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SANTA CLAUS VISITS GRESHAM

Santa Claus, the king of Christmas, when he came down from the north pole on a tour of inspection made one of his first calls in Gresham. Perhaps he was planning to compare the holiday displays with those of other places, or maybe he was giving the store keepers a few suggestions to keep them in the lead of competing rivals elsewhere; but he was here and looked into every window, measured every chimney with a critical eye and whispered to his reindeers the route they would take tomorrow night when they started out to distribute the load especially prepared for the good children who were to be remembered.

Santa's annual visit was not heralded beforehand, and though he was expected and was sure to come he slipped in unawares and made the tour of every place where his goods are on display. His booking orders were filled long ago and it was with a great smile of satisfaction that he noted the tempting arrays from his factory before he passed on to other places on the same errand that brought him to Gresham.

In all the windows he saw the evidences of his handicraft and noted the approving looks that greeted them from the eager, questioning eyes of all the boys and girls and from the eyes of papas, mamas, and other relatives as they pondered what to give a loved one as a token of the great event at hand.

It was in the windows of Shattuck, of Lindsey, of the C. C. Store, of Aylsworth, of Burke, of Metzger Bros., of Bragg & Duncan, of the Drug company, of the Novelty Shop, of Sterling & Kidder's, of Schneider's art studio, of Carlsons, of the City Bakery and in fact in every window where the north pole products nestled by the side of more material articles, that Santa Claus paused for a glance of approval and a nod as he hurried by.

That he was not seen by many was because he doesn't dress in his arctic furs except on Christmas eve or on special occasions. When he was here he was on business, laying out his plans for the flight that will take him all over the world, and he was unknown to all except the favored few with whom he had to consult.

It is greatly to the credit of Santa and to the merchants of Gresham that their business deals resulted in such an assembling of the articles each and every person wanted. It betrayed an extensive knowledge of the needs of the district. But then it is known that Santa has a clear insight into the minds of everyone as well as a good business head on his shoulders and there is just the right amount of the right things for everybody and Santa Claus will come again tomorrow night with his reindeers and leave them where they all belong and where he has destined them to be placed.

Santa's business is great and growing, but he is big and broad of mind and he is growing with the business. He will prepare to come again and again and there will be continued joy among his waiting admirers in anticipation of his coming.

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY WAS SUCCESSFUL

The Junior class play entitled, "The Junior," as rendered at the Scenograph theater last Friday night, was one of the brightest, classiest amateur plays ever witnessed in Gresham. It was thoroughly appropriate for the occasion, was well adapted to the young students who took part in it and so far as we know there has not been an unfavorable comment. The leading parts were presented by Harry Stanley, as "The Junior," other strong parts were Willy Rockwell, by Glenwood Miller; Julia Highfield, by Katherine Honey; Janet Hale, by Laura Shipley; and Violet, by Mabel Shipley. A very large audience greeted the young players and the various classes filled in the time between acts with rousing class yells and songs. A very pleasing feature of the evening was the music by the high school orchestra. The proceeds of the evening are stated to have been about \$80.

Take a flashlight picture of your Christmas tree. It's easy with Eastman flash sheets. For sale by W. R. Burke, Jeweler.

PLEASANT VALLEY BAPTIST church. Sunday School at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m.; Young People's meeting 6:30; preaching at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Mr. Hoy, Pastor.

SAN GRAEL AT POOR FARM

Sixty members of the San Grael Christian Endeavor society of the First Presbyterian church of Portland came out to the Multnomah poor farm on Sunday for the purpose of holding Christmas service in the chapel and distributing Christmas boxes to each of the 200 inmates.

Christmas dainties were in every box and none were forgotten. In addition the women inmates were each presented with a warm dressing sacque, and a bright, blooming plant was placed by each bed in the sick ward.

The San Grael society has made it a custom for several years to visit the farm on the third Sunday afternoon in December. Their coming is eagerly anticipated. Dr. J. H. Boyd was in the party on Sunday and preached a brief Christmas sermon.

A chorus of voices sang a special musical program of Christmas hymns and carols.

The occasion was one to help gladden and cheer the poor unfortunates who would otherwise be shut out from any part in the festivities of the Christmas season.

EMIL G. KARDELL AS POSTMASTER

E. G. Kardell is making preparations to move his family and household goods to Manzanita beach, where he has established a growing mercantile business. He has been instrumental in getting the government to establish a new postoffice there and expects to be the first postmaster. His application is before the department with 90 signatures and he has submitted to the necessary examination for the place. He will also have a local and long distance telephone installed.

The new postoffice and telephone line will embrace three beach resorts and will be a good convenience to the people living there as well as the hundreds of visitors who will gather there during the summer months.

Postmaster Kardell sounds good. His many friends are hoping that he will gain the position and the title.

BURGLARS RAID BELLROSE STORE

A successful raid on the store of Barrick & Co., at Bellrose, early Saturday morning netted about \$200. When the store was opened in the morning it was found that a panel had been cut from the front door by use of a brace and bit which were found in the road. A reward of \$50 was offered for the arrest of the thieves.

The goods taken were eight pairs corduroy pants, eight pairs jean pants, two blue flannel shirts, 30 pairs of gloves, 25 pocket knives, five umbrellas, three watches, one gold, and about \$25 in money. The sheriff's office is looking for the looters and hopes to trace them through the stolen merchandise.

GRESHAM MILK ROUTE TO QUIT

Influences are conspiring to put Gresham dry with a vengeance on New Year's day. The present milk supply, operated by Peter Neururer, will be discontinued on that date, and so far no one has been found to take the route.

Ernest Schwedler began the delivery of milk here two years ago but gave up the business to Mr. Neururer who has determined to quit and is advertising his dairy herd for sale at public auction.

The field will be open for anyone who wants to supply the people with milk after the last day of this month.

HARD TIMES BALL NEW YEAR'S EVE

A genuine hard times dance, with two cash prizes as an inducement to wear your worst clothes, will be given at the Commercial Club hall Gresham, on New Year's eve. The gentleman who sustains the best character of hard luck will get \$2.50; the lady, \$1.50. There will be good management and a good time. All are welcome. Come and dance the old year out and the new year in to the best four-piece union orchestra ever here. Dancing 8:30 to 3. Tickets, \$1.00; gentlemen spectators 25 cents; ladies free. Supper at the Congdon. \$7.

A Laurel Range would suit the housekeeper for a Christmas present. At Sterling & Kidder's.



Christmas Greetings

ON this glad occasion of Peace on earth, Goodwill to men, the Outlook is mindful of its obligation to its ever increasing and appreciative subscribers and patrons and to all we extend hearty wishes for the seasons blessings.

A Merry Christmas Be Yours

HE KNEW THE TWO GRAY HORSES

A subscriber from Boring writes appreciatively of the Outlook's Christmas number and thinks it is a splendid edition and shows enterprise. "I was much interested," says this writer, "in the article entitled, 'Gresham Eleven Years Ago,' as it has been a little over ten years since I first saw Gresham, and well remember conditions just as rehearsed in that article.

But what touched me even more perhaps was "A Friendly Horse Sale," on page 8. The writer is glad to remember that 'old man' among his friends. Old perhaps in time as we count the years now-a-days, but young in spirit, 72 years young.

The writer has often enjoyed the sight of those holly trees and other shrubbery, has even used the 'old gray team,' by kindness of the owner when other horses were hard to get. He has enjoyed the genuine old-fashioned hospitality of that 'old man' and his good wife in their home at a time when it was needed

Dandy line of Pocket Knives and Cutlery at Sterling & Kidder's.

and therefore all the more appreciated.

Such people are all too rare in this lust-for-gold age and that they may have yet many years of enjoyment among the trees, shrubs and flowers is the earnest wish of a friend."

Portland is in the throes of a war over tango. The dancing disease is trying to creep into the public schools, and should be kept out along with all other forms of dancing there. It may be harmless elsewhere and it will have its sway, but those who are endeavoring to keep it from the school children while in school will meet with opposition from those who believe that dancing is good anywhere.

Time Extended.

Only a few more days will be given on subscriptions to the Weekly Oregonian at bargain rates. The price for it and the Outlook in combination for one year is \$1.75. This offer will positively close on Jan. 1.

See the Bonita Bicycle at Sterling & Kidder's Hardware Store.

XMAS DAY AT THE PICTURE SHOW

The management of the picture show has arranged to give a matinee Xmas afternoon at 2:30. Admission 5 cents.

The evening program will be specially adapted to the occasion with an entire change from the afternoon program.

There will be no show Wednesday night on account of the Xmas programs at the churches

New Auto Express Line for Gresham

The Portland-Gresham Auto Express has been started by Grant & Hutton. They will make daily trips to and from Gresham and solicit any hauling large or small. Their headquarters in Gresham will be at Shattuck's store where goods and orders can be left for them. This will be a great convenience to all residents and near-by farmers. Rates \$2.00 a ton delivered anywhere in Portland or left at Shattuck's store. Minimum charge 25c.

\$5000 or less to loan on farm land; current rates. Box 161, Gresham.

SILVER THAW WITH SNOW

The western part of Oregon had a narrow escape from another "silver thaw" on Sunday, when the icy north wind brought down a stinging sleet which froze as it fell and soon formed a thin veneer on every surface exposed to its fury.

However, the temperature went up and the sleet was turned to snow. About two inches fell during the night and yesterday morning the ground was covered with a mantle of "the beautiful," but it began to dissolve as the air grew warmer and melted slowly during the day which was one of gray skies but with no rain.

Yesterday was the shortest day of the year. The span of daylight, according to the almanac was nine hours and three minutes. Today the sun began its northward journey, and each succeeding day will have a little more light until the sun reaches its northern limit and swings back again toward the south.

The lengthening days will not be observed, however, until the next full moon which will make the day seem longer. From then on the daylight hours will gradually lengthen until the full summer is upon us.

NEW CORNER STONE LAID AT SANDY

The corner stone of the new Yunker building at Sandy was placed in position last Thursday. Workmen and citizens gathered near the northeast corner of the building where a few remarks were made appropriate to the occasion by the architect, builder and owner, after which an iron box was placed in the concrete in which were copies of several newspapers, views of Sandy, photographs of the Yunker family, a copy of the new city charter, a coin of 1913 and a horseshoe.

The Yunker building is the first reinforced concrete structure in Sandy and is replacing the two frame buildings owned by Casper Yunker which were destroyed by fire early in October.

ERROR CORRECTED IN EQUITY AD.

The price list of the Equity Warehouse Co., 203 Stark street, Portland, which gives quotations on both buying and selling prices, contains two errors, one of which makes an important change in the cost of bran. That commodity was listed three dollars a ton too high and should have read \$20.50.

The other item refers to White Rose potatoes, only the word "Early" was used.

The Equity people are offering goods at lowest possible sale prices, and are prepared to take orders in any quantity.

Progress of County Demonstration Policy.

The policy of securing county field and farm demonstration agents is making rapid progress among the counties of Oregon. Already five counties in various parts of the state have complied with all requirements and made the necessary appropriations for maintaining the county agents in co-operations with the Oregon Agricultural College. These five counties, together with the sum appropriated by each, are as follows: Lane, \$2000; Crook, \$1500; Coos, \$2000; Tillamook, \$2000; and Harney, \$2000.

Two counties, Baker and Grant, have taken steps to establish a district for demonstration work, expenses and benefits to be shared according to agreement. As mining and lumbering are important industries in these counties, it is felt that one farm agent can serve both counties for a time, at least. Legislative provisions have been made to cover such cases.

It is expected that Willamette and Marion counties will be among the next to make provision for securing county agents Malheur, Union and Klamath are seriously considering the question. Douglas county officers are being importuned by influential farmers to establish the system, and Jackson county has taken up the matter with Professor French, State Leader of Agriculture, who expects to see the system adopted there at an early date.

When you want to know what to select for appropriate Christmas presents just look over the ads. in the Outlook. They will help you.

Weekly Oregonian subscription offer extended.