

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Rev. Father Butler has been a Monroe business visitor this week. Will Reed went to Portland the first of the week to spend the holidays.

Prof. Bridwell went to Oregon City, Tuesday, to spend Christmas with friends.

R. H. Huston and family spent Christmas in Albany with the former's parents.

Miss Edith Casteel went to Yaquina Tuesday to spend the holidays at home.

Mrs. W. P. Ireland returned home Friday from a visit to her daughter at Monmouth.

J. S. Booth came out from Newport Tuesday to spend Christmas with relatives.

John Carpenter and little son of Monroe were Corvallis visitors the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Hollister of Portland are holiday guests of relatives in this city.

Miss Lillie Taylor of Pee Dee was the guest of Mrs. A. C. Tindison a few days this week.

C. A. Danneman of Clem, Eastern Oregon, spent Christmas with his family in this city.

Perry Eddy of Kings Valley was a pleasant caller at the Gazette office the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carl went to Carlton the first of the week to spend a few days with friends.

A. J. Fuller went to Portland, Tuesday, to spend Christmas with his sister, Mrs. J. Claude Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Mose of Eugene were in Corvallis, Wednesday, to attend the Mose-Wood wedding.

Clyde Starr and Ray Waltz of OAC are spending the holiday vacation at their homes at Bellefontaine.

Henry Reed of Portland was in Corvallis, Monday, en route to Monroe to spend Christmas with friends.

Mrs. Martha Burnett has been the guest of her son, Bruce Burnett, and family in Portland the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Heckart came up from Eugene Tuesday to spend Christmas with relatives at Irish Bend.

Dr. and Mrs. T. M. Gatch and daughter, Miss Grace, have been guests this week of Claud Gatch and family in Salem.

Mrs. L. E. Casteel of Yaquina was in Corvallis, Tuesday, to attend the wedding of her sister, Miss Sadie Dixon, to J. E. Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis arrived the first of the week from Silverton to make their home. They are located in the McGistie house near the Lutheran church.

Fred Kerr went to Silverton Tuesday to spend Christmas with his brother, Dolph. En route home he will visit a few days with his sister, Mrs. Frank Bowersox, in Salem.

Prof. W. T. Shaw, for years a prominent educator at OAC, but now in the Washington State College at Pullman, has been renewing old friendships in Corvallis this week.

Robert Herron expected to go to Seattle Tuesday to spend the holidays, but owing to the high water he was unable to come in from Irish Bend to Corvallis and had to postpone the trip. He expects to go in a few days.

A heavy rain fell most of the day Tuesday, making it very unpleasant for the eleventh-hour Christmas shoppers. In spite of the fact, however, many were abroad and spent their "final dollar" for gifts.

A special school meeting is to be held at the office of Clerk W. A. Buchanan on Friday, the 27th, to discuss the question of voting a 2 1/2 mill tax levy to raise funds for completing four more school rooms, and a 2 1/2 mill levy for purchasing a heating plant for the public school.

Vernon Gregg, driver of the Bellefontaine creamery wagon, had a runaway Monday night when within a mile and a half of his home. He was thrown from the wagon, striking on a stump, and his hip was badly injured. It was not learned whether any bones were broken. He is a brother of Markus Gregg.

If the Gazette happens to be a little "shy" on news today please bear in mind that this is Christmas week and that no one would look at nor listen to us when we begged for an item. It is really not our fault and while we regret our shortcomings we have been powerless. Besides the Christmas spirit is one of peace and charity and we hope to escape censure, this one time.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Witham were guests Christmas day of Minor Swick and wife.

Miss Alena Neller returned to her home in Salem yesterday, after a visit with relatives in this city.

Mrs. Webley Edwards went to Brownsville yesterday for a visit with relatives. She will be absent several days.

Prof. G. Lester Paul returned to Portland yesterday, after spending Christmas with relatives. Mrs. Paul will remain until after New Years.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hammel and Miss Blanche Hammel were Corvallis visitors Wednesday, being in attendance at the Hammel-Ireland wedding.

Arthur Henkle and family of Chehalis, Washington, are guests until after the holidays of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Henkle, in this city.

Married, at the residence of A. Garrett, 8th and Adams streets, Corvallis, Oregon, Dec. 24, 1907, George Buckels and Miss Nellie E. Garrett, Rev. J. R. N. Bell officiating.

Dr. O. D. Ireland and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ireland, of Portland, spent Christmas at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Ireland in this city and attended the Ireland-Hammel wedding.

In its last issue the Gazette gave a list of the newly elected officers of the Modern Woodmen of America, but through an oversight stated that they were the W. O. W. officers. Even the best of people sometimes make mistakes.

There was a happy family reunion at the home of "Grandma" Cooper, west of town, on Christmas day, all the sons and daughters being present with their families. The hours went by all too rapidly with feasting and merrymaking, and the occasion was one of great pleasure for all.

Rev. G. W. Forman, the successor of Rev. G. H. Gibbs, will preach at the M. E. church, South, next Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Rev. Forman is a graduate of the Moody theological institute and of the Moody school of music and has been engaged for the last few years in the evangelistic field.

A letter this week from Rev. M. S. Bush, formerly of this city but now of Ford City, Penn., states that Mrs. Bush underwent a surgical operation in a hospital there on the 10th, that it was entirely successful and the physician promises that she will enjoy better health hereafter than has been the case for years. Many friends will be glad of this favorable news.

Mrs. F. P. Sheasgreen, of Portland, spent Christmas with friends in Corvallis and sang at the Catholic church morning and evening Christmas day. Her daughters, Parriet and Mabel, both former Corvallis girls, are employed by one of the large wholesale plumbing houses, and Miss Loretta is "bell captain" at Hotel Portland. The other members of the family are well and all like the new home in Portland. Mrs. Sheasgreen goes home tomorrow.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. William Rees on Ninth street was a scene of gaiety and good cheer on Christmas day, when a family reunion occurred in which four generations were represented without a single break having been made in the chain by death. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. William Rees, their daughter, Mrs. Lee Henkle, and husband, their grandson, Arthur Henkle, and wife, and the great grandchildren, the little ones of Arthur Henkle and wife. It was a memorable occasion and one that will long be remembered by those present.

C. A. GERHARD will duplicate the price of any club offer for any periodicals or combinations.

A Kansas man recently tried to win back his wife's affections by applying dynamite to her. Only the brave deserve the fair.—Ex.

A work of art surpassing all previous efforts is J. M. Nolan & Son's window and store decorations. 102tf

At the Episcopal Church next Sunday the Christmas music will be repeated, with special singing by Mr. J. F. Allen and Mrs. J. A. Armstrong. Seats free. All welcome. J. A. Armstrong, Rector.

Wanted—Girl for house work in family of three. Address Box 247, Corvallis, Oregon.

Preaching at the Presbyterian church, Sunday morning and evening by the pastor, Rev. J. R. N. Bell. This is Christmas Sunday at this church. Morning topic, "The Illumination"; evening topic, "Was Christ's Human Nature Divine?" We will try and answer this question of Feticism as held by some churches. Special and appropriate music by the choir. All made welcome.

Kr-eso Sheep Dip, which is required by the government, for sale by 1tf

A dispatch from Ann Arbor, Michigan, on the 24th says: "Because of financial reasons Dan Kelly, world champion in the short dashes, has left Michigan and gone to Detroit to work. Kelly entered college last fall, taking up a study of law. He secured a job as bookkeeper in a billiard and bowling alley and in addition worked for his room by tending furnace. When he left, however, he said that he would return to college next fall. Kelly has a record of .09 3-5 in the 100; 21 4-5 in the 220; and has done 23 feet 11 inches in the broad jump."

J. A. Dawson is agent for the Albany Nurseries. Give him your order. 99-6

While the wife with whom he had lived for 62 years was being buried at noon Sunday in Central cemetery, six miles east of Albany, Granville Marsh, an Oregon pioneer of 1858, who was almost 85 years old, died at his home five miles northeast of that city. Mrs. Marsh, who was 84 years old, died Friday. The two were among the most honored pioneers of Linn county. Mrs. Marsh had been ill three weeks with kidney trouble and Mr. Marsh's death was produced by old age and worry over the illness and death of his wife.—Oregonian.

Armour Plate Hosiery, for men, women and children, best made, direct from the mill, and sold by Henkle & Davis. 101tf

A small, sharp-faced boy, one of whose eyelids had an inclination to droop in a chronic wink, entered a tailor shop in upper Broadway, approached the proprietor and silently handed him a button. The tailor took it and looked puzzled. "What's this for?" he asked. "I don't want it. I've got plenty of buttons." "That's all right," said the youngster. "But you want business don't you?" "Yes." "Well, just sew a pair of pants on that button." The small boy was half way up the block before the tailor reached the door.—Ex.

Money To Loan—On good, approved security. Mrs. W. E. Marvin. Fourth Street, South of Court House. 1-2

1907 rings down the curtain on the most wonderful year the Pacific Northwest ever enjoyed. In no other twelve months was there so much money brought into the country from the wheat crop; fruit scored its biggest success; lumber added many more millions of dollars than ever before; the same is true of the products of the dairy, while the grower of poultry has nothing to complain of. We are rich and prosperous, in spite of the fact that there appears to be a stringency, more a matter of mind than reality. Let us quit bemoaning imaginary troubles, inspire confidence and get ready to eclipse in 1908 our past year's record wonderful as it has been.

An Albany dispatch to the Oregonian Tuesday says: Louis Kroschel, who left Albany, Oct. 8, when a big batch of complaints were filed against Albany citizens (for violation of the local option liquor law, returned today and surrendered himself to Sheriff Smith and gave \$200 bonds for his appearance in Justice Porter's court; whenever wanted. In some manner Kroschel got wind of the complaints and left town just before a warrant was issued for his arrest. He went to Tacoma and remained in Washington. Kroschel is one of the proprietors of the Franklin House. His brother Charles Kroschel has already been convicted on two charges of illegal sale of liquor.

Because of the high water in the Willamette river at this city, scores of people living in Benton county, near this city, must wait one day and possibly longer for their Christmas presents, says an Albany dispatch in Wednesday's Oregonian. A big pile of Christmas presents lies in the local postoffice for people residing on rural free delivery route 4, which covers the part of Benton county adjacent to this city, but because the flooded river covers all roads leading from the north end of the steel bridge here, Carrier Houser could not deliver the mail on this route today. Nor can the people come to Albany to trade, so it may be a Christmas eve without presents in many homes.

"The decorations are the prettiest ever seen here" was the verdict of all who attended the Christmas exercises at the Methodist church, Tuesday evening, and to Rev. and Mrs. Leech, practically all the praise is due. The church was beautifully festooned with Oregon grape and fir boughs, while the choir corner was curtained and converted into a cozy chimney corner, with large fireplace, a clock and ornaments on the mantle and a fire brightly burning on the hearth. On either side of the fireplace a prettily decorated tree held the Sunday School presents and a few small gifts for the children. An excellent program of musical and literary numbers was nicely rendered, among the features being a vocal solo by Miss Janet Blackledge, a talented little lady whose voice is one of the sweetest in Corvallis; a recitation, splendidly rendered, by Miss Ida Billings; an amusing song and exercise by a class of little girls, and good music by the choir. Santa Claus, in the person of O. J. Blackledge, made the event complete for the little ones, and the evening was one of pleasure for all present.

A "short change" man is reported to be working the valley towns during the Christmas season. The man's method is to enter a store when the proprietor has a lot of customers on his hands, make a purchase amounting to a few cents and tender in payment a bill or gold piece of large denomination. During the process of making change, the man "suddenly discovers" that he has in his pocket just enough money to pay for his purchase. This he tenders to the proprietor, and requests the return of the piece of money which he first handed him. As the proprietor diverts his gaze to get the coin, the purchaser slyly picks up a part of the money first laid down on the counter for change and puts it in his pocket. If the proprietor is not next to the game and overhasty to attend to other customers the chances are he will not detect his loss. Fortunately, however, Albany merchants have long since developed their eye-teeth.—Herald.

One of the most destructive conflagrations that has occurred in this city for some time took place a few days ago when the whole upper story of Aaa Taylor's lively stable was totally destroyed by fire, together with about 20 tons of hay. The fire was first discovered about 6:15 p. m. by some parties on the street who began yelling fire and a general alarm was turned in. When first discovered the fire appeared to be near the fire over the harness room where it is thought it originated, but within a few seconds the whole upper story was all ablaze. There was no insurance on the contents, the policy having recently expired, but a small insurance was carried on the building. The loss is estimated at about \$2000.—Independence "Town Talk." Mr. Taylor is the father of Mrs. W. W. Ireland of Corvallis and is well known to many people in this city.

The Holy Rollers are at work here in dead earnest with an avowed intention of converting the entire population of Olympia to their strange doctrine, says a dispatch from Olympia, Washington, to the Oregonian a few days ago. They claim they are not "Holy Rollers," as the name is commonly applied, meaning people of the Orefield belief, such as Corvallis, Oregon, had a siege of some months ago. Such and all kindred beliefs are works of the devil and the followers will never see the pearly gate, so say the Olympia "Rollers." Their meetings consist of song and praise service, followed by a call to "all those who want anything from the Lord to come forward." Here is where the meetings get interesting. Everything in the human power is done by the leaders to excite the people. When some poor, weak soul commences to get a little unstrung, one of the leaders places his hands on their temples and through his influence soon has his victim flat on his or her back, when his attention is given to another victim.

Real Estate Transfers.

Robert Hughes et al to W M Jones, 100 acres southwest of Corvallis; \$2500. M C Miller to Nathan C Pickett, lot 9 bl. 32, Avery's 3rd addition to Corvallis; \$550.

United States to Mary Taylor, 40 acres near Blodgett. Coast Land and Live Stock Company to A J Hodges, land in Benton county; \$10.

A J Hodges to John S Rilling, 1291 acres in Benton county; \$10.

William Cramer to G A Whiting, lot 12 bl. 2 Avery and Wells' addition to Corvallis; \$10.

M P Barnett to R L Glass, 80 acres west of Philomath; \$10. L H Rycraft and wife to Moses Miller, 115.84 acres in Alsea; \$1600.

Isaac T Mason to E W Reder, 160 acres in Alsea; \$1000.

John Schult to Frederick Posey, 4 acres southwest of Philomath; \$200.

John Coffey to Mary G Wilhelm, 140 acres southwest of Bellefontaine; \$3375.

Mary Dyer to H W Strong, 80 acres in Kings Valley; \$1.

H W Strong and wife to Peter Calvi, 80 acres in Kings Valley; \$200.

A New Year's Thought.

We shall do much in the year to come, But what have we done today? We shall give our gold in a princely sum, But what did we give today? We shall lift the heart and dry the tear, We shall plant a hope in the place of fear, We shall speak the words of love and cheer, But what did we speak today?

We shall be kind in the after-a-while, But what have we been today? We shall bring to each lonely life a smile, But what have we brought today? We shall give to truth a grander birth, And to steadfast faith a deeper worth, We shall feed the hungry souls of earth, But whom have we fed today?

We shall reap such joys in the by and by, But what have we sown today? We shall build us mansions in the sky, But what have we built today? 'Tis sweet in the idle dreams to bask, But here and now do we do our task? Yes, this is the thing our soul must ask: "What shall we do today?" —Exchange.

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