



## Our Best Wishes

We hope you'll have a real good time,  
We hope good cheer has found you;  
We hope the things you've wanted soon  
Will be piled up around you.  
Somehow we wouldn't like the day,  
The spirit would seem mocking,  
If anywhere on earth a child  
Should find an empty stocking.

**FOR THE "KIDDIE'S" PLEASURE ON XMAS DAY**  
Get him or her a knife, some roller skates,  
a fountain pen, toys or dolls.

ALL THESE AND MORE YOU CAN SURELY FIND AT THE BIG, BUSY STORE **SADLER & KRAUS**

### Local and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sadler visited in Woodburn, Friday evening.

Miss Hattie Kraxberger spent the week in Portland with her sister.

Capt. Wm. Miley has been on the sick list for the past few days.

W. A. Giesy visited his mother, Mrs. Rose Giesy, last week.

Ernest Becke called on his uncle, Wm. Miley, Tuesday.

Mr. Ralph Leabo, of Hubbard Route 1, was in Aurora, Tuesday.

E. L. Knapp, of Eugene, was a Sunday guest in Aurora.

Your varnish coupon is redeemable not later than Dec. 20th. G. A. Ehlen.

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

Miss Eva Kraus, of Macksburg, was the guest of Miss Hattie Kraxberger, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Becke, of Salem, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Becke.

W. A. Zeek and family, of Portland, were Sunday guests of Mr. Zeek's sister, Mrs. Frank Thompson, at the Aurora Cafe.

A number of the high school pupils were detained at home for several days during the past week by colds or otherwise.

W. H. Asquith went to Portland, Tuesday, to meet Mrs. Asquith who is returning home after some time spent in a visit at Seaside.

George Fry made a trip to Portland, Friday, to visit his aunt, Mary Fry, who has been ill at her home there. Mrs. Fry will be remembered here as the widow of Mr. John Fry, who died here several years ago.

For various reasons you have not heard a word about the sinking fund to be raised for the upkeep of the Aurora Cemetery. In the next issue of this paper you'll hear something about it.

Winter came suddenly Monday morning with a long continued fall of wet snow, and all telephone and light wires paid the penalty. Many poles were down in all directions and the city was without power and lights till evening. At Canby light, telephone and water conveniences were out of commission and the Canby school was forced to close Tuesday because of lack of water.

Miss Orletta Kraus was home over Sunday.

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At the K. of P. dance given last Saturday evening some eighty odd numbers were sold.

Work has commenced on the construction of the new Southern Pacific bridge over the Pudding River at Aurora.

The heavy snowfall Monday morning caused a tree to break and fall on Andy Miller's house, in the south end, smashing in the roof, and tearing out the light wires in the interior and breaking down the outside wires. Fortunately no one was injured.

Paul Robinson, of Vernonia, transacted business in Aurora, Monday. Mr. Robinson's Christmas number of the Eagle is a very elaborate affair and consists of 44 pages, requiring an immense amount of time and labor to issue, and is worthy of especial mention both as a newspaper production and as evidence of the growth and development of Vernonia.

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

At a regular meeting of the Eastern Star Lodge held at Canby last week the following officers were elected: Zeno Schwab, Patron; Mrs. Clarence Ide, Matron; Mrs. J. W. Sadler, Associate Matron; Mrs. Sam Amunson, Conductress; Mrs. Anna Giesy, Associate Conductress; Mrs. Dodd, Treasurer; Mrs. Howard Eccles, Secretary. After the meeting, Matron Miss Beatty entertained the officers at lunch.

Una Temple No. 26, Pythian Sisters, elected the following officers Wednesday night: M. E. C., Leona Will; E. S., Blanche Keefeover; E. J., Amy Snyder; M., Tillie Webert, M. of R. & C., Madge Stoner; M. of F., Clara Will; P. of T., Edith Hirt; G. of C. T., Cita Ottaway; Organist, Tena Gribble; Trustee for three years, Edna Schwab; Captain of Staff, Jonas Will. Installation will be held the first meeting in January, Clara Wurster installing officer.

The Clackamas County Non-Partisan League will hold a business and social session at Artisans' Hall, Canby, Saturday, Dec. 20, beginning at 10:30 o'clock. All Progressives are cordially invited to attend.

E. J. BELL, Chairman.  
OLA M. OGLE, Sec.-Treas.



### All Around the Country

The work of issuing 1925 motor vehicle licenses has started in the secretary of state's office at Salem. Under the law these licenses cannot be used legally until January 1. In issuing and sending out 1925 motor vehicle licenses earlier than usual this year the secretary of state is of the opinion that an eleventh-hour congestion will be avoided.

Organization of the Willamette valley growers and levying a duty of six cents a pound on cherries imported into the United States are necessary in event the cherry industry of the northwest is to prosper, according to D. L. Beard of The Dalles, who has returned from points in California, where he conferred with a number of cherry growers' organizations.

In a report to the board of directors of the Linn county chapter of the American Red Cross society, A. C. Heyman, chairman of the roll-call drive this year in the county, set forth that a total of \$2078 had been raised in the county for next year's work.

Eric W. Allen, dean of the school of Journalism at the University of Oregon, will be in Chicago December 29, 30 and 31, attending the annual conference of the association of Schools and Departments of Journalism, and the Association of Teachers of Journalism.

Prices for practically all foodstuffs to be used at the state institutions during the six months starting January 1, 1925, have increased from 5 to 35 per cent over those quoted on June 10, 1924, according to bids received at the office of the state board of control.

An amendment to the interior department bill as passed by the house, continuing the appropriation for the Owyhee irrigation project in Malheur county until July 1, 1926, was adopted by the senate appropriations committee. The amendment was offered by Senator McNary.

### SALE AND WANT ADS.

NOTICE: The sale season is at hand and I am prepared to handle all kinds of sales to your satisfaction. When ready, call Will Heinz, Auctioneer, Aurora Route 1, or Canby 13-16. 34tf

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Registered Holstein bull calf for sale cheap; from a high producing cow. John R. Kraus, Aurora, Ore. 46tf

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For Sale: O. I. C. weaned pigs. Wm. Jeskey. 49-2tp

For Sale: Nice big apples, free from worms, 65c and 75c per box. Call Herman Kuhnke, Needy Phone, 1 mile east of Needy. 50-1tp

### OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

#### Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers

Thousands of boxes of prunes were mailed and shipped by Portland citizens last week to friends and relatives in pruneless states.

Two large male cougars, traveling together, were treed and shot by W. O. Allison not far from Ukiah. The larger weighed more than 200 pounds.

The demand for cross-bred lambs to form the foundation of breeding flocks has grown so keen that the price has been raised to 11 cents a pound.

Noel Eby, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. N. K. Eby, who reside in West Sutherlin, was kicked to death by a horse when placing feed in the animal's stall.

Frozen for which descended over Klamath Falls did considerable damage to telephone and power lines, and blanketed the city with a fascinating white frosting.

The Southern Pacific company has awarded a contract to the Utah Construction company for building approximately 22 miles of railroad from Grass Lake to Dietz.

A special school election called at Roseburg to consider the issuance of school bonds in the sum of \$165,000 resulted in the approval of the bonds by a vote of 416 to 210.

Fire, which for a time threatened the entire business district of Malin, was checked by the volunteer fire department after the Malin hotel had sustained damage of approximately \$1000.

Benton county is to have an "economic conference" January 13 and 14. The government has just completed an exhaustive survey of the county, the first to be finished in the Pacific northwest.

Fire losses in Oregon, exclusive of Portland, in November aggregated \$168,450, according to a report prepared by Will Moore, state fire marshal. There were a total of 25 fires reported.

A bill to limit the powers of county judges in their capacity as juvenile judges will be introduced at the next session of the state legislature, according to J. G. Tate, chairman of the state child welfare commission.

Construction of a new hatchery for the state fish commission at Beaver creek, which is about two miles from Hebo on the Tillamook highway, has been started. The hatchery will be one of the largest in the state.

So rapidly are demands for fiction volumes increasing at the Umatilla county library that the board has found it impossible to buy books in sufficient quantities with the money available to satisfy the demand.

Following a check of its own figures with estimates furnished by the county assessors' office, the Multnomah county tax supervision and conservation commission placed the local 1925 tax levy at 33.2 mills, as against 32.3 mills last year.

The value of all taxable property in the state of Oregon for 1924, including that equalized by the county boards of equalization and that equalized and apportioned by the state tax commission is \$1,058,880,736.61, as against \$1,042,410,618.66 for the year 1923. These figures are set out in a statement prepared by Earl Fisher, state tax commissioner. The total increase in valuations for the year 1924, as compared with those for 1923 is \$16,470,117.95.

Organization of a state constabulary to supersede all special state commissions and agencies now charged with the enforcement of particular penal statutes, is contemplated in a resolution unanimously adopted by the District Attorneys' association of the state in annual session in Portland.

Charles G. Dawes, vice-president-elect, will be on the program at the annual convention of the Oregon Wool Growers' association in Pendleton January 14-15, if a report from Boise that he would be there for the Idaho meeting is correct, Mac Hoke, secretary of the Oregon association says.

In accordance with a contract let by orchardists of the Rogue River valley last fall to the American Can company for shipment from Toledo, O., between November 20 and December 14, 110,000 orchard heaters, or smudge pots, in five cars, arrived at Medford to be used in heating orchards next spring.

A total of \$111,965.63 has been apportioned to the schools throughout Tillamook county since January, 1924, according to a report of the county school superintendent's office. The funds from which this was derived include \$44,128 from county, \$5430.22 from the state, \$42,962.50 from the elementary fund and \$19,435.91 high school.

## Our Christmas Wishes



Without the door let sorrow lie;  
And if for cold it hap to die,  
We'll bury 't in a Christmas pie  
And ever more be merry.

—George Wisher

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## Dance

## Molalla

## Band Auditorium

Wednesday

Evening

**Dec. 24**

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