

Local and Personal

Mrs. J. W. Sadler spent Tuesday in Portland.

Albert Muessig has returned home from Salem.

Mrs. N. E. Manock was a Portland visitor yesterday.

Mrs. Wm. Schoeler was a Portland visitor Tuesday.

A. W. Kraus transacted business in Portland, Tuesday.

Miss Noma Yergen has been spending several days visiting in Portland.

Mr. Fred Wilson, of Portland, made a brief call in Aurora, Friday evening.

Miss Lizzie Will and Miss Bertha Stark were in Portland, Tuesday.

Automobile for exchange. What have you? or for sale cheap. Observer.

Rev. J. F. Mathews was in town Tuesday calling on friends and parishioners.

Mrs. George Yergen and her brother, Mr. Geo. Ehlen, were Portland visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Will, of Eugene, were week end guests at the home of Mrs. Henrietta Will.

Quite a large crowd attended the Covered Wagon show at the Land Hall Sunday night.

Will Parry was home for the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Parry, Sr.

Mrs. Nordhausen spent a few days last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bolland.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Stoner are re-joining over the advent of a son born Wednesday morning. Mother and child are getting along nicely.

Make yourself and your friends a Xmas present of the Observer and McCall's Magazine, both for the price of one.

Miss Althea Cone, of Donald, was a week end guest of Miss Edith Evans and the girls took in the "Covered Wagon".

Parts for all cars, trucks and tractors. W. E. Burns—Dan Burns (Not Brothers—the same Man) High St., at Ferry, Salem.

Elmer Zimmerman, of Portland, and Julius Zimmerman and sons, of Albany, were guests of Mrs. Catharine Zimmerman over the week end.

Elizabeth and Stephen Kraus journeyed to Portland, Saturday, to spend the week end with their aunt, Miss Orietta Kraus.

George Yergen will show a coop of Rhode Island Reds at the Hubbard Poultry Show. These are prize-winning birds.

Santa Claus will entertain you at Will-Snyder Co. Store. Be sure to be on hand in the afternoon Saturday, Dec. 13th. See their Ad. elsewhere in this issue.

The Venus Auxiliary, Eastern Star, of Donald, reports a very satisfactory attendance at the entertainments given Wednesday and Thursday nights, respectively, in Donald and Aurora, and those who attended the Thursday night show report a good show and a pleasant time.

Died—At his home near Aurora, Or., Wednesday, Dec. 10, 1924, C. G. Ellison. He is survived by his widow, Ella M. Ellison, and two brothers residing in the east. The body is now at the undertaking parlors awaiting funeral arrangements.

Preston Pendleton, an old time resident of Broadacres, died at the family home, December 9th, at the age of 74 years. Funeral services were held at Hubbard, yesterday afternoon, under the direction of S. A. Miller. Interment in Hubbard cemetery.

John C. Edwardson, a resident of Canby, died at his home in that city, December 4th, at the age of 59 years. He leaves a widow. Mrs. Barbara Edwardson. Funeral services were held under the direction of S. A. Miller, Sunday afternoon, with interment at Zion cemetery.

Owing to a letter being miscarried in the mail, says Rev. Schoeler, the proposed concert to be given at the Band Hall by Mr. Edwards, of Eugene, has been indefinitely postponed. However, Prof. Edwards is to be in Salem some time in February and it is possible that a concert may be arranged for at that time. A large party from Silverton had planned to come to the entertainment and will probably send quite a contingent in February should the entertainment be fixed at that time.

Luther League Meeting

Over forty young people attended the Luther League meeting last Friday in the basement of the Lutheran church, when the Yost girls entertained. It was an excellent gathering. Mr. Fry and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gooding were received as new members. Rev. Schoeler continued his talks on "The Law of Psychic Phenomena" and he will talk on the same subject for quite a few meetings to come.

Aurora School Notes

Everyone is taking examinations this week, as it is the 12th week of school. The report cards will also be given out this week.

The Christmas borders of the rooms are coming up; also work on the program has begun.

We practiced fire drill this week and no one hesitated in going down.

A new rope was put on the bell; the old one failed to do its duty.

Mr. Kraus, a member of the school board, visited school this week.

Robert Powers has been absent for several days, on account of chicken pox. Mrs. Powers was at school, and stated that Robert wouldn't be back till next week.

A student body meeting was held Friday, December 5th. We decided to have Glee club every Tuesday evening from 8:00 to 9:00 o'clock. Mr. Southwick was chosen leader; Frank Pond and Sophie Parry were elected sergeants-at-arms. As this is examination week, the Glee club meeting was not held Tuesday evening.

The new side walk to the school house was finished this week. A great deal of credit for this work is due to the efforts of the Commercial Club, and especially to Mr. Robinson. We take this method of showing our appreciation for this movement.

Edna Olson was absent from school, Tuesday, having gone to Oregon City to have dental work attended to.

Merle Giesy has been absent for several days on account of sickness.

Robert St. Clair is a new pupil in the second grade, coming from Astoria.

—SOPHIE PARDY.

Fine Linen Is Background for Table Niceties

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linen is the best but also the most expensive, selling from \$1.50 to \$3 a yard and up. The John Brown linen, with the shamrock trade mark, is one of the well known brands of dependable quality. Scotch linens have excellent patterns and sell from 50 cents to \$2 and more than that a yard. German damask is durable because it has a closer twisted thread than the other linens. It is cheaper than either Irish or Scotch linen. The French damask is noted for its exquisite designs and effective appearance. The threads are very fine and round. The French linen has a wide range in quality varying from a most expensive to a cheap grade.

During the war the flax industries of Ireland, Scotland and Germany were injured. Thus the supply of linen was lessened and the increased demand for linen grew rapidly. In America, the laboring classes, receiving higher wages, demanded better grades of table linen, and bought higher priced materials. Linen became not only very expensive but very hard to get. so mercerized cotton was placed on the market to take the place of linen. Since the war, because linen brings a much higher price than cotton, manufacturers find it profitable to apply linen finishes to cotton and sell it under misleading trade names to the customers. Sometimes the two fibers are mixed, the cotton is so heavily starched and given such good linen finishes that it is extremely difficult to distinguish it from the true fiber.

Cotton and linen can be distinguished between by washing the materials thus

removing the applied dressings, and then applying a few simple tests. Linen feels smooth, cool and heavy compared to cotton. Linen takes a greater luster in ironing. If glycerine or oil is applied to the materials, cotton remains opaque and linen becomes translucent. The burnt end of a piece of cotton is tufted, while that of linen is rounded. A torn edge of linen is more irregular than that of cotton. Cotton does not absorb moisture readily while linen absorbs it quickly.

When purchasing linen, rub the material between the fingers to remove the starch, then choose a piece that is firm and heavy with not too fine a thread. Select a pattern which has good wearing quality. A large design with long floats will not wear so well as a smaller design with shorter floats. Some of the desirable standard linen designs are the shamrock, rose, thistle, snowdrop, poppy, acorn, fleur de lis, checks, stripes, maiden hair fern, polka dots, and scroll patterns.

Linen has many advantages over that of mercerized cotton. The satin smoothness of linen keeps it clean longer than other material. The very fact that it does not take dyes easily makes it easier to remove stains from linen than from cotton. Also linen wears longer than cotton, it retains its beautiful gloss as long as it can be used, and it has greater laundering possibilities than cotton.

Mercerized cotton should not be expected to look like linen nor be confused with linen. It serves its own purpose as an inexpensive material but will never look as well as linen although it may wear as long. After cotton has been used for some time, the short cotton fibers will wear up and make a fuzzy surface which is not seen on linen. Mercerized cotton serves a good purpose for tablecloths and napkins for ordinary wear, provided one is satisfied and realizes that it is cotton and not linen. However for handsome tablecloths and napkins nothing is equal to good pure linen. Housewives in choosing table linen should purchase material which has durability, style and becomingness, and is suited to one's circumstances, need and purse.

EMMA BERG (O. A. C.)

Aurora Lutheran Church

Sunday school at 9:50 a. m. Service in the German tongue at 11 o'clock. The Sunday school is always in English. Remember the adult class.

On Christmas day two services will be conducted. A service in German at 10 a. m., and a service in English at 11 a. m. Further announcements later.

WM. SCHOELER.

Prayer Meeting

Every Thursday evening at N. E. Cole's residence one-half hour Bible study before prayer meeting at 7:30. Special instrumental music at every service. Come, bring your friends.

REV. F. E. CROOK.

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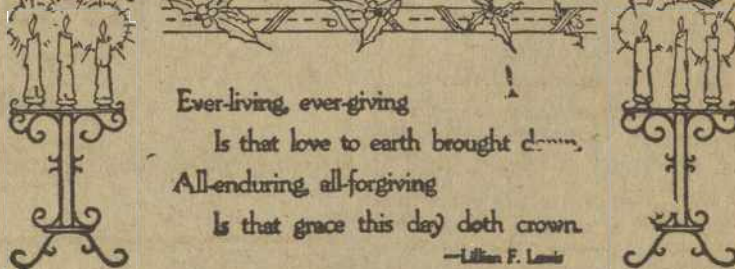
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AT

New Era

Saturday, Dec. 13th

Christmas Greeting



Ever-living, ever-giving
Is that love to earth brought down.
All-enduring, all-forgiving
Is that grace this day doth crown.
—Lillian F. Lewis

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Merry Christmas to You

"Good nature and the Christmas spirit is that lovely quality that disposes one to enjoy and promote the happiness of others."



Gifts for Every Taste and for Every Purse

The last few shopping days before Christmas are rapidly passing by. Time is precious. We believe your dollar will go farther in our store than anywhere else in the Willamette Valley. Our selections are large and complete.

Gift Suggestions

Dainty Silk Lingerie, Silk Hosiery for Ladies and Gentlemen, Silk Umbrellas, Bathrobes, Auto Robes. Men's Gift Goods--Suspenders, Shirts, Belts, Ties, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Shirts, Slippers, Shoes. Roger Bros. 1847 Silverware, Cut Glass, Fancy China, Jewelry of the better quality, Gift Slippers for all the family. All styles, all colors Fancy Silks, latest designs and weaves. Gift Sweaters for Mother, Father and the Kiddies.

Plain and Fancy Mixed Candies, Pipes, Cigars and fancy package Smoking Tobacco, Stationery and Books, Perfumes, Toilet Articles, Compacts, Kerchiefs--All kinds for everybody. Pocket Knives, Roller Skates, Men's and Boys' Mackinaws, Men's fancy and plain Wool Top Shirts, Turkish Towels, Blankets, Wear-Ever Aluminum ware, Fountain Pens, Decorated Teapots, Jardiniers fancy and plain.

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Iron Toys, Mechanical Toys, Wagons, Bob Sleds, Blocks, Tree Ornaments, Dolls.

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