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OREGON WEATHER

Weather for the Week

Pacific Coast States: Unsettled and rains. Normal temperature.

Tonight, fair. Saturday rain and west portion. Fair east portion.

GREETING THE NEW YEAR

The public greets each new year with conflicting emotions. There is something of joy to the majority in the fact that a year has closed after a period of profit and prosperity; or, from the other angle, that a twelve-months with its disappointments and failures has been put in the past tense. So the populace greets the close of 1920 with joy and acclaims the birth of 1921. But from the larger centers comes the word that New Year's day is not what it used to be.

This is in a small way attributable to the addition to the constitution of some dry reading matter. In still greater part it is because the international obsession for celebrating whenever Father Time takes a fresh start in piloting the earth around the sun is thousands of years old. The manner of observing the day has changed greatly through the centuries.

The urge to give presents at least once a year was felt even before Christmas and Santa Claus came into the scheme of things, and the ancient Greeks, Chinese, Egyptians and Romans tendered their gifts to one another on the first day of the year. Kings got into the habit of receiving extra gifts from their subjects on these days and liked it so well they began extorting larger and larger sums. This practice got so bad in Rome under the Caesars that Claudius called a halt.

It spread to other countries, however, and the English had their New Year's celebration spoiled annually by rapacious sovereigns until Queen Elizabeth's modest demands of her

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DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES

subjects cut gifts down to a minimum. In those days the celebration of New Year's day had become worldwide. With variations to suit all nationalities, it consisted everywhere of eating, drinking and motley merriment.

Christopher Columbus, so far as is known, was the first white man to jubilate on New Year's day in the Western Hemisphere. While his ships were undergoing repairs on January 1, 1493, he enjoyed a sumptuous dinner with two savage monarchs on the island of Haiti. After this meal, history says, the discoverer of America had his first smoke of tobacco. Whether he enjoyed it is not recorded, but he left it to a later generation—Sir Walter Raleigh is generally credited with the function—to introduce tobacco in Europe.

The Pilgrim Fathers and the first families of the older states of the union enjoyed a quiet holiday as each year came around. They feasted, but not until they had attended religious services. In the 19th century people with big houses and flowing sideboards held open house on New Year's day and from all over friends came afoot, on bicycles and in surreys and standhops to pay short visits and sample the contents of wine cellars. Then they went off to call on other friends. Popular maidens in those days witnessed traffic jams in front of their homes, so prevalent was the penchant for short calls on young women during the afternoon of the year's first day. This custom began to pass out quietly with the dawn of the 20th century, automobiles and cabarets.

AMUSEMENTS

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The following is a condensed statement of condition at the close of business December 30, 1920:

Resources		Liabilities	
Loans and Discounts	\$ 599,451.93	Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
U. S. Bonds	138,543.00	Surplus	40,000.00
Other Bonds and Warrants	80,244.07	Undivided Profits	8,555.97
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	2,250.00	Unearned Discount	4,326.89
Bank Building and Fixtures	24,550.00	Circulation	49,500.00
Other Real Estate	1,500.00	Deposits	881,423.80
Cash and Exchange	187,267.66	Rediscunts	None
	\$1,033,806.66		\$1,033,806.66

The First National Bank OF SOUTHERN OREGON

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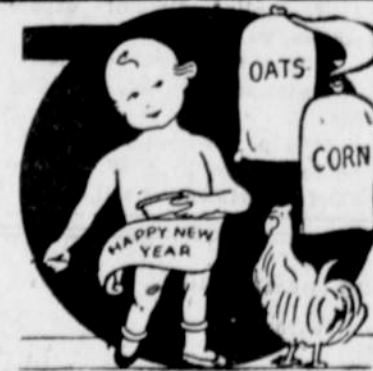
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Sample Store



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