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CHRISTMAS CHIMES.

BEFORE another issue of the HERALD reaches its readers Christmas, that time-honored festival and season of good-will and gladness, will have come and gone, and we take this opportunity for wishing the many friends and patrons of the HERALD a most joyous and merry Christmas.

May this Christmas day be lithe and gay,
With no room for care or sorrow,
May your hearts be light from morn till night,
You'll be better for it tomorrow.

Everybody should enjoy Christmas, if for no other reason, because of its infrequent occurrence. If Christmas days were as numerous as Sundays or "steamer days" the time-honored festival would lose much of its popularity and would endanger the financial standing of nearly every man in Christendom. Christmas would be a failure without gifts, and gifts coming with too much frequency would lose much of their charm, both in the giver and receiver, and for this reason there is no danger of there ever being an effort made to increase the number of Christmases in the calendar.

Sing ye merrily, sing with cheer,
Christmas comes but once a year;
Gifts cost money, 'twould not be funny
To have too much Christmas cheer.

There is a time-honored belief that has been handed down from the days when Christmas was first celebrated, that if a young man succeeded in kissing the lady of his choice on Christmas "under the mistletoe" she would surely marry him within a year. Twentieth century young men will not despair, however, even if they fail in this, but will be content to kiss their lady love on the day or the week after Christmas—under the nose.

Do you want to kiss some charming Miss
While the sun hangs far in the South?
If you do, kind sir, and would best please her,
You will kiss her on the mouth.

Christmas time brings many pleasant surprises to old and young. It is decidedly agreeable to know that we have friends who, for friendship's sake, are willing to go to considerable trouble and expense to send us some Yule-time token to remind us that we are not forgotten. The married man, however, who has been made happy by some exquisite gift, something that is "just what he wanted," from the companion of his joys and sorrows, is quite apt to have his pleasure turned to gall and bitterness next day when a bill for the "exquisite gift" is presented to him for payment. Why! oh why is it ever thus?

If you want to make your husband a gift
That will make his heart light as a summer song,
It matters not whether its costly or cheap,
If you send a receipted bill along.

The Christ, in honor of whose birth the day is celebrated, was, during his pilgrimage on earth, the friend and helper of the poor and needy, and from the beautiful story of his life all the world has learned the lesson of sweet charity. And after all, this is the best feature of the day. How many homes made dark and desolate by poverty and misfortune will be brightened and made happy on this one day of the year by the hand of charity no man can know, but in thousands and tens of thousands of homes, in attic and alley, in shack and cabin, the pinched, wan faces of hungry children and heartbroken mothers will be gladdened and brightened because it is Christmas.

"Feed the hungry, the naked clothe,"
Was the Master's message to man
In the days gone by when he walked the earth,
Let us help them, then, when we can.

New \$30.00 Scrip Books.

Commencing December 19, 1907, the O. R. & N. Co. and S. P. lines in Oregon will issue scrip books of the value of \$30.00 which will be honored by conductors on trains or by agents in exchange for tickets or by baggage agents in payment of charges for excess baggage. These books carry a flat rebate of \$1.50 and their use in paying excess baggage charges amounts to a one-third change of the regular excess baggage rate. This new departure will be of especial interest to traveling men and will also be of considerable interest to the general public. The scrip books are good over any of the company's rail lines in Oregon, Washington and Idaho and on the company's boats on Snake river between Riparia and Lewiston. Persons contemplating trips over the company's lines in these states should investigate the scrip book proposition before purchasing their tickets.

Full information regarding this new arrangement may be secured from Mr. F. Parker, S. P. agent at Central Point.

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The Southern Pacific Company will sell round trip tickets account the holiday season for one and one-third fare for the round trip between all stations on the Pacific system and to El Paso, Texas. Children under five years, free; over five and under twelve years, tickets will be sold at one-half the excursion rate charged adults. Tickets will be on sale at all Oregon stations as follows: Christmas tickets, December 23, 24 and 25; New Year's tickets, December 30 and 31, 1907, and January 1, 1908. Return limit, January 2, 1908. For further information, call on or address

FRED PARKER, Agent S. P. Co.,
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The Southern Pacific in appreciation of the steadily increasing passenger traffic between Portland and Southern Oregon points, announces that an additional standard sleeping car will be put on about August 1st between Ashland and Portland. It will leave Portland on No. 13, arrive Ashland at 1:30 p. m. and return northward from Ashland on No. 16 scheduled to leave Ashland 4:40. This will be quite an accommodation to the Southern Oregon traveling public. The car will be reserved as follows: Ashland, sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and the drawing room; Medford, sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9; Grants Pass, sections, 10, 11; Roseburg, 12. The first car will leave Portland August 1st and returning will leave Ashland August 2d. 15tf

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