

Social and Personal.

Have you a partner for the Leap Year Ball.

Miss Florence Burton spent a few days this week in Dallas.

Peck's Bad Boy at the Auditorium next Wednesday night.

Mayor Cooper made a business trip to Toledo the first of the week.

Mrs. Ella Williamson, of Wells, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. R. J. Taylor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Collins have returned from a two weeks visit on the Sound.

Miss Mable Collins is making an extended visit with friends at Sheridan.

W. A. Messner was called to McMinnville yesterday by the serious illness of his mother.

Whether you have a partner or not the committee will welcome you to the leap year ball to-morrow night.

W. H. Kingery, a former O. S. N. S. graduate, now a real estate man of McMinnville was in Independence the first of the week.

There will be a meeting of the ladies Lewis and Clark Club at the home of Mrs. J. S. Cooper, Thursday, December 20, at 2 P. M.

J. J. Scrafford, father of Mart Scrafford of Monmouth, died at his home in Corvallis Saturday. Mr. Scrafford was eighty-seven years of age.

J. S. Moore and Will Finch, two citizens of Independence who are very much interested in fancy poultry raising and are at present engaged in the business, attended the Poultry show at Corvallis this week.

Mrs. Larsen and children visited this week with Mrs. Larsen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harris of this city.

The family of L. U. Josee moved this week to Salem where Mr. Josee is engaged in the furnishing business.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Nelson and Mrs. Nelson's son Gould Cressy returned to Portland the first of the week from a trip to St. Louis and other eastern cities.

The floor committee for the Leap Year Ball Saturday night consists of the following young ladies: Misses Nora Butler, Carol Huber, Goldie Irvine and Mabel Cressy.

Independence visitors to Salem Tuesday were Misses Maude Iliff, Bertha Bohannon, Leora Shank, Mrs. Fred Hooper, Mrs. Geo. Kutch and Mrs. A. J. Wilson.

Mrs. Clara Knott, of Portland, Supreme Deputy Commander of the Maecabee lodge was in the city this week looking after the interests of the order. Mrs. Knott met with the local lodge at their last meeting.

Peter Kurre and Mrs. Alice Whitcomb both of Independence, were married last Sunday at St. Paul, Minn. Mr. Kurre is the father of C. A. Kurre the harness man. Mr. and Mrs. Kurre returned this week to Independence and will make their home on the Kurre farm a few miles south of Independence.

Services at the Presbyterian church next Sabbath as follows: Sabbath school at 10 A. M. Complete enrollment of the school is desired before Christmas. Preaching by the pastor at 11 A. M. Topic, "A Lesson from Jotham." Special song service in the evening with a short sermon on the topic, "Insects without wings." It is expected that Senator Doughty of Monmouth will sing at this service. A very kind welcome to all.

**Last Chance
LEAP YEAR BALL**

Ned Burt has accepted a traveling position with an eastern firm, and leaves Portland this week for the Atlantic coast. Mr. Burt has been in the employ of the Southern Pacific Company the past seven years.

Regular preaching services at the Methodist church Sunday. Morning subject, "Christian Activity." Evening subject, "The Man who builded a Gallows for another, and himself hanged thereon." A cordial invitation is extended to all.

There will be a free entertainment of moving pictures and stereopticon views given Monday evening, Dec. 12, under the auspices of the Circle and Neighbors of Woodcraft. Children invited accompanied by their parents. Come and enjoy yourself.

The doors were thrown open to the ladies bazaar this afternoon and crowds are looking over the collection of many useful articles and buying liberally. To-night an interesting program will be rendered and goods will remain on sale during the evening.

**Clearance Sale
OF
MILLINERY**

We will dispose of our Pattern Hats at greatly reduced prices.

Trimmed Hats that were \$6.00, \$7.00 and \$8.00 can now be had for \$5.00.

Good assortment of Tailored Hats marked less than cost.

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Books for everybody at Craven & Moore's.

Moore's Hair Invigorator and Newbro's Herpicide for dandruff and falling hair or diseased scalp sold in bulk, 50c 8 oz., or applied if necessary by Moore & Taylor's, the barbers on C street.

Our dolls are new and up-to-date. Craven and Moore.

Mrs. Wallace has a complete line of holiday goods and fancy china. Call and see them. Millinery goods at cost.

Buy buggies and surreys cheap now at R. M. Wade & Co.

We close our store at 6 P. M. sharp. R. M. Wade & Co.

Don't forget to get a chance on the big doll at Craven & Moore's on every 25c purchase.

Go to S. M. Daniel, Monmouth for your rubber boots. He carries all the best brands, Boston, Wales, Goodyear, Hoods and Bannagans.

Craven & Moore have the best line of dolls in Independence. Price 5c and up.

Hand made work shoes made for wear, loggers and others, asbestos leather, call and see for yourself at Clevengers shoe shop, Main st. Independence, Ore.

If it is neat, up-to-date job printing you are looking for, stop at this office.

See S. M. Daniel's ad in this issue. He is offering some extraordinary bargains for a short time.

W. A. MESSNER

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Our business in this line has been double that of last year and judging by the number of people who come and buy, (AFTER LOOKING ELSEWHERE) we are convinced that we have the best and most complete lines shown in the city.

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In suits and overcoats, comprizes the best known make, Hoffman Rothchild & Co. In style, fit and quality there is nothing better made and our prices are from two to four dollars less than you can buy the same class of goods elsewhere. Come in and let us show you and be convinced.



**Guaranteed All Wool Underwear
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A Full Line of Wet Weather Goods**

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In these lines we handle the celebrated "Banner Brand" which have no superior in general make up and quality. Buy this make once and you will buy it again. In little gents, boys two and three piece knee pants and young men's. In prices from \$2.00 up.



**We fit the extremes with our celebrated
Kings Bury Hat and Walk-Over Shoes**

**YOURS FOR BUSINESS,
W. A. MESSNER**

Wm. Irlie, representing the Columbian Lyceum Bureau was in the city Wednesday. Mr. Irlie was trying to make arrangements for a series of musical and literary entertainment to be put on in Independence this winter.

C. H. Munsell of Hiawatha, Kan. general manager of the Northwest Telephone Company in Kansas, is in Independence this week. Mr.

Munsell is looking over Oregon. He says of all the towns he has visited Independence impresses him the most favorably, owing to its excellent facilities of trade both by rail and water.

J. S. Moore sent Wednesday to Corvallis seven fine specimens of his noted Buff Cochins chickens. W. C. Finch's Scotch Creepers will also be represented at the show.

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