

NEW STAMPS FOR THE PARCELS POST HERE

Will Be on Sale at Postoffice After January 1 and Must Be Placed on 4th Class Mail.

EACH STAMP DEPICTS SOME BRANCH OF MAIL SERVICE

Package Sent by New Method Must Bear Senders Name and Address or It Won't Go.

Continued from Saturday, Dec. 28.

The new stamps to be used by the parcels post have arrived in Albany and will be on sale after January 1st when the new measure goes into effect.

The one-cent stamp bears a picture depicting the distribution of mail by the clerks, the two-cent stamp illustrates the work of the city carriers and bears a picture of a carrier delivering mail at a residence; the four-cent stamp depicts the rural mail service and the picture engraved upon it shows a rural mail wagon and horse.

The five-cent stamp, which illustrates the railway mail service, bears a picture of a train and the ten-cent stamp bears a picture of an ocean liner and mail tender depicting the mail service on the water. The fifteen-cent stamp has a picture of an automobile mail wagon upon it and illustrates the delivery of mail by this method.

The twenty-cent stamp illustrates the carrying of mail by aeroplane and has a picture of one of these machines upon it.

The twenty-five and seventy-five-cent stamps illustrate two important industries—manufacturing and harvesting, the former stamp bearing a picture of a large factory and the latter one of a threshing crew at work.

Beginning with January 1, all fourth class matter weighing over four ounces must have these stamps upon the package, otherwise it will not be delivered. The ordinary postage stamps cannot be used on this class of mail.

The parcels post system is divided into eight zones with local and zone rates for each zone on packages weighing from one to eleven pounds. On and after January 1, all parcels of merchandise, which come under the fourth class, must have parcel post stamps upon them before they will be received.

Newspapers, photographs, circulars, books and other printed matter now included in the second and third classes of mail matter, are not affected by the parcel post law, and may continue to move in the same manner as before, bearing the regular letter postage, and being received at the package boxes on the streets. The parcel post stamps cannot be used on any of this class of matter, but must be reserved solely for merchandise sent through the mails, and moving as fourth class mail matter.

Until the public becomes acquainted with the laws and regulations governing the use of the post for handling of parcels, it is expected that much confusion will result, and that probably some of the parcels may be lost. The name and address of the sender of a package through the parcel post must appear on all packages, as well as the address of the person to receive the package. Unless this condition is complied with, the package will not be handled.

Deputy State Game Warden Frank L. Perkins of this city left this morning for a few days' trip to the mountains in the eastern part of the county.

County Treasurer W. W. Francis of this city returned home this morning from Halsey where he visited friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fedine of Bend arrived in Albany yesterday and are spending a few days in Albany. They are guests at the Van Dran hotel.

Riley Rucker, a prominent resident of LaCocomb, was transacting business in Albany last evening.

Messrs. M. C. and George Yost and Miss Hazel Yost of Airlie passed through Albany this morning to Stayton where they will spend the holidays with relatives.

L. W. Chandler, a well known resident of Drain, was looking after business matters in Albany this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Klus of Toledo returned home today after spending the holidays in Albany.

Miss Grace Tiffany, sister of the registrar of the University of Oregon, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Penland.

Attorney W. S. Risley of this city was a passenger to Corvallis this morning where he will look after business matters today.

A. L. Geddes, county surveyor, left this morning for Lebanon where he spent the day surveying some roads in that vicinity.

Dr. J. L. Hill of this city went out to Lebanon this morning where he will spend the day looking after professional matters.

H. Y. Kirkpatrick, the genial editor of the Lebanon Express, arrived in Albany this afternoon and is looking after business matters in the county seat. Mr. Kirkpatrick is being favorably mentioned for the postmastership at Lebanon.

Attorney Samuel M. Garland of Lebanon arrived in Albany this afternoon and is looking after legal matters at the court house.

MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL IS OVERRULED

Judge Kelly Declines to Re-open the Case of O. Black Vs. Mary E. Hurst.

Judge Kelly of the circuit court of Linn county yesterday overruled the motion for a new trial in the case of O. Black vs. Mary Hurst and the case will doubtless be taken to the supreme court by the plaintiff who lost his case in the lower court.

The plaintiff claims that he is the heir at law of Alexander Black and wife and as such entitled to a share in a valuable piece of farm property in Linn county.

In his motion for a new trial the plaintiff filed a number of affidavits bearing on the question involved in the suit and claimed newly discovered evidence strengthening his contention that he is the lawful heir of the defendant and Alexander Black.

KLAMATH FALLS MAN TRIES TO KILL FAMILY OF 6 PEOPLE

Klamath Falls, Dec. 27.—George Gowan, aged 35 years, is lying at the point of death in the Blackburn hospital in this city as the alleged result of his own effort to destroy an entire family of six persons.

Gowan for the past year has attempted to show attentions to Miss Adeline Beck, aged 17 years, but has been persistently rebuffed.

According to her relatives, frenzied by these results it is said he went to the home of his sweetheart's father, Charles E. Beck, tonight and under the pretext of securing a drink of water stepped into the kitchen from whence a moment later an explosion occurred, which wrecked the house and all but killed the five occupants in the adjoining room. Walls and ceilings were demolished.

Gowan was found lying on the kitchen floor with his face almost entirely blown away, his left hand lacerated and himself unconscious.

The motive for the desperate act is attributed to the fact that the 17-year-old daughter of Beck had spurned the attentions of Gowan, resulting in a refusal to marry.

CHAPEL CAR "ST ANTHONY" HAS ARRIVED HERE FROM E. OREGON

The chapel car "St. Anthony" which has been touring Eastern Oregon for several months, arrived in Albany this morning and will be stationed here at the Union depot tomorrow. The car is in charge of Mr. George Hennessy, who is well known to Albany people who are invited to inspect the car.

Next week the car will begin its missionary work along the lines of the Corvallis & Eastern, both between Albany and Yacquina and Albany and Detroit, and will remain in this territory several weeks.

X. W. Boom went to Corvallis this afternoon on a short business trip.

Dr. L. E. Tracy of this city who has been ill for several weeks with pneumonia, is recovering rapidly and will soon be about again, a fact his many friends will be glad to learn.

Robyn Nelson, city engineer of Castle Rock, Wash., is in the city on a holiday visit with his folks. He came within 53 votes of being elected county engineer.

Mrs. Sherman Thompson and daughter Beatrice, of Harrington, Wash., are in the city on a visit. Mrs. Thompson is a former Albany woman, prominent years ago in musical circles.

Neil Bain of the Albany State Bank left today for Aurora where he will be a guest at a house party held in that city.

MISFITS.
Contributed by F. P. Nutting.

Seeking distinction an aviator has flown over S. F. at night, with lights flashing in the sky.

The new governor of Mich. has given away his auto, horses and all riding vehicles, and hereafter will walk. What about his family, and perhaps his mind will change when his corns get to hurting.

A man in N. Y. city is called Rockefeller's pastor. Bet he has some fun some day explaining that to the real Master of the world.

Pocketbooks can now take a rest until the big clearance sales, when the bargain counters will set the \$\$\$ going. By the way, Albany is the place.

During the holiday season people came here from all over this part of the valley to do their trading. Albany is the trade hub.

Eggs can now be reached by common people.

An eastern writer says J. Pierpont Morgan is not a man, but a superman, being in rank with the mythological gods of prehistoric ages. What idiot. Of course he is a man, a present day reality, boxing seventeen billions of dollars.

A great race is on for the future queenship of the Pacific Coast, with Los Angeles, Portland, San Francisco and Seattle, mentioned alphabetically, in the race. Here's for a victory for Portland.

F. H. Porter of Halsey, representative-elect from Linn county to the state legislature, passed through Albany this morning to Portland where he will look after business matters today.

If you find a plain black self-filling fountain pen bring it to the Misfit man. He lost one and wants it back.

BOTTLING PLANT IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Fire Alarm Turned in from the Clover Leaf Dairy at Midnight Fire Department Makes Run.

ESTIMATED LOSS BETWEEN \$800 AND \$1000 ON PLANT

Loss Only Partly Covered by Insurance; New Plant Will Be Erected This Week.

A defective flue in the bottling works of the Clover Leaf Dairy which is located just southeast of Albany was the origin of a fire which completely destroyed the bottling plant and caused the owners of the establishment a financial loss of between \$800.00 and \$1000.00 at a late hour last evening. The building was insured for \$200.00.

The manager was not at the plant at the time the fire broke out and the alarm was turned in by one of the neighbors. The fire department made a quick run but before they reached the plant learned that no water connections had been made in the vicinity of the plant, and returned to the fire house.

The building was completely destroyed and the management found it necessary to suspend milk delivery until the first of the week at which time they expect to have a new plant constructed.

News Beginning With This Head Line From Daily Issue of MONDAY, DECEMBER 30.

82-YEAR OLD MAN SEEKING HOME TO ENTERTAIN FATHER

May Purchase Home at Newport Soon; 113-Year Old Sire to Visit Him at Early Date.

When J. K. Weatherford of this city, president of the Corvallis & Eastern railway, was in Newport a few days ago he was conversing with R. A. Bensell, a well known resident of that place, when an aged man approached and inquired if they were acquainted with the Yaquina Bay country. Mr. Bensell replied that he had been a resident there 50 years.

The stranger who proved to be Lewis White, of Oroville, Calif., stated that he was looking for a place to locate as his father intended to visit him. When he said that his father intended to visit him, both Mr. Weatherford and Mr. Bensell looked up in astonishment.

"How old are you?" asked Mr. Bensell. "Just 82 years," replied the stranger, "but my father is 113 years of age and practices medicine in New York state. So I may be with you a long time if I decide to buy a place here. Both Mr. Weatherford and Mr. Bensell, neither of whom had fully recovered from the statements made by the stranger, assured him that he would undoubtedly reach a ripe old age, should he decide to make the resort his residence.

MOOSE WILL GIVE ANNUAL BALL TOMORROW EVENING

One of the leading events for New Year's Eve in this city is the big ball to be given by Willamette Lodge No. 859, Loyal Order of Moose at their hall, corner of Second and Lyon streets at 9 o'clock tomorrow evening.

Invitations for the event were issued last week and a large crowd of Albany people and many from other points will be in attendance.

Following is the committee having the ball in charge: T. E. Coleman, Frank Tracy and W. H. Warner.

Cal Headley of Portland was in Albany yesterday visiting friends and relatives. He is a former Albany resident and is now employed in building depots for the Oregon Electric Ry.

L. T. Ellis of Corvallis returned home this morning after spending Sunday in this city visiting friends and relatives.

Henry Stewart, a prosperous farmer residing a few miles southwest of this city, left this morning for Shelburn where he will spend the day visiting relatives. He was accompanied by his brother, C. Stewart, of Eugene who is visiting at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Shaw of this city left this morning for Mill City where they will spend several days visiting their sons, J. R. and Angus A.

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ADJUTANT-GENERAL FINZER COMPLIMENTS LOCAL TROOPS

Writes a Letter Congratulating Members for Excellent Showing Made Recently.

Captain Frank M. Powell of this city received a personal letter from Adjutant-General W. E. Finzer of the Oregon National Guard, complimenting him upon the very excellent showing made by the members of the Fifth Company, Coast Artillery Corps O. N. G. of this city, at the quarterly inspection and muster which was held at the armory on Saturday evening, December 21st.

The inspection was witnessed by several hundred Albany people, many of whom were loud in their praise of the appearance made by the guardsmen who were attired in blue dress uniform. The members of the local company are highly elated over the contents of the letter received by Capt. Powell from General Finzer, regarding the inspection.

ALBANY BUSINESS MEN WILL GO TO PORTLAND TOMORROW

Will Cooperate with President Crooks in Closing College Endowment Campaign.

The following Albany business men will go to Portland tomorrow morning to assist in closing the campaign there for funds for the Albany College endowment fund: D. P. Mason, J. L. Tomlinson, L. E. Hamilton, C. H. Stewart, J. O. Lee, Owen Beam, Fred Fortmiller, C. C. Cameron and J. S. Van Winkle.

The metropolis will be thoroughly covered tomorrow in the last effort to secure the amount necessary to complete the endowment for a new Albany College.

A committee with William Fortmiller as chairman will work in Albany all day tomorrow securing funds.

ETHEL BARRYMORE'S PLAY "SUNDAY" TO BE PRESENTED

Seibert-Morrison Stock Co. to Present Popular Piece at Opera House Thursday.

The Seibert & Lindley players leave today for Corvallis to play the first three days of the week, returning to Albany Thursday to finish the last three days of the week.

The play will be a comedy drama in four acts. To those who do not know the play "Sunday" it is sufficient to say that it is one of Ethel Barrymore's greatest successes, a play that has carried her on the top wave of popularity when new plays have failed.

"Sunday" takes one from the great West to England, keeps one there for a time, and then brings one back to the plains and mountains that every true westerner holds dear. Never for a moment does the play drag.

The characters are lifelike and real and the story is enthralling, holding you spell-bound with its realism from the rise of the curtain in the first act until it finally falls on the last scene. If you go to see "Sunday" you will see a splendid play presented by a splendid company.

CITY NEWS.

Albany and Linn county was visited by a severe wind storm accompanied by rain Saturday evening and Sunday but no damage of any serious consequence has been reported as a result.

A large crowd of local young people enjoyed the dance given by the Soiree Club at the armory Saturday evening. Music was furnished by the Chautauque orchestra of this city.

Rev. F. H. Geselbracht announces that there will be a meeting of the congregation of the First Presbyterian church at the church this evening at 7:30 o'clock. All members and their friends are urged to attend.

Work is progressing rapidly now on the new Hotel Hammel which will be thrown open to the public about the middle of January. The rooms are being tinted and the woodwork stained and the terrace is being placed in the lobby. From present indications the hostelry will be the best one in the Willamette Valley when completed.

The funeral services of the late Mrs. Schlosser were held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon from the family home, 214 South Ferry street. The services were attended by a large number of friends and many beautiful floral pieces were contributed.

There will be a game of basketball at the Alce Club this evening at 8 o'clock between the teams of Albany and Corvallis. Both teams are said to be in excellent condition and a fast game is anticipated.

In response to many inquiries made during the past few days, the Democrat Publishing Company wishes to announce that the Democrat will be published on New Year's day.

GEORGE TAYLOR WILL ATTEND IMPERIAL COUNCIL SHRINE

Elected Delegate at the Annual Meeting of Al Kader Temple at Portland Saturday.

At the annual meeting of the Mystic Shrine which was held Saturday evening at Portland, the name of George Taylor was placed in nomination by A. H. Lea, as one of the delegates to the Imperial Council which will convene at Dallas, Texas, next June and he was elected upon the first ballot.

Mr. Taylor received a telegram to this effect Saturday evening from Mr. Lea who extended his congratulations. Mr. Taylor who will represent Al Kader Temple at Dallas next summer is prominent in the Masonic fraternity here and the honor conferred upon him at Portland Saturday will be received with satisfaction by all of his Albany friends.

AGRETTE FROM ROOSTERS IS THE LATEST DISCOVERY

A Revelation About "Fancy" Feathers That Will Surprise Many Women.

Washington, Dec. 29.—From official authority it appears that the women of America in large numbers under the mistaken supposition that they are wearing "fancy feathers" on their hats, are in reality sporting the feathers of the common or garden rooster and other ordinary fowls of the pteriatry type.

This information is calculated to give Dame Fashion hysterics, but nevertheless it seems reliable. A recent consular report deals with the American protection of the egret—a species of heron, with white plumage of the soft and flowing variety. From the egret is obtained the aigrette of commerce.

Efforts to raise the heron on a commercial scale having failed, the rooster was selected and found to be the best.

MRS. ANNA REBECCA WAIT PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY

Mrs. Anna Rebecca Wait, a pioneer resident of the Willamette Valley for many years, passed away at her home in Benton county yesterday morning at the age of 50 years, leaving a husband, V. O. Wait, to mourn her death.

The funeral services will be held at the Fortmiller Chapel tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 o'clock and interment will take place in the City cemetery. The deceased has been a resident of North Albany for many years.

WELL KNOWN ALBANY YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED YESTERDAY

Rev. Leech Performs Ceremony at the Methodist Parsonage Sunday Afternoon.

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the Methodist parsonage in this city yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock when Miss Emma Crook was united in marriage to Mr. Henry Harder, Rev. D. H. Leech of the First Methodist church officiating. Only the immediate friends of the couple attended.

The bride is one of Albany's popular young ladies, of many accomplishments and splendid character. The groom has lived in North Albany for many years and is well known among the younger set of this city where he has many friends.

He is one of the efficient salesmen in the implement house of Waldo Anderson & Son where he has been employed for several months.

The newlyweds have the congratulations of the Democrat and of their many friends in this city. They will make their home in Albany.

EVERT L. JONES IS APPOINTED DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Evert L. Jones, a graduate of Albany College and a former resident of Albany, was on Saturday appointed deputy district attorney of Multnomah county by Walter H. Evans, district attorney-elect of that county. Jones will have charge of the juvenile court cases and his appointment to that post has been approved by Judge Gatens.

Jones formerly conducted the Albany Citizen, a weekly newspaper which suspended operations after being in the field but a short time.

Miss Myrtle Densmore returned to Salem after spending the week-end with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Dockstader of this city spent Christmas in Portland at the home of Mrs. Dockstader's sister, Miss E. W. Prichard.

Henry Cummings of Gates returned home this morning after spending Sunday in Albany.

MACADAM ROADS TO BE CONSTRUCTED

North Albany Farmers Voted 5-Mill Tax at Meeting Held Saturday Afternoon.

LOCAL BANKING FIRM GIVES SUM OF \$100 TOWARD WORK

Benton County Will Furnish the Crushed Rock, Steam Roller, and Road Expert.

When forty energetic and prosperous farmers residing on the Benton county side of the Willamette river near Albany, met at the Oak Grove schoolhouse Saturday afternoon and unanimously voted a 5-mill tax to defray the expense of placing crushed rock on the road in their district, they started a movement for better roads that should be emulated by every county in the Willamette Valley, Linn especially.

The Benton county court had recently offered to furnish the crushed rock needed for the improvement of the road, free, provided the farmers in District No. 5, in which the road is located, would vote the tax necessary to defray the expenses of placing the material on the road.

The majority of the farmers were enthusiastic regarding the proposition and after discussing it among themselves concluded that a 5-mill tax would be sufficient for carrying out the work and a special election was called for last Saturday afternoon for the purpose of voting the tax.

Enthusied by the prospect of a stretch of model road in their district, the farmers from all sections of the district flocked to the schoolhouse Saturday afternoon, where the question of better roads and the benefits to be derived from such an improvement were fully discussed, and when the tax levy was voted upon it was carried without a dissenting vote being recorded.

Owen Beam of this city, a member of the firm of Hecker & Beam, who are the owners of considerable property in the North Albany district, was present at the meeting and presented the chairman, Charles Schoel, with a check for \$100, a donation toward the work, by the banking firm of J. W. Cusick & Company of this city. The gift of the local bankers was greatly appreciated and will be duplicated by the Benton county court who have offered to duplicate any private contribution made to the work.

Not only will the Benton county court furnish the crushed rock necessary for the road improvement, but that generous body will also furnish a steam roller, a road expert to supervise the work, and engineers to establish the grades, all this in addition to duplicating cash donations.

The road to be macadamized in District No. 5, is known as the Gibson Hill or Thornton's Lake road, and the portion to be improved begins at the North Albany railway station and runs in a northerly direction to Gibson Hill, where it turns west. The road from the railroad track to Gibson Hill will be improved first and as much further as the funds will permit.

The work will begin early in the spring as soon as the road is in condition for working and in all probability the last of next year will see the entire road from the big steel bridge which spans the Willamette river at this city to the Oak Grove school house, a distance of three miles, macadamized.

The portion of this road from the steel bridge to the railroad, a distance of about a quarter of a mile, is in another district but it is believed that the residents there will also co-operate with the Benton county court in placing the roadway in shape to conform with the other portion of the road to be improved in District No. 5. If this action is taken, North Albany will have nearly four miles of macadam road.

The county court of Benton county and the farmers in District No. 5 are to be congratulated upon their progressiveness in the matter of road improvement and the roadway will undoubtedly be a big advertisement for that section, for it will be the first macadamized road in this section of the state.

There is also talk of extending the sidewalk which is now being constructed from the residence of Wm. Peacock to the North Albany school house and mention of which appeared in the Democrat last week, to the Oak Grove school house.

The crushed rock to be used on the North Albany road, will be secured at the quarry of the North Albany Stone company which is located about half a mile north of the steel bridge.

County Judge Moses and Commissioner Smith of Corvallis were here recently, and accompanied by a number of the farmers of North Albany, visited the quarry where the rock was inspected and found to be entirely satisfactory and excellent material for road building.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Stewart of Eugene are spending the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stewart of Meadowbrook Farm, five miles southwest of Albany.

Miss Alice Farnsworth who has been visiting during the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hornbrook, returned last night to her home at Eugene.

Dr. J. L. Hill of this city while in Lebanon this morning, attended a meeting of the stockholders of the Mexican mines in which he and many Linn county men are interested.