

GREETINGS

To FRIENDS and PATRONS

ONLY A FEW WORDS from us this Christmas, but these words are straight from the heart. We want you to know that we are grateful to you for your generous support of this Bank during the year now drawing to a close. Your fidelity to this home institution has not gone unappreciated by us and it will be our very great pleasure to let our efforts in your behalf demonstrate in the future our profound gratitude to you for your unswerving loyalty in the past.

To all of you we extend the greetings of the season, trusting that the new year may bring you the fullest measure of success and happiness.

With no financial advantage to the bank, we can supply you with U. S. Thrift Stamps—Sensible gifts for the Boys and Girls. Ask us.

The First National Bank of Forest Grove, Oregon

A Strong Bank
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NOTES AND PERSONALS

The best stock of good wrist watches for Xmas at Abbott's.

Buy "him" a pair of gloves for Christmas. Anderson has 'em.

When in doubt what to give for Xmas ask A. G. Hoffman & Co.

Mrs. M. Armentrout visited friends in Portland Saturday and Sunday.

Just the article to give "Him," Scarfs with Ties to match. A. G. Hoffman & Co.

Millard Morley, who is working in Portland, visited home folks over Sunday.

Mrs. John Templeton and daughter, Faye, were Portland visitors Saturday.

Gus Reddner, who is working in Forest Grove, visited friends up Scoggins valley Sunday.

If your Xmas watch is a Waltham, you are lucky. Abbott, the Jeweler has a good stock of standard grades.

Floyd Schiffer, who has been working in Washington, is visiting his mother and sister in Forest Grove this week.

Donald Misz, who is attending Hill Military Academy in Portland, spent the week end at his home in Forest Grove.

Mrs. Sarah Chadderdon of Curtis, Neb., who has been visiting at the Graham home for the past ten days, leaves tomorrow for Baker City.

Remember, friends, you must pay in advance to get the Express at one dollar per year. The regular price is \$1.50. We pay you 50c to collect for yourself.

Those of our citizens who had the foresight to attend the organ recital given at the Christian Science church Sunday afternoon by Miss Waggener were well paid for their pains, as the concert was one of the best of the kind ever heard in the city. The church was crowded to capacity.

Join the Red Cross today; do your Dollar Duty—Now.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gordon made a pleasure trip to Portland Saturday.

John Anderson has all kinds of oiled clothing for wet weather. Ask him.

Fresh fish for Tuesdays (meatless day) and Fridays. The Pacific Market; phone 6301.

George G. Hancock, real estate, farm loans and fire insurance, new Anderson block. 50

Mrs. F. D. Gardner and little daughter, Roma, visited friends in Portland the first of the week.

W. F. Johnson had business at Goldendale, Wash., and The Dalles, Oregon, four days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Stout and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schultz motored to Portland Sunday in the Stout sedan.

Notice of Final Settlement
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County, Oregon.

In the matter of the estate of John W. Sherwood, deceased. Martha Sherwood, Administratrix.

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned administratrix of the above estate, has filed in the above entitled Court and cause her final account and report as such administratrix, and the said Court has fixed and appointed Monday, the 21st day of January, 1918, at the hour of 10 o'clock forenoon of said day, and the County Court room of the County Court, in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, as the time and place for the hearing of objections to said final account if any, and for the final settlement of said estate and the discharge of said administratrix and the exoneration and discharge of her bondsmen.

Order of Publication dated the 17th day of December, 1917.

MARTHA SHERWOOD,
Administratrix.
J. N. Hoffman, attorney for Administratrix; office, Forest Grove, Ore. (First publication of this notice Dec. 20th, 1917; last publication Jan. 17th, 1918.)

Join the Red Cross today; the Boys Overseas need your Help.

We wish you all a Merry Xmas. A. G. Hoffman & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Morgan departed yesterday for a visit in California.

1847 Rogers silver at prices below the usual Portland price. Abbott, the Jeweler.

Just received—Ladies' Angora Sweater Coats, and the price is right, too. A. G. Hoffman & Co.

Mrs. J. S. Buxton and daughter, Mrs. Jessie Covert, visited friends in Portland Saturday, Mrs. Covert's health having improved to an extent where she takes an interest in things outside a hospital or sick room.

What Became of Him?

There came near being a tragedy enacted in front of Caples' store one day last week and persons who saw it are wondering what became of two of the participants. A woman living near this city made some remark in the store about the Kaiser being a brute, and as she stepped out the door, a stranger asked her if she meant what she said. Receiving an affirmative reply, he called her a "damned fool." Just then another man also a stranger, stepped up and asked the other fellow to apologize. On his refusal, the second comer poked a big pistol under the nose of Wilhelm's friend and asked if he would apologize. He did. Then the man with the gun told the other fellow to follow him and they left together. And that's the last the lady saw of either of them. Who were they?

For Sale—Pure bred R. C. R. I. Red cockerel, a beautiful bird of good size. W. C. Benfer, at Express office. tf

The Express prints butter wrappers with non-poisonous ink.

Her Little Prayer.

A little girl of a big eastern city was visiting her grandmother on Thanksgiving day. Already the child had begun to speculate on what Santa Claus was to bring her at Christmas time, and, as children—especially girls—will do when they are at the home of an indulgent friend, she began to rummage through closets and drawers.

In the course of her investigation she came upon a brand new white muff. It was the very thing she had wanted, and she knew that Santa Claus' chief purchasing agent—grandma—had obtained it for her.

Taxed with it, grandma admitted the truth.

"But," she said, "you must forget all about it until Christmas day."

That night as she was being put to bed the child astonished her mother by adding this to her evening prayer:

"Please, God, make me forget all about the little white muff Santa Claus is to bring."—New York Times.

Yuletide In The Kitchen

THE cooks shall be busied by day and by night in broiling and boiling for taste and delight. Their senses in liquor that's happy they'll steep. Though they be afforded to have little sleep. They still are employed for to dress us. In brief, Plum pudding, goose, capon, mince'd pies and roast beef.

Although the cold weather doth hunger provoke, 'Tis a comfort to see how the chimneys do smoke. Provision is making for beer, ale and wine. For all that are ready or willing to dine. Then haste to the kitchen for diet the chief. Plum pudding, goose, capon, mince'd pies and roast beef.

All travelers as they do pass on their way At gentlemen's halls are invited to stay, Themselves to refresh and their horses to rest. Since that he must be old Christmas' guest. Nay, the poor shall not want, but have for relief Plum pudding, goose, capon, mince'd pies and roast beef. —Yeats' Collection of English Ballads

Job printing—phone 821.

Cook With Coal

The Forest Grove Planing Mill has laid in a supply of good fuel coal and is prepared to supply consumers at a reasonable price. Order by telephone No. 0232.

Have you tried the new Hazelnut Butter at Schultz's? Made different and better, at the Forest Grove Creamery. "Fresh every sun rise." Phone 061—order a roll today—it's really better, now. In other words, your money back if not.

Methodist Church Services

The Sunday School will observe Christmas next Sunday by making an offering for the Armenian Orphan Relief Fund and will have a special service in connection with the offering. The pastor will give a Christmas sermon at 11 o'clock and at 7:30 the choir will give its annual Christmas concert.

On Monday afternoon, Dec. 24th, the Beginners, Primary and Junior departments of the Sunday School will meet in the parlors of the church and give a Christmas program to which the parents are invited.

The Community Sing will be held in this church Christmas night at 7:00, led by T. E. Isaacs.

The firemen of Forest Grove will give their annual ball on New Years eve, with Walker's Novelty orchestra furnishing the music.

Open evenings after today. Get your Xmas shopping and engraving done early. Abbott, the Jeweler.

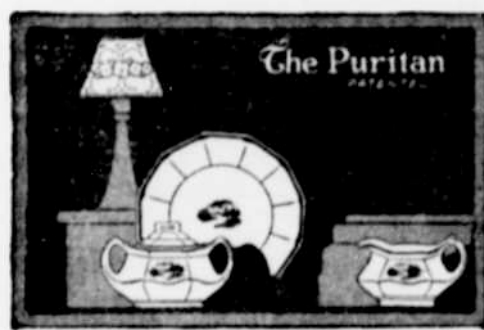
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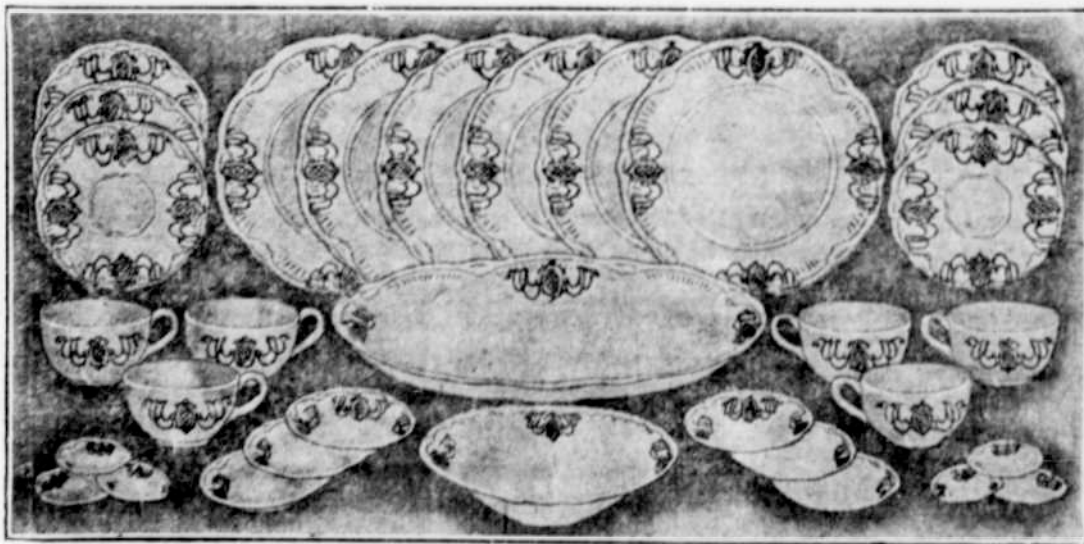
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We now have in stock PYREX, the Transparent Ovenware about which you have been reading. No need to go to Portland, as our prices are right.

Coffee Percolators and all kinds of "Wear-Ever" Aluminum—Come and pick out what you want and we will deliver it any time you say. Ten per cent discount on all Aluminum ware until Christmas.

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