

## LOCAL BITS

For chicken feed see Metzger & Becker.

3 pounds Italian prunes for 25c at Bend Mercantile Co.

John Atkinson, of Big Meadows, was a Bend visitor yesterday.

You can get Oregon Grape Cream at Bend Mercantile Co. at 10c a can.

Three half-pound packages of cocoa-nut for 50c at the City Bakery.

Every thing in the wall paper line at reasonable prices. Merrill Drug Co.

Good ranch for sale, with arrangement for irrigation. J. M. Lawrence.

Mrs. W. R. Wilkinson took the position as operator at the telephone office this week.

We can supply you with Catalpa cooking molasses at 50c a gallon, at the City Bakery.

If you want something nobby in hats and caps you can get it at Bend Mercantile Co.

J. H. Cook, of Laidlaw, was in Bend Monday and spent the night at the Farewell Bend hotel.

We are in the wall paper business and won't be undersold by anyone. Merrill Drug Co.

Santa Claus has arrived, and welcomes big and little folks at the New York Cash Store, Deschutes.

If you are going to paper your house, consult us. We can save you money. Merrill Drug Company.

A nice variety of toys and Xmas cards and calendars, now on display at the New York Store, Deschutes.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Griffin made a visit last Sunday to the homestead of Miss Whitted over on the Tualo river.

Elmer J. Merrill, son of Dr. Merrill arrived from Eau Claire, Wis., Tuesday night and will take charge of the drug store.

There were ten passengers on the north-bound stage Tuesday morning, among them being S. H. Dorrance, Robert and Dan Bartruff and Elmer Meston.

You don't have to send away to get your holiday goods. Bend Mercantile Co. has them in stock, in toys, games and things to suit the little folks.

The dance given last Friday night at the B. M. hall, by Creed Triplett was well attended and a pleasant time is reported by those who participated.

Mrs. W. E. Guerin, jr., and little daughter Mary have returned from Europe and are expected in Bend in a few days to spend the remainder of the winter here.

Every lady in Bend, and gentleman to, may consider themselves eligible to contribute articles to the exhibition of Christmas gifts given by the Ladies Aid Society of the church.

This week Ora Hunter moved into his new cottage which was completed the latter part of last week. The cottage is situated on the river bank just south of the Rowlee cottage.

While driving a load out to the Wilson ranch last Saturday Ed. Miller was thrown from the wagon and run over. He was not seriously injured although he was laid up for several days.

L. D. Wiest will lead the Christian Endeavor next Sunday evening. The subject will be "How to get rid of bad habits and how to cultivate good habits." The meeting will begin at 7:30.

See here! there will be a special display of holiday goods in a window of the Bend Mercantile Company's store, exhibited by the Ladies Aid Society of the church. Come and inspect the same.

A football team is being organized in Bend. The necessary funds for equipment have already been secured and the boys expect to lock horns with the Prineville team on the gridiron in the near future.

Mistletoe Camp No. 357 Royal Neighbors of America will give a grand ball at the B. M. hall Dec. 23. First class music has been secured for the occasion and good callers and floor managers. Refreshments served in the hall.

C. M. Weymouth and family arrived from Portland last week and have taken up permanent residence here. Mr. Weymouth is auditor for the Deschutes Telephone Company and the Deschutes Improvement Company.

John Bloss has returned from his hunting trip about the forks of the Deschutes. The weather has been so fair that game has not come on the river very numerously and the successful hunter gets plenty of exercise this year.

W. E. Guerin, jr., has a force of carpenters, painters and decorators tearing up the interior of his residence and setting things into a condition of permanent finish, both inside and out. The exterior of the house is to be a brewster green.

The Deschutes Improvement Company has established an office at the ditch camp No. 2, near the flume. H. R. Lamb is in charge. This is for the convenience of the workmen, a considerable number of whom are taking segregated land.

Ed Halverson has returned from his three months trip to North Dakota, where he disposed of his property and adjusted his affairs to make his permanent home in Bend. J. T. Undseth will also come from the same locality to make his home here.

Thomas Jones, who keeps the stage station between Rosland and Silver Lake, was in Bend last Saturday on his annual visit to the outer world. The old man is 84 years of age and a veteran of three wars, and he keeps sober when he comes to town.

Mrs. Batten, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Tompkins tramped up the canal to camp No. 2 Wednesday. Foreman Ord gave them a pleasant reception. They found much interest and pleasure in inspecting the camp and partaking of the fare set for the workers.

If you have land to level or sage brush to grub, why not buy one of Charles E. Reed's patent levelers or sage grubber. We are using one of the levelers at the D. I. & P. Co. Experiment farm and it is giving first class satisfaction. Charles E. Reed, Bend, Oregon.

A. M. Drake returned to Bend last night. He left Mrs. Drake at a hospital in St. Paul, slowly but apparently surely, on the road to recovery. After a brief time here to look after some business matters Mr. Drake will return East and take Mrs. Drake South for the winter.

Dr. W. S. Nichol is transforming the Sisemore place into a fruit ranch. He has prepared the ground and planted 4000 strawberry plants and has several hundred fruit trees and thousands of berry bushes. The trees are buried for the winter. The soil there is old and rich and promises great results in fruit.

At the last meeting of the Bend cornet band four new members were enrolled, one baritone, one clarinet and one cornet player and a snare drummer, making in all a band of fifteen pieces. It is well organized and the integrity of the members may be relied upon to bring this band up to a high standard of musical excellence. New uniforms will be ordered at once.

H. W. Holden returned Sunday from a trip to Paisley, Lake county to buy horses for the D. I. & P. Co. He brought back five fine animals purchased near Paisley. He also brought in a ton and a half of most excellent apples, produced in the Paisley section chiefly on the ranch of Dr. Withaff. This he found no difficulty in disposing of, the demand distinctly outrunning the supply. Mr. Holden says he left scarcely 700 pounds more of fruit in the Chewaucan valley.

Tuesday night Creed Triplett noticed a man lingering about the back door of his barber shop without any apparent business there. But the man finally passed in and got a shave and departed. Later, when it came to locking up for the night Triplett found the lock of the back door had been tampered with so the bolt would not catch and the door could be easily pushed open. One hastily locking up would not have noticed this. It is supposed the stranger had planned a burglary and had thus arranged for it by taking screws out of the bolt catch.

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