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## PARCEL POST BY STEAMERS

Hereafter all Parcel Post Mail Will Come Via Portland And Coos Bay.

The Postoffice Department at Washington has finally awarded the contract for carrying the parcel post between Coos Bay and Portland and the new service became effective Jan. 1st, 1914.

On the same date the new service becomes effective at Portland, where parcel post will be shipped to Coos and Curry counties on steamers. The order inaugurating the service is as follows:

Effective January 1st, 1914, service will be established for the dispatch of parcel post mails only, between Portland and North Bend and Marshfield by the steamer Alliance of the North Pacific Steamship Company, which leaves Portland January 8 at 6 p. m. and every ten days thereafter; and the steamer Breakwater of the Portland & Coos Bay Steamship Company, which leaves every Tuesday at 8 p. m.

Commencing January 1, 1914, all parcel post mail for offices in Coos and Curry counties except Agness, Brookings, Harbor, Idaho and Marial, in Curry county, will be dispatched to the Portland Terminal R. P. O. for dispatch by boat, instead of to Roseburg for dispatch by Star route. All offices in Coos and Curry counties except those above mentioned, will dispatch all parcel post mail to Portland by boat instead of by star routes to Roseburg.

This parcel post matter should be carefully packed in sacks, and in case a sack is not full, the sack should be tied with twine in such manner as will hold the parcels securely in the place in which packed. Sacks should not be filled so full that the mouth of the sack cannot be closed tight.

Direct sacks should be put up whenever possible, either by states or to the larger offices.

Mails for the above service will close at least one (1) hour before sailings of steamers, except when sailings occur at night the mail shall be closed the evening before.—Times

### Writing at Night School.

Writing will be taught on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the night school. This was omitted from the list of subjects published last week.

Mrs. Rea will teach the Palmer Method of Rapid Business Writing and invites all who are interested to visit her room and inspect the work of her grade pupils and note the results of three months' instruction; the breaking up of old habits of vertical writing and acquiring a uniform slant style with muscular movement.

### Weather Report.

Coquille River Light Station, January 1, 1914.

Editor Bandon Recorder: The rainfall for the month of December was 7.11, days rainy and cloudy 22, days clear, 9. The rainfall for the corresponding month of 1912 was 6.60, a difference of fifty-one hundredths more this month.

The rainfall for the year of 1913 was 47.75. The rainfall for the year of 1912 was 55.05 a difference of 7.30 less this year, or for 1913.—O. Wren Co-operative Observer.

Scott makes models. 11f

### High Mass.

Farmer's Mass in B Flat was given at the Catholic church on Christmas at 10:30 a. m. also last Sunday morning.

In the Gloria, a violin solo was played by Mr. Haggerty.

At the Offertory the "Adeste Fideles" was sung by Messrs Johnston, Straubal, and chorus.

The Benedictus by Mrs. Geisendorfer and quartette.

The Agnus Dei by Mesdames Haggerty, Cody, MacKintosh and chorus.

The lovers of sacred music are hearing the choicest through the kindness of Mrs. Geisendorfer, the able organist and director.

### The Library Christmas.

Santa Claus didn't bring all I asked for but his friends made a fine Christmas for me. I thank them for these gifts.

Plaster cast of Della Robbia's Cantoria and Delight, a juvenile story from Mrs. Kronenberg; leather bound volume of an American Bible, and Holly from Mr. C. Rasmussen; The Spoilers, The Ne'er-do-well, Officer 666, Mistress of Shenstone, from a friend; Girl of the Limberlost, from the Yaetea Club; complete files of American Carpenter and Builder, for several years, from a friend; Christian Herald for 1913, Mrs. Tucker; Motor Girls at Lookout Beach, from Mrs. Duncan; two Southworth books, Mrs. Neal; Copy of the Oregon Game Laws, Mr. Anderson; dust pan from a friend; Camp Meeting Sermons, Mrs. M. Smith; Thoughts from Daniel, Mrs. Urquhart.

And I thank the young people who furnished the beautiful Christmas decorations, and those friends who dropped silver into our contribution box.—Bandon Public Library

### Club Party.

A delightful party was given by the girls of the Yaetea Club last Tuesday evening at the Logan residence. The leading feature of the party was the beautiful decorations from the forest about Yaetea Falls the hostesses had gathered the finest specimens of huckleberry, Oregon grape vines and ferns, these combined with the club colors, orange and black, made a charming background for the entertainment.

Music and games were the order of the evening. At eleven o'clock p. m. the guests were ushered to the dining room where the long table trimmed with green and the club colors, made the dainty refreshments more appetizing. The souvenirs were tiny boxes of home made candy. The party was given by the following young ladies; Aion Thompson, Florence Fish, Violet, Fish, Dora Anderson, Mona Logan.

The invited guests were: Gail Roak, Helen Fish, Gladys Gallier, Ethel Barre, Richard Craine, Meriton Lowry, Raymond Webb, Thomas Thorn, Edward Fish, Geo. Chaburn, Emerson Fish.

Mrs. W. H. Logan, Miss Ruby Converse and Miss Henry were the chaperons.

### Big Corn Crop.

Myrtle Point, Or., Dec. 31.—William Hartly of South Fork, well known as a farmer who farms right, can show 6 3/4 bushels of corn from one half acre of ground.

The severe windstorm the first of the week blew down the Western Union lines between Roseburg and Coos Bay, as well as the telephone line leaving this section isolated from the outside world.

### "SPUG" MOVEMENT NOW TAKES NATIONAL SCOPE.

President's Wife and Daughter Help Spread the New Christmas Doctrine.

The so called "spug" movement—Society For the Prevention of Useless Giving—has just been organized by the woman's department of the national civic federation under the honorary chairmanship of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the president. The movement, which began in New York, has been federated in Washington through committees from various states, the chairmen including:

For Massachusetts, Mrs. Charles Hamlin; Pennsylvania, Mrs. James I. Chamberlain; New York, Mrs. August Belmont, president of the society, and Miss Robinson Smith; West Virginia, Mrs. Arthur Lee; Maryland, Mrs. U. Ford; California, Mrs. Julius Kahn; Alabama, Miss Manning Brewer; Tennessee, Mrs. H. Van Devanter; District of Columbia, Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the president.

In a statement outlining the national scope of the organization, Miss Maud Wetmore, chairman of the woman's department of the National Civic Federation, tells of the good to be accomplished in reducing useless giving among shopgirls and other wageworkers, and says the national organization stands for individual freedom in Christmas giving and for gifts which spread happiness and helpfulness, as against collective giving and formal exchange of gifts. Some of the latter practices are characterized as forms of "petty graft" and as senseless and stupid.

Among the Washington recruits to the ranks of the "spugs" are Mrs. Champ Clark, Mrs. Henry White, wife of the former United States ambassador to France, and Mrs. Franklin MacVeagh, wife of the former secretary of the treasury.

### RAVINIA "HOUSE OF STUNTS."

Women Adopted Novel Means of Arousing Community Spirit.

A year ago Ravinia, Ill., was a village of seventy householders. Community spirit was lacking. At a meeting of the Women's Civic club Mrs. Robert R. Greig said:

"Ravinia has no civic pride. We need a community house. We must get acquainted."

Fortwith the men were dragged to a meeting. Committees were organized and the work started. Each of the seventy householders was pledged to earn at least \$10 by work outside of his regular vocation. Prizes were offered for the one first to earn the \$10, the one to contribute by the most original work and the one to raise the largest amount.

The results of community spirit were tabulated at the dedication recently of the community house, a remodeled schoolhouse. The citizens had raised \$900.

"We now have so much community spirit in Ravinia," said one worker. "that in the morning all the roosters join in antiphonal crowing, and their notes are harmonious too."

### CHRISTMAS STRAWBERRIES.

Jersey Farmer Hopes to Have Supply For the Holiday.

Willard B. Kille, a young scientific farmer of Bridgeton, N. J., has been propagating a new strawberry with the best of success, and if cold weather holds off until Christmas he will be able to grace his table with this delicacy, as he did at Thanksgiving. These berries are grown out of doors. On Sept. 25 Kille picked an immense quantity of berries from plants set out in April, and the receipts were sufficient to pay all the cost of caring for them.

### White House Christmas Tree.

There will be an official Christmas tree on the broad plaza at the east front of the capitol in Washington on Christmas eve, with high government officials participating in the festivities and the United States Marine band furnishing music.

### Wanted Effect.

"Now, Tommy," said the Sunday school teacher, "suppose you had two apples and you gave another boy his choice of them. You would tell him to take the largest one, wouldn't you?" "No, ma'am," said Tommy promptly. "Why, Tommy?" exclaimed the teacher in shocked surprise. "Why not?" "Well," said Tommy, "in his lunch it wouldn't be necessary to tell him dat."—New York Globe.

### There Must Be Something to It.

"Do you believe there is really any such thing as love at first sight?" "Certainly there is. If there was no such thing how many of the married men whom you know would ever have been able to desert their wives?"—Chicago Herald-Examiner.

### INTERNATIONAL PEACE MEMORIAL IS URGED.

To Pledge America and Britain to Everlasting Harmony.

An appeal to the American people, signed by Secretary of State Bryan and many prominent citizens of the country, asking whole hearted participation in the celebration in 1914 and 1915 of the centenary of the signing of the treaty of Ghent, which ended the war of 1812 and began 100 years of peace among English speaking peoples, has been issued.

The erection of an international monument, around which Great Britain and the United States pledge themselves to keep eternal peace, is urged upon congress by the American peace committee.

The appeal reviews the peaceful relations which have obtained between Great Britain and the United States since the treaty of Ghent was signed on Christmas eve, 1814, and expresses gratification at the realization of the hope then expressed by John Quincy Adams that "the gates of the temple of Jannus closed here never be opened during the century."

"It is sincerely hoped," the appeal continues, "that all will take part with the American committee or with similar committees in other lands in the preparation and execution of an adequate and fitting program that shall signalize as no other occurrence in the past would enable us to do the realization of Mr. Adams' prophetic wish that the twentieth century might find the peace still unbroken."

"That our country has been such an active factor in this wonderful achievement prompts us to celebrate the event—for peace as well as war is an event between nations—and arouses the hope that the 100 years which have passed since the treaty of Ghent was signed on Christmas eve, 1814, may be not only the precursor of a perpetual peace between Great Britain and the United States, but the promise of a broadening era of enduring peace between all nations."

### WANTS A YOUNGER SANTA.

Little Girl Thinks One Who Visited Her Grandfather is Now Too Old.

Lodema L. Hile, a little girl of Albion, Ind., has asked Postmaster General Burleson to appoint a younger Santa Claus, who can go to her home, which is a long way from a railroad.

Little Miss Hile wrote as follows:

To Mr. Burleson: I wish that you would appoint a younger Santa Claus, for I live a long way from a railroad, and I am afraid that Santa Claus is now too old to come to my house and I will not get anything for Christmas, for grandpa says that he used to come to his house when he was a little boy, so he must be pretty old. This time, and oblige a little girl eight years old, with best regards.

### DRUG HABIT GRIPS NATION.

United States Second Only to China in Use of Opium, Says Expert.

The United States is now second to China and ahead of every other country in the world in the use of opium and the narcotics derived from it, according to a statement by Dr. B. G. Kelster before a meeting of scientists and specialists in Philadelphia recently.

The drug menace is so great in this country, the speaker said, that there is danger of our "degenerating back to something worse than monkeydom."

### PUZZLED THE DRIVER.

Now He Believes the Policeman is a Real Mind Reader.

A certain truckman in the habit of using the new Manhattan bridge on his morning trip to Brooklyn has abandoned that route because of superstition.

Several days ago while the truckman was taking a load of chicken crates to Brooklyn a fine cap dropped down before him just as his team had passed under the Manhattan tower. He looked around, and seeing that none of the teamsters ahead of him or behind him was bareheaded, he picked up the cap and put it under the cushion of his seat.

Now, it chanced that the cap had been blown from the head of one of the engineers of the bridge department who was high up in the tower at the time. On reaching the tower base he called up the policeman at the Brooklyn approach on the telephone, described the teamster and his wagon and told how he had lost his cap.

As the legs of trucks passed by the policeman the latter halted the trucking driver, saying: "I trouble you to hand over that cap you picked up on the Manhattan side. It's a black and white check, and you've got it right there under your seat."

### Myrtle Point Items.

Mrs. Writers, who was injured in a runaway near the Water's home two or three weeks ago, died at the family home near Lee Ore., Sunday Dec. 21.

Emily Melissa Hadkins was born in Iowa, November 16, 1853. She was married to Amos Gatersin in Butter county, Iowa, July 3, 1874, and the family moved to Coos Co. about 1886.

Mrs. Waters was the mother of three children, Clarence Osborne Waters, Arthur Claude Waters, and Mrs. Lola Myers, all of whom live near Lee.

Mrs. Waters united with the Latter Day Saints Church in 1903.

Funeral services here held at the family home at 1 o'clock on Monday Dec. 22, the sermon being preached by Elder Thos. Barkiow of the Brethern Church.

James H. Matheny, an old settler of the Coquille Valley, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. Wm. Corbin, at 11 o'clock, on Tuesday forenoon, Dec. 23rd 1913.

Mr. Matheny was born in Virginia, July 5th 1847, spent part of his early life in Iowa. He moved to California in 1872 and a year later came to Coos county, where he spent most of the time since. His wife died some time during the latter part of the eighties. Deceased leaves two daughters and two sons: Mrs. Lou Sa Corbin of this city, Mrs. Belle Waldele of Portland, Oregon, Joe Matheny of Crook county, and Wm. Matheny of Curry county, Ore.

Funeral services were held at the Baethern Church at eleven o'clock A. M. Friday, Dec. 26th, in charge of the Christian Science people.

BORN, Sunday, Dec. 21st '13 to Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, a daughter.

Roy F. Garrett, Son of Mrs. Wm. Gor.ett, and Miss Rosa H. Chandler daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Chandler, were quietly married at the home of the officiating clergyman Rev. Thos Barklow at 6 o'clock Monday evening, Dec. 22. Mr. and Mrs. Garrett departed on the eight o'clock stage the same evening for their honeymoon trip, during which they will visit Long Beach and other Southern California points.

Lumber Companies Consolidate.

Joseph Fyle Jr. arrived on the Field in company with A. F. Estabrook. The Fyle Lumber Co. and the Estabrook Lumber Co. have consolidated and Mr. Fyle will look after this end of the business, dividing his time between Bandon and San Francisco as Mr. Estabrook has been doing heretofore. Mr. Estabrook will remain in San Francisco permanently.

Mask Ball. Mask ball at the Opera House Saturday evening, January 10th, everybody mask. The will be four prizes, for the best dressed lady, for the best sustained character, for the best waltzers, and for the best two-step. Everybody assured of a good time. Admission for spectators 10c.

Hoyt-Haywood. Miss Grace Hoyt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hoyt of this city was united in marriage at Coquille December 22nd to Arthur Haywood.

The bride has long been one of Bandon's popular young ladies, and the happy couple will have the congratulations and best wishes of a large circle of friends.

A. J. Marsh and sons John and Donald of Elk River were Bandon visitors yesterday and today.

## NEW PARCEL POST RATES

Mail Under New Rules May Be Insured at Small Cost.

In order that you may get the advantages of the parcel post usefulness and convenience, it is necessary to become familiar with the conditions governing the weight, size, and preparation of fourth class mail. While this system is in its infancy in our country, it already has proven to be a cheap, expeditious and efficient means for the conveyance of merchandise, farm and factory produce and other articles coming under the head of fourth class mail.

To guarantee delivery, parcels may be insured up to a twenty five dollar value for five cents, and up to a fifty dollars for ten cents. Frequently packages get into the mail, not properly wrapped. The proper preparation of articles is essential in order to withstand the handling in transit and delivery. Perishable articles, such as fruits which spoil from bruising, should not be sent any great distance in the mail, neither should fruit in jars or liquid in tins or bottles, be sent unless packed in excelsior or by other means which will insure against every possibility of breakage whereby other mail would be damaged or spoiled.

In Tuesday's issue of the RECORDER we printed the changes as set forth by Post Master General Burleson to take effect Jan. 1, 1914.

### New Picture Films Not Arrived.

The steamer Breakwater is barred out at Astoria and the new picture program for the coming week will be several days late. We will repeat the best pictures of this week until the new shipment arrives, at Grand Theatre.

### Brethern Meetings.

A series of meetings, at the Church of the Brethern on Main street between 9th and 10th Sts. will begin Sunday Jan. 4. Subject for eleven o'clock a. m. "The Bible," at 7:30 "Faith and Repentance," followed each evening during the week with such themes as deal vitally with our connection with the body of Christ, the Church, like "baptism," "feet-washing," "Lords supper and communion," "Nonconformity," etc., conducted by Elder C. H. Barklow and L. B. Overholser. Everybody is cordially invited.

The reading of the Tale of Two Cities by Prof. Reddie of the University of Oregon New Year's Eve was very much enjoyed by all who heard it. The Grand Theatre was filled to its capacity for the occasion and the Bandon Public Library, under whose auspices it was held, realized a neat sum of money.

Earl Watkins left on the noon boat today and will embark on the Breakwater tomorrow for Portland where he will again take up his work in the Pharmacy department of the N. P. D. C. after spending the holiday vacation at his home in this city.

Mrs. C. Mc Johnson won the beautiful parlor set at the Bandon Furniture Co. with No. 1405.