

Social and Personal

ALINE THOMPSON

NEW YEAR'S EVE is the next date for which society is planning oig things and from the calendar, this new year bids fair to be unusually gay for Salem folk.

Not only are the various maids and matrons planning many little watch parties, but a number of the smart set have arranged for supper parties at the grill in Portland where society will turn out en masse to greet the New Year, and bid farewell to the old.

Mrs. Thomas C. Smith, Jr. and son, Malcolm, went to Portland this morning, where they will join friends and attend the hocke name tonight at the Hippodrome. While in Portland, Mrs. Smith and master Malcolm will be the guests of relatives.

Ralph Moores, returned Monday from Gearhart, where he joined the Robert Kinseys and was their guest for the Christmas holiday.

The Oaks club dance, which was to have been given on Monday night has been postponed on account of the Cherrian banquet, until Monday, January the tenth.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Orier had as their house guest for the Christmas holidays Mrs. F. F. Packard, Miss Lena Marase and Harry Packard, of Portland.

Miss Paula Linn, who was the guest of Miss Caroline Dick, returned to Portland Monday, where she will visit over the vacation week with Miss Schnabel.

Today Miss Linn was also a guest at the luncheon, presided over by Miss Helen Munsinger honoring Miss Schnabel, who is home from school for the holidays.

Miss Margaret Rodgers, who has been visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Rodgers, returned to Portland Monday.

Honoring Miss Nell Sykes, who is the guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sykes, Mrs. Ralph White entertained with a pretty Christmas dinner.

The table was centered with a glittering miniature Christmas tree, from which bright red ribbons found their way to the individual places, terminating with an attractive Christmas gift.

Circling the table were: Miss Sykes, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sykes and daughter Jennette, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White.

Miss Sykes, who is a domestic science teacher in Prineville, will visit in Salem for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes returned Monday from Portland where they spent the Christmas holiday with relatives.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Schrank was the scene of a merry Christmas gathering Saturday, when members of the Schrank family congregated to celebrate Mr. J. P. Schrank's seventy-ninth birthday.

After a delicious Christmas dinner, the guests enjoyed the distribution of gifts, and a pleasurable programme which was as follows:

Song, by Miss Bessie and Mrs. A. W. Schrank.
Recitation, Mrs. Francis Schrank.
Violin solo, Miss Bessie Schrank.
Pantomime, Miss Alice Schrank.
Duet, Misses Ida and Bessie Schrank.
Reading, Miss Bessie Schrank.
Song, Mrs. Francis Schrank and the Misses Ida and Bessie Schrank.
Piano solo, Miss Ida Schrank.
Pantomime, Miss Bessie Schrank.
Song, by all.

Those present were: Mr. J. P. Schrank, Mr. and Mrs. Fred White, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schrank and daughter Ellen, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Schrank, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Schrank, Miss Ida Schrank, Miss Alice Schrank, Miss Bessie Schrank.

Miss Lora Purvine has as her house guest, Miss Helen Scott, of Newberg.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Ralph White's juvenile dancing class will be

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An Oregon Woman Testifies.

Lents, Oregon.—"When I was going through the critical time of middle life, I took several bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and it helped me wonderfully. I cannot say enough in favor of this medicine. Have also used the 'Golden Medical Discovery' in my home for many years for many different ailments."—MRS. ELLA HAROLD.

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WAE NEWS OF ONE YEAR AGO TODAY

President Wilson declared England would have to pay a heavy indemnity for seizing American ships. Russia claimed Berlin admitted the rout of 170,000 Austrians in the Carpathians. The allies claimed some gains in the west.

Lured By Promoters To Financial Ruin

Oregon City, Or., Dec. 23.—Lured from the east by tales of wealth in the orchard business in the northwest, Charles Hohne, former New York hotelman, is dead today while a bullet from his own revolver in his brain. Despondency because his dreams of prosperity were shattered is believed to have led him to commit suicide.

Hohne, accompanied by his two sisters, came to Oregon City last June after he had purchased an orchard tract from a local real estate concern. Instead of a bearing orchard, he found the tract covered with stumps, rocks and underbrush. He brought suit against the real estate company and obtained a judgment recently. Then a receiver was appointed for the company and Hohne's judgment was worthless and his hopes shattered. After wandering several miles over a country road yesterday, Hohne shot himself.

WAR BULLETINS

Paris, Dec. 23.—Bulgarian troops defeated the Serbs and occupied Elassava in Central Albania, according to a Geneva report today.

Washington, Dec. 23.—A Rome dispatch to the state department this afternoon said that an Italian liner going to Catania was sunk.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 23.—Stricken while attending Christmas midnight mass in Carmelite convent, to which he had given more than \$500,000 during his lifetime, Malcolm McGregor, millionaire lumberman, is dead today of acute stomach trouble.

Born in Ontario in 1842, he came west 42 years later and founded the town of Orillia, near Seattle.

New York, Dec. 23.—Passengers on the liner United States from Stockholm today said she was held up five days at Greenock, Scotland, while 2,800 pieces of parcel post matter were taken off by the British, who suspected it to be contraband. The passengers signed a protest against the British course and forwarded it to Washington.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The department of justice today telegraphed to El Paso asking how serious is the reported illness of former President Huerta, of Mexico. Unless it is worse than indicated, the grand jury investigation into his alleged Mexican expedition conspiracy will continue.

New York, Dec. 23.—William E. Riven, formerly cashier of the Lumbermen's National organization at Tacoma, died here last night of paralysis. He was a pioneer banker and button manufacturer of Muscatine, Iowa.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 23.—Part of totals on number of signatures to the dry initiative petitions are:

Partial prohibition on 1918, 37,172; total prohibition 1920, 39,615.

Supplemental petitions are now beginning to come in and as a rule these petitions have more signatures than the originals, indicating that the drys will get the necessary number of signatures—74,130.

You can make money by reading the Journal New Today column.

SCHUCKING VS. YOUNG HOP CONTRACT HELD VALID BY SUP. COURT

Supreme Court Passes Upon Three Marion County Cases Affirming All

The supreme court today decided in favor of B. O. Schucking & Co. in the famous hop case against E. M. Young that was tried out before Judge Kelly in the circuit court of this county and the judgment of the lower court was affirmed. The main point of contention in this case was about a certain hieroglyphic made in the form of two parallel lines crossing two other parallel lines or, as it has proved, was referred to in everyday language. This little double cross placed after the number 25,000 and Mr. Schucking maintained that it meant "pounds" when in a hop contract. Justice McBride ruled that when it was in front of a numeral it meant "number" but when placed after the numeral it universally meant pounds.

According to the testimony in the case Schucking contracted in December 1912, for the delivery of 25,000 pounds of hops from E. M. Young at 14 cents per pound. It happened that in October 1913, when the hops were to be delivered that hops were selling from 22 to 24 cents per pound and the testimony shows that Young refused to deliver and told Schucking that the contract was no good.

Schucking and then the case was started. Schucking sued for \$250 which he claimed he lost by the failure of Young to deliver the hops and Young held that the contract did not compel him to deliver as it did not call for 25,000 pounds of hops but for 25,000 of those hieroglyphics in the form of double crosses.

The jury in the circuit court awarded Mr. Schucking a judgment in the sum of \$1750 and costs against Young and Young appealed to the supreme court. Attorneys John A. Carson and Oscar Hayter represented the appellants and John H. McNary and Roy F. Shields appeared for the respondent.

Another Marion county case which came up in the supreme court today was that of George Evanoff against the State Industrial accident commission. This was an action brought by the plaintiff, who was an employee of the Bridal Veil Lumber Co., attacking the constitutionality of the act authorizing the establishment of the commission. Evanoff's attorney discovered 19 alleged violations of the state constitution and four alleged violations of the constitution of the United States in the act founding the commission. Justice McBride, however, ruled that the alleged violations were misplaced and all were variations of one or two that were over ruled by the supreme court.

This case was tried out in the circuit court of this county where Judge Gallows ruled against the plaintiff and his decision was upheld by the supreme court. Evanoff complained that he was entitled to at least \$15,000 but Justice McBride stated that under the law system of personal suits that about one man in three received damages and the other two received nothing. At present, he said every man was assured of some compensation when injured and that the law was approved by the people of the state by a vote of about two to one.

L. H. McMahan Wins His Case. The supreme court upheld the decision of Justice William Galloway in the Salem-Fairfield Telephone company case against L. H. McMahan. McMahan was suit brought to restrain the alleged illegal use of a telephone line and the decree of the lower court was that the telephone company should be enjoined from adding more customers to the line. In 1898 a telephone line was constructed northerly along the country road from Salem for a distance of about 10 miles by W. H. Egan and others. With their consent a branch line was built known as line No. 6 by three parties, one of whom L. H. McMahan afterwards bought out. An attempt was later made to consolidate some of the lines as the poles began to decay and by laws were drawn up but it appears that the agreement was not entered into by any of the original three on Line 6. After consolidation McMahan refused to recognize the laws of the company as he did not enter into the agreement and continued to pay his share of the expenses by way of "donations," not admitting the right of the company to assess him. One of these donations the company refused and cut his phone off from the line. McMahan put it back and it was again cut off and then the suit started.

The supreme court held that McMahan was entitled to an undivided one-third interest in Line 6 but that he must pay his ratable share of the expenses of operating a three party line and the telephone company is enjoined from adding other parties to the three party line. However the telephone company is entitled to put up other wires on the poles on line 6 to supply other customers that might reside in this territory.

In the Portland Jitney case the supreme court held that jitneys may be regulated and that the city council can legally pass an ordinance to which is attached an emergency clause if it is shown that an emergency actually exists.

The other opinions handed down follow: Riddle State Bank versus J. A. Lisk and others, an action on a promissory note, appealed from Douglas county, opinion by Justice Benson, affirms decision of Judge J. W. Hamilton.

City of Portland, versus American Surety Co., appealed from Multnomah county, Judge H. E. McGinn. Modified by opinion of Justice Burnett.

J. I. Hanna against Allval Farm Company, an action to recover money, ster Holmes affirmed in all points.

H. G. Hyde against Chauncey Kirk-

TODAY'S ODDEST STORY.
Franklin, Pa. Dec. 23.—Young Farmer Walter McFarland says that while rabbit hunting he heard a shot and saw a rabbit fall dead within a few feet from him and found that his horse had stepped on a loaded shell, which exploded and killed the rabbit.

Street Car and Auto Delivery Clash Together

An auto delivery loaded with a dozen sacks of bran and driven by C. A. DeMasters, of West Salem, collided with a street car at the corner of State and Cottage streets at noon today and the auto was badly bruised up. The auto was being driven north on Cottage and the car was going east on State street when the accident occurred. Mr. DeMasters said that he saw the car but did not think that it would attempt to pass in front of his car as it was nearly a block away when he approached the track. He said he was going slow and he had checked his speed to pass over the bump at the edge of the pavement.

Stocks Decline Today On Wall Street

(Copyright 1915 by the New York Evening Post.)
New York, Dec. 23.—Prices on the stock exchange today are reactionary, cancelling a large part of yesterday's improvement. Until the last hour, however, when the list became heavy, there were no particularly weak stocks; selling of industrial issues and railroad shares tended to diminish as prices went downward.

Steel common declined over a point from yesterday's highest mark. After an early advance, Anaconda declined a point, New York Central a half, and Erie a half. In the last hour, however, the losses were sharply increased as the selling pressure became heavy. A contributing cause was speculative profit taking by professionals.

There was a great deal of talk about the English cabinet situation, and submarine attacks in the Mediterranean, and besides there was considerable selling of foreign stocks here.

"Golden Rule" Warden Under Indictment

White Plains, N. Y., Dec. 23.—The Westchester county grand jury today returned an indictment in six counts against Thomas Mott Osborne, "golden rule" warden of Sing Sing prison, after an investigation of prison conditions.

Five of the counts charged malfeasance in office, and the sixth personal immorality.

Osborne's friends termed the indictments the outgrowth of a systematic campaign to force him out.

Osborne first attracted attention when he entered Auburn penitentiary as a "prisoner," in order that he might get an insight into prison conditions from other than a textbook standpoint.

Later he was made warden at Sing Sing and there instituted a number of reforms, including a prisoners' court in which prisoners themselves punished anyone guilty of infraction of prison rules.

AUSTRIAN SENTENCED

New York, Dec. 23.—Anton Menke, a young Austrian, implicated in munitions plots, was sentenced today to a year in prison after he pleaded guilty to violation of the tenement law by having explosives stored in his apartment.

He said he was merely interested in chemistry and was experimenting. Justice McInerney said, "you're a menace to the community."

patrick, appealed from Baker county, Circuit court decision by Judge Webster, petition for rehearing by Justice Burnett.

IS YOUR STOMACH CLOGGED WITH WASTE?

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A Galley o' Fun!

CRIMINALS SOAKED.
Deacon Empluskull—Ha! Ha! Ha! While Si Hubble and family was tow town seen' the circus, tramps broke into their house and eat everything in sight!

Sister Narrerbrance—There's quick retribution fer ye! I always said the Lord had more than one way uv punishin' sinners.

GIFTED WITH STATECRAFT.
First Politician—Chinlop is one of the ablest men we've got on the stump today. He's a regular statesman.

Second Politician—You're right. Able man; statesman; high order. Why Chinlop can see more kinds of ruin and calamity ahead of the nation than all the rest of the party!

A GLOOMY OUTLOOK.
First Professional North Pole Explorer—You look worried, comrade.

Second Professional North Pole Explorer—Yes; I fear that some day one of those Relief Expeditions is going to discover the pole.



THE REAL FIEND.

Jack (with cigarette)—Barrick is a terrible cigarette fiend.

Maud (in surprise)—Why, I never knew he smoked them!

Pack—He doesn't; he's forever telling other people how harmful they are.

SOME SOCIAL OBSERVANCES.
The Call.

The common ordinary call is a mingling of pleasure and duty—of pleasure when we are referring to it in the presence of the one called upon, and of duty when we are talking to ourselves. It lies at the root of all social impulses. It is the foundation stone of society. The lamentations of Mrs. Noah have not been recorded, but we know how badly she must have felt after that little freshet that took place some paltry centuries ago, to think there was one left to send out cards to. Mrs. Noah, so to speak, had to raise her own callers, and then she was too old to enjoy calling as it ought to be enjoyed. When Mrs. Shem or Mrs. Japhet dropped in and remarked how pretty the artificial flowers in the glass case in the parlor were, and whether they were picked fresh that morning, Mrs. Noah no doubt had not the youthful vein of sarcasm to reply in a way that would show her caller the measure of her appreciation of something which she knew was intended to make her uncomfortable.

Since Mrs. Noah's time, women have gone on making calls more or less frequently, and men have avoided them, with much the same dogged persistence that has marked a Columbus or a Carlyle.

A man's idea about making a call is that it is one of the best and finest and most desirable and easiest things to do; and he believes this a good deal more than he does religion or politics. The proposition in logic that all men are not callers—Jones is not a caller, therefore Jones is a man—is a fundamental axiom, and no one but a woman would ever think of contradicting it. The only time when the average man takes a genuine pleasure in a call is when he holds four aces.

The average woman, on the other hand, is a caller by nature, temperament, tradition, premeditated design and inclination. She not only calls to show what she herself has on, but also to find out if what the other woman has on is any better—thus killing two birds with one stone. The ordinary call is also to her a social training school, whereby she learns to talk without thinking when one is in a crowd, all doing the same thing, but one is apt to become self-conscious where there is only one other listening, and this in itself is good practice.

A call is not properly a call when there are more than two participants. It then becomes a community of iniplicity and is on the edge of being a function.

Among women, the common or ordinary call is complete when two women meet for twenty minutes to decide (1) which one has the better clothes; (2) which one has the better husband; and (3) which one has the better servant. It is then time to go.

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You have seen the Lasky production of Carmen with the great Geraldine Farrer, you will now have an opportunity to see the Fox Film Co. conception of this same production with the noted Theda Bara.
Something doing at the Grand every day.

FLOUR IS HIGHER.
Portland, Or., Dec. 23.—Patent flour prices will advance 20 cents per barrel in the local market within a day or so, according to information given by local milling interests during the day. The new price will be \$5.40 per barrel.

HANNA VERY ILL
London, Dec. 23.—Governor Hanna of North Dakota, a member of the Federal peace party is "very ill probably with typhus fever" in a Copenhagen hospital according to a Copenhagen dispatch to day.

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