

Happy New Year

Ring Out the Old.

Ring In the New



And now we hear the tolling bell,
That sounds the Old Year's dying knell,
And safe within the fleeing past
Its good and evil will be cast,
To oft return, in future hour,
Brought by retentive memory's power,
And what the New Year, ere it close,
May have in store, no mortal knows,
But if all men were good and true,
And would their Christian duty do,
The world would seem to here again
"Sweet peace on earth, good will to men!"
Then all could shout, the whole world through,
"Ring out the Old! Ring in the New!"

Oh, think of those bound down by sorrow,
Now longing for some glad tomorrow
To lighten up the heavy load,
That they must bear upon life's road,
Who journey on from day to day,
Along life's cold and rugged way,
Still longing, as they onward tread,
For deeds undone or words unsaid,
Though friendly smile or kindly hand—
Two things at everyone's command—
Would help to soothe the gnawing pain,
Or break the links of sorrow's chain.
So, Christian friends, your duty do—
Ring out the Old! Ring in the New!

Within a learned land like this
Some think that ignorance is bliss,
While ruthless hands and scheming fools
Make rule or ruin their vicious tools;
With no respect to God or man,
Destructive methods are their plan;
Not using methods for defence,
Resort they to fool's violence;
Imaginary wrongs they'd right,
By senseless torch or dynamite.
Oh, rulers of our mighty land,
Check this vile scourge with firmer hand!
Then tranquil peace will come in lieu—
Ring out the Old! Ring in the New!

Bear this in mind, what e'er befall,
The hand Divine rules over all,
And when we greet the glad New Year,
With all its joy and social cheer,
Let each resolve his best to give,
That this old world may better live,
And as we go but once this way,
Let's shed sweet sunshine's golden ray,
And bring good cheer to hearts bowed down
By adversity's cold, sullen frown.
Then when the sands of life are run,
We'll here the welcome, Well, well done!
Come, reap the joys prepared for you!
Ring out the Old! Ring in the New!

—GEORGE W. ARMSTRONG

WHAT OUR NEIGH- BORS ARE DOING

Tersely Told by Conscientious Correspondents

ASHLAND

Miss May Hatfield returned recently from a short vacation spent at Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Mathes left for Oakland, Calif., Saturday of last week by auto, with the intention of spending of spending several weeks at that California city.

A number of cases of petty larceny have been reported by auto owners. A motorometer was stolen from one car and from another a lot of expensive Christmas goods were taken.

Engineer C. A. Dunn of the Huber Construction Co. is spending the holiday season with Portland friends.

R. L. Melford of Denver is the new night clerk at the Hotel Austin, succeeding Jimmie Rouse, who will re-enter high school.

Hawthorn school won contest honors in selling the greatest number of tickets to the Art Exhibit held at the Armory recently.

Mrs. Sylvan Provost is visiting relatives at Oakland, Calif.

Lynn Moatt, connected with the American City Bureau in exploration work is spending the holiday vacation in Ashland.

D. C. Agler, for many years an employer of the Southern Pacific Co., now a conductor on the Klamath Falls branch, was calling on local friends recently.

Barelay and Albert Leeds, student at the Leland Stanford University, spent the Christmas vacation at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Leeds, in this city.

Mrs. O. Winter will be the guest of Oakland friends for a short time.

A huge community Christmas tree, nearly 50 feet high, resplendent with variegated electric lights, was one of the features at the Plaza Christmas eve. The program consisted of addresses by Revs. Evans, Koehler and Smith and Christmas carols.

E. V. Carter returned recently from Portland where he attended a meeting of the fish and game commission. At this meeting Mr. Carter, who is now a member of the state legislative body, resigned his position as chairman of the commission.

Chester Shady, a Washingtonian, is a guest at the home of his brother, B. M. Shady, in this city.

George I. Bennett, a well known miner of Northern California and Southern Oregon, died in Ashland Wednesday of last week. Funeral services were held at Mountain View cemetery Friday.

Walter Mikache has gone to Los Angeles, Cal., where he will enter school.

Mrs. Virginia Fales returned the beginning of the week from a business trip to Washington points.

Bonus to Service Men.

Shall the bonus to service men be given by the states or by the federal government? The national convention of the American Legion asked that aid be given by the national government.

The resolution suggests that there be a cash bonus, or a gift of land, or aid to secure a house in town or city. This alternative system would result in giving soldiers, sailors and marines the kind of help that would be preferred. Many could get along without the cash bonus, but would appreciate aid to get a home or government land. Only by an act of Congress could this alternative system that the Legion asks for be worked out. Half a dozen states have already voted aid in the form of a cash bonus making a double system when logically it should be a national undertaking.

Woman Killed in Auto Accident

A coroner's jury, investigating the death of Mrs. Nina Jennings, killed in an auto accident on the Pacific highway near Talent, Christmas eve, about 11:30 p. m., Monday afternoon returned a verdict attributing "carelessness and lack of due caution" to W. F. DeWitt of Ashland, owner of the "death car."

The verdict paves the way for the presentation of the case to the next session of the grand jury, and steps to this end will be taken. The witnesses were questioned by Prosecutor Elect Rawley Moore, who will handle the case.

The story of the accident was told by the witnesses. The dead woman and her husband, Luke Jennings, were enroute to Ashland to bring Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Evans of that city to their home for Christmas. South of Talent, they collided with H. J. Provost in an Overland car, enroute to Medford with Jerry Barnes. Both cars went into the ditch. Mr. Jennings then returned to Talent and telephoned Mr. Evans to bring his car and pull him out of the ditch. The effort was unsuccessful and it was during this wait that Mrs. Jennings was injured, dying four hours later in the Granite City hospital at Ashland.

Mrs. Jennings was standing behind the Evans car chatting with Mrs. Evans when the DeWitt car crashed into it, with terrific force, and both limbs were mangled at the knees. The leather coat she wore at the time was looted as evidence and it was badly torn. She died at 4 a. m., obitues being administered by Dr. F. G. Swedenburg of Ashland, who was also a witness explaining the cause of death.—Mail Tribune.

A Chicago Alderman recently announced a plan to reward by promotion any patrolman who kills a burglar or holdup man in the act of committing a crime. It is to be an effort to halt the epidemic of crime.

The German foreign minister expressed the opinion that the one ray of light in the dark night that covers Germany, is speedy peace with the United States.

except that a caretaker was in charge of the safe deposit department to permit renters of deposit boxes to enter the gate under police guard.

Orders to close the institution were issued last night by Fred S. Morris, who this morning had the windows placarded with notices to this effect: "Closed on account of audit by Fred S. Morris."

The orders were issued yesterday when Morris discovered that the affairs of the concern were left in a tangled condition by John L. Etheridge, who resigned as president last week and left Portland, following a demand by the Portland clearing house association for proof of the ability of the concern to deliver bonds for which investors had paid and for which interim bonds had been issued.

Portland, Dec. 27.—District Attorney Walter H. Evans at 11:30 today issued a warrant for the arrest of John L. Etheridge, former president of the bond house of Morris Bros., Inc., on charge of larceny by bailer. The complaint was sworn to by G. E. Anderson, Silverton, Oregon, who claimed that Etheridge had failed to redeem an unsecured interim certificate for \$1861 for City of Edmonston 6 per cent bonds. The warrant was issued in district court and was at once placed in the hands of Sheriff Thomas Hurlbut.

Hopeful in Spite of Conditions.

Col. D. C. Jacklin, vice president and managing director of the Utah Copper company, declares that he looks for a revival in the copper manufacturing industry within the next few months.

The signing of a peace pact with Germany ought to help in that Germany has been purchasing only a little copper, he said. He added that high freight rates will undoubtedly result in the construction of zinc reduction plants in the west to cut the cost of production.

\$30,000 a month.

Senator McCormick, now in Berlin, entertained several hundred German war orphans at Christmas dinner, afterwards presenting toys and warm clothing.

A homespun suit is being made for President elect Harding by a Vermont woman, who is weaving the fabric on a loom 165 years old. The wool was clipped from sheep on her farm at Bethel, Vermont.

A parade of members of the KuKlux Klan was recently staged in Georgia and warnings to the lawless element were posted.

The Soviet ambassador from Russia to the United States has been ordered by his government to return with his entire staff to Russia. Contracts with American firms valued at \$1 billion dollars were cancelled. The Wilson administration was denounced for its hostility.

A bomb explosion which shook the entire town of Montesano, Wash., Christmas day, is believed to be a miscarriage of a plot to wreck the jail and liberate seven men, who were arrested in the Armistice Day murders at Chehalis, Wash., in 1919.

Over 24,000 gallons of liquor has been seized in Minnesota during the last eight months, with fines and penalties imposed of over \$1,370,000. This is conceded the wettest of the middle western states.

National officers of the American Legion state that 500 disabled war veterans in Arizona are in need of help. The men who are suffering from tuberculosis as a result of being gassed while in the service, are without proper hospital care.

It is possible that American troops may be withdrawn from Germany, as a result of Germany's protest at the expense caused by occupation armies. The American troops require several times the maintenance of soldiers of other nations.

Do You Know This?

The United States is the most productive country on earth. It leads all the rest of the globe in yields of the mine, the soil, and the factory. This fact was tersely and cogently set forth by Judge Sibert H. Gary, chairman of the Board of the United States Steel Corporation, in an address which he made before the American Iron and Steel Institute. Judge Gary said: "Notwithstanding the United States has only six per cent of the world's population, and seven per cent of the world's land, we produce:
"23% of the world's supply of gold,
"25% of the world's supply of wheat,
"40% of the world's supply of iron and steel,
"40% of the world's supply of lead,
"40% of the world's supply of silver,
"50% of the world's supply of zinc,
"52% of the world's supply of coal,
"60% of the world's supply of aluminum,
"60% of the world's supply of copper,
"60% of the world's supply of cotton,
"66% of the world's supply of oil,
"75% of the world's supply of corn,
"85% of the world's supply of automobiles."

In the face of a marvelous showing like that, who can for a moment doubt the future prosperity of this country?

The Farmers' Sponge.

Instead of struggling to hold up war prices which are disappearing, our farmers would be much wiser if they would recognize conditions, clean up their crops and prepare for the new era.

The successful farmer must now make his big profit, not from exorbitant prices such as we have seen for all farm products, but by scientific farming whereby he will get a maximum of production from a minimum of ground. He must specialize on crops that have the surest market with the least variation in price, many of which he can contract in advance at a good figure.

The canning industry in many sections will be the salvation of the small farmer and every community has a direct interest in the successful operation of canneries in the state.

Canneries are the farmers' sponge, they absorb his surplus product which no local market could take up.

The work horses of Boston enjoyed apples and sugar lumps nibbled from a huge Christmas tree in a public square. They also received oats, carrots and sugar corn, gifts of the State Humane Society.

LEWIS ULRICH

Cordially acknowledging the favors
of customers and friends extends

The Season's Greetings

With best wishes for your happiness throughout the coming year