

The City in Brief

Modern Woodmen of America, at their last meeting elected the following officers for the year: Counsel, J. B. Protzman; advisor, H. A. Miller; banker, George Hall; Clerk, C. W. Wallace; escort, Orville Knapp; watchman, Ellis Robinson; sentinel, . . . The lodge has a membership of 165, and at its last meeting balloted on the applications of twelve. Heretofore the degree team has consisted of eight members, but at the last meeting it was decided to double that number, and uniforms have been ordered accordingly.

Messrs. Harris and Schiebrer, who recently came here from Washington and bought the David Alexander ranch near Divide, will take possession early in January. Mr. Alexander will move to Cottage Grove.

Teachers in Salem school district No. 2, will, beginning with the year 1910, be given an increase of \$12.50 a month in their salaries.

Marshal Frank Snodgrass and Warren McFarland were in Portland yesterday to testify in the Blake case.

Your Christmas dinner not complete without some of our delicacies. Kerr & Silsby.

Soft shell walnuts and almonds; the good kind. Kerr & Silsby.

New pack mackerel and Alaska herring. Kerr & Silsby.

McLarens, Edam, imported Swiss, cream brick, limburger, and full cream cheese. Kerr Silsby.

WANTED—Housekeeper for family of four. Address or call on Lon Storey, Cottage Grove.

City Recorder VanDenberg received from fines and licenses during the month of November the sum of \$46.75.

"Mine Host" Waters, who conducts a hotel at Pasadena, California, has been stopping at George Kerr's place near Disston for several weeks.

Mrs. Groat visited at Yoncalla this week. She assisted her father and sister to start on their journey to Arkansas.

Hear the grand dramatic sacred cantata, King "Saul of Israel," at the Armory theatre two nights, Dec. 22 and 23, 1909.

The Sentinel's subscription books are open to all advertisers who are interested in knowing how they are spending their money. Many new names have been added under the present management.

The bal masque to be given on Christmas Eve by the Military Club promises to be the terpsichorean event of the season. Be there.

Baker Parker—more familiarly known as Tom—will give away a handsome candy heart at Christmas time, and has the heart on exhibition at The Wave. This heart, which is large and pretty, is also sweet, and the person who is lucky enough to hold the lucky number will probably have occasion to visit a dentist before the elaborate piece of parker ingenuity is exhausted.

The "Witch of Endor" will also do her part to entertain you at the Armory theatre Dec. 22 and 23, 1909.

Contractor W. F. Hart has completed the Venkske brick block, which will be occupied by Walker & Kinter. With its handsome plate glass front and large floor space this firm will have opportunity for a splendid display.

The Schubert Symphony Concert company entertained at the Armory Saturday night under the auspices of the high school, the proceeds being for the piano fund. A large audience was in attendance.

The Royal Chorus Club has provided for your entertainment Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Dec. 22 and 23, 1909.

Lincoln Taylor was a Roseburg visitor on Saturday.

John B. Brown, 68 years old, who died at Ashland Monday, was an employe of the United States Postoffice Department during the Civil War, and had charge of the first mailcar with which the department experimented.

Mrs. Euphania Gersbact, a widow residing near Elmira, this county, was seriously injured about 3 o'clock Saturday morning by falling from the hay mow to the lower part of the barn. Her mishap was not discovered until daylight when one of her children came to the barn to look for his mother whom he found unconscious on the barn floor. She will recover.

Pennsylvania buckwheat flour, unlike other kinds in purity and flavor. You can taste it in the cakes. At Kerr & Silsby's.

Mr. Geer informs The Sentinel that no action has yet been taken by the Calapooia Springs Company towards the building of a bottling plant in this city, but expects that some step will be taken to this end in the early spring. The company is receiving an increased number of orders for its mineral water, making it too expensive to haul the crated article from London to this point for shipment and the empty cases back to the springs.

Hiens's mince meat, dill, sweet, and sour pickles in bulk. At Kerr & Silsby's.

If you don't dance be a spectator at the Military Club's ball on Christmas Eve.

For the Military Club's ball, to be given at the Armory on Christmas Eve, the following prizes are offered:

Richest ladies' costume, hat, valued at \$10.00, by the Ladies Toggery; richest gents' costume, box cigars, \$2.50, Ward & McFarland; best ladies' sustained character, ladies purse, \$3.00, Beals & Son; best gents' sustained character, picture, \$2.00, Modern Pharmacy; ladies' original costume, crystal vase, \$3.00, Burkholder-Woods Co; gents' most original costume, cut glass water set, \$5.00, Metcalf & Brund; most comical ladies' character, package perfume, \$2.00, New Era Drug Store; most comical gents' character, fountain pen, \$4.00, D. J. Scholl; best dancer, three step, lady, post card album, \$1.50, The Wave; best dancer, three step, gent, box candy, \$1.00, The Rose Confectionary; best dancer, waltz, lady, jardiner stand, Simeral & VanDenberg; best dancer, waltz, gent, pocket knife, Griffin Veatch Co.; best dancer, two step, lady, hat pin, Mr. Tyson; best dancer, two step, gent, neck scarf, Rees-Wallace Co.

Buy red cross stamps and help along a good cause.

Mr. G. H. Tyson spent Sunday in Portland.

Parker's Bakery will give away a candy heart on Christmas. Every purchaser of 10 cents worth of goods gets one chance in the drawing.

Mr. C. H. Hazelton has been confined to his home by illness a portion of the week.

The officers and members of Company E are diligently studying the correspondence course issued by Adj-Gen. Finzer. Much good will result from this course of instruction. There will be an inspection of Company E sometime in January.

Mr. Clyde L. Kerr of Wildwood and Miss Laura E. Gill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Gill of this city, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony on Friday evening last, the Rev. Mr. Elkins performing the ceremony. The contracting parties have a wide circle of acquaintances, all of whom extend congratulations.

At a meeting of the Merchants' Protective association on Tuesday night it was decided to close the stores on Christmas day at 12 o'clock sharp for the remainder of the day.

C. G. Shearer of Dorena was in Eugene on Tuesday.

J. B. Hill is in the city for the purpose of organizing a lodge of Lincoln Annuity, whatever that is.

Miss Della Cardwell spent the first of the week in Eugene.

Mrs. Dave Griggs and Miss Anna Rhodes spent a portion of the week in the family of their father, Senator Bingham of Eugene.

Consulting Engineer Roberts will spend Christmas with his family in Medford, and wants to complete his estimate on the cost of the water system prior to that time.

The Seventh-day Adventists of Royal are observing the week of prayer. Elder Babeok is conducting the services, assisted by J. Prescott Wheeler.

Last Thursday was the last day in which the road districts of the county could file notices of special elections for voting additional district road tax, and many districts took advantage of the law.

Dr. Oglesby has been honorably discharged from the Oregon State Militia, in which he enlisted in 1879, and became a commissioned officer of Company G, second regiment.

Mrs. C. J. Howard of Dorena was in the city on Saturday.

J. I. Jones was in Portland this week. Miss Elsie Lea will teach another term of school in the Hebron neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Cook of Ashland were recent guests in the family of Rev. Sutcliffe.

Join the crowds which every Sunday evening flock to the Methodist church. Hear singing, topics of vital interest, Methodist church Sunday evenings.

Marion Veatch on Wednesday received a new casket wagon. He also recently purchased a lowering device. Cottage Grove's only undertaker is abreast of the times.

Thomas Parrish was at the county seat on Wednesday.

Speaking of Marshal Snodgrass The Register truly says: "Mr. Snodgrass has been marshal for Cottage Grove for a number of years, and during his incumbency has captured a number of desperate criminals and murderers, and has proved himself a very efficient officer. He may be impulsive at times, but there is not a spark of cowardice about him and he has risked his life many times in the capture of thugs and desperate criminals."

The Easy wringer is coming soon.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

In order to give advertisers the benefit of Christmas announcements, The Sentinel will on next week be published on Thursday, one day earlier than usual.

AS TO WATER RIGHTS.

Right to irrigation water depends on the use made of the water, according

to an exhaustive opinion prepared by Justice King, of the Oregon Supreme Court. It is held that "the right to water, claimed by prior appropriators and irrigation purposes, is always limited in quantity by the use for which the appropriation is made, and to which it may, in a reasonable time, be applied; and it is so well settled as to become almost axiomatic that beneficial use and the needs of the appropriators, and not the capacity of the ditches or the quantity first run through them, is the measure and limit of the right of the appropriators."

ENTERTAINMENT A SUCCESS

Presbyterian Ladies Net Sang Sum From Comedy and Bazaar.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church presented the one-act comedy, "How the Story Grew," last Tuesday evening at Phillips' Hall. Mrs. Iva Bedell Adams read "L'Envoi," by Rudyard Kipling, and "Little Brown Baby," by Paul Laurence Dunbar. This is Mrs. Adams' first public reading in Cottage Grove. She showed an ability to highly entertain her audience with classical selections, and needed none of the usual tricks so frequently used by elocutionists, whose only ambition seems to be to "amuse." "How the Story Grew" was a very amusing farce, showing how a little gossip passed from mouth to mouth may create quite a disturbance. A few local hits, such as calling the militia from Drain; questioning the courage of a prominent city marshal, and reference to children of parents well known in Cottage Grove, added much to the mirth of the evening.

The evening's entertainment was planned by Mrs. B. R. Job, president of the Ladies' Aid society. The players were coached by Mrs. Adams. A good sum was netted as a result of the entertainment and the bazaar, held the same day.

NORTHWEST PUBLICATIONS

Community Case Received Has Many Commendable Features.

Through the kindness of General Passenger Agent McMurray The Sentinel has received a "Community Case," containing samples of publications issued in the Northwest. These publications are the product of a new plan for community effort. They represent vigorous co-operation between the people and the railroads. The various communities interested have joined forces with the railroad to accomplish what both most desire—the country's growth—and to give the widest and most effective publicity possible to the opportunities for homebuilding and industrial pursuits. Each community is separately treated, and each publication carries a message of genuine interest to every person looking for a chance to improve his condition. Any persons interested are invited to call at The Sentinel and make use of the information obtainable through these publications.

The Week of Prayer.

Commencing Sunday evening January 2, and continuing until Sunday evening the 9th, the Presbyterian, Baptist, Christian and Methodist churches will hold a series of meetings together. The gatherings assemble at the usual hour, 7:30 p. m. Each service starts off with song, prayer and testimony, followed by a sermon. The Methodist church will be the convening place Sunday and Monday; the Christian church Tuesday and Wednesday; the Presbyterian church Thursday and Friday, and the Christian church the final service on Sunday evening. Every effort is to be made to make these gatherings seasons of great blessing, and it is hoped that the results shall more than compensate preachers and people for the extra efforts put forth. Next week the complete program of speakers and topics will be given.

Special Holiday Excursion Fares.

The Southern Pacific announces a special round trip rate of one and one-third fare to any point on their line where the one way rate does not exceed \$10.00. Christmas tickets on sale Dec. 24th and 25th. New Year's tickets on sale Dec. 31, 1909, and Jan. 1, 1910; final return limit for both Christmas and New Year's tickets Jan. 3, 1910. For further information call on any Southern Pacific Agent.

James C. Miller has filed notices on the following claims in the Bohemia Mining district, which he calls the Glandwer, Lode and Power. Ferdinand Miller located the following: Lake Washington, Puget Sound, Aurora and Cloud.—Register.

Material is Arriving.

Material is arriving here for the improvement proposed in the telephone exchange, and the work will be inaugurated soon after the opening of the new year. This improvement will necessitate an expenditure of \$20,000.

The Old-Fashioned Way.

Owing to the forced absence of Miss Winnie Landess, who operates The Sentinel's typesetting machine, a part of the week, it has been necessary to resort to "hand composition," which is a comparatively slow process.

Lost Purse Found.

James Porter found a purse, containing a sum of money, on Wednesday. He stands ready to deliver it to the rightful owner.

USING A VACANT LOT.

Good Example Set by a Church in an Ohio City.

The Second church of Springfield, O., has a vacant lot in the central part of the city which it is reserving to build on a little later. But the trustees determined that it was not right to let the lot lie until it could be used for building, and so they provided that it should be fitted up as a playground for children of the neighborhood through the present summer. Flower beds were laid out and some lawn sown, but the most of the lot was given up to swings, slides and other suitable temptations to childish play.

Moreover, observing that there was no public drinking place in the neighborhood, the trustees provided a coil of water pipe running through a box to be filled with ice and thus improvised a public ice water fountain. The public has shown great appreciation of both provisions on the part of the trustees. The example may certainly be commended to other churches which are holding vacant property.

Railroad Gardening.

Nearly all of the big eastern railroads have abandoned the gaudy but meaningless and unsatisfying carpet bedding so common in the past and are substituting hardy shrubs for permanent effect and in some cases are extending this work beyond the station ground along the right of way. Such changes are very gratifying to all who make a study of and take an interest in the embellishment of our steel highways, for it is a move in the right direction and better for all, both owners and travelers.

The Builder.

This is the song of the builder:
My hammer swings and rings
In harmony with the vital key
Of the song at the heart of things.
The chord of the Master Builder
That sounds when the worlds have birth
Is the music sweet I seek to repeat
As I rear the homes of earth.

From rock, from mine and from forest
I shape the cities of man.
The ships that flee down the ways of the sea

I fashion, improve and plan.
The jungle I make a garden.
The distance I dwarf with steel
Till a continent wide is a few hours' ride
When spanned by the spinning wheel.

So busy am I with helping,
Constructing the good of earth,
That I cannot halt for finding fault,
But have plenty of time for mirth.
If there's joy or cheer or laughter,
I am there with all my heart.
For a right success spells happiness,
And that is the nobler part.

There is room for work and for gladness
And making the good prevail,
But there is no place for the carping race,
For the spite and the weakling's wall.
There is space for the life constructive
And for helping the world along.
To create is the sign of the power divine.
This—is this is the builder's song.
JAMES A. EDGERTON.

WATER TRANSPORTATION

Important Factor in the Promoting of Home Trade.

The movement to revive river transportation is becoming more widespread and general. In Kansas City there is a plan on foot to put boats again on the Missouri river. The effort has been hailed with enthusiasm all along the river. Boonville, Mo., is a sample case. After a day spent in Boonville a correspondent of the Kansas City Star writes:

This town has not grown since the days of steamboat traffic, thirty years ago. It had a population of 5,000 then; it has the same number now.

In the old days, when a fleet of sixty-five steamboats plied the Missouri river, Boonville ranked among the important commercial cities in the state outside of St. Louis. It was even greater than Kansas City. Often a half dozen steamboats lay with their nozzles to its levees. The shouts of roustabout gangs and the cries of a hundred teamsters echoed day and night from its warehouse walls.

In those days it was a freight distributing point for all the country roundabout. Trains of freight wagons loaded at its levees for points fifty and eighty miles away. Drove of cattle, hogs and sheep and whole cargoes of grain and farm products went from Boonville by water.

And then came the railroads with a lower freight rate than the boats could meet and live, and one boatman after another failed and withdrew from the killing competition of the rail lines. Soon there was not a steamboat left in the trade.

And then what happened? Let the government authorities of the inland waterways commission tell the story. The last report of this commission made to congress in 1908 says this of river towns:

"The railroads take traffic at unduly low rates along the river and at competitive points generally and recompense themselves by high charges at noncompetitive points."

This official report gives one indication of why the growth of Boonville ceased when the steamboats left the river. From St. Louis to Boonville is 150 miles. The rail rate on first class freight from St. Louis to Boonville is 52 cents a hundred pounds. The rail rate from St. Louis to Burlington, Ia., the same distance, is 39 cents a hundred pounds for the same class of freight. The reason the rail rate to Burlington is 13 cents lower than to Boonville is that Burlington is on the Mississippi river and two lines of steamboats reach it from St. Louis. The rate by steamer to Burlington on the same class of freight is 33 cents, 19 cents lower than the rail rate to Boonville.

The same government report shows that the same class of freight is car-

HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS.

Three-face looking glasses, 15 to 35c; necktie and scarf set in boxes, \$1.25; silk suspenders in pretty box, 50c; hair brush sets, 40 and 75c; ladies' hand bags, 75c to \$3.50; ladies' furs and muffs, \$2.00 to \$6.50; sleeping dolls, china, 25c; china dolls, 10c and up; fancy art center pieces and doilies, 35c to \$3.50; Phoenix mufflers, 25 to 50c; ladies' embroidery handkerchiefs, 25 to 65c; men's initial handkerchiefs, 10 to 50c; flowered Dresden ribbon, 6 in. wide, 20c yd. Many other articles too numerous to mention.—Hampton & Co.

Creswell.

A. H. Hayter, office man for the Bohrnstedt company, has returned to Minneapolis.

The band will give a minstrel show in the near future.

G. A. Johnson of Washington has bought the J. C. Jones ranch of 125 acres southeast of town, paying \$50 per acre.

"Uncle Ves" Veatch of Cottage Grove was in Creswell Monday, visiting his two daughters, Mrs. T. O. and J. H. Martin, and A. R. Land and family.—Chronicle.

James Curry, a lumber worker from Eugene, has reported to the Portland police that he lost checks and papers valued at \$1100 in a Second street rooming house in that town. He had been in a room drinking beer. No trace of the articles could be found.

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