

BOATS DELAY SANTA CLAUS

Christmas Gifts Will Likely Be Delayed Many Days—
Vessels Coming.

Santa Claus will be a little late in the delivery of some of his packages this year on Coos Bay.

It is all because the boats are not running on the right schedule for him.

The Speedwell, which was to have left San Francisco the night before last, was not able to get away until last night and so will not get in here until sometime tomorrow.

The Redondo, which was making a strenuous effort to be back here Christmas day, was unable to make it, despite the efforts of General Manager Ward M. Blake of the Inter-Ocean Transportation company, who made a special effort to accommodate Santa Claus. She will not leave San Francisco until tonight and consequently will not reach here until Thursday.

The Breakwater will also be in Thursday from Portland and bring in additional belated Christmas packages.

—Merry Christmas—

NO DECREE IN MACHADO CASE

Judge Coke Refuses to Grant Divorce to Either of Myrtle Point People.

Judge J. S. Coke yesterday afternoon held an adjourned session of the circuit court at Coquille to hand down decisions in a number of cases which were presented at the December term. The principal case up for a decision was the Machado divorce case from Myrtle Point. Judge Coke dismissed the complaint and the cross bill, leaving the marital relations of the couple the same as before the litigation started. Each was suing for a divorce and the hearing was one of the longest and most salacious that has ever marked a divorce trial

SNOWS TODAY LIKE IN EAST

Additional Reminder of Christmas for Coos Bayites from Other Climes.

Coos Bay today experienced a real touch of Christmas, or rather as Christmas is remembered by those from other climes, a real snow storm. But there wasn't enough to do Santa Claus and his reindeer steeds any good.

It was of short duration and melted almost as rapidly as it touched the ground. The great, white flakes as they fell, presented a rather pretty sight and the hillsides in the distance presented the aspect of a great field of the eastern white mistletoe.

It was the first snow of any consequence that fell this year and there was hardly enough of it to mention. A little squal with rain and some sleet preceded it.

Last year on December 28th, the government records show that three-eighths of an inch of snow fell and again in the middle of January there was a little snow.

Last night was not as cool as it has been, the thermometer registering only 35, while it was 29 above Sunday night and 28 above Saturday night.

Last night the rainfall was slightly less than a half inch, the exact government measurement showing .41 of an inch of precipitation.

Portland last Friday experienced a considerable snowfall for that section.

—Wind Does Damage.

One of the fitful gusts of wind during the brief squall this morning, blew in the large plate glass in the Oregon Power Company's office in the Coke building. Several signs were blown down around town and one auto was more or less damaged.

—Merry Christmas—

In Coos county. Each will have to bear their own expenses.

—Dismiss Kinney Case.

Judge Coke also dismissed the suit of Geo. Witte vs. Major Kinney et al, in which Witte wanted to have the W. J. Rust receivership of the Kinney properties, set aside and a new receiver appointed. A motion to dismiss the case was made by Kinney's attorneys and Witte failed to show why it should not be sustained.

—Merry Christmas—

Band Benefit concert for public library at Masonic Opera House Sunday afternoon. Admission 25c.

AVIATOR HAD NARROW ESCAPE

Silas Christofferson Was to Have Tried Kearny's Fatal Trip Up Coast.

—FUNERAL IS HELD.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 24.—With the members of the High school society to which he belonged as pall bearers, the funeral services for Horace F. Kearney, the youthful aviator who lost his life in the flight from Los Angeles Dec. 24, were held here today.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 24.—That Silas Christofferson, the Portland aviator, had a narrow escape from the fate that befell Chester Lawrence, the newspaper reporter, and Horace Kearney, the aviator, who essayed a flight by sea from Los Angeles to San Francisco this week, only to lose their lives, was made public by J. A. Johnson, manager of the Pantages theater, on the receipt of a letter from Alexander Pantages. Pantages signed a tentative contract with Christofferson two weeks ago, by which the Portland air man was to deliver a series of lectures on aviation in the Seattle magnate's theater, if he made a successful flight from Los Angeles to San Francisco. The flight was planned as a bit of press work and Christofferson was to begin his engagement immediately after the flight had been completed. Kearney was approached by rival theatrical interests when the news of Christofferson's tentative contract was made public and Kearney accepted terms, preparing for the flight before Christofferson was ready.

Pantages learned of the Kearney engagement and after a conference with the Portland aviator he cancelled the contract and Christofferson did not attempt the flight which would have been made over the same route and under the same conditions that cost Kearney and Lawrence their lives.

—Merry Christmas—

NEW OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

A. E. Morten Honored by Selection as Eminent Commander of K. T.

At a meeting of Pacific Commandery, No. 19, Knights Templar, last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Eminent Commander—A. E. Morten.

Generalissimo—E. S. Bargelt.

Captain General—E. L. Robinson.

Recorder—Geo. F. Winchester.

Treasurer—J. Albert Matson.

Prelate—C. F. McKnight.

Junior Warder—C. H. Marsh.

Senior Warder—A. P. Davis.

Standard Bearer—Ira Bartle.

Sword Bearer—C. M. Byler.

Warden—A. T. Haines.

Sentinel—Chas. Leach.

The installation of officers will take place following the regular

—Merry Christmas—

A Merry Christmas

We extend to you the courtesies of the season and sincerely wish you all the good things thereto usually belonging.

We thank our many patrons for their liberal buying and hope that the service rendered has been to your liking.

Our Christmas is a happy one—made so by your appreciation of our efforts to please you and render a satisfactory service.

Hub Dry Goods Co. Hub Clothing & Shoe Co.

Marshfield

Bandon

BAR DREDGE IS TO BE DONE SOON

Capt. Robert Reports Rapid Progress in Construction of Coos Bay Craft.

PORTLAND, Dec. 24.—Rapid progress is being made in the building of the government dredge Colonel P. S. Michie, for service at Coos Bay, by the Seattle construction and drydock company, according to Capt. H. H. Robert, of the corps of engineers, U. S. A., who has returned from the sound. He says the engines for the vessel turned out by the Marlin Iron works of Chicago, have arrived. The Ballin watertube boilers for her are being assembled at Portland and will be ready to send to Seattle between January 1 and 6. The hull is expected to be completed in advance of the time limit specified as July 1.

—Merry Christmas—

Christmas services of the Knights Templar at the Masonic Temple tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Blanco Lodge, A. F. & A. M. and Doric Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will unite in a joint installation of their officers Friday night, the affair to be followed by a big banquet.

—Merry Christmas—

FINISH SURVEY IN 20 DAYS

Engineer Charlston Expects to Have New Report on Coos Bay Harbor Done Then.

Engineer Charlston, in charge of the new government survey of Coos Bay and harbor, expects to have the work completed in about twenty days. He has completed the field work as far as North Bend. The weather has been keeping him back some. He is congratulating himself on getting the bar soundings the one good day since it was ordered. It was

about the only day on which engineers would have been able to get out on the bar to take soundings. He was down in the bay Sunday, and said that if it seemed calm the ocean breakers would have made it dangerous if not impossible to get out on the bar in a small boat.

—Merry Christmas—

—SILLOH III IV

BLANCO—J. J. Clinch, Coos River; W. G. Emerson, Co. 6; H. G. McFinnis, Coaledo.

LLOYD—G. W. Reeves, Coaledo; F. H. Davis, Coaledo; Mr. W. A. Sherwood, Camp 5; and Mrs. H. J. Bandy, Camp 5; F. E. Drane, Bandon; C. M. Johnson, Catching Inlet.

—Merry Christmas—

—NOTICE.

Commencing Tuesday, December 24, the Marshfield-Empire auto will leave Marshfield at 9:30 a. m. and 4:00 p. m. for Empire.

A Merry Christmas

WHAT A JOYOUS TENDER FEELING,
BRINGS FORTH THIS WORD OF GOOD CHEER,
MAY YOU ALL HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS
THE MERRIEST IN MANY A YEAR

is the wish of

SARTER'S

FRONT ST.

MARSHFIELD

"FOR AULD LANG SYNE"

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a hope that everyone may receive that which they most desire.

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Complete House Furnishers.

A Merry Christmas

May Blessings in the form of Joy,
And Peace, and Gladness cheer you—
May Happiness without alloy
Keep Pleasures ever near you.

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English Plum Pudding, Fruit Cake
And a Choice Lot of Delicious Dainties
for the

Christmas Dinner

Don't forget the Children.

A large assortment of delicious Baked Dainties—
pure and healthful, at

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CHRISTMAS GREETING

With the dawn of Christmas Day,
May sweet Pleasures light your way
Bringing to you Joy and Mirth,
And the Best of Things of Earth.

May there be no Clouds for you—
Only Skies of Azure Hue—
And at night-fall may you say,
"I've had Merry Christmas Day."

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