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MERRY CHRISTMAS.

The Tribune wishes each and every one of its readers a merry Christmas—merry in the real old sense, with good will to all the one central idea of the day.

To forget ourselves, our petty worries and cares, even for a day, to think of others, even though it be only for a brief season, is a stride forward and a step towards the millennium.

If we could but learn to practice the golden rule, to think of others as of ourselves, all the wrongs of society would be righted and the Christmas spirit instead of lasting a day or two would be with us always.

But better a day or two than not at all.

COUNTY PRISONS AND PRISONERS

Are all county prisons like that of Douglas county? Are all county prisoners treated as Douglas county unfortunate? If so, there is small wonder few threaten under the juggernaut of justice reform.

The editor of this paper can speak from experience regarding this particular dark, dismal and dingy, unsanitary, unventilated and steam-heated prison. The best light is twilight, which filters from small windows ten feet above the floor. At night there is only one globe to light the entire prison, and it goes out before daylight. The cells never see daylight or artificial light. If washed, they do not dry. The bedding is filthy, not changed in months.

The food is furnished in two buckets, one in the forenoon and one at night. It consists of remnants left from the tables of the Hotel McCallen, which is also operated by the sheriff, who is paid \$4 a week each for board; the first four prisoners and \$3 a week for each additional one. No utensils are given to eat with; one must use fingers in place of knives, forks and spoons.

Prisoners are kept in suspense for long periods. Some say they are not even formally charged with crime, but held on suspicion and for board. Their lot is a most pitiable one.

You on whom the sun of prosperity has shined this year, stop in your Christmas merry-making to think a minute or society's outcasts. Can you not do something to ameliorate their condition?

OUTLOOK TO TULE

LAKE DIMINISHING

The excitement over the discovery of an outlet to Tule lake is abating, and there are those who say that the lake is now gradually rising instead of lowering. The latest reports indicate that the outlet is of rather small caliber, but that it can probably be enlarged as far as to do all that has been predicted.

An outlet, however, exists and the water of the lake is making its way through an underground channel to somewhere or some place. The flow is not large and the roar cannot quite be heard for miles. Engineers have been to see the outlet, and some think it can be used in the drainage of the marsh lands surrounding Tule lake, while others deem it of no particular value so far as it could be utilized in connection with the Klamath reclamation project. Dam owners on the border of the lake will investigate further and if anything can be done to increase the flow work will be undertaken at an early date.



Satisfied Purchasers

Tomorrow is Kris Kringle's day, and the store will be closed by order of the boss, who said to us all: "Go home and enjoy your selves and forget the business grind for one day." I got a present from the boss, but I ain't going to open it before tomorrow a. m. at daylight. I guess he is doing pretty good about now. We beat all previous season's records by a block and a half in selling good stuff for the "joyous." It's a pleasure to hand out high grade goods and to know that everyone who buys will wear "the smile that won't come off." Besides, we guarantee everything we sell and gladly correct any errors when errors creep in. Well, one is going to have a roast turkey for dinner tomorrow, and I've got to take some chestnuts home to stuff it with. We're open till 11 o'clock tonight. 87ong!

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SEE OUR ELABORATE LINE OF VASES, CUT GLASS AND FANCY CHINA.

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Modern and scientific methods for the care of all diseases of the hair, scalp and face. Shampoo 50 cents. Electric scalp massage following shampoo 25 cents. Physical deficiencies developed, eliminating finest toilet articles available, unexpensive.

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—A girl to do general house work. Inquire of E. Gaunway. 11

WANTED—Japanese wants to learn English after 7 p. m. Mail Box 264. 11

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished rooms; electric lights. Inquire of Mrs. Adelle Rippey, West Seventh st., in the White 642. 11

WANTED—Chambermaid at the Hotel Emerick. 11

LOST—Out on the streets of Medford, pocketbook containing \$19 or \$15 in cash and two or three checks; also two small gold nuggets. R. T. Lawton. 11

FOR RENT—Gentleman wanted for nicely furnished room, near in. Apply at Hotel Moore. 11

A WELL-ESTABLISHED retail business for sale in Medford. Address P. O. Box 739, or inquire Tribune office. 11

WANTED—All kinds of second hand goods at the Woods building near Hubbard's Lumber & Lumber. 11

FOR SALE—Fine lots, good soil, excellent building ground, 15th and 14th sts. See owner, Prof. M. B. Sigurd. 11

LOST—One bay mare colt, 6 months old, white strip in face. Reward for return of same. C. O. Shirley, P. O. Box 61, Middleway second house south side town. 11

SITUATION WANTED—By a widow as housekeeper, or would cook for a camp; is a good, strong cook. Address Mrs. Carrie L. Grant, Hutton, Siskiyou County, Ore. 11

FOR EXCHANGE—Medford property for other property. Address Look Box 418, Medford, Ore. 11

WANTED—Housework at winter clothing by day or hour; handkerchieves made for orders; all work repairing. A. Tatem, Seventh st., near bridge. 11

FOR SALE—One and a quarter acre improved land, with 5 room house, barn, outbuildings and well, \$3500. Road to Tule 7 months old, sold by Robert L. 401, also Jersey boiler sale, \$100. P. D. Scott, owner. 11

FOR SALE—New residences just completed, around block west of high school, West Seventh street; fine colonial interior; cheap if sold soon. Inquire Tribune office. 11

WANTED—To rent, a furnished house, 4 or 7 rooms, electric lights, close in, call at my office. Dr. R. R. Hamilton. 11

A GOOD investment—For sale, first mortgage, \$250, on first class real estate, due in 20 months, draws 7 per cent interest; will discount principal enough to make a good profit for purchaser; will accept cash, check or certificate of deposit. Address P. O. Box 571, Medford, Ore. 11

FOR SALE—At a bargain, empty acre of the choicest fruit land in Rogue river valley, rich soil, all level, well watered, good streams, dense good barn, three good wells, abundance of water. All under cultivation ready for orchard. Intending purchasers should see this place before purchasing. Gen. Miss. Nash Hotel, Medford, Ore. 1741f

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They drain the towns of money and neither give the fit, style nor distinction to your clothes that your own city tailor can.

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Contains all the good old-fashioned dishes associated with the day and many more besides. Come and eat yours here. Bring your wife with you. She'll enjoy the cooking at this restaurant we know. And she'll appreciate immensely the treat of eating such a fine meal without the trouble and labor involved in its cooking.

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Medford, Oregon

The New Furniture Store

We have just moved into our new building and cordially invite the public to call and inspect our store and our stock—the best in the valley.

Everything is New

Everything in our store is new and of the latest design. Nearly all of our stock arrived within the last two weeks. It cannot be duplicated in southern Oregon. It is strictly up-to-date. We carry only late designs, which are not found in other stores.

Our store is in our new building on West Seventh. It is 30 feet wide and 140 feet deep. We occupy the entire two floors and have besides two galleries nearly 10,000 feet of floor space. Our workshop in the rear is the most complete and modern.

Christmas Holiday Goods

We have everything you need about the house, and you can find no more suitable present for your wife or husband than something actually needed. Buy something that will give pleasure every day in the year, in which solid comfort can be taken. Get something which will ornament your home instead of wasting your funds in perishable trinkets that are forgotten as soon as received.

One Price to All

The opening of our new furniture store is a notable event for Medford and the West Side. We begin anew our career among you with a determination to make this the "satisfactory store," to serve you better and to sell you cheaper than you ever knew before, or thought to know.

We have faith in Medford's future and are here to stay. We are here to please you and will carry only the best goods that money can buy. One price to all. We guarantee all of our \$60.00 Money back if you are not satisfied.

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THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY.