

## INDEPENDENCE NEWS

Bam Cox was up from Portland over Sunday.

Mrs. Dr. Ketchum was a Portland visitor this week.

Geo. Crowley was up from Lafayette the first of the week.

Phy Simpson of Airile transacted business in the city last week.

**A good pair reading glasses \$1.00 at Kramer's.**

E. F. Serfort was a visitor here from Corvallis the first of the week.

T. G. Coleman was registered at the Independence hotel the first of the week.

Ed Lorence of Monmouth spent Sunday in the city visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Smith were local visitors from Airile the first of the week.

A team for sale, weighing about 1200 lbs. each, well matched. Will sell.

W. E. Francis, a commercial traveler with headquarters at Portland, called on the local merchants Monday.

Attend the Orchestra Ball in the Opera House Friday evening, December 23. Tickets to dance \$1.00.

Ross Nelson lost one of his Jersey cows last week—one that was injured in a railroad wreck near Cheyenne recently.

Our big assortment of men's fancy suspenders and arm bands for Christmas cannot be beat.—Conkey Walker & Lehman.

Don't think that you will hurt our feelings if you bring us news for it is welcomed, no matter how long or how short.

Nearly the entire high school made the trip to Monmouth last Saturday night to see the game between Corvallis and Monmouth.

Saturday of last week proved to be a very busy day in the city as the people are living up to that request of "Do your Christmas shopping early."

Al Bentley returned the first of the week from a short visit with friends at Portland. On his way home he stopped a few days at McMinnville for a visit with his daughter.

Hunting seems to be the favorite pastime these days. Many parties have been taking short trips into the surrounding country with various degrees of success.

Ladies' slippers—we have them—a very select line. They come in different colored felt, fur trimmed—the latest to be had.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

The public library is well patronized. The rooms are open every afternoon from two to five o'clock, and an average of forty books a day are being loaned.

People have been taking advantage of the worn-out phrase of "do your Christmas shopping early", with the result that the local merchants are able to report a brisk holiday trade for the past week.

E. E. McClaren of Portland was in the city the first of the week.

Independence has a foot ball game scheduled for Christmas with the Wabash team of Portland. A good game is expected as the Wabash team has been defeated only two games this year.

Talk about your hunters, we have them all beat. Five lads went out hunting last Saturday and succeeded in bringing home a coon that measured three feet from tip to toe. The oldest of the young sportsmen is not over fourteen years. Pretty good, eh? Chester Henkle was in Salem last

The Woodmen and the Women of Woodcraft held a joint meeting last Friday evening in their hall. After the regular work was gone through the remainder of the evening was spent at games and followed by a lap supper. These two lodges are noted for the good times and any one that is not a member is surely unfortunate as they have these big times very often. All present last Friday night report a fine time.

Hanna Brothers, in demonstrating a new gas light for which they have taken the agency, have arranged a most artistic display in one of their show windows. The light, it may be said, shows the window perfectly, and is the means of attracting the attention of many of the passing people. It is stated by the management of the store that they are also preparing to enlarge their plumbing department and to make it one of the most up-to-date in the valley.

John D. Campbell of Salem is in the city.

Mrs. Sherman Hays was in Salem Tuesday.

George W. Conkey was a Portland visitor last week.

Mr. Geo. Burnett of Eugene was in the city this week.

Mrs. W. R. Allin was a Portland visitor last week.

Miss Topsy Mattison was up from Portland last week.

Dean Walker spent the week end with his parents.

Ike Patterson of Portland was visiting in the city last week.

Mrs. G. A. Wilcox is quite ill at her home in this city.

Waldo Mills of Salem was a week end visitor here.

Mrs. D. Davidson was a Salem visitor the first of the week.

B. Wilson transacted business in Dallas the first of the week.

J. G. McIntosh and wife were Salem visitors the first of the week.

It is understood that a good many improvements are to be made in the spring.

Harvey Copeland went to Portland the first of the week to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Julia Doughty of Winlock, Washington, is visiting with friends in our city.

Frank Richardson is up from Portland to spend the holidays with his parents in this city.

H. Hirschberg represented Independence at the good roads convention held in Portland last week.

Will Cloverdale and wife of Corvallis are spending the holidays with friends and relatives in this city.

Chas. E. Hicks left last week for a hunting trip in eastern Oregon where goose hunting is reported to be fine.

The Oregon Power Co., formerly the Northwest Corporation, are extending their lines in Independence.

Johnnie Morgan and helper left Wednesday morning for Dallas where they will extend the lines of the Oregon Power Company.

The largest and swellest line of men's neckwear in town—all the latest colorings for holiday trade.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman's.

W. A. Stratton of Seattle, a representative of the Oliver Typewriter Company, was a business visitor in the city a few days the first of the week.

B. Fay Dunsmore is now in Pomona, California, where he is now assistant baggage man in the passenger depot of the S. P. railroad in that city.

He said he would like a pair of Gloves for Christmas. Come to us for dress gloves for we have the best assortment in town.—Conkey Walker & Lehman.

Lyon Lodge, No. 29, A. F. & A. M., and Adah Chapter, O. E. S., will hold a joint installation of officers for the ensuing year, next Tuesday night, in the Masonic Temple.

A number of the high school boys took in the basket ball game between Monmouth and Corvallis high school teams at the latter place last Saturday evening, and the sting of the defeat they had received the night before was somewhat relieved by the victory of Monmouth over Corvallis.

Our ready-made men's clothing are made by expert tailors—those that know how to make every line hang perfectly. We are showing the most up-to-date line of clothing to be seen anywhere.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

Mrs. R. J. Taylor returned home Sunday from La Crosse, Washington, where she has visited for the past six weeks with her daughter, Mrs. L. W. Wann. Mr. and Mrs. Wann are the happy parents of a fine baby daughter, born on Thanksgiving day. The newcomer has been named Dorothy Faye.

There will be things doing at the meeting of Rickreall Lodge A. F. & A. M. held tonight, when the master elect will have the Master Degree conferred on him by the order. This ceremony has been an annual event for the past five years, and is regarded as the crowning feature of the local lodge year. A large membership has always been recorded on these nights, and from the outlook at the time of going to press with this issue, it is probable that in addition to the local members many visitors will be present to witness the ceremony.

Will Mattison was in Salem Wednesday.

J. L. Hanna was a Salem visitor this week.

L. Damon was a Salem visitor Wednesday.

Ralph Morrison was a Dallas visitor Wednesday.

Shanney Phelly was up from Portland Monday.

Geo. Richardson was a Salem visitor Monday.

Smith & Fluke are installing a box ball alley.

A warm basket ball game Wednesday evening.

Moss Walker transacted business in Portland Monday.

Mrs. Layton Smith was a Salem visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. Govro visited in Salem the first of the week.

The new high school is installing a large fire hydrant.

Miss Pearl Percival was a Portland visitor this week.

Dr. Hewitt was in Salem Wednesday on business and pleasure.

A. H. Lind of Seattle was a business visitor here—Monday.

H. Mohrmann of Salem was registered at the local hotel Monday.

John Carmack made the trip to Salem via auto stage Monday.

Chas. M. Savage of Portland was in the city on business this week.

E. E. Williams was in town from Forest Grove Monday and Tuesday.

T. A. Livesly of Salem was in Independence on business this week.

Miss Stuke returned to Salem Wednesday morning via auto stage.

R. L. Hall of Buena Vista transacted business in the city Wednesday.

Mr. Danshaw made the trip to Salem Tuesday morning via auto stage.

Ross Woods of Salem transferred business in this place the first of the week.

R. J. Stickney of Newberg transacted business in this city the first of the week.

Miss Leona Sperling is up from Forest Grove where she is attending the university.

C. W. Henkle will spend his Christmas with his parents in Philomath, Wednesday.

Floyd Williams returned Monday evening from a business trip to Portland and Seattle.

Mrs. William Snyder has returned to Portland Wednesday after a visit with her parents in this city.

Miss Ruby Earhart is down from Corvallis where she is attending the Oregon Agricultural College.

Wm. McFarlan and J. D. Caughall were in town from Salem the first of the week.

A. L. Gregg and H. L. Dustin, of Silverton, were visitors in the city Tuesday evening and Wednesday.

Conkey, Walker & Lehman have just received one of the largest and most select lines of men's neckwear—all the latest colorings and styles.

Mrs. Lou Whiteaker left Wednesday for Mesa, Washington, where she will spend the winter with her niece, Mrs. E. M. Johnson of that place.

We are showing some very nice patterns in fancy ribbons for holiday trade.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

About two hundred students from the college at Corvallis passed through Independence Wednesday on their way home to spend the holidays.

For ladies' neckwear come in and let us show you. We are correct in style and quality. Some very pretty ones for gifts.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

A week from Sunday night, New Years night, the choir of Calvary Presbyterian church will give a sacred concert in place of the usual preaching service. These concerts have been very popular with the public, and a grand musical treat is anticipated. Admission is free, and everybody is welcome to attend.

B. H. Rawl, chief of the dairy division of the bureau of animal industry, department of agriculture, was here from Washington, D. C., and spent Wednesday looking over the dairy herds of Ross Nelson and J. B. Stump.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Dyer of Airile, were visitors here over Sunday.

Al Whiney spent a few days at Eugene the first of the week.

Attorney B. F. Swope made a business trip to the county seat the first of the week.

W. Morgan of McMinnville was in the city last Friday.

H. Hirschberg returned Monday from Portland.

Miss Pearl Percival visited in Portland the latter part of the preceding week.

Chas. W. Johnson, a piano tuner of Portland, was in the city a few days last week.

Mr. Rice is reported to be fast improving.

Floyd Williams was in Portland last week on official business.

Miss Clara Purvine has sold her millinery shop to Mrs. S. D. Simons of Portland, who will put in a good stock of millinery.

Miss Beulah Eramberg of Portland is up to spend the holidays with her friends of this city.

The building of J. R. Cooper's is nearly finished and will be ready for occupancy by the first of the year.

Buy your candles and nuts for Christmas at Drexler & Alexander's where the stock is always fresh and neat.

Miss Geneva Wilcox has returned from Eugene where she was attending the University.

Fancy embroidered and drawn work linens for presents: cannot be better. Come in and see our assortment. You cannot help but buy.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

Geo. W. Skeels, employed in the construction of the Chas. K. Spaulding Logging Company's new building, smashed a thumb yesterday with the result that it now more nearly resembles a sweet potato than a thumb. The work on the building is progressing rapidly, however.

Men are at work removing the large trees which stand in front of the property where the yard of the Chas. K. Spaulding Logging Company will be located. It seems too bad to cut down trees which have been so long in growing, but several have expressed themselves that it would be better that they come down as the walk will not be so damp and slippery after they are removed.

Come in and see our line of Christmas Goods. We carry a nice line of fancy goods, notions, Men's, Ladies' and Children's slippers, staple and fancy groceries, nuts, candies, etc.—Drexler & Alexander.

I. M. Simpson of Airile was in the city Monday.

Frank Linderman of Airile was in the city the first of the week.

Mrs. Armstrong and sister have returned to their home in Washington.

The editor went to Silverton last Friday to move his family to our city.

Spaulding & Co. are getting their building on Monmouth street up fast.

Mr. Reeves, brother of L. G. Reeves, was one of the passengers on the Pomona for Portland last Monday morning.

M. Mix was a business visitor to Salem Thursday.

W. W. Percival sold his ranch this week to T. A. Livesly of Salem, consideration unknown.

Attend the New Year's Eve ball at the opera house Saturday evening, December 31.

If the local foot-ball team expects to win the game Christmas, what is the matter with a few nights' practice?

We have over 500 patterns for you to select from our made to measure book. Fit guaranteed or no sale.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

Mrs. W. F. Bundy has been on the sick list for the last four weeks, but is fast improving and is able to be around again now. The complaint has been pneumonia and bronchitis. Dr. Butler is the attending physician.

Road improvements are being carried on in the Buena Vista district, a number of teams being busy this week in hauling gravel. John Lloyd has charge of the work.

In a fast game of basket ball Wednesday evening the local team defeated Dallas high school to the tune of 11 to 8. The town boys had the visitors outclassed in team work although Dallas had them bested on weight. Ray Williams got the first basket for Independence and played the game through like a veteran. Reeves got a good basket from the middle of the field which seemed to work of their opponents. A very poor and they proceeded to make quick crowd was present and the boys undoubtedly went in the hole.

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