

Dont forget the
Bazar and Sale
 to be given on
SATURDAY, DEC. 17TH

in the Stayton Hotel Annex

Hundreds of Useful and Pretty
 Things for Christmas. Fish
 Pond in which Every Bite is
 worth more than the Price.

Coffee, Cake and Other Good
 Things to Eat.

Proceeds for benefit of Public
 Library.

Donations may be left at Stayton
 Hotel or with Club Members.

LADIES IMPROVEMENT CLUB.

**NEWS PARAGRAPHS FROM
 OTHER CITIES IN OREGON**

To raise a fund to maintain a public library, the business men of Springfield will stage a home-talent production, "The Old Maids' Convention."

The city council of Forest Grove has passed a resolution providing that water from the new gravity system shall be sold at the rate of 6 cents per 1000 gallons.

Work is progressing satisfactorily on the south jetty at the mouth of the Siuslaw river. About 2600 feet of the jetty is completed. It will take at least five months to finish the contract. The work will cost \$100,000.

While snapping matches in a revolver, which, unknown to them, was loaded, Herbert Endicott, aged 13, shot and probably fatally injured his brother, Homer, 5 years old, at their home in Roseburg.

Marion W. Roberts, one of the well-known farmers in the southern part of Marion county, died at Salem after grieving many weeks over the death of his brother, J. E. Roberts, who was murdered on the reform school bridge near that city.

After one of the shortest murder trials in Lane county, the jury after one hour returned a verdict of not guilty in the case of John E. Johnson, accused of killing E. S. Prindle in the Siuslaw country several months ago.

An armory to cost \$36,000 is the objective point to be striven for by the local company of the Oregon national guard, with the assistance of the commercial bodies of Salem. A petition has been signed by over 500 taxpayers from all over the county petitioning the county court of Marion county to appropriate \$9,000.

After shooting and perhaps fatally wounding Edward Naylor, a prominent and wealthy Forest Grove farmer, Frank Lenolker, turned the .35 caliber revolver on himself and committed suicide. The wound-blown murderer blew out his own brains within 30 feet of the barn in which he had attempted the assassination of Naylor.

Last week marked a new era in the history of Baker. Mayor-elect C. L. Palmer and Commissioners Henry and Finley have taken their oath of office and for the next four years that city will try out the new plan of commission form of municipal government. This plan originated with the city of Galveston following the de-

struction of that city.

Immense increases are shown in various branches of banking, according to a statement just prepared by Bank Examiner Wright. What is considered as a splendid showing by the bank examiner is the total of individual deposits, which reaches to \$147,518,528.07, or the enormous increase of \$21,302,918.15. The cash reserve shown is 41.1 per cent of all of the individual deposits.

Lake county has the largest per capita wealth of any county in Oregon. There is more than \$1,000,000 on deposit in the banks of Lakeview and much more is banked throughout the county in the smaller towns. The estimated population is about 4,000. This makes a total of about \$2,500 for every man, woman and child in the county. There is no poorhouse and not a pauper in the county.

According to the nearest estimate that may now be made with several of the smaller public service corporations missing from the assessment reports received so far at the offices of the State Tax Commission, the total assessed taxable valuation of Oregon for 1910 will be \$325,000,000, an increase of more than \$130,000,000 over the assessed valuation of 1909, which was \$694,727,831.90.

Commander John McNulty, of the Oregon naval reserve, has received a letter from Commander C. C. Marsh, chief of naval reserve affairs in the navy department, stating that the department has practically decided to lend the cruiser Boston and the gunboat Concord to the Oregon and Washington naval reserves. From the text of the letter it is taken to mean that the Boston will be assigned to the Oregon reserve and that the Concord will go to the Washington organization.

A compilation of the membership of the coming legislature shows that the Republican members are evenly divided on the question of assembly and anti-assembly, there being 42 assembly Republicans and 42 anti-assembly Republicans, including in the anti-assembly list those hold-over senators who signed Statement No. 1 at the time of their election in June, 1908. There are four Democrats in the senate and two in the house, making a total Democratic representation in the two houses of 6, and, consequently, leaving a Republican majority of 84 on joint ballot. There are 12 assembly senators and 18 anti-assembly senators, giving an anti-as-

sembly majority of 6 in the senate. In the house there are 30 assembly and 30 anti-assembly representatives, leaving an anti-assembly majority of 6 on joint ballot.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For Sale—Good young mare, Jos. Schrewe, Sublimity. 44tf
 JACOB SPANIOL—Tinning and plumbing of all kinds. 35tf

F. H. Thompson, M. D., physician and surgeon, Stayton, Oregon. 43

B. F. Pound, D. M. D., Dentist, office Room 6, Roy Block, Stayton. 39tf

Wool carded and batted at the Santiam Carding Mills, Stayton, Or. 39tf

Pay your electric light bill within five days after the end of the month and get a discount of five per cent. Stayton Electric Light Co. 35tf

FOR SALE—I still have a few lots for sale in Hollister's annex. I will be at Centralia, Wash., for about three weeks. Mrs. Maud Hollister. 424p

FOR SALE—Good steam laundry, fine machinery, all as good as new. Everything in good running condition and up to date. A good paying business. Also eight lots in west part of town near ball grounds. See E. Dunagan, owner, at laundry. 42tf

Read in December Sunset Magazine San Francisco—The Exposition City, Superbly Illustrated in Four Colors. Now on sale—All News Stands—15 cents. 43

Try The Mail for Job Work.

HORSE-SHOEING

I have taken charge of the horseshoeing department of Phillip Meier & Son's shop at Sublimity and solicit your business. I shall devote all my time to this part of the business and guarantee first-class work and reasonable prices.

H. L. Crump,
 Sublimity - - - Oregon.

**ITEMS OF INTEREST
 THROUGHOUT OREGON**

Chronicle of Important Events
 of Interest to Our
 Readers.

1911 Book Is Improved.

Salem.—Arrangements are being made to furnish "booster" material in the official directory that is to be issued by the Secretary of State for 1911 and to cover much more ground in the new directory. He hopes to include, besides the regular lists of officials and constitution of the state, census figures for Oregon cities, cuts showing phases of Oregon life and industry, election returns on various measures and officers, and general information, making this of the nature of the "Blue Book," issued by many other states.

Memory Is Lost in Accident.

Athens.—Following an exciting run away accident that almost resulted in her death, Miss Zada Van Winkle has suffered complete loss of memory. Whether this mental phenomenon is the result of fright or of a blow sustained when she was thrown from the buggy the physicians thus far are unable to ascertain.

ROAD ADVOCATES MEET

Five Measures Are Presented for Discussion.

Portland.—When the convention under the auspices of the State Good Roads Association opened in this city, about 2000 delegates were present. The purpose of the convention was to consider five proposed measures which will be presented to the legislature in January.

The five bills, which had been prepared by L. R. Webster, were read immediately after the preliminaries of the convention were disposed of, and were discussed in detail. They were taken up in the following order: Highway Commission Bill, Convict Labor Bill, relative to employment of penitentiary prisoners; Convict Labor Bill, relative to employ-

ment of city and county prisoners; State Aid Bill; Bonding Act Bill. A resolution was also read at the convention which provides for the taxing of all automobiles in the state.

Old Indian Buildings Sold.

Pendleton.—The old agency buildings which have stood for half a century or more, on the Umatilla Indian reservation and which have been going to pieces under the hands of vandals, were sold at auction by Major E. L. Swartzlander, and are to be torn down and moved away.

Among the buildings sold was the first church ever erected on the reservation. This was used for many years by the Catholics before the present Saint Andrews mission was established at its location near the foot of the mountains.

May Contest Mrs. Eddy's Will.

Boston.—That George Glover, son of Mary Baker G. Eddy, late head of the Christian Science church, may contest the will of his mother on the grounds that she was incompetent to make such an instrument, was the statement of Attorney Frederick W. Peabody.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RY. SUED

if Government Wins Will Recover Lands Worth \$50,000,000.

Los Angeles.—A legal struggle to recover from the Southern Pacific Railroad Company oil lands worth \$10,000,000, was instituted on behalf of the United States government in the federal district court here. The action relates superficially to 6,109 acres in the Midway district of Kern county, and if the government is successful in wresting title from the railroad company in this case, the Southern Pacific will lose other lands worth \$50,000,000 more in the same district.

Large Opium Seizure.

Seattle.—The largest seizure of opium in years was made Saturday morning when 433 five-ounce tins, valued at \$10,827, were found in the fore-cabin of the steamship Minnesota, by customs and immigration inspectors.

Panama.—The Panama Canal will be completed January 1, 1914. On that date commercial vessels will be passing through the American isthmian waterway. The official opening will not occur until 1915.

**ARIZONA ADOPTS
 ITS CONSTITUTION**

Phoenix, Ariz.—The constitutional convention of Arizona adjourned after being in session 61 days, and finally adopting a constitution, designated by the majority members as the most progressive ever framed, and by the minority as the most socialistic.

One Republican only, John Langdon, of Globe, signed the document and he was given an ovation which lasted several minutes when he did so. One Democrat, Ellinwood, of Bisbee, declined to sign, explaining on the final roll call that he voted with the opposition because he believed the recall as applied to the judiciary would destroy the independence of the courts of the state and invite the disapproval of President Taft.

Among the progressive provisions of the document are: Initiative and referendum, the recall of all elective officers, direct primaries and direct advisory primary for United States senators.

Church Gets Eddy Fortune.

Boston.—By the terms of the will of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy to the Christian Science church, the source from which it came, goes the bulk of her estate, which, inclusive of the value of copyrights, is about \$1,500,000. This part of the estate, which will be about \$1,000,000, is under the terms of the will to be devoted to the propagation of the faith.

FOREIGN NEWS BITS

That Japan must prepare for war with the United States is the text of an article published by the Tokio Nippon.

More than two-thirds, or 400 members, of the new British house of commons have been elected and the political parties stand virtually as they were at the dissolution of Parliament.

A thousand or more representative farmers of Canada are to meet in Ottawa Friday to meet the members of the Dominion government and Parliament and present their claims on the tariff questions and several other matters of importance to the farmers of Canada.

**THOMAS & SON
 GENERAL STORE**

Just Received 1700 lbs. Xmas Candy

We are going to sell candy so cheap this year you can not afford to be without a few pounds. Call and see this candy, get a free sample and prices.

Xmas Presents of All Kinds

We have the largest selection and it is remarkable how cheap we can furnish your holiday wants. Here are a few of the many things we have to show you. If you are from Missouri let us show you.

TOYS



Dressed dolls
 Undress kid dolls
 Bumps, Teddies, Etc.
 Post card albums, a fine assortment to suit the price.
 BOOKS—
 A B C books
 Roosevelt Hunting Big Game in Africa
 Discovery of the North Pole by Peary
 Life of the Presidents
 All the new games of the year
 Xmas tree ornaments
 Puzzle maps of Oregon and United States
 Tool chests
 Banks, Bells, Air ships,
 Toy violins, Autos, Etc.

Any of these would make a nice present for big brother or sister

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| Box of candy | Combs | Muffler | Salad set |
| Silver toilet set | Purses | Scarf | Chocolate set |
| Box of stationery | Ties | Box of cigars | Hand painted plates |
| Box of handkerchiefs | Shirts | Berry sets | Electric reading lamp |
| Pair of suspenders | Umbrella | Pair vases | Indian blanket |

Come and visit our store and see the many things and new things arriving every day

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