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CHURCHES TO GIVE ENTERTAINMENTS FOR CHILDREN

All the Springfield churches are planning Christmas exercises for the children. At the Christian church, the revivals have given way for the moment, and a Christmas program will be given Friday evening at 7:30. The Baptists likewise will have appropriate exercises Friday evening.

At the Methodist church the following program will be given Friday evening:

- Inaugural March, Mrs. Knapp.
- Welcome Song, Chorus.
- Song, Primary Department.
- Solo, "Signorina," Jean Fischer.
- Song, "We Hail the Sea," Boys Chorus.
- Duet, "Waifs of the City," Edna Moe and Hazel Brattain.
- Song, "Indeed We Do," Chorus.
- Dialogue and Song, "People of Drosy Land."
- Fairy Song, Small girls chorus.
- Recitation, "I Don't I Really Don't," Orson Vaughn.
- "The Star of Bethlehem," Old Ladies Chorus.
- Solo, "The Reindeer Herder," Floyd Noleth.
- Solo, "What Grandma Says," Dute Fischer.
- Recitation, Lela Lybarger.
- Solo, "Mexico," Sam Bartholomew.
- March and Drill, Boys.
- Song "Tis Almost Time" Chorus
- Recitation, "Jacks" Christmas Present, Morrison Miller.
- Santa Claus Greeting, Santa and Chorus.
- Good Night, General Chorus.

At the Free Methodist church in West Springfield, a committee consisting of Clara L. Childs, Gladys Lee and Birdie Spencer, has prepared a program for Saturday evening, December 25, as follows:

- Song, by the Audience.
- Prayer.
- We Welcome You, Laura Weare.
- Scripture Reading, Young Peoples Class.
- Merry Christmas, Jean Hill.
- The Children's Story, Gladys Lee.
- Song by Quartet, "No Room in the Inn."
- Happy Christmas to You, Walter Pest.
- Christmas Baby, Mary Lee.
- Christmas Carol, Lavina Smith.
- Exercise, The Star Children, by twelve children.
- Recitation and Song, "Little Stars," Lucele Fritz, Ester Lee and Ruby Clark.
- "Christmas Eve," Helen Lee
- "Why do the Bells of Christmas Ring?" Alda Brassfield.
- Song "His Name Shall be Jesus" Double Quartett.
- "Filling the Empty Stockings," Florence Hill.
- "The Glorious Vision," Leland Davidson.
- Song, "Little Town of Bethlehem."

GREETINGS

Members and Friends of the Baptist Church, Neighbors and Acquaintances:—
As the ocean is made up of single drops of water,
And the meadow of single blades of grass,
So life is made up of little things
The life that counts is the one that seeks to fill the passing moments with things worth while.
It is worth while to encourage a fainting heart;
It is worth while to woo a smile to a tear-stained cheek;
It is worth while to turn wandering feet into the Better Way;
It is worth while to expose all about us to the contagion of loving kindness.
Let us neither be Dreamers nor Drudges in the New Year just before us, but Doers of the Things Worth While.
We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, because you are our friends and because we are yours.
Most sincerely,
REV. W. N. and Dr. KEENEY FERRIS.

hem," Ester Lee and Florence Lee.
"I'm a Little Mite," Henry Pencelene.
"Ring the Bells of Christmas," Jack Lemen.
"Christmas Cheer," Buja Brassfield.
"A Scene of Long Ago," Muri Lee.
Exercise, "New Star for Jesus," Nine girls.
Song, "Beautiful Star of Bethlehem," Quartett.
"Can't be a Boy But Once," Muri Pencelene.
Address by the Pastor.
Distribution of Treat.
Benediction.

WILL PREACH SERMON FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

"A True and Proper Man," will be the theme at the Baptist church Sunday evening, December 28th. Walter Bailey will preach. His message is especially for young people who are facing the problem of building a life. I wish every young man and woman in Springfield would come out Sunday night and on



leaving be able to say, 'I have learned God's definition of a man.' This the speaker expresses his desire to help the young people of Springfield.

RAILROAD MEN WILL BALLOT ON DEMANDS

Asked to Approve Proposals Regarding Working Conditions and Wage Schedule.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Presidents of the four brotherhoods of railway trainmen started work today preparing the ballot that is to be sent to the 400,000 employees of the 458 railroads in the United States, asking their approval of these demands.

An eight-hour day with the same wages now paid for working 10 hours.

Time and one-half for working overtime.

These demands, completed by officials of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, Order of Railway Conductors, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, will be mailed to every member of the four organizations on January 1, it was announced. They will be given 60 days in which to vote and return their ballots.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC IS BOOSTING FOR OREGON

The Southern Pacific is doing much in the way of attracting tourists to the Pacific northwest states, the latest being a series of travel and educational letters being sent out to ticket agents in Canada and the northwest by John M. Scott, general passenger agent of the company with headquarters in Portland.

A copy each of four of the letters being sent out by the company has been received by the News. The letters are beautifully illustrated with scenes taken along the route of the company's lines in Oregon.

Announcement has been made that Fall City Lumber Co. will probably open in the spring with full crew of 200 men. North Bend business men are considering increase of pay-rolls.

A Christmas Sonnet

The Prince of Peace in sorrow sees the hate
Of men who bear aloft the warlike shield,
And hurl grim death at foes on bloody field;
Beholds the hollow pomp of royal state
That claims men's lives, that will no jot abate
Of claims to power; that forces lands to yield
Huge tribute and with haughty mein revealed
Demands the fullest sacrifice of fate.

May we not join in hopes that woe and grief
Will vanish and the King resume his sway.
We raise the prayer the waiting may be brief
Until the horrid war-clouds roll away
And then once more there may return to earth
The calm that marked the season of His birth.



50 Per Cent Gain In Postal Business

Sales of stamps at the Springfield postoffice for the first three days of Christmas week this year show a gain of 50 per cent over the same three days of last year, according to figures compiled by Postmaster Harry M. Stewart. The totals of last year reached \$109.70, compared with \$154.13 for this year. Following are the daily totals:

	1914	1915
Monday	\$45.90	\$69.55
Tuesday	28.90	61.03
Wednesday	34.90	33.55

The size of the packages sent out is larger this year than last. Incoming mail has not been in large amount yet, probably because of storms in eastern Oregon, which is delaying the trains. One of the main line trains had five mail cars recently.

LUMBER RATE BRIEF BEFORE COMMISSION

Washington, Dec. 22.—A brief filed with the interstate commerce commission today on behalf of Inman, Poulsen & Co., and other Portland lumber firms against the Southern Pacific, contends that the railroad company established a rate of 21½ cents per hundred pounds on car lots of fir and hemlock lumber from Portland to San Francisco and bay and Northern California points, while applying a rate of 17½ cents from practically every other lumber-producing point on its line to the same points and applies a rate of 28½ cents to Auburn, Cal., against 21 cents from other points to Auburn. This discrimination takes the California business away from the Portland producers it is claimed and the commission is asked to re-

O. A. C. STUDENTS VISIT BIG PLANTS HERE

A dozen students of the engineering department of the O. A. C. at Corvallis came to Springfield yesterday to make a careful study of the power plant here under the direction of their instructor, Prof. R. H. Dearborn, formerly of the University of Oregon. The students went over the plant from one end to the other, and made careful notes of everything they saw. The asked innumerable questions of their instructor, of Chief Engineer W. L. McCulloch and of the employees of the plant.

They visited the Booth-Kelly mill also, taking particular note of its electrical equipment.

THREE TRACTS OF LAND RESTORED TO ENTRY

The United States Land Office at Roseburg gives notice that the patents which issued for certain lands in Lane county have been canceled by decree of court because of alleged fraudulent entry and at 2 o'clock P. M. on January 18, 1916, the restoration of said lands to entry will be noted on the records of that office and they will be subject to all forms of appropriation permitted by the public land laws appropriate thereto. These lands are:

Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10 of Sec. 2 Tp. 22 S, R 2 W, W. M.; NE¼ and SE¼ of Sec 26, Tp 21 S, R 3 W, W. M.; and Lots 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15 and 16 of Sec. 28, Tp 21 S, R 2 W, W. M.

Applications for the lands may be filed in the land office at 9 o'clock A. M., on December 29, 1915, and thereafter, and all applications for said lands received before 2 o'clock P. M. on January 18, 1916, and applications presented by persons present at this office at 2 o'clock P. M. on said date, will be treated as simultaneously led.

Redmond—Irrigation districts being formed.

ONE MORE DAY For Christmas Shoppers.

We still have many useful gifts—pocket knives, razors, manicure sets, aluminum cooking utensils, and novelties, flash lights, silverware and other useful gifts.

Come in and look around

WE WISH YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A NEW YEAR OF HEALTH AND PROSPERITY.



Beaver-Herndon Hardware Company

GREAT ERA OF PROSPERITY IS PREDICTION

That the lumber business particularly will be good after the European war is over was the belief expressed by Dr. D. W. Morton of the University of Oregon school of commerce in an address before the Methodist Brotherhood Monday evening. He had just predicted a period of great general prosperity for the whole United States, basing his words on careful commercial reports from all sections, and he then pointed out that Germany particularly is using vast quantities of lumber in war operations, greatly depleting the results of long years of forest conservation.

The end of the war will find the European nations with vast war debts, and this will induce them to adopt a policy of intense industrial activity, in an effort to pay off these debts.

"It is going to bring a greater test of nerve, morale and religion of the American business man than he has ever before met. The European countries will give us the stiffest sort of competition, but I believe the American business men will rise to the occasion and do their right thing."

The greater part of Dr. Morton's talk was taken up in a recital of conditions in the mountain districts of the southern states. An intimate view, based upon three years' residence in southeastern Kentucky, was presented to the brotherhood. It was intensely interesting, taking the hearers into the home life of these people where conditions are "two centuries behind the rest of the country."

The great majority of these people are direct descendants of veterans of the Revolutionary war, left stranded in the mountains in the first big westward flow of American emigration. Cut off by the mountains, these people have developed along a code of their own, and have not kept pace with the progress going on about them. They have no telephones, poor roads, no large amount of book education and no money—a system of barter taking the place of coins.

They are quick to learn, however, and are intensely religious.

Dr. Morton told of several incidents of young men making every sacrifice in order to go to school, and gave other illustrations of life in these mountains.

SCORES BREAK EVEN IN DOUBLE HEADER GAME

The Methodist first team defeated the Baptist first team 30 to 23 Tuesday evening in the second of the Sunday School basket ball series. The Methodist second team dropped the second game of the evening to the Christian second team by a score of 19 to 14.

Following the games, C. L. Gano of the Home restaurant invited the players, officials of the league and officials of the game over for refreshments. C. W. Cook thanked Mr. Gano in behalf of the league, and Mr. Gano responded with a word as to his interest in the young men's games.

The game between the Methodists and the Christians, set for next Tuesday, has been put off for a week on account of the prevailing epidemic of the grip.

S. P. CO. INSTALLING A BIG DISTILLATE TANK

A force of Southern Pacific workmen are busy installing a 400-gallon distillate storage tank in the local yards, just east of the water tank. The tank is to be placed in a concrete well, and roofed over at the surface of the ground. The tank and other material were received several weeks ago.

Clackamas County taxpayers ask county courts for 2 mills for roads.

Salem—One-half cent on dollar is increase in women's wages under minimum wage law.

Farmers Union of Umatilla county is to build large meat packing house.