phone Red 101. 1420 Adams ave. 10-4 tf.

Kewpie Paint Sets, regular price 60c; Special Sale price 35c. Golden Rule Co.

The Evening Observer on sale at Newlin's Book Store.

Seat Sale for O. A. C. Cadet Band concert at the high school auditorium starts Monday morning at the Red Cross Drug Store. 12-19-3t.

We pay best prices for second-hand furniture. Dyal's Furniture Store, next to Geddes. Phone B-3251.

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Spugs, Spugs, Spugs—Spughis, Spugs—all are pleased at Geibel's.

Notice E. F. Buck has changed his stand from Haisten's store to Kemp's and can be reached by calling Red 101. Also orders for 16-inch dry cord wood. Piano moving with a guarantee that pianos will be moved right. Honest service in all kinds of hauling and transfer. Home phone Red 3662. 11-22-edo-1m

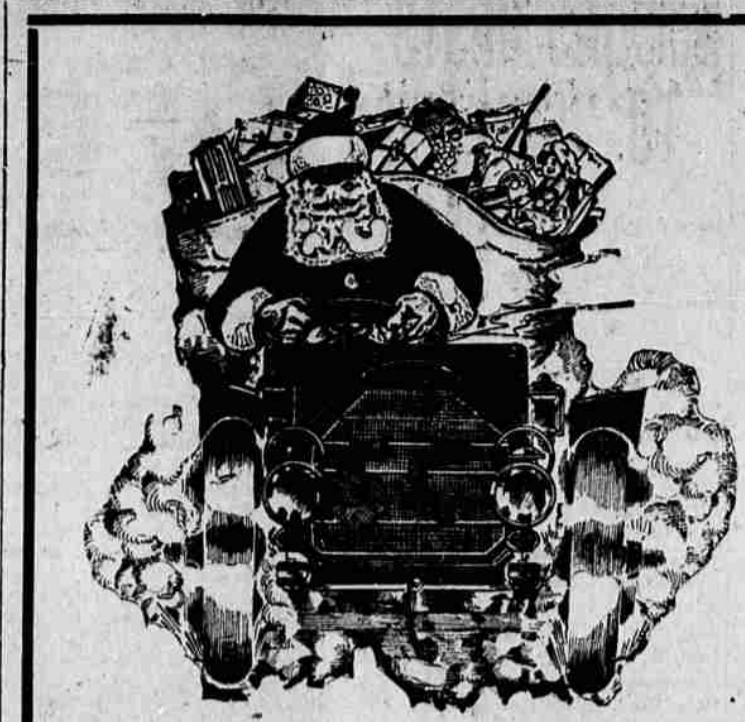
FREE—Until Christmas we will engrave initial free on all our ivory goods, such as brushes, mirrors, hair receivers, soap boxes, etc., Silverthorn's Family Drug Store. 12-22-3t.

More Beautiful Picture Books for children, for Christmas, Linen and paper at Silverthorn's Drug Store. 5t.

White Ivory Goods, Brushes, Mirrors, Powder Boxes, Soap Boxes, in all varieties at Silverthorn's Family Drug Store. 5t.

Bowling and Billiards.—The Club.

Prof. David Haines has a few hours



Be sure to see our showing of new MANICURE, TOILET, SEWING AND TRAVELING SETS. Prices from \$1.25 to \$15.00.

We're Sole Agents for the Famous STEIFF'S IMPORTED TOYS Including the wonderful character dolls and unbreakable toy animals. Prices from 25c to \$7.50.



A large assortment of the popular Alpine Embroidered Handkerchiefs Prices from 20c to 75c

The Last Two Days Before Christmas

This store will be crowded with throngs of happy shoppers, selecting useful and practical gifts from our unparalleled Xmas showing.

We Can Wait On You Better Than Ever Before

Our extensive improvements and remodeling have been made with but one object—to give our constantly increasing trade every modern convenience in shopping.

A new line of the popular CHIEF JOSEPH INDIAN BLANKETS "A better blanket for less money." Large Blankets \$5.00 to \$7.50 Small Blankets \$1.50 to \$2.00

Be sure the neckwear you give his is the genuine JAMES R. KEISER. We are Sole Agents for this famous make 50c to \$1.50.

BOXED GIFTS FOR MEN—Assortments containing Neckwear, Silk Hosiery, Suspenders, Supporters, etc. Prices from 35c to \$2.50.



each day he will devote to mandolin and guitar instructions. Call Black 481. Adv. 2-22 tf.

A Japanese gentleman wants a position for school boy in a private family. please send the answer to phone 73. 12-22-2tp.

PERSONALS.

C. S. Killen of Union, is in the city visiting with friends.

Mrs. Browning has gone to Enterprise to spend the holidays with friends.

Mrs. C. E. Norris went to Imbler this morning to resume her duties in the Co-Operative store.

Miss E. M. Varner of Joseph, who has been in Salem, is back for the holidays.

Miss Hazel Young, who is teaching school at Minam, is home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Young.

Marbel Green is in the city from Wendell, Idaho, where his parents now reside, and will spend a week with friends in La Grande.

Mrs. George Hoffich and children stopped off in La Grande to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mackey of this city. They left today for Parma, Idaho, where they will spend the holidays with relatives.

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Rebba, have returned from a trip through southern California. They stopped at Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Jose, and most of the principal cities along the southern coast.

A. T. Hill went to Union this morning laden with supplies for the farm. Miss Teresa McMurray of this city left today to spend the Christmas holidays with friends in Union.

Mrs. E. H. Shaw and children, Marie and Vera left for that city today, after shipping in La Grande.

J. D. Casey, lumberman of Meacham, arrived in the city this morning on business.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Wallace of La Grande, left today for Weiser, Idaho, where they will spend the holidays with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Comstock of Telocaset, left today for that place after making Christmas purchases in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Anson of Telocasset, left today for that place after shopping in La Grande for a couple of days.

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The following are registered at the Savoy hotel: J. W. Allen, Clyde McKenzie, of Summerville; C. J. Gasset of Cove; F. N. Whitman and wife, P. C. Holmes and wife, Flora; A. J. Wisdom, Elgin; Ed Drummond, Big Fddy, Ore.; H. W. Cowan, Walla Walla; A. J. Pyes, Jap Frank Ota, Durkee; R. N. Beach, North Powder.

Mrs. F. S. Bramwell who was taken to the hospital three days ago suffering from appendicitis and who was operated on for the same, is reported to have crossed the danger period in her illness and to be convalescent now. Prompt attention on the part of the surgeons helped to ward off dangerous complications.

The following are registered at the Foley: S. E. Brown, Seattle; J. B. Smith, F. G. Bigelow, Portland; L. F. Evans, Lostine; Hattie Allen, Portland; Mrs. Ray Smith, Mrs. G. Miller, Hry Turner, Harvey Street, Frank McNulty and wife, Harry Neer, and A. W. Johnson, all of Portland; H. P. Stewart of Union, L. N. Klees of Summerville; Margaret Roup, Walla Walla.

Little Giry Operated on. Miss Stella Desilet, aged 12, was operated upon at the Grande Ronde hospital for appendicitis last Saturday evening.

Why Woodrow is Woodrow. When Woodrow Wilson was in college his classmate called him "Tom." His full name was Thomas Woodrow Wilson. This is the story he tells of how he came to change it to its present form:

"My mother's maiden name was Woodrow, and after I left college she asked me to use the name Woodrow more prominently. So I called myself T. Woodrow Wilson.

"One day one of my chums said to me: 'Wilson there's only one man who has any right to use his name like that.'

"Who is that?' I asked.

"A damn fool,' he replied. After that I dropped the T."

Rank Stuff.

"Ma wants two pounds of butter exactly like what you sent us last. If it ain't exactly like that she won't take it," said the small boy.

The grocer turned to his numerous customers and remarked blandly: "Some people in my business don't like particular customers, but I do. It's my delight to serve them and get them what they want. I will attend to you in a moment, little boy."

"Be sure to get the same kind."

said the small boy, while the storeful of customers listened to him. "A lot of pa's relations are visiting at our house, and ma doesn't want 'em to come again."—Newark Star.

O. A. C. Concert Program. March, "The University of Pennsylvania" Seitz Overture "Poet and Peasant" Suppe Tuba Solo "Barbarossa," Barnhouse O. W. James Saxophone Quartette Haynes Beck Taylor, Baker and Holmes "Slip Horn Stuff" Barnes Grand Selection from Rigoletto, Vesti Tenor Solo, "A Legend of Kashmir," Ross Johnson De Koven Clarinet Duet, "The Song of the Nests," V. Bout Kennedy and McGinnis "Home, Sweet Home, the World Over," Lamp March, "The National Cadets," Brown "Star Spangled Banner."

Fish Fresh fish every day Fir St. Fish Market. We have our own delivery and deliver any time. N. Maderick 402 1/2 N. Fir St. Phone R. 741

Berry Bros. Grocery Get your Xmas fixings here. We have a full line of Fruits and Vegetables. Phone Main 721

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