

PERSONAL AND LOCAL

P. M. Johnson of Ashland is a visitor in the city.

Mrs. A. Kiggs of Grendale is in town on a shopping tour.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Shattuck are in from the Applegate to transact Christmas business.

J. W. Beckwith was in from Kerby the first of the week.

G. H. Lefever is in town from Golden for a few days.

Roy Jeter of this place was a recent visitor to Medford.

Wheeler Osborn came in from Murphy the first of the week.

Virgil Ashley was an arrival from Crescent City Monday evening.

Judge Jewell returned this morning from a short visit to Portland.

Herman Wallace went to Ashland Tuesday for a short visit with friends there.

Mrs. Ellen Hunter arrived Tuesday morning for a month's visit with her sister, Mrs. H. A. Coughle.

Miss Nina Williams, who has been here for some time past, left Tuesday for her home at Yreka, California.

W. E. Young, of the Kerby stage line, spent the night in town recently.

Miss Ethel Woodcock, who has been teaching at Kerby, is in town for a few days.

Mrs. N. L. Casaday of Portland will spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. C. Taylor.

W. F. Gloeckner left Wednesday for Speaker, where he will be engaged for a few days in Sunday school work.

Lineman Wiseman left Wednesday morning for Wolf Creek, where he will look after telephone line troubles in that vicinity.

A. G. Lang and wife of Napa, California, were recent visitors in the city.

Mrs. C. J. Howard and daughter, Miss Clarice Howard, left Tuesday for Cottage Grove, where they will visit over the holidays.

Mrs. S. E. Coon of Portland visited here for a short time with the F. L. Coon family and continued on her way to San Joaquin valley Monday.

The Stanford University glee club, which is touring the north, absorbed as much as possible of the southern Oregon climate during the stop of No. 14 here Tuesday morning.

Miss Florence Benson, teacher of the Kerby school, visited friends in the city Sunday while en route for Portland to spend the holidays with her mother.

N. O. Noben of the Methow valley in northern Washington arrived here Tuesday morning. Mr. Noben will spend the winter with his son-in-law, Dr. R. J. Bestul.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gruber of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, were recent arrivals in the city. Mr. Gruber is a mining man and will leave for the hills shortly, intending to look into properties in this vicinity.

M. A. Emerson of Kerby, who is interested in the Kerby stage line, has gone to Klamath Falls, where he will spend the week attending to business matters.

Mrs. Dora Ray of Martinez, Cal., who has been visiting for a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Hought, left Monday for Grass Valley, Oregon, where she will visit for a short time before going on to her home.

J. H. Chiles, son of Judge J. M. Chiles of this city, is here from Seattle to spend the holiday season. His boyhood days were spent in Grants Pass, but he left here 16 years ago, and is now prosperous in business in the metropolis of the ever-green state.

Dr. Shearer, who recently formed a partnership with Dr. Sweeney in this town, left for San Francisco Tuesday to attend the surgical clinics in connection with a meeting of railroad surgeons. He will return some time before the end of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Coburn returned Tuesday from their honeymoon trip to the north.

Frank Barrie, formerly of this place, is spending a few days here.

Miss Fern Cousino is here from Portland for the holidays.

Cuthbert Courtney, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. McLoughlin, who was formerly Miss Marion Mitchell, is in town for a short visit with her mother.

Messrs. C. E. and F. Hudson of Auburn, Cal., the latter formerly of Grants Pass, are here for a Xmas visit with their brother, H. W. Hudson, and family of Selma.

Norman Hall, formerly a Grants Pass boy, son of H. H. Hall, arrived in town Wednesday morning to spend a few days with his parents and friends. Mr. Hall is now the employer of the Portland Railway.

Miss Ruby Pound, sister of Mrs. A. C. Holcomb, arrived from Portland Wednesday and will spend the holidays here.

O. P. Dorman is in from Placer for a few days.

Master Frank Schallhorn, who has been attending St. Mary's Sisters' school at Portland, is home during the holidays for a visit with his mother and brothers, Paul, Bruno, and Matt Schallhorn.

M. M. Ainsworth was in from the Murphy district Wednesday.

Wm. Haberman and son were in town from the Applegate Wednesday.

E. A. Rathbone was in town from Merlin on a shopping tour Wednesday.

Geo. F. Smith was in from the Rough and Ready district in the Illinois valley the first of the week.

O. W. Miller and son, Leslie, and daughters, Harriet and Gladys, are in the city for a few days from their home on Evans creek. The young ladies are teachers at Butte Falls and Table Rock, respectively.

Lewis Rees, who has been conducting a store at Leland, was in town Wednesday. Mr. Rees has sold out his interests in the store and will move to Portland shortly, where his wife, who is in poor health, will be placed in the care of a specialist.

**Married at Grants Pass Hotel—**

Philip C. Brown of Wouder and Miss Etta L. Edwards of Wilderville, were married at 1 o'clock Wednesday, at the parlors of the Grants Pass Hotel by Judge Stephen Jewell.

**Annual Meeting Poultry Association**

On Saturday will occur the second annual meeting of the Grants Pass Poultry Association and election of officers will be held. There will also be interesting articles on poultry breeding. The meeting will be held in the Commercial Club rooms at 2:30 p. m. Saturday.

**Wible's Xmas Gift—**

Arthur Wible appeared on the streets Wednesday morning with a smile that signified the reception of a Christmas gift of more importance than ordinary, and he lost no time in making known the fact that he is the father of a fine 8-pound boy.

**MURPHY ITEMS.**

Jas. T. Cook and Jack Vincent were business visitors to Grants Pass Monday.

H. Mansfield and wife of Applegate were business visitors from here to Grants Pass Monday. Mr. Mansfield is one of our Valley's prosperous farmers.

Herman McFadden, who has spent the summer at Sisson, Calif., where he has been playing ball in the Northern California league, is home for a visit of a month. He reports that times are not very lively there at present.

Since the mountains have taken on their winter coat of snow it makes one feel cool to just take a look up that way, but the fact that they are covered with snow makes the farmers rest easy, as it means better crops next season, and it also just what the placer miners want to see, as it will give them a good, long run with the giants and will scatter a few more dollars which heretofore have not been in use.

**ILLINOIS VALLEY ITEMS**

Mr. Shaffer has returned from a trip to Grants Pass. He was accompanied by K. J. Khooyee and the latter's witnesses on a homestead contest which was conducted at Roseburg on Friday.

Mrs. R. P. George is on the sick list. Dr. Dixon has been attending her.

There will be a dance at the I. V. B. A. hall on Christmas night.

Mrs. Ralph Kitterman has been confined to her home by an attack of lumbago.

R. P. George returned from Grants Pass on Tuesday.

Elmer Morey is erecting a new barn for his dairy cattle.

A sheriff's court was held at the central creamery in which Vivian McVay was defendant, to determine the ownership of property. The jury disagreed in the case.

Ed McCann is busy loading hay these days. Twoby Bros., who brought in a number of horses, and other parties who brought stock from Klamath Falls, are the principal purchasers.

We hope that all voters will turn out and cast their vote on the special election to be held on December 31. This is a question which vitally concerns all.

**WOLF CREEK**

The schools closed for the holidays with a pleasing entertainment, and Miss Irwin, the high school teacher, has gone to her home in Salem and Miss Porter will spend part of the vacation with friends in

Roseburg, also attending the state convention at Salem.

The church and Sunday school are planning a supper and entertainment for New Year's eve which promises to be pleasing and profitable for all who attend.

Miss Ruth G. Smith, a senior at the state university at Eugene, is spending the vacation with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Smith, and is much enjoying life in the open. In addition to her studies she is physical director of the women's department of the city Y. W. C. A.

Miss Mattie Lichtenberger, who is teaching at Leland, is here to spend the vacation with her parents.

The Wolf Creek Mercantile Company are distributing beautiful calendars to their customers.

**MURPHY ITEMS**

J. T. Cook, one of Missouri Flats' enterprising farmers, was transacting business in Grants Pass Thursday and Friday.

O. E. Harper, our efficient road supervisor, has been doing some much needed work on the road this week, but had to quit before the work was all completed owing to there being no more money available.

This is an unusual winter for the placer miners and none of them has been able to start up yet owing to the rainfall not being sufficient to cause the creeks to raise.

The bond election is not far off at this writing and it will not be long before we know whether we are going to have more money to put on our roads or not. We have got some good graded roads here, but they will not remain long that way unless there is some chance to put on a good coat of gravel.

**CHICKEN DINNER FOR 25 CENTS.**

Will be served each Saturday and Sunday at the American restaurant, (formerly the Good Eats, opposite city band stand, Grants Pass. Prices for other meals as reasonable. Clean rooms and comfortable beds for 25 and 50 cents. Mrs. H. M. Parham, Prop. 6-13-13

**NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.**

After January 1 all subscriptions to the Weekly Rogue River Courier will be discontinued at the expiration of the time paid for, excepting subscribers residing in Josephine county. The label on the paper or wrapper indicates the date of expiration.

Make remittance payable to A. E. Voorhies or the Rogue River Courier.

All combination offers cease after January 1.

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the stockholders of the First National Bank of Southern Oregon will hold their annual meeting at the parlors of the said bank on Tuesday, January 13, 1914, at 4 o'clock p. m. This meeting is called for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year and to transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting, and especially to vote upon the question of ratifying the action of the Board of Directors in adopting amendments to Sections 7 and 8 of the By-laws empowering said Board to fix the amount of the official bonds of the officers and the employees of the corporation, which said amendment was adopted by the Board of Directors November 13, 1908.

H. L. GILKEY, Cashier.

12-5-5t

**COUNTY WARRANTS CALLED IN**

All Josephine county warrants protested prior to and including April 21, 1911, are hereby called in, and are payable at my office. Interest will cease December 25, 1913.

J. E. PETERSON, County Treasurer.

12-26-3t

**NOTICE**

To the Voters of Josephine County.

You are hereby notified that the Special Election called by the County Court to be held on the 31st day of December, for the purpose of voting on road bonds, has been called off and no election will be held on that day.

E. L. COBURN, Clerk of the Court.

**NOTICE.**

The stockholders of the Applegate-Williams Creamery Company are hereby notified that their annual meeting will be held the second Monday in January, viz.: January 12, 1914, in the office at the creamery building, at 1 o'clock p. m.

APPLEGATE-WILLIAMS CREAMERY COMPANY.

By E. E. Abel.

**CARD OF THANKS**

I wish to take this means of thanking those who helped me in winning the grand prize in the Rogue River Hardware Graftonola contest.

MISS LIZZIE LEMMON, 1009 Williams, Oregon.

**FRANK GREGORY KILLED BY DISCARDED SWEETHEART**

Denver, Dec. 24.—Further investigation today of the tragedy in the Rialto Hotel here late yesterday confirmed the belief of the police that Mrs. Luella Edler, aged 23, had killed Frank Gregory, a boy of 21, before she ended her own life. The bodies were discovered when the police battered down the door of the girl's room.

Notes she left showed she planned the deed because Gregory had refused to marry her.

Gregory had informed his relatives that he intended to break off his affair with the girl because he did not think she was a fit person for his people to know.

**POPE PIUS CONFERS DECORATIONS ON SIGNORA**

Rome, Dec. 24.—Pope Pius has just called to Rome and conferred unusual decorations and honors upon Signora Angela de Oliveria Ceasre de Costa. Signora de Oliveria is president of the South American Association for Universal Peace and was called to Rome from the Hague, where she had just unveiled a statue to peace which she had presented as one of the ornaments to Andrew Carnegie's peace palace.

Pope Pius, as did also his immediate predecessors, claims that as viceroy on earth of the Prince of Peace he should be the legitimate head of the movement for universal peace. His self-imposed imprisonment in the Vatican, however, prevents his exercise of this duty, but he has never missed the opportunity of granting unusual recognition to those of the church who carry on the peace propaganda in his stead.

**GIRL FAINTS DURING HANS SCHMIDT TRIAL**

New York, Dec. 24.—Following stirring scenes when one young woman fainted in the court room where Hans Schmidt is being tried for the murder of Anna Aumuller and another young woman was led from the chamber and rebuked by her fiancée, only one woman was present when the trial of the clergyman murderer was resumed today.

The defense rested its case today. Former Judge Olcott reserved the right, however, to reopen, should an anticipated hypothetical question be propounded by Assistant District Attorney Delaney.

**WIRELESS S. O. S. CALL COMES FROM ARCTIC**

London, Dec. 24.—The first wireless call for help ever recorded from the Arctic circle came early today, announcing that the Norwegian steamship Saguvalk Jarl was ashore 600 miles north of Bergen.

"Bergen is working S. O. S. Wait and listen."

This message faintly tapped out went the rounds of the European wireless stations about 1 a. m. All stations as far south as Bordeaux were asked by Bergen to close down. Then Bergen caught the distressed steamer's message, sent it on here and elsewhere.

The steamer's wireless was picked up at double the supposed radius.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Four inches of snow had fallen here today—a Godsend to the unemployed. Hundreds of them were given work clearing the sidewalks. The severe weather caused much suffering, however, and charitable organizations were swamped. Incoming trains were almost all late, especially from the west.

**POST OFFICE DOES BIG HOLIDAY BUSINESS**

The local post office reports the heaviest mail traffic for this time of the year of any time in the history of the office. Stamp sales alone have averaged \$100 per day for the past few days. Confidence is expressed, however, that all traffic will be cared for without trouble, as the office has so far been kept clear without extra help. There is a steady increase in business, however, the incoming and outgoing mail running between 90 to 100 sacks per day each way. The parcel post has caused great increase in post office business, but present indications are that all this increase can be taken care of without trouble during the holiday season.

Have you anything you want to

# Holiday Greetings

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:—

Another year is coming to a close and this fact reminds us of the many obligations we are under to the friends who have been loyal to us during the past year and have remembered us with a good share of their patronage.

Our constant aim has been to give service of the highest order, and we can assure our customers of an earnest effort to give such service during the coming year as will merit a continuance of their support.

Indications seem very favorable for a very prosperous 1914, and we sincerely hope you may get your full share of prosperity, joys and health.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours very truly,

## Grants Pass Hdw. Co.

**CLEVELAND HAS A COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS**

Cleveland, Dec. 24.—When Clevelanders awoke today the stage was set for one of the greatest public celebrations the city has ever known. The celebration is to be known as Community Christmas and Cleveland has the honor of being one of the first big cities in the country to inaugurate the idea.

A Christmas tree almost fifty feet high, decorated profusely with toys and vari-colored electric bulbs, has been placed on the big public square in the center of the city. Band stands have been erected about it and the ceremonies started last night.

The object of the Community Christmas is to combine the activities of various charitable organizations and make the giving of Christmas cheer to the poor and needy a matter of civic duty. In the past the Associated Charities, Salvation Army, Volunteers of America and other charitable societies have separately ministered to the needy.

This year a committee of thirty-five prominent citizens, including Mayor Baker and Lieutenant-governor Greenlund, took charge of all charitable activities and they boast that not a person in this city of over 600,000 souls will be without a good meal and warm clothing on Christmas Day.

A unique method of raising funds was devised. A few weeks ago all the downtown stores placed on sale shares of stock in the Community Christmas Company. The shares sold for \$1.00 each.

The certificates were made out in due legal form. They stated the Community Christmas Company would return the original investment with interest, not in money, but in satisfaction—a feeling that your investment had gone to make some unfortunate person or family happy on the day on which was declared "Peace on Earth and Good Will to Men." The stock sold, even beyond the expectations of some of the most enthusiastic backers.

On Christmas Eve a great canvas screen will be spread at one side of the public square and upon it will be thrown the words of patriotic and Yuletide songs. There will be speeches and bands about the big Christmas tree, while an elaborate program has been arranged by various singing societies.

There has been established a holiday "clearing house," and Clevelanders have been asked to send the names of needy families to the committee in charge, which will prepare the lists sent in, eliminate duplications and see that every needy person in the city is supplied with food and clothing.

The tree will be lighted nightly until New Year. On New Year's Eve another celebration will take place,

which is expected to replace the hilarious scenes in cafes and hotels which have characterized the observance of holidays in previous years.

**CHARGE BANDIT WITH MURDER OF MONTAGUE**

San Francisco, Dec. 24.—A formal charge of murder was lodged here today against John Bostick, the Southern Pacific robber suspect. He was charged with shooting and killing Traveling Passenger Agent Horace Montague on December 1, the day the Southern Pacific's train was held up at El Monte, near Los Angeles.

The "alibi" on which Bostick relied to establish his innocence was shattered today. He had claimed that he was at work at the Southern Pacific round house here on the day of the hold-up. H. H. Carman, foreman of the shops, was brought before Bostick this morning.

"Did you ever see this man before?" Bostick was asked.

"I never did," was the answer.

Bostick paled when told who Carman was, but remained silent.

Sheriff Hammel of Los Angeles arrived here today. He is confident that Bostick is the bandit, and declared he probably would take him to Los Angeles tomorrow. Hammel wanted to leave today, but Captain of Detectives Mooney would not consent to this, as he wished to make a further investigation here.

Bostick gave his age as 22 and said he was from Iowa.

Dr. A. B. Clark of Honolulu, a passenger on the Southern Pacific's overland held up near Richmond, Cal., November 14 last, identified Bostick today as the man who did that job.

**CLASSIFIED ADS**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

LOST—One double-bitted axe and horse weight with strap, between Courier office and Fruitdale. Finder please leave at Courier office. 12-26-1t

COMPETENT WOMAN, with nine-year-old child, wishes work. Prefer position as cook in camp. Would consider anything where wages are good. Address No. 2202, care Courier. 12-26-2t

RANNIE, the plumber, is ready any minute to repair your plumbing. 609 H street. Telephone 149-R. 4-2-1

Stop at  
**Hotel Grand**  
Roseburg, Oregon