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Over eighty students have taken in the preliminary debating and oratorical contests at the Oregon Agricultural College and many more will enter before the work is completed.

Sleighs, more fearfully and wonderfully made than the summer styles in ladies' hats were evolved during the recent sleighing. Everything from a jiriksba to a droschke was represented on runners.

Miss Mary Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Allen, who are spending the winter in New York expects to attend the horticultural courses at the O. A. C. this winter, after a visit with friends in Portland, to which city she went last week.

Mrs. Marion MacRae who returned last week from Portland will leave the first of the year for a visit of some duration in Chicago, New York and the other big middle west and eastern cities. Mrs. MacRae can be relied upon to keep the advantages of Hood River before the inquiring easterners and others whom she meets.

The store windows about town were never more artistically trimmed at the holiday season than this year. Articles from peanuts to diamond rings may be seen neatly arranged to attract the bright eyes of Christmas shoppers. Hood River is noted by traveling men as having the neatest and most appropriately decorated shop windows of any town of its size they visit, and they are unusually attractive at present.

The new armory at the Oregon Agricultural College is nearing completion. It is the largest building of its kind in the West. It is 130 feet long and 60 yards wide. A regulation sized football field could be laid out under its roof. It will be a great boom to all kinds of athletics. Indications are that short courses for farmers and teachers which will commence at the Oregon Agricultural College January 4th, will be very well attended.

County Court Proceedings.

In the matter of the Post Canyon road the viewers report was accepted and the proceedings referred to the district attorney.

The Court in the case of the Chas. Davis road issued the final order for its opening. The same disposition was made of the A. T. Allen road. The services of the viewers were also accepted in regard to this road.

An application from J. A. Rumford for the correction of an error in his taxes for 1908 was received and \$10.21 ordered refunded to him.

In response to a petition the court appropriated \$250 for the improvement of the boat landing road.

A petition from S. A. Wherry for the reduction of his 1908 taxes was received and granted.

The application of Chas. Wentz in behalf of Hughes & Wentz for the final payment for transcribing the county records was refused, the court stating that full payment would not be made until the records were certified to by the county clerk.

The following claims were allowed in December term:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes Blowers Bros, mat'l roads \$ 7 60; G R Castner, salary fruit inspector Nov '09 9 50; Buffalo Steam Roller Co, mat'l roads 3 50; H J Chevron, scalp bounty 1 50; Dean & Shaw, services court house 1 10; H L Dumble, witness fees 6 00; J F Hendrick, mat'l roads 9 35; Hood River Light Co, service Nov and Dec 9 43; M L Howard, exhibit Seattle fair 5 45; Home Telephone Co, service Nov '09 7 80; Irwin Hodson Co, supplies clerk's office 30 50; Levi Chrisman, bd Wm Lane 23 57; D McDonald, mat'l road work 131 85; Mt Hood Milling Co, material 30 88; L E Morse, sheriff, incidentals 21 80

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Church Notices

Riverside Congregational Rev. W. C. Gilmore, Pastor. Worship and preaching at 11 a. m. Graded Bible school 10 a. m. Music by quartet choir, Mrs. C. H. Sletton, director. Young People's meeting, 6:45, evening service 7:30.

Belmont Methodist Church H. J. Wood, pastor. Services next Sunday as follows:—Sunday school 10 A. M.; Preaching service 11 A. M. Evening service 7:30 P. M. Prayer meeting Thursday 7:30 P. M. Everyone welcome at all services.

Christian Church A. J. Adams, pastor. Regular services each Lord's Day. Bible school at 10 a. m., sermon at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend any or all of these services.

United Brethren J. R. Parker, pastor. Regular services each Sunday as follows: Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. a. m. Young People's meeting 6:45 p. m. Midweek prayer service every Wednesday night at 7:30. The public generally invited to all services.

Baptist Rev. C. A. Nutley, pastor. Sunday school 9:50 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Young People's meeting at 7 o'clock. The regular weekly services are Young People's meeting Tuesday evening, mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday evening, Ladies Aid society Thursday afternoon.

Unitarian Rev. Arthur Hayes Sargent. Regular morning service at the Unitarian church at 11 a. m., Sunday school at 9:45. Vesper service at 5 p. m. Everybody is welcome to both the Sunday school and preaching services. Topic of the morning sermon "Victory out of Defeat." The sermon to children will be on "Endless Progress." The vesper service will be conducted by Mrs. Dolinson. Topic, "Religious Education." The Sunday school festival will be Friday evening, Dec. 24th at 7:30.

Methodist Episcopal T. B. Ford, pastor, Residence 616 State street. At home every forenoon and Thursday afternoon. Sunday services: Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening, 7:30 o'clock.

The topic for next Sunday evening is "The Return of the Price of Blood and Its Application Today, or The Tragedy of Remorse." At 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon the Holy Communion will be administered to the children. Special instructions will also be given. The Christmas exercises with old Santa and his Christmas joys will be given at the church Friday night.

Card of Thanks We wish to thank the good people of Hood River and the valley for their assistance and help rendered us while in distress during the illness of Mrs. Bittick and the disasters of the fire. Your friends Mr. and Mrs. O. E. BITTICK.

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Mosier Issues Booklet.

The Commercial Club of Mosier is distributing a very handsome and well gotten up booklet which will be productive of much good to this rapidly developing district. B. E. Duncan who is making a specialty of Mosier lands has a large number of these pamphlets which he is distributing to those interested in the Mosier country.

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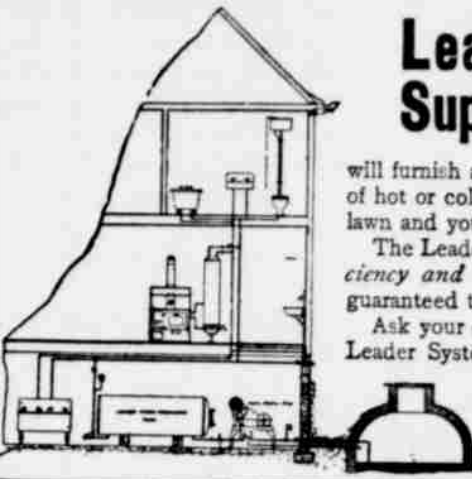
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