

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Little Stories of Life and Doings of Your Neighbor

"On earth peace"; but there is many a soul this Christmas season to which peace seems a distant and a foreign thing. How can there be peace when misfortune has come, and loved ones are unprotected, or the larder has not the making of a Christmas dinner, or when little ones must look in vain for the coming of Old Santa?

"Good will to men"; does not good will have a difficult task finding an abiding place in the heart of man when mayhap want stalks and zeal hunger for bread, centers thought upon the stomach instead of the soul?

Down in front of the postoffice there stands one of those familiar tripods with its hanging kettle, and near it watches a gentle little lady wearing the uniform that is found today in every corner of the earth and that carries with it the message of peace and of good will. But the lady in the garb of the Salvation Army is doing more than watch the hanging kettle; she is listening for other things than merely the clink of metal against metal. That is peace and good will in the abstract; she is dealing with peace and good will more in the concrete. She is watching the passing throng, and she reads the face and the demeanor as others might read the printed page. For expression and action speak more than words to her.

Yesterday two young men whose garb marked them as ex-service men, came down the street. Mrs. Sawyer's practiced eye told her they were strangers and that they needed a friend. They did need a friend. They had left San Francisco, they told her, with money enough to bring them to Grants Pass, and here they hoped to get work that would pay their way on to Seattle where they wished to go. Mrs. Sawyer gave advice, and directed the two ex-soldiers to Mrs. Moss, who has proved such a ministering angel in her war-work activities to the boys who had supported their country in its time of trial. There was more peace and more good-will for those lads than had been.

Later, the same evening, long after dark, Mrs. Sawyer saw a couple of men slouching in a hall way. They were black of skin, and perhaps of the hobo element that is making its annual migration to the south. But they were "brothers" to that peace which passeth understanding and to the good will that radiates from a heart full of Christian love. Mrs. Sawyer's greeting to the not very inviting figure was "What seems wrong, brother; are you down and out?" "My stomie iz shuk down and out; it hasn't seen anything to eat since mawnin'," was the reply.

The Salvation Army "lassie" took what change was in her pocket book and gave it to these two wanderers, then directed them to a place where they could get a meal that would fill not only their stomachs with food but their hearts with peace and with good will.

Mrs. Sawyer came to Grants Pass a month ago to visit and to rest; but she found work to do and she told the Courier that rest came with the change from her previous work in Portland. She has aided the local Salvation Army in preparing for Christmas, and her work is typical of the work of all of these excellent people. It is an unostentatious carrying of peace and good will to the more unfortunate; to the "down and out."

There is not the dire need for assistance of a financial character in cities like Grants Pass such as one finds in the larger cities, says Mrs. Sawyer. Here cases of real poverty are seldom seen though there are so many ways in which misfortune can come that in every community can be found some to whom more cheer can be taken at the Christmas season. Last Christmas the local Salvation Army distributed 15 baskets to families within the city. This year about the same number have been sent out. From one center in Portland last year, states Mrs. Sawyer, 500 baskets were distributed. The staples in each basket are a roast or a chicken; eight potatoes; one loaf of bread; 1/4-pound of butter; one can milk; sugar, tea and coffee. Besides these staples are such dainties as oranges, apples, cakes, etc., that may have been donated.

"Much of my time in the cities has been given to work in the slums," said Mrs. Sawyer yesterday. "I

have visited hundreds of homes where poverty of the direst kind existed. And often we find poverty and filth companions in these slum abiding places. But we can not dust the dirt from the chair that is offered us. The dirt is part of the home, and we have to take it as we find it."

"How much do we get in these kettles that hang here as an invitation to the generous public?" repeated Mrs. Sawyer. "In the aggregate it is quite a sum. This stand is a fairly good one," and she tipped up the kettle that the newspaperman could note several half dollars and other smaller coins that had been dropped into it during the day. "Our best day at this stand, which is one of two kettles we have hanging in Grants Pass, was Friday, when \$10.01 was dropped into it." Just then a little girl, whose auburn locks tossed about ruddy cheeks that told a tale of health and spirit, dropped a coin into the kettle. And Mrs. Sawyer's "thank you, daughter," certainly carried more of peace and of good will into another heart.

Crochet Lace for Gifts



The girl who knows how to crochet can express much devotion in a gift to relative or friend by making crochet lace to be fashioned into caps, trimming and yokes for nightdresses or undermuslins, bags and neckwear. A lovely-yoke in an Irish crochet pattern, and a crocheted cap appear in the picture above. They take considerable time to make, but will last almost a lifetime. There are many beautiful patterns for this work, which is very popular for gifts.

To lower the high cost of living eat apples. They are nourishing, laxative, blood purifying and above all other fruits delicious, besides one can get them the year round, a perfect standby.



BABY KIDNAPPED FIVE MONTHS RESTORED TO MOTHER

Just as Nellie Bly, the writer, was about to adopt a seven months old baby that had been abandoned and taken to the Bellevue hospital, Mrs. Katherine Wentz claimed the child was her own. The same baby that was kidnapped five months ago. The baby was originally stolen last July in front of a department store and nothing more was heard of it till he was placed by a strange man into the hands of a policeman with a note saying "For the love of Mike take this kid, can't afford to keep him. Give him to Nellie Bly." Mrs. Wentz says she is sure the baby is hers. Nellie Bly denies it and wants little Arthur Philip herself, but the baby is with Mrs. Wentz who says she will fight to keep him.

The Battery Shop

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For a Tiny Girl



A bonnet, scarf and muffs of satin, trimmed with imitation ermine fur, is enough to make the eyes and heart of any little girl dance at Christmas time. Here is a set that loving mothers or aunts who know how to sew can make without much trouble. Beds for muffs are sold at the department stores. The scarf fastens with a snap fastener at the throat, and the muffs is suspended on a silk cord.

Dainty Bonbon Boxes



There are many lovely bonbon boxes among gifts on display in the shops. Here are two of them—a round one covered with handsome cretonne which is glued to the foundation. The box is lined with a plain silk and the lid is edged with gold lace. It contains a small glass dish for holding the candies.

The square box is covered with silk and has a frill of finely plaited chiffon about it. Over this there is a tiny vine of very narrow ribbon formed into leaves with little roses set between them. Gold lace finishes the sides and top of this box and with the ribbon vine, makes an ornament for the center of the top.

All kinds of Commercial Printing at the Courier Office.

Mining blanks at Courier office.

Not Alone on New Year.
Of course it is customary to make New Year's day the day of new resolutions, but there is no particular reason why we should confine this work to this one day in the year. In fact, the very best resolution we can make on New Year's day is to resolve that during the coming year we will use every endeavor to make each day a day of self improvement; that not a single day shall pass upon which we have not attempted to speak a good word or do a kind deed for somebody; that not a day shall pass upon which we will not try to weed out some of the tares and brambles of character that now offend others or some of the bad habits that offend even ourselves.

Pay Up Day in China.
At the Chinese New Year the houses and other buildings are decked with flowers, and the streets are thronged with people, who come out to buy provisions, new clothes and gifts. One good New Year custom in China is that of settling up all debts before the old year has died out. A Chinaman who allows the New Year to dawn before he has settled with his creditors feels himself disgraced.

Coughing at Night Can Be Checked

Bronchial coughs, coughs that hang on after recovery from influenza or grip, asthmatic coughs, coughs caused by a dis-easing tickling in the throat—coughs that cause one not only to lose sleep but to disturb the rest of others—all such coughs can be relieved by Foley's Honey and Tar.

The Experience of Two Men
L. W. Day, 62 Campbell Ave., E., Detroit, Mich., writes: "Foley's Honey and Tar is great. It relieves me with bronchitis very quickly. My complaint in that line has almost gone and I hope never to have it again."
Chas. Hoffman, Eagle Hotel, Onida, N. Y., writes: "I have been troubled with tickling in my throat and cough for the past three months. I can highly recommend Foley's Honey and Tar as a 50c and 30c bottle gave me relief."

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1916 CHEVROLET	\$150.00
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SECOND HAND CARS BOUGHT AND SOLD

C. L. Hobart Company

NOTICE!

We wish to thank all our customers and patrons for assistance and support during the past year.

The storm and temperature conditions were, of course, unprecedented, and to an extent we were unprepared for it. However, we had repair material available and have employed all the extra competent help that could be had; and by steady and hard work, under anything but favorable circumstances, have restored service to the majority of our customers in every town and city in our territory. The next four or five days will see all service restored although temporary repairs will still exist in a number of places. Weeks will go by before permanent repairs can be completed, and the costs will run into the thousands of dollars. Nevertheless, we will continue to push the work to completion with the same vigor we have used to date and do every thing possible to make it a real service.

Telephone us if we have seemed to overlook you in this restoration work. It will assist us and it will have our best attention.

Again thanking you, we are
Yours very truly,

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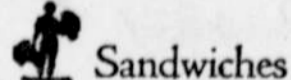
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Grants Pass, Oregon



A Satisfying Supper



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Sandwich Suggestions for Holiday Suppers

Mixed Chicken.—Mix a little salt and paprika with minced chicken and onion, cut fine; fold in crisp lettuce leaves, and place between slices of OLYMPIC Flour Bread, well buttered.

Walnuts and Dates.—Add rich, sweet cream or boiled dressing to English walnuts and chopped dates spread generously between thin slices of OLYMPIC Flour Bread. A little chopped preserved ginger will add a pleasing tang.

Roast Pork Sandwich.—Sliced roast pork, celery and Worcester sauce, laid between slices of OLYMPIC Flour Bread.

Marmalade and Cheese.—Take orange marmalade, cream cheese and chopped Pecan nuts in equal quantities and mix thoroughly; spread on thin slices of OLYMPIC Flour Bread.

Cold Chicken and Cheese.—Mustard and sweet cream to make a thick paste, seasoned with salt and pepper. Spread on slices of OLYMPIC Flour Bread, with cold chicken and sharp grated cheese.

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