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In New York there are more kinds of charity and philanthropy than any place on earth; and the more they dole out alms the more misery and graft flourishes. Indeed, some people believe that the big grafters encourage charity to be the more secure in their big business undertakings.

We invite home-builders to come among us and be friends and neighbors; and when they come we treat them as personal enemies by fining them for every evidence of industry.

Any organization of a political or industrial nature in Oregon that does not propose constructive measures to the people has but little justification or excuse for existence.

Why not pledge our candidates for United States Senators and Representatives to resign if requested to do so by the people?

A tax on the implements of agriculture is notice to the farmer that we want him to be as out of date as possible.

Why should not every woman in Oregon left with a family to support be given a pension for her minor children.

Governor Osborn of Michigan says in ten years women will vote in every state in the union.

Every child in Oregon is entitled to free text books as a part of his education.

A tax on improvements on land is a fine on all the virtues.

Only two more days to buy your Christmas presents.

Merry Christmas!

**School Notes**

School will close Friday, not to reopen until Tuesday, Jan. 2.

Miss Pugsley will spend the holidays as her home in Seattle.

The Christmas exercises are to begin at 7 o'clock so that the small children will not have to be kept up so late.

Miss Bump will visit with home folks near Gervais during the vacation.

The State Teachers' Association will meet in Portland Dec. 28 and 29.

Miss Evans will spend the holidays at home.

A package not to exceed ten cents in value is to be the price of admission to the Christmas exercises.

Be careful! That's my sore arm!!

Supt. L. L. Gooding will attend the State Teachers' Association meeting in Portland.

The Christmas exercises will start as soon after 7 o'clock as possible. If you desire a seat come early. Doors open at 6:30.

Be sure your stocking is large enough so that Old Santa can see it.

Have you sent any Christmas present to someone you know will not be able to give one in return? That is the only kind of real Christmas gift.

The girls of the geometry class have difficulty these days to keep from calling circles—rings.

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The Boys Liked a Pair of Red Slippers

"WE'VE got such a nice teacher we'd like to give her a present for Christmas," said Evelyn.

"Yes, and the teacher in our room is first rate. The girls are getting each of us to give money so we can buy her something. Can I have a quarter, daddy?" asked Jack.

"Seems to me if I provide the quarter I will be giving the gift," said daddy.

"I'm going to make Miss Bunn a nice present," remarked Evelyn. "Mother will cut out some linen and show me how to make a pretty book cover."

"That would be very nice," said daddy, "and, if I am not mistaken, Miss Bunn will be better pleased with a gift that shows loving effort on your part than she would with any trifle you could buy for her."

"Well," said Jack, "I don't see what I could make for our teacher. I couldn't embroider a magazine cover very well."

"You make very nice things with your scroll saw. Perhaps your teacher would like a nice book shelf or a pretty box like that you made for grandma's handkerchiefs."

"I never thought of that," said Jack. "I'll start something tomorrow."

"It would be a good plan, for I haven't any faith in the sort of presents that a lot of school children go out and buy for teacher," daddy replied.

"I remember when I was about ten years old I was one of a lot of boys who went shopping for teacher's Christmas present. The young lady was very much liked, and boys and girls were each going to get something for her. We boys were too proud to ask the girls to help us, and when we got into the shops we were very much bewildered."

"We looked at a great many things, but finally made up our minds to buy a handsome red plush box. The next question was what to put in it. Some of the boys thought handkerchiefs would be the thing, others voted for gloves, but at last we agreed to buy a pair of slippers."

"When we went into the shoe store our eyes were dazzled by a pair of red velvet slippers embroidered in bright red and yellow silk."

"Well, on the last day of school we gave them to teacher. You should have seen her face! It was redder than the plush box."

"All the presents were placed on her desk where every one could admire them. I wish you could have heard the things our girl schoolmates said about us and our gift to teacher."

"You see, we had forgot to ask for lady's slippers. We had bought teacher a pair of men's slippers big enough to fit grandfather's gouty feet. Now, what do you think of that?"

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