

Count, weigh and measure everything you buy.—American Grocer.



IT WILL SOON BE

Merry Xmas

Spec Santa Claus will get part of his load from this store, we think he has his eye on those

- Tiny Navel Oranges at 10c per dozen. (They're good.)
- Fancy Navel Oranges at 35 and 40c.
- Bananas, special for 10 days, 25 and 30 cents dozen.
- Nice bright mixed candy, per pound, 12½c
- Lump ribbon mixed, per pound, 15c.
- Fancy ribbon mixed, per pound, 20 cents.
- French mixed, per pound, 25c.
- Best LosNetos Walnuts (worth 25c) see our window, 30c per pound.
- Soft shell Almonds, 30 and 35c.
- Filberte & Brazil Nuts.
- Imported Turkish Figs, in baskets, 25 and 30c.
- California White or Black Figs, 3 pounds for 25c.
- Raisins and Currants (the best) 16 oz. package, 12½c.
- Fancy Cluster Raisins, per pound, 25c.
- More of that good Mince Meat at 15c.
- Apple Butter, Heinz's at 15c

SPECIAL HOLIDAY OFFER
in Toilet Soaps
1 Box—8 bars assorted, for 25c.
See our window.

White House Grocery

THE STORE FOR GOOD COFFEE AND TEAS

Two hundred and fifty new Edison Phonograph records received at the music store this week. Come and make your selection while the stock is complete.

A. U. Bannard

At the Big Store, North Side

Is receiving a 50-foot car of New Furniture, every piece of which will be suitable for Holiday trade and as good for every day in the year. Come early and make your selections.

Rockers

- Morris Chairs
- Ladies' Desks
- Music Cases
- Water Sets

Pictures at Your Own Price
Rugs, all sizes and qualities,
Water Sets

and a thousand other things, including a

White Sewing Machine

All at prices that defy competition.

You will lose money if you do not examine this offer and stock.

A. U. Bannard

Sixth and D Streets

GRANTS PASS,

OREGON.

Items of Personal Interest.

W. T. Coburn visited Ashland last Saturday.

Miss Lottie DeArmond is attending the Southern Oregon Normal school at Ashland.

Lee York of Kubli has returned after having spent several weeks in Northern California.

Mrs. A. W. Moon arrived from Portland Wednesday evening to spend the holidays in Grants Pass.

W. H. Barr, the Briggs creek mine owner, returned on Tuesday to his home at Medford after having made a visit to his property.

A. J. Folk, foreman for the Briggs Bar Gold Mining Co., was in Grants Pass Friday on a business visit. He reports about six feet of snow at the mine.

Oscar F. Nancke, of San Jose, Cal., who came up to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Nannie Nancke, at Kerby last week, returned to his home on Tuesday.

Judge Stephen Jewell, of Grants Pass, was in Roseburg Saturday. His country is reported prosperous, and he is also pleased to note the steady growth of Roseburg.—Review.

Miss Mary Coe left on Friday morning for Fruitvale, Cal., where she will spend the Winter visiting with her sister, Mrs. Spence DePuy. She will return to Grants Pass in the Spring.

Zera Pool, who has for the past year been located at McCloud, Cal., spent a few days in Grants Pass this week, returning on Friday evening. He is in the employ of the Curtis Lumber Co., as lumber inspector.

D. L. Green, the veteran miner, is in town after having spent the greater portion of the Summer and Fall at the Blaisdell mine on Garve creek where he has been employed as foreman of the ditch and other development work of the mine.

R. F. Miller, formerly well known in this city, is now living on his Briggs creek placer property. Mr. Miller has a tract of 140 acres covered by an exceptionally good water right. The gold is of high quality and nuggets of good size are frequently found.

Dr. T. E. Beard, who was a practicing physician in Grants Pass for several years and who left last Spring for Clackamas county to engage in fruit raising in company with his brother, has been elected president of the Clackamas County Horticultural Society.

John Hackett came in from Merlin sawmill and is spending a week with his family. Mr. Hackett reports lumbering good and prospers of increased business for next year, having an offer of \$12 a thousand for all lumber left in his yard, to be delivered on board car at Merlin.

H. C. Perkins and Fred Mensch returned on Monday from Briggs creek where they had been surveying some mineral ground for W. H. Barr. Mr. Barr has one of the most valuable placer properties in the Briggs creek district, comprising a considerable area of ground well situated for working and an excellent water right from Briggs creek. The property has a small hydraulic equipment and is provided with a saw mill. In returning over the trail the party had an uncomfortable trip, as the snow was from two to three feet deep on the divide and they were compelled to face a severe storm of rain, sleet and wind on the high ridges.

DAIRYMEN AND STOCK-MEN HOLD MEETING

Wm. Schulmerich, a Successful Dairyman, Tells How to Make the CoW Pay.

A dairy and fine stock meeting was held Thursday under the auspices of the Oregon Agricultural College. There was a good crowd present and much interest manifested. Among the speakers were Dr. Withycombe and Prof. F. L. Kent of the college. E. T. Judd of Turner, William Schulmerich of Hillsboro, and Hon. Ed H. Webster, chief of the division of dairying of the Department of Agriculture.

Friday the speakers left for Kerby where a similar meeting is to be held. William Schulmerich, in his address on "The Breeding of the Dairy Herd," said in part:

"We have 20,000,000 dairy cows in the United States at the present time, and 15,000,000 of these are not paying for their board; 3,000,000 are barely making expenses, and but 2,000,000 are paying a profit. But one-tenth of the dairy cows in the United States are profitable. This is an astounding condition of affairs, but we have it in Oregon just as they have it elsewhere.

"A representative of the Hazelwood Company took a census of the dairy cows in Oregon. Of 8200 cows the average product per year each was but \$42. It costs at least \$40 to keep a cow a year, so it is easy to see what the profit is. Of course among these cows there were some herds, one at Albany, that pay well. That at Albany averaged \$95.45 each cow per annum. A herd in Columbia County of 21 cows yielded a return of \$2000 per annum. There were herds among the number that produced only \$15 per cow, or \$25 less than the actual cost of keeping the cow a year. To remedy such conditions, each farmer should test his cows individually, find which are profitable and dispose of the unprofitable ones. Then he should head the herd with the best dairy-bred bulls he can find, and he should raise heifer calves from the best dairy cows. He will find that the first cross from such breeding will double the profits of the original dame.

"In raising a calf we should always have it in good growing condition. Those who are situated so they can feed skimmed milk to their calves should never feed it cold. It should be at least 98 degrees, and should never be fed in too large quantities. Some think because the cream has been taken away there is not much food value left. This is a mistake; there is a lot of solids left in the milk. Ground or whole oats should always be kept before the calf while it is young, so it may help itself. Heifers should be bred when 15 or 16 months of age, and the first milking period should extend over a period of at least a year. Many a young cow's dairy qualities have been ruined by only milking her seven or eight months the first time.

"The principal obstacle to successful dairying today is the effort on the part of farmers to combine dairy qualities and beef in the same animal. They try to get an animal that will give lots of good milk and at the same time will store up a lot of meat for use when cow has served her time as a milk producer. It is impossible to combine meat and milk in the same animal, and the sooner farmers realize this and breed for dairy qualities only, the sooner will the dairying business begin to improve."

COMING EVENTS.

Dec. 31, Monday—Forester's Mask Ball at the opera house.

Jan. 2, Wednesday—Grants Pass public schools open after Christmas holidays.

New lot of Edison records at The Music store.

State Maps—Conner Building

A Brief Record of Local Events.

Forester's Mask Ball, December 31.

Atwater & Carl have sold their general store on upper Sixth street to Cobb & Savage, who will close out the stock.

Carl T. Jones has resigned as county surveyor of Jackson county, and the county court has appointed Fred H. Perkins to succeed to the place.

A package of nice calling cards make an acceptable Xmas gift for a lady friend, and the expense is very small. We have the latest type faces and can furnish you engraved plates. Order now.

The display windows and interiors of many of the Grants Pass stores present a very attractive appearance with the large stock of Holiday goods neatly displayed.

The Grants Pass schools close for the Christmas holidays on Friday evening, December 21, and will remain closed until January 2, the first session of the new year commencing on Wednesday.

John Randle left North Friday night with a deserter for the U. S. army whom he returned to Vancouver barracks. The fellow was anxious to return and although not confined he made no effort to escape.

Miss Marjorie Kinney, now a student at Pomona college, Cal., had the misfortune a few days ago to fall on the gymnasium floor and cracked a knee cap, which injury will confine her to her bed for some time.

The school board held a meeting on Tuesday evening and arranged for a meeting of the taxpayers for the purpose of levying a special school tax. The meeting will be held on Friday, December 28, at 2 p. m., in the high school building.

THE HELLO GIRLS ARE KEPT BUSY

Monday There Were 3740 Local Calls at the Grants Pass Telephone Office.

Very few of the Grants Pass people who step up to the telephone and give two short turns to the little lever at the side of the box have any idea of the number of other people who are doing the same thing and how many times during the day they do it. The Sunset Telephone Company has a "count day" the 10th of each month, on which all the offices in their system keep a record of all local calls made that day. Monday of this week was "count day" and in Grants Pass the record showed 3740 calls for the day. As the local business is handled by two girls you can see that there is some good reason for the occasional delay in receiving a response to the ring. Think of two girls, saying "number" 3740 times in one day besides the numerous questions that must be answered and the irate phone holders that must be appeased when their call is not answered before the bell has ceased its jingle.

There are six girls in the Grants Pass office, two on the local boards and two on the long distance and two book keepers. When the new central energy system is installed there will be three local boards and the local business can be handled with more satisfaction to the resident phone holders. In the meantime the "Hello" girls will answer the 3000 and more calls daily and make the best of it.

Placer and quartz location notices, mine deeds, leases, etc., at the Courier office.

Boundary Board Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the District Boundary Board will meet in the Court House in Grants Pass at 1:30 o'clock p. m., on Thursday, January 3d, 1907, to act on petition to form a new and separate school district out of territory now included within the boundaries of school district No. 4 of Waldo, Josephine County, Oregon. The territory thus petitioned is described as follows to-wit:

Beginning at a point where the east branch of the Illinois River cuts the north line of section 23 of township 40 south of range 8 west, thence running southward or up said river to the point where it cuts the south line of section 3 township 41 south of range 8 west, thence running east to the southwest corner of section 3 township 41 south of range 8 west, thence south to California, thence east three miles; thence north on township line to the northeast corner of section 24 township 40, south of range 8 west, thence west on the north line of sections 24 and 23 of township 40 south of range 8 west to the place of beginning.

LINCOLN SAVAGE, Co. Supt.

Edison and Victor Talking Machines at the Music Store.

Courier sample copy sent free to any address.

SOME BARGAIN POINTERS

News Notes From the Business Men to Readers.

Dr. Flanagan, Physician and Dentist.

Go to Coron for Plumbing.

Xmas Cards at Clemens. 12-14 2t

Aprons at Sugar Pine next week.

M. Clemens, Prescription Druggist.

Asbestos Sad Irons at Cramer Bros.

Sheet Music sale at the Music Store.

Boys Express Wagons in all sizes at Cramer Bros.

Horning's homemade candies are always fresh. 12-14 2t

Picture framing and framed pictures at L. B. Hall's.

Universal Bread and Cake Makers at Cramer Bros.

A splendid line of Royal Charter Oak Ranges at Coron's

Combination Book Cases at little prices—Thomas & O'Neill. 12-14 2t

Combination Sets, Silk—Suspenders, Garters and Arm Band, all in a neat Christmas box. Prices 85c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.—Geo. S. Calhoun Co.

The Ladies of the Baptist church will have a sale of Fancy and Kitchen Aprons at The Sugar Pine Store from Wednesday until Saturday, December 19 to 22. 12-14 1t

Xmas Bells at Clemens. 12-14 2t

Pardee sells Golden Gate Coffee. It is the best. 12-7 2t

For a clean bed and a good meal try the Western Hotel.

Biggest bargains in Toilet Soap—8 Bar box for 25c—White House Grocery.

Sterling Silver Spoons sold singly at Cramer Bros.

Hundreds of varieties of Post Cards at the Music Store.

One lot sample carpet rugs at cost.—Thomas & O'Neill.

Baptist Apron Sale next week at Kinney & Truax Store. 12-14 1t

Lot more 12½c wall paper just received.—Thomas & O'Neill.

Maps of Oregon Washington and California at the Music Store.

Some pretty things in Damask Lunch Cloth at Mrs. E. Rehkopf.

Xmas Books at Clemens. 12-14 2t

Victor Talking Machines and records at the Music store.

Report cards for school use are on sale at the Music Store.

Sheet Music at 5c, 10c and 15c at the Music Store next week.

Tin Pie Plates—2c each; 10 quart tin pails for 1 cent per quart. No. 8 Copper Bottom Tea Kettle, regular 85c for 50c. Thomas & O'Neill.

Box Paper at Clemens. 12-14 2t

Rogers 1847 "Vintage" pattern at Cramer Bros.

Mackerel, Salt Salmon, Lake Superior White fish—White House Grocery.

Photos, Cabinets, \$2.50 doz., Art Gallery, back of first National Bank.

Get a Xmas Apron at Sugar Pine next Wednesday to Saturday. 12-14 1t

A fine assortment of framed and unframed pictures for Christmas gifts at L. B. Hall's.

A new line of Stamped Linens—just what you want for a Xmas present at Mrs. E. Rehkopf.

Satin Post Cards—the latest fad, will soon be in stock at the Photo and Music Store.

The prices on Libby Cut Glass at Thomas & O'Neill's are certainly attractive as well as the goods. 12-14 2t

Don't overlook our display of the latest shades in Silk lined Gloves. Sizes can be corrected after Christmas. Geo. S. Calhoun Co.

Useful Christmas presents at Cramer Bros.

It pays to advertise a useful article. Nine times out of 10 there'll be a buyer before the ink is dry. Try it.

Xmas Post Cards at Clemens.

Drs. Barkan & Sewall, specialists for Eye, Ear and Throat, are now located at 1700 California St., corner Van Ness Ave., San Francisco. 11-30 4t

It is not too early to think about Xmas gifts—the advertising columns of the Courier will give you many suggestions from week to week—look over its columns carefully.

Quadruple plated Silverware at Cramer Bros.

Don't forget that Calling Cards, neatly printed or engraved make a very acceptable Xmas gift—the Courier office can supply either printed or engraved in seven styles at reasonable prices.

Choice Perfumes at Clemens. 12-14 2t

The Classified Ad columns of the Courier contain many items which will be of interest to you and you should make it a point to read them each week.

Fine commercial printing at the Courier office.

The best selected stock of

Sterling Silver

—AND—

Plated Ware

—FOR—

Xmas Presents

AT

Cramer Bros.

Odd Fellows Block

Iron Banks Express Wagons

JACKSONVILLE LOSES SCHOOL BUILDING

Destroyed by Fire on Thursday—Loss Over \$15,000, Insurance \$10,000

The new public school building at Jacksonville was totally destroyed by fire Thursday evening. The loss, on building and furniture, will exceed \$15,000. In addition to this a valuable library, laboratory instruments, the books belonging to pupils in attendance, and a \$800 piano, recently purchased, went up in smoke. The insurance on the building and furniture was \$10,000.

The fire originated in the basement from some unknown cause and when discovered at 5:30 p. m., had gained such headway that all efforts to check its progress were futile. Two hours later the handsome structure was a blazing heap of ruins.

CHURCH NOTICES.

Baptist Church.

There will be but two services at the church, the session of the Sunday School, which for one Sunday only will meet at 9:45 a. m., and the Young Peoples meeting at 6:30 p. m. led by Miss Prudence Kame. Please remember to bring your church offering to the tabernacle in an envelope. I feel sure that every public-spirited citizen will wish to make an offering to Messrs. Honeywell and Billhorn. That offering may be made any of the three union services held at the tabernacle Sunday.

F. C. LOVETT.

Public School Report.

Following is the report of attendance of the city schools of Grants Pass for the month of November:

SOUTH SCHOOL.					
Grade	Teacher—	Enrollment	No. Days Absent	No. Days Tardy	Percent of Att. index
1st.	Miss Thompson.	55	20	1	197
2nd.	Mrs. Belding	43	13	1	198
3rd.	Miss Mulkey	49	28	1	196
Total		147	61	3	220.1
EAST SCHOOL.					
1st.	Miss Kelley	44	20½		96
2nd.	Miss Pack	45	19		197
3rd.	Miss Eaton	53	21		195
4th.	Miss Horton	44	21		199
5th.	Miss Crane	35	23		98
6th.	Mr. Bish	52	15½		0.98
Total		273	105		228.3
CENTRAL SCHOOL.					
5th.	Mrs. Merritt	31	16½		96
6th.	Miss Rodney	42	11½		198
7th.	Miss Rathbun	46	28		295
8th.	Miss Tuffs	49	7		197
9th.	Miss Olsen	58	39½		395
High School—Mr. Harrison		84	47		96
Total		291	149		757.7
Total, entire school		710	315		1214.1

Long Tennessee Fight.

For 20 years W. L. Rawls, of Bella, Tenn., fought nasal catarrh. He writes: "The swelling and soreness inside my nose was fearful till I began applying Bucklen's Arnica Salve to the sore surface; this caused the soreness and swelling to disappear never to return." Best salve in existence. 25c at all druggists.