

The Herald wishes its readers a Prosperous and Happy New Year

Many Visitors Here For Holiday Season

Miss Bessie Graham who is teaching in Portland is spending her vacation with her parents in this city.

F. S. Conklin, of Vernonia, Oregon, a nephew of Rev. Peter Conklin, was a guest at the latter's home for a few days at Christmas time.

A. C. Hampton of LaGrande, president of the State Teachers Association, was the Christmas guest of parents and relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Sickafosse of Newberg were calling on relatives and friends in this city this week.

Messrs. and Mesdames Carleton and Burton and sons of Salem were Christmas guests with President and Mrs. Ackerman.

J. E. Simpson of Portland spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. M. H. Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Knapp and Mrs. Vernon Brown and baby of Portland were visitors at Mrs. Shore's this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Byrd of Spokane are holiday visitors at O. A. Wolverton's. Mrs. Byrd is Mr. Wolverton's sister and with her husband attended school here twenty five years ago.

Miss Grace McLain of Rosalia, Washington, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. C. Ostien and family during the holidays.

Wm. Harvey came up from Portland where he is attending the Tractor and Automobile school, to spend Christmas days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey.

Mrs. M. M. Long and children Merle and Mary of Corvallis visited her mother, Mrs. L. R. Burkhead last Sunday and Monday.

The annual family reunion and Christmas tree was held at J. S. Conkey's Wednesday evening of last week. Last year, due to the prevalence of flu the event was omitted but this year a large number attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Strickler of Roseburg are visiting at W. J. Miller's and with other friends in this city.

J. S. Fuller and family spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Baun in Independence.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bailey of Albany and Carl Pollan and family of Tangent spent Christmas with relatives in this city.

The Misses Gertrude and Florence Hefley and Edna Scott are home from school duties for the holiday vacation. Miss Margaret Rice is also home from the hospital in Portland where she has been for some time.

Arthur Parkes of Portland was a visitor Christmas at W. P. Fisher's.

The Burkhead family reunion Christmas tree was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Crofoot on Wednesday evening. A program consisting of songs, readings and living pictures was enjoyed after which refreshments, including oyster soup, were served. Those present were Mrs. L. R. Burkhead, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Burkhead, R. P. Burkhead, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Harvey, Wm., Neta and Bernice Harvey, Mr and Mrs. G. R. Crofoot, Georgia and Louranie Crofoot. All returned to the same home for Christmas dinner.

Lyn Long of Corvallis came to spend New Years with his grandmother, Mrs. L. R. Burkhead.

Miss Lela Erickson spent Christmas and the week end under the parental roof, returning to her work in the U. of O. Sunday evening.

SPIRITUALISM CHIEF TOPIC IN U. S. NOW



America is very much interested in psychic discussions and experiments at present. Ever since the war this subject has been the chief topic and interest. As a result, Sir Oliver Lodge of England, admitted to be one of the greatest authorities, is to tour the United States lecturing in collegiate and general courses. In the language of the people it is "Spiritualism," but with the more intellectual psychic taking the place of the old-time "medium" and explaining all from a purely scientific standpoint.

Mrs. and Miss Erickson entertained at Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Stombaugh in honor of the latter's wedding anniversary.

Miss Mabel Lorence of Bend, Mr. and Mrs. Fream of Roseburg and Mr. and Mrs. Tyler of Portland were Christmas guests at C. Lorence's.

Miss Jessie Webber is in Portland spending a few days with her brother, John Webber.

Misses Clem and Bernice McKinney of Corvallis visited with friends in this city the first of the week.

Money in Rice

Clark Hembree who was in the city the past week says there is lots of money being made in growing rice in the Sacramento valley. An average yield of rice is 30 sacks of 100 pounds each to the acre that sells from 8 to 12 cents per pound. During the growing and filling out months, the rice is kept constantly under six to eight inches of water which is supplied through pumps and wells and the pumps are kept working night and day to supply the water. The care of the rice is in the hands of natives of India, in a large measure, Hindus and Mohammedans, many of whom have grown wealthy in the profits of recent years.

CLOSE-UP OF LOWDEN



Presidential booms are numerous in Republican ranks now, among them being the hat tossed into the ring by Governor Frank C. Lowden of Illinois. This new picture is from Washington, where he appeared recently with the special Senate committee appointed to consider a national budget.

Face Value.
BHI—Which part of your face is the cheapest?
John—Dunno.
Bill—Your nostrils; they are two for a cent (cent).—Boys' Life.

Box Social Boosts For Building Fund

University students all over the state in their respective towns are taking advantage of the holiday season to do something that will raise money to help pay for the new woman's building proposed to be added to the university campus. Because of the six per cent limit the last legislature could appropriate only half of the \$200,000 required for the building. The university people have undertaken to raise the other half. \$70,000 has already been secured and to raise the remaining \$30,000 is now the aim of the students.

A basket social will be given by local students in Odd Fellows' hall Friday night to which all are invited Admission free; ladies to bring baskets for two. A good program has been prepared to start at 8 o'clock Auction of the boxes is to start at 9 with Prof. T. H. Gentle as auctioneer. The preliminary program is as follows:

- Talk—J. B. V. Butler
- Vocal Solo—Lora Craven-Butler
- Reading—Grace Parker
- Violin Solo—Helen Cornelius
- Piano Solo—Doreas Conklin
- Reading—Birchard Van Loan
- Duet—Lora Craven-Butler and Hope McDonald

Winter of '46"

"Colder weather than we had two weeks ago" asserts Mrs. Catron, "of course we have had colder weather. The coldest winter I ever saw here was the first,—in 1846. We had just arrived across the plains from Missouri. There was so much snow and it was so cold that it disgusted my father and he wanted to go back. But my mother said 'No'. She had not wanted to come in the first place, but being here she would not go back across the plains for anything. In the spring my father changed his mind again. He took a vote of the children to see who wanted to go back and only one voted aye. The next winter was as fine as any one could ask for." The trouble with Oregon people, Mrs. Catron says, is they forget the cold, between spells. To paraphrase Parkman's words about the Indians, "Still in the season of comfort, they forget the time of stress. Still the inevitable cold snap catches them with exposed water pipes and unprotected spuds and apples."

The prophecies about the end of the world remind J. W. Webber of this one. "Whenever you see a red-headed cross-eyed negro chase a black cat through a graveyard on Friday night, the thirteenth of the month it is a sure sign of a dry summer or a hard winter." And Mr. Webber adds, "I've never known it to fail."

Changes have been made in a number of the voting precincts of the county to correct lines where city precincts and country precincts have been combined. This is to follow the new law which orders that municipal and state elections be held at the same time. As Monmouth is not large enough to come under the provisions of the new law, the local precincts have been left as they were.

A move is on in Dallas to reorganize Company L, which since the company was absorbed in the regular army, has left Dallas without a military organization of this kind.

"Grandma" Sevier, Cooper Hollow pioneer, who died some days ago, was buried from Chapman's undertaking parlors in Dallas Wednesday with interment in the Smith cemetery in the Luckiamute country.

Subscription Price \$2 After January 15th

We have had to come to it. On and after January 15, 1920 the subscription price of the Monmouth Herald will be \$2.00 per year. Our idea of a poor way to begin the new year is to be owing for the best paper in Oregon.

If through any oversight, you are in arrears or if you are paid in advance and wish to extend the time at the \$1.50 rate you can do so by acting before January 15, 1920.

The Herald has never felt any inclination to lead in the general move to raise prices. Rather, we have held back, thinking that after a time old conditions would re-adjust themselves and former prices prevail. But the prospects now are that before-the-war prices are a good ways ahead, if perhaps we ever see them again. Last week we ordered five hundred pounds of paper at a quoted price more than twice as high as it was four years ago. In the interval elapsing between the receipt of the order and the making of the quotation on which the shipment was ordered, about three days, the price on the shipment had gone up \$2.50.

Everything we buy is high, and the outlook is, this will continue for a long time. We must accustom ourselves to a fact that can not be excused but must be faced. If the Herald is to continue to live and flourish and boost the best section of the best county in Oregon, prices must be raised both in subscriptions and advertising rates and this we are proceeding to do. We do not believe in wasting paper and have always tried to have every inch of the Herald readable with matter worthy of the white paper used. But the time is rapidly coming when more paper must be used and we want to feel free to use it. In the meantime if you wish to extend your subscription at the \$1.50 rate you must act before January 15.

Considerable interest was aroused at the meeting of the court and citizens in Dallas Friday to adopt a budget for the new year. Two measures were adopted by the taxpayers present in spite of the opposition of the county judge. One of these adds \$2,000 for extra clerk hire during the coming year and the other provides for a county agent, the appointing of whom was authorized by the meeting.

F. E. Dickson has sold his Independence market to Gus Miller, recently of Dayton.

WORLD CORN KING



This farmer has won world corn honors. His name is Louis M. Scott and he lives at Fairmont, Minn., on the southern edge of the North Star State. Mr. Scott's corn, which was of the white dent variety, took the grand prize at the recent International Stock and Grain Show at Chicago.

More Light

Mr. Joslin of the Power company was in Monmouth Tuesday looking up the active work of installing lights asked for on Monmouth Avenue and on College street. It was hoped these lights could be of the larger size but they will have to be of the turn off variety, the expense of putting in a double circuit for the regular lights being too great.

Kompany K Kolyum

Co. "K" has just received a shipment of equipment and it is the finest lot of material imaginable. Included in it are raincoats, overcoats, field equipment, blankets, all right from the factory and never used, also wrap leggings and many other things too numerous to mention. The suits did not arrive in this shipment but are due at an early date. There is enough material to fully equip 85 men and they will be proud of it to say the least. Some Xmas present.

It is rumored that F. E. Dickson, one of our most efficient sergeants has sold out and will soon move to California. Serg. Dickson has been one of our loyal supporters and we will be sorry to see him go. As a boxing magnate, he has Jack Grant and Frank Kendall faded four ways.

It has come to our attention that a bill is now before Congress, making military drill compulsory for all able bodied boys between the ages of 18 and 21 years. We would suggest that all boys in this community that will be affected by this law, join Co. "K" immediately and derive the benefits to be had by getting in on the ground floor. You can be assured of a square deal on the part of the officers and non-commissioned staff and promotions made strictly on merits.

Co. "K" will have a Basket Ball team this year and under the efficient management of Serg. Pengra, we should give some of these Company teams a run for their money, and mindful of the business men's generous offer of last summer, we will start early in moulding together a base ball team.

Now that the new equipment has arrived, it will be issued at once, providing the state equipment is turned in and the men's records are clear.

It is rumored that part of the Salem company's equipment is second hand and in comparison with our fine new "stuff", we take this opportunity to offer our condolences. This is more evidence that Co. "K" stands high with the powers that be.

Most of the work of unpacking the equipment has fallen upon the broad shoulders of Capt. Stidd and Supply Serg. Baker and it is useless to say the job has not been done to the King's taste. After finishing up Capt. Stidd remarked that the future of Company "K" never looked brighter although we must get more recruits as soon as possible to fill up the ranks left vacant by men being discharged.

Company news and any items of interest in connection with the Company will be welcomed for this column. Turn it in to any of the officers or the "staff".

Co. "K" notes will be published weekly hereafter and for live news do not overlook them.

Although not exactly a company item, a Basket Ball game has just been scheduled with the crack Legion team of Dallas to be played in Dallas on New Years eve. The team will be composed of the best players in Independence and Buena Vista and will play under the name of Independence.

U. S Census Count Is Begun Today

On January second, tens of thousands of persons will begin work in every section of the United States and in our insular possessions, counting the population of every hamlet, village and city. The great task this year will be under the direction of Samuel L. Rogers, from whose offices in Washington will be operated the vast machinery necessary to a proper enumeration of the country's population.

Probably no previous census has attracted so much attention. The greatest effort ever exerted by commercial organizations in all parts of the country is being made to see that no one escapes the census takers. The rivalry between states, cities and communities for supremacy is keener than ever before, with the result that nearly every community has organized committees of business men and women to see that ever man, woman and child of whatever color or nationality, in each community, is registered.

Previous history has shown that all census takers are not careful; that sometimes inclement weather interferes with the work of the enumerators, and that for any one of a dozen reasons the total population of a city or town is improperly compiled. It is to make sure that Oregon is credited with every resident, that many of the communities of the state have formed committees to assist the enumerators in their work.

Local enumerators are: East and West Rickreall—Margaret Kurre; First and Fourth Independence—Mabel Keelan; S. E. and S. W. Monmouth—Lavina Hubbard; Buena Vista—Raymond Hall; East and West Luckiamute—Evdna Smith; Pedee—C. E. Staats; N. E. and N. W. Monmouth—Tracy Savery; Second and Third Independence—Minnie Clow.

The Penney store and Staffin's drug store in Dallas were burglarized last week. From three to four hundred dollars worth of cameras were taken from the latter place.

Training school began on Monday of this week with critic teachers in charge and the Normal school will open up for the winter session next Monday morning. Repairs on the Normal water and heating system, for damage done by the frost, will have been completed by that time. Most of these repairs has been done by local workmen.

The Ladies' Aid of the Christian church will serve lunch on Thursday, January 8 with Miss Butler, Mrs. Prime, Mrs. Beery and Mrs. Murdock as hostesses.

McBeth of Independence has leased his plumbing quarters to some automobile agents and he will seek something more modest in the way of a business home.

J. A. Reynolds narrowly escaped being burned to death in a fire that destroyed his home Tuesday night five miles south of Independence.

All the members of the family had gone to a neighbor's to spend the evening except Mr. Reynolds. He remained at home for the purpose of taking a bath. As far as can be learned, Mr. Reynolds was in the bath tub when suddenly the whole house was a mass of flames.

With difficulty he managed to get out of the house but was horribly burned. Fred Torgeson found him wandering aimlessly about. He was taken to the Salem hospital and reports indicate that he will recover. The home was completely destroyed with all its contents.—Post.