

CORRESPONDENCE

Oswego, Jan. 11.—The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church gave a basket social at the church on New Year's Eve. Quite a number were present and the affair passed off very pleasantly and profitably. The new year was ushered in by the ringing of bells and firing of guns.

Etta, the eight-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fortner died on Friday and was interred on Sunday in the Oswego cemetery. The parents have the sympathy of the whole community in their sad bereavement.

I. O. O. F. No. 96 installed the following officers at their first regular meeting in the new year: N. G., Gilbert Ward; V. G., J. F. Riskey; Sec., C. H. Miller; Treas., G. W. Prosser; W., C. H. Nixon; Com., John Gardner, I. G., Thos. Chuck; R. H. L. N. G., J. S. Riskey; R. H. S. W. G. Thos. Fox.

Mistletoe Lodge, D. of H. installed the following officers for the ensuing term, P. C. of H., Mrs. P. H. Jarrisch; C. of H., Miss Elsie Walling; L. of H., Mrs. Mary Walling; C. C., Mrs. Cora Bullock; R., Miss Mary Bickner; Fin., Mrs. E. L. Smith; Rec., Mrs. A. Davidson; G., Miss Ella Bullock; I. G., Albert Walling; O. G. Geo. Bullock.

Pig Iron, No. 135, A. O. U. W. installed the following officers last Thursday night: P. M. W., W. S. Halliman; M. W., F. Manning; F., Ward Lee; O., Wm. Nida, Rec., J. H. Manning; Fin., Jos. Bickner; Reav., John Guignard; G., Asa Coon; Q. W., Lon Waldorf; O. W., Geo. Bullock; trustee, Albert Walling.

Corinthian Assembly, United Artisans have installed officers for the following term as follows: G. M., James Coon, P. M., John Gower, Sec., A. Coon; Treas., C. Reiber; S. C., Mrs. E. Lee; J. C., Albert Tutts; Supt., G. W. Prosser, Ins., Mrs. M. Ball, Instr., P. Zimmerman; M. of C., Gilbert Ward, W., Lester Walling.

S. C. Baker moved his family to Portland last Thursday.

The sport-loving lads of Oswego have had rare fun the past week or two, fox chasing. Four have been killed so far. W. W. Todd has two to his credit and Guy Hayes and Charley Miller one each. The last one the boys chased they failed to get so there is at least one at large yet.

Mrs. N. Muckle met with a painful accident yesterday, there was a heavy sleet here yesterday and Mrs. Muckle having occasion to go out in the yard, slipped and fell, fracturing a rib. A physician was called from Oregon City. At this writing Mrs. Muckle is resting as easy as could be expected.

Redland.

REDLAND, Jan. 14.—Quite a number of our people have been on the sick list mostly bad colds with a few light attacks of la grippe.

Most every one is jubilant over the turn the weather has taken and hope it will continue for some time.

A panther killed a yearling calf for Mr. Kamuscher Tuesday last and ate nearly all of it up. Looks as if it was pretty hungry. People owning sheep may do well to keep a sharp lookout for those vermins are very fond of fresh mutton.

Mrs. Mary Tomblson is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. Sprague of this place.

The children of Dist. 75, have an excellent program billed for next Friday.

The Epworth league of the M. E. church held their annual election of officers last Sunday, the following were elected: D. H. Mosher, president; G. Behimer, 1st vice-president; Miss H. F. Wilcox, 2d vice-president; Miss Maude Stone, 3d vice-president; Fred Purn, 4th vice-president; L. Funk, secretary and treasury.

Professor Chas. Rutherford has organized a singing school at this place. All are invited to come and learn what they can. Instruction free.

D. H. Mosher spent one evening last week visiting his friend Chas. Rutherford at Viola. Harry is now attending school in Dist. No 75.

Quarterly conference for this circuit will be held at Viola 22, 23 of this month.

Services at the M. E. church 1st and 4th Sundays, league every 2d, 4th and 5th Sundays. Sunday school every Sunday at 10 o'clock. An invitation is extended to all.

L. Mosher, who has been on the U. S. snag-boat, Mathloma, for the past six months is expected home tomorrow.

Bert Sprague is at present visiting with his sister, Mrs. N. Collins, of East Portland.

The following officers and teachers were elected for the coming year for the Redland M. E. Sunday school: C. V. Schifitz, superintendent; Mrs. W. D. Bellshaw, assistant superintendent; Gilmore Behmer, secretary and treasurer.

The cold weather did no damage to the grain, as was reported by some.

Leeter Sprague, of Stone, spent Friday evening with his grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Sprague. Homer Rowen also of Stone spent Friday with his friend, E. Lind.

Grandma Berkeley has been quite sick for the past few days. Mrs. I. Berkeley,

who has been spending the winter with relatives in Pennsylvania, will arrive home in a few days.

Sandy.

SANDY, Jan. 17.—Adam Kotzman is sick with pneumonia.

John Foster is confined to his home with a severe attack of pleurisy.

Miss Alice McGugin has returned to Portland.

August Hornicke, and Albon Meinig have gone to Shene creek, near Salmon river, to work in their mines.

The snow has disappeared and the mountain streams are high.

Dover will have a new church, A. J. Kitmiller donates the required lot.

The citizens here highly approve of the action of the county court in increasing the road tax; in this way compelling speculators in real estate to assist in building roads by which all are benefited.

J. R. Duncan has been using powder in removing stumps from his farm with great saving of labor and money.

Louis Eri left for Idaho last week, where he has a good position

Dover.

DOVER, Jan. 9.—Everyone seems to be enjoying good health except a few with bad colds.

The people of this vicinity are preparing to celebrate James DeShazer's birthday on the 17th of this month.

Mr. Bowman and wife were visiting Mr. Nelson's last Sunday.

W. M. Eaubion is visiting with relatives of this place.

J. L. Robertson, is having his bees moved from Mr. Cassidy's to Jacob DeShazer's, at Firwood.

P. Kitmiller caught a live coon in his trap on Jones' creek.

Jacob DeShazer and wife were the guests of Joseph DeShazer and family Sunday.

W. M. Faubion has set up a shoe-making shop in Dover. Give him a call.

Milwaukie.

MILWAUKIE, Jan. 10.—Mr. James G. Wilson died at his home last Saturday evening at the age of 50 years. His brother, Roger Wilson, was among those at his bedside. He was an honored citizen, a loving and kind hearted father. He had lived here with his family eight years. He leaves a widow, an aged mother one brother, two daughters, four sons and a host of friends. The deceased was buried today at Lone Fir cemetery. Rev. Dr. Boyd, of Portland, conducted the funeral service.

Mrs. David Keller fell a few days ago and fractured two ribs. Dr. Sommers, of Oregon City is attending her.

There were three medals captured at the Omaha exposition by the citizens of Milwaukie, as follows: P. J. Henneman and sons, gold medal, for evaporated onions and desiccated potatoes, Mr. R. Scott, silver medal on samples of Cotswall wool from his fine sheep and Mr. F. Brotje, silver medal for nine varieties of grapes preserved in liquid. These were the only medals secured in the county.

Miss Annie Wilson returned home Monday evening from Chicago owing to the illness of her father. She was called home unexpectedly.

Almes Items

Winter has come to stay a while with us.

There will be preaching at the school-house tomorrow morning by Rev. Yost, of Troutdale.

Mrs. Joseph Bramhall has been quite sick for the past week.

George Ward is still on the sick list.

Miss Ada Wakefield has returned home after a pleasant visit with friends in Troutdale.

Miss Lida Bramhall is visiting at her aunts, Mrs. H. C. Tabke, in Portland.

Henry Fritz came home to spend a week; he is working at Orient.

J. J. Elmer is fencing in his place; he has quite a number of men at work helping him.

Ora Hickman and wife are visiting his parents, J. A. Hickman.

Three of Seigle White's children have been quite sick for a week with colds and fever.

New Era Notes.

The New Era Literary Society gave an entertainment including a Basket social, followed by a ball at Anthony's Hall, on Saturday Eve., which was a success both socially and financially, the net proceeds being \$24.50, which will be applied toward the purchase of an Organ to be placed in the New Era public school.

The following was the program for the evening: Song by School.

Dumb Bell Drill, Comedietta—Her Only fault, Cast:—Mrs. Strand, Maggie Wickham, Dr. Strand, Frank McArthur; Kitty, (the girl) Katie Newburg; Uncle Bliffer, Elmer Vetetoe.

Recitation.....Miss Alice McArthur.

Dialogue.....Getting a Photograph.

Cast:—Cousin Joshua, Bert McArthur, Felina, Hattie Dnlak, Arminia, Bertha Likes, Mr. Camera, the photographer, Walter Meade.

Dialogue—Frank McArthur, Walter Meade.

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Katie, the eight year old daughter of B. Frederick met with quite a serious accident while hunting eggs in the loft the barn. She fell head foremost to the lower floor, fracturing her skull. She is, however, in a fair way to recovery.

C. H. Foster, Jr., a former resident of New Era, now of Dayton, Washington, has been visiting friends and relatives here and at Eugene. He took the train for Dayton last Sunday.

Potatoes are moving quite lively from here. Over 1500 sacks having been shipped from here to San Francisco, during the past week.

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THE SLY POLAR BEAR.

How He Gets His Dinner of Seal or Walrus Meat.

In his native home the polar bear does not often meet with small boys anxious to treat him to buns and other dainties. The consequence is that bruin has to devise many curious ways of securing his food, and none is more strange and interesting than that related by two trustworthy travelers in Greenland, that country of strange sights.

They have known the polar bear to take a stone or a huge lump of ice in his fore paws and from a favorable height, as a cliff or a precipitous ice hill, to hurl the missile down upon the head of a walrus, an enormous brute often twice the size of the bear, and to stun him that bruin could rush in and complete the destruction at his leisure, thus securing a month's rations.

The most usual food of the ice bear, as the Germans very appropriately call this beast, is the common seal of the arctic regions. The latter is the warlike animal of the north, and both Eskimo and polar bear need their best strategy to catch it.

In the summer time, when the snow is off the ice of the ocean shore and islets, the seals can be plainly seen as black dots on the ice, probably asleep, but always near their holes, which lead down through the thick ice to the water below, and into which they can throw themselves by the least movement. Bruin, seeing one afar, walks up as near as he deems safe and then begins crawling on his wary prey.

The seal, if the weather be sunny and pleasant, takes short naps, relieved by shorter moments when it is scanning the vicinity for signs of an enemy's approach. During these times the bear is very quiet and as still as death itself, with eyes apparently closed, though really a corner of each is kept open, and in this way he hopes the seal will take him for a heap of snow, an appearance which his coat readily helps him to assume.

During the naps he creeps forward with greater or less rapidity, according to his nearness to the seal and consequent fear of being heard or seen. When but 10 or 12 yards away, and the seal is in the depths of a good nap, the bear rushes upon him and with a single blow of his powerful paw knocks the smaller brute senseless and so far away from the hole that he cannot escape by that way, even if the blow received is not immediately fatal.

In winter time the ice is covered with snow, and this is hollowed out by the seal into a snowhouse, covering the hole in the ice and connecting at the top of the dome with an aperture about the size of a shilling, called the blowhole, for it is through this that the seal breathes when he is in want of fresh air.

Here the bear watches for many a long hour if necessary, and when the snorts of the seal are heard he crushes in the fragile dome of the snowhouse with his paw, impaling the seal on his curved claws, and proceeds to practically demonstrate how polar bears can subsist in an arctic winter.—London Telegraph.

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