# SANTA'S MAIL GIVES **CLERKS RECORD JOB**

Rush Starts Earlier Than in Former Years and Stations Are Like Bee Hives.

LIKE MOUNTAINS

Three Hundred Bags for Coos Bay Alone Await Shipment-Office Force and Carriers Increased and Congestion Unlikely.

With the beginning of the new week interday started the usual Christman colling rush at the Portland post-

dieared through Uncle Sam's big letter and package mart during the Tuletide meek is going to be larger than that of any provious year is already appar-

Postmuster Myers said yesterday that the people are mailing their gifts ear-lier this year. For instance, yesterday's tonnage of suturing postal matter was larger than staturday and greater than that for the same days in 1915, scounding to Post-master Myers.

Every day until Thursday will show an inoccase. Friday and Saturday will

see a decresse. No congestion is antic-

There are regularly employed at the Glinan-street postal depot about 120 lmen It is here that all the mail that comes into and cose out of Portland is handled including the parcels poet. Twenty-five exira men were put on libers restorday. Others will be added daily until Thursday.

Similar increases will be made at the main postoffice and all branches. Some 175 carriers cover Portland daily.

There will be 210 or more during the beliday season. Five hundred thousand letters and

eards are now handled daily by the Portland postoffice. On ordinary days about 150,000 pieces a day are han-

about locate disease and a station is the busiest hive in Fortland. The force is working night and day in three shifts. Wagons and auto trucks have abilts.

Stacked up temporarily at the depot daily now mill be hundreds and hun-dreds of mail bags. Three hundred sacks are waiting for the Coos Bay boat Tuesday. They are destined for Coos Bay and points in that vicinity. By Tuesday the amount may be doubled. Another mountain-high stack of sacks represents the accumulation of sacks represents the accumulation of only a few hours. It is only part of the day's accumulation of parcel post

# CLARK HOTEL IS RAIDED

WILL WARREN HEADS MORAL SQUAD TO CAPTURE EIGHT.

Police Lieutenant Promises Mure Invasious if Conditions Elsewhere Are Not Improved.

en the Clark Hotel, Tenth and Stark atreets, early yesterday morning eight of rooms in that hostelry were taken into custody. In a previous raid more than a score of persons were arrested.

Hosa Babcock, whose residence at 188 Clay street recently was closed by abatement proceedings, was arrested with Charles Gray, and both were charged with immeral conduct. Vagtie Brown, Laura Alexander, Maxine Weston and Helen Anderson, and H. Smalley and Samuel Burnett will face accusations of disorderly conduct when they appear in Municipal Court feday. Pulles Lieutenant Harms and Patrol-man Martin, of the moral squad; Sercant Celener and Patrolmen Willett, schan, Wright, Powell, Anundsen and cuening conducted the raid. W. H. secretary to the Mayor, as-

detal The officers.
Manager Clark professed great sur fries that any questionable charac-ter were stopping at his hotel, main-taining that he firmly believed that he had succeeded in cleaning out all un-desirables after the previous raid. Ac-cording to Mr. Warren, several of those arrested said that they did not believe Mr. Clark was aware of all that was

won't be the last arrest, if several hotels, not har from the Clark, the not 'clean up' on short notice," said Lieutenant Harms yesterday, "We have had other places under surveillance for some time, and if there are not radical changes made, more arresta will away 'ellow."

Passes Away at Tillamook.

Wa her who crossed the plains in

Martin Walker was born in Columbia For years he was employed by or he was engaged in commercial fishing outli his death.

He leaves a brother, P. P. Walker, of this city, and a sister, Mrs. Martha Or-Fineral services will be held this afternoon at I o'clock at the undertak-ing establishment of A. R. Zellar Co.

The Bues Canal rather than London the real heart of Great Britain and that waterway she has virtually cut the British Empire in two, declared only to those who have fully satisfied the Feducation of Turkey, Rev. Wit. But John said, was foretold in the sixtenth chapter of Revelations, when under the sixth places the Biver Ruphrates, which he said is the symbol used for the Turkish power, is dried up to prepare the way for the Kings of the East to come up against Jerumisem near where the battle of Armageddon is to be fought.

The serthen next Sunday night at the same hall will be the last before Bev. Mr. St. John leaves for Chicago.

The general subject of the conference was "Co-operation Among the Germany can secure possession of

The United States geological survey last to mind in each discussion. Dr. Foster. Navant and the Canal sons. of Reed College, president of the con-

TONS OF CHRISTMAS CHEER PILED UP IN ONE CORNER OF DISTRIBUTING POSTAL STATION ON GLISAN STREET.



(1) A Tier of Parcel Post Bags Piled 15 Feet High. It is Only One Installment. As Soon as 16 Clerks Work It Up.
Another Pile Just as High Will Be There. (2) Ten Tons of Sacked Christmas Mail Waiting in the GlisanStreet Postal Depot to Be Forwarded by Boat to Coos Bay. (3) Truck Delivering Groceries. Hardware and All
Sorts of Stuff at the Postal Depot to Be Sent Parcel Post to Outside Town s.

# FOOTBALL HELD EVIL

Faculties of Non-Conference Colleges Favor Abolition.

VOTE RESULT UNANIMOUS

Schools Propose to Put All Scholarships on Co-operative Plan to Do Away With Bidding for Athletic Stars.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., Dec. 19 .- (Spe-Resident of Purtland Many Years and does not encourage friendly relations between schools." In these words

District Attorney 1 Tellows 1 Tellow tions between schools." In these words the conference of the faculties of the privately-supported colleges of Oregon wary 1 for infractions of the liquor law expressed disapproval of intercollegi-Martin Grant Walker, resident of expressed disapproval of intercollegi-are functional to the life, and functionally to recommend to the individual schools of at the age of Si. He was a sun of Willrecommend to the individual schools of the conference the abolition of this

The conference met Friday and saturday in McMinnville.

Another question which called for considerable discussion was "Shall the privately-endowed colleges grant no larvae.

This species awarms in "Nothing could be kinder." "Maybe a half long. This species awarms in "Nothing could be kinder." "Maybe as a lestroyer of mosquito did he, just to show me he had a kind heart."" privately-endowed colleges grant no free scholarships except on a co-operative plan, whereby the scholarships are awarded to high schools by the group FALL OF TURK PREDICTED

Rev. Mr. St. John Says Revelations

Foretold Destruction.

Englishment of A. R. Zellar Co.

of colleges, and each student left to choose his colleges. Such a policy, it was held, would tend to eliminate the present "bidding" of colleges for high school athletes and would place all such colleges on an equal and fair basis. A committee was appointed to formulate plans formulate definite and complete plans for the adoption of such a system of conference scholarships.

Hereafter the State Department of Public Instruction of Oregon will grant certificates to teach in high schools

The general subject of the confer-Hev. Mr. St. John leaves for Chicago, ence was "Co-operation Among the Colleges of Oregon," and this was held in mind in each discussion. Dr. Foster.

ulties and presidents of Reed College Pacific College, Willamette University, Albany, Pacific University, Philomath College and McMinnville College. Dr. L. W. Riley, of McMinnville Col-ege, was elected president of the con-erence for the ensuing year. With him were elected Dr. Epley, of Philomath College, as vice-president, and Profes-sor F. G. Franklin, of Albany College. as secretary. The next annual meet-

MARSHFIELD. Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—As January 1 approaches the determination of Marshileld liquor dealers to rid themselves of stock is noticeable in countless advertisements appearing in the local newspapers. One firm is running half-page advertisements. Another firm, the National Bottling Works reports heavy business nounced he will be looking about January 1 for infractions of the liquor law and expects to presecute vigorously.

Many plan to have at least six months' supplies on hand.

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Smallest Fresh-Water Fish.

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Indianapolis News.

What is believed the smallest fresh-water fish in the world has been carried to New York from Haiti. When full grown it is less than an inch and hospital after he ran you down." "Yes."

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# ference, had a splendid programme pre-pared. About 40 delegates were present in the conference, which included the fac-

SHINGLE PLANT, EMPLOYING 20, PROPOSED BY L. C. REYNOLDS.

Delegation Expected to Lobby at Eugene for \$17,000 Worth of Construction on Roads.

LIQUOR PATRONS STOCK UP

Marshfield Dealers Report Heavy

Trade in "Futures."

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Tender of the Studies Report of the plant at full capacity was announced today by L. C. Reynolds, formerly of Coos Bay. Construction on the plant will be commenced as soon as a location can be selected and two are under consideration, one on an old mill afte a mile west of Florence and the other at Cushiman, the most west
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annual taxpayers' meeting to lobby for the construction of more than \$17,000 worth of road on the Siuslaw River.

Every American City of Any Size or Prominence Has Its

Hof Brau

-always noted for a certain distinctive individuality.

126 Break Through Snow to Peak to See Sunrise.

LIGHTS UP WAY

Movie Operator Grinds Away While Mountain Climbers Disport on Summit and Make Way Back Down Trail to Train.

The largest crowd of Mazamas that has ever climbed any mountain at one time, 126 persons in all, ascended Larch Mountain early yesterday morning and returned to the city last night. Every one of the men and women who started on the journey arrived at the top, and the feat of the Mazamas surprised even themselves.

themselves.

Two special cars were tacked onto the O.-W. R. & N. train that left the Union depot at Portland midnight Saturday and carried the Maxamas to Multnomah Falls, where they disembarked and started on their climb to the top of the mountain. Show was en-

the top of the mountain. Snow was en-countered at the top of the falls. About half of those in the party had anowshoes, and these composed the ad-vance guard that "broke trail" for the rest. The snow increased in depth from an inch when first encountered to four feet on the top of the mountain. The trail-breakers were on top by 5:30 A. M., just four hours after they started, and an hour later all the 126 persons were on top. Breakfast was then served, the mountain climbers viewed the scenery for a while and returned to the falls in plenty of time for the local train that arrived in Port-

land at 5:30 last night,
J. G. Sill, a moving picture operator,
accompanied the Mazamas and took
several hundred feet of film on top of the mountain. The pictures will be dis-played at one of the local theaters. On the ascent the party had the advantage of traveling by moonlight, but on its arrival at the summit fog was encountered that obstructed view of the sunrise.

Yesterday's tour was made under the direction of W. W. Evans, the leader designated by the Mazamas. R. H. Atkinson, city passenger agent for the O.-W. R. & N. Company, had charge of the transportation.

"THE BARGAIN HUNTERS" IS FARCE THAT DRAWS LAUGHS.

Feature Dances and Special Song Numbers Are Big Hit of New Dillon and King Play.

Mike and Ike, with more money than business sense, buy a poor-paying busi-ness, and the situations resulting from their ignorance of the inner workings of a department store furnish most of the laughs in "The Bargain Hunters," this week's offering at the Lyric. But as the purchase of the store enables its former owner to marry the girl of his choice, their business muddle is of

ome use.
The feature of the entire skit is the dances that conclude the performance.
With an opening, "Bring Along Your
Dancing Shoes," sung by the everpopular Charlie Reilly, five feature
dances are contributed by members of the chorus, and a sixth is contributed by Ben T. Dillon, who dances a clog. Teddy La Due and Anita Oakley offer a "rube" number. Jessie Reed and Flo Cunningham give a buck dance an Irish turn. Addie Beer and Lottie Fletcher have a number breathing of old Virginia, and the Ellis sisters, dain-tily clad and ever graceful, delight with a Spring dance.

with a Spring dance.

"Loading the Mandy Lee," sung by Grace Allen and chorus; "Fascinating Widow," by Vera Lawrence and chorus, and "Garden of the Gods," which displays to the best effect the voice of Frank Harrington, in which he is assisted by the Columbia quartet, are musical numbers that drew frequent encores at both performances vesterencores at both performances yesterday.

Moving pictures precede the musical

His Christmas Shopping.

Bobby (doing his Christmas shopping)—I would like to buy a bottle of fumery for mamma. Clerk—All right, my boy. What odor do you prefer? EUGENE, Or., Dec. 19.—(Special.)— my boy. What odor do you prefer? shingle mill on the Siuslaw River to Bobby—Oh, I think—I think—gingerbread.

MAZAMAS ON LARCH Save 298 Green Trading Stamps And Choose Valuable Premiums Free of Cost

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Dependable Merchandise

## Send a Box of Dri-Fresh Fruit to Your Friends

Charges Will Be Prepaid to All Points in the United States-Except in Extreme South

Grocery Dept., Fourth Floor-Incomparable Oregon Fruits put up under the new Dri-Fresh method-why not send a box to your Eastern friends or relatives? Charges prepaid except to extreme South. OREGON LOGANBERRIES | ASSORTED BOX of Dri-Fresh and Table PRUNES, box \$1.50 | Fruits on sale today, box \$2.50

## Extra Fancy Hood River Apples

Hood River Apples, 24 to the Extra Fancy Hood River Apples, for mail-\$1.00 ples, large box. \$2.50 price, box.....\$2.50

### For the Christmas Spread

Figs. Dates, Nuts. Raisins, Oranges, Mincemeat, Plum Pudding, Sweet Gider, Boiled Cider, Currants, Orange Peel, Lemon Peel, Stuffed Dates, Imported and Domestic Cheese, Olives, etc.

## All Cut Glass 20% Off

Department Third Floor

Third Floor-Famous "Libbey" | \$ 4.00 Oil, Vinegar Jug \$3.20 Cut Glass also included in this sale. Perfect cutting. Brilliant designs. Choose gifts now. \$5.50 Sugar and Creamer \$4.49 \$5.00 Bowls, 8-inch size, \$4.00 \$5.00 Spoon Trays, now \$4.00 \$5.00 Relish Dishes, now \$4.00

\$ 4.50 Cut Glass Plates \$3.60 \$ 2.50 Cut Glass Nappies \$2.00 \$ 3.00 Handled Jelly Dish \$2.40 \$ 8.00 Cut Glass Basket \$6.40 \$10.00 Water Pitcher, for \$8.00 \$10.00 Cut Gl'ss Decanter \$8.00 And hundreds of other pieces \$4.50 Cut Glass Vases for \$3.60 | suitable for Christmas gifts.

### Casseroles 20 % Off

\$1.25 Casseroles, special 98c \$2.00 Casseroles, special \$1.58 \$2.25 Casseroles, special \$1.79 \$2.50 Casseroles, special \$1.98 \$4.00 Casseroles with white lin-

\$5.50 Casserole with decorated white lining, special at \$4.40 \$7 C'sserole, white lining, \$5.60 40c Ramequins and stand 32c 75c Ramequins and stand 60c ing, priced special, each \$3.20 | 50c Custard Cups, stand 40c

### Dresden China at 1/3 Off

\$3.25 Spoon Trays, now \$2.16 | \$5.25 Candlestick now at \$3.50 
\$2.25 Covered Bonbons at \$1.50 | \$6.75 Open-work Basket \$4.50 
\$2.75 Handled Basket at \$1.83 | \$6.75 Footed Comport for \$4.50 
\$7.50 Handled Basket at \$5.00 | \$8.50 Footed Comport at \$5.67

## Special Showing Minton China

MINTON is known to every buyer of China as the world's best. Many new articles on display-everything for the table. Large selection of dainty gift pieces at low prices.

## Marble Busts, Figures, 4 Off

\$14.00 Marble Busts \$10.50 | \$ 55.00 Marble Groups \$41.25 \$25.00 Marble Busts \$18.75 | \$125.00 Marble Groups \$93.75

See special display of Electrical Goods suitable for Xmas gifts. Brass Goods 20 per cent off; Smokers' Articles 20 per cent off. All Desk Furnishings 20 per cent off; Desk Pads now at 1/2 price.

THREE ESCAPE ENCIRCLING LINES AFTER LOOTING BANK

Bloodhounds Are Placed on Trail, but Highwaymen Have Big Lead in Race Through Woods.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 19 .- The thre nen who participated in the robbery of the Duvall State Bank last night and who were believed to have been surtown, succeeded in eluding the posse

suers that the officers had little hope of overtaking them.

The body of the fourth robber, who, killed in a pistol fight on the bank of the Snoqualmie River, has not been found. The robber jumped or fell into the stream and caught hold of a fence-

post to keep himself above water. While he was in this position 13 shots were fired at him and he was seen to fall back into the stream. Members of the posse are certain that he was killed. They believe the body is entangled in the wires of a fence to which he was clinging.

The Perfect Woman.

Indianapolis News. Dimensions and description of the rounded in the woods a mile outside the perfect woman as approved by a New York sculptor: Height, 5 feet 7 inches; searching for them and escaped early weight, 147 pounds; color of hair, coday. Bloodhounds from the state reformatory at Monroe were taken to Duvall today and placed on the trail of the fleeing highwaymen, but the men had obtained such a lead over their pur-, of glove, 61; size of shoe, 315

# Notice to the Public:

We, the undersigned members of the Retail Meat Market Men's Association, desire to submit to the public the actual facts concerning the difference now existing between the UNION MEAT CUTTERS and

The Union Meat Cutters are unconsciously being exploited by certain so-called Labor Leaders, and have declared us to be unfair to Organized Labor, thereby proving themselves unfair, as they state to the public that they are contending for a ten-hour day, while the real fact is that the half hour contended for is mere subterfuge, and they fully understand that we cannot concede this and do justice to our customers, who require their meats delivered by 6:30 and 7 o'clock in the morning.

Between the hours of 5:00 o'clock and 6:00 o'clock P. M. is also our busy time and all of our men must be on duty at that time.. The Union demands a straight 10-hour day, which is impractical to us for the reason that the man who works at 6:00 A. M. must quit work at 5:00 P. M., just when we need him for the evening hours.

We could have conceded even an hour outside of the rush hours, thereby granting the 10-hour day and more, but this would not suffice, as the Walking Delegate will not be satisfied unless we permit him to run our business and he dictate the terms, but we know of nothing in the constitution of this state, or of the United States, that obligates us to concede our rights of citizenship to any Walking Delegate, many of whom may not even be citizens of this country.

We positively refuse to transfer our business to IRRESPONSIBLE AGITATORS, and in the future our business will be absolutely conducted on the OPEN-SHOP Plan, which involves a principle and not a con-

We will not, however, discriminate against any wage-earner by reason of any affiliation with Labor Organizations, as we make EFFICIENCY the basis of wages and employment, and not the possession of a

WE BELIEVE IN THE PUBLIC, and that they should know the facts, inasmuch as false statements have been made against us, and all we ask is that the PUBLIC investigate and accord us the patronage which our position as fair-minded business men and taxpayers deserves, and we respectfully request that the public take no action against any member of our association by reason of BOYCOTT BANNERS, as we should all be held equally to blame or blameless AS INVESTIGATION determines, and no member fa-

vored against the other. The fair-minded public should investigate the persons or merchants who join the Union as "Silent Partners" by inaugurating a boycott against us by refusing to buy from Open Shop Members, this boycott being the most reprehensible of all and should find no favor with the public. The names of these parties be given to the public, so it might know who the y are. Respectfully,

GEO. L. PARKER.

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