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SANTA CLAUS COMES FROM NORTH POLE

Christmas eve was green in the valley and white on the mountains, while Christmas morn broke out a little, just a little, bit white, and then changed back to green again in an hour or two. So it was a green Christmas after all. No matter what it portends everybody felt the spirit of the occasion, for Santa Claus had been around with his reindeer and had distributed all the gifts except those that had been left for the mail carriers to deliver on Christmas morning.

But it was of those reindeer, instead of the snow that most people were thinking. Of course, as long as Santa got around on schedule time to fill the numberless stockings and attended to his business properly there could be no complaint even if there was no snow in the valleys. He came from the north pole, over the snowy mountains, and when he struck the green valleys perhaps the reindeer enjoyed the change and had no difficulty in getting over the bare ground—but then there was just a flurry of snow anyhow.

Nevertheless when those who were out late and saw the way that Santa Claus was driving his deer they thought that Santa was taking some fearful chances when he chose to harness them to his precious load. Those reindeer romped and bucked and kicked and backed and ran round in circles, occasionally making progress straight ahead at the rate of miles and miles an hour, and then losing all the time they had made in playing whip-cracker with the sled to which they had been harnessed.

It was easy to imagine old Santa nicely tucked into his robes with all those Christmas gifts piled around him, starting off from the frozen north behind his wild steeds, but such imaginings could lead only to disaster, to a picture of Santa, reindeer and dolls and trains and neckties and drums spinning around in circles or hurdling snow banks and finally landing in one awful heap somewhere between here and the frigid Arctic circle with no chance of getting anywhere by Christmas morning.

To be sure no such a thing has ever happened in all of Santa's career, but it is easy to see that it might happen any time. It may be that Santa likes the excitement, but he is a little inclined to take, as it were, a sporting chance. That is an uneasy and an unkind thought, however, and it is likely enough that Santa knows how to manage his deer. It may be that they are not just like other reindeer. The very importance of their work may give them an importance that other deer lack. It must be admitted, moreover, that there is no other sort of motive power than those deer. Some of us have considered the advisability of Santa Claus traveling by rail, by automobile or airplane. The reindeer are actually an advantage over them all. The train can get through the snow by digging and blowing its way, but the reindeer can skip along through the drifts no matter how high they are piled and can take a short cut here and there, while a train must run only where tracks are laid for it. An automobile could not do the thing at all. It would be lost in the first drift, and as for the aeroplane, it is a noisy, important affair that would have every child in the town wakened with its enormous buzzing, a very different thing from the sound of sleighbells that only persuade children into sweeter dreams.

Perhaps, after all, the reindeer idea is, like a lot of other things in this world, better left alone, and, considering the faithfulness with which he has so long filled so remarkable a position, it may be that the best thing we can do is to let Santa Claus attend to his own affairs. He certainly did things to the satisfaction of everyone who has been heard from today, and probably everybody is satisfied.

Hard Time Dance.
Given by Multnomah grange in the Multnomah grange hall at Orient, Saturday night, December 30, 1916. Music by Beers' orchestra. Good supper, 50c per couple. Tickets \$1.

Ten per cent discount on pocket knives and cutlery till January 1, at L. L. Kidder Hdw. Co.

PRETTY HOME WEDDING ON CHRISTMAS NIGHT

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hessel on Wallula Heights was the scene of a pretty home wedding, Monday evening at 8:30 o'clock, when their daughter Grace Elida was married to Clarke A. Radford.

The rooms were effectively decorated with Oregon grape, red carnations and Christmas decorations. To the strains of the Wedding March from Lohengrin, played by Miss Mabel Shipley, the bride and groom entered the room and stood in front of the Christmas tree where Dr. A. Thompson read the impressive ring ceremony. Immediately following the ceremony a lunch was served. The tables were beautiful with their decorations of red carnations and ferns. Places were set for twenty-five. Miss Eva Anderson was the lucky finder of the ring in the cake. Miss Evelyn Metzger, the thimble and Mr. John Shultz, the penny. With a suit case carefully filled with rice, lemons, etc., and in an auto that was most plentifully decorated, the bride and groom, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hessel started for Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Radford will make their future home in Black Rock, Oregon, where the groom is a fireman on the railroad.

The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Walters, Mr. and Mrs. A. Radford, Cottrell; Mr. and Mrs. John Shultz, Boring; Mrs. R. B. Belt, Mrs. John Gantenbein, Dr. Hughes, Dr. A. Thompson, Misses Maud, Marguerite and Gladys Michel, Misses Willa and Evelyn Metzger, Miss Pearl Durst, Miss Eva Anderson, Misses Laura and Mabel Shipley, Miss Gertrude Eastman, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hessel, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hessel, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Elkington.

THOMAS H. KENNEDY DIES AT PLEASANT HOME

Thomas H. Kennedy, for many years a resident of Pleasant Home, died there on Sunday after being confined to his home for many years, a sufferer with acute rheumatism.

His age was 71 years and eight months. The funeral took place this afternoon with interment in Mount Scott cemetery. Christian Science services were held in the chapel and at the grave. Mr. Kennedy is survived by his aged wife.

Barber Kills Another.

Martin H. McCall, a barber, killed W. A. Shaner, another barber in the Morgan building barber shop, Portland, yesterday morning over a fancied grudge. Shaner was formerly a barber at Sandy and was about 49 years old.

A hood of tin which fits over a rooster's neck, and head in such a way as to prevent chanticleer's heralding the dawn has been invented. That's what the bird got for crowing near a police station, where men have time to think of such trifles.

Japan is planning to adopt an alphabet of forty-seven letters, including most of the Roman characters, some Russian and the rest original symbols.

A New York scientist has built a camera that can be tilted to any angle to get desired photographs of objects too heavy or fragile to be moved.

In a Paris aerodynamic laboratory for testing a model aeroplane wind speeds as high as seventy-one miles an hour are produced by machinery.

A French aviator has placed a pneumatic buffer in front of the seat of his aeroplane to lessen the shock should he strike the ground heavily.

Switzerland protects rare plants by law so strictly that to be found in the possession of specimens illegitimately collected is a penal offense.

A new cafe and observation car has large windows at the tables so that diners may get a broad view of the passing landscape while dining.

A Yorkshire (England) farmer, employing eight women on his holding of 500 acres, says they "will only work when the weather is fine."

A machine has been developed for spreading fine rock dust on the passageways of bituminous mines to prevent explosions of coal dust.

Russian engineers soon will begin experiments that will cover three years to ascertain if sugar beets can be raised profitably in Siberia.

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE THE SAME BUT PAYMENT MUST BE IN ADVANCE

The Outlook, along with most newspapers of the country, has found it necessary to adopt some plan to offset the greatly increased cost of production. The general method has been to increase the subscription price. The Outlook has adopted the plan of strictly cash-in-advance subscription at the same price as formerly.

Notices of this plan, to take effect January 1, 1917, have been sent to all subscribers. Heretofore the Outlook has been continued until ordered stopped and in many cases the paper has suffered loss which should have been avoided.

We believe the label on your paper will give the correct date of expiration of your subscription. If you find you are in arrears please pay up same at once and renew promptly at expiration. A request in person, by mail or by phone, will insure the continuance of your paper until such time as you can bring or send your subscription.

As this issue of the Outlook goes to press there are four names on the ninth "ten" in the Outlook's profit-sharing subscription campaign. We are hoping that before the close of the campaign, on December 30, there will be at least 100 names, or ten tens to draw from. A strictly cash-in-advance year's subscription, new or renewal, combination or regular, will put your name in the box. Get in early, you'll have more chances.

Owing to an advance in the subscription price of the Evening Telegram, the combination price in connection with the Gresham Outlook will be \$5 instead of \$4.25, after January 1, 1917.

That Christmas Issue.

Our supply of the handsome 12-page Christmas number is not yet quite exhausted and can be had as long as they last at 5 cents the copy. If you wish we will mail them for you at that price. A fine paper to mail to your friends elsewhere. Order now.

GIRLS' SEWING CLASS COMPLETE OWN DRESSES

The sewing class of the 7th and 8th grades have completed the dresses, on which they have been working for some time, under the direction of their teacher, Miss Esther Elford. A recent photograph by Schneider shows the girls in their new gowns, together with their teacher. The dresses are neat and well made and are objects of much pride to the girls and their friends. Besides the dresses, each girl has made a slip and a night gown since the beginning of the school in September. The girls of the class are Nora Pullen, Noma Fultz, Helen Westell, Dorothy Hamilton, Sarah Bachman, Leila Childers, Lena Lindemann, Onieta Stillions, Mae Frakes and Genevieve McAllister.

Class Entertainment.

The Sunshine class of the Methodist Sunday school will give a literary and musical program at the church next Friday evening, December 29. Admission 5 and 10 cents. Everybody invited. A good time assured.

For ventilating in places where blasting is being done there has been invented a varnished canvas pipe, which has the advantage of being practically proof against damage from blasts, as it collapses if struck.

Miss Ella M. Hans, of Ohio, has spent thirty-three years in a factory, and for the last seven years has been a member of the board of factory inspectors of that state.

Cork is one of the world's leading butter markets and lately has become a margarine producing center. It uses large quantities of yellow dye.

A Danish nerve specialist places convalescent patients on top of a piano so that they may be benefited by its vibrations as it is played.

Around the handle of a new umbrella is a soft rubber ring that holds the ends of the ribs firmly and neatly when the umbrella is closed.

For overpowering refractory prisoners an inventor has patented a policeman's club that emits a noxious gas when a button is pressed.

No less than 5000 inventions have been submitted to the naval board in seven months. One shoe that is flexible.

The new bridge across the Tiber at Rome, having a span of 328 feet, is the longest reinforced concrete arch in the world.

Tavern keepers in Scotland have asked permission to employ women bartenders, as men are scarce.

Mrs. James Rodie, age 99, of Melrose, Mass., says eating candy has prolonged her life.

Hawaii is making bricks from lava.

MRS. SARAH F. JACK DEAD AT COTTRELL

Mrs. Sarah Frances Jack died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ella Schneider, near Cottrell early this morning of pneumonia, after an illness of only a few days. She was an early pioneer and was aged 84 years, 10 months and 26 days. The funeral will take place at Pleasant Home M. E. church at 11 o'clock next Thursday morning.

Mrs. Jack is survived by two sons, D. D. Jack of Seaside; G. N. Jack of Los Malinos, Cal., and three daughters, Mrs. Ella Schneider, Miss Sudee Jack of Cottrell, and Mrs. Ethel Hall, of Willamina.

A further obituary of Mrs. Jack will be published next Friday.

Firemen Attention!

The next regular meeting of the Gresham Volunteer Fire department will be held on Tuesday, January 2, 1917, at 7:30 p. m. in the fire hall. All firemen are requested to be present. Very important business.

The practice of numbering houses is said first to have begun in Paris in the year 1512. Berlin, quite contrary to modern German love of system, originally numbered buildings entirely without regard for the street on which they stood.

So firmly do some scientists maintain the theory that changes in metals are due to conditions resembling diseases in organic matter, that a German navy yard maintains an expert to study the question.

The royal British commission on the civil service has recommended an increased admission of women of all grades to the civil service.

Holland has begun operating a new line of steamships that will ply between Amsterdam and the west coast of South America.

By a loan to the government of \$16,000,000 at 8 per cent, secured on taxes, the Bank of England started operations in 1694.

For hotels and similar places a new motor-driven machine will wash and sterilize 1,800 drinking glasses an hour.

An ocean telegraph cable 6000 miles long and costing \$5,000,000 is to be laid between Aden and Hong-Kong.

More than 36,600,000 barrels of oil were used as fuel for locomotives in the United States last year.

British Columbia has begun making loans to farmers under the terms of the law passed last year.

More than 30,000 government civil employes are paid less than \$820 a year each.

Notice.

See S. E. Palmquist for auto robes, auto shawls and gloves for

IMPROVING SEED CROP OF OREGON POTATOES

County Agricultural Agent S. B. Hall will leave for Corvallis Friday to attend a conference to be held Saturday in regard to a means of improving the potato seed crop of the state. The Oregon Agricultural College is much interested in enabling the farmers to increase the production of potatoes and at the same time to supply the California market with seed which can be guaranteed as to freedom from disease, trueness to variety, etc. If such seed can be secured by the California producers they will be willing to pay a premium for it. Consequently the college is working upon a plan for the certification of seed potatoes.

Mr. Hall will attend the program to be offered at the college during Farmers' and Homemakers' week, from January 2 to 6, and will take an active part in the Seed and Potato Growers' convention. He will remain in Corvallis for a conference of Oregon county agents which will occupy the entire week following and will not return to Gresham until about January 15. W. L. Kadderly, assistant county agent, will be in charge of the office during Mr. Hall's absence.

MRS. MARY B. SHELLER WAS BURIED TODAY

Mrs. Mary B. Sheller, wife of S. H. Sheller, whose illness was mentioned on Friday last, died at her home three miles west of Gresham early yesterday morning. Her funeral took place this morning in Multnomah cemetery, Rev. A. C. Brackenbury officiating.

Mrs. Sheller was 57 years, 1 month and 9 days old. She was born in Germany. Besides her husband she leaves several grown children, one of whom is a son-in-law of G. B. Middleton, of Gresham.

REDUCTION IN PRICES HIS SECRET OF SALES

R. R. Carlson has sold the last range of a long line carried in stock. No less than a dozen have been sold in a remarkably short time. Why such a quick close-out? The people have found out to a certainty that there is a real reduction in prices at the Carlson store, which applies to all the remaining stock. Other lines, including the furniture, are all reduced and the public is finding real bargains. Everything must go.

Weather Forecast.

Pacific States: Unsettled with frequent rains probable in this district; temperatures will average near the normal.

The state of Bahia, one of the largest and most important of the Union of Brazil, occupies an area four-fifths the size of France, and has a population estimated at 2,500,000, of which the capital, the city of Bahia, contains 310,000. Its coast line of 635 miles is longer than that of any other state in Brazil and the great San Francisco river is navigable for 620 miles within the state.

Two-thirds of all the male adults in industry in the typical industrial state of Massachusetts (144,000) get between \$10 and \$15 a week. Three men in every 100 get more than \$25 a week.

The sun exceeds the earth in surface 11,750 times; in volume, 1,260,000 times, and in mass 326,800 times. The diameter of the earth is 8,000 miles; that of the sun 860,000 miles.

The sunflower is of much value as a plant. Its seed makes fine food for livestock, its oil is equal to the best linned, and its stalks are as good as coal for producing heat.

A mixture of iron fibers, sand and cement, is being used experimentally in France as a top dressing for highways.

Willesden council bowling greens and tennis courts in England are free every morning to wounded soldiers.

All white garments should be hung in the sunlight; colored garments in the shade.

Everyone has something to buy or sell. Try an Outlook want ad.

Sanitary Market Telephone.

The Sanitary Market has put in a private telephone line. The new number is 831.

They usually get what you want. Try a want ad. in the Outlook.

TWO BROTHERS ARE KILLED BY LOCOMOTIVE

Two young men of Fairview, John and Charles Loser, were killed just east of Troutdale yesterday morning, when the speeder on which they were riding was struck head-on by a west-bound switch engine that was going at the rate of about 35 miles an hour.

Charles Loser was foreman of the riprap crew and, in company with his brother, was on their way to Corbett to bring a friend back to Fairview with them for Christmas. They had arrived within 200 yards of their destination when they were struck by the engine. The accident occurred at a slight curve on the O.-W. R. & N. line. Apparently neither of the men heard the approach of the engine and neither made any attempt to jump to safety.

The engineer in charge of the engine says there was no chance for him to avert the accident and that he could not have stopped his engine in time to avoid the collision, so sudden was the appearance of the speeder coming directly toward him.

Charles Loser was aged 29 and was unmarried. His brother John was 27 and had been married about a year. He was living in Portland and had but recently gone to work for the railroad company under his brother. Both were sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Loser of Fairview.

Charles Loser was killed almost instantly but John lived for half an hour, until Troutdale was reached by the engine bearing the bodies. An ambulance rushed his body to a hospital in hopes that there might be some life left but it was too late. Both bodies are in Portland.

EXCURSION DANCE TO EAGLE CREEK

Arleta Camp No. 805, Woodmen of the World, will give a social and dance, to celebrate the year end on Saturday evening next at the Eagle Creek hall. A special train will leave First and Alder streets at 7:30, and will stop at Gresham.

Portland Camp's drill team will put on an exhibition drill. There will be a full union orchestra and supper at midnight. Dancing will be informal.

ROUMANIA IS THIRD IN GRAIN PRODUCTS

Roumania is one of the richest parts of Europe. After the United States and Russia it is the largest grain growing country in the world. It is one of the world's chief oil fields. Its middle class is probably the richest to be found anywhere.

Military service is compulsory in Roumania, all men between 21 and 42 being liable for service. Infantrymen serve for two years and other arms three years, when the men are drafted into the first and second reserve lines.

Although King Ferdinand of Roumania is a son of Prince Leopold of Hohenzollern and a prince of a non-reigning branch of the kaiser's family, he has French blood in his veins; his grandfather having married a great-niece of the Empress Josephine, consort of Napoleon.

Roumania's navy consists of one protected cruiser, Ellsabetta, of 1,329 tons, and armed with four six-inch guns, seven gunboats, six coast-guard vessels, six first class and two second class torpedo boats, and four river monitors. The merchant navy consists of 757 vessels of 239,748 tons.

William Bennett, of Elkland, Pa., a native of Preston Bisset, Buckinghamshire, England, has sixty cousins fighting with the British army in Belgium and France.

Mrs. Ruth Fuller, of Elmwood, who observed her 88th birthday, exhibited a birthday cake which was made by her sister in Duxbury, who is 93.

The total of all industrial accidents in Pennsylvania, fatal and non-fatal, is 121,180 for the first six months of this year, as against 61,540 reported during 1915.

Nervous Women.

When the nervousness is caused by constipation, as is often the case, you will get quick relief by taking Chamberlain's Tablets. These tablets also improve the digestion. Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.