

TODAY IS ALSO COOS COUNTY CHINA HOLIDAY CHEESE OUTPUT

Gow Why and Other Celestials Observe Change in Beginning of Year.

Gow Why and the other Coos Bay Chinese have joined with the other Celestials in observing New Year's on the same day as Americans. A couple of days ago, Gow made the rounds of his creditors and made yearly settlements. Usually he has been doing this a month or so later when the Chinese New Year began.

Concerning the change, a Portland paper says:

Approximately \$100,000 will change hands January 1, in Portland's Chinatown, when the Portland Chinese start the New Year of the Georgian calendar and begin 1913 with their old customs grafted on the practices of civilization. For unnumbered centuries the New Year of the Chinese has started with a clearance of all debts and this custom will not go into the discard when the Chinese become Anglicized in their method of computing time.

The Chinese people in America, as a rule, keep their money in their stores or houses, not banking it, and merchants with guards and sacks of money will go about from store to store on the first day of the New Year paying all loans and debts of any kind, and clearing the slate of their 1912 transactions.

February 14, 1912, and the two weeks following saw the last of the old-style Chinese calendar and customs, and the new order will prevail from this time on, as long as China is a republic.

Old Methods Pass.

Last year and before the housewife who employed a Chinese always found the smiling John at the door when the Chinese New Year came, a bag of hebe nuts and a jar of preserved ginger in his hand for the housewife and packages of firecrackers for the children. This year John will not so appear, for the city officials have put the seal of refusal upon the Chinese firecracker shooting, and the Chinese voluntarily have dropped the old style of handing out gifts to welcome the New Year.

Christmas, though an exclusive Christian holiday in sentiment has been also taken over by the Chinese as theirs, and in 1912 the custom of making gifts on December 25 started. The New Year will also see other changes.

Portland has, when the canneries are closed, approximately 3000 Chinese inhabitants, and with the exception of the oldest men, to whom the revolution and its subsequent changes are as nothing, all will observe the new system of holidays.

Craze for Imitation Noticeable.

In the craze for imitating the Anglo-Saxon races, the Chinese have given up a number of pleasing customs, some of them of exceedingly ancient origin. The habit of little gifts to the children at the New Year celebrations, the series of visits, by which crowds of merchants drifted from one store to another through the Chinese section, drinking tea and gingee (Chinese wine) and paying social visits, are others that have been discarded. Only the substantial business customs of the clearance of debts is the one likely to endure.

Portland's Chinatown will do no business on January 1, for its stores, though open will be business houses only for the clearance of debts.

Taking up the new civilization with gusto, the younger Chinese, partly educated in American schools, will impress the young idea upon the elders. An orchestra made up entirely of Chinese students, with an American director, will be a feature at the celebration of the New Year.

Dinners Will Be Given. Inevitable banquets, where two suppers are served in the course of the night, will also be retained this year at least. Twelve hours of feasting, with entertainment by singing girls, and Chinese instruments, will entertain the night of December 31, and the passing of the old year in Chinatown will be with as much

Over 420,000 Pounds in 1912 According to E. C. Broadbent's Estimate.

The Portland Journal says: Figures just now available show that Coos Bay factories shipped 420,000 cases of cheese during the present season. This is approximately 15 carloads.

Last year the production of cheese in the Coos Bay section was fractionally less than 350,000 pounds; therefore this is the best season that section has had since cheese factories were established.

E. C. Broadbent, head of the Coos Bay co-operative selling force, has been a visitor in the city after returning from a business trip to Puget Sound. He had a small surplus of cheese to dispose of and is said to have shaded prices fractionally in order to insure its quicker movement.

Most of the cheese from the Coos Bay district is sold in California, but trade in Portland and in the Puget Sound cities is increasing. For the purpose of better representation the Coos Bay interests are planning to appoint a local broker to take care of the northern business.

Business in the north has not been satisfactory to the Coos Bay interests heretofore, owing to the lack of a local representative, but this defect in the organization will be remedied at once.

MOTORBOAT FOR COQUILLE.

Five Gasoline Craft to Be Built by Capt. O. R. Willard.

COQUILLE, Jan. 1.—Naval Architect W. H. Curtis of Portland has just completed plans and specifications for a speedy gasoline motorboat, which will be constructed by Capt. O. R. Willard for the Coquille river traffic. Particular care will be taken in the construction of the boat to make her the fastest on the river and to meet with the requirements of the service on the Coquille.

The hull is to be constructed of Port Orford white cedar and when completed the boat will be 79 feet in length with a beam of 13 feet 8 inches. Two large, roomy cabins, which will comfortably seat 50 persons, and a row of deck seats are provided for the passengers. A 100 horsepower Gorman engine will supply the power and the designed speed of the craft is 16 miles an hour.

The light draft of the boat may make it possible to run up to Myrtle Point, even when the water is at its lowest.

HEALTH RESORT PLANNED.

H. C. Dipple to Erect Sanitarium at Randon-by-the-Sea.

BANDON, Or., Jan. 1.—A modern sanitarium is to be erected at Randon by H. C. Dipple. The sanitarium will contain one of the largest covered swimming pools on the Pacific Coast.

Every summer a large number visit Randon-by-the-Sea to recuperate. The climate is mild, never hot, the air bracing and the scenery beautiful. The erection of a sanitarium with a swimming tank open to the public will no doubt do much to increase the popularity of Randon as a seaside resort.

noise as the uptown restaurants will offer. It will be probably greater in noise, because the Chinese violin and flute have a far-sounding and penetrating timbre.

Last February younger Chinese destroyed images of the gods of the so-called "devil-worship" in Chinese hall on Second street, and members of several tonga decided that they would follow the example. Today the tong rooms are more like American "lodges," and the religious element of the tong, except in initiation oaths, is largely gone. Without conversion to Christianity the religious sentiment of the New Year does not apply to the Chinese.

NEW YEAR'S BALL AT ENGLER'S HALL, New Year's night, JAN. 1, 1913. KEYSER'S Orchestra.



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A New Rule for the New Year:

The way to make a New Year Happy
Is to have the Old Year always true;
Just wish for the other fellow
What you'd like to have him wish for you.

The Hub Stores desire at this time to extend the courtesies of the season and express the hope that 1913 will bring you all joy, prosperity and happiness, and to thank you for the good will shown us during the past year.

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HAS SAD STORY.

Pathetic Tale of Labors of Woman 101 Years Old.

PIESBURG, Jan. 1.—"I don't remember ever having had the pleasure of talking to a person 101 years old. I think there is some slight mistake. You are about 50, I would judge," said Judge McKenna in the desertion court, as he grasped the hand of "Auntie Morgan," aged 101, of McKeesport. "Everybody thinks it is funny about me," said the old lady, "but I'm not so very old. Why, my mother lived to be 111 and my father 112. That was over in Wales. I was born there."

The court was more startled when it was testified that the old woman actually supported her niece, who at present is not strong enough to work. The niece, about 28 years old, was in court asking an order that her husband be compelled to pay her \$5 a week, as had been ordered by the court, about two years ago.

Sidney Fleming, the husband, was committed to jail in default of a bond.

"Sure I work," said the aged woman, with a smile. "People have to work as long as they live. I knit and do fine needlework," and she held up her hands showing her mittens. "I sew for people, darn socks, mend clothes for people. As long as there's breath in this old body I'll work to keep this here little girl. By the help of God I'll not let her suffer."

CHICAGO DRINKS LESS BEER.

Amount of Spiritous Liquors Consumed Shows Increase.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—Chicago and surrounding territory consumed 224,945 fewer barrels of beer in 1912 than in the preceding 12 months, according to a report by S. M. Finch, collector of internal revenue. Brewers explain the decrease by the cool weather in the early part of last summer, which decreased the consumption of the product.

The amount of spiritous liquors consumed showed an increase. The taxes collected this year on spirits in this district amounted to \$451,500 as against \$414,626 last year.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Here's to New Year,
Happy New Year,
Not a blue year,
But a true year,
Full of laughter,
Love and cheer
Here's to your year

Happy New Year

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Happiness be yours in 1913
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New Year's Greetings:

As Nineteen-Thirteen's smiling face
Appears with radiance and grace,
We greet you, ev'ry one,
And wish you, all, Good Health and Cheer,
From now until the end of year
Which for us has begun.

We wish you, all, may Happy be,
That all may have Prosperity,
And All the Year Enjoy;
We cannot wish you any more
Than this, and wish it o'er and o'er—
Your Comfort, Peace and Joy.

With the dawn of the New Year we extend our Greetings and Best Wishes to all. This year will be the best year of them all—for you and for us. We thank you for the Friendship and Courtesy shown us last year, and will more than appreciate your friendship and courtesy in Nineteen-Thirteen.

Very truly yours,

Ollivant & Weaver

A New Year's Greeting:

We take occasion at the close of a large and successful year's business to thank our friends and patrons and the people of Coos County generally for their kind and appreciative patronage.

It has been the largest and best year's business we have enjoyed. We have tried to deserve it by Square Dealing, Quality Hardware, Right Prices and Honest Service. We shall ever endeavor to merit a continuance of your custom by the same business standards and approved methods.

We shall strive to make the coming year even bigger and better than the one just passed and for you all we sincerely wish

May this be the best year
You ever met
And may it be the worst year
You will ever get.



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New Year's Wishes

May the New Year find your field green with the promise of a harvest of all good and may the long road past the golden milestones of the future years lead you ever through fields of flowers.

Assuring you of our appreciation of your past good will and kindness and hoping to merit it in the future by the same courteous, fair and honest treatment, we wish you

A Happy New Year

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