

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

The GAZETTE wishes all its readers and friends a Merry Christmas.

J. M. McPhee, of Portland, was a Corvallis visitor Monday.

G. T. Vernon, of Alsea, was in the city last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ingle, of Woodburn, are in the city visiting relatives.

W. A. Richards and C. L. McCausland were visitors in Albany the first of the week.

Don't forget the big OAC excursion to Portland, Monday. Round trip only \$2.00.

Christmas exercises of the United Evangelical Sunday School will be held Saturday evening at 7:30.

A marriage license was issued to R. L. Hathaway and J. Emma Mischler on December 19.

Harry Holgate is expected to arrive from Kalamath Falls, Oregon, to spend the Christmas holidays.

S. Darby returned this week from an extended trip through New Mexico.

The last day or two students have been leaving for their homes throughout the state, to spend the holidays.

Daniel Cameron, who has been visiting relatives in this city for a few days left yesterday for his home in Portland.

J. D. Mann, formerly in the furniture business in this city, but now of Portland, arrived the first of the week for a few days visit with relatives and friends.

Herbert Root, one of OAC's husky football men, leaves for his home in Wasco, Tuesday morning after the big game with Multnomah.

It is reported, on good authority, that the Occidental hotel is soon to be reopened, though the name of the prospective proprietor has not been made public yet.

The school buildings of Benton county have almost all been photographed for exhibition at the 1905 Fair, and will make quite a showing for the educational facilities of the county.

A special short course in agricultural will open at OAC Jan. 9, closing the 19th. This course is open to all farmers, on the same conditions, mentioned last issue, as the special dairy course.

Almost every county in the state of Oregon has made application for exhibit space at the Lewis and Clark centennial. This shows the patriotism of the people of the state, who are all anxious for the success of the Fair.

Rev. Moses and wife left this week for a visit during the holidays with relatives and friends at Tugent and Crawfordville. He will officiate at the wedding of his niece, Miss Gussie Moses, while at the latter place.

The James Keene Co finished a three-nights' engagement Wednesday evening in this city. Mr. Keene is one of the most brilliant actors that has ever played at this place, and is also exceptionally well supported. They gave entire satisfaction to theatregoers.

The OAC students issued some very unique invitations for their ball given in the Armory Thursday night. They are souvenir postal cards showing different college pictures, and the invitations are printed across the cards. A large crowd was present and it was a most enjoyable affair.

Congregational Church—Sunday school and class for young men at 10 a. m.; service at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Vesper service 7:30 p. m. Sermons in the morning, "Christmastide and The Mission of the Child." Evening sermon, "The Home and Its Essentials." Service at Plymouth at 8 o'clock. Sunday School Christmas Exercises on Saturday evening at 7 o'clock. You are invited to the service and exercises.

The improvement leagues and similar organizations in the different towns along the Willamette are taking action toward securing an open river to Portland without having to pay toll at the Oregon City locks. They are endeavoring to have the government buy the locks from the private company that built and owns them, and make navigation through them free. This would be a good thing, and would affect Corvallis for as much good as any other city on the river, therefore it would not be out of place for the Benton County Citizens' League to take some similar action in line with the other associations.

J. K. Fawcett, of Belfountain, is in the city.

Prof. A. L. Knisely is in Portland this week.

The December directory of the Bell Telephone Co has been issued to the subscribers.

Dr. James Withycombe and Prof. F. L. Kent of OAC, were delegates to the 13th annual convention of Oregon Dairymen, this week.

The result of the fair of the Congregational ladies was a net profit of \$50, and is considered very satisfactory.

Farmers up near Eugene have formed a pool for the purpose of selling turkeys for the Christmas trade, to the highest bidder.

Ex-Railway Commissioner G. A. Waggoner, of this city, is in Salem this week, visiting the capitol and looking over scenes of former battles.

Rev. J. J. Handsaker and wife of Coquille, who are on their way as missionaries to Jamaica, visited at the home of their brother, Rev. T. S. Handsaker, last Wednesday.

On next Sunday, the feast of Christmas, there will be service at Catholic Church. First Mass at 6 and last Mass at 10 a. m. Evening service at 7 p. m.

Next Sunday will be the closing of Rev. Handsaker's pastorate at the Christian church. The subject of the evening sermon will be: "The Battle Over the Empty Grave."

For the big excursion to Portland Monday, the S. P. rate for the round trip will be as follows: From Corvallis and Independence, \$2; McMinnville, \$1.50; Forest Grove and Hillsboro, \$1.

A large crowd has been made up at Independence and Monmouth to accompany the OAC football squad to Portland, Monday. It is reported that there will be more from these two places than from any other point along the line.

A story is going the rounds that a Missourian living within 20 miles of St. Louis, did not hear of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition until a day or two after its close. We hope there will be no Oregonian that far behind the Lewis and Clark Fair.

A half dozen fine carrots of the Oxheart variety were left at the real estate office of Ambler & Watters yesterday, that are all prizewinners. They were raised by A. M. Gray, and one of them was almost 20 inches in circumference; the others averaging about 18 inches.

Ambler & Watters negotiated the sale this week of three lots belonging to Mrs. Fish, Prof. Covell buying two and J. K. Handy one. They also sold a 260 acre farm west of Philomath belonging to Mr. Wilcox, to Messrs. Overman and Rogers. Also four lots in Avery & Well's addition to C. J. Cole.

Yesterday morning's early C & E train was crowded even for standing room by OAC students returning home for the holidays. All examinations closed yesterday at noon, and today everything is quiet at the College and will remain so until January 3, when the second term opens.

Presbyterian Church, Rev M. S. Bush, Pastor—Bible School at 10 a. m.; C. E. at 6:30 p. m.; preaching at 11 a. m., subject, "The Incarnation;" evening service at 7:30 p. m., subject, "Our Peace." The Christmas entertainment of the Bible School will be given Saturday evening at 7:30.

C. Wallish, superintendent of the Clackamas fish hatchery, passed through this city Wednesday en route to Yaquina, in search of a location on the bay for a collecting station for steelhead and silverside salmon eggs. The eggs are to be transplanted at different hatcheries for propagation.

Yesterday morning when the steamer Pomona tied up at the dock in this city, a fine stallion, in charge of J. L. Skipton was taken off the boat, and is now on exhibition and will probably be sold. The horse is a beautiful black, about two years old and weighs 1500 pounds. He is valued at \$4,500.

At a recent meeting of the Maccabees the following officers were elected: Past commander, Geo. Moore; commander, J. F. Irvin; lieutenant commander, H. C. Mangas; record keeper, W. L. Sharp; finance keeper, H. C. Mangas; chaplain, Vance Taylor; picket, Fred Davis; sergeant, R. N. Adams; master at arms, Artie Starr; first master of guard, D. B. Newton; second master of guard, J. B. Ellis; sentinel, N. R. Adams; musician, Victor Moses; trustee, Neil Newhouse.

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS.

Xmas cards at Gerhard's.

Olives in bulk at P. M. Zierolf's.

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Everything in books at bookstore prices at Gerhard's.

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G. B. Whitney sells the Edison Phonograph.

All the latest popular music at half price at Gerhard's.

Lewis and Clark souvenir plates at P. M. Zierolf's.

Silk and woolen goods a specialty at Corvallis Steam Laundry.

Club rates on magazines at Gerhard's.

You can make your own records with the Edison Phonograph.

OAC souvenir dishes at P. M. Zierolf's.

Xmas tree ornaments at Gerhard's.

Send your lace curtains to Corvallis Steam Laundry.

No changing needles with the Edison Phonograph.

Pictures from one cent up, at Gerhard's.

Hay for sale at Bodine's Warehouse, old carriage factory. Ind. phone 290.

Sweet music without the buzz-saw effect, with the Edison Phonograph.

Just 25 per cent. discount on all pocket books and leather goods at C. A. Gerhard.

Call at Whitney's and hear the best reproduction of sound ever made. It is from the Edison Phonograph.

It will pay you to walk a few blocks to see Nolan & Callahan's holiday windows and interior decorations.

A new phone has been put in by the Bell company for Jack and Bob the up-to-date cleaners and dyers. The number is 531.

A \$50 diamond ring free. A ticket with each dollar purchase from E. W. S. Pratt, the jeweler and optician.

The Edison gold-moulded record costs only 35c. Phonographs \$10, \$20, \$30 and \$50 and are the best on earth, at Whitney's, South Main street.

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At the M. E. Church, Sunday morning, Christmas sermon and music; Sunday School at 10 a. m. Everybody welcome.

The local postoffice is doing a rushing business this week, but about tomorrow the troubles of the force will begin in earnest as Christmas presents will then begin to arrive for almost everybody.

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