DOINGS OF THE VAN LOON.

Bimpkins has another guess coming!

Christmas
GIFTS FOR YOU
Gifts for yours

Dad, Mother, Sister, Brother

CASSEROLES
O, what joy! Mother, wife or sister will feel an added pleasure in preparing the Christmas dinner if she can bring one of our beautiful casseroles to the table filled with some tempting viand. We have just what you want in size and style. A practical gift.

CARVING SETS
Father will not mind carving the Christmas turkey if he is presented with one of our excellent carving sets. Make the day pleasant for him and make carving a delight to him for many years to come by purchasing one of these sets.

SILVERWARE
For Holiday giving nothing can please more or is more lasting than silverware. An otherwise perfectly appointed table will be spoiled if the silver service is not complete. We have a variety of "Community" and plate ware attractively boxed. Remember gifts are not complete unless properly boxed.

PYREX
The gift ideal for the housewife—because it makes baking such a pleasure. She will hardly know which to admire more, its unusual efficiency or its attractiveness and tempting quality it adds to food so baked and served. Pyrex will not crack, chip or craze when used in the hottest oven, holds heat and saves fuel. All wanted pieces here in Pyrex!

ROASTERS
Just the time to buy a roaster. We have a most complete line. Some self basting, fitted with top pan to collect moisture, also steam vents to permit even browning. Thoroly satisfactory, all sizes, medium priced.

RAZORS
Shaving day will be the happiest day of all if you buy one of our Keen Kutter safety razors. No better. You know how you feel when you are forced to sit and wait for the other fellow to do the job for you. Eliminate that worry. Buy one for Christmas.

GUNS, WAGONS, ETC.
Ho, Boys! Here are your coaster wagons, roller skates, guns, etc. Santa Claus says this will be the best and merriest Christmas you ever had. A flashlight makes an excellent gift.

AEROLITE LAMPS
Will brighten the home for Christmas. Especially those not electrically equipped should not fail to purchase our lamps before the holidays. They will add to the appearance of your home out of all proportion to the cost. Don't fail to buy an Aerolite.

POCKET KNIVES
"Boys will be boys" and they all want knives. Men, too, are just "grown up boys" and want knives and need them too. Cheery gifts make a merry Christmas. All our knives were made in America with Santa's approval.

Craven & Huff
Hardware Company

SPECIAL SCHOOL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the legal voters of School District No. 29 of Polk County, State of Oregon, that a SPECIAL SCHOOL MEETING of said district will be held at the Public School Building on the 27th day of December, 1918, at 7:30 in the evening for the following object: To elect a clerk to fill the unexpired term of Grace Swope resigned.

Dated this 11th day of December, 1918.

J. S. BOHANNON,
Chairman Board of Directors.
Attest:
GRACE SWOPE,
District Clerk.

Just received a nice line of framed pictures which make nice Christmas presents. Moore & Walker.

Independence friends have received the news that Mrs. Kinney, nee Lolo Stark, has succumbed to influena. This young woman lived in Independence for a number of years.

Second Military
BALL
ON
Christmas Night, December 25
GIVEN BY
Co. B, O. N. G.
Dance Tickets, 75c. per couple. Extra lady 25c.

Oregon News Notes Of General Interest

Professor G. R. Hyslop, of Oregon Agricultural college, will conduct a three days' grain-grading school at Dufur December 12, 13 and 14, under the auspices of Wasco county farm bureau, Oregon Agricultural college and the United States department of agriculture co-operating.

During the biennium of 1917 and 1918 the state highway department has constructed 45.2 miles of concrete pavement, 79.6 miles of broken stone macadam, 32.2 miles of gravel macadam and 134.5 miles of grading, according to figures compiled for the biennial report of the department.

If it is found to be for the best interests of enforcing the factory inspection law the state labor commissioner may establish a branch office in Portland and pay the expenses for it out of the factory inspection fund, Attorney-General Brown has advised Labor Commissioner-elect Gram.

During the last two years the receipts of the state from all sources have amounted to $20,133,970, which is more than $8,000,000 above the receipts of any previous biennium in the history of the state, according to figures being compiled for the biennial report of State Treasurer Kay.

Irrigation and drainage of 82,340 acres of land east of Eugene is contemplated by the Benham Falls Irrigation company, of San Francisco, which has completed its filing for using waters of the McKenzie river. An estimated cost of $1,235,000 is placed on the proposed development work.

The Oregon Horticultural society closed its meeting at Roseburg after electing officers and deciding to hold next year's session at Astoria. The officers elected were: Benjamin S. Worsley, of Astoria, president; J. O. Holt, Eugene, vice president; C. D Minton, Portland, secretary; Charles L. McNary, Salem, trustee.

Baker county is proud of its record on the war stamp drive, it having already exceeded its quota of $400,000 by $60,000. All indications point to the fact that the county will exceed its quota by $100,000 before January 1. Baker county has the honor of being the first county in the state to have its quota paid a month ahead of time with a large oversubscription.

At the instance of lumbermen in eastern Oregon, Representative Sinnott has asked the railroad administration to restore the privilege of shipping pine lumber in closed freight cars. Owing to the scarcity of boxcars for shipping perishable commodities, the regulations have required use of open cars for lumber, but it is alleged that pine lumber is injured by shipment in the open.

Twenty-nine cities and towns in Oregon each have a bank deposit of $1,000,000 or more, and the aggregate is $192,218,562.51, a statement issued by the state banking department shows. The deposits in the city of Portland total $125,884,709.85, and after Portland comes Salem with $6,920,543.68. Pendleton is third with $6,559,812.42, and Astoria fourth with $6,354,852.39. The banking institutions in the 29 cities and towns total 102.

There has been eliminated from the Deschutes national forest in west central Oregon, 4780 acres of land, all surveyed and a small portion reported to be agricultural, subject to entry only under the homestead laws requiring residence, at and after 9 o'clock a. m. January 15, and to settlement and other disposition on and after January 22, 1919, at the United States land offices at Lakeview and The Dalles. The land is in scattered small tracts.

Four fatal accidents are included in the 541 accident reports received last week by the state industrial accident commission. In addition the commission received the report that Nelson Kendall, who was injured May 18 at Dee, while employed at lumbering, died November 24. The fatal accidents reported were: Earl Randall, Bandon, stevedoring; G. W. Mackey, Astoria, shipbuilding; C. Ellis, Knappa, logging; Fred Boatner, Mist, logging.

Anglers', hunters' and combination licenses for 1919 are being mailed from the Portland office of the state fish and game commission to the 36 county clerks of the state and to approximately 130 others points of distribution. Paper conservation has resulted in the commission reducing the usual number of licenses by almost 20,000. The following numbers have been issued this year and are being distributed: Sixty thousand anglers' licenses, 45,000 hunters' licenses, 20,000 combination licenses, 100,000 nonresident licenses and 2500 free licenses for veterans of the Civil war and pioneers who came to Oregon prior to 1860.

Results of the official count at the last general election show that Governor Withycombe has five new political scalps hanging to his belt in the shape of records for Oregon. He is the first man to be nominated three times for the office of governor. He was elected four years ago by the largest majority ever given a candidate for governor. He was nominated last May by the largest plurality ever accorded a nominee for that office. He was elected by the largest majority ever given to a candidate for governor elected for his second term. He was the first republican governor in the history of the state to succeed himself

BUENA VISTA

M. N. and Ed Prather are logging.

Mrs. M. V. Prather is better at the present writing.

Mrs. Ed Lichty and Mrs. N. C. Anderson were Albany callers Saturday.

Jesse Tann, who has been working at Salem, has returned here for the winter.

Miss Ruth Prather spent a few days with her aunt, Mrs. M. I. Conger, at Suver.

Mrs. Knighton was called to Salem last week to be at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Clarke.

Mrs. E. F. Black is at Portland with her daughter, Mrs. Fisher, who underwent an operation.

Mrs. E. J. Anderson returned from McMinnville Friday after spending two weeks with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ground received word Friday that their son, Ray, had underwent an operation in a hospital in Palo Alto, Cal.

Those from out of town who attended the funeral of Mrs. W. R. Bevins were Will Wells and son of Halsey, Mrs. Ingram, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Stanberry and John Donaldson of Independence, Mr. Leonard and family of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stonehocker of Lewisville.

Mrs. W. R. Bevins passed away at her home in Portland last Wednesday and her remains were brought here for burial. The funeral was held at the M. E. church last Friday, Rev. Cook conducting the services. Eunice, as she was called, spent her school days here and she always had a smile for everyone. She was united in marriage to W. R. Bevins six years ago. Besides her husband she leaves to mourn her departure, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elkins, five brothers and two sisters. They have the sympathy of their many friends. The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

Max Goldman

Deals in

HIDES
PELTS
WOOL
FURS
MOHAIR
CASCARA BARK
VEAL
PORK
BEEF
POULTRY
BUTTER
EGGS
FARM PRODUCE
WOOD
WOOD
GROCERIES
SHOES
FURNISHINGS
DRY GOODS

CASH OR TRADE

SWOPE & SWOPE
LAWYERS
I. O. O. F. Building
Independence, Oregon

SOUTH POLK COUNTY ROLL OF HONOR

Killed
JOE CLARK
ROY JOHNSON
JASON A. ARRELL
Died in the Service
JOHN O. NASH
Severely Wounded
HARRY H. STALNAKER
ARMIN D. YOUNG
CYRIL R. RICHARDSON
Prisoner of War
LIEUT. RALF A. FLOYD

CITY AND COUNTRY

K. C. Eldridge was a Portland visitor this week.

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Monmouth will hold a Community Christmas tree this year.

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Mrs. J. H. Burton moved from her ranch this week back to town.

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Mrs. V. A. Heath was called to Ashland this week by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Rice Hastings.

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Why not an easy rocking chair for a Christmas present? Moore & Walker have a good line to select from.

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Harry Nelson, formerly of Independence, left the first of the week for Mare Island where he will join the Marines.

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Dr. H. C. Dunsmore, Mrs. Sarah Young, Mrs. J. W. Richardson and Gerald Richardson attended the funeral of Lee Bell at Corvallis Monday.

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Polk County Observer: According to the Herald, Pastor Pace of the Monmouth Baptist church "preached Sunday night upon 'Salt.'" Too fresh?

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The big millinery sale at Mrs. Bascue's continues. The prices are so reasonable, women are heard to remark, "Beautiful hats at before-the-war prices, too."

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The Singer Sewing Machine Co. of Salem does the best of hemstitching at ten cents per yard. All work guaranteed. Leave work at the office of The Polk County Post. 4

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Dr. Callaway is here from Southern Oregon visiting old friends. The doctor reports a very excellent practice in his present location and hopes to specialize in surgery some time soon.

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Your gift what will it be? When you've made a visit to the beautiful store of the Williams Drug Co. you'll be so delighted with what is offered for Christmas, the problem will be solved and you'll knbw just what to get for all your friends and relatives.

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In beginning business in his new place, J. G. McIntosh announces that he will continue the cash system of Johnson & Collins and is confident he will be able to sell goods as cheap as any grocery store in the state. Those owing accounts at the Bungalow Grocery are requested to settle the same at once. Mr. McIntosh has a limited number of pretty 1917 calendars which he is giving away to his customers.

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A visit to Quartier's reveals a wonderland of toys and a house full of useful articles. A 5-10-15 store is a busy place during the Christmas shopping period because there are so many little things on sale that fit in so properly for gifts, especially for children. Mr. Quartier's prices are unusually low for this era of a advanced cost. We note by their Christmas announcement which appears in this Post that they will move the first of the new year.