

## SEVEN BOYS ARE HEROES

### School Children Bravely Volunteer to Save Child From Becoming a Cripple

A very interesting operation of skin grafting was performed yesterday by Dr. Merryman and Dr. Gyles on Julian Ager, a three year old boy. Some three weeks ago the child accidentally fell backwards into a pail of boiling water, which resulted in a burn extending over the whole back and right arm. The amount of skin loss was so great that it seemed impossible at the time for the child to live. The case did so well, however, that skin grafting was done to prevent deformity of the arm, shoulder and back.

The following boys from the seventh and eighth grades of the public school were brave enough to stand the operation of having the grafts removed averaging one-half inch by three or four inches long: Glenn Deas, Lloyd Alfred, Albert Jacobson, Walter Donart and Preston Avent. About fifty grafts were necessary and the operation consumed the greater part of the day. The case is doing remarkably well today.

This is probably one of the most difficult operations ever performed in this city and would be a remarkable case anywhere. Great credit is due the young boys who so bravely volunteered to allow the grafts to be taken from their arms in order to prevent this child from becoming a cripple for life. The loss of skin was so great that there was no possible chance of a complete recovery without new skin being grafted on, and it is no wonder that these young men are now the heroes of their classes.

### NEWS FROM MERRILL.

Mrs. Rose Merrill returned Saturday from a visit in California. William Turner is going to build the new house in West Merrill. Among the people from Gale in town last week to attend the bazaar were: Mr. and Mrs. Bob Anderson

and Miss Clara, Mrs. Hobbs, Miss Robinson, Miss Della Gierking and Mr. and Mrs. Tolly.

N. B. Merrill's new house is nearly completed and work is progressing on the barn.

W. P. Rhodes is having a sidewalk put in front of his home. Albert Gifford is doing the work.

C. A. Bunting is improving his property next to the Christian Science church, which he recently purchased.

The sick are all improving rapidly. J. J. Beard, from Lakeside Farm, was in town this week.

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church held a bazaar in the opera house last Wednesday evening. A large crowd was present and it was a good success.

Christmas trees are to be given by the Christian Science, Presbyterian and Methodist churches.

The Merrill school will hold their Christmas exercises a week from next Thursday.

Frank Graybeal has fixed up the back of his butcher shop for a dwelling and has moved his family in.

Geo. Brandon has moved to his new residence.

T. M. Durham has been installed marshal. He assumed his duties on the 15th.

Ye scrible visited the country Sunday and Sunday night with her friend Miss Phoebe Brown.

Mr. Courtwright, of Gale, was in town trading Monday.

John Whitney is up from the sheep camp.

Frank Anderson, of Sand Hollow, was trading in town Monday.

Mrs. Mable Brown's father and step-mother left Saturday for a few weeks' visit at their old home in Ohio.

### THE GOVERNMENT MAKES MONEY BY MAKING MONEY.

The government made a profit during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1908, of \$19,541,371 on the coinage of silver, nickel and one-cent bronze pieces. This represents the difference between the price paid by the government for the metals and their coinage value. Director of the Mint Frank Leach gives these figures in his annual report made public yesterday.

### AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

Now tonight—The Ringmaster's Wife (dramatic), The Tramp and the Clubman. New Songs.

Fine line of watches. Winters 2

## THE GRANDEST EVER

### Elaborate Preparations Being Made By Mr. Houston for the 14th Annual Ball to Be Given on New Years Night

Elaborate plans are being made by John V. Houston for his Twelfth Annual Masque Ball, which is to be held at the new Opera House on New Year's night, January 1. These masquerades have always been the one main event of the year, but this year Mr. Houston proposes to have the grandest ball ever given in Klamath Falls. The Opera House will now accommodate twice as many as in past years and besides this reserved seats will be arranged for the seating of several hundred people, who desire to witness this grand spectacle without taking part.

Mr. Houston is now selecting the musicians who are to furnish the music for the occasion and extra care will be taken in choosing this important part of the entertainment. The people of the city are promised the best orchestra that can be gotten together in this vicinity. For the accommodation of those wishing to attend, Mr. Houston will have over fifty imported costumes for rent. From present indications, however, there will be a very large number of specially designed costumes. In years past many of the business houses have been represented among the maskers and a warm rivalry has always been created in seeing which of the firms could secure this valuable advertisement.

Never before was there sufficient room to accommodate the large attendance, but this year with the increased floor space, no trouble will be experienced and everyone will be cared for with comfort. The addition, also, of the reserved seats for spectators, will tend to draw a big attendance of spectators. A number have already asked for reservations for box parties. It is predicted that this year's attendance will exceed 800. As an indication of the attention this great annual event is attracting among the business men, Mr. Houston has received many requests for advertising space on the walls and in the hall, but he has not decided whether he will allow any other advertisements other than that represented by the characters.

The usual cash prizes have been doubled this year, making \$20 in prizes to be given as follows: Most comical, best sustained and most original characters.

## Should Have Made Proof of Damages Before County Court

A very important decision was rendered this morning by Judge Noland in the Circuit Court, which will be of interest to farmers of the county. This was the dismissal of the appeal from the County Court in the case of R. C. Short, C. C. Low, H. S. Parrish and Mrs. Anne Thomas vs. the County of Klamath, the Judge deciding that the Circuit Court had no jurisdiction. This case grew out of the establishment of a county road. Viewers were appointed and they found in their report that the benefits derived were equal to the damages sustained by the property along which the road was located, or in effect no damages were allowed. Judge Noland held that the property owners should have then appealed to the County Court from the decision of the viewers. This decision practically means that parties must make proof of damages before the County Court at the time the case is being considered in order to recover damages. The acceptance of the viewers' report is final unless a review of the case is taken.

### EMIGRATION TO THE U. S. TO BE STOPPED BY JAPAN.

CHICAGO, December 15.—A special to the Record-Herald from Washington says:

"All Japanese emigration to the United States is to be stopped by the Japanese Government. When the Japanese Diet meets a few weeks hence Baron Komura, Minister of Foreign Affairs, will make official announcement that the Government has decided to prohibit all emigration to the United States after a given date.

"Thus will disappear the last remaining difference of possible cause of trouble between the United States and Japan. Though the announcement in Tokio may be made upon the assumption that the Japanese government has voluntarily agreed upon this course, as a matter of fact, the decision was reached through a long series of negotiations between Secretary Root and Baron Takahira, Japanese Ambassador to the United States.

### PROGRESS OF THE CHESS TOURNAMENT.

The committee on rules and regulations has made a slight change in the tournament schedule. As it is impossible for all the players to be present on the tournament evenings and consequently causes many delays and complications, the committee deems it more expedient to have each person play every man in the tournament three games, each game counting one and a draw one-half point. The games that have been played up to date will stand as played, but in cases where two opponents only played two games they will be required to play off the third game. This makes it very simple and convenient

for each player. You can play any man in the tournament at any time you please and give each other credit for the games lost or won. This way, no matter what evening you come up to the club rooms, you will always have a chance to play someone.

The games that have been played so far show some fine playing and some of the newer players are making very good headway. Even at this early stage of the tournament it is evident that there will be many surprises. There will be first, second, and third prizes to contend for.

The regular tournament evenings are on Tuesdays and Saturdays. However, you can play your tournament games at any other time, giving you a chance to make up for games that should have been played by this time.

### GOES 100 MILES IN SIX YEARS.

Considering the millions of letters that are mailed every month and that reach their destinations promptly, we have little reason, on the whole, to complain of our mail service. But occasionally public attention is called to a case that illustrates the possibilities of delay. Such an instance has been reported recently from the state of Washington. John Paul, a resident of Nacotta, Wash., has just received a letter that was mailed to him from Olympia, the state capital, six years and fifteen days previous to its receipt. The distance from Olympia to Nacotta is 199 miles. The letter, therefore, traveled at the rate of ninety-two hundredths of a mile a day or one mile every twenty-two and two-ninths days. That is about the speed that a street car makes on mornings when one is late in starting to the office. It also recalls the snail-like unwinding of official red tape. The letter was slow enough to have qualified as a messenger boy, and as that is what it was it probably was doing all that ought reasonably to have been expected of it. The message that it contained informed Mr. Paul that he had made an overpayment to the land office of the state government and that a check covering the amount would be mailed to him. If Mr. Paul had received the check, he probably would never have told federal authorities of the letter that was six years in going 199 miles, but the check has not yet been received, and Mr. Paul has asked Uncle Sam to see if it is not still trying to find him. This case is so unusual that one naturally looks about for an explanation. Perhaps Mr. Paul is only paying the penalty for living in Nacotta.

### SEPARATE STATEHOOD FOR ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Separate statehood for Arizona and New Mexico is provided for in two bills introduced today by Senator Foraker.

For the best and largest assortment of Phonographs or Sewing Machines, see Muller, cor. 6th and Main.

The Monarch Mercantile Co. will carry a complete line of vegetables from the California markets. Fresh shipments daily. 30

## GET FREIGHT AT THE DOCK

### After January First No Deliveries Will Be Made to the Stores By Company

Commencing January 1, the Klamath Lake Navigation Company, which has been operating in connection with the Southern Pacific Railroad, will discontinue the store door freight delivery. It is expected that about that time the new terminus of the railroad will be established at Holland and direct connection will then be had with the steamer.

The freight rate to Klamath Falls is to be reduced at that time and all shipments will be delivered at the dock or wharf. The merchants and others receiving goods will have to make arrangements with the city transfer companies for the delivery of goods from the freight house as is done in all cities having railroad connection.

It is not believed that this change will make any reduction in the cost of freight, as the reduction made by the Southern Pacific will probably about equal the cost of city delivery.

### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT.

#### The Melton, Thompson, Hale Robbery Case Is Set for Trial on January 4.

James B. Melton, Frank Thompson and Milton Hale were brought into Court this morning and each pled not guilty to the charge of robbing the Schallcock & Daggett store. The case was set for trial on January 4, 1909.

The concluding evidence in the Provo divorce case was heard this afternoon. The case was submitted to the Court at 3 o'clock. Judge Noland stated that he would render his decision later, probably this evening.

Tomorrow the case of Withrow, Melhase Company vs. A. M. Taylor will be heard. The trial will be before a jury.

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### Here are a Few Suggestions for

- LADIES
- FINE UMBRELLAS
- SHOPPING BAGS
- PURSES
- FANCY JULIETS
- FUR TRIMMED (All Colors)
- FASCINATORS
- AND SHAWLS
- NEWEST STYLES
- DRESS SHOES
- PINK WINTER WAISTS
- LACE CURTAINS
- TABLE NETS
- CLOTHS AND
- NAPKINS TO MATCH
- FANCY HANDKERCHIEFS
- AND COLLARS
- HDKF. BOXES
- WORK BOXES
- MANICURE SETS
- TOILET SETS
- RUBBER BOOTS
- RUGS
- COATS AND
- PONY JACKETS
- SWEATER COATS
- INDIAN BASKETS, ETC., ETC.

- MEN
- SUSPENDERS AND
- NECKTIES (one in a Box)
- FANCY BOX IN
- XMAS BOXES
- XMAS HANDKERCHIEFS
- SUIT CANES
- KID GLOVES
- SUEDE SILK LINED GLOVES
- WOOL MITTENS
- AND GLOVES
- FANCY WAIST COATS
- SLIPPERS, ALL STYLES
- WALK-OVER DRESS SHOES
- WINTER CAPS
- COLLAR AND CUFF BOXES
- NECKTIE BOXES
- PAJAMAS, NIGHT GOWNS
- FINE UMBRELLAS
- A STETSON HAT
- WOOL SOX
- OVERCOATS
- FINE SILK SHIRTS
- SWEATER COATS
- FINE DRESS SHIRTS
- FANCY WOOL UNDERWEAR
- RUBBER BOOTS AND SHOES
- ETC., ETC.

- CHILDREN
- TOYS OF ALL KINDS
- DOLLS DOLLS
- BOOKS GAMES
- BALLS GUNS
- TOOL CHESTS
- TRAINS GUNS
- MECHANICAL TOYS
- RUBBER BOOTS
- COATS CAPS
- MITTENS
- KNICKERBOCKER SUITS
- FINE DRESS SHOES
- AND SCUFFERS
- HOODS TONES
- ETC., ETC.

Fine Doll and Automobile to be given away Xmas.

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