

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL**

Miss Mary Mathes arrived home last week from the University at Eugene to spend the holiday vacation at her home on Granite street.

Misses Frances Briggs and Elsie Harner, who hold positions in San Francisco, are spending their Christmas holidays with their parents in Ashland.

The Pilot Rock school, of which Miss Amy Leavitt has been the teacher, has closed for the winter. Miss Leavitt has returned to her home in Ashland.

W. P. Moore of Tracy, Cal., is spending a few weeks in Ashland with his daughters, Mrs. W. H. McNair, Mrs. Milton Fraley and Miss Helen Moore.

Sergeant Harold Merrill has been discharged from Fort Winfield Scott where he had been attending a gunnery school, and has returned to his home in Ashland.

Miss Kathleen Silver, a teacher in the Roseburg public schools, is spending the holidays at her home in Ashland.

Donnie Lowe has returned from Fort Stevens where he had been in the army service for the past year and a half.

Superintendent G. A. Briscoe attended the executive council of the state teachers' association in Portland last week.

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We never have seen a battle field—that is not until after flowers and trees were growing on it and rows and rows of little white stones, but we thought the remark of some one that the Christmas Department's window at the Salvage shop looked like a battle field a most apt and fitting one; because this little Christmas sale would never have been but for the battle fields of Europe.

The donation of several dolls without heads gave the idea of calling for heads by placing the dolls in the window. The tremendous amount of interest taken by the children and ladies of Ashland was evidenced by the great number of dolls and parts of dolls donated. This department became a veritable doll's hospital and the eagerness with which so many entered into the work of making over the broken parts and then dressing the completed doll was one

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of the biggest factors that swelled the Christmas fund to over \$120. And every girl and boy who searched thru toys for heads and arms and legs and eyes to fit a waiting doll in the Christmas window did their bit toward a "Cheery Christmas" fund. But there is a little girl who still wishes for a head for a treasured doll, this doll was purchased at an Ashland store several years ago when some six dozen dolls of this kind were on sale. Five doll heads were brought in for this doll but none fit so the chairman of the Christmas department on Christmas eve cleared out the window, leaving only a few sprays of mistletoe and this one dolly, hoping that some one thru the holidays noticing the insistent call would discover in their discarded playthings the particular kind of head needed for this doll.

The Salvage Depot closed its business during the holidays, but will be open again after New Years.

**HILT, CALIFORNIA, ITEMS**

Many families of Hilt were disappointed in spending the proverbial Merry Christmas, which was broken in upon by the influenza and pneumonia, which has again invaded the homes. In some families every member of the household has been in bed and with but two nurses in the town, they have had anything but pleasant experiences. The houses here being built for summer only, it has in many instances been impossible to keep them warm, the most essential cure for this epidemic. The only one death has occurred in the past week. It reminds one of the old and trite adage that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Miss Elna Bailey has been at home with influenza for the past week. Mrs. Al Vail is one of the influenza victims.

Vera and Zella Lutman have been quite sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Morris and young son, Ralph, have had the influenza, but are now sufficiently recovered to be out.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodgers and son, Robert, are among the sick at Hilt.

The entire family of J. J. Sand have been ill.

Fred Jassman and daughter Irene with Mrs. Irving Dunn motored to Yreka Tuesday.

The family of Bert Miller has recovered from a three weeks' siege of the influenza.

Emil Geuldennig, whose ranch is just east of Hilt on the highway, came to town Friday with a severe case of pneumonia. A nurse was secured and he is now being cared for at the Red Cross-club rooms. He is improving daily.

The only death of Hilt during the last epidemic was that of Mrs. C. A. Shepherdson, which occurred Sunday at 12:20. She took sick a week ago Friday with influenza which developed into pneumonia. Thursday a baby girl was born and from that time she became gradually worse and in spite of all the human effort put forth to save the life of this mother it gradually ebbed away. She leaves her husband and three children, one young son and two baby daughters.

The family of Horace Stanley has been among the influenza patients. Word has been received that Mr. and Mrs. Orville Pierson have gone to Springfield, Illinois, to spend the next few months with Mrs. Pierson's parents.

Mrs. Ada Fairchild of the Mount Shasta hospital at Yreka has been spending the past week here nursing Miss Bernice Warrens who has been very ill with influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Dunn entertained Mr. Fred Jassman and family and Mr. Mora Bailey at Christmas dinner.


Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Hibbert had as guests at dinner Christmas day Dr. G. J. Hall and Wm. Muir.

Dr. and Mrs. Lucas arrived Thursday from Oakland where they have been spending several weeks on a vacation. For the past year he has

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**TO** those who have helped make the past year our best year we thank you.



had the practice of Dr. Pius at Montague, who has been in the medical corps of the army. Dr. Lucas will have charge of the hospital here in the place of Dr. G. J. Hall who goes to Yreka the first of the year.

Mrs. Jno. Matkin returned Tuesday from Sonora, California, where she was called on account of the illness of her brother.

Harry Mathers has been sick with the "flu."

Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Disbrow are in Grants Pass spending the holidays with relatives.

Mrs. W. A. Newell has been in bed the past week with the influenza.

Rex Stratton spent a few days' furlough in Ashland last week from Camp Lewis where he is stationed.

Among the recent casualty lists appearing in the daily papers are the names of Roy Drake, missing in action; A. H. Hogue, degree undetermined; Earl Tate, wounded slightly, all of Ashland.

Miss Frances Howard came home last week from San Francisco to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Howard.

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