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CHRISTMAS

Will soon be here and a few timely suggestions may help you to decide on that present you are going to buy. Here are a few of the many beautiful and useful things carried in stock. Don't wait until the last day.

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| Umbrellas | Fancy Suspenders |
| Hand Bags | Fancy Armbands |
| Silk Scarfs | Gloves of all kinds |
| Linen Table Covers | Men's Slippers |
| Hosiery, all kinds | Battenberg Table Covers |
| Laundry Bags | Furs and Fur Sets |
| Ladies Hand Mirrors | Handkerchiefs, all kinds |
| Boy's Suits | Side Ruffles, all kinds |
| Fancy Neckwear | Neckties, all kinds |
| Bed Spreads | Table Linen and Napkins |
| Fancy and Plain Blankets | |

Don't fail to see our line of Ladies' and Gent's Neckwear and Handkerchiefs. No better line shown anywhere

Yours for a Merry Christmas

CAMPBELL'S STORE.
DALLAS, OREGON

WELL KNOWN POLKITES.

Mr. and Mrs. James Elkins Have Four Generations Living.

James E. Elkins, of Independence, is one of the oldest pioneer settlers of Oregon, and ranks also as one of the oldest citizens of the state, being in his 90th year. He comes from a prominent southern family, being a second cousin of Senator Stephen B. Elkins, of West Virginia. He left home when he was 22 years of age, coming to Missouri. He found a tide of immigration to Oregon setting in, and in 1845 joined a company and drove a team across the plains arriving in Oregon after six months of hardship and perils incident to travel in those days.

At The Dalles, where the wagon road ended, the company built rafts and took their wagons and goods across the Columbia and down to the Cascade Locks on the Washington side. There was a considerable herd of cattle belonging to the company and the only way to transport them was to swim the river. But the river was so wide that the cattle could not swim across unless driven by men on horseback. Elkins volunteered to help do this, and in exposure in the very cold water gave him a severe cold which terminated in a fever that came near ending his life. He was taken from Cascade Locks to Vancouver, Wash., in one of the Hudson Bay Company's boats.

In 1846 he came to Polk county and took up a squatter's claim where Monmouth now stands and built a little shack. Clothing was very scarce and nothing but buckskins could be had to make garments. The next year an emigrant and his family arrived in the community and wanted to move into Elkins' shack. Elkins offered to sell it to him, but he had no money to buy, so a trade was made in which the emigrant took the claim and Elkins took a new hickory shirt in exchange.

After a trip to California during the gold fever he returned to Oregon and came back to Polk county, took up a donation claim near Monmouth, and in 1851 was married to Lucy J. Zumwalt, and 24 years ago he moved to Independence, where he has since resided. He walks about the city frequently and enjoys good health for his age.—Telegram.

FAREWELL RECEPTION.

Elder and Mrs. Pettit Soon Leave for Foreign Climes.

Last Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kersey a reception was given in honor of Elder and Mrs. G. W. Pettit, formerly in charge of the Seventh Day Adventist church here, returned to bid farewell to the many friends they made during their stay in our midst.

Elder and Mrs. Pettit leave Portland the morning of the 31st for Washington, D. C., where they will meet Elder and Mrs. J. M. Comer, Jr., formerly of the Southern Oregon conference, enroute to their new field of labor in India. After spending two days there, they with four other workers, will go to New York, where they will take passage on the Baltic for Liverpool, England, spending two weeks in that country, then continuing their journey to Bombay, India.

All gathered in the spacious parlor for a social reunion. Elder Pettit, with the aid of a large map of the world, described the route which they expect to take and outlined briefly the work which they are to pursue when they have reached their destination.

Ice cream and cake were served, after which a number joined in singing familiar missionary hymns.

After a most pleasant evening all departed for their homes, feeling that it was a meeting long to be remembered.

Those present were: Elder and Mrs. G. W. Pettit, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kersey and two granddaughters, Merle Grant and Mildred Shaw, Elder and Mrs. T. H. Starbuck, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Holman and family, Mrs. Kate Braley, Mrs. S. P. Riggs, Mrs. Cleveland, Mrs. Elias Hinshaw and children, G. W. Johnston, Lyle Johnston, Misses Bessie and Esther Cleveland, Echo Ellis, Della Syron, Cora Johnston, Jessiline Disbrow, Edith Starbuck.

WHEN THE MAIL MAN IS SANTA CLAUS.



SOMETIMES the mail man acts as Santa Claus, or, maybe, he just substitutes for the dear old saint. Anyhow, he comes around to the house loaded down with packages, and sometimes those packages contain things even more warmly appreciated by the children than the gifts Santa puts in the stockings. They come as Christmas presents from the uncles and the cousins and the aunts or from the friend you met at the seashore or in the mountains last summer or from the kind old lady who parted you on the back when you went to the county fair, asked your name, said you were a "nice child" and she would always remember you.

At any rate, when the mail man takes the place of Santa Claus he has a great many families to look out for, and you should be kind to him and thank him for delivering the packages to you, for he is very hard worked at Christmas time. If he looks weary and worn wish him "Merry Christmas." Perhaps he has children at home who are not so well remembered at Christmas as you are. Maybe you'll think of them and hand the mail man a little package, telling him to take it home to his own children.

BASKET BALL.

Dallas Team to Play Philomath Next Friday Evening.

What promises to be the most interesting game of basket ball of the year will be played in the new armory in this city on next Friday evening, when the Dallas team will meet the Philomath college five. The Dallas team has improved constantly, and having passed through two games already—the one with McMinnville college and one with Chemawa team—and having been able to get considerable practice, it will be in fine shape for the game on Friday.

Philomath College has always put out a strong team, and this year is no exception. About two weeks ago, this team played "Swan's Corvallis team" in Corvallis, and though defeated, still the score will show that the victory Corvallis won was far from decisive, the final score being 23 to 22. This Corvallis team is considered one of the strongest teams in the state. It is the team that has made basket ball famous in Corvallis. The same men are on it that have been on it for years. It is expected that this Corvallis team will play here in January, and the game with Philomath college on Friday night will furnish a good basis for figuring upon the outcome of the future Corvallis-Dallas game.

The court at the new armory is one of the best in the state. In the past, lovers of the game of basket ball in Dallas, in order to see a game, were compelled to go into a cold, damp building, sit on hard benches, and be uncomfortable during the game; uncomfortable to such an extent that they lost interest in the game. You can now go into a well heated, well lighted and well seated building, and enjoy yourself. The back rows of chairs have been raised, and all reserved seats are good now. The back ones are as good as the front rows.

During the last two games, it has developed just how safe the new armory building is from a standpoint of fire breaking out while a crowd was inside. At the McMinnville game, with about 325 people present, it took just two minutes for every person to quit the building at the finish of the game. There were not many people at the Chemawa game, but two minutes is all it took for them to leave the room. It is estimated that 800 people can leave the building in safety in 1-2 minutes without rushing.

All lovers of basket ball should turn out to these games. Co. H. O. N. G., our home company, under the auspices of which the present Dallas team is playing

(and by the way every member of the team is a member of the company) is trying to give the people of Dallas what they have long wanted; good, clean, interesting basket ball, in a good, clean, comfortable building, in good, clean sportsmanlike manner. All money cleared by reason of basket ball will go to fit up the armory. Seats for the next game, and for all games, will be on sale at the Fuller Pharmacy. Reserved seats are 35 cents and general admission 25 cents. Reserved seats are put on sale on Monday preceding the game, and to be sure of good seats you should go early to get them. To those desiring to do so, arrangements can be made with the Fuller pharmacy to reserve certain seats for the whole season. With the exception of the week of the Angora Goat show, it is intended to have a game on the local floor at least once a week until about the middle of February. In January, it is expected that the McMinnville club, of Portland, the University of Idaho, Washington state college, Corvallis, Woodburn, Silverton and Mt. Angel will play here, and possibly the Willamette University team.

FAMILY FOUND DESTITUTE.

Washerwoman, Ill, is Unable to Supply Children's Needs.

Too sick to continue her work as a washerwoman, Mrs. L. L. Bullock, a widow, and her small children, are reported by L. T. Beeman, of the City Health Department, to be in a pitiful state of destitution. Mr. Beeman visited the home at 71 Summer street yesterday and found Mrs. Bullock in bed with what appears to be smallpox. An investigation of conditions showed that the children are hungry and cold, there being no groceries or wood in the house. A 25-cent piece was all the money Mrs. Bullock had.

Mrs. Bullock explained that she had been working in the neighborhood, washing, and had managed to provide food for her children. Recently she became exposed to smallpox at the home of her brother, W. H. Baker, a motorman, of 118 Killingsworth avenue, and since then, she says, she has been refused work in any of the homes in her neighborhood.

A small supply of groceries was furnished by Mr. Beeman. He says the need for relief at the little home is urgent.—Oregonian.

Mrs. Bullock was a resident of Dallas until about two months ago, the family residing in the Hoisington house.

EXTRAORDINARY SHOWING OF HOLIDAY GIFTS

You can't make a mistake in selecting your holiday goods at this store. Hundreds of sensible and practical items now on display. A great many articles are put up in fancy boxes, making them more appropriate, and adds to the attractiveness of things : : :

Christmas Suggestions for MEN

- Suits, Overcoats, Hats
- Umbrellas, Gloves
- Scarfs, Neck Ties
- Fancy Shirts, Silk Hose
- Handkerchiefs, Suspenders
- Slippers, Bath Robes
- Smoking Jackets, Etc., Etc.

Christmas Suggestions for LADIES

- Kid Gloves, Neckwear
- Tailored Suits
- Silk and Lace Waists
- Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas
- Silk Petticoats, Skirts
- Hair Ornaments
- Hand Bags, Etc., Etc.

Greatest display of Holiday Gifts in town. Gifts Worth Giving and Welcomed by All

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We have the largest stock of popular priced Holiday Goods in Polk County. Here is where you get your money's worth. Our prices are so we are not afraid to put them in print. Here we go on a few:

Toy Hatchets 5 and 10c	Marbles 30 for 5c	Dolls, sailor, dressed 15c
Cheekers 10c	Marbles 15 for 5c	Dolls, of other kinds 15c
Dominoes 10c	Marbles 12 for 5c	Toy Trunks 15c
Playing Cards 10c	Marbles 3 for 5c	Drawing Boards, 14x24 20c
Creme Paper 10c	Marbles, large glass 5, 10 and 15c	Games 5, 10 and 15c
Whistles 5 and 10c	Childs Mugs 5 and 10c	Work Boxes 10, 15 and 20c
Watches 5 and 10c	Shaving Mugs 20c	Large Glass Bowls 15, 20, 25c
Beads, in box or bags, 5 and 10c	Childs Cup and Saucer 10, 20c	Plates, Cups and Saucers
Beads, strings 15 and 25c	Harp 5, 10 and 15c	Berry Set 85c up
Tops 5 and 15c	White bone handle Knife 12, 25c	Metal Frame Pictures 15c
Horns 5, 10, 15 and 20c	Small pearl handle Knife 20c	Well worth 35c.
Dogs 10 and 20c	Perfume 15, 20 and 25c	Steel Trains 20c and up
Cats 10 and 15c	Childs Purse with chain 20c	Bow and five Arrows 15c
Tin Stoves 10c	Pin Cushions 10 and 20c	Swords 15 and 25c
Tin Ranges 15c	Dolls, jointed bisque 15c	Sail Boats 10 and 20c
Shaving Mirrors 15 and 20c	Dolls, jointed bisque 10c	Christmas Box Paper and
Whips 5 and 10c	Dolls, jointed bisque 15c	Envelopes 15c
Childs Knife and Fork 15c	Dolls, jointed bisque 20c	Berry Sets 85c and up
Pop Guns 5, 10 and 25c	Dolls, dressed 15c	Salad Bowls 15c and up
Paints 5, 10 and 15c	Dolls, undressed 15c	Childs Rockers 50, 85c, \$1.45

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