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**YONNA VALLEY ITEMS.**  
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Richard Brienstein stopped in Yonna on his way to the Falls. He has been freighting for a merchant in Lakeview, but says the roads are getting so bad he believes this will be his last trip this winter.

Two men stopped in Yonna, who were walking on a wager to Klamath Falls from Lakeview. They were to get to the Falls that night and as it was 6 p. m. when they stopped at Mr. Vierra's and a bitterly cold night, we did not envy them the trip.

Manuel Vierra, with the help of Mr. Kirkpatrick and Godfrey Beck, is now butchering hogs.

There was a kinaetoscope show given in Dairy Monday evening. Those attending the show from Yonna were: The Misses May Robinson, Louise Flackus, Theresa Sterzl, Waive Drew, Mrs. N. S. Drew, Mr. and Mrs. Sey Pool, Harrison Gray, Jesse Drew, Eddie Flackus, and Joe Sterzl. After the show those remaining enjoyed an excellent supper given by Mrs. Henry Schmoir and Mrs. A. Michael.

Geo. Smyth is hauling hay for Jas. Logue. Mr. Logue bought the tubs for \$7 per ton of Ludwig Sterzl.

Henry Stochsler, of Dairy, made a business trip to the Falls this week.

C. E. Drew has taken his horses home from Mrs. L. M. Fitch's. As he has had them in the pasture all summer he will feed them at his home place this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Michael, of Dairy, gave a birthday party at their home in honor of Master Willie Jones Friday evening.

Mike Doohar and Luke Walker were in Bonanza last week.

Mr. Adams, of North Yonna, went to Dairy on a business trip Saturday and on his return stopped at Godfrey Beck's to purchase wheat.

The improvements at Hildebrand are still continuing. Although the school house is now completed, the sheds for shelter for the horses are still in progress of construction.

C. C. Pearson and Wm. Flackus are both at work this week building the sheds for their children's horses. They are joining the sheds to the one recently built by Jacob Rueck.

W. L. Simpson is working for Wm. Flackus, of Dairy, this week.

Master Jerry Pearson, just before starting to school Tuesday morning, met with an accident which kept him at home. We hope it will not prove serious. He was heading off a horse, when the one he was riding fell with him, throwing him in such a manner, that he fell on his arm. We have not learned yet whether it was broken or sprained.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Pearson and family were visitors at the home of D. Y. Gray last Sunday.

Alf. Wallis has taken his horses from the Colahan place to his own place to feed for the winter.

Master Willie Jones, of Dairy, has been visiting with Fred Beck's family in North Yonna.

W. C. Logue and Sey Pool are at present employed hauling hay for John Logue, which the latter bought from Ludwig Sterzl.

Mr. Hammersley, of North Yonna, has been busy hauling wood to Dr. Johnson, of Bonanza.

John Donnell has been setting telephone poles for F. A. Hammersley. Alton Verley, of Bonanza, was visiting his cousin, Mr. Wagner, of North Yonna, last week.

Miss L. M. Egert, of Yonna, was in Dairy last Saturday.

Mr. Carlson has purchased wheat from Godfrey Beck this week.

Jesse Drew and Wm. Logue were hauling wood from Pine Flat last week.

Chas. Woelk is now living on his homestead near Geo. Smyth's in the upper part of the valley.

Tom Michael has been at Hildebrand buying grain from the Beck brothers.

Riley Woods and Steve Colahan have just returned from the Falls on their way to Lakeview. While at Dairy they took in the show and dance Monday evening.

Senator Dick, (Rep., Ohio), introduced a resolution this week urging that February 12, 1909, the one-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln be celebrated in a fitting manner. He suggests that there be a joint session of the two houses of congress on that day to listen to an appropriate address upon the life, character, genius, patriotism and public services of the statesman who guided safely the ship of state through its greatest peril and to otherwise commemorate in fitting manner his invaluable services to the nation. He suggests that the centennial be celebrated by the whole country, through meetings in every city and town of organized bodies of citizens, and that special services should be held in all universities, colleges, and schools. A monument to Lincoln, to be erected in Washington, worthy of his great fame, his service to humanity and to his country, is also proposed.

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**TESTING THE ALBANY LAW.**  
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ALBANY, Ore., Dec. 19.—Albany's city ordinance, which embodies the provisions of the state local option liquor law, and affords easier methods of securing convictions for violations than the state law, is to be tested in the State Circuit Court. Attorneys for Albert Peacock, who was arrested and fined under the provisions of the ordinance, have given notice of appeal from the City Recorder's Court to the State Circuit Court for Linn County. It is said the legality of the ordinance will be attacked in the higher court.

Under the state law evidence of the sale of liquor must be secured to insure convictions and prosecuting officers have encountered difficulty in securing verdicts of guilty before juries. The city ordinance provides for the confiscation of liquor and makes it evidence, so that when a big quantity of liquor is captured in the possession of an individual it is very strong circumstantial evidence that a "blind pig" is in operation. Since this ordinance went into effect local officers have made three raids and have secured the conviction of all of the five men arrested in the raids.

Accordingly, if this city ordinance is upheld in the courts it will afford officers an opportunity to keep a close watch on liquor vendors, and if it is declared unconstitutional officers will be forced to secure specific evidence of sales to get convictions.

The Albany ordinance is very similar to the "nuisance ordinance" in force in Eugene and hence is virtually on trial in the courts now for the Eugene ordinance was attacked and the matter is now before the Supreme Court of the state for decision.

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**BLACK SPOTS ON PORK.**  
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During the butchering season of the year the Experiment station frequently receives specimens of pork that present an unmarketable appearance. The rind, or skin, taken from the abdominal region and inside of the legs, is found to be dotted with black wart-like growths of various sizes ranging from that of a pin-head to a hazelnut. Many of these spots in the early stages contain a small amount of pus, and by careful examination a small mite will be found buried deeply in the skin.

The mite causing these pustules and subsequent black spots is known as *Demodex folliculorum* var. *suus*, a very large name for such a small mite that may be seen only by the aid of a magnifying glass.

Just when the mite attacks the hog is not well known, and as it burrows deeply into the skin treatment or the use of insecticides is of little value; besides there is no indication of its presence until the time of butchering, when the damage is already done.

These blackened spots, although unsightly, do not injure the meat for food, and they may be completely removed with the skin.—E. F. Pernot, Oregon Agricultural College.

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**CHARGE THAT EMPEROR WILLIAM IS NOW INSANE.**  
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CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The German press of Chicago has received translations of articles published by the Dresdener Nachrichten, a leading conservative newspaper in Dresden, openly charging that Emperor William of Germany is insane.

The publication avers the Emperor has acute religious dementia. According to information from attaches to the royal household that the ruler spends many hours in bed daily reading religious books and making prayers for recent outbursts of popular indignation against him.

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**MERRILL RECORD ITEMS.**  
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E. Stewart & Co., shipped a car load of polo ponies from the Hartery ranch to Woodland, Cal., last week. Jay Mitchell purchased the entire herd of 77 cattle in Merrill last week. There were 489 head, and 350 were taken to the railroad this week for immediate use in the market. The price paid was 6 1/2 cents.

Speaking of big things one of the steers sold by F. M. Miller of Lakeview, to The Owens Meat Co., and weighed at Merrill, touched the scales at 1810 pounds. That's pretty big. The Record editor weighs 240 pounds himself, but these plaguey steers, colts, and mules, around this place of big products, make him feel like a small potato.

The Peary Arctic Club has received word that Commander Peary's vessel "Roosevelt," struck an iceberg with serious damage. Commander Peary states that he is proceeding along shore and that the prospects are good, despite the collision. A previous communication stated that Cape York was reached on July 31, that the "Roosevelt" was overhauled and trimmed for the ice at Etah, and that dogs were secured. The season is unusually stormy, with much snow and no ice as yet. Thirty-five walrus were killed, which means that expedition has much good fresh meat.

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**PLEVNA ITEMS.**  
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Mr. Karecow hauled baled hay from G. W. Heavilin's Monday.

Mr. Byers and family visited his sister, Mrs. Sutton, Sunday.

G. F. Sevits butchered hogs Saturday.

Arthur Sevits started to high school in Klamath Falls Monday. He will stay with Mr. Heavilin this winter.

J. H. Barnes is now cutting some wood.

J. P. Lee went to Klamath Falls Wednesday.

Mrs. M. H. Beebe, who lives about fifteen miles east of Klamath Falls, was in this district Thursday looking for a stray horse.

R. A. Alford went to the Falls on Thursday.

J. H. Barnes took a load of wood to the Falls Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Van Valkenburg have moved into the house they recently purchased of Mr. Bingham. Gertrude Thompson returned home last week from Mrs. Barnes', where she has been working for the past three weeks.

Howard Brentner started to school Monday.

We have just learned from Mrs. S. A. Brentner that her brother, C. M. Gidding, of Albany, is planting the largest and most unique walnut orchard in Oregon. The ground is covered with trees and underbrush, and what he proposes to do is to clear and prepare a space of four feet square at intervals of sixty feet throughout the entire tract of 329 acres. Here he plants a tree, then puts a solid fence around the space. After the fences are erected he will turn goats in to clear the land. Instead of waiting to clear his entire tract his orchard will be growing, and in the meantime he will be raising goats which is also a profitable industry.

Mr. Byers was elected as the new school director to fill the place of Mr. Bingham.

Leo Thompson, one of our former pupils, while out hunting one day last week had his gun explode, blowing it to pieces. No serious injuries were sustained, however.

A burglarious tramp entered our school house window a short time ago, helping himself to a water bucket, looking glass and various other articles in the room.

Those having their names on the Roll of Honor for the first two months of school for perfect attendance are, Clifford Sevits, Leo Thompson, Glenn Sevits and Clarice Benner.

Mrs. Brentner's brother-in-law, B. A. Plummer, president of the First National Bank of Winnebago, is offering a beautiful motto to boys and girls who write to him. For further particulars, send stamps to Clifford Sevits, correspondent of Plevna district.

The coasting is splendid since the last snow storm and we are all enjoying it.

Since the different schools will not meet again on these pages until after Xmas, we take this opportunity of wishing you all "a very Merry Xmas."

Mr. Carr hauled a load of wood Monday for our teacher, Miss Lola Thompson.

Melvin Brentner and Edna Sevits are recovering from a severe attack of chicken pox.

Arthur Brentner is hauling hay this week, which he purchased of G. F. Sevits.

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**ESKIMO PEOPLE WILL TOUR UNITED STATES.**  
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PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—Fresh from the frozen tundras of northern Siberia, two complete settlements of Eskimos arrived in Portland last night and will remain here for ten days, before starting on a six months showing tour of the eastern states. The entire outfit, consisting of 50 people with all the paraphernalia essential to life beyond the Arctic circle will be transported to the fair ground today where they will be installed in the Oriental building.

The Eskimos were brought down from the northern country for exhibition purposes at the Seattle fair, and with them were brought two carloads of exhibits, which will form a part of the show as it will be exhibited in the east and later in Alaska.

Manager Tony Gorman, who will pilot the show on the road, has been with the fat little brown-skinned people for the past two months in southeastern Alaska, where the band has been getting used to the balmy climate of the United States.

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**JACKSON COUNTY MAY SEND STEEL TO WASHINGTON.**  
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The Medford Commercial Club passed a resolution recommending and urging that Will G. Steel be appointed by the county court of Jackson County as a representative of Jackson County and its people, to go to Washington to urge an appropriation for the Crater Lake road, and that such reasonable appropriation be made as may be necessary to defray his expenses to Washington city and return.

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**MARATHON RUNNER DEFEATED.**

Longboat, Famous Indian Runner, Loses Away From Italian in Twenty-six Mile Race.

NEW YORK.—Dorando Pietri, of Capri, Italy, hero of the collapse, was beaten in the Marathon race at Madison Square Garden by Tom Longboat, the wonderful Canadian Indian runner. Dorando led most of the way and when within sight of the finish line succumbed to exhaustion, Longboat finishing alone in 2:45:05 2-5, the mark being 35 2-5 seconds slower than that established by Dorando in his race against Johnny Hayes recently. The distance was 26 miles, 285 yards.

Longboat's tactics worried Dorando considerably and were probably responsible for the Italian's defeat. Dorando took the lead at the start and maintained it nearly all the distance, except when Longboat spurred into the lead for brief intervals.

The first five miles developed a grueling race between the pair. Dorando kept in the commanding position all the distance, but the Indian pushed him hard. The five miles was turned a minute faster than the Dorando-Hayes race. Longboat ceased worrying the Italian for several miles, when he took up the spurring tactics again.

Going into the fourteenth mile, the red man took the lead away from the olive-skinned athlete. Longboat's time was 1:16 2-5 ahead of the previous time of Dorando and Hayes for 14 miles. This done Longboat allowed Dorando to take the lead in the sixteenth mile.

In the following mile both men weakened visibly, Longboat appearing the worse off. However, the Indian rallied wonderfully and his long, swinging lope-stride carried him ahead in the twentieth mile. Three miles farther the Indian regained the lead he lost in the twenty-first mile. Dorando took the lead in the twenty-fourth mile and held it until the beginning of the twenty-sixth mile. Here the wonderful endurance of the Indian showed itself and he took the lead away from the jaded foreigner.

In the next half mile Longboat established a quarter lap lead. Dorando made a great effort to recover the lost ground but collapsed when a little over half way through the mile. Dorando, it will be remembered, collapsed in the running of the Olympic Marathon race in London, England, last July, being beaten out by Hayes, the American. Hayes, Longboat and Dorando are now professionals.

The boys, who are authority on the subject, say that the skating is fine. The first skating was on the Moore's canal but there is now good ice on the Upper Lake and many of the young people have been out today along the shores of the lake below town. Ewauna Lake this afternoon was frozen entirely over, even the channel of the river had a half inch covering.

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