

### Christmas Greetings

To the many friends and patrons of our busy stores we wish a very merry Christmas and trust that good old Saint Nicholas has remembered all most generously.

### Hub Clothing and Shoe Co.

Central Avenue Hub, Marshfield ..... Myrtle Point  
Front Street Hub, Marshfield ..... Bandon  
Lando Store, Front St. Marshfield ..... Powers

### SPREAD GOOD CHEER ADRIFT FOR HOURS

MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS TREE IS HUGE SUCCESS

Kiddies Flock for Gifts of Toys and Candles—Lodges Also Do Good Work To Aid Needy

"Bless my little round buttons," chuckled Santa Claus as he emerged from his sleigh at the rear of the Guild Hall of the Episcopal church last evening and, stepping inside, saw more than 200 kiddies eagerly awaiting his arrival. And the rolly-polly gentleman chuckled so hard that he had to sit down for a time. It was a great success, the municipal Christmas tree. Santa Claus said so, and he ought to know. Approximately 175 kiddies received toys, regular horns and cars and boats and dolls, filled their pockets with nuts and candies and went home, feeling assured the Christmas spirit is everywhere abroad in the land.

#### Needy Well Supplied

All over the city the various committees had combed out the youngsters whom Santa might have a hard time finding. They were given invitations and last night appeared in full force, smiling and laughing with great glee when they saw the big Christmas tree, filled with overflowing with the good things meant only for them.

#### Many Baskets Sent

Following the program Santa handed out the presents, and dished out the candies and nuts. John Kendall appeared in the efficient role of Santa, later taking a jaunt over to the Presbyterian tree.

Last night the committee in charge was busy making distributions all over the city. Some 48 baskets were sent out. These baskets were made up to suit the individual families to whom they were distributed. They contained necessary clothing, oranges, pies, coffee and canned goods.

Liberal donations were asked for by the hard working committee and liberal donations were forthcoming. The municipal Christmas tree was a success.

#### Make Distribution

But this was not the only Christmas distribution for the Elks and the Masonic lodges joined into the spirit of the times and they too sent out baskets of good cheer. Care was taken to see that duplicates were not made, so that all those needing them, would receive baskets.

In the other churches of the city Santa appeared. Beautifully decorated Christmas trees were in evidence, candies gladdened the hearts of hundreds of kiddies and the programs were very well carried out by the youngsters.

#### SMILE-A-WHILE

### SANTA IS VISITOR

LITTLE OLD MAN CHUCKLES AS HE MAKES ROUNDS

Night Watchmen Even Say They Heard The Jingle of Sleigh Bells Through Heavens

Merry Christmas prevailed in every merry detail this morning and even the weather optimistically tried time and again to break through the barrier of clouds and dispel Jupe Pluvius who insisted on having his little joke.

Old Santa, the merry old gentleman, traveled true to form last night. His reindeer could be heard, said the night policemen who paced their lonely beats, ever and anon through the heavens, as their driver made his rounds.

The blare of tooting horns, little red wagons, trains of cars and dolls that blink and go to sleep on the spur of the moment, ushered in the dawn, for the kiddies were up long ere their tired mothers and fathers wished it.

Many of the youngsters realized their long dreams in gifts from the Christmas trees of last night, but the majority still stick to the good old way of finding the gifts in little stockings hung up by the hearthside.

And so all around the world Santa traveled last night. His charging reindeers did valiant work and reports this morning tend to show that even in Europe the little, merry, rolly-polly gentleman left tokens of his regard before scurrying back to his empty shops near the North Pole.

#### A MERRY CHRISTMAS

### AMONG THE SICK

Mrs. A. R. O'Brien, who has been laid up for several days with an attack of the grip.

Only One Service.—There will be only one service at the Episcopal Church Sunday. It will be held at 11 a. m.

Jesse Terrell has been confined to his home for several days on account of illness and it is said that possibly he will have to undergo an operation for gall stones.

DREDGE SEATTLE HAD NARROW ESCAPE IN TRIP UP COAST

R. E. Miller Writes that Seven Hours Craft Was Loose—Cargo Shifted

Seven hours, on her trip north, the dredge Seattle, from Coos Bay, was adrift, according to a letter received by A. C. Vestal, from R. E. Miller. The trip of the dredge was an eventful one, but fortunately the craft came into Puget Sound safely and now is at work there.

Nor was this all the trouble experienced, said Mr. Miller. The steam schooner Thomas L. Wand was chartered to bring up part of the dredge equipment and on the trip her cargo shifted. She, too, came into port safely after her tempestuous voyage.

The dredge Seattle left for the north after waiting several days for a favorable break in the weather. The big tugboat Goliath came in for her and started up the coast.

By the time the tug and her tow had reached the Columbia there was a heavy gale blowing. At the same time there came a distress signal that the steamship Mackinaw was in a helpless condition and, having been relieved by another tug of the same company the Goliath left the Seattle and hurried away.

Mr. Miller is still with the Puget Sound Bridge and Dredging company, being employed in their Seattle offices at the present time.

#### MANY CALLED, FEW CAME

American Ship Registry Law Has Not Been Huge Success

Despite the fact the American ship registry law has been in effect for many months now, figures show that since June 30 not more than 23 foreign built ships, of 60,353 gross tons, have been admitted to registry.

At the time the bill was passed it was anticipated that dozens of ships would immediately take advantage of the law. The German ships at once became tied up in ports, interned for the war, and other nations placed many impediments in the way of the shipowners to keep them from making transfers.

But even at this rate the tonnage of the deep water American merchant marine is said to have been increased something like one fifth.

### BEER CANNOT BE KEPT IN COLD STORAGE PLANT

Another Decision is Given Regarding One Feature of the Oregon Dry Law

Liquor cannot be placed in cold storage to hold for use after the state goes dry, according to the following from the Portland Journal:

District Attorney Walter H. Evans announced this morning that use of storage plants for keeping beer and other liquors would not be permitted under the "dry" statute.

The idea has been that cold storage plant would be used to house privately owned stocks, accumulated before January 1, delivery to be made as wanted.

"The finding of intoxicating liquors in the possession of anyone not legally authorized to keep same, except in a private dwelling house, not used in connection with a place of business, shall be prima facie evidence that such liquors are kept for use or sale in violation of the law," reads the statute.

#### A MERRY CHRISTMAS

### QUESTION FOR THE DAY

But you didn't have any trouble getting the youngsters up today, did you?

HAVE you ever thought for one moment what a desolate place the world would be without music?

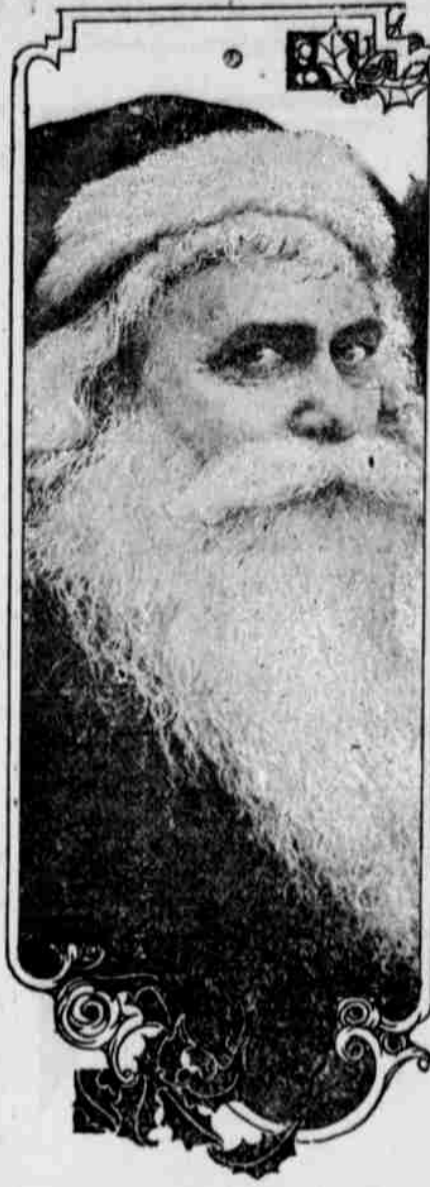
Have you ever realized that the most highly cultivated and advanced nations of the world have been nations in which music was highly prized?

Have you realized that music is now looked upon as one of the great essentials in the education of the cultured man or woman?

It makes little difference whether you are studying music for the home circle, the concert hall or the opera, your time and your effort are valuable to you. Thousands start studying music only to find out that they are going the wrong way. Does it pay to pay twice for anything?

Isn't it better to seek a really good teacher at the start? How can you find such a teacher?

The Henrik Gjerdrum Chnservatory of Music



## The Quality Store Sende GREETINGS To All Good People Everywhere

MAy this Christmas Season find each comfortable in mind, body and estate. May they have work for their days and sleep for their nights; a supply for their needs and the heart to share with others less fortunate. May they have strength for their duties and courage for their trials. May they enjoy the love of friends, the confidence of neighbors, the companionship of children, the respect of their own souls and the approval of the Great Founder of Christmas Himself.

TO CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS  
Greeting cordial and hearty is here extended. We appreciate your growth in numbers, in patronage and friendship. We extend sincere thanks for trade that has made the past year prosperous, in the face of great odds, and that inspires our determination to deserve it the more.

Moreover, in consideration of the stress and strain of modern business life and particularly the strenuous year now drawing to a close, the Quality Store here adds a word of greeting, TO OUR COMPETITORS.

May the New Year bring us more business without bitterness, and a reward for good work squarely done.  
Done at Marshfield, Oregon, the twenty-fifth day of December of the year Nineteen Fifteen.

## In Honor of the Season of Good Will



### Oregon to Remain Wet

The general prevailing impression is that Oregon will go dry January 1st next, but strictly as a matter of fact, Oregon will continue wet until the 1st of June next, at least this particular section of Oregon will. If you are inclined to question this, just consult the weather man.

But wet or dry, our Coos Bay country is entering upon an era of prosperity such as it has never known before. With the coming of the railroad there will follow new industries; an increase in our pay rolls; new capital will be seeking investments. With the advance of the lumber market and renewed activity in timber lands there will be a resultant increase in realty values generally.

Those who expect to make their home and hope to profit greatly during this new era of prosperity, should invest now while property can be bought at practically one's own price and terms. The man with but a few dollars to invest can profit proportionately with the man of larger capital. This is your opportunity to skim the cream, to secure the best available home-site which later may be disposed of at a good profit. Act now, even though you have but five or ten dollars to invest, it will serve as a beginning. Think this over and then

"SEE REID ABOUT IT."

### \$100 Reward

TO ANY PERSON WHO CAN BUY BETTER SHOES FOR LESS MONEY THAN WE ARE OFFERING THIS CHRISTMAS WEEK

200 pairs Ladies' Gunmetal button, from	\$2.00 to \$3.45
150 pairs Misses' Gun Metal and pat. Leather button	\$1.95 to \$2.95
150 pairs Boys' Shoes, button and lace, from	\$1.90 to \$2.95
100 pairs Baby Shoes, from	35c to 85c
150 pairs Men's Lace and Button Shoes from	\$2.15 to \$3.95

You can't whistle away the fact that this little store has by far the best shoe bargains in good shoes ever offered on the markets. WE CAN SHOW YOU. See our window for styles.

Electric Shoe Store  
S. J. IMMEL, Prop.  
180 South Broadway

## The First National Bank Of Coos Bay

DECLARES A DIVIDEND OF 100 PER CENT IN FAITHFUL SERVICES AND GOOD WILL PAYABLE TO ITS LOYAL FRIENDS FOR THEIR STEADFAST FRIENDSHIP AND FOR WHOM WE WISH

## A Very Merry Christmas

AND THE WISH IS NOT ONLY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS, BUT FOR EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD ON COOS BAY AND IN COOS COUNTY

## A Merry, Merry Xmas To You, Everyone

## First National Bank OF COOS BAY

### WIFE IS VERY SICK

E. W. KAMMERER CORRECTS ERRONEOUS REPORT OF DEATH

Says That There is Hope for Her Recovery—Has Been Ailing for Past Six Months

That the report received here of the death of Mrs. E. W. Kammerer in California was erroneous was the glad tidings conveyed today by a letter from Mr. Kammerer, who is now at Colusa. However, Mrs. Kammerer is very ill and has been for some time, but that she will soon be on the road to complete recovery is the ardent wish of their many friends here.

Mr. Kammerer writes to The Times as follows:

"I have just returned from the California Sanatorium in Belmont and while my wife's condition is very critical, I am in hopes of bringing her home at an early date. Mrs. Kammerer has been in the sanatorium for six months and never out of bed during her absence. She is very sick.

"My kindest regards to all my friends and wishing you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

"Sincerely,  
"E. W. KAMMERER."  
—A MERRY CHRISTMAS—

### KILBURN DEPARTS

STEAMSHIP GETS AWAY AT NOON FOR SAN FRANCISCO

Carries Small Passenger List This Trip—Has Fair Freight Cargo—Stops at North Bend

Before noon today the steamship Kilburn got away for the south, though a brief stop was made in North Bend. There was a light passenger list and a fair freight cargo for the South.

The departures were: J. E. Wasson, R. P. Schive, Mrs. Peterson, V. Johnson, L. Vorlets, S. F. Randall, L. Camel, M. B. Gordon, J. W. McDonald, Annie Wheeler, M. Thurn and M. O. Conner.

—A MERRY CHRISTMAS—

### NOTICE

I will not be responsible for any bills contracted by George W. Ferry, Mrs. HENRIETTA FERREY

### IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, IN AND FOR COUNTY OF COOS

In the Matter of the Estate of CHARLES C. TAGGART, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. Notice is hereby given to the creditors of Charles C. Taggart, deceased, that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the within estate, and all persons having claims against the estate are notified to present the same to me in writing, duly certified as by law required, with vouchers attached, at my office in the First National Bank Building, Marshfield, Coos County, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

JOHN D. GOSS, Administrator

### TONS OF MAIL SENT

POSTOFFICE, STAFF RENDERS EFFICIENT SERVICE

For More Than Two Weeks Have Been Kept Constantly on The Jump—Deliveries Made Today

"We're glad Christmas comes only once a year" said one of the postoffice clerks today, thus voicing the consensus of opinion in the entire office. For two weeks and more times about the postoffice have been exciting ones. There has been the incoming and the outgoing parcel post that had to be attended to, hundreds of packages to weigh up and get started on their journeys in hundreds of directions, besides doing 101 things that must be done around a postoffice.

Tons of mail have been handled. And then, to cap the climax, came the parcel post of yesterday that left the office force buried almost to their several necks, trying to get the packages straightened about in the shortest possible time.

All yesterday afternoon men were out making deliveries. They were out again today. For an hour the delivery window was open and dozens called there for their mail and packages. Also the carriers made one delivery after the morning mail arrived on the 9:38 train.

Taking it all in all, the postoffice staff has been mighty efficient in the declaration of the many patrons of the office.

—A MERRY CHRISTMAS—

### PROVISION IS MADE

PRIVATE STOCK OF LIQUORS VANISH INTO CELLARS

Some, Say They Anticipate Sickness, and So Put In Good Supply—Stock Goes Down

Mysterious looking, but not at all mysterious, packages were, and still are being, carried hither and yon, by individuals. The fateful hand, that made the handwriting on the wall, points out the fact there remain now but five more days of regular moisture for Oregon. And so the packages are not at all mysterious.

And so dozens of people continue to put away a private stock in anticipation of the Great Drought. "Never use it myself," declared one man today, "but its a mighty good thing to have a bit in the house, for snake bite or if some one gets sick."

But at this rate, some families evidently have anticipated a deal of sickness. Most of the saloons have been letting their stock run low lately, keeping only enough on hand to comfortably finish out the old year. The wholesale houses have had more numerous demands than before, and it is found that they too, are cutting down to the lowest limit so as to have as little on hand as possible that will have to be shipped out of the state after January 1, 1916.

—A MERRY CHRISTMAS—

### HEATING STOVES at reduced

Administrator prices. Pioneer Hardware Co.

## Merry Christmas to All

and many of them is our sincere wish.

## Red Cross Drug Store