

NEW STAMP IS PRINTED

Parcels Post Stamps Will Measure One by One and a Half Inches, and Will be in Two Colors.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Winter styles in postage stamps were announced by the Post Office Department. Art and bulk intermingle in the newest of Uncle Sam's paper squares, which now are being run from the presses in the government's printing office, so as to be ready to go into service when the new Parcels Post act becomes operative on January 1. There are two color schemes, red stamps for the general use of the public, and green, to be known as "due" stamps, designed merely to witness collection of postage on short paid matter of the fourth class.

The stamps with which the parcel mailers among the general public will struggle will be red for all denominations, and will measure one by one and half inches between the perforation lines. The stamps now in use for ordinary mailing purposes are only seven-eighths by three-quarters of an inch.

In a curved panel across the top of the new stamps, supported by a penciled perpendicular column at either end, will be engraved the words, "U. S. Parcels Post." The upper corners will be occupied by triangular ornaments. Large numerals in the lower corners will indicate the stamp denominations. The only difference in the "due" stamps will be in the color.

The art work on the stamps will vary according to the price paid for them. The illustrative subjects will be as follows: One cent stamp, post office clerk, two cent city mail carrier; three cent, railway postal clerk; four cent, rural carrier; five cent, mail train; ten cent, steamship and mail tender; fifteen cent, automobile service; twenty cent, aeroplane carrying mail; twenty-five cent, manufacturing; fifty cent, dairying; seventy-five cent, harvesting; \$1, fruit growing.

Ordinary postage stamps will not be accepted as postage on fourth class mail matter after January 1. Neither will parcels post stamps be valid for payment for postage of the first, second and third classes.

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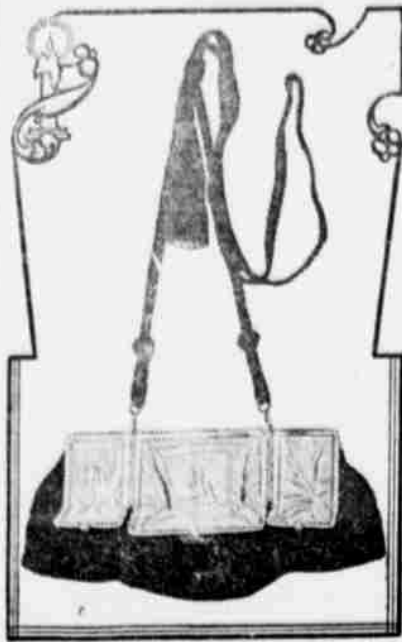
County Clerk Watson issued the following marriage licenses during the week:

Ray W. Hedgpath and Sadie Cooper, both of Bandon.
Alex. Stonelake and Elizabeth A. Steinlechner, both of Templeton.
Coquille Herald.

Daily Christmas Hint

A Gift Milady of the Limousine Will Like

A convenient limousine novelty is to be seen in the illustration which the lucky woman who owns her own car



THE NEW LIMOUSINE BAG.

will be glad to receive on Christmas morning.

The large center pocket will hold various belongings, and the side pockets are for vanity trinkets and handkerchiefs.

Five Days to Christmas

Dec. 20

Did You Ever Get Left?
Well, You Will if You Don't Do That Christmas Shopping at Once. That Means Right Off—This Minute—NOW.

Saturday Xmas Sale

This Will Be Absolutely the Strongest Special Holiday Offering

Ever Staged on Coos Bay



Seven-Piece Imported China Salad Sets—six beautiful and exclusive patterns, regular \$2.50 values, Saturday's Xmas Sale price the set, **99c**

Supply Limited to 100 sets. Come early—our Christmas line is still complete. Come to the Peoples' Store where the people like to trade—"Always Something New."

Peoples' 5-10-15c Store



DUBIE GAY

—BY—
BOB STANLEY

I know a man named "Dubie Gay." He never lets his temper stray. He wears around a happy grin and always pushes out his fin to give each one a hearty shake—and, somehow you just have to take his big old paw and grip it tight because he makes the day more bright. He meets you when you're feeling sick, and says: "Old boy, you are a brick. I never saw you look so well, although I hear you've had a spell of grip, or mumps, or rheumatiz, but you don't show it in your phiz. So, when old Dubie passes on, you're changed from weak to man of brawn. He hears that you are down in luck—that by misfortune you've been struck, and then the old scout hunts you up and says, "My boy, let's go and sup upon the fatness of this land. You're not knocked out. Get up and stand." When Dubie gets you thus in tow, your knocked-out feeling has to go.

I often think about this man who brings to Tom, and Dick and Dan some joy that drives away their woe and makes dull days with brightness glow, and then I wonder why we, all, don't lift our brothers when they fall, and help them through each weary mile, like Dubie, with a jovial smile. But, still, we're busy with our dreams. We have no time to scatter beams of brightness for our neighbor's way. We're not all built like Dubie Gay.

HEARD ON THE STREETS

"A great many improvements over the present telephone service are promised during the next two years by Improvement, telephone men," said a traveling man. "I was talking with an official of the Bell service in another city several days ago, and he predicted that the next two years would see some marked changes for the better. The present switchboard has outlived its usefulness and has been put into the background by better, modernized equipment. One trouble with the present switchboard is that the telephone girl keeps her eyes riveted on the lights near the bottom of the board. The person having a number near the top is not noticed so readily. He waits. One of the inconveniences which sometimes cause much complaint is telephone operators. It is not always an easy task to get employes that are alert and prompt. In some parts of the country the automatic phone finds much favor. The automatic phone is all right when it works. Sometimes it does not work. After you have fiddled around with an automatic phone and received no answer your patience becomes exhausted. There may be no one at the other end, but it is a relief to use a phone on which there is somebody to assure you that 'party don't answer.' In some cities the service is better than in others. San Francisco has a better service than Marshfield. This may be due to the fact that San Francisco has both the Bell and the Home or automatic service. Two systems in a town, however, are a nuisance and a financial burden.

MILLIONAIRES' WIVES MUST SERVE UPON JURY
INDEPENDENCE, Kan., Dec. 20.—Twelve of the wealthiest and most prominent women of this city were summoned to serve on a jury in the case of James Blue, charged with firing a shot through the window of an interurban car, near here, endangering the lives of the passengers. Among the women summoned are the wives of two millionaire oil operators, two bankers' wives and two suffragist leaders.

WILL START LUMBER MILL

Porter Bros. Plan to Get Busy on the Sluslaw.

FLORENCE, Or., Dec. 19.—The large Porter Bros. mill at Florence which has not so much as tooted a whistle in a year and a half, is again reported as going to start up.

The Porters have bought several acres of waterfront up the river from the mill. This belonged to William Kyle & Sons, and it has for some time been known that the future of the mill depended on whether the Porters got this land. Kyle & Sons asked several thousand dollars more for this land than the Porters were willing to pay, and Kyle & Sons suggested the people of Florence pay the difference, a proposition that was almost unanimously rejected.

It was then reported that the mill might possibly be removed. But last Saturday, after several weeks' negotiations, the deal for the land was closed, and recently one of the Porters, said that the mill would be enlarged to a capacity of about 180,000 feet.

Logging has been steadily going on at the head of the Sluslaw all fall, several million feet being already in the water.

CHARITY BALL IS CENSORED

Spokane Ministers Stop 'Bunny Hug' and Police Fashionable Dance.
SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 20.—A well defined line between what he called "orthodox" and "sidewheel" dances was drawn by Very Rev. William C. Hicks, dean of All Saints' Episcopal cathedral, when he ordered stopped the dancing of the "Bunny Hug," the "Cubanola Glide," "the Grizzly Bear" and other "rag" dances at a fashionable charity bazaar given at a local hotel.

Finding that his prohibition was disregarded, when his eyes were not upon the dancers, Dean Hicks and Cannon Gross patrolled the ball-rooms of the hotel until the last dance was over.

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GIVE A LEAP YEAR BANQUET

Surviving Bachelors of California Town Will Celebrate.

FERNDALE, Cal., Dec. 19.—Tuesday night, December 31, during the last few hours of the year 1912 the bachelors of Ferndale who are over 30 years of age will be hosts at a unique banquet at the American hotel, a dinner of thanksgiving for having escaped the matrimonial nets of designing maidens during leap year.

Bachelors from other parts of the county will be invited to attend and join in the feast of thanksgiving for being allowed to continue the enjoyment of unwedded bliss.

It is reported that the girls are tentatively planning to raid the banquet hall, armed with hatpins and preachers, determined to have husbands at any cost, but the bachelors are not fearful as they intend to have several large mice chained in the doorway.

Judge Ben Hiller will officiate as master of ceremonies.

BONEBRAKE IS NAMED.

Becomes Acting Supervisor of the Umpqua National Forest.

The Roseburg News says. Smith C. Bartrum, supervisor of Umpqua National Forest, accompanied by Mrs. Bartrum and their children, left last night for Portland where he was called by the United States district forester. Mr. Bartrum has been in the forest service for over 13 years and is the oldest supervisor in point of years in the service in the entire United States. His long experience has no doubt had much to do with his selection by the government for this important work. During his absence from the office here his place will be taken by George Bonebrake, who has recently been promoted from the position of deputy supervisor. Mr. Bonebrake is well qualified to fill the position having been in the forest work for a number of years under Mr. Bartrum.

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AN OCCUPATION TAX PLANNED

Roseburg to Impose Special License on Business Houses Now.

ROSEBURG, Dec. 19.—The council is planning to impose an occupation tax on practically all kinds of business here to meet the city's current expenses. The charter limitations will not enable the council to levy a heavy enough general tax to meet the city's expenses next year. In addition to the license usually levied in the city, an annual occupation tax is proposed, as follows:

- Nursery stock agents, \$50; boot agents, per day, \$10; banks, \$50; boot black stands, \$10; contractors, \$10; fruit packing houses, \$20; ice companies, \$50; ice factory, \$50; cold storage, \$50; pool and billiard halls, \$50; sporting goods, \$75; spray manufacturers, \$25; wholesale tobacco stores, \$25; vaudeville performances, \$2.50; theaters, \$50; cents admission, \$10 per month; theaters, over five cents admission, \$15 per month; hardware stores, \$40; keeping harness, \$10 extra; bakeries, \$10, keeping confectionery, \$5 extra; drug stores, without whiskey, \$40, with whiskey, \$100; with building materials, \$50; printing establishments without newspaper, \$15, with newspaper, \$25, \$100; brewery and ice, \$75; clothes cleaning, \$10; furniture store, \$40; gas stables, \$25, garage, \$50, auto parts, \$25, harness shop, \$25; Hotels, over \$1 a day, \$50, jewelry, \$25, livery stables, \$25, millinery, \$15, plumbing shops, \$20, photographer, \$50, real estate office, \$25, shooting gallery, \$25, skating rink, \$20, soda works, \$25, soda fountain, \$15, undertakers, \$25, variety stores, \$15.

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