

**CASH STORE**

## GOOD MAIL AND EXPRESS SERVICE

**No Kick Coming Over Handling of Xmas Rush Here**

Now that the great rush of the holiday season is over it might be well to look back and give "credit to whom credit is due" so far as the mails and express are concerned. Postmaster Ahatrom and his very efficient corps of clerks handled the mail most expeditiously on its arrival, regardless of the hour, and every morning patrons of the office found their mail ready for them. The same was true of Wells Fargo express office, and Agent Thornton kept everything checked up so that delivery could be made at the earliest possible moment.

All this was greatly appreciated, but few people realized the efforts put forth by the Consolidated Stage Company to land the mails and express in Lakeview on time. Most of the Christmas rush comes over the Southern line and usually the roads are fairly good, being frozen hard. This year it was different, the road from Alturas to Davis creek being all but impassable. Extra stages were frequently sent out in order to prevent mail and express matter from being delayed and for a time more than 100 head of horses were at work on the several lines of the company. Owing to the terrible conditions of the roads, wagons would frequently break down, harness would give way, and it is really a wonder that any regularity of mail service could be maintained. The drivers would be wet, cold and tired out and the whole business would apparently be going to the demerit how-ows. Manager Corey, with Agents Fuller and Sullivan at Lakeview and Alturas respectively, were equal to the occasion, however, and by going the limit have surely given the best and most satisfactory service possible.

A few packages, but very few, possibly three or four, are missing, and likely these have been mislaid. That there were no more seems almost miraculous, owing to the large number handled, and shows that the drivers exercised very much care in handling them.

## INFORMATION FOR TIMBER CLAIMANTS

**Many Losing Out For Non-Compliance With Regulation Ruler**

There seems to be a general misunderstanding on the part of applicants relative to the regulations governing timber or stone entries. During the past several months many applications have been rejected by the local U. S. land office because the applicants did not comply with the regulations governing their action when the government failed to file its appraisal within the required nine months. In such instances the applicant is allowed 30 days in which to pay the amount at which he valued the claim when making application. It is not necessary for him to be notified to make the payment, although the land office has taken such action when it came to the notice of the officials, but when such payment is not made the entry is cancelled, and the only way in which the land can be obtained is by another application. The second application cannot be allowed by the local land office, but must be forwarded to the Commissioner at Washington, and he will determine whether or not it will be allowed.

In substance the provisions are as follows: At the time of making the application the applicant must place a valuation on the land and timber of not less than \$2.50 per acre. Then if he is not notified within nine months of the amount of the appraisal made by the government he should within 30 days after the expiration of the nine months send in the full amount of his original valuation of the land and timber. He should do this without notification from the land office, for it is not required that he be notified, and hence if he fails to send in his money his right to the land will be forfeited, with the expiration of ten months from the time he made his filing.

## Carriker Has Leg Broken

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 ters jammed away and came near kicking the daylight out of him. Dr. M. H. Smith was called to attend Mr. Carriker, and on arrival at

## HERMANN CASES DROPPED

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mandate of the Circuit Court of Appeals, got no comfort, nor was he ordered imprisoned as was expected. Mr. Heeny made no recommendation in court with regard to Mays, and will have to dispose of this case later probably after the appeal for pardon has been acted upon.

George Sorenson and a few others charged in the primary indictment will have to stand trial again, as the charges against them were explicitly kept on the docket this afternoon when the sweeping dismissals began. Sorenson has been one of the bitterest fighters against the special prosecutor, and will probably have to face a jury on two charges yet pending against him.

Some of the defendants in what is known as the Blue Mountain case are not dismissed, the charges against Binger Hermann in this connection being selected from the others.

In connection with the Hermann case, the special prosecutor filed a long statement explaining why he recommended the dismissal. This went at considerable length into the details of the case, and recited the poor health of Mr. Hermann, his trial and the hung jury. His friends are immensely relieved at the dismissal, as the narrow margin by which the jury hung before was not at all comforting.

In the defamation of character cases, in which John H. Hall, George Sorenson, Charles F. Lord, Henry P. Ford and others were arraigned for obstructing the way of justice, all were wiped from the docket. In the case affecting the two Downes, no dismissal was made, as the two are fugitives from justice.

As to Binger Hermann, Heeny says: "I am convinced that no further beneficial effect upon society can be secured by his prosecution and conviction, or in other words, by his punishment, and particularly by his imprisonment in the event that he should be convicted upon another trial. Mr. Hermann was indicted in this case on February 13, 1905, and owing to some causes over which he had no control and others over which he did have control, he was not tried until the month of January in this year—a period of practically five years. The humane provisions of the statute of limitations in relation to criminal offenses gives a period of three years after a crime has been committed as the utmost limits within which an indictment may be brought, unless the offense was murder.

"All the foregoing considerations were in my mind at the time of Mr. Hermann's trial last January, but I believed that he was entitled to have a trial which might be a vindication if his guilt was not shown by the evidence, because he had occupied high public office and had been honored during a long period of years by the people of this state. Moreover, I believed that the people of this state and of this Nation were entitled to know what the evidence was which induced a grand jury composed of Oregon citizens to return an indictment against a man who was occupying high public office at the time. Then, again, I had heard the testimony of those witnesses, who appeared before the grand jury at the time of Mr. Hermann's indictment, when the facts about which they were testifying were fresh in their minds, and I believed that the evidence justified his indictment and would justify his conviction.

"I still so believe, and I further believe that the 11 jurors who are reported to have voted for his conviction upon the trial which occurred in January of this year were fully justified by the evidence which was produced at the trial in voting as they did.

"Mr. Hermann is a man of quite advanced years, however—another year has lapsed since his trial—one of the Government's most important witnesses is out of the country and above all, I am convinced that the conviction and punishment of Mr. Hermann, under all these circumstances, and after this long lapse of time, would serve no useful purpose and would be of no benefit to society upon any of the theories which I have mentioned.

"Mr. Hermann's attorney informs me that the aged defendant will gladly welcome the dismissal of this indictment and I am sure that no person desires to see him prosecuted any further on the erroneous theory that it is the province of the criminal law to execute vengeance or retribution against the offender."

## Klamath-Natron Gap

It will probably take two years before the trains of the Southern Pacific between Portland and San Francisco will be routed by way of the Natron cutoff. This was stated by General Manager J. P. O'Brien of the Harriman lines. The 30 mile stretch now

## FIRST BRICK FROM THE HOAG MINES

**Ore Averaged \$40 in Initial Run On Consolidated**

Relative to the first run of the Consolidated mill in the Hoag district the Bidwell Nugget says:

Forty tons of ore was treated and a brick weighing 16 ounces was placed in the Bank of Fort Bidwell to the credit of the company. When it is taken into consideration that a large proportion of the matter run through the mill was ice and snow that had accumulated while getting the mill ready, and that new plates absorbed at least one half the value, it can readily be seen that the ore treated was of the \$40.00 per ton grade or thereabouts. None of the high grade that was sacked and stored was milled.

The mine and mill is practically closed down for the winter as the management very wisely concluded that the expense of operation would be too great owing to their having occupied the time in installing the mill. No final preparation was made to handle the ores from mine to mill and as there is now five feet of snow in the mountains, the task would be both trying and expensive. Extensive operations will be resumed by or before the first of April. Three shifts of miners will be put on. Engineer Del Mar has been secured to assume his former duties; an extra mill operator engaged so that the mill will be kept in operation day and night.

President Stone advised the Nugget reporter that he would purchase a cyanide plant and install it as early as road conditions would permit and also he intended purchasing a portable saw mill to be used in milling lumber for buildings to be erected immediately with the opening of spring, as well as making extensive operations for winter run.

Foreman Dick Mason will remain at the mine during the winter. He will prepare the timbers for the erection of the tram from the Sugar Pine to the mill. Two laborers besides Mason will be kept busy on the work of preparation for an early start in the spring.

## S. P. ANNOUNCES REDUCED RATES

**Possibly a 10 Per Cent Cut in Freight Rates to Lakeview**

J. M. Fulton, district freight and passenger agent for the S. P. Co. wired Col. F. P. Light to the effect that there would be a decided reduction in all classes and many commodity freight rates from all points in California effective January 2. He further stated that it would cause similar reductions in this locality.

Saturday last the reduction was made public, so far as applicable from coast points to Reno as follows:

The rates apply from San Francisco, San Jose, South Bend, Suisun, Dixon, Ellis and California points, and will an average one third lower than at present. The rates from the points named are as follows:

First class, 97 cents; second class, 81 cents; third class, 73 cents; fourth class, 59 cents; fifth class, 50 cents. Class A, 50 cents; B, 41 cents; C, 35 cents; D, 31 cents; E, 27 cents.

From Sacramento the rates will be: First class 85 cents; second, 71 cents; third, 64 cents; fourth, 51 cents; fifth, 43 cents. Class A, 43 cents; B, 34 cents; C, 28 cents; D, 25 cents; E, 21 cents.

The lower rate, either class or commodity, will apply when there is a variance.

Just what the effect will be on the through rate to Alturas is not stated, but it may possibly be a reduction of 10 per cent, although it is expected to be much less. The present through rate, San Francisco to Alturas, is as follows: First class, \$1.80; second, \$1.64; third, \$1.47; fourth, \$1.27; fifth, \$1.05.

## POLK BANNISTER DEAD

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 had crawled along to the river and attempted to cross on the ice. When near the middle the ice broke with him, and he was drowned.

Mr. Bannister was well known throughout the county being of a jovial disposition and very sociable. His untimely death will be a severe shock to his many friends.

A sprained ankle will usually disable the injured person for three or four weeks. This is due to lack of

# Happy New Year BARGAINS

Ladies' Silk and Wool Union Suits, \$3.00 and \$2.75 values for ..... **\$2.50**

Ladies' Silk and Wool Vests and Tights, \$1.50 per piece, now ..... **\$1.25**

Our full line of Ladies' and Children's Underwear including Flannelette Nightgowns, must be closed out at big reductions.

**Mrs. A. M. NEILON**  
**WOMEN'S OUTFITTER**

## CARD OF THANKS

**WE SINCERELY THANK YOU**  
 for your trade during the past year,  
 and hope to merit a continuance of  
 the same during the coming year.

Wishing all our customers a Happy New Year. We are, Yours to Please,

THE ECONOMY STORE

"I wish to thank the Public for its Liberal Patronage during the past year, and wish all a Happy & Prosperous New Year

**J. B. AUTEN**

## HOLIDAY ANNOUNCEMENT

What more appreciative gift could you give or nicer, than an article to adorn the home? We have a very choice selection of **Easy Chairs, Couches, Buffets, Sideboards, Bureaus** and the like, any one of which would make an elegant Christmas Gift, and one that would be appreciated.

Make your selection and the article chosen will be reserved and delivered at any time you may desire.

We are constantly receiving new additions to our stock and by calling frequently you will certainly find something that will just suit your needs, both as to price and quality.

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Watch Our Windows for Special Offerings. Real Money Saving Bargains in Every Department.

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**Inventory Clearance Sale**

SATURDAY SPECIAL--  
 Saratoga Drips \$1.10 gallon

BEGINS TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1911

FRIDAY SPECIAL-Lakeview  
 or Pine Creek Flour \$3.50 100 lbs

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