

## CHANNEL FULL OF SNAGS

Boats Forced to Abandon Trips Because Snagboat Lies Greater Part of Year in Portland Harbor

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 9.—(Special.)—With the channel of the Willamette River above Corvallis obstructed by snags and fallen trees, shippers of the upper valley are complaining because the Government's snagboat Mathloma does not keep the river clear. They assert that it is the custom of the snagboat to lie all year in Portland harbor, where no work is needed, and make only one or two trips of inspection each year to the upper river.

The steamboat Pomona, which runs regularly between Portland and Corvallis, and makes trips as needed to Peoria, where there is a large warehouse and freight elevator, started last Sunday to Peoria for a big shipment and was forced to stop at the mouth of Peonville Slough, 4 miles above Corvallis. There was eight feet of water in the channel at the time but there were so many snags in the river and some trees had fallen in the channel where it runs close to the bank in some places that the boat could make no further progress.

The Pomona accordingly returned to Corvallis and notified the Peoria shippers of the condition and they in turn were forced to notify the consignees in Portland that the shipments could not be made as agreed upon, so there was general disappointment.

"If we are properly advised," said Z. H. Rudd, of this city, who was on the Pomona on last Sunday's trip, "the Mathloma is in commission all the time but passes virtually all the year in Portland harbor, and makes only periodical trips up the river looking for snags. Shippers believe the snagboat should stay somewhere in the upper river so that it would be in a position, upon 24 or 48 hours' notice from steamboatmen to clear the channel when it becomes obstructed."

"What good would the Portland fire boat do if it remained most of the year lying at the mouth of the Columbia River and made occasional trips up through the city of Portland looking for fires? That is the situation in regard to the snagboat. For if it stays all year in Portland and makes a periodical trip up the river looking for snags it accomplishes just about as much good as a Portland fireboat would if it lay anchored 80 or 100 miles below the city and ran up to

Portland two or three times a year to see if there were any fires. Of course we are aware that at some places in the upper river the channel may be one place today and another tomorrow, but the snagboat should be kept in some location where it would be in a position to give practical service whenever needed."

### ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Jas. Hanna was immersed in the ednesday while engaged in moving a pile of drift wood at his farm north of the city. It was a cold bath.

Fred Stump is putting out forty acres more in hops and installing an irrigation system.

El Young has his new house completed and it is as fine as any house in the county.

The fact that Independence is the hop center of the world means something more than the average person can comprehend. It takes excellent soil to grow hops, and the fact that hops are grown here more than successfully goes to show that we have the best soil in the world.

Charles Durbin, Livingston, Ill., had succeeded in finding a positive cure for bed wetting. "My little boy wet the bed every night clear through on kidney medicine and I was in the drug store looking for something different to help him when I heard of Foley Kidney Pills. After he had taken them two days we could see a third of a bottle he was cured. That is about six weeks ago and he has not wet in bed since.—For sale by Williams Drug Co.

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Editor Enterprise:—I would like to record a few of my impressions of Independence after a year's residence here.

I was advised by a friend not to settle here as the town was dead. It had no factories, no pay roll. But seeing the fine surrounding country, the hop yards, dairy farms and hay fields I knew the town must prosper and grow to be a considerable city within a few years. And I am seeing evidences of this growth every day, and it is not a mushroom growth taken possession of the same and will advise that there was no work in the winter months. On the contrary I have been at work all the time and believe that any man can get all the

work he can do if he will do the work when he finds it.

The citizens in general and the business men in particular, are willing to help any one who tries to help himself.

Every person that has the welfare of the city and country at heart and want to see them grow, ought to join the commercial club and attend its meetings for "In union there is strength."

Now, in conclusion, let me say that as long as I am a resident of this city, I will work for a larger and better and more beautiful independence.

H. E. McKamey.

## NEWS FROM OTHER TOWNS

### Normal Notes

The holidays have made a few changes in our student body and faculty. Mr. Albert Sacre has accepted a position as principal in Laidlaw, Oregon. One of our girls, Miss Mildred Hurlbert, has deserted us also, having changed her mind as to making school teaching her vocation and has taken up domestic science. Instead, Miss West has taken Mrs. Jacobson's place as librarian. Miss West is from North Dakota and came highly recommended.

The school received two new year presents which will add greatly to the pleasure of all, one being the new piano for the gym and the other the Victor talking machine for the assembly room. In the east these machines are quite common but the normal is among the very first school to purchase one in Oregon.

The playette, "A Trip With Santa Claus," which was given by the three literary societies just before Christmas, was a success from both a social and artistic standpoint and we hope this will not be the last entertainment of this nature. The Christmas tree after the play added to the enjoyment of the evening and the presents, received by the students and faculty, will be long cherished with the greatest of care and will be handed down from one generation to another.

During the holidays Mr. and Mrs. J. B. V. Butler entertained some of the students and young people of the town. Dancing was the feature of the entertainment of the evening, and as is always the case when the Butler home is opened, everyone reported a most enjoyable evening.

Friday morning Mr. L. R. Traver spoke to the students. Mr. Traver was in the normal a few years ago as principal of the training department and his most interesting talk was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

Friday night the three societies held their regular meetings: the Delphians and Vespertines having mixed programs, while the Normals did their usual work.

Thursday morning during the chapel hour Mr. Gentile gave the first talk from the faculty. He emphasized the necessity of preparing for some special work and making that preparation thorough. The talk was very practical and interesting, and we are looking forward to others of like nature in the near future.

The Entre Nous club held their postponed meeting on Saturday afternoon and studied Shakespeare's "Hamlet." Miss Copeland gave a review of the play and Miss Haux a reading from the same. Miss Harlan added much to the pleasure of the afternoon by giving a number of selections on the Victor machine. The hostesses, Misses Bohannon, Clark, Perry and Dunsmuir served delectable refreshments.

### A. Student.

### ANTIOCH

Vardman and Clem Fishback were pleasant visitors to Dallas the first of the week.

Walter Strain and wife of Monmouth, were in the valley the first of the week.

Mrs. R. M. Bosley, who fell and broke her arm on New Year's day, is slowly recovering.

Mr. Bookey, wife and mother, of Monmouth, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milt Bosley.

Jess and Roy Johns and Vick Davis, who are cutting wood for William Riddell of near Elkins, visited friends here last Sunday.

D. C. McNeal of Monmouth, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting his sister, Mrs. Allen Towns.

Dick Ogle is grubbing.

The Debating and Literary Society at the Sunny Slope school house, is progressing nicely, there being thirty present last Saturday evening.

Chas. Holman was shopping in Monmouth last Monday.

Tom Marks and wife of near Rickreall, attended the literary and debating society at the Sunny Slope school house last Saturday evening.

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The church has been especially blessed by the coming of Miss Beula Lynch to make her home with Mrs. L. Baldwin. Miss Lynch comes from McMinnville where she attended the conservatory of music of McMinnville college. Certainly no sweeter contralto voice than hers has been heard at the college for some time, and her singing here in the church has been truly appreciated. If you do not habitually attend elsewhere, come and be convinced.

Sunday school at 10, a. m.  
Morning worship at 11, a. m.  
B. Y. P. U. Bible class at 6:30.  
Evening gospel service at 7:30.

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A. R. Blackstone  
Pastor.

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In the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Polk.

In the matter of the Estate of Charlotte Polly, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the above entitled court Administrator of the estate of Charlotte Polly, Deceased. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me duly verified, with proper vouchers, as by law required, at the Independence National Bank, at Independence, Polk County, Oregon, within six months from date hereof.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1911  
J. E. Taylor, Administrator of the Estate of Charlotte Polly, deceased.

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