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ALBANY, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

GREETINGS

Yuletime is merry time, time of relaxation and happiness. Away with the problems of our complex civilization; was always careful about committing away with them all! The old, old longing in me, the old re- himself too far in advance. Eugene sponse to the Christmas story, is with up yet. Divergent be elected by republican votes, adds views, colossal problems, unrest, all-it cannot drown or the Oregon Voter. even dampen the hand of the spirit that lays over all on Christmas Day. Good will to all on this celebration of happiness-that is our thought, one and all.

It is a thought to carry on. Soon comes the new year. The old slate is wiped clean. The past year of doubts, mis- women have endorsed it almost 100 givings, readjustments—it is all behind us. Let us face the per cent strong. Right-minded, God-birth of nineteen-twenty with the healing entire of Christ birth of nineteen-twenty with the healing spirit of Christ- peacefoving people everywhere have mas Day strong upon us. Let us carry it a little further been about almost unanimous in with us throughout the coming year. Let us, indeed, keep it with us until another day of world-wide Christian happiness comes to mark its victory-Christmas, 1920.

THE SAME OLD CHRISTMAS

What's the use of being a pessimist when the most persistent and comprehensive thing in the world, and the one ment filed with the accretary of state which has the greatest effect upon the greatest number of last week. A more sorely needed law is one limiting the labors of economic people, is a feast of joy?

Der old Christmas! Kill-joys decry it, seers declare the end of the world is coming to put a stop to it, mankind generally lets loose a flood of meanness that is enough to dis-courage the hardiest holiday, and what happens? Why Christmas comes smiling along, and everybody who is worth a rap forgets all the things he was mad about and devotes his

attention to giving gifts to other people.

Familiarity makes us lose sight of the wonder of Christmas, the marvelous thing that it is, which having neither voice nor physical body has nevertheless so distinct an effect upon the hearts and actions of men.

Christmas never loses its patience. It has come now hineteen hundred and nineteen times to remind mankind that peace on earth and good-will toward men are actual gusted with himself that he would forthat peace on earth and good-will toward men are actual get all about having ran for office. Mt. Scott Herald. to believe in it, not to share in its joys, not to make manifest

ourselves and the sun. The feet of the reindeer are tinkling on the roof, the Christmas bells are ringing, the Christmas star is shining in the eyes of hosts of little children just as gayly, just as full of promise, as it shown over the hills of Bethlehem: "Come, sing a carol joyfully, and welcome Merry Christ-

THE MOB IS WRONG

The mob violence in whatever form and for whatever purpose is a serious menace to constitutional government was declared in a recene address by Hugh L. Nichols of the Ohio Supreme court. "I have heard men denounce violence in one form and condone it in another. It is a false doctrine" said Justice Nichols. "If officers of the law would stand their ground, many a cowardly mob would see its purpose defeat- morning at 9 o'clock A. M. for our ed. Only an awakened public conscience and respect for law

will prevent violence. Any departure from the fundamentals of justice, such as will do his duty. right to trial, right to know the crime one is charged with, is a danger so far-reaching that every citizen should be on guard, said the speaker. This is good talk. Mobs never right wrongs, they only double them. The answer to im-patience with slow processes of law is not the mob, but the installation of swifter forms of legal procedure or change of personnel in the administration of the forms existing.

Wrongs are righted permanently only by processes of thought, by the rising of mankind to ever higher lovels of intelligence and justice. The mob is always an unthinking brute which lowers every man who joins it. It is a reactionary force, never a progressive one.

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Comment of the State Press

Snappy Gleamings from the Press of the Valley

The Myrtle Point American issued n extra large number for Christmas, there being thirty-two pages. Editor Smith gave the people a number well worth sending away, one which reflects credit upon the community which the paper so thoroughly repre-

She Is Bankable-

With eggs at 90 cents a dozen, the old barnyard hen looks with contempt upon the dove of peace, and in fact feels herself almost as important as the American eagle.—Haines Record.

Will be Candidate-

Senator Chamberlain has anounced that he will be a candidate for senator next year, but fails to state which ticket he expects to adorn. George One thing is certain-he'll

Lodge, Lundendorff, Johnson et al-The church all over the land has ndorsed the treaty and the League of Nations. The American Federation of Labor has endorsed it. The their indorsements, and if it was put up to a vote probably 75 per cent of Stayton Mail.

Five Minutes Per Year-

(Aurora Observer) A minimum wage of \$20.00 for a 48-hour week for female employes, and \$4.00 for an 8-hour day are the "nuts" and law tingers to about 5 minutes per year. The rest of the workers might then enjoy a little freedom from the activities of the half baked law proposers.

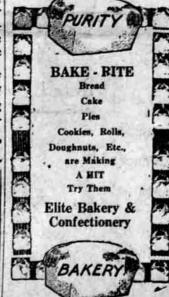
Governor" Simpson? -

As to Mr. Simpson we opine that should he make up his mind to run for governor, it would simply be a walk-away. During his last campaign he made many friends but he entered the race too late. If the people throughout the state only knew him as well as they do in his own county the other fellow would get so dis-

with gifts our response to its influence, is to stand between | Champion Freak Bill-

The champion freak bill prop in Oregon is the one fixing legal rate of interest at 4 to 5 per cent, adjudges the Harney County News. We might just as wel lpass a measure fixing the legal price of wheat at 50 cents, hogs at 8 cents and wool at 15 cents. The only effect would be that wheat, hogs and wool would be shipped outside the state where the world prices prevailed. And the same thing will happen to money if by any chance of fate such a law should

To the officers and mem bers of Temple Commandery No. 3 K. T. By order of the Eminent Commander, you are commanded to usual Christmas observance. This is the Knightly duty of every member, and it is hoped that each Sir Knight



or Baby

Music will be under the leadership of Sir Knight Clyde Bryant, assisted by Sir Knight Wm. Fortmiller and other Sir Knights.

D. P. MASON. Acting E. C. d23-24

Visits In Portland-

Bert Francis, a former business man of Albany, left this morning for Portland to spend Christmas. Visits Daughters-

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Bryant went to Portland today to spend the holidays with their two daughters Miss. Mary and Mrs. Tuneman. Here From Springfield-

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Rowe, of Spring field arrived here this morning to spend Christmas with there sons the Lamberty boys of the Hamilton store.

Miss Dina Eagles of the Eagles oarding house went to Portland today to spend Christmas with friends and

Plainview Vaitors

Isanc Whealdon one of the promi nent pioneers of Plainview arrived in the city by train this morning to do some Christman shopping.



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