

# Contry Correspondence From All Over The Valley

## Victor Point

The many friends of Mr. Amstintz were sorry to hear of his death Monday morning. Funeral services were held at the residence near here Wednesday at 10 o'clock and interment was in Silverton.

Among those spending Christmas with relatives here were: Mrs. B. Hofstetter of Silverton, and Miss Una Darby of Corvallis, at the Darby home; Miss Lola Jones of Silverton, at the Jones home and Miss Inez Fischer of Silverton, at the home of her parents.

Miss Lizzie Krenz spent Monday night with Elsie Darby.

Mr. Murell King of Opal City, Oregon, who is attending the Capital Business College in Salem spent Christmas at the J. King home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jones and family, Mrs. King and family, and Mr. and Mrs. P. Fischer and family spent Sunday with relatives at Union Hill.

Several from here attended the funeral services of Mrs. Harold Humphreys of McAlpin, Saturday.

Thomas and James Gibson spent Xmas with their brother Matthew.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Fisher and son Eric, spent Christmas in Stayton.

Miss Marcella Caspell is on the sick list.

The Christmas program given Friday evening at the Victor Point and Oak Grove schools, were well attended and a good time was reported from both.

Mr. John Shanks a former resident of this place visited at the A. T. and W. N. Savage home recently. Mr. Shanks is a nephew of Mrs. Savage.

Miss Ethel King is spending the Christmas vacation here.

A Leap Year Masquerade ball will be given at the W. O. W. Hall Saturday night December 30th.

## Kingston Kinks

Mrs. Henry Follis, Mrs. G. B. Trask and little daughter of Stayton, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Follis ate Christmas dinner at the J. T. Follis home.

Miss Alice Smith is spending the Holiday vacation with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sandner Jr., were Sunday guests at the Raleigh Harold home.

Roy Cole and family of Mill City, is visiting at the Curtis Cole home this week. They are on their way to Astoria where they will make their future home.

Miss Emma Peters of Union Hill, who has been working at the Curtis Cole home the past week, is spending the holiday with the home folks.

Tom Flemming and family were shopping in Stayton Saturday.

Miss Ethel Walker of Salem, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. T. Follis.

There was a large crowd attended the Christmas tree program at Kingston Saturday evening. Many beautiful presents were delivered by "Old Santa." Every one went home happier by entering into the good old Christmas spirit.

Clyde Harold of Albany is visiting with home folks this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyde Chrisman

ate Sunday dinner at the G. F. Harold home.

Mrs. Henkel and family ate Christmas dinner at the Matt Mueller home.

## Rock Point

J. J. Staiger and family spent Sunday with relatives near Silverton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hunt returned home Sunday after a fortnight in Portland.

C. P. Darst was a Salem visitor this week.

Herbert Downing and wife of Wendling, Ore. spent Christmas with his mother, and his brother E. C. Downing.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Burns spent Christmas with their daughter near Silverton.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Reynolds of Oregon City spent Christmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Frank.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hunt and children spent Christmas at the J. T. Hunt home.

Miss Laura Rand is spending her vacation in Portland with her parents.

Herbert, Earl and E. C. Downing were callers at the Darst home Sunday afternoon.

Clarence Downy is working for C. P. Darst.

F. M. Fresh and family spent the week-end visiting relatives in Stayton.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Dare Sloper of Stayton spent Christmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Frank.

## Union Hill

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Fischer and family, also Miss Ethel King spent Sunday at the Geo. Scott home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Thomas and family and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mollett and family took Xmas dinner at the Floyd Crabtree home in Stayton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Brock of Eastern Oregon are spending Holidays at the Chas. Peters home.

M. Gilmour made a business trip to Sublimity Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Rabens and son, Elmer are spending a few days in Stayton visiting friends and relatives.

Clifford Thomas came up from Salem Saturday to spend a week with home folks.

The Walluga Club met with Mrs. W. D. Hurt Thursday afternoon, Dec. 21. There were 11 members and four visitors present. The afternoon was spent making and filling candy bags for the Xmas tree given at the school house Friday eve. Lunch consisted of sandwiches and coffee. Just before the guests departed for home the president opened the Christmas box which had been prepared by the different members, and each received a useful present.

The program given by the school Friday evening was well attended and the recitations, dialogues and songs were appreciated by all. At the close of the program old Santa Claus came in and distributed the gifts, candy, and nuts. Our teacher Miss Oliver left for Salem Saturday to spend the Holidays with home folks.

## North Santiam

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Maple and

son Stanley are spending Xmas with Mrs. Maple's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keithley of Mill City are spending the holiday week at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Keithley.

The Xmas tree and program given at the school house by the able teachers Mr. F. A. Myers and Miss Clara Bowne and pupils, was excellent.

Mr. Frank Shearer and wife of Portland, are moving into Mrs. James' house for the winter. Frank is one of the newly weds and we congratulate him and his life partner.

H. E. Kuenzly was a Salem visitor Saturday.

Miss Marie Shearer of Portland, is visiting in the neighborhood.

Mrs. John Ray and grandson Ralph and Mrs. Anna Reynolds are spending the holidays at the home of her son, Stanley Ray.

Mr. Edwin McCormick and family of Scio, attended the wedding of Ed's sister, Thursday.

## West Stayton

Edward Giggy and mother have moved on the Crum place.

T. Y. McClellan was visiting with his son at Victor Point the first of the week.

Miss Bell Butler has purchased the Rice place.

Mrs. A. H. Wolf entertained the Circle at her home Tuesday afternoon. A new member was added, Mrs. A. Fery. A good time was had by all present.

Leonard Walker and wife, C. F. Loose and wife, and Mrs. Hunter were entertained at the D. B. Conness home on Christmas Day.

John Gunsauls and family ate Christmas dinner at the Fred Ficklin home in Stayton.

Mabel McCormick of this place and Peter Woelke of Gervais were married at the home of the bride's parents last Wednesday.

Mr. Lacey and family have moved away for the winter.

Mrs. Fallrich and son went to Salem Saturday for an extended visit.

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## Mt. Pleasant

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Townes of Pendleton arrived at the D. Townes home Sunday to spend the holidays with home folks.

Mrs. W. R. Ray departed Wednesday for Lebanon to be with her mother, Mrs. Ben Irvine, who is very ill.

Frank Habberman and wife, and Mrs. M. F. Ryan motored to Salem Saturday.

Lou Gerber of Pratum is visiting at P. H. Lamberts.

Miss Hazel Lambert is spending the holidays with home folks.

Frank Senz is visiting friends in Albany this week.

Maud and Fred Smith spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. Shank.

Lyle Lutz visited with Melvin Shank Sunday.

Herbert Shelton and wife spent Monday eve with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Shelton and family.

Chester and Henry Boyes of Albany spent Christmas at G. H. Rays.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brenner, Linn Lambert and wife, Lou Gerber and Grace Shank spent Christmas Day at P. H. Lamberts.

Ramie Jungwirth called at W. R. Rays, Monday eve.

Jim Burton and family ate Christmas dinner at G. H. Rays.

Mrs. Roxie Shank and family spent Xmas Day at H. R. Shanks.

Elmer Ray was a Scio visitor Monday.

Henry Senz and wife spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Senz.

Ernest Knapp called at the Ed Smith home Friday.

Tom Huffman of Salem is employed at M. F. Ryans.

Arnold Senz and wife are visiting relatives at Albany this week.

Geologists say that Australia is one of the oldest existing lands.

The Sahara desert has an area of about 3,500,000 square miles.

**The Difference.**  
A teacher asked her class in spelling to state the difference between the words "results" and "consequences." A bright girl replied, "Results are what you expect, and consequences are what you get."

### What the Cook Was Doing.

While a certain Richmond family were in Europe the dusky housemaid acted as caretaker, and more than once she received in the dining room an admirer in the person of one Henry Morman, cab driver.

One evening as the maid and the jehu were making merry there came from the kitchen a painful scratching sound.

"What's dat noise in de kitchen?" demanded the maid's admirer. "Must be a dawg tryin' to git in." "Don't yo' worry," answered the maid. "Dat ain't no dawg a-scratchin' at de do'. Dat's de cook a-writin' a love letter to her honeysuckle."

### Size of the Danish West Indies.

Authorities have disagreed as to the area of the Danish West Indies. Even as to the three main islands—St. Thomas, St. John and St. Croix—there is no agreement on the question of area. In order to get a definite statement as to their size, planimeter measurements of them were made on hydrographic charts in the offices of the National Geographic society in Washington, and they show that St. Thomas is 28.25 square miles in area, St. Croix, 84.25 square miles, and St. John, 19.97 square miles in area, making a total of 132.47 square miles for the three islands. Some authorities give the area as 138 and others as 142 square miles.—National Geographic Magazine.

### Easily Recognized.

"Doppel married one of the Doddersly girls. They are twins, you know, and the neighbors used to say they couldn't tell them apart."

"It's easy enough to tell them apart now."

"How so?"

"The one Doppel married always wears such a disgusted look."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Let every man be occupied, and occupied in the employment of which his nature is capable, and die with the consciousness that he has done his best.—Sydney Smith.

"Pa, what's the difference between a patriot and a jingo?"

"A patriot, my son, is one whose bosom swells with pride of his country, while in a jingo the swelling appears in his head."—Exchange.

By a loan to the government of \$167,000,000 at 8 per cent, secured on taxes, the Bank of England started operations in 1824.

College Niece—Oh, uncle, what a funny looking dog! He's a recent acquisition, isn't he? Uncle—Think of that now! An' here I've been callin' him a ornary yaller mongrel.—New York Times.

### Some Simplified Spelling.

Schoolmasters have often serious problems to solve. The following note, containing only one word, was recently handed to a suburban pedagogue: "Cepatntegogatating."

The missive was tendered by one of the boys on behalf of a neighbor's child. The schoolmaster was non-plused for the moment. But he had received too many worldly worded notes in his time to allow this one to baffle him, although it was not till the work of the school was over and much tobacco had been consumed that the word at last yielded its mystery. "Kept at home to go a-taturing."—London Chronicle.

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