

Editorial Snap Shots.

When is Dave and Roger going to give that Irish jig?

The Headlight man has never got into the bondage indebtedness band wagon, and never intends to.

Are the taxpayers favorable to the county court making a special levy for \$2,000 for a county exhibit at the Lewis and Clark exposition?

No matter how the other commissioners may vote, F. S. Whitehouse is not in favor of bonding the city for \$45,000 for a 14 gauge pipe line.

The water agitation was started in a "do up" spirit and it will "do up" the town if it is not taken hold of as a business and financial proposition.

Ge! Aint Mayor Talmage and a few of the bond agitators in a devil of a rush to negotiate those bonds before the term of the present city council expires. And for what reason this terrible rush?

Now that the gamblers are taking their departure from Tillamook, some awfully ugly things are being said about officials who were paid to allow gambling to go on in this city. We hope the next grand jury will reveal the identity of the city hoodlums.

D. McKelvey, who was killed in East ern Oregon, was owing some of our business men small amounts, the largest being for \$40. He was delinquent on his subscription to the Headlight, but we hope Old Nick won't make it any hotter for him on that account.

An aspirant claims that he was defeated for councilman at Oregon City on account of his opponent using beer to help his candidacy. Well, if it doesn't need anything stronger than lager, why the defeated candidate might go one better next time and resort to Bourbon, for that has a wonderful effect of holding voters in line in Tillamook.

From all appearance Tillamook City from now on will be quiet, conservative agricultural town, doing a steady, but limited amount of business. Prospects of new lumbering industries starting are not very bright, with the prevailing quotations on lumber, hence it cannot be expected that the population of this city will increase under these conditions.

Is Tillamook City going to have a nice Christmas present in the shape of a big bondage indebtedness? We're not saying a word, one way or the other, for here's the proposition and which is up to the water commission: Can it make a business and financial success of a new water system, with \$50,000 indebtedness, after paying interest, running expenses and a sinking fund?

Business men are getting their eye teeth cut going down in their jeans for special editions and write ups the past year, which have not done their businesses nor Tillamook county one particle of good. Before fooling away their money again, they should be assured that there is some merit, originality and literary ability in an edition that would advertise the county, not in an advertising scheme gotten up to make a little money at the business men's expense.

It is just as well to go ahead slow, and not with a rush, with the new water system, for the pipe that is proposed to only 14 gauge. It was claimed by a few that they wanted a first class system. Will a pipe line of that thickness be a first class system? When S. A. Broadhead, G. W. Grayson and Howard Cary made an investigation of the Killam creek they figured it out that it would take \$60,000 for a first class system, if that stream was used.

This is the thickness of the steel that is to be used in the proposed pipe line for a new water system for Tillamook City from Killam creek:

Query. How many years will it take to rust out a galvanized iron, steel or iron pipe of this thickness in Tillamook, where the tendency is for these materials to rust out much quicker on the coast than in other places? That is the thickness of the pipe the city is to be bonded for \$45,000. What do you think of it?

A question for the water commission to consider: What would it cost to buy out the present water company and relay the line with a better grade of wood pipe? Could it be done for \$20,000? As it is almost impossible to do anything for several months, the water commission should take up that suggestion, or any other, before it finally decides which it will recommend, so the city council will act wisely if it will not complicate matters by hasty proceedings. A good many persons will be guided by what the water commission recommends, for as it will eventually be empowered to construct a water system and manage it as well, we do not think any member of the commission is wanting to rush into a thing which is not a financial success and which may play out long before the bonded indebtedness is paid off.

It gives the Headlight man great pleasure to be able again to wish our numerous readers and the people of Tillamook another merry Christmas, and may it be a real happy one to everybody. To the

young people we would give this word of advice, be merry and wise. To those who are in poor circumstances, let those who have abundance of this world's goods help to cheer others less fortunate by their liberality. Although it can be said we have nobody in really destitute circumstances in Tillamook such as are in the large cities, still for all that there are several families which should not be overlooked at this Christmas time, and a word of joy and encouragement, where there is a vacant chair in the home this Christmas, should help to make this festive season one of joy.

One thing that the dairymen of Tillamook ought to be wide awake to, and that is the people who endeavor to make a profit out of the dairymen's toil and enterprise. It is plain as plain can be, that those who are wanting to handle and dispose of the dairy product are not doing so for their health or the love they have for the dairymen. The scheme is to make a profit out of the product they handle and put it into their jeans. That is what a number of dairymen have been up against for a long time, and are they going to continue to allow persons, who are neither test pullers, nor practical manufacturers, nor experienced salesmen, to get a rake off? Oh, yes, the dairymen are such nice dear fellows—when they can be worked by the middlemen.

We hope that Congressman Hermann will succeed in securing an appropriation for a sea dredge, to be used on the coast county harbors. It is about time that some practical project was decided upon so that those counties which are isolated and shut out from developing their resources be given an opportunity to grow as other parts of Oregon. We raise no objection to large sums of money being appropriated for the improvement of the Columbia river, for it needs every dollar for that purpose it can get hold of, but we raise a big objection to the Columbia river and its tributaries hogging all the money and the coast counties ignored, turned down and with the idea of keeping them bottled up and isolated. The undeveloped resources of the coast counties, so long neglected on the Oregon side, need just as much assistance as Grays Harbor and other points on the Washington side.

We have received a lengthy letter from the Brewers' and Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association, regarding the proposed amendments to the local option law the association will endeavor to get through the next state legislature. The association asked our opinion regarding these amendments and for us to offer suggestion. Our reply was to the effect that the association had better make a fight on gambling, with the object of eliminating gambling, especially the percentage games, from the saloons, and make the saloon keepers live up to the conditions under which their licenses are granted, and not on the local option law. It is as plain as can be that this association will endeavor to defeat the will of the people, but by doing so will only create a much stronger sentiment in favor of local option. Eliminate gambling and make the saloon keepers comply with the law and there will not be much danger of any county going "dry."

'Aint that man killed yet?' was the remark the editor heard made as he was walking along the street a few days ago. We fail to see what we have done to be deprived of life and our Christmas turkey dinner and all the good truck which goes with it at this festive time, simply because the Headlight man has told some wholesome truth about gambling and those who have been mixed up in some way or other with it, for we haven't told one third the things we know about it. One thing we do know, we have the commendation of the people of Tillamook for what we have done in their interest, but we know also that we have engendered the animosity of the faction which sided in with the saloon gambling joints. That does not trouble us one iota, for it only places those, and especially business men, in a wrong light in the public eye. The Headlight man will be found a much nard individual to kill off than some people imagine, and we expect to be in a great many more fights in Tillamook and on the side of the people.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Mason desire us to thank those kind friends who assisted them during the sickness of their son and who showed so much sympathy to them in their bereavement.

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Christmas Tree Entertainments.

On Christmas eve the usual exercises and Christmas trees will take place on Saturday evening at the various churches in this city. These entertainments will commence at 7:30, and the programs are as follow:

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Song by the School, "Joy to the World."
Prayer.
"Welcome," by a class of boys.
Music, by Chester and Ruby McGhee.
Recitation, Olive Case.
Recitation, "Helping Santa Claus," Bryan Snuffer.
Anthem, by the Choir.
Recitation, "Santa's Problem," by Lelia Drew.
Recitation, by Gale Bartel.
Recitation, by Orford Nolan.
Song, by Primary Class.
Recitation, by Eliza Nolan.
Recitation, by Myrtle Wallen.
Solo, "Carol of the Stars," by Viola Mapes.
Music, by Chester and Ruby McGhee.
Recitation, "Letters to Santa Claus," by five girls.
Duet, "Christmas Chimes," by Lulu Eddy and Ruby McGhee.
Recitation, by Burl Clements.
Song, "Christmas Bells," by three girls.
Recitation, by Ruth Eddy.
Anthem, by the Choir.
Remarks, by Rev. Foster.
Distribution of presents.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
Song, "The promise Fulfilled," school.
Recitation, "Why do bells for Christmas ring?" Roy and Darl Peck.
Recitation, "The Christmas secret," Logan Severance.
Solo, "The Infant Jesus," Nellie Chase.
Recitation, "Two little Stockings" Harry Tuttle.
Song, "Rejoice," School.
Exercise, by a class of five boys.
Anthem, "We have seen Star," Choir.
Exercise, by primary class.
Song, by Intermediate girl's class.
Recitation, "I am needed," Hazel Leep.
Recitation, Evelyn Hoag.
"Christmas Closing Song," by School.
Distribution of presents.

METHODIST CHURCH.
Anthem, Choir.
Prayer, Rev. Stockwell.
A Greeting, Emma Quick.
Song, Miss Swenson's class.
"Christmas Day Has Come at Last," Elsie Lamb.
Solo, E. H. Whitney.
Recitation, Ida Goyne.
Dialog, "Large Hearted Little Ones," by Mrs. High's class.
Lullaby song, seven girls.
"Willie and Annie's Prayer," Blanche Goodwin.
Exercise, "Merry Christmas Bells," seven children.
Solo, Miss Ruth Bewley.
Recitation, Dot Stephens.
Song, "One Beautiful Night," by Mrs. High's class.
Recitation, Theodore Finney.
Recitation, Clarence Stanley.
Duet, Misses Ellen and Ruth Bewley.
Duet, "Arms of Night," eight girls.
Short address, Superintendent.

UNITED BROTHERS CHURCH.
Song by Choir; Prayer.
Scripture reading and short talk by the Pastor.
Song by Choir.
Recitation, three boys.
"The First Christmas," Alma Glad.
"St. Nick," Vera Haukins.
"Frightening Santa Claus," Carl Heisel.
Song, three girls.
"Christmas Stars," Hilma Anderson.
"Christmas Song," Ruth Biggs.
"Christmas Bells," Eva Wolfe.
"The Artist," Ray Page.
Recitation, Iva Bell Wells.
"A Letter to Santa," Eddie Heisel.
"Christmas Morning," Hazel Wolfe.
Recitation, Barney Hanson.
Song, by choir.
"The Quarrel," Lyle Smith.
"Christmas Fairies," five girls.
Recitation, Henry Heisel.
"Grandma's Mistake," Jessie Dodge.
Song by Choir.
Distribution of presents from the tree.
Benediction.

Special Levys.

Districts.	2 mills.
1.—	5 "
5.—	5 "
7.—	5 "
14.—	6 "
15.—	4 "
17.—	5 "
19.—	5 "
26.—	5 "
31.—	34 "
35.—	2 "
36.—	10 "
37.—	5 "
46.—	2 "
50.—	6 "

Reliable reports from the south state that the Japanese are forwarding men, guns, torpedo boats and submarines to Formosa, and the Pescadores, in order to be ready to attack the Baltic fleet at its rendezvous.

The sensational announcement is made by the Zurich correspondent of the Daily Express that Sazonoff, the assassin of M. Von Plehve, ex-Russian Minister of the Interior, is a free man. Thursday last the murderer, or a man said to bear his name and to be guilty of the crime, was sentenced in St. Petersburg to penal servitude for life.

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BOULDER CREEK.

Miss Zella Blackburn went out to the city last week to do some Xmas shopping.

Elder Blalock and family went to Blaine to attend church last Sunday. Work is to begin this week on our new road, when it is completed they say we will get a bridge across old Nestucca. Speed that happy time, say we!

M. F. Suares who has been laid up with boils for some time is again able to go to his work in the logging camp.

C. A. Smith and R. Y. Blalock went to Tillamook and back last week.

J. J. Hollett, our general and obliging postman passed Boulder Creek Sunday enroute for parts unknown.

An effort was made Sunday to organize a Sunday school at Brown school house, but as only a few people attended nothing was accomplished.

R. M. Dingess made a call on Boulderites Monday.

H. L. Jensen and H. A. Chopard went horseback over the trail to Beaver one day last week.

School will be out in the Brown district Thursday, and Boulder Creek school closes Friday; but we understand the directors will try to engage Miss Blackburn for another three months term to begin very soon.

Dave Hess is back again at Bachelor's Hall.

Mrs. W. N. Bays is on the sick list at the present time.

"Christmas comes when skies are drear, Christmas comes but once a year;" and the little folks one and all, are looking forward to that happy day with eager anticipation.

Miss Lena Bays who has been staying with Mrs. Della Jensen, her sister, for the past two weeks, went home last Monday.

Mrs. Grace Chopard and Master Norman, spent last Sunday with Mr. W. N. Bays' family.

Cheer Up,
Scowling and growling will make you grow old.
Money and fame at the best are beguiling;
Don't be suspicious and selfish and cold—try smiling!
Happiness stands like a maid at your gate.
Why should you think you will find her by roving?
Never was greater mistake that to hate—try smiling.

The American Women.
"Carol, brothers; carol joyfully.
Carol the good tidings; carol merrily,
And pray a glad some Christmas
For all good Christian men,
Carol, brother, carol
Christmas—comes again!"
Etta W. Price in People's Home Journal.

NETARTS.

J. M. Morgan was on the bay the last of the week.

W. E. Catterlin is doing some fine improvements on Mr. Desmond's place in the shape of plowing up a piece of new ground.

Geo. W. Phelps lost a valuable horse last Saturday.

Matson and Hamilton are the boss fishermen for catching the rock cod, for they have great luck catching the finney tribe.

Geo. W. Phelps went to Tillamook Monday, returning the same day.

Real estate men are rusing Netarts of late.

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School Entertainment on Friday Afternoon.

Following is the program for the entertainment to be given on Friday afternoon at the opera house:

"WAITING FOR SANTA."

SCENE I.

Christmas Music in the Forest.
The Stars Visit and Story.
Merry Snowflakes.
The Work of Santas' Helpers.

Song, "Upon the Housetop," By School.
Recitation, "Matilda's 'Xmas. Presents.'"

SCENE II.

The Christmas Dream.
Letters to Santa.

Song, "Jolly Old Santa Claus."

SCENE III.

The Christmas Tree's Tale.
The Toys Entertain Moonlight.
Song, "Who Believes in Santa Claus," By Small Boys.
The Midnight Watch.

Song, "The Bells of Sautta Claus."
The Sandman's Appearance.
The Visit of Saint Nick.
Christmas Morning.

THE BLESSED STAR.

Song, "Vision of the Shepard,"
Harry Tuttle and Donald Newman.

Closing Song, "The Happy New Year," By School.

FORT BLOWN UP.

Japanese Swarm In Over the Ruins.

Tokio, Dec. 19.—The Japanese fired an immense mine under the north of Fort Kekwan Mountain at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The Japanese immediately charged and occupied the fort with a heavy force.

The following report of the capture was telegraphed from General Nogi's headquarters today:

"At 2:15 o'clock on the afternoon of December 18, part of our army blew up the parapets of the North Fort of East Kekwan Mountain, and then charged.

"A fierce battle with hand grenades ensued.

"Owing to the stubborn resistance of the enemy with his machine guns, our operations were temporarily suspended.

"Subsequently at 7 o'clock in the evening, General Samejima, commanding the supports, advanced into the casemates and, encouraging his men, threw his supports into the fighting line in a last brave charge.

"At 11:50 o'clock at night we completely occupied the fort and immediately engaged in the construction of defensive works. Our occupation became firmly assured today.

"Before retiring the enemy exploded four mines in the neighborhood of the neck of the fort.

"We captured five nine-centimeter field and two machine guns as well as plenty of ammunition.

"The enemy left 40 or 50 dead. Our casualties have not been investigated, but they are not heavy."

It is reported that the Japanese have gained a strong position about 1000 yards southeast of 203 Meter Hill, preparatory to assaulting the new town and pushing between Lino Ti Mountain and the Russian headquarters at Port Arthur.

The fighting against Sungshu Mountain continues.

Notice

I will not be responsible for any DEBTS contracted by my wife, Pearl E. Johnson. C. A. JONSSON.

The Toyo Misen Kaisha, whose steamships the Hong Kong, America and Japan were taken for use with the Japanese navy, will soon be in the field again with three new fast ocean liners. The company will, it is said, within two months begin work on three 12,000-ton steamers. The material for the liners has been bought in Scotland. The vessels will be built at Nagasaki. It was the intention to build the liners with a speed of 19 knots. The Japanese government, however, wants the Toyo Misen Kaisha to build faster boats—least 21-knotters. As this additional two knots will involve considerable expense, the steamship company has asked for a greater subsidy than it was originally agreed to be given them. This is now under consideration at Tokio, as soon as it is settled the keels of the liners will be laid.

The Sultan of Morocco has dismissed all his foreign military instructors, including the French. This causes much surprise in official quarters. During the Perdicaris affair and other disorders France sought to end the conditions of anarchy by the organization of an effective civil and military force.

French officers the Anglo-French recognizing French preponderance in Morocco contributing to the French military steps. Some Italian and British officers were also employed by the Sultan. He has now dismissed them on the ground that he desires to carry out his own military programme.

The prevailing expectation in the British navy respecting the inquiry into the Dogger Bank outrage seems to be that the court will find: First, that no warship of any other country than Russia was present at the time; second, that the Russians fired on their own ships mistaking them for Japanese vessels.

third, that either the vessels of the Gamecock fishing fleet caught the Russian ships, or were fired on by the Russians taken for hostile craft, or were fired on under suspicion that they were communicating with those warships, and fourth, that the entire affair was a blunder absolutely inexcusable, and that, therefore, nobody is deserving a severe punishment.