

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL**

F. B. Smith visited friends in company Sunday.

S. D. Hughes, of Beulah, was stopping in the city Friday.

Walter Kline was an overnight visitor at Portland and home Tuesday.

Miss Bertha Beck, living near home, will spend Christmas at M. Bauer home.

Mrs. Phillip Gearheart will spend Christmas with her husband's people at Astoria.

George Wood and wife, living at Philomath, spent Tuesday shopping in Corvallis.

Mrs. Albright came over from home Sunday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Phillip Phile.

J. H. Herron and wife, of the Bend country, were looking for business in town Friday.

Miss Edith Casteel, a student at OAC, has gone to her home at Yaquina to spend the holidays.

Claud Thorpe, an OAC student, left for his home at Hood River Tuesday to spend the holiday season.

Norman R. Burtner, of OAC, will spend Wednesday for Walla Walla, to spend his vacation in that city with friends.

Miss Agnes Campbell, a graduate of the Oregon State Normal school, '08, is taking a special course of study in art work at C.

Mrs. A. Hunter and J. McCarty and Miss Maud arrived Sunday evening in Portland on a brief visit to friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Hall and daughter are spending the Christmas holidays with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hall, at Buena Vista.

A card from S. N. Wilkins at Monroe, La. informs us that he is enjoying the balmy atmosphere and genial hospitality of sunny south. His health is improving every day.

The December number of The Oregonian, the official publication of the Oregon State Normal at Astoria, is one of the best that has been issued from that institution for a long time.

The school election at the art house on Tuesday to increase the levy to 7 mills was decided which will give the school ample funds to keep the pool up to its present high standing.

In the guessing contest as to number of handkerchiefs in a balloon in the Henkle & Dashow window three little girls tied on 110 and in the final Georgia Brown was first. The boys tied on the football and Mark Cooper won the kiff.

The newly elected officers of the OAC Commercial Club are: President, I. E. Kerr; Vice President, Kate Moore; Secretary, Edna Watkins; Treasurer, Ina True; Sergeant-at-Arms, P. H. Cale.

Wrestling is now the fad at OAC and Prof. O'Connell, the instructor, is busy every Saturday in the athletic department giving pointers to the students who are interested in this particular exercise.

The new Agronomy building, which has been accepted by the Board of Regents of OAC, will be occupied by the Departments of Agronomy, Horticulture, Domestic Art, Latin, English and School of Commerce.

Mrs. Charles Shenefield, of Independence, came up Tuesday to spend the holiday season with father and mother Allen. Chas. will slip in about the time the feast is ready and leave a shining mark at the festive board.

Mrs. J. R. Horning, sister-in-law of E. B. Horning came in from Medford yesterday and will feast on turkey at the Horning home on Christmas day. Mr. Horning is at Portland and is expected to arrive in time for the feast.

C. L. Andrews, of Eagle, Alaska, is spending the holiday season at the Walter Wiles home north of town. Mr. Andrews is a brother of Mrs. Wiles and is U. S. Collector of Customs at Eagle. He is a very pleasant gentleman.

OAC will enter a team of five men in the cross country run with U. of O. on Washington's birthday. The race will be over a five mile course and the total points scored by individual contestants will determine who shall be awarded first place.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie McIntyre have arrived from their home in Alberta, Canada, to spend the Christmas holidays with the latter's mother, Mrs. Sarah Cauthorn. Both are old OAC students and Mrs. McIntyre as Miss Frankie Cauthorn was formerly well known in Corvallis circles.

We hear some complaint in regard to petty thieving around town during the past few days. The scenes of activity seem to be confined to Third street, and woodpiles, rolls of butter, bed clothing etc. seem to be the drawing cards. A loaded stick on the woodpile might prove an effective remedy and rid the town of undesirable citizens.

It may not be generally known, but OAC is the only college in this country that furnishes free instruction in wrestling to its student body. During the latter part of January there will be match bouts on the mat between OAC and U. of I., U. of O. and W. S. C., in which Prof. O'Connell's pupils are expected to carry the Orange to victory against all comers.

Hawkes' cut glass at A. J. Metzger's, watchmaker. 12-15-3t

Prof. A. B. Cordley has been a Portland business visitor this week.

A meeting of the Conference Colleges will be held in Seattle Tuesday, December 29. It is expected that some amendments will be made to the constitution and a more definite construction put upon others not now clear of interpretation. One amendment, to be offered by the U. of W., will be for the creation of a board of referees to decide upon the eligibility of players in all lines of athletics.

Hot drinks and ham sandwiches at the Palace of Sweets. 12-8-tf

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Charles Horning, son of L. F. Horning, who was connected with the Gazette many years ago was selected as one of the debating team in the tryout at the high school at Grangeville, Idaho. The paper speaks of his splendid delivery, perfect ease before an audience and happy faculty of oratorical power. It is highly probable he will make a record at OAC next year.

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Seventeen contestants were entered in the tryout for debate which took place last Saturday evening in OAC Auditorium, the subject being: Resolved, "That the System of Municipal Government by Commission should be instituted in the cities of the Northwest of over 20,000 inhabitants." OAC will be represented this year in debate by Cale, Clark, Darling, Jefferson, I. E. Kerr and Wilson.

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A very large per cent of the college students left on Friday and Saturday to spend the holiday season with the folks at home. They represent nearly every county in the state and it is exceedingly interesting to look upon their bright and happy faces in anticipation of the happy home greeting. With college colors waving in the breezes they bade goodbye thus leaving the citizens of Corvallis to meditate upon what a blessing the OAC has been to us.

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#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the County Court of Benton county, Oregon, administrator of the estate of Floyd Lane, deceased; All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same duly verified as by law required to me at Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, or at the office of J. F. Yates at Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, within six (6) months from this date.

Dated December 7th, 1908.  
W. G. LANE,  
Administrator of the Estate of Floyd Lane, deceased.  
Date of first Publication, Dec. 7th, 1908.  
Date of last Publication, Jan. 5th, 1909

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned constituting the Sewer Committee of the City of Corvallis, will receive bids at the office of Police Judge in said City until six o'clock p. m. of Thursday of the 31st day of December, 1908, for the construction of a lateral sewer through Block No. 3 in the County Addition to the City of Corvallis in accordance with the plans and specifications thereon on file with the Police Judge of the City of Corvallis and the ordinance of said City providing for said sewer construction. Bids must be accompanied by a certified check equal to one fourth (1/4) the amount of such bid, payable to the order of the Police Judge of said City to secure the City and the property owners against loss or damage on account of failure of such bidder to enter into contract with the city and give bond for the faithful performance thereof as required by the ordinance providing for the construction of said sewer. All bids will be reported to the Common Council of said City at its regular meeting of January, 1909.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.  
Dated December 17, 1908.  
GEO. FULLER,  
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I. BODINE,  
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Last pub. Dec. 29, 1908.

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