

# Xmas Suggestions

Only 2 weeks before Xmas  
Shop Early

FOR HER  
Toilet Sets, Ivory Sets  
Cologne Bottles, Box Candy  
Stationery, Mesh Bags  
Bath Salts, Cutee Sets

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## For the Children

Toys, Games, Books, Candy

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### 31 Years Ago

December 11, 1896

T. J. Kirk was in Pendleton Tuesday.

W. L. Zeiger was in town from Helix, Saturday.

L. M. Watrus was in town from Adams, Monday.

John Adams was in town Tuesday from his home near Adams.

Mrs. W. T. Rigby will visit friends in Southern Oregon this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Lake France and baby Mildred will spend the holidays with friends and relatives in Tacoma.

The foot bridges between Gibbon and Bingham Springs have been washed out by the high waters of the Umatilla.

One of the Shtrum boys, residing near Fulton, recently killed a golden eagle that measured six feet six inches from tip to tip of the wings.

The Knights of Pythias, their wives and families participated in social enjoyment at the hall last evening. An entertaining program was rendered and an elegant supper was served.

James Cameron, of Helix, has, within the past few days, sold his 1894 wheat for 87½ cents per bushel. He offered it two years ago for 40 cents per bushel but could not effect a sale at that price.

A case of diphtheria has been found among Whitman college students, and a school house near the place where the young lady patient boarded has been closed until danger from infection has passed.

Four Walla Walla cavalrymen who had been hunting in the mountains near Bingham Springs, passed through town Monday, on their way to the fort. They were successful in slaying three deer, and report small game to be plentiful.

Judge James A. Fee, is an active aspirant for the position of United States district attorney, now held by Dan Murphy, and Zoeth Houser, sheriff of Umatilla county, is after the office held by Harry Grady, that of United States marshal of Oregon.

The charity ball, to be given in Athena on the evening of Dec. 18, under the auspices of our business men, promises to be largely attended. Extensive preparations are being made, and a good time is promised to all who attend. Come out and spend a pleasant evening and aid a worthy cause. The proceeds devoted from the ball will be devoted exclusively to purchasing provisions and fuel for the needy who reside in Athena.

Marshal Gillis succeeded in repairing the bursted pipe at the water tower, this week. The cold snap caused the watertank to freeze several inches thick, and when the big pump was set in motion the pressure was so great that a defective section of the pipe up in the tower sprang a severe leak. Large iron clamps were used in connection with a cup shaped piece of steel.

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### Two Wallowa Ranch Hermits Reach Trail End

Milton Eagle: Over in Wallowa county during the past week there passed from this life two of the most unique characters in all north-eastern Oregon—two men who for an unknown reason sought out the solitude of forest canyons and there spent the greater portion of their lives alone. Harold Wilder, one of these men, was a member of a cultured and well-to-do New England family. It is said that he was a graduate of Bowdoin college and had studied abroad. He came to Wallowa county forty years ago and took up a homestead in Joseph canyon. While he talked freely with others on many subjects, little was known of his life, other than that he had a wife and two daughters in the east. He was found unconscious beside a trail on August 14 and carried to his home where he wished to be left alone. After showing some temporary improvement he began failing steadily and died Nov. 19.

The other man was Albert Hester, a strange recluse, who had made his home in the canyon if the Grande Ronde river for more than forty years. He was a native of Germany and so far as known had no relatives. Hester always dressed in woman's clothing, carrying out a promise he is said to have made to his mother, and wore his uncut hair braided down his back. He seldom visited the outside world and almost nothing was known about him. He was found dead in his cabin on November 15.

### Wade Goodman Goes To Harvester Firm

Wade Goodman left last week for the factory of the Western Harvester company, of Stockton, California, and will remain for one month after which he is to become their representative in the Northwest district. Mr. Goodman is a member of Rogers and Goodman, hardware dealers here.

It is said that the new position is in the nature of promotion for Mr. Goodman. He will continue his residence in Walla Walla but will work a larger territory than before.

### Weston Cattle Are Fat

Weston Leader: Members of the Weston Stockmen's association have finished the job of getting their cattle out of the mountains, where stock fared well this year. Grass was good—better, in fact, than ever before—and the "critters" were fat when brought down to the lowland ranches for the winter. The fine shape cattle are in is best indicated by the fact that Fred Sams turned off 60 out of 85 head for beeves without further feeding.

### The KITCHEN CABINET

In matters of generosity a woman acts first and reasons afterward; a man reasons first—and generally forgets to act.—Boston Transcript.

Bran is a good brush for the alimentary canal and may be used in its uncooked form with any cooked breakfast food. Two or three tablespoonfuls of the bran will not be noticed in any cooked or dry breakfast food.

For bran mush, sift gradually one and one-half pints of fresh bran into one pint of rapidly boiling water, add one-half teaspoonful of salt and two-thirds of a cupful of stewed prunes, chopped, or dates or figs also chopped.

Bran biscuits are prepared like ordinary biscuit, adding one-third of bran in the usual measure of flour.

Bran Crackers.—Prepare a bran mush, let it cool, then work into it as much bran as possible for rolling out one inch thick. Bake well in a moderate oven.

Bran Cookies.—Cream three-quarters of a cupful of shortening with one and one-half cupfuls of sugar, add two eggs, one teaspoonful each of salt, nutmeg and vanilla extract and one-third of a cupful of sweet milk. Into this stir one pint of flour, one teaspoonful of baking powder and add enough bran to make a soft dough. Roll out thick and bake in a moderate oven. For spice cookies use brown sugar, flavor with nutmeg and sprinkle the tops with sugar and nutmeg or cinnamon. Put a raisin in the center of each cookie.

Bran Fruit Crackers.—Wash and dry one cupful of currants. Take two-thirds of a cupful of sweet cream, add one-half teaspoonful of salt, and sufficient bran and white flour mixed in equal measure to make a stiff dough. Divide into two parts. Roll out one-eighth of an inch thick, sprinkle with currants over half of the dough, lay the other on top and roll out again, pressing firmly. Cut out, prick well and bake in a moderate oven.

Bran Coffee.—To one quart of bran add two beaten eggs and one-half cupful of molasses. Chickory or other cereals may be added if desired. Mix well and place in a moderate oven till thoroughly dry, stirring meantime to brown evenly.

### Nellie Maxwell

Drew on Imagination for Spirited Ballad?

Alfred Tennyson in his poem, "The Revenge: A Ballad of the Fleet," indicates that Sir Richard Grenville commanding the Revenge when the English fleet of sixteen ships encountered fifty-three Spanish men of war at the Azores, declined to withdraw when Lord Thomas Howard, the fleet commander, signaled the ships to stand out to sea. The poet says Grenville remained to fight the whole Spanish fleet because he had 90 men ill on shore and would not leave them behind to be tortured.

Historians, however, believe that Grenville misunderstood the signal to withdraw. Undaunted by the terrific odds, Grenville tried to break the Spanish line. For 15 hours the Revenge, with 150 men, battled against 5,000 on board 15 Spanish ships. Some of the Spanish ships could not get into the melee because they would have fired into their own ranks. Finally Grenville knew he was beaten and he wanted to sink the Revenge, but his men induced him to surrender. He had been so seriously wounded in the fighting that he died a few days later on board a Spanish ship. The Spaniards put a crew of their own on the Revenge and a short time later the ship sank in a storm, carrying down with her the foreign crew.—Kansas City Times.

### Teaching Experiment Started Now at U. O.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene.—The first of a series of "controlled experiments" in education at the University of Oregon will be given to students in two classes in "Principles of Economics," it is announced by Victor P. Morris, professor of economics.

The tests are divided into classifications, some of which require the student to tell whether a statement is true or false, to answer "yes" or "no," while others ask that statements be completed.

The tests will be in line with the plan of Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall, president of the University, who is encouraging experiments to determine efficiency of various teaching methods.

### CLASSIFIED

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