

CORRESPONDENCE

SCAPPOOSE

D. W. Price has bronchitis. Santa Claus at Noah's Ark. The famous Hoefler's candles at Mason's. Chapman camp will close Thursday for the holidays. Albert Boesel is visiting friends and relatives in Nebraska. D. W. Price was a business visitor in the metropolis on Tuesday. Last Sunday night a baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Boesmer. Miss Gypsy Johnston is taking charge of the postoffice during Mrs. Washburn's illness. Oscar Ed Holmes, who was a resident here some time ago, is visiting old-time friends. Mrs. Bessie Stanton has returned to Scappoose, after spending several months in Portland. Mrs. O. M. Washburn has tonsillitis and Little Marjorie Washburn is suffering with mumps—itis. Miss Laura Whitney has suffered a relapse but is again rallying from a severe attack of nervousness. Pisgah Home Colony, at Pisgah Heights near here, is shipping cordwood to the Pisgah home in Portland. The Community Club will meet Wednesday night, the 27th. The discussions will arise from the question box. A benefit dance was given at West's Pavilion last Saturday night under the auspices of the Pocatontas lodge. Miss Maude Duncan is at home for the holidays. Miss Duncan spent the past two or three months in Tacoma. The West Bros. have purchased an auto truck and are hauling milk for H. West, for their own dairy and for James Pomeroy, and other freight. The young people held a party in the Congregational church parlor last Friday night and report a very interesting time. The Community Club held its regular meeting last Wednesday night, and as "The High Cost of Living" was the subject almost everyone took part and made the subject very interesting. The Congregational Sunday school will have a Christmas tree at the church next Saturday night. There will be the usual entertainment of songs, recitations, etc. Everybody is welcome. The musical comedy that was put on at W. & P. hall a few weeks ago in such a successful manner will be given again on Friday night, the 29th. Many of those who heard it before will be glad of the opportunity to hear it again, and others who could not attend will be glad of an opportunity to go. A full house is expected. On Monday evening, December 11, the members of Scappoose Congregational church assembled for their annual meeting. It was altogether of a social nature. Supper was served in the Sunday school room, after which business was transacted as the members sat around the table. Reports were received from the various departments, all of which were of an encouraging nature. Most of last year's officers were reelected. The newly elected are D. W. Price, deacon; E. C. Smith, trustee; Fred Smith, Sunday school treasurer; Miss

Olli Staltenberg, Sunday school secretary; Miss Helen Watts, organist; Miss Gypsy Johnston, assistant organist. What a pitiful tale of woe. We met Geo. Grant on the street and he was the sorriest looking man we ever saw. We first thought he had an attack of the blues or colicitis, or something, to cause such a look of distress, but when we questioned him as to the cause of such a painful physiognomy he replied: "Well, I don't like to speak of my troubles, for everybody has their own, and besides I know you are the biggest gossip in town and soon the whole population will be discussing my home affairs, but I feel that I can bear it no longer and must unburden my soul. The day before Thanksgiving my wife and I had a few words and she packed her duds and left. The next morning I got up early and cooked a good breakfast for the school ma'ams, and immediately after breakfast they also packed their grips and left. Then I had nobody left but the dogs. I went to my livery stable and the horses looked so thin I began to think they would soon take their departure. I paid my last nickel for crackers and cheese and ate my Thanksgiving dinner in my own room at the barn, where I could express my sentiments in an emphatic way and there was no one that could talk back. Well, for once I did enjoy myself. I left some cheese and crackers in the sack, expecting to have another pleasant meal in the evening in solitude, but after working hard that afternoon and grieving over my wife's absence I washed my face and slicked up my hair and was prepared for my evening repast, but, holy horrors! when I went into the room I discovered the paper sack on the floor empty and there stood my measly hound dog looking at me so innocently that I could not have the heart to kick him, and, besides, I never allow anyone to kick my hound dog. Now, Mr. Correspondent, I want to know if my 'fate is the common fate of all' and if 'into each life some rain must fall and some days be dark and dreary.'"

WARREN

A box of good cigars will be an acceptable present. Mason's. Mary Dahlgren, Hilda Muhr and Anna Larson were among the Portland visitors. Mrs. P. J. Loomis and Mrs. C. Miller spent Saturday in Portland. Fannie Cooper and Myrtle Larson spent Friday and Saturday in St. Helens, guests of Miss Edrie La Bare. Miss Elsie Kallberg spent Sunday with her parents. Wm. Baumgardner is visiting at the home of Mr. George. Miss Matilda Carlson is on the sick list this week. The sale given by the Evangelical Ladies' Aid was well attended and a neat sum of money was realized. Early mass will be held in the Lutheran church Christmas morning at 7:30 p. m., the same day. Mrs. Ida Adams has returned home from Scappoose. The student body held its weekly meeting Friday afternoon. Four new pupils joined as charter members, namely Frank Beeler, Lucy Boesel, Omar Beeler and Harvey Hay. The initiation consisted of a two-minute talk by each. There are quite a few cases of

Miss Muhr was a Portland visitor Saturday. C. W. Page, of Maine, is here visiting his sister, Mrs. A. H. Tarbell. Jim Kennedy, of Goble, visited at the home of Mr. Farr Saturday. The Sunday school children of the Lutheran church are busy preparing their Christmas program, which is to be given December 25. The photographer was at school Tuesday morning, and took pictures of the whole school, the separate rooms and the high school. The school pennant won by Carrie Boesel was placed in room four Monday morning. Christmas vacation of the Warren school will extend from December 23 to January 2. Santa Claus at Noah's Ark. Profit by our experience in diamonds. We have full cut diamonds as low as \$20. Gray, the jeweler.

UPPER TIDE CREEK

The Nehalem Valley correspondent informed us last week that it had been snowing and blowing over in their country. Well, it did all that and more in our immediate vicinity. It was a spell of real winter weather which kept everyone close to the home fireside, hence the lack of news from this community the past three weeks. Harry Webber, of Vancouver, Wash., visited with his sister, Mrs. Harry Howard, for a few days last week. Norman Barker and family have moved to Yankton, where Mr. Barker has employment. They will live on Harry Howard's ranch. We will certainly miss them from our midst. The community sing was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Holstine's last Saturday evening. There were twenty-eight present, and many beautiful songs were sung. Tommy Holstine also played some fine selections on the violin, which were greatly appreciated by all present. Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Anliker are the fond parents of a ten-pound daughter, who arrived at their home December 12. Mrs. T. L. Holstine and Harry Howard attended the funeral of Mr. Charles H. Briggs at Yankton last Thursday. F. M. George was a business visitor in Kalama last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Nick Simonds visited with T. L. Holstine and family last Sunday. Harry Howard was a business visitor last week, presumably from salmon poisoning. R. L. Stanwood and T. L. Holstine were business visitors in St. Helens last Monday. Mrs. Nick Simonds went to Rainier last Monday to do her Christmas shopping. Albert Heid was in Goble on business last Wednesday. Warren Mellen, of Aplary, and his sister, Miss Anna Mellen, of Seattle, called on Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stanwood last Sunday.

DEER ISLAND

Albert Adams accidentally ran a nail into his hand, causing a very painful injury. By having the injured member attended to immediately he is now getting along all right. Mrs. Usher, of West St. Helens, is visiting her grandchildren at this place.

grippe in Deer Island. The latest case reported is Mrs. Otto Judisch. Miss Hamel will have a Christmas tree for her pupils Friday afternoon. Charles Ferdine was in Portland last week on a business mission. Mr. Mohler is very busy hauling charcoal. To date he has shipped several carloads. Mrs. N. A. Andrews is among those who have been on the sick list. She is now rapidly improving.

NEHALEM VALLEY

A nice Christmas present—a box of candy. Mason's. Snow is about all gone around Vernonia and Pleasant Hill but much of it can still be found around Timber. George Trageser and Frank McGraw have been working on the telephone line for the past week. Mrs. Wildman's daughter, Lois Bergenson, has been absent from school for the past week on account of sickness. Mr. Thropp's family had to. All the members of Mr. Thropp's family have been sick during the past week. La grippe is the cause. The two youngest children are still quite sick. George Olsen was a visitor to Timber Friday. Mr. Wildman and family were in attendance at the S. D. A. meeting in Vernonia Saturday.

BACHELOR FLAT

Christmas is very near at hand and everyone is busy as usual with preparing for it. No prospects of snow are seen yet to make it a real Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson spent Sunday in Warren with Mr. and Mrs. Perry. Mrs. Baumgardner is improving slowly after her accident of being thrown from a buggy. Mr. and Mrs. Dave Pope are the proud parents of a baby girl. Mother and baby are doing nicely. Mrs. B. Gladheart, of St. Helens, spent a few days last week with Mrs. Morton. Miss Effie Everson, of Trenholm, is visiting with Mrs. A. Beegle. Miss Madeline Thomas spent the week end in Portland. Some of the people of this place attended the ladies' sale at Warren last Saturday evening, and pronounced it a grand success. Mr. and Mrs. Simonds were shopping in St. Helens this week. Mr. and Mrs. Neigle visited in Warren Sunday. Mrs. Lillch was shopping in St. Helens this week. There will be preaching in the schoolhouse Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Peterson is entertaining some friends from Portland this week.

CHURCH NOTICES

Congregational Church
10 a. m., Church school.
11 a. m., Morning worship, Christmas sermon.
6:30 p. m., Christian Endeavor. Topic: "Helping to Accomplish the Purpose of Christ's Coming."
7:30 p. m., Evening service. The theme will be "Motives in Religion; or, Why Be Christians?"

Methodist Episcopal Church
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Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock.
Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.
Evening service, 7:30 o'clock.
Subject of the morning sermon, "Christ's Incarnation." A Christmas sermon that everyone should hear. "He became flesh and dwelt among us." In the evening the theme will be "The Bethlehem Star." "Peace on earth. Good will among men." Special music by the choir will add much to the service.
A cordial invitation is extended to everyone. At this glad season of the year, remember the source of your Christmas joy.

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SCHOOL BOARD HOLDS MEETING

New Director Takes Office and Routine Business Transacted.
The school board held its regular meeting Monday night and the newly elected director, W. J. Mellinger, was sworn into office. The question of the overcrowding of the sixth and seventh grades was brought up, and the board decided that it was imperative that at least one new teacher be employed. There was not being room in the schoolhouse, it was suggested that some 18 to 20 of the scholars be transferred to the room now occupied by the public library. Inasmuch as the library is open only in the evenings and on Saturday afternoons, the use of the room for school purposes would not interfere with the operation of the library. The matter will be taken up with the city council at its next regular meeting. To see if permission can be obtained to use the room for school purposes. The Columbia County Taxpayers' League will meet at St. Helens Wednesday, December 27, in all day session. The matter of the county budget and election of three delegates to the state convention at Salem will be taken up. All members are urged to be present.
J. G. WATTS, President

TRY OUR WANT ADS

To Exchange—A house and lot \$4,100, at 34th and N street, Vancouver, Wash., valued at \$600.00, to exchange for house and lot in St. Helens. J. H. Dunn, Box 371, St. Helens.

For Sale or Trade—8 hives of bees in good, patent hives. Will take wheat, apples, butter or anything I can use, or will sell cheap for cash. R. H. Roberson, St. Helens, Ore. Box 383. 1-3x

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