

### Riverton School

**Electric Welder**  
The Riverton school board on Tuesday, December 2, authorized the purchase of an inexpensive electric welder for the Smith-Hughes department. The new equipment will be equipped with all the desirable safety devices to insure protection of the operators. Members of the department will now be able to do many light welding jobs for themselves and parents.

**Christmas Vacation**  
The school board at its last meeting voted to allow the teachers to determine, within suggested limits, the length of the Christmas vacation. The teachers decided to ask that school be closed Thursday evening, Dec. 22, and reopen Tuesday morning, Jan. 3.

**Cafeteria**  
It was decided to close the school cafeteria the last three days of last week due to illness in the community. Lack of hot water facilities for properly sterilizing the dishes caused the action.

**Basketball**  
From December to March, basketball is king of sports in Coos county. Riverton has scheduled more games this month than usual in an effort to develop a squad of almost completely inexperienced players into a team capable of competing favorably in the county "BB" league conference. Riverton's chief consolation is the large number of freshmen who show promise of developing into good players in their junior and senior years.

The next game to be played by the Riverton boys will be at Langlois.

**Arago vs. Riverton**  
Last Wednesday, Dec. 3, the Riverton high school teams went to Arago. The girls won two out of three volleyball games in their set. After the volleyball games, the Riverton second and third teams held a "no score" practice with the Arago boys.

**James Staten**  
A major setback to the Riverton basketball hopes came with the announcement that James Staten will be out of school until after the Christmas vacation. James was quarantined with his family when a younger sister became ill.

**Bandon at Langlois**  
The Bandon basketball team, which has practiced and played their home games at Riverton for the past two years, will make Langlois gym their home floor this year. The change

was made because of the straighter road south of Bandon. It was decided that the longer distance to Langlois was more than compensated for by the decreased driving hazard.

**Christmas Program**  
The Riverton grade school teachers and pupils expect to be busy from now until the Christmas vacation getting everything set for the Christmas program. Miss Allard's first and second grades have been practicing for several days and other grades are starting this week.

**Miss Littler Visits**  
Miss Littler of the county health unit visited school last week to check up on symptoms of scarlet fever. Fortunately, none were found in either school.

**Names Drawn**  
The old Riverton custom of exchanging names for Christmas gifts went into effect Monday afternoon when ten minutes of the last period was used for that purpose. The next two weeks will probably witness many "unsight and unseen" exchanges of names in the final attempt to get the "secret sorrow's" name. "Secret sorrow" or no "secret sorrow," a limit of 25c has been put on all gifts. Get ready, Slater's, here we come!

**Hilma Leonard**  
The school was pleased to have a last year's graduate, Hilma Leonard, visit school Monday.

**Smith-Hughes Paper**  
The F. F. A. is expecting to edit a two-page addition to the regular school paper. The new section is expected to contain F. F. A. news and other items of interest to farmers.

**Boys vs. Girls**  
The boys have just about given up trying to show the girls their mastery in volleyball. Being defeated three matches in succession is just too much! Guess you'd better just concentrate on basketball. Eh! boys? Ouch!

Everyone was sympathizing with Mr. Holbrook, school janitor, Friday when he came to school with one side of his face swollen about twice its normal size with an ulcerated tooth. Everyone was relieved Monday morning when his face was again recognizable!

Joe Nilsen, board member, and Mr. Johnson inspected the sanitary plumbing of the building Wednesday in order to formulate definite recommendations for improving the present facilities.

Mr. and Mrs. James Watson, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tuttle returned Sun-

### Death Calls Mrs. Florence Crawford

Mrs. Florence I. Crawford, aged 76, widow of the late Judge A. M. Crawford, former attorney-general of Oregon, and mother of Circuit Judge James W. Crawford of Portland, died at 2:00 p. m. Saturday at Good Samaritan hospital. In ill health for some years, she suffered a stroke three weeks ago.

The daughter of James and Emily Watson, Oregon pioneers who crossed the plains in 1852 and settled in Douglas county, she was born in said county on September 24, 1862, and graduated from Wilbur Academy there.

She was married to Andrew M. Crawford in 1886 and thereafter lived in Marshfield for some years where her husband practiced law until he was appointed receiver of the U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, after his term of office expired as receiver he practiced law in Roseburg until he was elected attorney-general when he and his family moved to Salem. In 1915 they moved to Portland where he and his son practiced law until his death, June 29, 1925.

Mrs. Crawford was an active member of the Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers and of St. Michaels and All Angels Episcopal church.

Surviving are her son, born in Marshfield, Judge James W. Crawford of Portland; a sister, Mrs. Kate Floyd, of Redlands, California; a brother, Charles F. Watson, of Glendale, Douglas county, Oregon, and a grand-daughter, Marilyn Crawford.

She was a sister of the late Portland jurists, Judges E. B. and J. Finley Watson; and was an aunt of the late Mrs. Rufus C. Holman; the late Judge James W. Hamilton for over 35 years one of the judges of the second judicial district of Oregon residing at Roseburg; James Watson, Mrs. Dorothy Tuttle and Mrs. Laura L. Kramer, of Coquille; Mrs. Harry E. Folsom and Neil O. Watson, of Marshfield; and a number of other nephews, nieces, grand-nephews and grand-nieces of the State of Oregon and some in Idaho.

Funeral services were held at 10 a. m. Monday at Holman & Lutz chapel, Portland, with the Rev. Richard Flagg Ayres officiating. Burial was had in the Rose City cemetery.

### Theron Loshbaugh Died Last Week

Theron Loshbaugh was born in Leadville, Colorado, Jan. 28, 1878, and passed away at the Coquille Hospital after a brief illness on December 7.

When he was nine year old he and his parents came to Oregon in a covered wagon and settled on Big Creek, above Bridge.

In the year of 1900 he took a trip through the central states and settled in Texas for a period of ten years.

In 1908 he and Lucy Cram were united in marriage. To them were born: Oliver, who passed away a little over a year ago; Mrs. Hilda Brown, of McKinley, and Mrs. Olive Ellen Howard, of Riverton. The children were all born in Texas.

In 1918 the family came to Oregon and lived in Bandon for a little over two years, moving from there to Middle Creek. In the years of 1936 and 1937 Mr. Loshbaugh operated the Riverton Ferry.

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### Bridge Briefs

The December business meeting of the Christian Endeavor society will be held at seven o'clock Sunday evening at which time officers for the new year will be elected. The nominating committee consists of Mrs. Clarence Fiser, Miss Ruth Walker and Miss Lou Hooton. The business meeting will be followed, at eight o'clock, by a Christmas concert, which is being arranged by a committee of which Clyde Bastlett is chairman.

The Home Demonstration club met on Thursday last week at the home of Mrs. Harry Lindsay. Mrs. Lindsay and Mrs. Fred Scofield gave an interesting demonstration of the correct setting of the table and serving of meals. Those present included Mrs. John F. Dunckley, of Coquille; Miss Nadine Ellis, Mrs. Frank Culver, Mrs. Annie Smith, Mrs. Frank Herker, Mrs. I. B. England, Mrs. Lindsay and Mrs. Scofield.

Mrs. C. S. Murphy was called to Portland last week by the illness of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Arthur C. Kurtz.

Several Bridge friends of the Forrest L. Moon family, of Myrtle Point, went to their home Monday evening and gave them a surprise party in honor of the three birthday anniversaries which occur this week, Mr. Moon's being on the 12th, Edgar's on the 14th and Zella May's, the 15th. After a delightful evening of games and music, refreshments of cake, ice cream, coffee and cocoa were served. The birthday cake, made by Mrs. Lange, was a prettily decorated one of three tiers, with candles for each of the honored ones. Those present were Forrest L. Moon, Zella May, Eugene and Edgar, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lange, Clarence and Winona, and Mrs. Gus Dietz, from Myrtle Point; and from Bridge were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Fiser, Virginia Beckett, Lou Hooton, Glen Hutton, Clyde Bartlett, Tommy and Edson Culver.

Funeral services for Mrs. Everett Tooley, who died last week at the Mast Hospital, were held Monday afternoon at the Schroeder Chapel, with F. H. Barr conducting the service. Interment was in the Myrtle Point cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Tooley had lived here only a few months, coming from Turner, Oregon. Mrs. Tooley, who was 54 years of age, had been in poor health for some time, and was in the hospital for a week preceding her death. She leaves, besides her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Herbert Kohl, of this community. Mr. Tooley will make his home with the Kohls for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Walker, Ruth, E. J. Jr., and Jerry, visited friends in Marshfield Sunday.

Mrs. Albert Pancoast and Miss Nadine Ellis were Myrtle Point visitors Monday afternoon. Mrs. Pancoast also going on to Marshfield.

The French are now rhyming Chamberlain with "Jaime Berlin," (I love Berlin).

### Dr. Wm. M. Hamilton Passed Away Sunday

Dr. William Marquis Hamilton, who first settled in Coos county in 1888, passed away at his home on the Johnson Mill road, three and a half miles south of Coquille, last Sunday, after a lingering illness.

The funeral services are being held at the Gano Funeral home this afternoon with Rev. Mr. Brown, of Myrtle Point, officiating. Interment will be in the Norway cemetery.

Dr. Hamilton was born in Iowa, February 20, 1859, and his span of life was only two months short of four score.

When a lad of five he crossed the plains with his parents, who first located in Ferndale, Calif., and later moved to Dyerville, Calif.

Some time after coming to the Coquille valley he went to Chicago and

took a course in chiropractic and then practiced his profession in Independence, Cottage Grove and Myrtle Point, being one of the first to practice in this state, his license being No. 28.

Besides his widow, Mrs. Laura A. Hamilton, he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Levey Harris, of Cottage Grove, and Mrs. Electa Read, of Spokane, Wash.; three brothers, Gus, of Myrtle Point, John and Hugh, of Dyerville, and two sisters, Miss Levey Hamilton, of Dyerville, and Mrs. Martha Blow, of Turlock, Calif. James Albee, of Myrtle Point, is a nephew.

Dr. Hamilton, who was a member of the Myrtle Point Odd Fellows lodge, was a kindly gentleman of the old school, one whom it was always a pleasure to have call and visit.

A. L. Hooton, electrical contractor and dealer, 274 Second St., Coquille. Complete stock of wiring supplies.

## Christmas Greetings

It is our sincere wish that you have a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year. While doing your Christmas shopping remember the one very important item for making your Holiday dinner a success.

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