

MIST MISTINGS

Miss Anna Quick was a Portland shopper Saturday. Jacob George and E. A. Roiger were in Portland Monday. John F. Johnson was a business visitor in Portland Monday. John Ditchburn, a Portland attorney, was here Thursday on legal business. There are many good reasons why you should trade at home and none why you shouldn't. Fred Herman, the Rainier attorney, was here the first of the week transacting legal business. Mr. and Mrs. Von A. Gray and children visited at the home of Mrs. Gray's mother in Portland Sunday. Sidney Melhus, who is now employed in a shipyard in Seattle, spent a few hours here Friday, greeting old friends. Mrs. Ernest Yeunger, Dr. Hicks Fenton and Mrs. Fenton of Portland, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Deit. Representative-elect E. I. Ballagh was in Portland Saturday lining up on the speakership job. He refuses to say who he will support, but will stand with the Clatsop county delegation.

T. J. Flippin of Rainier was a business visitor here Wednesday. W. A. Holt, the proprietor of the second hand store, was in Portland Tuesday on business matters. Mrs. S. M. Weigle, formerly of St. Helens but in recent years a resident of Libby, Montana, was here this week looking after her property interests. For the present she is making her home in Portland. Superintendent Chas. Lope of the water board wears a smile that won't come off, for there is a fine baby at his home. The little miss arrived on Monday night and she and her mother are both getting along nicely. L. O. Herrold, the contractor who has done so much work on the lower highway, was a business visitor here Tuesday. When the highway work opens up, Mr. Herrold expects to secure several large contracts. Rev. H. F. Gelvin, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Clatskanie, was here Thursday. After having been largely instrumental in putting over the United War Work drive, Mr. Gelvin is now busy with the Syrian Relief work. L. E. Thompson of Portland and M. D. Hartman of Stanton, Michigan, were guests at the home of C. H. Thompson Thanksgiving day. Mr. Hartman is first cornetist in the First Regimental band at Vancouver barracks.

The steamer, Frank Stout, arrived in yesterday morning and is taking on a large cargo of lumber for California delivery. Dewey Harrison, who has been ill for several days, was taken to a Portland hospital Wednesday. Rev. A. S. Hisey and family motored to Portland Tuesday and spent the day with friends in the metropolis. County court is in session and having a busy time grinding out county business and cleaning up matters for the year. C. O. Howe, who formerly worked in Roadmaster Ahy's office, has secured a house in Portland and will soon move his family to that city. D. W. Freeman and A. E. Hogberg, well known residents of the Lower Nehalem, were here Wednesday and yesterday on court matters. A. E. Harvey states that the Benson Timber company shut down their camp last week, and will, according to Mr. O. J. Evensen, manager of the company, remain closed until market and labor conditions improve. J. H. Price was here Sunday greeting friends. Price recently had a very severe attack of influenza and was reported to be on his death bed. He is not so awful glad he is alive, but he appreciated the joke he played on the undertaker. At least, that is his way of expressing it. J. W. Ray has received word of the death of Andrew J. Rupert, a former resident of St. Helens, who died on December 2nd at his home near Portland. Mr. Rupert was one of the owners in the property on the Strand which adjoins the bank and lived in St. Helens for a number of years. A. Cal Smith has assumed the management of the Liberty theatre. Mr. Smith is an experienced theatrical man and comes from Salt Lake City, Utah, where he was interested in a showhouse. He is favorably impressed with the outlook for St. Helens and intends to make this his home. Demobilization of the soldiers in the spruce camps and spruce division is now under way. There are several St. Helens boys in the Washington camps, and quite a number from the city and county at Vancouver and it is expected they will be discharged from army duty and be at home within the next few days. Dr. Thompson, Friday, December 13th, Oregonia Hotel. Quite a number of the members of the St. Helens home guard met at the courthouse Monday evening, pursuant to a call by Captain Mason. It was decided that the organization remain intact, but further activities will be held in abeyance until the spring, when another meeting will be held to decide if the organization shall be disbanded. Marshal Potter and Deputy Marshal Blakesley arrested six horses Sunday and impounded them. After paying impounding fees, feed bill and the several boys for catching the horses, \$5.00 was turned into the city treasury as net receipts of the raid. A bill for rope for \$2.15 will be paid from this amount. Mrs. George Wilson received a letter from her son, Harry, stating he had been assigned to the cruiser Pittsburg. The cruiser was at Mare Island, having ice breakers put around her bow. From this it is presumed that the destination of the big fighting ship is Siberia and that Harry, who is a second class seaman, will soon see duty in a foreign land. Merchants report that Christmas trade has started and the volume of business is quite satisfactory. The stores have put on display their Christmas wares and some of the Christmas windows, especially the Toggery, present creditable appearance. The merchants have large, well selected stocks from which to make selections and are prepared to serve their customers and friends. The library ladies feel grateful to the Standard Oil company for their thoughtfulness in donating to the library a 5-gallon can of floor oil. Mrs. Owens, the librarian, reports that the attendance at the library, is very good and new books and periodicals have recently been received. The library is now open on Sunday afternoons, which is quite a convenience to many.

Mrs. H. P. Hellman of Portland, is here on a visit to her sister, Miss Helen Hall. E. C. Standwood returned Wednesday night from an official visit in the Nehalem country. The county court is in Seapooose today looking over some road work being done on the Canyon road. Judge and Mrs. A. L. Clark, enroute from Rainier to Portland, stopped for a few hours in St. Helens Thursday. The Independent Auto company have taken the agency for the Vello automobile and have one of those fine cars on hand. Elmer Chapman, of the St. Helens Mercantile company, is confined to his home with a slight attack of grippe or "flu." He is getting along nicely. No cases of influenza have appeared in the Vernonia neighborhood, according to Commissioner Weed, though he says, there is quite an epidemic of mumps out there. The county court on Thursday made a contract with Crandall & Roberts to expert the books of county officials. This firm has done the work for the past several years and their work has been entirely satisfactory. H. H. Caples has been appointed administrator of that portion of the estate which is in Oregon, of his father, the late Hezekiah Caples. It is understood that the widow will have charge of the administering of the estate which is in Washington. Phil Holden, secretary of the Riggers and Laborers union is hopeful that the threatened strike on account of Mooney, will not be pulled off. He had no news which he could give to the public, but admitted that matters looked more favorable. The county judges and commissioners convention will be held in Portland December 10, 11 and 12, and Judge Moran and Commissioner Weed and Harvey will attend. On the same dates, the convention of district attorneys, county clerks and assessors will be held and it is probable that District Attorney Metaker, Clerk Hunt and Assessor Blakesley will attend the sessions. The steamer Cellulo, laden with 1,000,000 feet of lumber and carrying a number of passengers, sailed Wednesday night, bound for San Pedro. Patrick Cresagin is now purser of the steamer, having succeeded Joe Adams, who is taking a vacation. Pursur Cresagin is now a benedict, having been back to Boston, Mass., last month and married the sweetheart of his boyhood days. Damages of \$25,000 are demanded by Ellen Murphy for Elsie Mariet in a suit before Circuit Judge Kavanaugh, which was begun Monday. Mrs. Murphy claims Miss Mariet with stealing Charles Murphy's affections. Murphy, says Mrs. Murphy, was an ideal husband until Miss Mariet entered her life. She alleges that since October of last year his affection for her has grown cold, due to Miss Mariet's proffers of love—Portland Telegram. The Murphys, until recently, lived in St. Helens. At the conclusion of the trial of Miss Mariet and Murphy, both of whom were charged with being intoxicated and Murphy with having liquor in his possession, the damage suit papers were served on Miss Mariet. Murphy's case is still pending in the court.

ELECTRICIAN TELLS OF TRANSPORT SERVICE (Continued from first page) Every member of the crew from the commander down to the mess boys were proud of the vessel and her great record. Mr. Heacock has orders to join his vessel December 10th, and expects to sail immediately for France to help bring back the soldiers. The young naval officer is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Heacock and a cousin of L. R. Rutherford. His parents are for the present, making St. Helens their home. School election meeting at city hall Saturday night.

Mr. Heacock estimated that in the 10 round trips, the Great Northern safely delivered 33,000 troops and some 5,000 to 6,000 wounded and sick were brought back to the States.

There's Something Here for Everyone The Gifts that Men Choose for themselves at Christmas Time SO MEN— or Women Shopping for Men—May Safely Buy Now—Here where Prices are Low. The Gifts that Men like best at Christmas time are the gifts they can wear—the many fixings of which a man never has quite enough. And since these are the kind that men choose for themselves they may be safely bought by any woman. Handkerchiefs—what man has enuf? SHIRTS—Our stock of SHIRTS is evenly balanced so as to offer wide choice for Christmas buying. There is no better gift for a man than a box of three good-looking SHIRTS. SOX—Cotton, Lisle, part or all Silk. It matters not how many pairs of HOSE a man has, he can use plenty more. Our stock is thoroughly complete and the values are excellent. GLOVES—Now is the time when Men want GLOVES most and you can buy here at prices to meet any requirement. FIXINGS—All the other FIXINGS a man needs—Collars, Ties, Scarf Pins, Cuff Links, Arm Bands, and the like are here for Christmas choosing at prices to meet whatever you have expected to pay. A. E. AUSTIN

LIBERTY THEATRE FRIDAY NIGHT— ANNE PENNINGTON'S GREAT SUCCESS "ANTICS OF ANNE" and one of those 2-Reel Sennet Comedies, 'The Kitchen Lady' SATURDAY NIGHT— "BABBLING TONGUES" A great feature—A well known cast SUNDAY and MONDAY EXTRA One of the GREATEST Pictures EVER SHOWN on any screen—FEATURING— CHARLES RAY —IN— The Claws of the Hun and a 2-reel "FATTY" ARBUCKLE —IN— GOOD NIGHT, NURSE Don't miss our Sunday and Monday program, as it is the best to be had. THE LIBERTY THEATRE COMING SOON Mona Darkfeather the Indian Film Actress in person. Charlie Chaplin —IN— SHOULDER ARMS ITALY'S FLAMING FRONT STILL ALARM FROZEN WARNING.

Make Your Own Christmas Happy Do Your Gift Buying Here THE WAR IS OVER—THE BAN IS LIFTED. THIS CHRISTMAS above all Christmases should be made a bright, cheerful and happy one. All America should rejoice and be glad at this happy Yuletide season. Our store is prepared to meet your every want. TOYS FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS: Unbreakable Dolls and Dishes, Children's Furniture, Doll Beds, Trains, Automobiles, Pile Drivers, Machine Guns, Sand Toys, Mechanical Puzzles, Magic Toys, Books, etc. FOR OLDER PEOPLE: Hand Painted China, A handsome new line of Stationery. Pictures and Books of all kinds for young and old. Pyralin and French Ivory in all kinds of Toilet Articles and Picture Frames, Leather Goods, etc. Handkerchiefs, Neckties, Umbrellas, Bed-room Slippers, Sweaters and Caps and other seasonable articles. TABER'S America's food pledge 20 million tons

RED CROSS CHRISTMAS ROLL CALL Appointments are being made for all of the most important districts in Columbia county of chairmen, who are to have charge of the next big Red Cross membership drive, running from December 15-23. These chairmen are to appoint the teams and organize their respective districts for the solicitation of membership subscriptions for the year 1919. One dollar is all that anyone is to be asked to pay and it is expected that at least every adult member of the family will secure a membership button. The National Tuberculosis association is co-operating in this Red Cross Christmas roll call and no seals will be sold by them this year, but ten seals will be given with each Red Cross membership button. Columbia county has made an enviable record in every former drive and she will not fail to make a good showing for memberships in the greatest humanitarian organization in the world. L. R. Rutherford has been appointed county chairman. S. C. Morton is county publicity chairman. CHURCH NOTICE Plymouth Congregational Church Regular announcement of services for Sunday, Dec. 8th: Morning— Sunday School, 10:00 a. m. Morning Hour, 11:00 a. m. Subject, "With Christ in Galilee." Evening— Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. Lender, Mr. Roy Bishop. Song Service, 7:30 p. m. The Male Chorus will sing several selections. Cornet Duet, Well-luna B-others. Evening Hour, 8:00 p. m. Speaker, Rev. Geo. V. McClure, Ph. D. Mr. McClure is a Y. M. C. A. worker and comes to us with a message from the gospel. Do not fail to hear him. Weekly Activities— Male Chorus Rehearsal, Monday Night. Mid-week Prayer Circle and Bible Study—Thursday, 7:30 p. m. Choir Rehearsal—Friday, 8:00 p. m.

Gem Theatre FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6th— Norma Talmadge in "Social Secretary" and a Comedy. Also WILLIAM DUNCAN with EDITH JOHNSON and JOE RYAN in "A Fight for a Million"—Episode 4 SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7th— "STOLEN TREATY" with Earl Williams AND A DREW COMEDY "Vengeance and the Woman" SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8th— WM. S. HART in "The Hell Hound of Alaska" Stupendous—if you like Alaska Pictures—See it. Also CHARLIE CHAPLIN in a Dandy 2-reel Comedy Matinee at 4:30 p. m. MONDAY, DECEMBER 9th— "WOMAN AND WIFE," with Alice Brady Also a Comedy. A SELECT PICTURE. TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10th— EDITH STOREY in "THE TREASURE of the SEA" and SIDNEY DREW Comedy WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11th— Roy Stewart with Fritzie Ridgeway —IN— "FAITH ENDURIN" \$500.00 Reward for the Capture of the Man With Scar on His Left Arm. Also a TRIANGLE Comedy. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12th— "BEANS" with EDITH ROBERTS—a Big Comedy Drama. Also a "CURRENT EVENTS" Gem Theatre GOOD PICTURES GOOD MUSIC