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Light Vote Polled at City Election Monday

The Prineville city election held Monday was one of the quietest contests that the town has had for years. Less than fifty per cent of the electors voted—a total of but 288 to be exact—while there are about 600 legal voters in the city.

Dr. Chas. S. Edwards was the only candidate for mayor, and received 240 votes for that office.

Dr. E. O. Hyde had the field to himself for recorder and polled the highest number of votes received by any candidate, a total of 266.

Lake M. Bechtel was re-elected as treasurer without opposition, his vote being 254.

For councilmen there was a spirited contest which resulted in George P. Reams receiving the high vote in a field of five candidates. Reams' vote was 226; H. D. Still received 196; W. J. Pancake, 151; R. W. Zevely, 131; J. C. Wonderly, 126.

The council for the coming year is George P. Reams, H. D. Still, W. J. Pancake, elected this year, and C. M. Elkins, C. W. Foster and G. W. Noble who hold over from last year.

For marshal there were five candidates, T. L. Coon having withdrawn his name Saturday morning. W. R. Pollard was elected. He re-

ceived 123 votes; Wade Huston, 80; John G. Malech, 40; Harry Hudson, 22; T. J. M. Riggs, 18. It will be noted that Riggs and Hudson together received as many votes as Malech, and the three received the same number of votes that were received by Huston alone.

Comparing the results of Monday's election with that of 1913, we find that there were 405 votes cast last year. Mayor Clifton being elected by 288 votes, which, by the way, is the total vote polled in the more recent election. C. M. Elkins was the high man in the aldermanic contest, receiving 245 votes. Dr. Hyde received 241 votes last year, and T. L. Coon was elected marshal over two opponents, receiving 205 votes.

Roland McCallister Slowly Improving

Roland McCallister, who accidentally shot himself Thanksgiving while out duck hunting near Salem, is getting along as well as could be expected, his parents say. He is still confined to the Salem hospital. The doctors think they can restore the use of the arm but it will take two or three years.



The earth has grown old with its burden of care,
But at Christmas it always is young.
The heart of the jewel burns lustrous and fair,
And its soul full of music breaks forth on the air
When the song of the angels is sung.

It is coming, Old Earth, it is coming tonight!
On the snowflakes which cover the sod
The feet of the Christ Child fall gentle and white,
And the voice of the Christ Child tells out with delight
That mankind are the children of God.

On the sad and the lonely, the wretched and poor,
That voice of the Christ Child shall fall
And to every blind wanderer opens the door
Of a hope that he dared not to dream of before,
With a sunshine of welcome for all.

The feet of the humblest may walk in the field
Where the feet of the holiest have trod.
This, this is the marvel to mortals revealed
When the silvery trumpets of Christmas have pealed,
That mankind are the children of God.

Roland had his shotgun between his legs in the boat and in pushing through some cattails the gun was discharged. Its barrel rested underneath the left arm and the charge blew the flesh away from the underside and back part of the arm from the shoulder to the elbow joint. To add to his distress Roland is now nursing one of

Job's comforters. The boil gives more pain than the arm.

Girl Accidentally Shot.

Alice Dearmond, a 11-year-old girl, who lives with her mother and step-father above Riverside, was accidentally shot by her little brother last Friday. She was buried at Riverside.

Government Officials Help Fight Rabbits

War was declared on the destructive jack rabbit and his numerous progeny at a well attended meeting at the Wilson schoolhouse at Powell Butte, Friday evening Jas. Silver Jr. and J. G. Crick, two young men from the government biological service with temporary headquarters at Prineville, are the organizers of the movement. These young men have been making experiments along this line at the Houston place and are convinced that our best remedy for destroying these pests is by feeding them alfalfa leaves after they have been treated with a solution of water and strychnine. Different means are applicable for different localities. For instance, in Southern Idaho where Messrs. Silver and Crick assisted the farmers of two counties in destroying jack rabbits, oats soaked in strychnine was used successfully on account of the deep snows. However, with our light snowfall, leaving vegetation exposed, it is necessary to tempt the rabbit's appetite with something of which he is especially fond and alfalfa leaves are always a favorite diet with them. Co-operation in this work is the only way by which we can hope to rid the Powell Butte section of the pesky jacks who last

season destroyed thousands of dollars in crops.

In numerous instances after eating entire fields of grain they attacked potatoes and actually dug whole fields as clean as though a man and digger had gone over them. The people realize that this condition cannot continue and are generous in their donations of time and money to start this big fight. If you have not been asked to help it is an oversight of one of the several men who were appointed to do the soliciting and not an indication that you are exempt. An order for 100 ounces of strychnine was placed with a San Francisco firm the first of the week. As soon as this arrives another meeting will be called for the distribution of the poison and further instructions to anyone not in attendance Friday evening.

Prineville Got a Bad Scare.

Prineville got a bad scare Monday when it was thought Rev. Newham had diphtheria. Quite a number of people had called on the gentleman Sunday and when they were placed in quarantine Monday consternation reigned. It was later discovered that the preacher had tonsillitis.

Suggestions for Xmas Shopping

Community and Rogers' Silverware
Electric Stand Lamps
Pocket Knives
Razors, Guns
Air Rifles

Holeproof Hose (In Christmas Boxes)
Comfy Slippers For Man, Women and Children
Handkerchiefs
Neckties, Sweaters
Shoes
Blankets, Etc.

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Hood River Apples
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