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King's Daughters Tea.
The King's Daughters of the Episcopal church gave a linen sale at the Willamette hall on Saturday afternoon from 2 to 5. Tea was served by the young ladies. A beautiful point lace handkerchief was raffled off and Mrs. Linwood Jones held the lucky number. A large crowd was present.

Special Session of Legislature

Solons Will Probably Not Adjourn Since Die Until After Christmas.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 22.—That there will be no adjournment of the Legislature until Thursday is practically certain. That the adjournment taken then will not be sine die, but only over Christmas, is well within the range of probability. This is the effect of a compromise reached by two contending factions—the members who favored immediate amendment of the assessment and taxation law and prompt adjournment, and those who favored a protracted session and the consideration of whatever important matters might arise.

It is now admitted by the leaders of the early adjournment agitation in both houses that the work in hand could not be completed by Wednesday night. In both branches of the Legislature today a resolution was adopted providing that the Legislature adjourn sine die Wednesday evening. It was not meant seriously, and was adopted with the understanding that the resolution should be reconsidered later, and the period of the session extended once or several times, as circumstances might require. If other evidence were lacking—which it is not—that sine die adjournment tomorrow is not seriously contemplated, it is amply furnished in the manner of this forenoon's proceedings in both houses. No effort was made to get down to consideration of the tax law or the portage right of way, but the time was given wholly to introduction and consideration of pet measures, petty and otherwise, of all members who chose to hand them up.

Just prior to the noon adjournment, Gault introduced a bill to repeal the portage railway law. On the question of passing it to a second reading, Reed moved that the bill be laid on the table. Southern Oregon and many of the Democrats voted for the passing of the bill to the second reading, but the opponents of the portage road only mustered 12 votes, the bill was laid on the table, and the portage road was safe.

The Republican caucus called during the morning to meet at noon assembled and without any further proceeding adjourned to meet tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

SPECIAL SESSION ENDED.
SALEM, Or., Dec. 23.—The special session of the Oregon Legislature ended tonight at 11:15 o'clock. In a three-day session the Legislature accomplished all that had been desired, an achievement made possible by perfect harmony among Republican members who constituted a large majority in each House.

Today both Houses passed the bill appropriating \$100,000 for securing a right of way for the Celilo canal, and also a number of bills of minor importance. Killing of Chinese pheasants has been prohibited until 1906.

Ten per cent has been fixed as the maximum rate of interest to be charged upon property sold for taxes.

No person, except the person paying the same, will be permitted to maintain a suit to recover fees paid to County Recorders under the invalid fee law.

At the session which closed tonight the Legislature corrected the defective tax law, revived the \$300 tax exemption, removed the difficulty in the collection of Recorder's fees, amended the law relating to executions at the penitentiary, and prohibited the killing of elk prior to September, 1907.

Mothers.
Who would keep their children in good health should watch for the first symptoms of worms, and remove them with White's Cream Vermifuge. It's the children's best tonic. It gives disposition to work so that their food does them good, and they grow up healthy and strong. See at Chasman & Co.

PARK PLACE.

Christmas exercises will be held in the school house on the evening of the 23. A cantata will be given by our most efficient talent, which bids fair to be a real success from old Santa down to the tiniest fairy.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Parkplace presented the church last week with a fine new organ which certainly will be appreciated.

Mrs. P. Pregor, of Portland, is visiting her mother, Mrs. John Straight.

Miss Childs, our primary teacher, leaves Friday morning for Brownsville to spend the holiday with her parents.

Our popular merchant, W. A. Holmes, has a fine display of holiday goods, which is certainly a credit to his business.

The Mothers' Club held their usual monthly meeting at the school house Friday afternoon. Very interesting papers were read by Mrs. Grant Olds, Mrs. Wm. F. Brayton, Mrs. George Hamilton and Mrs. Charles Oglesby. Interesting discussions followed each paper and a very profitable meeting was the result.

Miss Casto, one of our teachers, will spend the holidays in Portland with her parents.

We are pleased to see Prof. McCann out on the streets again. He will take charge of the school soon after the holidays.

Miss Williams spent Saturday in Portland.

THE MOLALLA CENTRAL MINING CO.

There was never an opportunity as bright as is at present to develop some good mining properties that would add to the interest of Oregon City and Clackamas county than to develop and put upon a paying basis some of the good mines that are located in the Molalla Mining District.

The Molalla Central Mining Co. is the owner of a claim and a fraction on which is one of the finest ledges in the district, and all the ore which has been taken out shows that it is 95 per cent free milling and very rich. In order to satisfy the owners that the ledge was a true fishure vein, they sent an expert into the district who examined the ledge very carefully, and reported that in his forty years of experience in mining he had never seen a better prospect. He took ore from the surface, also from other parts of the ledge, and it ran from \$16.76 to \$2,773.31 per ton.

The mine was then incorporated under the laws of the state of Oregon by Otto F. Olson, Linn E. Jones, F. H. Welch and G. B. Dimick, all of Oregon City, at a capitalization of \$25,000 with the par value of the stock at ten cents a share.

The company has installed a blacksmith shop and a house for its workmen to live in during the winter, and has a crew of men at work opening up the mine and putting the ore on the dump, and will continue to work all during the winter, and in the spring a stamp mill will be installed, which will make the mine pay its own way.

The company is determined to make a success out of their mine, and this can be done for the reason that they have an abundance of ore. The last assay made from across the ledge gives us \$49.45 in gold per ton. The company firmly believes that their mine is far above the average when they take into consideration that the Alaska Treadwell mine is paying big dividends to its stockholders, and all of their ore only makes an average of \$2.38 per ton, and the big mines located in the Black Hills, South Dakota, are paying large dividends to its stockholders from ore which averages only \$4.00 per ton.

The company is selling its stock for the purpose of raising money to keep its employees steady at work until the spring of the year, and when the mill is installed no more stock will be sold. There is an element of risk in every mining enterprise, but the risk is much less when the stockholder is acquainted with the officers of the company, and is familiar with the management of the business. The losses are usually sustained by reason of the fact that a great many companies are organized by men who endeavor to sell stock and convert the proceeds of the sales to salaries for themselves and the stockholder thereby loses.

The officers of the Volalla Central Mining Company pledge their honor to the public that all moneys received from the sale of stock will be used solely for the purpose of opening up the mine and for no other purpose.

OTTO F. OLSON,
LINN E. JONES,
G. B. DIMICK,
Directors.

Suffering Smoke

What an Indictment of President Roosevelt's Weakness and Unfitness!

(Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.)

Once for all we desire to announce that at this time this paper has no candidate for the high office of President of the United States. When the Republican party in national convention selects its candidate this paper will give him, whatever his name may be, a cordial and hearty support.

We have no candidate to urge upon the convention for the nomination. We have named a number of eminent Republicans whom we believe to be fitted for the position, and may name others whom we know to be qualified and who can be elected without a question if nominated.

Our sole aim is that the party may achieve success in 1904.

The Republ can party never selected Mr. Roosevelt as President of the United States. It selected him to an office of honor and high rank, but of far less importance than the one which the terrible act of an assassin gave him the legal right to occupy.

Mr. Roosevelt was not thought of for a moment as a candidate for the Presidency at the Philadelphia Convention in 1900, and if any one had foreseen the fate of our beloved McKinley Mr. Roosevelt would never have been nominated for Vice President, however much the State of New York desired to be relieved.

The Presidency is not disposed of as a legacy.

Mr. Roosevelt will, we hope, serve out his full term, and we believe he will discharge every duty to the full extent of his ability.

The Republican party has given Mr. Roosevelt cordial support, and will do so in all proper matters until the close of his term of office.

The Republican party is for the people, and has ever placed the interests of the whole people above and beyond those of any class. The advocates of Mr. Roosevelt quote this and that Senator as favorable to his nomination. Few of the United States Senators would suffer even if the party was defeated at the election in 1904.

The majority of them are secure in pleasing positions, and it is common saying that the ideal position of a United States Senator is when the opposition has the Executive power and there is neither responsibility in legislation nor annoyance as to patronage.

It is not the Senators who would suffer if a Democrat should be elected. President.

dent. It is within the bounds of possibility for the Republican party to be badly defeated and not a Republican Senator lose his seat.

It is not the Senators, however, who nominate Presidents, but the delegates selected by the people.

With a Republican defeat for the Presidency what of the fate of the staunch heroic Republicans of the South who at home have only Republican Administrations at Washington to look to for social and political friendship?

A Republican defeat in the Presidential election means at least four years of gloom and despair to those brave, true hearts who have never a ray of sunshine in their political lives except when a Republican President is in the White House.

Shall they be doomed in despair by the nomination of a man who cannot be elected?

Are their delegates to the convention going to take any chances with New York State such as were taken when a former accidental President, a New Yorker, too, able, shrewd and diplomatic, in full and implicit confidence of victory sent Judge Folger to an open political grave, and, when that merciless pit was closed in 1884, under the sod of New York lay buried the boundless ambitions of the brilliant Blaine and the blighted hopes of our national party?

President Arthur knew New York State then as well as President Roosevelt does today. He was a better politician than our present Chief Magistrate, but he and his friends went down in monumental defeat, and so will it be next year if our party takes the chances with Mr. Roosevelt.

The parallel is a deadly one to our party. Garfield—Ohio's pride—shot, and New York's Arthur his successor.

The result—twenty-five years of Republican supremacy terminated by the fatal vote of New York. Twenty years more elapse and Ohio's McKinley is called higher and New York's Roosevelt takes his place. Shall we again meet Nemesis? Do the Republicans from the South, from Delaware to Texas, want two more terms of Democratic Presidents in the White House? The last accidental President gave them that, and Mr. Roosevelt can do equally good work for them.

It was said that Mr. Roosevelt was an independent political grave digger in the '80s. He may be desirous to change places and to be in the front vehicle this time, but the Republican party cannot afford it.

Do the members of the Republican party in the East, the West, the North and the South wish to see the 75,000 Postmasters of their own political faith turned out and their places filled by Democrats?

Are they ready to turn over the 150,000 mail carriers' places to our political foes?

Do they wish to see Democrats in-

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trenched for years in every custom house and internal revenue office? Do they propose to pave the way for Democratic Marshals and Deputy Marshals, for Democratic District Attorneys, Land Agents and Inspectors throughout the length and breadth of the land by nominating a gentleman that we cannot elect?

We do not believe the Republican party will commit hara-kiri: but if the party in convention says it must be Roosevelt, then, so say all of us.

CANBY.

Mrs. George Knight returned Sunday from a week's visit with her daughter Mrs. Clyde Evans.

Willard Knight and John White are hauling hay from Canby to Oregon City for W. H. Bair.

Several boys from Canby attended the shooting match at Barlow last Saturday and returned with some turkeys and geese.

Elmer Veteto, of New Era, was in town Friday evening on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bair were Portland visitors this week.

Miss Emma Evans came up from Portland for a short visit Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wait were Portland visitors Tuesday.

Carl Burgoyne and Wesley Sevcik, of New Era, were in town Sunday.

Times are brisk in Canby just now as there is much Christmas shopping done in Canby.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Evans have moved into the bath house formerly occupied by Mr. Shoemaker.

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