

ACTIVITIES OF OTHER COMMUNITIES TOLD BY CORRESPONDENTS

DONNA. Donna January 3.—L. D. Pierce who has been firing on a boat near Portland spent Christmas with his wife and her parents of this place. A birthday surprise party was held on Miss Audrey Lewis who lives near here. Those present were: James and Elizabeth Kennedy, Elmer Swafford, Johnny Spores, Lottie McMurray, Leone and LaVelle Barger, Max Green, Audrey and Pearl Lewis, and Elsie Roy, and Charles Heck. The Christian endeavor committee has appointed Alex Kennedy as leader for next Sunday evening. After one week and one day of vacation school started here Tuesday January 2, 1917. Mrs. M. Hill who has been ill with rheumatism for the past few weeks is slightly better, although she is still seriously ill. Mrs. J. C. Nicholson is still very ill.

An election of officers in Sunday school was held here last Sunday and the following were elected: Mrs. Fannie Barger, superintendent; Mrs. D. A. Conley, vice-president; H. W. Gustin, assistant superintendent; Johnny Spores, secretary and treasurer. George Hill has finished loading and shipping his carload of potatoes. Everett McGee, who is attending high school in Eugene was home spending his Christmas vacation with his father, J. R. McGee of this place. Miss Lottie McMurray came down Saturday afternoon from Marcola to attend the surprise party given on Miss Audrey Lewis. She returned home Sunday morning. Ray Sunderman made a business trip to Eugene Tuesday. George Hill made a business trip to Marcola Tuesday. M. Hill made a business trip to Eugene last Tuesday.

COBURG

Coburg December 30.—Mr. and Mrs. Scott Wilkinson were in Eugene Saturday on business. Mrs. Frank Purcell and daughters, Misses Agnes and Alma of Marcola, are visiting relatives here, this week. Carl Hopkins transacted business in Walter Drury was in Eugene last week. Mrs. N. J. Nelson, Jr. has been ill for the past week, but is improving now. E. R. Payne was in town today on business. Phillip Bishop, was in Eugene last week. Ray Pirtle, Phillip Bishop, William and Walter Zachery went on a "bike" in the mountains Wednesday, returning Friday. Although the weather was rather cold they had a splendid time. Miss Storey of Eugene is conducting the singing class at the Christian church this week. Mrs. L. Count visited her daughter, Mrs. Frank Sidwell of Springfield last week. Mrs. L. W. Permenter was a Eugene visitor today. Tom Van Duyn was in Eugene last week on business. Mrs. Chas. Tyler was a business caller in Eugene Thursday. H. M. Anderson and son, Charles were in Springfield Wednesday on business. Mrs. E. E. Crandall, who has been very ill for some time, is improving very nicely now. E. E. Crandall motored to Eugene Sunday. William Bettis motored to Eugene last week. The ladies aid met at the Methodist church Wednesday. A fairly large number attended.

Potato Quarantine Amended. Hereafter shipments of potatoes from the Dominion of Canada certified by the shippers to be as sound as is commercially practicable and to contain no more than 10 per cent of tubers showing traces of disease will be admitted at any port of entry of the United States, instead of at certain designated ports only, as in the past. The shipments, if accompanied by certificates of soundness as provided, will not be held by collectors of customs for inspection, except on special notification from the Federal Horticultural Board. An order amending the rules and regulations of the potato quarantine to this effect has just been issued by the Secretary of Agriculture. Under the amended regulations the importer must apply to the Federal Horticultural Board for a permit for importation of potatoes as at present designating the desired port of entry. The foreign shipper must enter the number of such permit on his certificate of soundness. The Federal Horticultural Board has prepared and will send to all applicants for permits forms for shippers' certificates of soundness.

A book on "Exercise and Health" may be had free for the asking from the U. S. Public Health Service?

Getting the Dollar From Under the Stump

How Up to Date Farmers Are Easily and Economically Realizing on Land Hitherto Impossible of Cultivation.

ABOUT 400,000,000 acres of land included in farms throughout the United States are unimproved. Figuring that each acre could be made to produce at least \$25 worth of produce per year, there is approximately \$10,000,000,000 production being lost annually. Quite a tidy figure. And when we take into consideration that in many cases it requires only the removal of sundry stumps and boulders to make this land profitable, it certainly looks as though something might be done to save the waste. "Stumping with dynamite" is both an economical, quick and labor saving method as well as one that is growing in popularity daily.

The method involved in the blasting of a stump is to confine a quantity of explosive in such a manner that when exploded the expanding gases will lift

the stump out of the ground. To secure best results the charge should be placed in the soil well under the base of the stump at the point where the resistance offered to the force of the explosion will be equal on all sides.

Where the soil is of a heavy clay or plastic nature a slow acting powder is preferable, such as farm powder or stumping powder. Where the earth is sandy or loose and is apt to permit the easy escape of gases a fast explosive, such as 40 to 60 per cent dynamite should be used. The condition of the soil with respect to moisture also has a great influence upon the amount of work that a certain quantity of powder will do. After heavy rains when the soil is saturated to the base of the stump and the subsoil is just damp is a most favorable condition.

No set rules as to the amount of powder necessary to blast a certain

kind or size of stump can be given, since different conditions govern all cases. Two stumps of the same size, kind and age of cut, when one is grown on well drained soil where the roots must penetrate a great depth for water and the other is grown on soil where there is always water near the surface, will demand different treatment for extraction. The older stumps, especially if from timber free from resin, require less powder. The exact amount necessary for set conditions can, however, be readily determined with a little experimenting.

Few tools and supplies are required. A one and one-half inch wood auger with a shank about four and one-half feet long, a medium sized crowbar, a round pointed shovel and a wooden tamping stick, together with the powder, fuse and caps, will serve to fill the bill.

Society Doings of the Season

NEEDLECRAFT LADIES ENTERTAIN HUSBANDS AT ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

One of the most looked-forward to, and also most thoroughly enjoyed occasions of the winter season occurred on New Year's night when the members of the Needlecraft club were hostesses for their annual dinner of the Needlecraft club in an entertainment to their husbands. The affair was held at the Carl Fischer home on Emerald Heights, which was suitably decorated with Christmas greens and a Christmas tree. The latter bore comic gifts for each person present. First came the dinner, which consisted of three courses, and was served at small tables in the dining and living rooms, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Some of the men who were guests declare it was "some dinner." The manner of choosing partners was unique; the ladies had the choice (in spite of the fact that it is leap year no more), and selected the pair of feet they wanted, the owner to the same being concealed behind a curtain. After dinner, the chief amusement was a "circus," which was held in the downstairs rooms, and which was announced by attractive hand painted placards made by Mrs. Edgar Martin. The "circus" included a wonderful snake charmer who appeared quite at home with a monstrous green reptile wound around about her; a fat lady, weighing 470 pounds; a gypsy with a real hand organ and a realistic monkey; nigger babies in a shooting gallery; clowns, red lemonade, and in fact all the other attractions which go to make up the real "big show." After the guests had spent money provided them at the circus the remainder of the evening was made enjoyable with games and songs. The occasion was, as a whole, a most successful one. Those present included: Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bally, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Beaver, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Fry, Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Mortensen, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar E. Martin, Superintendent and Mrs. R. L. Kirk, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Pollard, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Drury, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Jarrott, Mrs. Mae Stevenson, Mrs. Minnie Fischer of Marcola, and Mrs. Carl Fischer.

C. F. C.'s MEET AND INITIATE

John Dimm, Junior, was host* for the other members of the C. F. C.'s, a club of a number of young men who attend the Methodist Sunday School last evening. At about 7:45 the boys met for a short business session, after which they adjourned to the hall to watch the basketball game between the local Methodist team and the Eugene Atlas club. After this, the boys returned to the Dimm home on Seven and C streets, where Frank Hardy and Russell Dimm were initiated into the mysteries of the club. Games were played and light refreshments enjoyed. A special committee will hold another meeting tonight to make plans for a joint social to be held with the Philatheans soon. The officers and charter members of the C. F. C., which has recently been organized, are as follows: Norman Byrne, president; Bill Hill, vice president; John Dimm, Junior, secretary and treasurer; Ray Bally, James Lewis, Gordon Byrne, Verdox May, Jerry Van Valzah, Glen Wolley, and Walter Gossler. Sam Bartholomew is teacher and class advisor.

HAVE DINNER GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Beals entertained with a dinner party at their Fifth street home on Saturday evening for Miss Nolle Beaver, who was here from Salem on a visit, and for Miss Minnie Beaver, who is to return soon to her home at Ashland. Additional guests were Norman Byrne and Fenner Travis.

RUTH SCOTT ENTERTAINS

A jolly "Rook" party was held at the home of Miss Ruth Scott on east Main street Tuesday evening. With the assistance of able partners Walter Dimm was finally pronounced high point winner. At the conclusion of the games delicious refreshments were served by the delightful hostesses. Those who enjoyed the hospitality of the Scott home were the Misses Frances Bartlett, Myrtle Copenhaver, Ruth Scott, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Scott, Paul Scott, Walter Dimm and Randall Scott.

HAS LUNCHEON GUESTS

Mrs. James T. Moore had as luncheon guests on New Year's day Miss Margaret Morris and the following four Springfield girls who are students at the Monmouth Normal school this year: Miss Myrtle Copenhaver, Miss Olive Smith, Miss Grace Male, and Miss Kate Lansbery.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Eggmann entertained Clytie Hall at luncheon today.

BAD TEETH ARE REPORTED AMONG RURAL CHILDREN

Half Have Defective Teeth And Few Use Brush Regularly—Few Go To Dentist.

A recent investigation made by the U. S. Public Health Service in connection with studies of rural children showed that 49.3 per cent had defective teeth, 21.1 per cent had two or more missing teeth, and only 16.9 per cent had had dental attention. Over 14 per cent never used a tooth brush, 58.2 per cent used one occasionally and only 27.4 per cent used one daily. Defective teeth reduce physical efficiency. Dirty, suppurating, snaggle-toothed mouths are responsible for many cases of heart disease, rheumatism, and other chronic affections. The children are not responsible for the neglected state of their teeth. The ignorant and careless parent is to blame for this condition—a condition which hampers mental and physical growth and puts a permanent handicap on our future citizens. School teachers can and are doing much in inculcating habits of personal cleanliness on the rural school child but this will fall of the highest accomplishment unless parents co-operate heartily and continuously. This is a duty we owe our children.

MERGES STATE OFFICES IN ORDER TO SAVE

Continued from page one. expenditures of the stallion registration board could be saved by the proposed consolidation, it is stated. The state tax commission is composed of two active commissioners, the governor, secretary of state, and state treasurer. By reducing the membership of the active commissioners to a single commissioner, and practicing further economies, fully \$16,000 could be saved biennially.

HOMESTEAD BILL BRINGS INQUIRIES FROM OREGON

Continued from page one. five miles for driveway over 35 miles in length. Sheep and goats to be moved on driveways not less than three miles a day; Cattle and horses to be moved not less than six miles a day.

PERSONAL

Mrs. Hannah Hill who has been confined to her home, suffering with a heavy cold, is now improving. H. S. Selbert and family of Kentucky have moved to this city and are living in one of E. M. Duryee's houses on Eighth and A streets. J. W. Barringer, house mover, is finishing the moving of the house recently purchased by Mrs. Braisbridge from F. E. Kepner onto the former's lot in Kepner's addition, today.

Local Lodge Members Visit.

Among the Springfield Odd Fellows and Rebekahs who were guests at the dinner and installation ceremonies of the Eugene branches of the same orders last night were: District deputy H. E. Walker, who was installing of fees for the subordinate lodge, and Mrs. Walker, Mrs. A. S. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Durrin, E. W. Collins, Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Beaver, Mrs. R. P. Mortensen, Mrs. E. J. Reynolds, J. P. Fry, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brummette, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Griffin, Mrs. Mame Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Barnard, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Dority, W. F. Walker, Mrs. Katherine Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lyon, Mrs. Zella Cantrell, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bally, Mrs. Georgia Hayden, Mrs. Nollie Ragan, Mrs. Mary Magill, and Miss Estella Magill, Will Bishop, Mrs. Lucina Richardson, Mrs. Vina McLean, Mrs. William Donaldson, and Mrs. D. J. Glendenning.

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Classified Ads

For Sale, Rent, Wanted, Etc.

WANTED to trade for hay. A fine-yearling heifer, see, D. Spencer at West Springfield. 2 t.

FOUND—On Main street, child's white fur neck piece. Owner may get it at news office by paying for this ad.

FOR SALE—Fresh cow with heifer calf three weeks old. Cow three-fourths Jersey. Phone 54 or Eugene 259.

LCST: Pair double lens glasses in case, large glass. Return to News Office. Reward 1-4

WANTED for box factory, steady work—one planer, three cut off men, three band sawyers, one circular resawyer. Fruit Growers Supply Co., Hill, Cal."

FARM LOANS—At the lowest rate and on the easiest terms to be had. J. C. Holbrook, Springfield.

FOR INFORMATION regarding homestead entries in Central Oregon, write enclosing stamped envelope to A. O. King or D. D. Tussing, Brothers, Oregon.

COCKERALS FOR SALE: White Leg horn pure bred O. A. C. strain, six months old, \$1.00 each. Call at 710 C street.

FOR SALE—Practically new Olivar Typewriter number 5. Machine is equipped with tabulator and back spacer. It is in good running order. Call at the News office and have it demonstrated. Terms.

GROCERIES

OUR MOTTO Quality, Service, Price Subject to market change

- 13 lbs. best granulated sugar \$1.00
15 lbs. white beans 1.00
16 lbs. rice - - - 1.00
6 lbs. roast coffee - - 1.00
12 cans milk - - - 1.00
3 pkgs. Golden Rod oats 1.00
3 pkgs. Albers oats - 1.00
1 lb. peanut butter - 15c
3 lbs. macaroni - 25c
4 lbs. Arm & Hammer soda 25c
6 bars White Bear soap 25c
6 bars Clean Easy soap 25c
Cottoline, large size - \$1.95
5 lbs. pure lard - 1.05
10 lbs. pure lard - 2.05
4 rolls toilet paper - 25c
50 lbs. Blue Ribbon salt 70c
50 lbs. half ground salt 35c
100 lbs. half ground salt 65c
Flour, Booster, best grade soft wheat 1.70
Flour, Dallas Patent, best hard wheat 2.20

We buy everything and sell everything to eat and wear. 2 per cent off for cash, or account paid in full in 30 days.

COX & COX, Springfield, Ore.

BASKETBALL

Saturday, January 6, 1917

OLD OPERA HOUSE 7:45 o'Clock

Christians vs. Methodists

Preliminary Booth-Kelly 2nd vs. Baptist 2nd

- These will be two of the fastest games in the series. Come out and support your team.

Admission 10 cents

COOK WITH GAS. Oregon Power Co.