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THE HOLIDAYS.

TOMORROW is Christmas and a week later comes the glad New Year.

It is customary for country newspapers to print special Christmas editorials at this season telling their readers all about the history of Christmas and the need of making good resolutions for the new year. The Herald will not indulge in that time-honored habit this year but will content itself with extending the compliments of the season to all its readers and to every resident of the town and community, whether they are readers of the paper or not, and to gently remind all such that they should be subscribers to and readers of their home paper if they are not.

If the Herald could know at the beginning of the year 1909 that it had the united support of the people of its community it would ask no better Christmas present and it would be able to undertake the duties of the coming year in the way of working and boosting for the general welfare of the town and surrounding country with much greater power for aiding the general good than it otherwise can do.

Central Point has the location and the surroundings to become a much better town than it has ever been and whether it shall become such within the next twelve months or within the next twelve years depends entirely on the people who are now here. It is simply a question of wanting something bad enough to unite and go out after that particular thing and get it.

It is not a question of making a resolution on New Year's day to do so and so. All that is necessary is for each one of us to want something, talk to his neighbors about it, get their ideas as to the best way to get it and then GET it. Suppose we all try this plan once. -Wish all of our neighbors a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and then get together and boost the old town - for water works first, then other improvements will come in their season.

WHY SOCIALISM GROWS

Leslie M. Shaw, formerly secretary of the treasury, complained in a speech last week that there is a dangerous growth of socialistic teaching in the public press and the pulpit of the country.

Mr. Shaw has been closely enough connected with the government to know that the press of the country, nor the pulpit is responsible for the growth of socialistic ideas. Socialistic practice is becoming quite frequent in this country and it has worked out so well and it is claimed by those in authority of no less standing than the president himself in his messages, has proved so beneficial, that it cannot be prevented but must be recognized as a permanent feature of the country.

To be sure, these authorities, including the president, do not recognize publicly that it is socialistic practice that they are endorsing, but it is a fact just the same.

Great corporations, combines, trusts, whatever you may wish to call them, have taken control of the great natural resources of the country and are managing them all, as they claim for the common good, but in reality for their own good.

The great coal companies have

formed a trust whereby they own and control the fuel supply of the country.

Rockefeller has long had a monopoly of oil and all its by-products.

The electric trust has seized control of the electric power of the country.

The railway corporations, through a few men, have control of the transportation.

The meat trust absolutely fixes the price it pays for raising meat and the price it will charge for selling the product, so that the meat we eat is in the control of a few.

Stock gamblers with their corners, fix the price on cotton, wheat, corn, oats and other cereal products.

Manufacturers in the great eastern centers fix the prices of clothing, of farm machinery, of building iron, and all other manufactured necessities.

Now comes the information given by T. B. Walker the other day at Washington, that a lumber combine had been formed by which "practically every stick of standing timber in the western hemisphere" is to be controlled. This follows the announcement from Chicago not long ago that Weverhaeuser, O'Brien, Cook and Hines interests, the great lumber interests of the country, were the nucleus about which the combine was to be effected.

So we have the fuel, the oil, the electric power and light, the food cereals, the products from which clothing is made, the manufactured articles, the steel, the transportation of the country, and now every stick of timber in the western hemisphere, all under the control of Rockefeller, Rogers, Morgan, Harriman, Archbold, Baer, Weyerhaeuser, and two or three others.

These are only instances of the general combination which controls all we eat, all we wear, the fuel, light, building material, transportation, the mineral wealth of the earth—all handed by master hands for the good of the few.

Is it any wonder to Mr. Shaw and to President Roosevelt, who also in his message protested against socialism, that men are thinking that if these men can combine to use all these things for their personal benefit, hence to the detriment of the vast mass of the people of the country, that other men, equally honest with them, equally competent, more humane and less tempted, could utilize the same things for the benefit of all the people alike?

And there you have socialism. Who gave Rockefeller the oil and the minerals of the earth?

Who gave Weyerhaeuser title to all the timber of the western hemisphere?

Who gave the Westinghouse Electrical syndicate the right to lay claim to all the water power of the world?

Who gave Baer and his associates the right to take all the coal or iron ores of this country?

When a purchase is made, the purchaser traces the title back to the beginning at some fixed and established point to learn if title can pass to him.

God made the trees, the coal, the oil, the gas, the rivers to pour over precipices and down rapids, causes the cotton, the wheat, the corn and other things to grow, waters the grass, gives it sunlight and rain to provide food for the cattle and sheep which He placed upon the earth for food.

God made them all. Did He make them for Rockefeller, Morgan, Rogers, Weyerhaeuser, and those few or did He make them for all mankind?

Need it surprise Mr. Shaw and President Roosevelt much to find that the people are tracing title back to see who originally owned all these things?

And need they be much surprised if the people should conclude some day that title had been wrested from God, who made and held all these things

in trust for the people, by fraud and they should demand a return of the stolen property?

Unless Mr. Shaw and those others who have seen the danger can impress their fears upon the men who now hold title to what belongs by right to the people, they will soon have greater reason to fear.

It would be better for the country to force restitution of property from the big thieves, or from the beneficiaries of the big thieves, if the thieves cannot now be located.

CLOSED SEASON FOR EDITORS.

Editor Putnam of the Medford Tribune, after paying his compliments to the recent Grand Jury which refused to return a true bill against Earl Jackson, who assaulted him on the streets of Medford last Summer and beat him almost to death, makes the following announcement:

"In spite of the grand jury's decision to the contrary, The Tribune wishes to announce that the open season for editors has ended as far as its own editor is concerned, and the closed season is on."

Just saved Themselves.

E. B. Waterman, who recently purchased the Signs orchard, near Medford, was in town Friday morning. Mr. Waterman with his wife left their former home in Minneapolis in October expecting to locate in Boise valley, Idaho, and make a home on a tract of land they already own there. but the cold weather and snow storms they encountered there reminded them too forcibly of "home, sweet home," and they continued their trip to the Rogue River valley. After looking around for a day or two they decided to return to Hood River, but after buying tickets and having their baggage checked the fact of the beauty and brightness and business promise of this delightful valley suddenly dawned upon them and they closed the deal for the Signs orchard while their trunks were speeding towards Portland. The place contains about 19 acres and the price was around \$700 an acre. The location is one of the most sightly in the valley. Mr. and Mrs. Waterman thus just saved themselves from making the serious blunder of leaving the best valley on earth.

Good Cough Medicine for Children.

The season for coughs and colds is now at hand and too much care cannot be used to protect the children. A child is much more likely to contract diphtheria or scarlet fever when he has a cold. The quicker you cure his cold the less the risk. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the sole reliance of many mothers, and few of those who have tried it are willing to use any other. Mrs. F. F. Starcher, of Ripley, W. Va., says: "I have never used anything other than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for my children and it has always given good satisfaction." This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given as confidently to a child as to an adult. For sale by Mary A. Mee.

Will Resell Bonds.

Acting upon the advice of attorney A. E. Reames, the Medford city council has decided to call the bond deal with the John Nuveen company off and advertise, and resell, the water bonds to other parties. Nuveen has shown an inclination to play unfair, and Mr. Reames claims that as a matter of fact there is no legal contract between the city and Nuveen regarding the bond issue.

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A Division of Purpose.

Some years ago the Yankee schooner Sally Ann, under command of Captain Spooner, was beating up the Connecticut river. Mr. Comstock, the mate, was at his station forward. According to his notion of things the schooner was getting a "leetle" too near certain mud flats which lay along the larboard shore. So aft he went to the captain and, with his hat cocked on one side, said:

"Cap'n Spooner, you're getting a leetle too close to them flats. Hadn't you better go about?"

The captain glared at him. "Mr. Comstock, jest you go for'ard and tend to your part of the skuner. I'll tend to mine."

Mr. Comstock went for'ard in high dudgeon.

"Boys," he bellowed out, "see that er mud hook's all clear for lettin' go."

"Aye, aye, sir!"

"Let go, then!" he roared.

Down went the anchor, out rattled the chains, and like a flash the Sally Ann came luffing into the wind and then brought up all standing. Mr. Comstock walked aft and touched his hat.

"Well, cap'n, my part of the skuner is to anchor."—Everybody's.

Men Should Brush Their Hair More.

"Very few men brush their hair enough," said a downtown barber. "Fact. Most ills of the scalp can be traced to that fault. You see it's this way: A man is generally in a hurry when he dresses, and he never takes time to brush his hair—simply smooths it down, generally only with a comb—and as a result dandruff is allowed to accumulate and trouble begins. Now, with a woman it's different. A woman has to carefully brush her hair at least once a day. If she didn't it would be a pretty mess. It's very length saves her, for in brushing it each day she gets out all sorts of impurities, dandruff and the like, all of which is for her own good. Now, that is the chief reason why fewer women suffer from dandruff than the unfortunate members of the opposite sex, and it is also the reason why the hair is a woman's crowning glory even if she is fair, fat and forty. So brush your hair every morning thoroughly if you want to keep in the swim."—Philadelphia Record.

So Bad as That!

A young medical student who was calling upon a girl volunteered to sing and help entertain the company which arrived unexpectedly. At the end of his second solo he turned to the young lady and remarked: "I am thinking of taking vocal lessons. Do you know of a good teacher?"

"Yes, indeed," was the quick reply. "I know the very one for you. Here is his address," and she scribbled the name on a card, giving it to the student.

Next day he called up the teacher by telephone: "Is this the instructor of vocal music?"

"The what?" was the answer.

"The vocal teacher?" was repeated.

"Naw," came the reply. "I don't teach nothing. I file saws!"—Ladies' Home Journal.

Most Northern Canada.

Of the possibilities of extreme northern Canada a traveler writes: "The country that one passes through from Athabasca Landing down to the Arctic Red river is full of vegetation and will, in my opinion, one day be settled. In all the mission gardens at the different posts that I passed I saw wheat and barley growing, potatoes, lettuce, turnips, carrots and every kind of vegetable that one grows in one's own garden at home. The country is thickly timbered near the banks of the river, and there are few places in which you do not find large patches of prairie. You pass by a great outrush of natural gas, and oil is oozing out for miles along the river bank."

A Sense of Propriety.

"So you stole this man's ax?" said the judge.

"Yessah. I reckons dar ain' no use tryin' ter spute de facts."

"What did you do that for? He said he would have been perfectly willing to lend you the ax."

"Yes; but you see, Judge, dat man's on'y jes' moved in de neighborhood. I doesn' know him wel enough ter go 'roun' ter his house borryin'."—Washington Star.

Hard to Say.

"If your mother bought four baskets of grapes, the dealer's price being a quarter a basket, how much money would the purchase cost her?" asked the new teacher.

"You never can tell," answered Tommy, who was at the head of his class.

"Ma's great at bargaining!"—Ladies' Home Journal.

Accepted.

"Quills has had a story accepted at last," remarked a journalist to a colleague.

"Surely not," was the rejoinder.

"Yes. He went home at 2 o'clock this morning with an awful yarn, and his wife believed it."

A Big Door.

The following is a copy of a bill posted on the wall of a country village in England: "A lecture on total abstinence will be delivered in the open air, and a collection will be made at the door to defray expenses."

Surface Transit.

"Step lively, please," said the conductor.

"If I was young enough to do that," responded the aged passenger, clumping aboard. "I'd walk and beat your ear."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Holiday Goods. The best time to select your Holiday Goods is right now before the lines have been broken. We have just opened an elegant line of these goods for your inspection, including Albums, Dressing Cases, Books, Pictures, Toys, Dolls Etc. Something appropriate for every member of the family and something to please everyone from Granddad to Snookums. Prescriptions a Specialty. Central Point Pharmacy, Mary A. Mee, Proprietor, Central Point, Ore.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, December 5, 1908. Notice is hereby given that Blanch L. Smith, of Medford, Oregon, who, on October 22, 1908, made Timber Application, No. 01892, for 2 1/2 of NW 1/4, NW 1/4 of NW 1/4, NW 1/4 of SW 1/4, Section 26, Township 26 South, Range 1 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. Canon, U. S. Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 28th day of January, 1909. Claimant names as witnesses: Carl B. Webster, Thomas C. Norris, Joseph T. Gagnon and Francis A. Smith, all of Medford, Oregon. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, December 5, 1908. Notice is hereby given that Anna M. Smith, of Medford, Oregon, who, on October 22, 1908, made Timber Entry, No. 62072, for SE 1/4 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, NE 1/4 NE 1/4 and Lot 2, Section 2, Township 34 South, Range 1 West, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. Canon, U. S. Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 28th day of January, 1909. Claimant names as witnesses: Thomas C. Norris, Joseph T. Gagnon, Francis A. Smith and R. W. Gray, all of Medford, Oregon. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

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Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878. - NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Roseburg, Oregon, May 6, 1908. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land states by act of August 4, 1892, William Fletcher Barker, of Portland, county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, filed in this office on April 26, 1908, his sworn statement, No. 10027, for the purchase of the South-west one-quarter (SW 1/4) of Section No. 14, in Township No. 33 South, Range No. 4 West, W. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office, at Roseburg, Oregon, on Thursday, the 7th day of January, 1909. He names as witnesses: William McGuirk, James Hart and Thomas Leonard, of Portland, Oregon, and George Pease, of Placer, Nevada. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said day of January, 1909. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, October 31, 1908. Notice is hereby given that Isaac J. Stacey, of Medford, Oregon, who, on October 28, 1908, made Timber Application, No. 01893, for E 1/4 NE 1/4, NW 1/4 NE 1/4 and NW 1/4, Section 11, Township 34 South, Range 1 West, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. Canon, U. S. Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 12th day of January, 1909. Claimant names as witnesses: George W. Stacey, of Beagle, Oregon; William Scott, of Central Point, Oregon; William Huston, of Beagle, Oregon, and George Lindley, of Medford, Oregon. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT. In the County Court of Oregon, for Jackson County. In the matter of the estate of Joseph Wilson, Sr., deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned executrix of the estate of Joseph Wilson, Sr., deceased, has filed in the above entitled court her final account of her doings as such executrix, and the said court has fixed Tuesday, December 29, 1908, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, of said day as the time for the final hearing of said final account. All persons interested are notified to make or file their objections to said final account, if any they have, in said court on or before said time, December 29, 1908. MARY ANN GRIMBLEY, Executrix of the estate of Joseph Wilson, Sr., deceased.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, December 17, 1908. Notice is hereby given that Anna M. Smith, of Medford, Oregon, who, on October 22, 1908, made Timber Entry, No. 62072, for SE 1/4 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, NE 1/4 NE 1/4 and Lot 2, Section 2, Township 34 South, Range 1 West, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. Canon, U. S. Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 28th day of January, 1909. Claimant names as witnesses: Thomas C. Norris, Joseph T. Gagnon, Francis A. Smith and R. W. Gray, all of Medford, Oregon. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, December 17, 1908. Notice is hereby given that James Davies, of Trail, Oregon, who, on January 12, 1908, made Homestead Entry, No. 12028, for South East 1/4, Section 8, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. Canon, U. S. Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 28th day of January, 1909. Claimant names as witnesses: John J. Whittington, John W. Miller, John Brown Danahy and Alfred Morice, all of Trail, Oregon. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.