

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Bertha Smith returned Monday from a visit at Medford. Miss Fronna Sauer visited relatives here, returning to Medford Sunday. Mrs. John Dalley left for Portland Monday morning to visit her two daughters. Miss Esther LaBrie returned to Roseburg Sunday night, after spending Thanksgiving with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Willis, who visited Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hobart a few days, left north Sunday night. Chas. Day returned to Portland Sunday, having spent Thanksgiving with relatives. Mrs. Day will remain longer. Wm. Stearns left Monday night for Seattle.

A. B. Cornell went to Medford Tuesday for a week on business. Harry Lewis, now operating the Rocky Gulch mine at Galice, spent Monday in town, returning home Tuesday morning. Fred Knox was in the city Monday with a band of 12 head of cattle from his Applegate farm, which were delivered to J. H. Ahlf.

Eugene Good, a student at the University of Oregon, spent Thanksgiving with his sisters, Mrs. Ernest Lister and Mrs. Thos. Galvin. H. A. Corless returned Monday from a visit at Salem and left on Tuesday morning for Galice, where he is busy at the Daniels & Martin mine.

H. E. Cooper and family, residents of Josephine county for 19 years, left Tuesday morning for their new home near Riddle. Mr. Cooper will have charge of an 8,000-acre hay and fruit farm.

Rev. J. H. Van Fossen, district superintendent of the M. E. church, spent Sunday in the city holding quarterly conference. He also preached in Newman M. E. church Sunday evening.

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A Classified Did It— T. M. Lamond of Wolf Creek writes The Courier: "Please discontinue my ad regarding the two Jersey cows offered for sale, as I have sold them. The ad did the business."

Fire Alarm Sunday— A burning flue at the home of C. F. Garber on North 19th street Sunday soon after noon called out the fire department and the auto truck made a run to the house, but was not needed. No damage.

New "Movie" Show Opens— The new moving picture show in the opera house opened Saturday evening with a large attendance and with some excellent films. Nightly performances will be given in the future.

Death of Wilderville Woman— Mrs. J. B. Robinson, who has been a sufferer from chronic tuberculosis and bone disease for many months, died in this city on Thanksgiving Day, aged 35 years and 27 days. The funeral was held on Friday, with interment in the Wilderville cemetery.

Arrest Suspects at Crescent City— The sheriff's office has been notified of the theft in the Waldo district of a rifle and other articles, though the circumstances surrounding the theft are not definitely known. Two men, supposed to be the burglars, were arrested in Crescent City and are being held pending the arrival of an officer from this city.

Mrs. Green Goes to Klamath— Mrs. H. L. Green, after nearly three weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Wiltrout, left Saturday morning for Klamath Falls, to be with Mr. Green and her sons, Silva and McKinley, who have good positions at the Falls. Mrs. Green has sold her property on L street, but retains the brick dwelling on South Sixth street, which she has leased to County Attorney Miller. Mrs. Green will be missed by many friends.

Alaskans Visiting— Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Willis of Juneau, Alaska, arrived Friday morning to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hobart. Mr. Willis was for a number of years collector of customs and his successor has just been appointed. He is on his way now from Washington, D. C., to Alaska to close up his business preparatory to coming to Josephine county. Mr. Willis is a member of the Madrona Land Company, having purchased the stock of H. K. Love.

Another Varmint Made Good— President Sidler of the Game Protective Association, J. W. Lucas and Joe Schmitt were out Sunday with Dell Churchill and his two hunting dogs after cats along Butcher Knife creek, in the State creek district. As a result of the hunt a mammoth wild cat is now at Bush's taxidermist establishment, as is also a ring-tailed coon that was treed by the dogs. A cougar track was followed by the dogs for some distance, but it was so "cold" that it had to be abandoned.

Grants Pass Church Day— At the last meeting of the Ministerial Association it was decided to celebrate New Years Day as Grants Pass Church Day, when union meetings will be held and special programs arranged and announced later. A morning meeting will be held at the Baptist church from 9 to 12; another meeting will be held in the Bethany Presbyterian church, from 2 p. m. to 4:30 p. m., and one at the Newman Methodist Episcopal church from 7:30 to 10 in the evening. The purpose of the meetings will be the unifying of the church interests of the city.

Youngster Eats Stove Blacking— The young son of Police Judge Creeger, just of the age where the bump of curiosity has developed to considerable magnitude, became possessed of some stove blacking of a popular brand Monday evening and proceeded to shine up, both externally and internally. That on the outside will wear off in due course of time, but that on the inside promised for a while to have dire results, though nothing more serious than a severe case of colic came from it. The youngster is again in his usual good and healthful disposition, and is seeking new world's to conquer.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS. Washington, Dec. 1.—Civil service examinations to fill positions under the Interstate Commerce Commission valuation board were opened today. Further examinations will be held December 3. Successful candidates will do the work of valuing the railroads of the nation.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT NEWMAN M. E. CHURCH

The Newman Methodist Episcopal church was filled for the Thanksgiving services Thursday evening, all the churches joining in the union meeting, at which Rev. Vater of the Bethany Presbyterian church preached the sermon. Music was by the congregation, and included also a beautiful solo by Mrs. Day.

Rev. Vater in opening took the opportunity to thank the people of Grants Pass for the cordial reception given Mrs. Vater and himself, and then developed Psalm 107, with the refrain as the key, "Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men."

From this Scripture basis he brought out the idea of all life being in all ages a great "Thanksgiving Castle," in which experience brought men to recognize the goodness and rejoice in the bounty of God. To each of four sections of the psalm, verses 1 to 31, was given the name of a picture hung upon the walls of this castle, all having in common the Christian spirit of self-sacrifice and brotherhood.

Under the first picture was inscribed "He gave Himself," Christ at prayer in the garden exemplifying the principle of all life—"Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone, but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." This thought was illustrated from the history of Israel and the Puritans, both of whom were inspired by the principle of the cross.

The second picture was that of "Peace and Liberty." At the St. Louis world's fair hung three pictures, the central one with the above title, the cost of war being shown to the right and left, in the death of brave General Lawton and a humble Philippine soldier. The Balkan war was the most cruel in history, rendering homeless 300,000 families, and causing starvation and misery. War is only justified in defense of the noblest principles of life, and peace is the greater victory.

In the next picture the "Progress and Plenty" that had outlived many catastrophes, two great wars and the San Francisco earthquake was contrasted to the hardships and limitations of pioneer days, which a prosperous farmer viewed in a dream. Invention, healthful environment, science, education and religious opportunities had largely removed the limitations of the past, said the speaker.

The last lesson was that all of these were but splendid achievements unto "Redemption," and placed a great responsibility upon the Christian church, as leader of the forces of the home, school and society. In this development of the national conscience, which for practical purposes here, meant the Grants Pass standard of morality and spirituality, the parent must clasp hands with the public school teacher, and unite with church and civil authorities for the betterment of life. Not only must the streets, yards and buildings be uniformly beautified, but all the elements of evil that lower the standard of righteousness must be brought under the reign of purity and right. "Thus," said the speaker, "Grants Pass should lead southern Oregon as America must lead the world to the feet of the victorious, oncoming Christ."

Oregon Agricultural College

Farmers' Week

December 8 to 13, 1913. This will be a notable event in the educational history of Oregon. "Farmers' Co-operation" will be the leading topic of a stimulating series of lectures. The week will be crowded with discussions and demonstrations in everything that makes for the welfare of the farmer and home-maker.

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EXHIBITION BY THE ARTS AND CRAFTS SOCIETY

A large attendance and equally fine and more varied display characterized the exhibit made this year by the Society of Arts and Crafts at the Commercial Club rooms Saturday night, in contrast to that of last year. The interest and appreciation shown by the visitors was of great encouragement to the workers. The decorated china and hand wrought metals vied with each other in attracting attention, much skill and originality being shown in each department. Mrs. Klockner's exhibit, though smaller than last year, showed wonderful charm in color and design. Several examples of inlaid and brocaded figures were given in the weaving, color effects resulting which equalled old, famous print in loveliness.

A new feature of the exhibit was the basketry, which will become an interesting department. The needlework, leather work, oil and water colors, and exhibit of original design occasioned much favorable comment, the posters done by Mrs. Conklin eliciting special admiration.

The work done by the members during the past year deserves much credit, and all will feel that the object of the society has been successfully carried out.

WARSHIPS PREPARE FOR VOYAGE TO MEXICO

Philadelphia, Dec. 1.—Preparations were being rushed at the navy yard here today to get the battleship Montana and the torpedo boat Roe ready to sail as soon as possible, presumably for Mexican waters, and it was said the transport Hancock would be in active commission before the end of the week. It was impossible to confirm a report that the battleship Mississippi also had been ordered prepared for sailing on short notice, but it was generally believed.

PREPARE FOR LINCOLN MEMORIAL AT CAPITAL

Washington, Dec. 1.—Ground was broken today for the \$2,000,000 Lincoln memorial in Washington's beautiful Potomac park. The building will be of Colorado yule.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Dr. Flanagan, Physician and Surgeon. J. E. Peterson, Pioneer Insurance Man. Rexall Remedies at Clemens, sells drugs. Alfred Letcher, Registered Optometrist and Jeweler, in Dixon's old stand, Front St. Eyes tested free.

AUXILIARY WILL HOLD MEETING DECEMBER 6TH

The December meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary will be held on Saturday afternoon, December 6, at 2:30. All members are urged to come at 2:30, instead of 3, as heretofore, to hear Mrs. Sabin's report of the state convention at Hood River, to which she was a delegate.

The program, a large portion of which is to be given by pupils of the public schools, is as follows: Music, "Shadows and Sunbeams," high school orchestra.

Address, "A Plea for a Sane Christmas," Rev. I. H. Teel.

Song, "What Day Fades," boys' glee club.

Review of Bird's Christmas Carol, by pupils of Riverside school.

Reading, "The Little Boy They Turned Away," Mildred Churchill.

Song, "Night Is Waning," girls' glee club.

CHICAGO A DARK CITY

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Completing a full week without a glimmer of sunlight, Chicago today was again enveloped in a dense mixture of smoke and fog. The darkness was so deep that the operation of elevated trains and surface cars was attended by much risk and street traffic moved at a snail's pace. Lights were as necessary in the day time as at night.

RAILROADS MUST ADOPT UNIFORM ACCOUNTING SYSTEM

Washington, Dec. 1.—The United States supreme court sustained today the ruling of the interstate commerce commission establishing a compulsory system of railroad accounting. The court rendered its decision in a test case brought by the Kansas City Southern Railway, in which it was alleged that the commission's order was unreasonable.

CRADDOCK MAKES CALL ON PRESIDENT HUERTA

Mexico City, Dec. 2.—Admiral Sir Christopher Craddock, British naval commander on the Mexican east coast, paid a short perfunctory visit to President Huerta today. Manuel Madero, a relative of the late president, arrested here recently on a sedition charge and sent to a fortress in Vera Cruz, was brought back today for trial. His wife has asked American Charge d'Affaires O'Shaughnessy to investigate his case.

CHILD LABOR LAW VALID

Washington, Dec. 1.—The Illinois child labor law, prohibiting the employment of children under 16, was declared valid here today by the supreme court.

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