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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1925.

Editorial Program

- I. Make Springfield the Industrial Center of Western Oregon.
- II. Develop a Strong Trading Point; Build a City of Contented Homes.
- III. Improve Living Conditions on the Farm. Promote the Raising of Purebred Livestock and the Growing of Fruit; Work for Better Markets.
- IV. Tell the World About Oregon's Scenic Wonderland.

Colonial William Mitchell has been suspended from rank and deprived of pay in the army for five years by a courtmartial convened to convict him. In other words Mitchell is to be retained in the army during the most useful part of his life without authority or pay. If he were not comparatively well-to-do he probably would starve to death before the five years is up trying to live up to the conditions of his sentence. Talk about military oppression in time of peace. If we haven't got congressmen that will change this dastardly condition we need a new deal all around.

Carl Sherman, New York's former attorney general, properly complains against criticism of lawyers who take criminal bankruptcy and matrimonial cases. According to some folks lawyers should act only in cases of "respectable law breaking."

It is hard to understand why that Connecticut man who telephoned for the undertaker before he hanged himself was so discourteous. When the burial man arrived he found the door locked in his face. Such an insult.

Sir William A. Lane tells England that prohibition in America is a farce. Nothing of the kind. In New York they are setting it to music and making it a comic opera.

No wonder the Berlin chauffeur who was cut down by his mates when found hanging to a beam, beat up his saviors when he regained consciousness and ran home in disgust. Personal liberty must not be interfered with.

Red Grange, earning \$300,000 in two days has proven that a modern college education is well worth while.

THE PRESIDENT'S FARM SPEECH.

Our western farmers may have thrilled when President Coolidge told them that it was "the embattled farmers" who stood at Concord Bridge and "fired the shot heard around the world," and that in "those tillers of the soil of the great prairie states, prophets, pioneers of freedom, who rose to power in time to make it possible for Lincoln to save the Union" America recognized the men who "turned the tide for the cause of Liberty in the great World war." Unquestionably when pause followed period there must have been a hearty round of applause; but "when they woke up in the morning" many of these same farmers were asking themselves how come that the spirit of Concord Bridge seems all wrong when it comes to battling against the industrial and legislative exploitation that has dragged men who feed the world down to the level of slaves of the soil.

The president spoke truly when he told his farmer friends that "it is not merely for a supply of food that we look to the farms, but as a never failing source from which we can always replenish the manhood and womanhood of the nation." He might have added that it is the farmer also to whom we look to absorb the major portion of American manufactured commodities, and that when the farmer fails to buy, the effect of stagnant trade is felt in every nook and corner of the land. He might have added too, that the farmer has grown tired of being jockeyed into making just enough money to keep the "wheels of industry humming," that he senses with the secretary of agriculture the oppressive injustice of present freight rates, and sees little relief in sight.

Possibly the president may be right in his denunciation of price fixing as a paternal offering that should find no place in the republic, but it must be remembered that the farmers have been driven to desperate ends. They have been used so long and so often that the spirit of Concord Bridge is clearly in the air and their backs are against the wall. Sound government aid in cooperative marketing probably will bring relief, but let it not be forgotten that the call to arms demands action, rather than oratory.

Now the wets organize a congressional bloc. They can make up their minds that liquids are a poor base for solidity.

This has been a Christmas all over the country that remembered the poor as well as the rich.

A bee dies when he stings you but not the bum stock salesman.

The gent who first referred to a small sum as "Chicken Feed" probably had never taken one to a gilded cafe.

We rise to ask what will constitute a radical 50 years from now.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!

RED LETTER DAYS

By A. B. CHAPIN



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, ROSEBURG, OREGON, November 28, 1925.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION FOREST EXCHANGES
Notice is hereby given that on September 2, 1925, W. H. Malone, of Corvallis, Oregon, filed application No. 818197 under the Act of March 29, 1925, (42 Stat. 465) to exchange the N 1/4 NE 1/4 & N 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 25, Township 16, S., Range 3 West, W. M. within the Nislaw National Forest, for the Timber on the NE 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 25, Township 20 S., Range 3 East, W. M., within the Cascade National Forest.

The purpose of this notice is to allow all persons claiming the lands selected, or having bona fide objections to such application, an opportunity to file their protests with the Register and Receiver of the United States Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon. Any such protests or objections must be filed in this office within thirty days from the date of first publication of this notice, which first publication is December 10, 1925.
ROBERT E. CRAWFORD,
Acting Register.
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Go to Idaho—Alton Klotz, who has been spending the autumn months at the home of his aunt, Mrs. L. K. Page, left late last week to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents in Weiser, Idaho. He has been living there and attending the University of Oregon at Eugene.

De Pue Guests Come—Mr. and Mrs. Frank De Pue will have as their guests for Christmas, Dr. and Mrs. Wilnot Foster, of Portland, and Frank De Pue, Jr. Dr. Foster, who is an instructor at the University of Oregon Medical school in Portland, is a graduate of that institution.

Thurston Visitors Here—Chris Hanson and his family were in Springfield Wednesday.

FOR SALE—Carbon paper in large sheets, 26x39 inches, suitable for making tracings. The News Office

First Scout Meeting Held.

The Boy Scouts held a meeting Monday evening with W. P. Tyson and Clayton Barber in charge. Six members of the first troop to be organized in Springfield were present. Applications of five other candidates are being considered. One more boy has been accepted for membership in the troop.

Uniforms will not be ordered until the "Tenderfoot" degree has been taken by the candidates. It is thought that they will complete the necessary work rapidly, since one or two have been scouts in other towns, and the others have had some scout work.

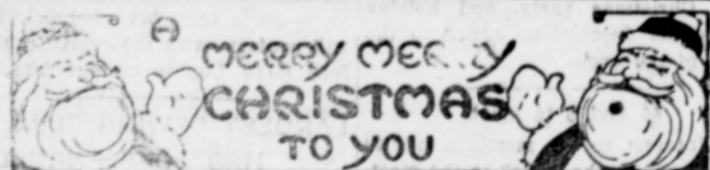
Go to Albany—William Burnett and son left Wednesday afternoon to spend Christmas with relatives in Albany.

Christmas Greetings

Accept our Sincere Good Wishes for Continued Prosperity and Happiness; Also our Thanks for the Favors Received from You During the Past Year.

ELECTRIC SHOE SHOP

JOHN H. WILL, Prop.



With full appreciation of the many courtesies shown during the past year, we extend our Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

SANITARY MARKET

HOLVERSON BROS.

505 Main St.

Phone 80



Not because it is an honored custom, but because of the sincerity of our appreciation, we take this opportunity to thank you for the part you have played in our business prosperity the past twelve months, and we wish you a good old Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Newland Company



Heartiest Greetings and Best Wishes to you for Christmas and the coming year.

INDEPENDENT MEAT CO.



We wish to Extend to You the Season's Greetings and Express Our Sincere Wishes For Your Prosperity the Coming year With a Continuance of the Friendly Relations Between Us.

A. R. Sneed Dept. Store



In Appreciation of Your Good Will We Extend the Season's Greetings, and Wish For You a Most Prosperous New Year

SPRINGFIELD BAKERY



We desire to extend to you the Compliments of the Season and express our sincere wishes for your Prosperity the coming year with a continuance of the cordial relations existing between us.

GRAY'S CASH & CARRY