

The Week's News

Local and Personal Happenings in and About the City.

J. A. Rhea went to Eugene Tuesday.

Riley Smith was an outgoing passenger, Tuesday.

Miss Pipes, of Portland, is the guest of Miss Kistner.

Lewis Kenney was a passenger for Portland, Monday.

F. E. Brown, of The Dalles, was in the city Tuesday.

E. D. Leach, of Lexington, was a Heppner visitor yesterday.

Mrs. C. O. Huelat went to Salem, Monday, to spend the holidays.

R. McElligott and wife, of Eight-Mile, were in the city, Monday.

A. Minor went down in the sand-country Tuesday for a day's shooting.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bartholomew, of Pendleton, are visiting relatives in the city this week.

The Episcopal tea given by Mrs. G. W. Phelps at her home on Friday last was well patronized.

The Epworth League of the M. E. church served an excellent New England dinner last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Saling, of Corvallis, who have been visiting relatives in this city, returned to their home Tuesday.

Services of M. E. church, preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Epworth League at 6:15 p. m.—Perry Chandler, pastor.

All Saints Episcopal church—4th Sunday in Advent. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Friday, Dec. 16, evening services at 7:30.

Prize winners in Minor & Co.'s exhibit of farm products are as follows: Bluestein wheat, Hiram Tash; barley, Waldo L. Vincent; corn, Frank Evans; potatoes, W. E. Severance; beans, John Hughes; squash, Geo. Hufford; apples, Wm. Barrett; peaches, Percy Jarmon.

The Heppner Milling Company is running full time being crowded with orders. Under the management of F. H. Stephenson the mill is being run this season with a greater degree of success than ever before, owing to the fact that Mr. Stephenson is an expert miller and thoroughly understands the milling business. By the addition of new and improved machinery, the quality of flour produced has been greatly improved and Heppner flour is building a reputation in competition with all importations. Mr. Stephenson has paid the closest attention and has spared no expense for the main object, that is to put out a strictly first-class article that will make the best of bread. In this way everyone who has tried Heppner flour is ready to testify as to the quality. Mr. Stephenson started with a rigid guarantee, with ample backing to make every sack of flour of his making stand strictly upon its merits. To a Gazette representative, Mr. Stephenson said: "We gladly take back every sack of flour if there is the least complaint. I am glad to say, that instead of complaint my flour is well spoken of." The Gazette is pleased to note the success of home enterprise.

School Entertainment.

A very nice programme was given at the school house of district No. 50, on Friday, December 9, 1904, by the teacher, pupils and patrons of district No. 50, Morrow county, Oregon.

This day being the last school day of a very successful term of school, taught by Miss Ethel E. Swaggart.

Miss Ethel E. Swaggart, an accomplished, highly educated and charming young lady, is the younger daughter of Mr. Ben F. Swaggart a well-known and prominent stockman, agriculturist and pioneer of Morrow county, Oregon.

The programme was as follows: Each pupil rendered a well-chosen recitation and several well-selected songs were sung by the entire class. Mr. O.

Ladies Jackets, Skirts and Suits radically reduced for the Holiday Trade.

The Fair

THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY

A fine assortment of Ladies Handkerchiefs shown especially for the Holiday Trade.

Only Ten More Days to Buy

THAT XMAS GIFT

If at any time during these ten days you have that undecided feeling, regarding what to buy for either grown-ups, girls, boys, or the baby, come and see us. We feel confident that we can help you by putting forth our best efforts to show you the largest and most complete collection of toys, games for amusement, educational games, dolls of all kinds, decorated China ware, Cuff and Collar boxes, Handkerchief and Glove boxes, Trinkets of every conceivable kind at prices within the limit of the modest, as well as the well-filled purse. We can save you money on these Holiday goods as well as on all other goods we may sell you.

Ice Wool Shawls

These have plain centers, serpentine border effect and scalloped edge.

\$1.00 kind reduced to.....79c
1.45 kind reduced to.....\$1.12
1.75 kind reduced to.....1.23

Silk Shawls, Scarfs

Patterns same as above with Lace and fringed edge

\$1.45 and \$1.50 kind reduced to \$1.15
1.75 kind reduced to.....\$1.23
1.95 and \$2 kind reduced to.....1.63
2.75 kind reduced to.....2.19

KNIT GOODS FOR LESS

All the wanted and seasonable kind for the head and body, for the women and children, all sharply reduced.

All Wool Shawls

Square and round with fringed or plain border, white and colored selected yarn.

25c kind reduced to.....19c
\$1.00 kind reduced to.....73c
1.25 " " ".....98c
1.45 " " ".....\$1.19
2.00 " " ".....1.58
2.75 " " ".....2.18
3.90 " " ".....2.45

Ladies Knit Skirts

Colors are black, red, pink and white and blue and white medium weight in the warm fitting kind

\$1.35 reduced to.....98c
1.60 " ".....\$1.19
2.00 " ".....1.45

Ladies Furs

New and stylish, priced to sell quickly

\$1.00 Electric seal (black).....\$.73
1.75 Patent Martin.....1.33
2.75 Mink.....2.19
3.15 Patent Silver Fox.....2.48
4.45 Beaver.....3.48
4.85 Black Bear.....3.95
7.95 Stone Martin.....5.98
9.00 Black Thibet.....6.98
14.50 Red Fox.....9.85

S. Hodson, one of Morrow county's prominent stockraisers and wheat-growers, expressed himself in well-worded language in regard to Miss Swaggart's ability as a teacher. Mr. Hodson said that Miss Swaggart gave entire satisfaction as a teacher and as such is well liked by all the pupils of district No. 50. Mr. Shelby Taylor, a prosperous young farmer in district No. 50, indulged in a bright, cheerful and optimistic talk. Mr. Taylor's humorous talk was well received, because the young gentleman showed considerable talent as a humorous speaker. However, Mr. Ben F. Swaggart represented the star speaker of the day. Mr. Swaggart is a natural-born orator. If Mr. Swaggart would cultivate the art of speaking, his efforts would surely be crowned with success. Here is the verbatim report of Mr. Swaggart's speech:

Friends, neighbors and patrons of district No. 50, Morrow county, Oregon I extend to you a hearty welcome in behalf of my daughter, your teacher, for your presence here today, the closing exercises of the school. Your presence indicates that you are pleased with the manner in which the school has been conducted and you greatly encourage the scholars by your presence, and by coming out to hear and see them take their part in the closing exercises. This is a duty you owe them, though too often neglected.

If we succeed in successfully educating our children, we must successfully encourage them. This is the key note of the most important duties of the parents, and a duty that is being neglected. It is an undeniable fact that from the country schools comes the brightest intellect. Ninety-four per cent of the leading citizens of the United States were brought up on farms. Seventy-five per cent of commercial and professional men of Chicago, Illinois, were raised in country and

rural villages. Seventeen out of twenty-five presidents of the United States came from farms. Rural districts are furnishing eighty-five per cent of college students in the United States. Some cheerful idiots may conclude from this that the farm is the place that should be abandoned. But the true significance is that it is a good place to develop intellect as well as muscle.

I will say to the young men and women that are tiring of their country home life and intend at some future time to better their conditions by leaving their farms for city life. That in but few instances will they ever realize that they have bettered their conditions. The quiet and peaceful home of the farm is growing in favor rapidly of late and we now see the working classes move from the large cities to rural districts, and the present immigration is quite large. Our large seacoast cities are rapidly gaining in population, though the young men and women from rural districts do not make up this increase in population, but this increase comes from foreign lands. In a few years from now this section will be greatly beautified. It is only a matter of a few years when we will find farm life more interesting. We will find telephones in every home. Rural districts will be connected with the outside world. We will have our mail delivered at our homes each day. These improvements will come very soon. Then, when this time comes, our farms will be ideal homes.

Today the most independent people of the United States live on farms. The greatest blessing God ever gave to man is more fully enjoyed in farm life than any other. That is perfect health, regular habits and regular hours. Seventeen out of twenty-five farmers' sons have obtained the highest position that is possible for man to obtain, that is the exalted position of president—president of our grand and glorious republic.

J. A. MILLER,
Clerk of District No. 50.

According to the Albany Daily Herald tramps floating into that city have been put to work cleaning the streets. A more severe punishment could hardly have been suggested.

Always reliable—The Weekly Oregonian.

A Willamette Valley farmer raised three turnips whose combined weight is 34 pounds, the largest of the three weighing 15 pounds. He also raised a beet that weighed 20½ pounds.

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A Feast for Christmas Buyers

We invite the Attention of all to our Magnificent New Stock consisting of

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