#### **TOWN TOPICS**

Items of Local Interest for Busy Journal Readers.

After 12 years in religious work, Sister Mary Agnetta, religiouse of the Holy Names, died at St. Vincent's hospital at 2:10 o'clock yesterday morning. A week ago yesterday she underwent an operation which appeared entirely successful. She continued to improve until late Sunday, when she suffered a reliapse. Nora R. Purcell was the nun's name before she entered the cloister. name before she entered the cloister. Her brother, Rev. Thomas Purcell, will arrive from Coeur d'Alene, Ida., in time for the funeral. At St. Mary's academy chapel at 9:30 o'clock this morning solemp requiem mass was sung. The body will be interred at St. Paul, Marion county, Or., Thursday morning. Sister Agnetta was formerly superior of the Academy of the Holy Name. Since Sep-tember, 1902, she has been a member of the teaching staff at St. Mary's acad-

The children must not forget that tomorrow is Santa Claus day at the White Corner, Third, Second and Yamhill The jolly old fellow is due at that big store at 2 o'clock in the after-soon, and he will have a pretty little present for every tot he sees. He re-ports 2,000 feet of snow around his home at Mt. Hood, so that the sleighing will be fine till he gets near to town, when he will find it very poor. However, his reindeers are in prime condition, and it is not likely that they will be greatly wearied. Be sure to be on hand promptly, and then be quiet and orderly, or he may get angry and withhold his presents. He is a good old chap, though, and is not easily tormented.

Nearly 1,000 Portland planists are playing the entrancing new .composi-tion, "She's Sleeping 'Neath Oregon's Tall Pines," just published by Wright's Music House, Portland, and copyrighted by Edgar B. Hyatt and Francis E. Hart, ployes of this live musical institu-on. The words of the piece are by Francis H. Edwards and the music by Bayard E. 'Foote. There is pathos in every word, and the sentiment is so touching that the heart feels both the words and music of every lines. The first edition of 1,000 copies has been

A small frame building at the northwest corner of Union avenue and East Burnside street was destroyed by fire about 1 o'clock this morning, entailing a total loss of about \$600. The building was occupied by a small cigar store and a small grocery concern in the rear. Both stocks were badly damaged by fire and water. The blaze started in the grocery store, it is believed, caused probably by an overheated stove. property is owned by Malarkey & Metzger, and it is the intention to erect a business block on the corner in the near

One free treatment this week to anybody desiring to test the beneficial re-sults of the Betz hot air apparatus in the cure of rheumatism, neuralgia, gout, stomach, blood and skin diseases, dropsy, paralysis or any other affliction of the human body. Men. Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday; women, Monday, Thursday, Friday, Madame M. Vaughn, 301-302 McKay building, Third and

It was decided to postpone the annual meeting of Mount Tabor school district No. 5, until December 31. The meeting was to have been held last night, but outside of the directors and the clerk At the coming meeting provisions will be made for the taking up of the \$4,000 of school bonds which fall due next April.

The will of the late Joseph H. Hawley was filed for probate in the county court was filed for probate in the county court yesterday. The estate is valued at \$3,000 in money, accounts and notes and the sole devisee is Mrs. Elsie Hawley, wife of the deceased. G. G. Willis, F. K., Arnold and Hugh McGuire have been appointed appraisers of the estate.

The elegant White House Cook Book doesn't cost a cent-if you have Violet Oats for breakfast. The books are given free with packages of this most delicious breakfast nourishment. Violet Oats are a Portland product, made of selected oats and by the latest processes. There is no better in the world.

An appreciated Christmas gift to a lady would be one of our fine leather purses, with name stamped in gold. Always useful and appropriate. We have the goods and prices to please all. Al-bert Berni, the druggist, Second and

The Brotherhood of St. Paul of the Grace M. E. church last night gave a banquet for their women friends. Ta- the inflammation a bles were spread for 115 guests. Nu- or itching at once. merous toasts were given, followed by a short musical program.

Don't fail to see our stock of Chrismas umbrellas. Greatest variety on the coast. We always undersell the dry goods stores. Meredith's, Washing-ton and Sixth and Morrison and Fifth.

Fred E. Harlow, who was appointed

justice of the peace for the Multnomah district to succeed J. C. Williams, resigned, took the oath of office before the county court yesterday. The congregation of the Clarke M. E.

church discovered last Sunday that the church had been renovated and repaired. The work was done under the direction of the King's Daughters. Don't forget to include a bottle of nice

perfume with that Xmas present. something really fine go to Berni's drug store, Second and Washington.

Hand-made lace fans from Brussels, exclusive in this city, to be had only at Lamotte's, 449 Glisan street, from \$15

laundry. This is a pretty present that does not cost the child a cent.

Bronzed, onyx, fancy marble clocks. some American, some from Paris, prices from \$1° to \$100. See Lamotte, 449 Gil-

John Mattoon, who while serving a sentence at the city jail made his escape

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ant week, was again in the police co officer Price Sunday night. As he still has 13 days to serve, he was not sentenced on the last charge, but was recommitted to finish his first term.

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Steamers for The Dalles will leave Alder-street wharf 7 a. m. dally (except Sunday). Phone Main 914. Free dispensary for worthy poor, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 1 p. m. St. Vincent's hospital.

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Ansley, printer. Centennial envelopes.

Dr. A. F. Petzel, dentist, 401 Dekum. Dr. Amos, surgeon, Dekum building.

#### HUNTING A HOME FOR PENDLETON GIRI

The story of cruelty which came from Pendleton. Or., last week, relating that Mrs. A. L. Turner abused her adopted daughter, 3 years of age, is receiving the attention of the Boys and Girls Aid society of this city. Superintendent Gardner has forwarded the necessary bianks to Pendleton to be filled in by the county judge. Several well-to-do families of Pendleton desire to adopt the little girl, and Superintendent Gard ner says he will see that she has a good home, although she will remain under the charge of the society. The child is the daughter of Mrs. Gertrude Mc-

#### CHIEFLY PERSONAL

Mrs. Walter M. Pierce of Pendleton wife of State Senator Pierce, is registered at the Imperial.

T. Pearson, a Portland produce mer-chant, has gone to San Francisco to spend the winter. Mrs. Pearson accompanied him. Marcus Fleischner, accompanied by his

wife and daughter, expects to depart in a few days for Southern California to spend the winter. Mr. Fleischner has been ill with la grippe.

John F. Logan, librarian at the county

courthouse, who has been ill, is in his office for the first time in a week. George Conway, superintendent of the O. R. & N. water lines, returned from a business trip to San Francisco yester-

Col. Dudley Evans, president of the Wells-Fargo Express company, accompanied by his private secretary, was in OFFICERS OF NEW Portland yesterday, and departed last night for New York over the O. R. & N

#### IS IT CURABLE?

Question Often Asked by Those Afflicted with Piles.

inflammation curable? Of course, if properly treated. So is piles. People often become afflicted with piles

and ask some old "chronic" who has sie Birks. always persisted in the wrong treatment, and naturally he discourages them Turner, Daniel M. Conway, James Huett, by telling them that their case is hope-

They in turn discourage others, and thus a disease that can in every case be cured by careful and skillful handling is tendent were not appointed, but will be allowed to sap the energy of thousands about the first of the year. who might free themselves of the trouble in a few days.

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If you are afflicted with this stubborn disease you can master it and master it quickly.

This remedy is no longer an experi-ment, but a medical certainty, and is sold by druggists everywhere for 50

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## MODERN SAMSON

HIT ON THE JAW WITH A SLEDGE-HAMMER IN THE HANDS OF A BRAWNY SCAPPOOSE LOGGER, WHO PAILED TO HIT THE BULLS-

A five-pound hammer in the hands of strong-armed logger smashing the jaw essed in the Majestic cafe in the north end last Sunday night.

Professor Glover, who calls himself "Hercules," is giving exhibitions in salcons. One of his sensational feats is to place a large stone on his chest and let some one break it with a sledgehammer. On this occasion the arm of the striker was in the pink of condition from long wielding of an ax and maul in a logging camp at Scappoose.

His reputation as a hard-hitter was at

stake, and that to wallop the stone with all his might was the intention no one could dispute. The hammer buzzed through the air and landed with the force of a piledriver. Instead of conecting with the original target it settled on the mouth of Glover with a jar that shook the glasses on the bar.

Glover was knocked senseless, and it took the doctors two hours to revive him. He is minus several teeth and a few chips from his jawbone. He is back at work again, and says that hereafter when there is any doubt of the striker not being able to hit the bullseye he will wear a shield over his face.

#### AT THE THEATRES

"DOWN AT CONEY ISLE."

"Down at Coney Isle" is being whistled by every small boy in town today, and some grown folks who have attended the Empire theatre to see "Looking for a Wife," one York's latest musical comedies, are also humming the popular air. The last per-formance will be given tonight.

"THE MINISTER'S SON."

"Gets better everytime you see said a woman last night when leaving Cordray's theatre, after witnessing "The Minister's Son." Mr. Patton and his play are deserving of full houses this week even in the face of Christmas,

THE TWO SISTERS."

"The Two Sisters" is a revolution in workmanship, as it closer to the people, reflecting their joys and sorrows and is interesting because it is full of human nature. It enter-tains every moment, it touches the best emotions and teaches more than one lesson in life. "The Two Sisters" will be played at the Marquam Grand tomorrow night. Seats are now selling.

"THE BONNIE BRIER BUSK." A charming play which has won the commendation of the clergy and has also elicited high encomiums from the ultra-critical of New York is "The Bonnie Brier Bush." The play will be the Christmas attraction at the Marquam Grand theatre, opening Tuesday night, December 22.

AT THE BAKER. "The Bells" is being played at the Baker all this week, with George Alison in Sir Henry Irving's great role. A one act farce is the curtain-raiser.

At the conclusion of the services at the M. E. church. South, Sunday morning, the pastor, Rev. E. H. Mowrie, named the official board for the present

ficted with Piles.

Stewards—Daniel M. Conway, G. W.
Is a strained joint curable? Is local Pillow, Roy Birks, Horace V. Conway, W. A. Turner, A. J. Hegen and Samuel James.

Sunday School secretary-Miss Bes-Class leaders-G. W. Pillow, W. A

Samuel James. Chairman of social committee-Miss Roberta Birks. Trustees and Sunday School superin-

MAY ADOPT ABUSED PENDLETON CHILD

Superintendent Gardner of the Boys' Thousands who had resorted to expensive surgical treatment have been cured by the Pyramid Pile Cure—in a number of instances persons who had spent months in a hospital under a pile specialist.

It is a remedy that none need fear to distort the logistic surgical treatment have been himself in investigating the charges of cruelty to a 3-year-old girl by a Mrs. A. L. Turner of Pendleton, today satisfied himself that the case is worthy of favorable action, and forwarded to Pendleton the institution's list of persons. It is a remedy that none need fear to dleton the institution's list of persons who have signified themselves as standing ready to adopt and care for children in just such circumstances. It is anticipated that the Pendleton court will make a choice of a foster father and mother from the list. It is thought that Mrs.

## ON DUTY TODAY

Turner, who abused the child, is not in

her right mind.

The tour mail carriers recently allowed by the postal department for Woodlawn, Central Point, Peninsular and University Pork, went on duty today. Fully 5,000 people will be benefited by this increase in the carrier system. The increase in new residences in the por-tions of the suburbs to be supplied, has been marked during the past year and it is the desire of the local postoffice to requisition is granted at Washington.

CLOSING HOURS FIXED.

At the request of the Retail Clerks' union, the following merchants agreed to keep their stores closed evenings until December 19, closed all day Christ-mas, and after 12 o'clock New Year's

Ben Seling, Knight Shoq company, Moyer Clothing company, Eastern Out-fitting company, Samuel Rosenblatt & Co., A. J. Prager & Sons, Meier & Frank company, Olds, Wortman & King, Vanduyn & Walton, Lipman, Wolfe & Co., Salem Woolen Mills store, Chicago Clothing company, Eggert-Young company, Jacob Rosenthal, McAllen & McDonnell, Roberts Bros., Famous Clothing company, A. B. Steinbach & Co., L. Shanahan, M. Sichel, the Strain Tailor-

## SUGGESTIONS FOR HOLIDAY GIFTS

Knowing how difficult it is to select appropriate Christmas presents for the various members of your family we make the following suggestions in the hope they may aid you in making your final choice:

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#### Children's Chairs

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inson & Co.

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bank basement this morning. The examination of his accounts are in pro-