

HELP!

is often acceptable in the selection of Christmas gifts. We will gladly offer you suggestions and endeavor to assist you in the sometimes arduous task of purchasing these remembrances. Our line consists of Cut Glass, Toilet Sets, Traveling Cases, Fountain Pens, Safety Razors, Manicure Sets, Hand Bags, Fancy Stationery, Military Brushes and the largest line of books in the city.

Sabin the Druggist

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

To all our Friends and to Everybody, we wish
A Merry, Merry Christmas
AND A
Happy and Prosperous New Year
H. C. BOBZIEN

The White House Grocery



"This would make anybody smile."

Holiday prices on Nuts and Candies. Nuts much lower in price over last season.

- A good soft shell English Walnut, our special, per pound.....15c.
- A good soft shell Almond, per pound.....15c.
- 7 pounds of either.....\$1.00
- These are new crop 1908 nuts.
- Our own mixed nuts, per pound 12 1/2 c
- WALNUTS, ALMONDS, PEANUTS,**
No doughnuts.
- Los Netos No. 1 soft shell Walnuts, per pound.....20c.
- A fine paper shell Almond.....20c.
- Our Very Best, the King-Pin of Walnuts, Oregon's Franquette, a meaty nut—only a limited quantity, per pound.....20c.
- Generally sell for 25c in Portland.
- Brazil Nuts (Nigger Toes) lb.....20c
- Filbers, the large smooth kind 20c
- Italian Chestnuts.....20c.

CANDIES

- A good plain mixed candy, per pound.....15c
- Lumps and Drops, a bright, pure candy.....15c
- Chocolate Creams—very good.....25c.
- Peanut chews will please the children. Special per pound.....20c.
- Jelly Beans, mint and wintergreen Josenagers.....20c.
- A fine French Mixed Candy, per pound.....25c.
- Fancy Cluster Raisins in one and two pound pkgs, per lb.....20c.
- California Black Figs.....10c.
- California Mission, extra good.....10c.
- California White Figs in pkgs 5c.
- New Seeded Raisins, Currants, Seedless Sultanas, Etc.

ORANGES

- "Parson Browns".....30c.
- Southern Navels.....40c.
- Washingtons.....50c
- Bananas, Cocosnuts and the celebrated "Howe" Cranberries.
- Lettuce to arrive for the last of the week.
- Fresh Oysters, 50 cents. Regular Fresh Oysters, 5 cents. Regular quart cans to arrive the 23rd.
- Leave your orders early.

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PERSONAL ITEMS.

A. W. Hoffman of Seattle, is spending several weeks in the city.
George F. Green, who has been living at Galice, has come to town to spend the winter.
J. B. Rowley of the O.B. mine on Williams Creek was in Tuesday with a shipment of high grade ore.
H. C. Batekam left Thursday for the Wilderville section to inspect the orchards of that country.
J. T. Morrison returned this week from Hillsboro, where he visited his daughter.
Frank Ellis is back from Portland and Dallas. At the first named place he took a pharmacy examination and at the latter place visited his parents.
The congressmen from Oregon will ask for an appropriation of \$10,000 to be expended in fighting the codling moth in Oregon.
W. E. Crandell, a recent arrival from Wisconsin, has located at Merlin, where he has opened a barber shop, restaurant and cigar store.

Silverware at a great reduction at Hair-Riddles.
August Fetsch left Monday for the Free and Easy mine in the Kerby district, owned by himself and brother. The new mill will be started up in the very near future.

B. H. Reed and family, who recently came to Grants Pass from McMinnville Ore., have taken up their residence in the Lincoln Park addition in the house built by E. S. Van Dyke on Manzanita avenue.

Page Fence—over \$27,000 rods in use in So. Oregon Ask J. D. Franklin. 12-18-tf

James Smith was in town today buying supplies. He bought a coffee mill and will hereafter grind Folger's Golden Gate Coffee fresh as he uses it. He used to ask the grocer to grind it.

J. W. Whitney the Remington Typewriter man is in the city. Since the new Visible Remington has been put on the market he has been compelled to provide himself with a col-

lour for delivery purposes.
We want you to make Christmas presents that will be useful, attractive and economical. Come to the Sugar Pine Store.

Al McKenzie arrived home Friday evening to spend the holidays with home folks and friends. Al has been in California for the past several months, being a fireman on the S. P. railroad, but expects to go north after Christmas.

W. G. King and family arrived in this city a few days ago from Butte, Montana, and have decided to make this place their future home. They have rented a house in the northern part of the city and later will purchase land upon which to raise fruit.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond of Pullman, Wash., are in the city looking over the country with a view to locating. They visited the National Apple Show at Spokane and were attracted by the display sent by Grants Pass and determined to see this valley before deciding on a permanent home.

Mrs. William Thomas arrived in Grants Pass Monday from Wolf Creek, where she has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. H. A. Perkins for some time, and will remain here for a couple of weeks, the guest of her nephews and their families E. A. and G. L. Perkins. Mrs. Thomas resides in Detroit, Mich., and on her arrival here this time saw her sister for the first time in twenty years.

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Mr. and Mrs. Parsell left this week for Minneapolis.
Mrs. George Colvig is home again after a visit with her sister in Portland.
G. D. Horner returned from California Sunday after a visit of some weeks.
Mr and Mrs. Dan Green have as their guest their daughter, Mrs. Henry Due of Chico, California.
Mrs. Henry Galvin will spend the winter at Happy Camp, California, having departed for that place Monday.
Miss Helen Henry left our city Friday for Sacramento, where she will spend the holidays among her friends and relatives.
Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Guyton left Tuesday for Cottage Grove for the purpose of looking over the country. The Guyton place was sold last week and before locating again they desired to see if there is any place that beats Grants Pass They did not ship their furniture and other belongings, as they feel that they will return to this part of the Rogue River valley.

Amos Myers and family arrived from Iowa last week and have purchased the Guyton place at the edge of town. This is one of the nicest small places in the city and Mr. Myers and family are fortunate in being able to find such a desirable place so soon after their arrival.

Mrs. Marion Calloway of this city, is in Eugene, where she was called by the illness of her father.

Page Fence is easily erected over hills and thru canyons—We do it. Ask J. D. Franklin. 12-'8-tf

\$1.75 Silver Berry Spoons for \$1.35 while they last, at Hair-Riddle's. See window.

LOCAL EVENTS.

There was a slight fringe of snow to be seen on the mountains of Grants Pass during the week.
The streets of the city are now muddy enough to convince most any one that paving would be desirable.
The best way to do Christmas shopping is to carefully read the advertisements in the Courier and then go to the stores and buy the goods. All up-to-date stores in the city advertise in the Courier.
Silverware at a great reduction at Hair-Riddles.
Agents for Tompkins' Glove fitting corsets—Gardner & Co. 11-18-tf
Many of the new comers to this section are clearing land preparatory to getting out fruit trees and grape vines early in the spring. Quite a few of them are able to dispose of the wood cut off for a price sufficient to pay the expense of clearing.
There are many things that make Josephine county desirable to home-seekers, but one of these often spoken of by newcomers is the absence of Chinese, Japanese and Negroes. None of these races have secured a foothold and consequently white men do not have to compete with them.
The general land office has made public its account with Oregon for the year ending June 30, 1908. Gross proceeds from the sale of public lands were \$540,881.58, from which amount is deducted the pro rata share of expenses chargeable to the state of \$10,849.26, making the net proceeds \$517,086.09, of which amount the state is entitled to 5 per cent or \$25,854.30.
The stores of Grants Pass have donned their holiday attire and one would travel far without seeing a more beautiful display than is presented in the various windows. Articles suitable for Christmas gifts are the rule and one is reminded that there is no longer any possible excuse for any one sending from here to the larger cities for such things. It is an easy matter to select gifts when there is such a large stock carried by our merchants.
Supervisor M. J. Anderson of the local forestry office, has volunteered to assist the ladies in beautifying the up-town park by securing a number of weeping spruce trees to be set out. This is one of the most beautiful trees in the world and is found in very few localities. There are some not far from Grants Pass and when the ladies are ready to set them out Mr. Anderson will see that they are brought in.

If you want to get useful Christmas presents take a look at the show window of the Hair-Riddle Hdwe.Co. Chafing dishes and carving sets at Cramer Bros. 12-18-tf

COMING EVENTS.
Dec. 18, Friday—"Six Cups of Cocoa", at opera house.
Dec. 19, Saturday—The Fruitdale Grange meets at 2 P. M. at the Fruitdale school house.

"Headquarters" for bargains in new and second-hand goods City Hall building, 6th St. 12-11-tf
Pocket knives and pocket scissors at Cramer Bros. 12-18-tf
A steady stream of incomparable values is to be found in all departments of O'Neill's the Housefurnisher.

OREGON MAY ADOPT WYOMING LAW

Legislature Will Have Bill for Administrative Water System.
A bill will be presented to the Oregon legislature this winter asking for an administrative water system in this state. This was assured yesterday at an extended conference between the members of the Oregon Conservation Commission and the various water users of the state. The proposed law will be modeled after that in force in Wyoming, where water rights are adjudicated and determined by a state board of control and regulated by the same authority. In the operation of such a law, vested rights already adjudicated by the courts, will not be disturbed.
Under the Wyoming law the state has a board of control by which water rights are established and regulated. This board consists of five members appointed by the governor. Appointees on the board must first have passed an examination conducted by the State Engineer before becoming eligible to serve. When the board has adjusted the rights of conflicting interests of the water supply in any stream the party dissatisfied with the adjustment, has the right within 60 days to appeal from the decision of the board to the courts.
The expense of such an administration of the water system of this state is between \$20,000 and \$25,000, while the service concerned not less than 20,000 consumers. Under the operation of the Wyoming law the longest time required for the adjustment of any controversy respecting the appropriation of water from a stream was only 18 months, while the system gave very general satisfaction, as was evidenced from the fact that only infrequently were appeals taken by either of the rival interests to the courts.

A. U. BANNARD

Invites inspection of his very large and varied assortment of Furniture, Carpets, Rugs, Portiers, Couch Covers, Lace Curtains, all suitable
For Christmas Gifts
At prices the lowest. We are setting aside Christmas presents already. Come and make your selections. Have a few White Sewing Machines will sell very cheap to close.

A. U. BANNARD

NORTH SIXTH STREET GRANTS PASS, ORE
N. B.—A large lot of Ostermore Mattresses just received; sold at factory price.

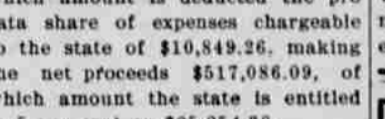
LOCAL EVENTS.

Page Fence is erected without extra cost—ask J. D. Franklin.
Wm. Nea was slightly injured Tuesday morning by the breaking of a wagon on which he was riding. The wagon belonged to Charles Hurd and was loaded with wood. After crossing the track the pin which holds the bur, gave way allowing the wheel to slide off. Mr. Nea was occupying the side of the seat next to the side that went down and struck the ground rather heavily.
Sterling silver tea spoons and sugar shells at Cramer Bros. 12-18-tf
American field and stock fence 47 inches high, which weighs 10 pounds to the rod, for only 50 cents per rod at Hair-Riddle Hdwe Co's.
In buying Christmas presents one naturally wants to go where the desired goods are to be found. Reference to the advertising columns of the Courier will save Christmas shoppers a great deal of trouble, for the live merchants of the city use the Courier as an advertising medium.
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Canned Goods

For your Holiday Shopping you can find what you want in the way of
Canned Goods



New Walnuts and Almonds, Oranges, Cranberries, Raisins, Dates, Currents, Figs, and say, you can get just what you want in Candies at

Gibson's Grocery

Phone 61. Front St. oppo. Depot

The Usual Large Assortment of Holiday Goods

- Cut Glass
- Comb and Brush Sets
- Fancy Boxed Stationery
- Cigars and Pipes
- Tobacco Jars
- Manicure Sets
- Toilet Sets
- Military Brushes
- Perfume in Fancy Cases
- Mirrors
- Christmas Cards
- Post Cards and Albums
- Books and Popular Novels
- Fancy Playing Cards
- Conklin's Fountain Pens

Clemens SELLS DRUGS

In an experiment conducted by the Michigan experiment station it was found that the growing of cowpeas added to the soil 133 pounds of nitrogen per acre, while soja beans added 112 pounds per acre. In either case the nitrogen added was worth from 15 to 20 cents per pound.

A SATISFACTORY Gift

At Christmas is one that combines beauty and usefulness. The qualities are found in
Sterling and Plated Silverware
and it is on this account that Christmas and Silverware go so well together. We can offer you the best selected stock of Silverware in the city and invite you to call and let us show you what we have. We shall be open evenings from Saturday until Christmas.

Cramer Bros.

Odd Fellows Blk. Nickel Ware Stransky Ware

Subscriptions taken for all magazines. Club offers duplicated—C. H. Demaray, druggist.
The most complete line of shoes to be found is at the Sugar Pine Store.
The finest line of ladies' and gents' purses and other leather goods is town at Demaray's.
Fascinating Pyrography 150 page illustrated catalog No. 2 free. Woodard, Clarke & Co., Portland, Oregon. 12-11-tf
Page Fence is the very best money can buy or science produce. Ask J. D. Franklin. 12-18-tf
Nickel plated tea and coffee pots at Cramer Bros. 12-18-tf
The store that saves you money is the corner store upon which O'Neill's the housefurnisher's, large business is built.
Grange Notice.
There will be a special meeting of the Wilderville Grange, No. 272, on December 19, 1908, at 10 o'clock A. M. for the purpose of completing the election of officers. All members are requested to attend.
By order of the Grange.
CHAS. SMITH, Master,
J. B. BURGESS, Sec-Treas.

SILVERWARE

consisting of the latest patterns and designs in
SETS AND SINGLE PIECES

NAPKIN RINGS, SOUVENIR SPOONS, KNIVES, FORKS, TABLESPOONS, TEASPOONS.

These goods are choice and the buying public appreciate them to such an extent that they are going fast. See them before buying your Christmas Present. We also have a nice line of

BRACELETS, RINGS, BROOCHES, WATCHES, CLOCKS

R. Mansfield - Jeweler