

CORRESPONDENCE

New Era Notes.

New Era, Dec. 27.—The weather is murky and roads are muddy, in fact, Webfoot is herself again.

Christmas was observed in a very appropriate manner at New Era. Services at St. James church, conducted by Rev. L. Miller, a large attendance being present.

A Christmas tree and musical entertainment was given at Grange hall, followed by a grand ball in Anthony's hall.

Our potato merchant, Geo. H. Brown, wears a broad smile of satisfaction because potatoes have advanced in price, and also because his wife has presented him with a fine baby daughter.

Miss Ruby Newbury is quite sick with malarial fever.

John Zins and his son Mike took the overland for Salinas, Cal., where they intend to reside.

W. H. Wickham, of this place, has contracted to furnish the S. P. Co., with 1000 cords of wood.

George Blanchard will remove his family from New Era to his farm, one mile east of here.

John Duffy, of Oregon City, has loaded a scow with wood at this place for the paper mills at Oregon City.

Over 1000 sacks of potatoes left New Era for San Francisco last week. New Era Burbank potatoes are noted in the San Francisco market for excellence of quality, ranking next to the famous Salinas Burbanks.

Mrs. D. McArthur received two boxes filled with coins, shells and other curios from her son, Elmer, who is a member of Co. I, Oregon Volunteers, now at Manila. It is quite a pleasure for one to read his letters, which are never written in a complaining mood, being in strong contrast to some of the letters, which have been published. While at home, Elmer was obedient. Boys of this kind make good soldiers.

Carus.

CARUS, Dec. 26.—Christmas day for '95 was enjoyed by old and young in this community. Saturday evening, a large audience assembled in the Mt. Zion Evangelical church to enjoy the entertainment prepared by pupils and teachers of that Sunday school. The following program was well rendered.

[Being behind with our paper this week, it is impossible to publish the program.—Ed.]

At the close of the pastor's address a happy half hour or more was spent in the distribution of the fruit of a large Christmas tree. The tree was very prettily decorated and was none too large to hold the many gifts provided.

W. W. May and family spent Christmas with their children. Mr. and Mrs. Preston Cosper, at Ely.

Mrs. M. C. Hayward spent a few days of last week among friends in Portland.

Horton Graham, who holds a position in the department store of Meier & Frank, Portland, came out Christmas day to spend a short vacation with his parents.

Chester Inskip, an employe at the Willamette Paper Mills, came home Saturday to enjoy Christmas with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Sarah Griffith has rented her farm to her nephew, Mr. Stewart. This gentleman, with his family, recently arrived from Montana, having come by wagon in pioneer fashion.

The Misses Annie and Mattie Jones came out from Portland to spend Christmas at home.

C. Lowe and J. Griffith, who were so unfortunate as to lose their house by fire some months ago, have recently completed a neat, new residence on the site of the old one.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jagger gave their children a Christmas tree Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lannie Baker spent Saturday in Oregon City with the parents of Mrs. Baker.

Quite an array of wood-choppers have located in the various patches of timber near Carus, and are getting out cord wood for market.

Garfield.

GARFIELD, Dec. 24.—Christmas is here and no snow yet, and ice no thicker than a window pane. What country can beat the foot-hills of the Cascade range?

Some sickness in the settlement but all are doing nicely at present, excepting Mrs. Henry Palmateer, who is very low.

One reason why some of us are feeling badly is, a widower from Dufer, Wasco county, came over here and took one of Garfield's fairest young ladies, and as some of us wanted her and couldn't get her, that made some of us feel badly. And as some of us wanted the widower and didn't get him, it made others of us feel badly. Never mind, Edwin, my best girl is left, so I can laugh.

There is to be an evening entertainment at the Irvan schoolhouse on New Years eve.

Two cousins of Cliff Sarver's are here from Virginia.

Henry Deshaizer and wife and Miss Minnie Palmateer, from Eastern Oregon, are visiting their grand mother, Mrs. Sarah Palmateer.

Miss Grace Wilcox leaves Garfield's list of pretty girls to become the wife of one of Oregon City's young men.

Miss Lottie and Annie Tracy are home spending the holidays with parents and friends.

Born—To Norman Tracy and wife, a daughter.

Eagle Creek.

EAGLE CREEK, Dec. 26.—The people of the Douglas neighborhood held church

three times, Christmas day, and enjoyed a Christmas beside.

Elder Dix, of Hood River, assisted by Elder Sturdevant, of Cornelius, conducted the Christmas services.

Henry Udell, of Wasco, is visiting friends at Eagle Creek.

Walter Douglas and bride of Dufur are also visiting friends here.

Miss Vira Whipple, of Dufur, is visiting in Eagle Creek.

Born—To the wife of Chas. Vancuren on Dec. 24th, a daughter.

Mrs. Wilburn's funeral, on the 18th inst., was well attended.

Born—To the wife of J. P. Woodle on Dec. 25th, a daughter.

Stafford.

Christmas day was very pleasant with but a light shower and considerable sunshine. Taken all in all it was almost an ideal winter day. There was a large tree at the Baptist church beautifully decorated and a large attendance present. Several small trees were had at private residences and many were the presents they held—everything imaginable from a tin whistle to a full suit of clothing and a plug hat.

Petitioners of the Polivke road have been warned out by the supervisor to clear the right-of-way. Work will begin on the 20th.

Many grangers from here attended the farmer's institute at Tigardville last week and seem well pleased with it. It is hoped that these meetings will become more general throughout this section.

John Gage broke the fore axle to his buggy a few evenings ago. We can imagine how John got home.

Happy New Year.

Oswego.

OSWEGO, Dec. 28.—The M. E. Sunday school had a Christmas tree and Christmas exercises at the church on Christmas eve. The program, which was excellent and well rendered, consisted of vocal and instrumental music and recitations by the young people and children. After the exercises the youngsters were made happy by the distribution of presents and candy, nuts and oranges from a well-filled tree.

The annual masque ball given by the Artisans on last Friday evening was a success, socially and financially.

Mr. and Mrs. Julien, of Portland, spent Christmas with the parents of the latter. Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Fox, on the Conifer place.

J. C. Haines, Jr., wife and child, of Hazelia, C. N. Haines and wife, D. H. Bussard, wife and children and T. R. Haines, all of Oregon City, spent Christmas with their parents J. C. and M. J. Haines at their home on 7th street, New Town.

Samuel Ross, wife and children, of Willamette, spent Christmas with the parents of Mrs. Ross, J. K. and Mrs. Ella B. Worthington, of South Oswego.

Mrs. Long, wife of Michael Long, who lives in Hazelia, died very suddenly on Christmas morning. Mrs. Long had been ill for some time but was not confined to her bed, and she was at Oswego on the Friday before her death. Mrs. Long was a kind, loving wife and mother. She leaves a husband, five sons and one daughter to mourn her loss. She was interred in the Oswego cemetery Monday afternoon. Oswego Grange, No. 175, of which she was an honored member, conducted the funeral.

Died at 10 o'clock a. m., Monday, December 26th, at the residence of Hon. F. L. Mintie, Lambert D. Russell. Mr. Russell was born in the state of Connecticut on the 14th day of April, 1813.

About fifty years ago he left his native state and came West to Wisconsin in which state he lived for twenty years. He then came to Kansas in which state his first wife died—and after some time he remarried. Five years ago his second wife died and then he came to Oregon where he has since lived, making his home with his son and daughter, E. J. Russell and Mrs. F. L. Mintie. Father Russell was a true gentleman of the old school, not only that but an earnest upright Christian man. He was converted at a very early age and united with the Baptist church of which church he remained a consistent member until his death. Father Russell endured the most acute suffering without a murmur, no word of complaint passing his lips, but he waited patiently for the end, which he knew was near. When it came it was peaceful and calm as the summer eve, his mind being clear to the last moment. Surrounded by his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, he passed from earth and earthly suffering. The world is better for such men having lived. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the home of Mr. Mintie, conducted by Rev. D. M. Shannon, of the M. E. church, after which the body was conveyed to the Oswego cemetery, followed by the relatives and a large number of friends.

Springwater.

SPRINGWATER, Dec. 27.—Christmas bells are ringing and everybody seems to be enjoying this Christmas and the beautiful weather. We look from our window and see rosebuds and flowers blooming, which some of our Eastern friends would not believe without seeing. Clackamas county is the place to get a home, and don't forget to stop at Springwater in looking over the county, where

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There are cough medicines that are taken as freely as a drink of water from a dipper. They are cheap medicines. Quantity does not make up for quality. It's the quality that cures. There's one medicine that's dropped, not dipped—Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. There's more power in drops of this remedy than in dipperfuls of cheap cough syrups and elixirs. It cures Bronchitis, Asthma, Croup, Whooping Cough, and all Colds, Coughs, and affections of the Throat and Lungs.

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you will be favorably impressed and kindly treated.

The Christmas exercises held at Lewellen's hall by the school was largely attended and enjoyed by all.

The short revival at this place closed Wednesday night. Five were added to the church. The work will be carried forward and a first class minister will soon be placed in charge.

Chas. Folsome, of Sprague, Wash., who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Lacey, left for home, Wednesday.

Rev. J. E. Snyder was a guest of W. J. Lewellen's during his stay here.

Railroad meeting, to be held here December 28th! Look out for the cars!

Sandy Siftings.

SANDY, Dec. 26.—The Catholic church, constructed by John and Will Boshelm has been completed. It's imposing appearance bespeaks the energy of the Catholics of Sandy, and the workmanship of the constructors.

Many of the farmers here are engaged in the dairy business. Among them are John Foster, John Straus, Nels Nelson, Waspe Bros., Luigi Vaserotti, E. A. Reyenne, P. McAdams and H. McGugin, who make weekly trips to Portland to dispose of their produce to local stores.

Ferdinand Goetsch, ex-postmaster at Sandy, is making his many friends happy by his presence among us.

A numerously signed petition is out for the re-appointment of J. Revenue for supervisor for the road district, No. 6.

E. C. Strowbridge, of Portland, is visiting his many associates here.

F. E. McGugin has returned home and is leading in social events when not working upon his farm.

W. E. Welch, of Salmon, was a guest of Albion Meinig, Sunday.

John Kopper has returned to Sandy and wears a lonely stride with no one by his side.

The all-absorbing event of the season, was the uniting in holy harness of Miss Minnie Bruns, of this place, and O. B. Nylander, of Portland, at the home of the bride's parents. Justice T. G. Jonrud tied the home strings. The many invited guests report a pleasant entertainment, and a fill of all the good things of the season.

Two Pointed Questions Answered.

What is the use of making a better article than your competitor if you cannot get a better price for it?

Ans.—As there is no difference in the price the public will buy only the better, so that while our profits may be smaller on a single sale they will be much greater in the aggregate.

How can you get the public to know your make is the best?

If both articles are brought prominently before the public both are certain to be tried and the public will very quickly pass judgment on them and use only the better one.

This explains the large sale on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The people have been using it for years and have found that it can always be depended upon. They may occasionally take up with some fashionable novelty put forth with exaggerated claims, but are certain to return to the one remedy that they know to be reliable, and for coughs, colds and croup there is nothing equal to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by Geo. A. Harding.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Ayer.

SUNNYSIDE. SUNNYSIDE, Mr. Crookshanks, who had been quite ill for the last two months, died, Monday, December 26, at 3 p. m., at his home near Rock Creek. He leaves a wife and son, who have the sympathy of the whole community. The funeral was held Wednesday, the 28th, at 10 a. m. at the Sunnyside church.

Christmas was spent here in various ways. Mr. Sumner had a family tree, also Mr. Christian. Miss Rose Bowerman, teacher of the primary room, had a tree for her pupils, which was well filled and the children greatly enjoyed it. Prof. Stalnaker also treated his pupils each with a generous sack of candy.

Mrs. Grace Lebo and children, of Astoria, are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Cotty.

Mr. Cotty, who had another stroke of paralysis, is reported a little better. Miss Bertha Kolman, while riding on horseback the other day, got frightened and attempted to jump and sustained a badly sprained ankle, which is quite painful.

Lafe Stalnaker, of Washington, is visiting Prof. H. M. Stalnaker, of this place.

Theodore White, of Washington is visiting his brother, James White.

The Dewey Literary of Sunnyside will hereafter be held every Friday.

Sherwood News.

SHERWOOD, Dec. 27.—The Christmas chimney, at this place, was largely attended. Many beautiful and costly presents were received and the program was excellent.

We are sorry to note the sad news of the death of Roy, the 12-year-old son of Mrs. Wm. Vincent. He was driving a wild team, which became frightened and ran away, throwing Roy out, his head striking an apple tree, killing him almost instantly.

Mrs. A. J. Bell is home again from Oregon City, where she has been working for the past month.

Wm. Barbur is spending the holidays with his parents, Rev. J. M. Barbur. He has been attending the Pacific University at Forest Grove for the past three years.

Several of the young folks are attending the meetings at Middleton, held by the Baptists.

Mrs. Jane Baker, of Hood View, is again very ill with heart trouble.

Mr. Johnson has his new store running nicely.

A fine parlor organ for sale on easy terms at the Oregon City Auction House.

Milwaukie.

MILWAUKIE, Dec. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. R. Scott have returned from their trip abroad.

John Gracie and family have been added to our list of citizens, are now living in their new home just completed at a cost of \$1800. It is one of the handsomest residences in the precinct.

The Christmas exercises at the German M. E. Sunday school were held Monday night. A good program was listened to by a large audience.

The Union Sunday school had their Christmas exercises at the Evangelical church Tuesday evening. One of the best programs ever gotten up here was rendered. The decorations were massive and original. St. Nick appeared from the Philippines and turned out to be T. J. Gary.

Mr. Richard poisoned a coyote last week.

Fred Schrader and wife, of Chicago, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schrader. They will return home after the holidays.

Plenty of money to loan at 8 per cent on long or short time. Apply to G. E. Hayes.

For Young Men and Young Women.

There is nothing that will arouse the ire of a young man or woman so quick as to have inferior laundry work put off on them. They may dress ever so well, but if their shirt front or shirt waist is mousy their neat appearance is spoiled. The Troy laundry makes a specialty of ladies' and gentlemen's fine work. There can be no better work than is done at the Troy. Leave your orders at Johnson's barber shop.

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