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The New Year Oregonian was up to standard, as annual editions go with that great newspaper, and it makes a splendid souvenir of information to send away to one's friends.

Some men seem to forget that they were once boys when snow-balling was good—this suggestion being prompted by seeing a man of middle age crossing the street a few days ago, who flew into a violent rage and threatened dire vengeance on a lad who was throwing snowballs in his direction.

The Graphic thinks Professor William Howard Taft, late president of the United States, is entirely right when he drops the rather plain hint that the republican party should not take dictation from a man outside the party as to who the standard bearer shall be in the next presidential election. Let one T. R. warble his plaint to the little remnant of Bull Moosers.

W. P. Hawley, president and general manager of the Hawley Pulp & Paper Co., of Oregon City, announces that his company will spend \$750,000 in Oregon City this year in enlarging their plant. This and the announcement of a number of big real estate and rental deals in Portland, and the increased demand for our lumber, is a good deal more convincing evidence of a return to normal conditions in the Northwest than have been the optimistic reports brought back from the East at intervals for the past two years by returning bankers and captains of industry.

Former Indiana people who recall the days of the storm period following the Civil War, when political campaigns in the "Hoosier" state were carried on with such vim and vigor that present day campaigns are mere side shows in comparison, would enjoy looking over the pages of a recent issue of the Indianapolis Star, which was issued on the eve of a republican love feast held in Indianapolis. The pictures of no less than 27 candidates for various offices, with "description and pedigree" attached, illuminated the pages of the paper, some occupying a quarter-page space, some a half-page, while Warren T. McCray, candidate for governor, used a full page, with his own picture in the center, bordered by cuts of his extensive farm buildings and particular specimens of his big breeding herd of Hereford cattle. Verily, the days of the brass band and torch-light procession campaign have passed, and newspaper advertising is the new order.

It is not an unusual thing to hear a complaint made at the increase in taxes over that of years in times past, and in the same breath have coupled with it the inquiry as to where results can be shown to justify the increase. Well, let's see; how long ago has it been since it required the better part of a day for a man with a team and empty farm wagon to make the distance of 26 miles over the road between Newberg and Portland at this season of the year, and as for making the journey with an auto, it was simply out of the question. The same could be said regarding a trip up through Mc-

Minnville and on to Sheridan and Willamina. Now machines come to Newberg from Salem or Willamina in a little better than an hour, and on to Portland in another hour or a little better, in the middle of the winter, and return with but little show of mud on the wheels. Farm teams, too, can haul good loads over these roads and make the trip with less fatigue and in much less time than was formerly required with the empty wagon. Here is some evidence of money collected from taxes bringing results that benefit the people generally, for good roads are a valuable asset to all of us, whether we own vehicles of travel or not.

The fellow who penciled the picture labeled "F. A. Elliott," which appeared in the New Year number of the Capital Journal, along with others, under the caption, "Men Who Serve the State at the State Capitol," may pass in Salem as an artist, but if Mr. Elliott should appear at the homes of any of his former Newberg neighbors looking like that picture and claiming to be F. A. Elliott, the door would be slammed in his face instantly as a fraud, and he would depart without the offer of a rehash of cold potatoes or a bone to gnaw.

THE TWO COLONELS.

The Washington correspondents are busy at their pleasant work of forecasting struggles in the national conventions next year says the Globe Democrat. They are especially interested in speculating on the activity of the two colonels, who have been the most conspicuous figures in national politics for many years. It is argued, very plausibly, that both will be at the conventions. It is also assumed that neither would dodge should the presidential lightning strike in his neighborhood, although each realizes the improbability of such an accident. Here the resemblance ends. The martial Col. Roosevelt will work for peace while the pacific Col. Bryan will be for party war.

The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Inquirer states what is generally known in political circles about the attitude of Col. Roosevelt. The colonel wants to go as a Republican delegate from New York and his enemies in the Empire raise no objections. He has also announced his willingness to support any of the suggested candidates, with one or two exceptions. While Col. Roosevelt will not have what might be called a chastened spirit, it is stated that he will attempt no dictation. He will be satisfied with the convention's choice of candidates, but will insist on a firm platform declaration for preparedness.

Col. Bryan, on the other hand, will make a platform fight for what he regards the "traditional Democrat trade." That is, he will oppose a large standing army and an increase in the navy. In all his speeches in 1912 he emphasized the single-term pledge and that part of each speech was published in the Commoner. In the issue before election he took pains to show how peculiarly sacred this pledge was. He has never publicly altered his stand on this question. But Mr. Wilson's renomination is a foregone conclusion. It is predicted that Col. Bryan will make only a perfunctory fight for the one-term principle, concentrating his efforts on an antimilitarism declaration in the platform. He will not be ignored, for he will have many old friends in the convention and even his enemies will hesitate about driving him to revolt. The St. Louis convention may not be the tame ratification meeting many have expected.

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SPRINGBROOK

"Looking for Mary Jane" the 3 act comedy given by the literary society was well received Thursday evening by a fairly large crowd. Ethel Sawyer as Gladys, the maid, made a decided hit. Music was furnished by the Fernwood band, and Miss Eva Hadley sang two solos in her usual charming manner.

T. H. Fearey spent the week end in Portland.

Cecil Hadley who has been working in North Bend, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Ross Newby visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Newlin Wednesday.

Mrs. M. E. Markell and son Wiltred, with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Paine, spent New Year's day at Pleasant Home.

Freezing weather and several inches of snow afford a great deal of pleasure this week in the way of coasting and sleigh rides.

Tuesday evening the Misses Wanda and Christina Clemenson dispensed hospitality at their home in the way of a Leap Year party.

Eva Hadley entertained New Year's Eve at a watch party. Cards were enjoyed until the midnight hour when dainty refreshments were served.

Wednesday morning Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Paine left for Albany where they will spend a week, going on to Newport for a couple of months recreation before returning to North Dakota.

About 25 basketball enthusiasts made the trip to Dundee Saturday night to witness the game between Springbrook and Dundee Athletic Clubs. The score was 20-22 in favor of Dundee. The game was protested on the grounds that Carpin, Dundee center, was ineligible and Springbrook won the protest.

FERNWOOD AND VICINITY

A few of the friends of John Wohlgenuth sprung a surprise on him Monday night in the way of a surprise party held in his honor at Mrs. H. C. Ross'. It was to celebrate John's twenty-first birthday. All present reported a good time and departed at a late hour wishing John many happy returns of the day.

The children of Mr. Boyes are all sick from the grippe this week.

The needle club will meet with Mrs. Cora Jones Thursday afternoon.

Ila Hayward has been very sick the past week from the grippe.

Hubert Rollins, of Donald, Oregon, was visiting friends at Mrs. H. C. Ross' last Sunday.

Mrs. H. C. Ross attended the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Metcalf, of Springbrook, New Year's day.

On account of too much Christmas we were late with our items last week. That's the reason our items didn't appear.

Miss Della Parrish has been quite sick the past week from the grippe. We are not aware how she is at present writing.

There was a pie supper at the gym Friday night. The attendance was reasonably large. After the supper there was a "watch party." All seemed to enjoy themselves very much.

The Fernwood boys' basketball team played a team made up supposedly of the best basketball players of Newberg Friday night and defeated them. The score was 43 to 19. We wonder who will be our boys' next victim.

Mr. Fiske's school boys played the girls' basketball team a week ago Saturday night. The girls experienced an "awful defeat." The score was 34 to 10. We would advise the girls to leave the laddies alone. This is their second "eternal defeat" at the hands of the little school boys. Hurrah for the boys!

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CHEHALEM CENTER

The W. C. T. U. ladies held a watch meeting at the church New Year's Eve. A goodly number were present. The evening was spent with readings, recitations, music and speeches. During the intermission refreshments were served. All joined in the singing while the New Year was being ushered in. The small boys rang the bells, tooted horns and joyfully contributed their share of the noise.

Miss Maude Wills returned to her school work in Albany the first of the week.

Miss Ruth Meyer took charge of the primary room at school the first of the week as Mrs. Meyer was unable to be present.

The congregation was treated to a wonderfully good New Year sermon last Sunday morning. The meeting decided to hold a week of prayer with meetings every evening at the church.

On New Year's Eve the Chehalem A. C. Club held a watch party at the home of Will and Alvin Graves. Quite a number of the young folks were present and the evening was passed very pleasantly with all the hilarity of a New Year's Eve, as they watched the old year die away and stepped out on the threshold of a New Leap year.

December 31 being the birthday anniversary of J. S. Graves and little Ruth Graves a very sumptuous four course dinner was served from four to six o'clock by Mrs. Graves and Mrs. L. Moorehouse as hostesses. Everyone did honor to the occasion, passing the time very pleasantly during the afternoon. Those having the pleasure of being present were as follows: the Messrs. and their wives and families, S. W. Childers, C. H. Darnell, S. W. Staley, A. V. Hendrickson, W. R. Everest, A. Harrison, C. O. Loveland and Mrs. Blizzard, and Miss Olive Blizzard.

WEST-CHEHALEM

Defeat was again the lot of our basketball boys last Saturday night at the hands of the P. C. second team. Score 36 to 18. Our boys held them to the close score of 15 to 14 in the first half but were unable to check their onslaught in the second half.

Clarence Amoth visited with relatives last week.

H. C. Baker took dinner with M. W. Patton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Amoth were in Portland last week.

Miss Esther Burnham spent last week end with Mrs. Geo. Bush.

Miss Hazel and Miss Theresa Boyd were Sunday guests of Miss Mary Worden.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Fendall were Sunday guests of E. G. Fendall and family.

Miss Margaret Hodson and Miss Esther Terrell visited with the former's aunt, Mrs. A. C. Seely last Thursday and Friday.

School was resumed in the immediate school districts after a week's vacation.

The recent fall of snow has led to the hunting of coons and jack rabbits as a favorite pastime.

The Sunday school and church officers for the coming year were elected at a meeting held for that purpose at the church house last Sunday. The reports of all standing committees were also read. E. G. Fendall was re-elected as superintendent of the Sunday school, Miss Clara Calkins as secretary and treasurer, and Miss Lois Fendall as organist. Miss Florence Calkins was re-elected as secretary of the church and B. F. Yergen was re-elected as church treasurer. Both the Sunday school and church came through the year free from debt.

Quite a number of people came out to the open meeting of the Farmer's Union. In the morning Mr. Lamb, of O. A. C., gave an interesting talk on breeding poultry in the way to secure best results. Miss Turley of the home economics dept of O. A. C. followed with a short talk on home economics. Lunch followed, served in the basement of the church in cafeteria style. In the afternoon Dr. McPherson, of O. A. C., gave a splendid talk on rural credits and marketing. Miss Turley gave another talk on home economics, this time only to the women.

REX

Quite a number of loyal Minnesotians attended Minnesota day in Newberg Friday, and a greater number were forced to postpone the pleasure until another year on account of bad colds or other indispositions.

J. W. Moore was a Portland visitor Saturday.

Miss Mary Strate has been visiting in Portland for a number of days, but returned home for New Years.

Mrs. John Semmer has been on the sick list for the past two weeks, having a very obstinate siege of the grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brickley spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Brickley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Strate.

The youngsters are all enjoying the few inches of snow

which fell in our midst Saturday and Sunday, and every minute which can possibly be spared from home duties is spent in coasting down the hills, as this is a treat that is not enjoyed every winter.

John Williams, who traded for the Newman place last spring, has exchanged this property for Portland real estate and will make that city his future home. Although Mr. and Mrs. Williams have been in the community less than a year, the many friends they have made regret to have them leave.

Active work has been commenced on the play shed to be erected on the school grounds by O. Woodworth and Jack Sawyer, to whom the contract was awarded. The cold weather has delayed the work somewhat, but it will be ready for use within the next two weeks.

Miss Rachel Brown was hostess at a watch party Friday evening, at which all the young people of the neighborhood assembled to speed the passing year and welcome the new. A most enjoyable evening was spent in games and other pastimes, and a delicious lunch was served by Miss Brown as the old year departed.

RIBBON RIDGE

A. M. Erickson has returned to Mill City after enjoying the holidays with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hertig, of Rotie, Idaho, are being entertained at the Hertig home.

Miss Beryl Christenson, of Dayton, spent Christmas holidays at the J. T. Carter home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Vanderpool and Miss Violet Hertig, of Portland, are the guests of Mr. A. Hertig's home.

Miss Lorena Nichols, of Michaels, and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Brock, of Clem, Oregon, are guests at the F. E. Nanless home.

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