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Local News Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Moore were in Grants Pass Monday.

For hard or soft wood of finest quality order from John J. Ritter. Phone 3F21.

J. H. Beeman attended to matters of bnsiness at Medford the first of the week.

Miss Virginia Beeman is convalescing from a fortnight's illness of the dread la grippe.

Saddle Mare for Sale:—Ten years old, perfectly sound; will take part of purchase price in trade. Inquire at News office.

Butter paper, printed in accordance with the law, for sale on order at The News office.

Wood by tier or cord at lowest market price, delivered at your shed. Finest fir, pine, laurel and oak. John J. Ritter, Phone 3F21.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon visited at Grants Pass Saturday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Barnes.

Mrs. John Hillis and Mrs. G. F. Honnor, of Evans Creek valley, were holiday shoppers in this city last Saturday.

Mrs. C. E. Wharton and daughter, Florence, drove to Medford Tuesday and visited for several hours with friends.

F. W. Dodge, of the Rogue River Public Service corporation, conferred with associates at Grants Pass on Monday.

Mrs. E. M. Newton and daughter, Miss Bessie, have returned from Corvallis to enjoy the holidays with Gold Hill relatives. Miss Newton is a student at the A. C.

Howard Warton returned Sunday to Evans Creek, after visiting for several days with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Wharton.

Why not surprise the family with an Edison Phonograph for Christmas. It's something that can be enjoyed for a lifetime.—**Bowers Pharmacy.**

Xmas Stationery, books, booklets and postcards at **Bowers Pharmacy.**

Miss Claire Tucker arrived Sunday from Berkeley college, where she is a student, and will spend the holidays at her home in this city.

Just received a fine assortment of jewelry, rings and ladies' and children's bracelets at S. V. McFarren's Jewelry store, Gold Hill.

C. W. Martin, of the California-Oregon Power company, and Frank Ray, jr., the Medford fuel baron, were in Gold Hill on business Tuesday.

Summoned to this city by the critical illness of his father, W. E. Darling, Lesley Darling arrived last Sunday from his home at Hornbrook.

Miss Grace Milam, of the Monmouth normal school student body, is home for the holidays with her parents, Professor and Mrs. G. W. Milam.

Apples for sale:—40c a box (Spitz and Newtons); cull apples, $5 00 a wagon box load. Leave orders at Reed's or telephone 23A. Orders delivered Saturdays.

The little girls delight, a new doll for Christmas. Don't dissappoint her. We have a big variety at moderate prices. Also some nifty doll buggies at prices that will suprise you.—**Bowers Pharmacy.**

Place your order now for your agricultural lime, with the Gold Hill Implement company. This product corrects acidity and sweetens the soil. $5 per ton. Also lime grit for chickens.—M. S. Johnson.

Orders taken for any book published in the United States. Also we are the subscription agent for all U. S. and many foreign magazines and papers.
—John R. Kelsey.

Gold Hill school children are happy in the enjoyment of their Chrisimas vacation. The schools closed Tuesday and will remain so for a fornight. Holiday decorations and programs marked the closing day.

Miss Dorothy Smith, of this city, the accomplished young lady pianist, whose technique and natural gift of musical expression have occasioned much admiring comment, appeared in a musical recital at Ashland on Saturday last.

Mrs. M. S. Johnson suffered a dislocation of a small bone in the right wrist Monday. For several days the injury troubled her before an examination was made, and the cause detemined. Dr. R. C. Kelsey reduced the dislocation.

I grind feed. —My mill at the former Raedel warehouse will grind your feed at 50 cents per hour, capacity 1000 pounds per hour. I have on hand a quantity of ground feed for sale, also hay and grain.
E. T. Simmons, Gold Hill, Or.

J. J. Ritter, the ready wood-man, is prepared to fill all orders immediately with the best hard and soft wood, either chunk or kitchen stove size. His prices are low and quality high. Wood for winter should be laid in this month. Talk with Ritter about it.

Representing the celebrated Chicago tailors, the Mark company, I have on display their large illustrated book of samples, wherefrom gentlemen may select the very latest cloth and style in suits, overcoats, etc., at prices to suit the purse. Call and inspect the samples, anyhow.—P. Bouchet, Tailor.

Miss Mary Truax, who represents Gold Hill in the freshman class at the University of Oregon, returned from Eugene on Saturday last to visit with her parents during the Christmas holiday. Roy M. Avery, of this city, who is studying the journalistic course at the University, will be the guest of friends at Coquille during the vacation period, states Miss Truax.

With every suit ordered from me for a limited time only I am authorized by the Marks Tailoring Co. to give one Marco Overcoat, regular value $15, for only $5 additional to cost of suit. Or, if you like this proposition better, an extra pair of trousers for only $1.50 additional to price of suit. This is positively the best guaranteed offer ever made and you should take advantage of it at once.
—P. Bouchet, Tailor.

From now until Christmas you can buy fine hand-made mission furniture for less than you ever could, or ever will after that time. I have on hand now a fine line of rocking chairs, dining chairs, child's high chairs and rockers, library and parlor tables, kitchen cabinets, and buffets—all will go at from one-half to two-third regular price. See them before you buy Christmas presents. Any of the pieces will stay with you for a lifetime. You will find my store at the end of the cement walk, south side.
—J. N. FOUNTAIN,
Gold Hill, Oregon.

Miss Lela Flippen departed on Tuesday for Adele, in the Lakeview country, where she will make her future home as the helpmeet of a prosperous young ranchman. Upon her departure the announcement was made that Miss Flippen wonld be married at Lakeview to Floyd Morris, of Adele, on Thursday, December 23. The bridegroom is not unknown to Gold Hill people, having visited here several months ago, but his engagement and marriage to Miss Flippen is a surprise to that young lady's many friends, who regret her departure from Gold Hill while wishing her much happiness.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all people of this vicinity

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Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Tibbils returned Monday from a fortnight's absence, during which they accompanied the remains of Mr. Tibbil's father to Rochester, New York, for interment. Mr. Tibbils has resumed his duties as Southern Pacific agent in this city. Relief agent J. D. Hewett returned to Creswell the first of the week.

The benefit vaudeville and movie show given at the Comus on Tuesday evening for the Christmas Tree fund, netted an appreciated profit for the worthy project. Miss Claire Tucker was repeatedly encored in her vocal selections. Felix the Trained Duck suffered a stroke of oral paralysis that marred, to some extent, the smoothness of Reed and Walker's clever turn.

Ranch for Rent.—320 acre ranch in the Meadows district, 15 miles from Gold Hill, 250 acres farming land of creek bottom soil; big barn, good dwelling, fine springs and spring house. One of finest stock ranches in Jackson county, with unlimited free range adjoining. Will rent on liberal terms. Call at News office, or write
—A. J. OLSON,
Gold Hill, Oregon.

Lance & Company will welcome the local children Christmas morning. In carrying out our former custom we will give to the boys and girls of Gold Hill and vicinity a treat on Christmas morning. The register is now open at our store. We invite all the children under 16 years of age to be sure and see that their names are placed on the list, not later than December 23d. Be at our store promptly at 10 o'clock Christmas morning.—**Lance & Company.**

One of the freak chances attendant upon the handling of high explosives overtook Walter Painter last Saturday, with the result that the young man has temporarily retired from his school studies and other employment. With his brother-in-law, Archie Walker, he had prepared a small charge of dynamite to split a log for firewood. Painter lighted the fuse, and at the instant of ignition a severe explosion is alleged to have occurred in the fuse itself, badly lacerating both his hands and inflicting other wounds in his chest and shoulders. From the wounds fragments of copper were extracted. As no metal is contained in the fuse, the cause of the explosion and the presence of the metal particles is something of a riddle—at least Painter's palms were riddled. He is making a good recovery.

What shall I give? Why not a dainty box of chocolates or perfume? We have them both and guarantee to please.—**Bowers Pharmacy.**

Martin S. Johnson spent several days this week at Portland, directing the selection of stock for his hardware business and replenishing his implement warehouse for the winter and spring work.

The following officers were elected last Thursday by Sugar Pine Camp No. 10073 M. W. A., of this city, for the ensuing year: John B. Palmer, Counsul; R. M. Cook, Advisor; A. E. Kellogg, Clerk; Charles Kell, Banker; W. R. Walker, Trustee for the three year term; and Jay E. Davidson, for an unexpired two year term.

I have my Christmas Goods in full display, and I have a splendid stock in my line for you to select your Christmas presents from. My stock consists of Queensware, Chinaware and Glassware, and Washington Silverware in Table Cutlery, and Table and Tea Spoons, and all the table paraphenalia A fine line of Pocket Cutlery, and Carving sets. Seamless Roasters, Air Rifles and Shot, Coaster Wagons, Overland Wagons, and Guns and Ammunition. Call and make your purchases early and avoid the rush at D. H. Miller's Hardware Store.

The following interesting story is vouched for by the Medford Sun:—During the winter Bill Stewart has been riding a horse he borrowed from Dr. A. J. Helms, and the other day while he was riding by the rifle range of Company 7, there came a volley and the horse fell to the ground. Stewart thought the equine had been hit by a stray bullet, and while he was removing the saddle, the horse arose. A half mile further another volley was fired and the horse again dropped. After a couple of kicks and a snort the horse arose and trotted on its way. Dr. Helms forgot to tell Stewart that the animal was formerly in the moving picture business, and had been trained to die when he heard a shot. He was purchased from a band of gypsies last summer who secured it from a moving picture outfit.

Embargo on Grain Chokes Elevators.

Chicago.—Hundreds of thousands of bushels of grain sold for export, are tied up in western elevators and warehouses because of embargoes placed on grain shipments to the east by practically every railroad connecting with Atlantic seaboard ports. Lack of vessels to handle the exports is advanced as the reason for the embargo.

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