

## A Joyous Christmas at Powell Butte

In accordance with previously formulated plans, a most joyous Christmas day was spent at the home of J. P. Hopper and family, near Powell Butte schoolhouse, by families of the immediate neighborhood.

For this occasion the members of the Hopper family had tastefully decorated the living rooms of the home with Christmas bells and a lengthy paper chain formed of various colored links. This chain was festooned from ceilings and walls and very fittingly represented the chain of love extending down through the long and dark ages of the past for Him whose birthday was being celebrated.

Shortly after the arrival of the last guests and exchanging of hearty Christmas greetings by all dinner was announced. A sumptuous turkey dinner had been prepared by the ladies present, and to those who have ever had the pleasure of attending one of these feasts prepared by the Powell Butte ladies any description we might attempt would be superfluous as you well know what they are. The beautiful little Christmas tree, laden with gifts for the little folks, stood in a convenient corner of the dining room and kept their little eyes aglow with expectancy as they embraced every opportunity to pass by and peer into its burdened branches.

After all had done ample justice to the dinner and probably injustice to themselves, a short literary program was very creditably rendered by the school children, after which the question arose, who shall be Santa Claus for the children. A vote was taken on it and G. W. Wells was declared unanimously chosen to impersonate this character. Santa Claus then took the presents from the tree and and Nellie Moffitt and Charlotte Hopper distributed them to the little folks as well as some of the older ones who were eagerly awaiting them.

This part of the program being finished the crowd soon began to realize that evening was rapidly approaching and they must depart for their several homes which they reluctantly did hoping to witness the return of many such joyous occasions. Those present were: J. P. Hopper and family, J. F. Hancock and wife, G. W. Wells, wife and mother, J. T. Moffitt and family, J. M. Moffitt and family, Mrs. Mary F. Troth, Miss Katie Grant and Charlie Lewis.

A PARTICIPANT.

## Howard Woman Wins Nine Turkeys

At a turkey shoot held at Howard early this week Mrs. Elmer Hawthorne bagged five turkeys for herself and four for others. Lee Blevins was the winner of three turkeys. These were the only turkeys won.

The showing made by Mrs. Hawthorne is considered remarkable when we take into consideration the fact that the best shots of the community pitted their skill against her.

## Howard Happenings

The school entertainment held last Wednesday was well attended and enjoyed by all present.

The Howard Social Club held its first dance in the new hall on Christmas night. They are going to have another dance New Year's night.

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## Crook County Schools Receive Praise

In an address made before the school supervisors of Oregon at the 14th Annual Session of the Oregon State Teachers' Association, held at Eugene last week, Supervisor A. L. O'Reilly, of Lane county, characterized the work being done by Supt. J. E. Myers and Supervisor Shawe as the most remarkable in the state.

"The Outlines, the Phonic Charts, the Number Combination Cards, in fact, all the material with which the Crook county schools have been supplied is of the most practical value."

"And another feature deserving of commendation," Mr. O'Reilly said, "is the organized effort that is being made in Crook county to raise the standard of penmanship from the present style to the excellent results obtained by the practice of the Palmer Method."

C. E. Rugh, professor of Education at the University of California, in an address, "The Gospel of Work," said that the problem of the rural schools of the entire country is to secure the active co-operation of the district school boards, and that the problem of rural school supervision will be solved when the rural school teacher is willing to discuss her classroom problems with her school board and supervisor.

The following officers of the Oregon State Supervisors' Association were elected: President, James H. Jack, Hillsboro; Vice-President, Victor Shawe, Prineville; Secretary-Treasurer, E. R. Peterson, Medford.

### A Delightful "At Home."

A most delightful "At Home" was given Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. E. J. Wilson in compliment of Mrs. Black of Baker, Ore. Delicious refreshments were served at daintily appointed tables, after which the guests departed, thanking Mrs. Wilson for a very enjoyable afternoon. Those present were: Mesdames Black, Dishman, Wilson, Howard, C. M. Elkins, Dixon, Wirtz, Frank Foster, Oscar Hyde, Berrian, Misses Hawley, Jeffries and Williams.

### A Good Santa Claus

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ranch, on the Atlantic seaboard, are the finest specimens of livestock to be obtained, and he is sending the cream of his Dreamworld stud and herds and flocks to the ranches owned by his children in Crook county.

Stockmen of the United States are beginning to turn to Oregon for the finest specimens of livestock and undoubtedly these latest importations will form the basis of the best strains of livestock in Oregon in the near future.

### Crook County well Represented.

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Portland next week from Prineville: D. F. Stewart, W. F. King, E. T. Slayton, G. W. Noble, Tom Sharp, F. S. Towner, George Brewster, G. W. Slayton, R. A. Kester and D. P. Donovan. A united effort will be made by the delegates from all the Central Oregon towns to secure the government appropriation of \$450,000 which will be available for this state for some Central Oregon project.

### Call for City Warrants.

All warrants registered up to and including registered warrant No. 26, will be paid on presentation at the office of the city treasurer of the city of Prineville, Crook county, Oregon. Interest will cease from the date of this notice.

Dated December 31, 1914.  
L. M. BECHTELL,  
12-31-31 City Treasurer.

### For Sale or Trade.

One two section barrow; one 16-inch sulky plow; one 12-inch walking plow; one silt scraper; one 2 1/2 inch wagon; one Durham cow; one heifer calf; one saddle, etc. 11-5 PRINEVILLE FRED & LIVERY STABLE.

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## Special Session of City Council Wed. Evening

At a thirty-minute session of the city council last night Prineville's five saloons were each granted a license to operate until January 1, 1916, or until the state goes dry, and each of them paid \$400, which is one-half the amount of the annual license, the remaining half to be paid the first of July. The payment of one-half the license fee at a time was passed on a year ago and was not mentioned at last night's meeting.

Each of the applicants furnished bonds in the sum of \$1000, three of them being furnished by surety companies and the other two were Prineville business men.

The licenses were granted in the following names: Champ Smith, F. E. Brosius, Walt Snoderly, John Combs and Chas. King.

Objection had been made to the granting of a license to one of these men, the councilmen reported, but as there were no objections brought before the open meeting, the majority of the council were in favor of granting the license. Councilman I. W. Ward was absent, having gone to Portland the first of the week.

The outgoing council will hold its last meeting Monday night, at which time the new councilmen will be sworn in.

## More Registered Stock for Crook County

W. H. Post received a bunch of registered Hereford cattle from Woodland, Wash., the first of the week.

The bull is a five-year-old and weighs 1950. He is a beauty; square built and looks like a picture. The cows are of the same type and will make a fine addition to Mr. Post's herd. This herd was founded five years ago with twenty registered Herefords from the Bonnyview ranch, and there are today forty-nine head of cows. The male stuff is readily sold to stockmen of this county.

### Neimann-Rickman.

A very pretty wedding was that of Mrs. Lucie Niemann and Thos. Rickman at the home of the bride's parent's, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kennedy, of Pringle Flats, on December 24, at high noon. Friends and neighbors of the happy couple witnessed the ceremony, after which a sumptuous luncheon was served. Mr. Rickman is a well known rancher of this vicinity and the bride is one of the most popular young ladies of Pringle Flats.

### Program for Parent-Teachers.

The following program will be given at the Parent-Teachers' meeting Friday, January 8:

Memory drill—Victor Shawe.  
Solo—Mrs. Calbreath.  
Folk dances—Miss Powers.  
Duet—Miss Williams and Mrs. Bechtell.

Discussion—"Social Side of School Life," Leader, Mrs. Shipp. All members are supposed to take part. Committee—Miss Powers and Mrs. Collins Elkins.

Poltiness is like an air cushion. There may be nothing in it, but it eases the jolt wonderfully.

Now they have a superstition that if you meet a green haired girl on the street you'll see a purple horse.

When a fellow's conscience accuses him he ought to be glad that it can't talk loud enough for his wife to hear.

One suggested improvement for the canoe is an automatic distress signal that will go off when the canoe turns over.

"Men never grew up," says Harriot Stanton Blatch. And women never grow old. It's a beautiful old world, after all.

A man's head has to be turned before he is in a position to pat himself on the back.

The laws of gravitation decree that what goes up must come down. This is a comforting theory to apply to the high cost of living.

### DUTY OF THE CHURCH.

It is the duty of the church to make religion supreme. To leave the word of God and serve tables; to subordinate salvation to social service; to substitute philanthropy for piety; is a weakness of the flesh, a compromise to the devil. This is the "passing of faith;" this is the "decadence of the ministry;" this is "materialism in the church." This is to give up, to surrender to the clamor of those who believe mistakenly that man can live by bread alone.

To make a church a religionless mixture of civil service reforms, debating societies, gymnasium contests, oyster suppers, ice cream festivals, stereopticon lectures, good advice, coal saving funds, sight singing classes, dancing schools, refined minstrel shows, reading circles and dramatic entertainments is certainly not to seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness.—Rev. David M. Steele, Philadelphia.

### TEARS, IDLE TEARS.

Tears, idle tears, I know not what they mean.  
Tears from the depth of some divine despair  
Rise in the heart and gather in the eyes,  
In looking on the happy autumn fields  
And thinking of the days that are no more.

Fresh as the first beam glittering on a sail  
That brings our friends up from the underworld,  
Sad as the last which reddens over one  
That sinks with all we love below the verge;  
So sad, so fresh, the days that are no more.

Ah, sad and strange as in dark summer dawns  
The earliest pipe of half-awakened birds  
To dying ears, when unto dying eyes  
The casement slowly grows a glimmering square;  
So sad, so strange, the days that are no more.

Dear as remembered kisses after death  
And sweet as those by hopeless fancy feigned,  
On lips that are for others; deep as love,  
Deep as first love and wild with all regret,  
Oh, death in life, the days that are no more!  
—Alfred Tennyson.

### APHORISMS ON RELIGION.

Persecution is a bad and indirect way to plant religion.—Sir Thomas Browne.

The body of all true religion consists, to be sure, in obedience to the will of the sovereign of the world, in a confidence in his declarations and in imitation of his perfections.—Burke.

Religion, the pious worship of God.—Cicero.

Men will wrangle for religion, write for it, fight for it, die for it; anything but—live for it.—C. C. Colton.

Piety, like wisdom, consists in the discovery of the rules under which we are actually placed and in faithfully obeying them.—Froude.

### TO WOMAN.

Backward, turn backward, dear ones, in your flight;  
Make yourself girl again just for tonight;  
Drop the sex question, suffragette, sport;  
Blow us one kiss of the old fashioned sort.  
—Life.

### SKY PRAISES.

Not golden sky, which was the doubly blessed symbol of advancing day and of approaching rest.—George Elliot.

The starry cope of heaven.—Milton.

The sky domed above us, with its heavenly frescoes, painted by the thought of the Great Artist.—Allan Throckmorton.

Sometimes gentle, sometimes capricious, sometimes awful; never the same for two moments together; almost human in its passions, almost spiritual in its tenderness, almost divine in its infinity, its appeal to what is immortal in us is as distinct as its ministry of chastisement or of blessing to what is mortal is essential.—Ruskin.

### STATION DESPAIR.

We must trust the conductor, most surely,  
Why, millions of millions before  
Have made this same journey securely  
And come to that ultimate shore.  
And we, we will reach it in season,  
And, ah, what a welcome is there!  
Reflect, then, how out of all reason  
To stop at the Station Despair.

Ay, midnights and many a position  
Of bitter black water have we  
As we journey from ocean to ocean.  
From sea unto ultimate sea,  
To the deep sea of seas and all silence  
Of passion, concern and of care;  
That vast sea of Eden set islands—  
Don't stop at the Station Despair!

Go forward, whatever may follow.  
Go forward, friend led or alone.  
Ah, me, to leap off in some hollow  
Or fen, in the night and unknown.  
Leap off like a thief; try to hide you  
From angels all waiting you there!  
Go forward, whatever betide you—  
Don't stop at the Station Despair!  
—Joaquin Miller.

### SINCERITY.

Loss of sincerity is loss of vital power.—Bovee.

There is love of being sincere without the love of learning; the beclouding here leads to an injurious disregard of consequences.—Confucius.

The measure of life is not length but honesty.—Lyly.

Sincerity is the way to heaven. To think how to be sincere is the way of man.—Mendus.

He hath a heart as sound as a bell, and his tongue is the clapper, for what his heart thinks his tongue speaks.—Shakespeare.

But many a slip occurs soon after the cup has been to the lip.

The man who uses only honeyed words never has to eat them.

A man cannot add to his stature by treading on other people's toes.

Some customs are universal. Every man put his best apples on top.

### THE SIMPLE LIFE.

I have grown to believe that the one thing worth aiming at is simplicity of heart and life; that one's relations with others should be direct and not diplomatic; that power leaves a bitter taste in the mouth; that meanness and hardness and coldness are the unforgivable sins; that pleasure exists not in virtue of material conditions, but in the joyous heart; that the world is a very interesting and beautiful place, and that congenial labor is the secret of happiness.—A. B. Benson.

### MODES OF TRAVEL.

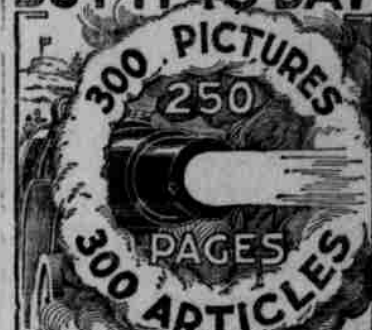
"I will not run!" exclaimed the man  
Of eminence one day.  
"Though I suspect no other can  
Conduct you to the fray."

"I will not run, though I confess  
The men all brave and true,  
Whom you might name are growing less,  
They always were quite few."

"I will not run, although I feel  
A duty that extends  
Quite plainly to the public weal  
As well as to my friends."

"I will not run. With grief profound  
Your wish I have denied,  
But bring the old hand wagon round  
And maybe I will ride."  
—Washington Star.

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