

Items of Interest From the Rogue River Valley

ASHLAND ARMORY NOW CENTER FOR ATHLETIC TEAMS

ASHLAND, Dec. 30.—Now that disarming is in order, the local armory is becoming a leading center for athletic development as well as promoting the idea of military prowess. No less than half a dozen fraternal and social organizations support basketball teams, and the Y. M. C. A. supplements these lively activities with a business men's volleyball squad. Space in the armory gives scope for these contests to much better advantage than the high school gym, and as a result a major share of these lively athletic tilts will be held within the military structure. Lots of space is yet available in the basement, and a bowling alley is contemplated. Dancing will probably be continued, but if the athletic demand increases beyond present proportions, it may become necessary to reserve the building for strictly athletic and military purposes. No "disarmament" bunk should discourage any community from securing an armory. It is an athletic and social center, regardless of any demands made upon it incident to war's alarms. Take the Ashland institution, for instance, pronounced by Adjutant General White as one of the best in the state. Its civic as well as military status is unsurpassed. There are lecture and club rooms, dining rooms, kitchen, equipment storage, shooting gallery, etc. In addition to which in superfluous space yet available for other purposes as demands may indicate. Medford will never regret installing an institution of the kind, a structure which so conveniently affords headquarters for a community center.

Word received on Thursday from Kingman, Arizona, announces the death on that date of Charles Johnson, formerly of this city where he was well known. He went to Arizona several years ago, seeking a change of climate. Charley was a member of the local Masonic lodge, also of the Modern Woodmen camp here, in which fraternal insurance organization he carried a \$3000 certificate, amply protected.

Among activities at the Presbyterian church in the near future, on Sunday, Jan. 1, the theme for the New Year's sermon at 11 a. m. will be "The Old and the New," the topic being prompted from a reference to Second Corinthians, fifth chapter and 17th verse. Communion will also be observed and new members received. By special request of many members of the congregation, the choir will repeat on Sunday evening the Christmas cantata so admirably rendered last Sunday morning.

At the joint installation of officers of the Masonic lodge and the Eastern Star, on Tuesday evening this week, the ceremony as conducted by the Star was especially commended, the ex officio of the ritual by the worthy matron, Mrs. Elizabeth Bush, and her corps of officers being superb and never equaled in the annals of Alpha chapter. Mrs. Lorena McNair, the incoming worthy matron, also brings to that office experience and tact, being energetic and capable, and it follows that the prestige of the Star's ascendancy will be fully maintained during the succeeding year.

Miss Emma Furr, sister of Mrs. Augusta Bagley, died in this city on Skidmore street. The deceased was formerly from Illinois, and her remains will be taken to the old place of residence for interment.

A student now at the University of

WASHINGTON, Miss Beta Gard, is revisiting familiar scenes and renewing the acquaintance of a host of friends, especially among the younger set, in this vicinity.

Leroy Ashcraft, from Susanville, Cal., is a home visitor during the holiday vacation season; also Glenn Young from the same town, ex-service man, formerly employed by the Fruitgrowers Supply Co., at Hill.

The Presbyterian church Sunday school annex was dedicated on Thursday evening, with appropriate exercises in addition to local ones participated. The addition is a commodious one, fully doubling the capacity by way of accommodations in the edifice.

The Oregon football team went over 2500 miles to compete in a holiday game at Honolulu. O. H. Otto Klum and Hop Spencer directed the activities of the Sandwich Islanders, the Oregon players winning by the score of 47 to 0.

Irwin Bateman, S. P. Engineer, left for Long Beach, Cal., Thursday evening, recalled there by the dangerous condition of his mother, following a serious operation. He lately returned from there.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Cornelius are now grandparents, a daughter having recently been born to Mrs. R. D. Pifer, of Medford, formerly Minora Cornelius.

Among the young folks homecoming during the holiday season is Leo Finerman of Klamath Falls. Kenneth Lilly, attending Stanford University is also here.

Martin J. Love, S. P. passenger conductor, has been summoned to the vicinity of Oregon City, called there by the serious illness of a younger brother, who lives on a ranch in that locality. He left for the north Thursday evening.

Among local teachers visiting elsewhere during the holidays is Miss May Hedrick, who is in Sacramento.

On the basis of 250 as the feminine quota to be summoned for jury duty in Jackson county the ensuing year, probably about half a dozen will be chosen from this direct vicinity.

January 4, 1922, marks return limit on R. P. holiday tickets, the sole limitation being Saturday, Dec. 31. Not much time left to secure 'em.

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At Page Theater Monday, January 2nd



Scene from "Are You a Road Show" at the Page theatre Monday eve., January 2.

The program was a play called "Jolly Joke on Santa," to which great credit is due to Mr. Jacobson and pupils of the 7th and 8th grades for the splendid way all the parts were rendered. The leading ones were James and Ida Patterson, Miss Milton and Walter Wakeman. About 300 sacks of candy were distributed towards which the people of Rogue River had kindly donated. The hall and decorations were superb by the Odd Fellows and the Rebekahs.

The Presbyterian church and Sunday school took great pleasure in providing and distributing toys and baskets of good things to eat to several families.

A party of young folks motored to Ashland Wednesday afternoon to be dinner guests of Miss Gertrude Miksch. Those going were Miss Elizabeth Pennington, Miss Evelyn Carstens, Harry White, Phillip Lloyd and Logan Julian.

EDEN PRECINCT

James Harvey of Myrtle Creek, came up to Phoenix to spend the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. G. C. McClain. Mr. Harvey has been quite sick the last week.

Miss Marion Standliff and her little nephew have gone to San Francisco to spend the holidays, sightseeing and visiting relatives.

Aubrey Furry returned to his home near Phoenix from Eugene, to spend Christmas with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Will High of Talent, went to Grants Pass to spend Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Archie Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Roames and family were at the home of Mrs. Roames' parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Furry in Phoenix, Christmas.

Ed Lockwood, proprietor of the White Wing poultry farm, has been quite ill the past ten days, it being feared he might have to undergo an operation.

What is the matter with Oregon weather compared with sunny California? It seems they have having a Noah's flood down there.

Miss Edna Nichols of Fern Valley, was the guest of Miss Vivian Standliff Tuesday afternoon.

Guests at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rader, at Christmas dinner were Johnny Hoekersmith, Miss Effie Taylor, Mr. and Mrs.

FIREMAN'S BALL BIG EVENT AT J'VILLE TONIGHT

JACKSONVILLE, Ore., Dec. 29.—The Fire company of Jacksonville are busy making extensive preparations for the Fireman's ball Friday evening, Dec. 26th, 1921.

Mrs. Hattie Denoff was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Bert Childers of Medford on Christmas day.

Mrs. Raymond Phillips, son and daughter are spending the Christmas vacation at their home near Squaw Lake. Mrs. Phillips will remain and the children will return to their school after their vacation.

Mrs. Anna Broad has as her guests this week her son Robert from Portland, and Anna from Oakland, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martin, Geo. Coffenberry and son of Grants Pass were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lindley.

Mrs. Oscar Lewis and sons Robert and Ray of Hornbrook, Calif., are spending their vacation visiting relatives in our city this week.

Vivian Beach and family of Portland are now occupying the old J. N. T. Miller home, and have remodelled the house and expect to remain in our city.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dunnington and son were guests of Mrs. L. McKee Christmas day near Watkins.

Frances Buckley and Miss Kate Buckley of Mt. Angel college returned to their respective homes in the Applegate, where they will spend their vacation, Frances being a student at Mt. Angel and Miss Buckley the college nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ulrich entertained Mr. and Mrs. Harry Luy and family, also Mrs. Ella Cook of Medford Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Sawyer of Yoncalla, Oregon, are guests at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McIntire this week.

Mrs. Dave Jones of Medford, visited her mother, Mrs. Kate Copple Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Chapman had a social evening at their home Monday evening for a number of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Finney were guests of Mrs. Sissie Smith of Grants Pass Sunday.

Word has been received by relatives of the marriage of Pearl Dex Hollingsworth to Mr. Lee of the Portland Tel.

Co. The event took place about ten days ago. They will reside in Portland.

The marriage of Mayme L. Nelson and John Edward O'Brien Saturday evening came as a surprise to their many friends. They will make their home in Jacksonville.

Mrs. S. W. Dunnington left Saturday morning for Klamath Falls where she will visit for a short time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Dunnington.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Cantrill of Weed, Calif., spent several days visiting at the home of their mother, Mrs. S. A. Cantrill, returning Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reter had as their dinner guests during the holidays Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Reter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Clark and son Douglas of Medford, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Polly and John Polly of Medford and Mr. and Mrs. J. Bowland of Weed, Calif., and Miss Claire Coleman.

FLOUNCE ROCK FRILLS

Ralph Boussum of Medford has been visiting Ralph Peyton at the Wm. Lewis ranch near Florence Rock.

Elmer Dawson took a load of shakes to town last Friday. He returned to Trull Monday and visited his sister, Mrs. Jesse Hagadone.

Uriah Gordon is hauling hay from the Peyton ranch this week.

From the way the weather has been acting the last few days it looks as if we may have snow.

Mrs. Elmer Dawson and children motored to town Thursday to take Mr. Peyton out and to spend the week end with relatives and friends.

We are glad to know that Gus Dittworth is able to be up again. We hope he will soon be entirely well.

Uriah Vaughn was a pleasant caller at Frank Dittworth's Saturday.

Mr. Clark and daughter Miss May returned from town Friday with a load of provisions for their store.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. John Richardson, who has been sick for several days, is feeling much better again.

Several of the neighbors attended the Christmas tree at the Rogue River ranch and report a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vaughn and Mrs. Vaughn's sister, Miss Zella Pence are spending the holidays with Mrs. Vaughn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pence on Trull creek.

Most everyone welcomed the snow, because it seems more like Christmas time, but we hope it will soon go away now.

Miss Hazel Dittworth is spending the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Gus Dittworth.

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