

Social and Personal

By Mollie Runcorn

THE Present, cold period which met with the immediate condemnation of the older folk has been a source of extreme delight to the younger, making possible as it has, the unusual diversion of ice skating. Yesterday, the slough south, and the miniature lakes north of the city, supplied abundant opportunity for lovers of the recreation and they were there numerous. The sporting goods stores were kept busy the past week filling orders for the little ice shoes, and dozens of pairs, in the discard from the skating of several years ago, were again brought into use. The pleasure subservient to Oregon's climatic conditions will, however, probably be of short duration, as it is expected that the thermometer will register a warmer temperature within a few days.

Miss Verne DeWitt went to Portland Saturday, where she will spend the holidays with friends. Tomorrow she will be an attendant at the marriage of Miss Agnes Hall, of Salem, to William Bert Powell, of Portland.

A pretty miscellaneous shower was the compliment paid Miss Hazel Morris, bride-elect of William F. Mosher, by her sisters Miss Martha and Miss Elvira at their home, 331 North Fourth street, Wednesday evening. Miss Theima and Miss Bernice Swayze were asked to assist in serving. Scarlet hearts and cupid cut from paper ornamented the dining room, suggesting the approaching nuptials. Music and games were played, following which the honor guest opened her beautiful and useful gifts. The invited guests were: Miss Lillie Feller, Marie Meager, Orpha Elliot, Clara Feller, Theima Swayze Elvira Morris, Juanita De Von, Mary Burger, Winifred Mori, Bernice Swayze, Martha Morris, Lois Hason, Mrs. Franklin Lenon, Mrs. Edward Swayze, Mrs. Homer McDonough, Mrs. Oscar Morris, Mrs. Curtis Zimmerman, Mrs. William Morris and Mrs. Martha J. Morris of Turner.

A new club is being organized for the wives of the employees of the P. E. & E., under the leadership of Mrs. L. A. Hawthorne and Mrs. Edward Shank. The first meeting to be held soon after the holidays. Announcements and invitations will be made later.

The Degree of Honor Sewing Society met at the home of Mrs. Jessie Crossan, Thursday afternoon. The time was spent with needlework. Those present were Mrs. Bertha Stutzman, Mrs. Gladys Stutzman, Mrs. Emma Saubel, Mrs. Ella Traver, Mrs. Elizabeth Skyes, Mrs. B. J. Leslie, Mrs. Lena Wright, Mrs. Jessie Crossan, Mrs. Edith Dier,

Mrs. Nellie White, Mrs. Jessie Crossan, Miss Greta Crossan, Mrs. Matlock and Mrs. Brennan. Mrs. Crossan served refreshments. Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Skyes, January seventh.

The Elite Embroidery Circle was entertained Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Mattie Given, at her spacious home on North Commercial street. Christmas colors were used in decorating, holly being tastefully arranged with poinsettias. The afternoon was much enjoyed by the guests who passed the time with Christmas work and social conversation. A dainty luncheon was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Roy Clark and Mrs. Prince. Next meeting at Mrs. W. W. Hills, Market and Fifth street.

The regular open social night for the Macedonia lodge will be held Wednesday evening, December 30, when the Sir Knights and the Ladies will entertain jointly, friends and lodge members being welcome on this date.

An enjoyable contribution to the affairs which their order has given recently will be the banquet, to be held by the members of the Eastern Star circle, following the installation of officers Tuesday evening, January 6th. Their first dancing party last Monday and the large social gathering at the Mrs. L. K. Page home last Wednesday filled their calendar for last week, and each week of the winter will be marked by some pleasant event.

Closing exercises at the Sacred Heart Academy will be held Wednesday, when many of the students will go to their homes to spend Christmas and New Year. School will reopen on January fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. St. Helen will be the guests of the George Blanchards in Portland on Christmas day, and will remain for a week.

The following program was given by pupils of professor T. S. Roberts at the Blind school Friday evening. "Ding, Dong," Lacey, Hazel George; "The Tinpan Guards Parade," Spaulding, Harry Spencer; Duet, "The Pickles Waiting"; Brown, Alice Spurling and Frances Spurling; Duet, "The Pickles on the Water"; Brown, Helen Aspinwall and Ruth Aspinwall; Duet, "The Pickles Asleep"; Brown, Olive Moore and Juanita Moore; "The Shepherd," Willson, Grace Tschudi; "Over the Hills," Willson, Lena Hall; "In Ball Costume," Lange, Hazel Long; "Winniewawa," Oehl, Ruth Aspinwall; "Alpine Glow," Oestlin, Edna Ackerman; Waltz in B

For a Greater Salem

Christmas time is here. The time of happiness and good cheer for all. As one of the incoming officers of the city will try and state briefly what the new Administration hopes to accomplish.

It is the hope of the new officers to give a sane and satisfactory government for the coming year. To try and treat every one so that they will feel that we have treated them right, pleased no favorites and given every one a square deal.

There are no large projects ahead in the usual business of the city. The city has been paved until there are very few streets left to be paved that are able to stand the cost.

We have some money to install sewers and trust to commence work as soon as possible after the first of the year so as to give employment during the winter months to that need it and give them a chance to support themselves and families as they desire.

The voters of the city have entrusted to the city officials all the work of laying sewers and building streets, bridges, etc., believing that the city can do the work as cheaply and in a more satisfactory manner than under the contract system.

There is also, one strong benefit by having the city do the work and that is that home labor can be employed, keeping the money at home and giving it to those that support the city and make their homes here. Under the contract system, the contractor employs who he pleases and it makes no difference who or what they are as long as he can secure them at the lowest possible wages. This often works a great hardship on our local men who need the employment and are entitled to it.

There are a few things Salem needs and needs badly and that is its own water and electric light systems.

If Salem had bought the water works here at the commencing of the agitation for city ownership a few years ago, the profits that the company have made during that time would have gone a long way towards paying for its cost. Salem is never liable to secure the best of water and proper service until the city does own and operate its own plant.

Oregon has the most natural power sites of any state in the Union today and the least developed. Salem is situated

on all sides by streams that will light the city and furnish power for all purposes. And it can be used as a means of building up the city in every way. If we have cheap power to offer manufacturers they will locate their factories here. We can in that way furnish pay rolls that will increase the value of our property, lower taxes and keep our citizens employed the year around at profitable labor.

At the present time we are paying interest on an investment of \$275,000 simply for city lights alone, not counting lights for all the houses and stores, state buildings and the amount that is used for power purposes.

This is our investment far more than it would cost the city to buy a water right power site, install the necessary plant and carry the power to Salem.

The city can sell far more than enough to pay operating expenses and own its own plant which will gradually pay for itself by creating a sinking fund and at the time the bonds are due, meet them and have a plant that will help reduce taxation instead of as at present taking \$16,000 a year to pay their street light bill alone. It is time the city got busy and installed a plant as within a few years the desirable power sites are going to be taken and the city will have to pay a high price for what they can get now at a very low valuation. I trust that the proper steps will soon be taken so that this work can be finished and we will then regret that we had not long ago installed our own plant and saved the large sums we have been paying private companies.

Our city is as prosperous as any city in the Northwest today, new homes are going up everywhere, our school census shows several hundred new students every year and goes to prove that the city is forging ahead at all times.

Salem is going to have another large school house the coming year and it will only be a very short time until the High School will need enlarging or the abolition of a junior High School.

This all shows a very healthy condition in the business life of the city and goes to prove that if we all work together and boost for Salem and Salem resources, it will bring the results we all desire.

Yours very truly,
HARLEY O. WHITE.

Flat, Durand, Catherine DeWitt; "Melody of Love," Engelmann, Martha Wickberg; "When the Lights Are Low," Engelmann, Frances Hubert; "The Chinese Umbrella," Lewis, Eight Girls; Valse Danseuse, Miles, Juanita Moore; "Isabelle Grande Valse," Bachmann, Olga Wickberg; Duet, "Valse," Bohm, Nell Roberts and Baeal Roberts; "Eloisane Harp," Smith, Frances Goodenough; "Second Mazurka," Galdor, Ruth Winters; "Grand Valse de Concert," Maitte, Nora Schliensner; (a) "The Butterfly," Lavallee, (b) "The Pluto's Revels," Schmoll, Lucile DeWitt; Nursery Rhyme Suite, Cuetance, Chorus of Girls.

The Christmas program of the Y. W. C. A. of the University on last Tuesday afternoon was very delightful and a large number of girls and outside visitors were in attendance. For the past week the girls' rest room has been beautifully decorated with Christmas greens and bright red ribbon bows.

The afternoon was informal, the program being unannounced and the girls did sewing while enjoying the numbers. The program was:

Christmas carol; prayer, Miss Reynolds; solo, Fannie McKeenan; solo, Carrie Cooksey; solo, Florence Cook; scripture reading, Mildred Bartholomew; solo, Ruth Winters; reading, "The Other Wise Man," Kaid Elliot; solo Lella McCallahan.

At the Englewood school a Christmas program was given Friday by the primary grades which follows:

Mother Goose Party, room 1; The First Christmas, Louise Wiek; Christmas, room 2; German Christmas, Walter Hunt and Sam Dalrymple; The Fir Tree, room 2; Father Christmas, room 3; drill, room 2; French Christmas, Cecely Hebel room 3; Christmas floats, room 2.

The Christmas floats formed an interesting feature of this part of the program. The little ones were slowly drawn across the stage in gayly decorated toy express wagons representing Christmas bells, Christmas stockings, Christmas toys and the last float in the procession carried a glittering tree.

A large number of parents and friends attended the exercises.

The upper grades of Englewood school gave the following numbers:

Song, Merry Christmas Bells, room 8; Christmas Message, Elizabeth Dyer; extract from Bible, Christmas Carol, Arthur Rosebraugh; It Came Upon the Midnight Clear, Dorothy Vincent; song, Christmas is Here, room 4; Another Visit of St. Nicholas, Edith Barber; My Stocking, Bennie Kautleburg; A Christmas Carol, Calvina Lightfoot; dialogue, Mrs. St. Nicholas, room 4; song, Silent Night, room 8; Song for Christmas Olga Hunt; The Little Fellow's Stocking, Mildred Alexander; song, O Little Town of Bethlehem, room 4; The Christmas Tree, Henrietta Voorheis; Christmas Long Ago, Ruth Busch; A Letter to Santa Claus, Helen Savage; song, Christmas Bells, room 7; Under the Holly Bough, Harold Millard; song, Under the Mistletoe, rooms 7 and 8; Bible's Christmas, Althea Dorke; Annie's and Willie's Prayer, Jessie Grundy; Nazareth Alice Glaser.

Clifford Spaulding, of the Oregon Agricultural College, is here to spend the holidays with his parents, the Charles K. Spauldings, who will celebrate Christmas with a general family reunion.

SALEM'S BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIES

Business conditions throughout the country during the past year have been depressed and retrenchment in general expenses by large numbers of commercial houses in response to the pressure from outside sources has thrown large numbers of men out of employment and precipitated what is believed to be the hardest winter on labor for a good many years. With these conditions actual, it is hard for the average man who has suffered in one or another to

ures after each concern denote number of people employed.)

Public Institutions.

State Institutions	\$19,070.00
Capitol and Supreme Court	30,031.00
County officers and help (30)	2,900.00
Postoffice	4,000.50
City offices	2,500.00
Public schools (100)	9,000.00
High school (28)	3,100.00
Willamette University (18)	2,200.00
Total	\$72,814.40

Public Service Corporations.

Portland Railway, Light and Power Co. (64)	\$4,121.45
Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. (54)	2,250.00
And other corporations	2,000.00
Total	\$8,391.45

Larger Manufacturing Concerns.

T. Kay Woolen Mills (125)	\$6,000.00
Salem Mfg. Co. (36)	600.00
Anderson Boiler Works (28)	1,675.00
Gleason Glove Factory (32)	1,900.00
Total	\$9,275.00

Canning Companies.

Salem Canning Co. (100-200)	\$2,500.00
H. S. Gile & Co. (30-75)	1,200.00
Salem Fruit Union (50-150)	2,000.00
Hunt Bros. (150-250)	3,500.00
Total	\$9,200.00

Lumber Companies.

Capital Lumber Co. (10)	\$800.00
Falls City Lumber Co. (17)	1,250.00
Spaulding Co. (175)	10,000.00
Total	\$12,050.00

Flouring Mills.

Capital City (4)	\$180.00
Cherry City Mills (3)	250.00
Bryant and Frank (3)	180.00
Total	\$610.00

Gravel, Tile and Sand Companies.

Salem Sand & Gravel Co. (10)	\$1,405.00
Salem Tile & Merc. Co. (32)	1,950.00
Salem Sewer Pipe Co. (14)	1,250.00
Salem Construction Co. (8)	1,300.00
Total	\$6,175.00

Bottling Works.

Salem Brewery Ass. (20-30)	\$3,000.00
Gilson Stolz Co. (8)	450.00
Total	\$3,450.00

Packers and Allied Products.

E. C. Cross and Sons (15)	\$1,100.00
Stensloff Bros. (12-13)	1,200.00
Total	\$2,300.00

Nurseries.

Quicker Co. (20-40)	\$1,500.00
All others (10-20)	2,000.00
Total	\$3,500.00

Brick Companies.

J. C. Dobbins (12)	\$400.00
Total	\$400.00

Creamery Companies.

Capital City Creamery (5)	\$300.00
Townsend Cr. Co. (5)	450.00
Marion Cr. & Produce Co. (3)	400.00
Total	\$1,150.00

Publishing and Printing.

Job printing offices (24-30)	\$1,400.00
Stateman (7)	5,500.00
Capital Journal (20)	17,400.00
Total	\$8,704.00

Candy Manufacturing Co.

The Spa (5)	\$500.00
Gray-Helle (6)	500.00
Zinn's (4)	250.00
Gleary City Candy Co.	500.00
Royce Confectionery Co. (1)	500.00
Total	\$1,200.00

Inexpensive Gifts of Reliable Values



This season our store is filled to overflowing with gifts which are both charming and inexpensive. Our specializing in goods suitable for presents of genuine worth but of medium price will prove an important aid in selecting a gift. We call attention to a few of the many articles for your selection—

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| Reduced Prices on | Reduced Prices on |
| Women's Neckwear | Box Stationery |
| Novelty Ribbons | Women's Umbrellas |
| Richardson's Linens | Bath Robes |
| Leather Bags | Fleeced Kimonos |
| Leather Purses | Knitted Goods |
| Mesh Bags | Knit Underwear |
| Lingerie Waists | Character Dolls |
| Silk Waists | Parker's Games |
| Silk Petticoats | Women's Handk'ch'fs |
| Women's Sweaters | Bedding and Blankets |

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Capital City Laundry (15)	\$410.00	D. A. White & Sons (3-4)	150.00
Salem Steam Laundry (33)	1,550.00	E. P. Barkus & Son (3-4)	355.00
Total	\$2,190.00	H. W. Reinhardt's Show Case Co. (5)	400.00
Geo. Cameron Box Pkg. (3)	150.00	Rodgers Paper Co. (12)	1,500.00
Angora Egg Co. (4)	300.00	Brown Printing Mill (20)	1,300.00
Berco's State Paint Co. (3)	200.00	Prison Ink Back Oil Co. (2)	30.00
Peterscher & Fuller (3)	340.00	A. M. Hansen (25-30)	1,000.00
W. B. Gibson Box Pkg. (2)	150.00	Other bus factories	250.00
Total	\$8,590.00	Grand total	\$151,181.85

This is the season of the year when everybody in the house is preparing to work rather.

Christmas Specials

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| Candy | Fruit |
| Chocolates | Apples, Bananas, Jap Oranges, Lemons, Cranberries, Oranges. |
| French Mixed | |
| Ribbon Mixed | |
| Honey Comb | |
| Peppermints | |
| Nuts | Vegetables |
| Almonds | Cabbage, Cauliflower, Carrots, Celery, Onions, Parsnips, Sweet Potatoes, Pumpkins, Squash. |
| Brazil | |
| Filberts | |
| Fresh Country Meat | |
| Sausage (pure pork) lb.15c | |
| Backbone and Spareribs, lb.12 1/2c | |
| Tenderloin, lb.22c | |
| Live Chickens, lb.13c | |
| Plenty of Good Country Butter, lb. 30c | |
| New Buckwheat Flour (pure), sack 65c | |
| Home Made Kraut, quart10c | |

The prices below are offered as a special inducement for you to call at our store on one of the following days: 21, 22, 23, 24. In order to obtain these prices you must call at the store to order them. These prices do not apply on phone orders, or orders given our solicitors.

Fresh Ranch Eggs, dozen40c	Jones' Sweet Pickled Back Bacon, per lb.20c
Potatoes, sack lots, bushel35c	Jones' Cured Meats — taste different. They are the best we can buy, no matter what the price.
Sultana Raisins (seedless), 3 lbs.25c	
Jones' Picnic Hams, lb.12c	
Jones' Breakfast Bacon, lean streaked, lb.25c	

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Princess Plum Pudding— Large, 50c; small,20c	HUNT'S SUPREME CANNED GOODS
Atman's Plum Pudding— Large, 50c; small10c	Pineapple, can,20c, 15c, 10c
Best Mince-meat, 1/2 lb.15c	Bartlett Pears, can25c
Veribest Mince-meat, 2 lb.25c	Oiling Peaches, can25c
Almonds, 1/2 lb.25c	Apricots, can25c
No. 3 Walnuts, Filberts and Mixed, per lb.20c	Cherries, can45c
Fancy Mixed Candy, lb.20c	Asparagus, can25c, 20c, 15c
Choice Crisp Mixed Candy, 1/2 lb. 20c	Oysters, can45c, 25c, 10c
	Cocon., can15c, 12 1/2c, 10c
	Beans, can20c, 15c, 10c
	Peas, can25c, 15c, 8 1/2c
	Tomatoes, can12 1/2c, 10c, 8 1/2c

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