

PERSONAL AND LOCAL

I. A. Robie left for Salsun, Cal., Sunday, to be absent some weeks. Mrs. Addie Sovorns went to Montague Sunday to visit for some days. Mrs. Fred Jost went to Cottage Grove Monday to visit relatives. J. R. VanCleve returned on Monday from a few days' stay at Portland. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Mills of Wolf creek arrived here Sunday for a few days stay. Mrs. J. T. Clowe and children went to Eugene Monday to visit for a week or more. Miss Pauline Coe returned home from Eugene Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents. Miss Opal Hiller went to Wolf Creek Sunday to spend a week with her aunt, Mrs. Alice Rogers. Chris Elsmann returned Saturday from Dayton, O., where he spent some days with Mrs. Elsmann and the baby. Miss Bessie Dean arrived on Monday from Puyallup, Wash., to spend a week with her grandfather, G. B. Bristow. H. C. Kinney and Paul Kinney left on Sunday for Pomona, Cal., to spend Christmas with Mrs. Kinney and the W. A. McCormick family. Mrs. M. C. Armstrong, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Taylor, returned to her home at Medford Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Zera Pool are here visiting relatives. Mrs. Lee Calvert, son and daughter arrived Sunday from Eugene. R. K. Woodson arrived Monday from Eugene to spend Christmas with his mother. He was accompanied by Mrs. M. L. Winslow, who will visit relatives. Miss Thelma Dike, now living in Portland, but a former resident of Grants Pass, is in the city the guest of the Misses Carmen and Ercel Cheshire. Mrs. Hayden Butterfield of Ashland is visiting Mrs. Jennie Cheshire. Mr. Butterfield spent a day here and will return in a few days for a longer stay. Miss Maude Darrell, who is attending school at Medford, spent several days here with her Grandmother Custer, and on Monday went to Galice to spend the holidays with her mother. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McGee and children, who have been visiting relatives here, returned on Monday to their home at Canyonville. They were accompanied by Mrs. Chas. Barnard, who will visit for a few days.

Poultry Show Entry Blanks— Entry blanks for the coming poultry show are in the hands of the printer and will be ready for distribution in a few days and can be secured from Secretary Yeatch. Poultry raisers are making plans for a big show and many entries.

Will Fight the Turks— Sam Copolas, for a year or more working at the granite pit, left on Saturday for Portland, then to New York to return to Greece to enter the army. If all goes well he expects to return to southern Oregon. He will be joined by two companions at Glendale and at Portland will meet a big delegation.

Dentists Organize— The dentists of southern Oregon organized an association at Medford on Saturday night and elected Dr. Riddell of Medford, president; Dr. Johnson of Ashland, vice-president, and Dr. Walker of Grants Pass, secretary-treasurer. Grants Pass was represented by Dr. Macey, Dr. Flanagan and Dr. Walker. All dentists of southern Oregon will join for mutual benefit.

Another Blackstone Arrives— A ten-pound edition of Attorney Fred Williams arrived in time to celebrate the holiday season in Grants Pass, making his arrival Sunday evening, and finding a warm welcome in the Williams household. The proud dad says that the youngster has got shoulders like a football man and a voice like the yell master at Yale, and that he himself has had to settle back into third place in the home.

Looking After Property— Gilbert E. Brinton of Shoshone, Ida., arrived Monday morning and will spend several days looking after property interests near Merlin. Mr. Brinton is deputy auditor of his county and at the expiration of his term of office will remove with his family to his farm at Merlin, formerly the Keep place.

Pays Five Dollar Fine— A young man holstered from too much of the juice of the bug was hauled in by the police Sunday morning, and Police Judge Johnston thought that about \$5 would soothe the injured feelings and disturbed peace of the municipality. The fine was paid.

Suspended Sentence for McCauley— A. McCauley became entangled in the police drag-net Monday morning, and in police court was given a sentence of 30 days for indulging in too much booze. The sentence was suspended during good behavior, but a straying from the straight and narrow path will lead directly to the rock pile.

SAFE CRACKERS FAILED. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—A bold attempt to crack the safe in the office of the Portola theater, in the heart of the retail district, was narrowly frustrated early today. The cracksmen had trimmed off the combination knob and riaz, more than an hour's work, and had drilled a hole two inches deep to insert the "soup," when they were frightened away. They worked for more than an hour under the glare of electric lights.

Mrs. H. R. Simpson of Leland spent Monday in town.

CHARLIE CONTRIBUTED TO THE P. J. FUND.

When police court opened Tuesday morning Chas. Geldert occupied the prisoners' box. The charge was drunk and disorderly, and the only defense the culprit had to offer was the character of the "stuff" he got in Grants Pass. "So little of it went so far" that his feet refused to track after the second drink. He said that he was guilty, but was shy on the coin of the realm since buying his "jag," four "backs" being all that he could shake out of his clothes. He was trying to get from Eugene to Gold Hill, and if he had not struck a bad rail in this city he would have made it on schedule time.

Judge Johnston told the offender that the regular prescription called for a bigger dose than a trio of the cart-wheels, but that he could square himself with that number this time if he would agree to use the fourth one to purchase a ticket and continue his flight southward. Instructions were not given as to whether he should go via the S. P. or P.-L., and he waited not upon the order of his going.

MUCH SNOW COVERS WEST FORK TRAIL.

Three feet of snow now covers the trail that connects the lower Rogue river district with West Fork, report Messrs. Robert Sibbel and T. R. Thomas, miners from Solitude bar.

These men arrived here Tuesday from West Fork, coming for supplies for the mine. They came with pack outfit to West Fork, expecting to take back a shipment of steel pipe from there. This pipe had come to West Fork as the nearest railroad point that could be reached over a passable trail until the Rogue river trail is completed. The shippers had sent the pipe in twenty-four foot lengths, however, and before it can be taken in over the trail it will be necessary to cut in two, and tools are being taken from here to do the surgery with. This pipe is for the Kennedy-McCall placer property, upon which development has been in progress all the year, \$80,000 having been expended by the new owners since they took possession last spring. Three giants are now in operation upon the mine, and by a new process of handling the pay dirt, an invention of Mr. Kennedy's, practically all the values are saved, even the flour gold being held. The holdings of the Kennedy-McCall Syndicate are thirty miles below Galice on the Rogue.

Unless the heavy snowfall leaves the Coast range divide on the West Fork trail, it is likely that other shipments of pipe will be sent to Grants Pass, and taken down the river by specially constructed boat from here. This district will be served from Grants Pass as soon as the trail now being built by the county and the forestry service is completed.

PARDONS FOR CONVICTS CHRISTMAS.

SALEM, Dec. 24.—There are rumors that Governor West will hand out a bunch of Christmas presents to convicts at the state penitentiary in the shape of paroles. Among those who are seeking for clemency is James L. Riley, who was convicted of manslaughter for killing Lewis Long at Prineville in Crook county. Riley's wife was eloping with Long, the court developments showed, when Riley, overtaking the man and woman, shot and killed Long. Petitions for Riley's parole have been turned over to the governor and there is said to be a chance that he will consider the petitions favorably.

The other hopefuls are O. O. Allen, convicted from Multnomah county for rape; Frank Arrara, Wasco county; George Asson, Grant county; horse stealing; Frank Nash, Multnomah county; larceny; Hugh Jackson, Grant county, obtaining money under false pretenses.

OPEN AIR CONCERT FOR PORTLAND NEW YEAR.

PORTLAND, Dec. 23.—The commercial club is today planning an open air concert by 1,000 voices on New Year's eve, in the hope of doing away with the usual noisy observance of that occasion. The Gypsy Smith choir has already been engaged for the occasion, and an augmented band will provide the music. A plea will be made to have the citizens of the city gather around the chorus and sing with it rather than blow strident horns or manipulate other noise contrivances.

Surprise Party Arranged by The Bijou

A surprise party has been arranged by Mr. Lawrence of the Bijou Theater for the amusement lovers of Grants Pass as he has secured the clever Kenworthy company which made many friends here last spring during the two weeks they played in this city and they will open a week's engagement at the Bijou next Sunday night. The company is still headed by the charming and clever



little actress, Helen Duffy, and she is supported by a cast of clever performers.

The company since last here has been playing continually in the southern part of California and has met with success in a seven-weeks' engagement in Bakersfield and in return dates in all of the larger cities of the San Joaquin valley, New scenery and specialties and a fine line of plays are added. The opening bill will be the delightful four-act southern comedy drama, "Girl of the Sunny South," a play of love and sentiment and abounding with sparkling comedy situations and beautiful stage settings. Miss Duffy will be seen as the southern girl and Mr. Kenworthy as the old dandy, Willis Watson Williams, loyal and true.

Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Smith and the Misses Kensman and Ernest will all appear to advantage and a performance of merit is assured all who attend.

SUPREME COURT ADJOURNS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The United States supreme court remained in session but thirty minutes today and then adjourned for the holidays. No decisions were handed down in the railroad rate cases, which were scheduled for consideration today.

PROBE INTO RAILWAY CONTROL OF WATERWAYS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—That Corporation Commissioner Conant's report on interstate waterways traffic will result in an extension of the O'Shaughnessy resolution now before the house urging a congressional probe into the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad to include a general investigation of railroad control of waterways, is the expectation here today.

The democrats probably will demand legislation tending to remedy conditions where railroad and steamship combines have destroyed competition. It is asserted that the railroads now control 90 per cent of the private canals of the country.

200 JAPS ARE ENTOMBED IN MINE.

TOKIO, Dec. 23.—As a result of a terrible explosion in the Ubari colliery at Saboro on the island of Hokkaido today more than 200 Japanese coal miners were entombed and all are believed to be dead. Only three men working in the gallery of the pit when the explosion occurred, were brought to the surface and the mine officials hold out no hope for the others.

TWENTY YEARS OR LIFE FOR J. FRANK HICKEY.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—J. Frank Hickey, convicted slayer of 7-year-old Joseph Josephs, was sentenced today by Judge Brown to "not less than 20 years in the penitentiary, nor more than his natural life." Hickey was taken to Auburn prison today. Mining Blanks at Courier office.

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THINK DIAMOND MERCHANT IN LEAGUE WITH THIEVES.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Captain of Detectives Halpin is convinced today that the four men and four women suspects are innocent of the murder of J. P. Logue, the diamond merchant found dead in his office here last Friday, but he intends to hold them in connection with various other robberies. The suspects are believed to have established alibis.

The people now believe that Gerlie Frishbie, a notorious Chicago character, her former sweetheart, Eddie Taft, an alleged safe-blower, and two associates of Taft may have murdered Logue. A woman answering the Frishbie woman's description, called on the diamond merchant and two of Taft's associates are known to have visited Logue the day before the murder.

CASTRO COMES TO NEW YORK.

HAVRE, France, Dec. 23.—Former President of Venezuela Cyrilliano Castro, is today enroute to New York aboard the steamer LaTouraine. Castro engaged a waiter at the Cafe Riche as his valet. He is traveling under the name of Ruiz, having abandoned his former pseudonym of Quineeters.

Eelus Pollock went to Ashland Monday. E. C. Belknap of Grants Pass is registered at the Portland hotel. Mrs. Josie Holmes went to Eugene Monday to visit her sons.

AMERICAN IS RELEASED.

CHIHUAHUA, Mex., Dec. 23.—J. L. Morris, an American railroad man, captured by Mexican rebels, was released here today, and started at once for Juarez. American Consul Edwards of Juarez demanded Morris' release and the rebels at once complied.

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