

Local and Personal

MASSONIC CALENDAR



Malta commandery Knights Templar, meets on Sunday noon for the customary brief Christmas observance. The hour will be at 12:30 sharp.

The Eastern Star chapter meets Monday evening, December 26, concluding date for the year of initiations. Nearly a dozen candidates.

Joint installation of officers of Ashland lodge No. 23, and Alpha chapter of the Eastern Star, Tuesday, December 27. Members and their families invited.

Engagement Announced

The coming wedding of Miss Pauline McClintock and Vern D. Bain is announced. These popular young folks are both students of Willimette university at Salem, the bride-to-be being a junior and the fortunate man a senior. Mr. Bain is quite prominent in athletics. Miss McClintock graduated from the Ashland high school in 1919. Her home is at Weed, Calif.

We have a few uncalled-for suits and overcoats which are exceptional values. Paulserud's. 86tf

You will want candy from Rose Brothers for it is the best and costs no more than brands not so good. 93tf

Moves from Ranch Home

C. A. Gray and family have moved into town from their ranch home and are now living at 1372 Iowa street. Mrs. Gray, who has been ill for some time, is improving in health. Mr. Gray is hauling lumber from the top of the Siskiyou mountains preparatory to building a new house.

Get prices at Rose Bros. on candies of quality before buying elsewhere. 93tf

Going to Alameda

Mrs. Selma Gray expects to leave on No. 52 this evening for Alameda, Calif., to spend her semi-annual vacation with her parents. She expects to be gone until February 1.

Regular tamales at Rose Bros.

Victrola owners would appreciate a Victor record, a fibre needle cutter, or a record album from Rose Bros. for that Christmas gift. 93tf

Dinner Party

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Porter, 143 Eighth street, will give a family dinner party Monday, on which day their son, Charles Porter, is expected home from Dunsuir, where he is employed in a Southern Pacific company surveying crew.

Health Bread. Pure Malted Milk Twins—10 cents

Orres, Tailors for men and women. Cleaning, pressing and remodeling. 86tf

Sunday School Class Entertained

Mrs. H. C. High, 107 Fork street, entertained her Sunday school class at her home yesterday evening. Those present were: Kenneth Maden, Wayne Hill, Wayne Ramsey, Jack O'Connell, John Henry Elmore, Jimmy Herr, Granton Crews, Earl Nutter, Charley Clarey. The evening was spent in games and story telling, after which refreshments were served.

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Building New Home—John Glisch is building a new home on his five acre cherry orchard near Fredrick, Calif.

Decorate that Christmas tree with candy canes from Rose Bros. 93tf

Auto accident insurance. Yeo, of course. 83tf

Returning from Ranch—C. H. Henry is expected home this afternoon from his stock ranch in the Cascades, about twenty-five miles east of Ashland. His home is on Mrs. Sadie Walker's ranch east of town.

Nice Dry Wood! also Blox. Ashland Lumber Co., phone 26. 92tf

Kansas Visitors—Mr. and Mrs. William Delker, of Enterprise, Kansas, visited from Monday until Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Larkin Deer, then went to California to visit Golden State friends.

Dance at the Armory Saturday and Monday nights. 96-2

Visiting at Condon—Miss Violet Herbert is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. A. B. Bower, at Condon, in Eastern Oregon. Mrs. Bower's baby was recently injured in an accident, but is recovering nicely.

Genuine Chicken Hot Tamales. The Fountain. R. R. Porter, Prop. 96tf

Back from Sebastapol—Mrs. N. G. Bates returned Tuesday from Sebastapol, Calif., where she went last week to attend the funeral of her father, W. T. Kane.

"There is the car!" This is what you will say when you see the beautiful, convenient and complete NEW DORT motor car. Selling agents, Four-Site Sales Agency, Beaver Block. 96tf

To Spend Winter Here—Miss Agnes Danford returned to Ashland last evening from a several months visit in Los Angeles, to spend the winter with her mother, Mrs. Marcella Danford.

Design changes—see the new lines and stylish appearance of the New Dort Motor Car. Agents, the Four-Site Sales Agency, Beaver Block.

Christmas at Dunsuir—Mrs. Guy Good went to Dunsuir yesterday to spend Christmas with her husband.

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Home for Christmas—Harold Merrill came up from Dunsuir this morning to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Merrill, 631 Bolevard.

Clean and trim as a yacht in the wind—light on its feet, quick at the trigger. The New Dort Motor Car at the Four-Sites Sales Agency, Beaver Block. 96tf

County Farmers Week

The Jackson county farmers' week or short course, will be held during the first week of January at the public library in Medford. Last year was the first farmers' week ever held in Jackson county, and the event proved successful in every particular. It is the plan of the committee in charge of farmers' week for this year to make the school much better than that of last year. Several new features will be added. A full week will be devoted to such subjects as horticulture, dairying, farm crops, rodent control, poultry and irrigation. Each subject will be given a full day.

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Card of Thanks

We desire to take this means of thanking our many friends and neighbors who helped us during the fire which destroyed our home and furnishings.—Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Morton.

O. E. S. ATTENTION—Special meeting of Alpha Chapter No. 1 called for the purpose of initiation, Monday evening, December 26, at 7:30 o'clock.

ELIZABETH BUSH, W. M. Mrs. LEAH CALDWELL, Sec'y.

The Hobo Problem—Few hoboes stop off in Medford these days. They remain on the freight trains to go to Ashland or California points as word flew about the country some time ago to steer clear of Medford under penalty of working on its wood pile. Only from two to six apply at the police station nightly for shelter.—Medford Mail Tribune.

Fred Neil and Ben Bowers will give another of their popular merchandise and turkey shoots New Year's day across Bear creek. 97-1\*

A box of fine chocolates from Rose Brothers would make a very acceptable gift for Christmas. 93tf

Country Visitor—Miss Marie Porter has been visiting Mrs. C. H. Henry, east of town, during Mr. Henry's absence to his stock ranch in the mountains.

Music lovers are offered a rare treat Christmas night at the Vining, where Schumann-Heink will sing "Stille Nacht, Heilige Mache"—"Silent Night"—through one of Rose Brothers' wonderful Victrolas, accompanied by Bergner's photoplay organ. 97-1

Framed pictures always a suitable gift. Darling Studio. 93tf

Madame Schumann-Heink, the celebrated operatic star, will sing tomorrow night at the Vining theater, through a Rose Brothers victrola, an appropriate Christmas selection, "Stille Nigh, Heilige Mache"—("Silent Night"). 97-1

More Good Eats—P. M. Estes and J. M. Dodge have bought the Good Eats restaurant, 220 Fourth street, of William Hart, taking possession Thursday.

Rose Brothers are making candy canes today—buy yours soon. 93tf

To Visit Son—A. H. Hays, 151 Nursery street, left Ashland Thursday for Portland, where he visits his sons. Mr. Hays will stop in Salem for a short time to visit his son, William Hays, who formerly lived here.

Two good places to eat—Home and the Hotel Ashland. 97tf

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Cliff Payne makes glove boxes.

DR. LITTLECHILD BUYS 70 ACRES MINT LAND

Dr. A. E. Littlechild, of Ashland, has purchased a seventy acre tract of the Jacobs reclaimed mint and vegetable land, through the Staples agency. He made a thorough examination of the large tract a few weeks ago, and has delayed purchasing only because it was hard to decide just what piece to take, but as Christmas approached and his wife is visiting in the East, the doctor concluded to wait no longer, but get a real Xmas present that will grow in value. He says that all the tracts of the several thousand acres are so alike that there is hardly a choice.

Dr. Littlechild has bought and sold many tracts of farm land, always at good profit, and he says this looks as favorable for rapid and large increase in value as any land he has ever seen on the market. This is evidenced by the unusual productive quality of the soil, the nearness to three railroad stations, the perfect drainage, the almost free water right, and the further fact that large vegetable growers from delta land sections of California, and mint growers from the East, have bought and are still buying large and small tracts.

F. E. Martin et ux to John S. Dodge, lot 5, block 4, Sunset park addition to Medford, \$550.

Joseph E. Smith et ux to Frank Kerby, lot in Talent, \$10.

Young Hermit Defies Sheriff Citizens Posse

MONTICELLO, Ill., Dec. 24.—Despite efforts of the sheriff and citizens in the vicinity of Mahomet, near here, Harry Davis, thirty-five, a hermit living in a dugout of his own making on land belonging to Edward Swigert of this city, continues living close to nature. Davis is suspected of committing many petty thefts reported by storekeepers and others near Mahomet. Sheriff Gale, with a posse of deputies went to the dugout and ordered Davis to surrender. The young hermit stuck a rifle through a corner of his dugout and threatened to shoot the first man who tried to take him alive. Deciding that discretion was the better part of valor, the sheriff beat a strategic retreat with his posse.

The hermit has been noticed by women of the neighborhood for several months, although he was not brought to official notice until recently. Citizens threaten to take summary vengeance unless the man is arrested immediately, as complaints have been received that he frightens women and children.

HEIRS' TAX BILL PASSED

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Dec. 24.—By unanimous vote the senate passed Senator Vinton's bill providing for amendments to the so-called inheritance tax law. Senator Vinton's bill gives the state treasurer, who is in charge of the inheritance tax department, permission to compromise the value of estates in cases where the values cannot be determined. Approval of the compromise must be made by the county court in which the estate is probated.

FARMERS' PAY APPROVED

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Dec. 24.—The house, at the request of the joint ways and means committee, approved a bill appropriating \$30,000 to compensate the farmers of Western Oregon for flax delivered at the penitentiary here under state contract.

Junior High Notes

By FLORENCE WILSON—Yesterday afternoon the first six grades of the Junior high school had a program in the lower hall. The hall was beautifully decorated with Christmas trees and greens. A number of parents were present. The program follows:

"America"—Everyone. Group song—First grade. Recitation—Samuel Hansen, seventh grade. Group song—Sixth grade. Solo—Tingley Champie, first grade. Dramatization—Third grade. Song, "Santa"—Five second grade girls. Group song—Fifth grade. Recitation, "A Visit from St. Nicholas"—Edward Nickols, sixth grade. Group song—Third grade. Recitation—Marguerite Irwin, fourth grade. Dramatization—Fifth grade. Solo—Dorothy Stevens, sixth grade. "The Polka Dots at Christmas," a pantomime—Third grade. Group song—Second grade. Group recitation—First grade. Recitation—Iris Patterson, second grade. Group song—Fourth grade.

The Junior high program was held in the assembly and witnessed by the school and several parents. It was as follows:

Assembly singing. Bible reading—Pearl Wardle. Glee club—(a) "Little Town in Bethlehem" (b) "Silent Night." Christmas drill—by twelve girls. Play, "The Ruggles' Christmas."

Miss Smith goes to spend the holidays at her home in Dallas, Or.

Miss Kennedy left yesterday for her home in Chico, Calif., for the holidays.

Miss McCredie expects to spend the holidays in Portland.

PIONEER TELLS OF CHRISTMAS HERE IN 1845

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to indicate his work. Another view shows Bob Hargadine's house where the First National bank now stands, with timber on the south and east sides.

"A mass meeting was called to arrange for the tree, and present and a program. In order to avoid being given something to do, I stayed away but was appointed on the committee to solicit money and buy gifts for the children. I rebelled, saying it was not fair to place someone who was absent on the most responsible of all the committees.

"A Methodist South minister, Rev. Johnson, who used to stay with us, persuaded me to consider the appointment favorably, so I finally consented to serve, provided Mrs. James Thornton would help. We collected \$40 and obtained the names of all the children in town. A bag of candy and some small gift was provided for every child. The costliest presents we bought were a hat for an orphan boy and a silver thimble for a girl whose mother we

feared would be displeased with a cheaper present. These two articles cost one dollar each.

"The tree committee did not have to go so far to get a fine young fir as they do now, because the forest then came right down to our back yards. The tree was decorated with strings of popcorn, bits of colored paper and tallow candles. Candle lanterns lighted the room, this being before we had kerosene lamps.

"People were great practical jokers in those days, and everybody poked good-natured fun at their neighbors. The women thought it would be a good joke to give the men neckties made of bright colored calico—red, blue or green—tied in a bow with ends a yard long, and fastened with a big brass button.

"The men got an inkling of what we were doing and more than paid us back by giving us aprons made of the brightest colors and tied with strings three yards long. Oh, the calico wasted in those strings! The men themselves made the aprons, which were sewd with long, clumsy stitches.

"Bill Kentnor was Santa Claus, and A. V. Gillette led the music with his flute, which at that time was the only musical instrument in Ashland. John McCall sang bass, Charley Klum tenor, and Mrs. Helman soprano.

"Even in those days we appreciated our wonderful sword ferns, Oregon grape, mistletoe and other Christmas greenery and used them in decorating the room where we had our Christmas tree. In addition to the game which we have now, there were antelope and mountain sheep, which have since been exterminated.

"Someone made me a present of a whole bolt of calico, which at that time was a very valuable gift. I was very curious to know who had bought that bolt for me and determined to find out. So I made a big sunbonnet and dress with very full skirts out of part of the cloth and wore them down town one day, walking in the middle of the street, spreading my skirts out with both

hands, to make as much of a show as possible.

"My sister, Mrs. Gillette, who lived where Holmes' store is now, saw me and threw a stick at me, calling out that I was making a fool of myself. But I thought I'd find out who bought that bolt of calico. Arriving at Hargadine's store, I accused the clerk of putting the calico on the tree for me and threatened to use part of it in making a vest for him so long it would reach to the floor.

"Ten yards of the cloth was given to the wife of a Methodist minister from Roseburg. Long afterwards I learned that the one who gave me the calico was Rev. Johnson, to whom I had talked about the gift, and told how much fun I was having with it.

"Our community tree was a great success. We all felt the Christmas spirit and spent the evening together in a happy, friendly, love-everybody fashion, hoping for better days to come. They are here."

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

WANTED—To hear from owner having farm for sale; give particulars and lowest price. John D. Black, Oregon street, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. 97-3sat

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