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M. S. Pittman, L. P. Gilmore and Miss Alice McIntosh were registered at Hotel Portland, Portland, the latter part of last week.

Rev. F. M. Fisher was called to Jefferson Monday to conduct a funeral, that of a former class leader at the time Mr. Fisher was starting out in the ministry, twenty-five years ago next spring.

Evangelical Church

At the election last week, A. N. Poole was chosen as superintendent of the Sunday school for the coming year. He takes up the work next Sunday morning.

At the same time, U. G. Heffley was elected Trustee for five years, Mrs. W. F. Cooper Class Leader and C. A. Nott Church Clerk.

Next Sunday is Membership Day and a full attendance is desired.

Topics for Sermons for the day are as follows:

Morning, "The Early Church in Experience and Work."

Evening, "This Treasure."

Mrs. Sarah Horr, formerly of Monmouth and who died in the Salem hospital Christmas day, was buried in the I. O. O. F. cemetery of that city by Eugene Palmer of Portland, brother of the deceased.

There was a pleasant party at D. L. Keyt's last Saturday night. Something like twenty-five young people were present and all report a fine time.

The sale of Christmas seals for Monmouth reached the healthy total of \$30 this year, the work being done in one or two days by Mrs. Olson and her company of sales girls.

L. A. Robinson, formerly a teacher in the Normal and a member of the city council, sends a Christmas card to C. G. Griffa and asks to be remembered to former friends. The card is dated at Brooklyn, N. Y. Since living in Monmouth Mr. Robinson has been in the Philippines and in other places. He was here on a visit last summer and a year ago traded his house here to E. A. Pagenkopf for a small farm.

Christian Church Notes

"Have Faith in God," will be the subject next Sunday at 11 a. m.

Evening subject, "The Faith That Saves."

Bible School at 10 a. m.

Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.

Mid-week service Wednesday evening.

EARLY ALMANACS.

The First We Know of Are Those of the Ancient Egyptians.

The first almanacs—that is to say, the first historical—were of Arabian origin and reflected the local genius of the people in a very striking way. They served as models in other countries for hundreds of years. The oldest known copy of such a work is preserved in the British Museum and dates back to the times of Rameses the Great of Egypt, who lived 1,200 years before the birth of Christ. It is written on papyrus in red ink and covers a period of six years.

The entries relate to religious ceremonies, to the fates of children born on given days and to the regulation of business enterprises in accordance with planetary influences. "Do nothing at all this day," is one of the warnings. "If thou seest anything at all this day it will be fortunate," is another entry. "Look not at a rat this day," "Wash not with water this day," "Go out not before daylight this day," are some

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Drifted Snow Flour, "	1.90	7 bars Toilet Soap, .25
White Mountain " "	1.90	2 pkg. Grape Nuts .25
Bear Patent " "	1.75	16 oz bottle Snyder's catsup, .14
2 lbs good Coffee	.35	8 oz bottle Libby's catsup .10
6 lbs Japanese Rice	.25	9 lb sack Farina, .45
4 lbs Louisiana Head Rice	.25	4 lbs sun dried apples .25
lb. can Eppley's baking powder	.19	3 packages Kellogg's Corn Flakes .25
lb. can Royal Baking Powder	.35	Aunt Jemima Pancake Flour 2 pkgs. .15
lb can Schilling's Baking Powder	.35	Seedless Raisins, per lb. .10
lb can Cleveland " "	.35	Good Bacon, " " .18
lb pkg Arm & Hammer Soda	.05	3 cans Old Dutch Cleanser .25
50c English Breakfast Tea, per lb.,	.35	15 c cans Oysters .10c
" Spider Leg " " "	.35	25 c " " .20c
" Gunpowder " " "	.35	25c Golden Rod self rising pancake flour .20c
6 brs Crystal White soap,	.25	35c Golden Rod wheat flakes, with prem. .30c
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		Good peas, per can, 10c Eng. walnuts 2 lb 35c
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or the additional cautions.

This almanac was found in an old tomb and is supposed to have been buried with its Egyptian owner when he was converted into a mummy for future explorers to dig up and dissect in the interest of science and literature.

Next after this in point of age among the existing specimens of ancient almanacs are some composed in the fourth century. They are Roman church calendars, giving the names of the saints and other religious information. The Baltic nations, not being versed in papyrus making, had calendars engraved on ax helves, walking sticks and other articles of personal use. The days were notched with a broad mark for Sunday, and the saints' days were

symbolized in various devices, such as a harp for St. David's, a gridiron for St. Lawrence's, a lover's knot for St. Valentine's, and so on. The Saxon almanacs are numerous and contain historical as well as ecclesiastical entries.

It is possible to trace in these curious records all the changes of popular belief and taste. They were prepared to meet the current demand and to constitute a systematic story of what took place in successive periods and how knowledge increased with the revolving years. We owe to them most that we know of the people for whom they were made and by whom they were indorsed.—Christian Herald.

Telling Stories to Old People.
There is one development of

story telling which seems to have been very little considered—namely, the telling of stories to old people, and that not only in institutions or in quiet country villages, but in the heart of the busy cities and the homes of these old people. How often, when the young people are able to enjoy outside amusements, the old people, necessarily confined to the chimney corner and many of them unable to read much for themselves, might turn to the joy of their childhood by hearing some of the old stories told them in dramatic form. Here is a delightful occupation for those of the leisured class who have the gift and a much more effective way of capturing attention than the more usual form of reading aloud.—From the "Art of the Story Teller," by Marie L. Shedlock.

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