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LOCAL ITEMS

R. R. Rupert of Nampa, transacted business at the land office today.

D. Brishoux, the timber cruiser, left this morning for Ukiah on matters pertaining to his profession.

Harris French is in the city visiting friends. He is with the Mosler Land company.

E. C. Payne has been acting as messenger on the Elgin run during the time that A. W. Leffel is laying off.

A carload of fine wood loaded at Imbler, reached the city last evening for the Grande Ronde Cash company.

Miss Floy Masseur returned last evening from a short visit in Walla Walla.

A. W. Leffel, messenger on the Elgin trail, is moving his family from South La Grande to North La Grande.

Little Virginia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rush, is ill at the home of her parents on First street.

A. C. Huntington is spending the day at Hot Lake. He may conclude to remain several days.

Mrs. Jessie Cavana left last night to visit friends in Portland and Seattle.

Messrs. Crawford and Stevenson of Big Horn Basin, Mont., are in the city today looking over the valley with a view of locating here.

Mrs. J. F. Campbell returned last night from Milton, accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Coe, who will remain several days.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Elliot and son returned to their home in Newberg today after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hill of this city.

Assessor Hug returned last night from points in the north end of the county, where he was arranging for the 1908 assessment.

George E. Leoning of La Grande, arrived in the city Saturday and has been visiting with friends and relatives here.—Baker City Herald.

Mrs. Lloyd Scriber of La Grande, who has been visiting Mrs. C. R. Seltz, left for her home last evening.—Eugene Register.

We had three or four very cold days last week. Saturday morning thermometers in town registered all the way from 4 to 22 degrees below zero.—Flora Journal.

Mrs. J. W. White returned last evening from Walla Walla. She was accompanied by her daughter, Miss Mae, who is a student in the Walla Walla schools.

Fred Page returned to his home in Portland today after spending yesterday in the city in the interest of his firm, Page & Son, of Portland, wholesale fruit dealers.

Conductor and Mrs. J. C. Gulling expect to leave in the morning for California to spend the winter. Warmer climate of the southern state, it is believed, will be beneficial to Mr. Gulling's health.

Conductor James Connors of the La Grande freight division of the O. R. & N., is on the Pendleton-Huntington passenger run during the absence of Conductor J. B. Smith with his family in Los Angeles.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

The petition of Hon. J. W. Knowles of La Grande, is being circulated in this precinct to have his name placed on the primary ballot as a candidate for the office of circuit judge on the republican ticket. As yet no republican has announced a desire to run against Mr. Knowles for the nomination and it looks as if he would be the unanimous choice of the party.—Walla Walla Chieftain.

Clarence Whitman visited Union last night.

Miss Irene Murphy is home from a visit with Pendleton friends.

Reports from Hot Lake say that Dick Kelly is recovering from a serious attack of rheumatism.

Miss Lulu Mitchell came over from Union today to visit friends in this city.

La Grande is famous for asters, and will have many more this year than last.—Portland Journal.

L. Ivanhoe and Herbert Mack returned last evening from a brief visit to Walla Walla.

Mac Wood returned last evening from a few days of rest at Hot Lake. He will return again tomorrow to fully recuperate from his recent illness.

George E. Hough is reported to be rapidly passing the danger point. The transfer from the Pendleton hospital to this city appears to have had no bad effect on the sufferer.

Michel Suttin, better known as "Rastus Moore," died in a Wisconsin hospital last week of quick consumption. The colored man made his home in La Grande about a year ago.

It took the fire department about five minutes to extinguish a chimney blaze in the Scott residence at the corner of First street and Grandy avenue, this afternoon. Little damage was done as the blaze was mastered before it had spread, or even gained a hold in the woodwork of the building.

MAY PLAY WALLA WALLA

The status of negotiations between the Walla Walla high school girls' basketball team and the La Grande club team, indicates that a game is to be played between these two aggregations some time within a few weeks.

Walla Walla defeated Pendleton recently and with a victory to their credit over Pendleton, the La Grande girls stand equal chances, almost, of winning from the Garden City quintet.

With the Walla Walla boys' game but a few days away, comparatively, the Commercial club team will soon buckle down to some hard work in the practice line. Lack of practice was responsible in a large measure for the defeat at Pendleton, but in two weeks the home team can remedy many of its faults.

MRS. WHITE DEAD.

Mrs. Jacob White of North La Grande Died Early This Morning.

Mrs. Jacob White, aged 67 years, died at the home of her son on the North Side at midnight last night, of lung trouble. Her acute illness has been of short duration, but for several years she has been ailing more or less seriously at times.

The deceased leaves one son in La Grande, Jacob White, with whom she made her home, and five sons in Indiana.

The funeral will be held from the Mormon tabernacle tomorrow at 2 o'clock.

For Sale.

Dry 15-inch and 4-foot wood. Delivered in any quantity. Price reasonable. 2-13-11

CRANDALL BROS.,
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SOCIETY.

Gore-Bareman.

James Henry Gore was married at the M. E. church parsonage last evening to Sarah Mabel Bareman, Rev. C. E. Deal officiating. The groom is a dairyman of this city and is well known here. The bride formerly lived in California, but she has made her home here recently.

Washburn-Spiker.

Frank Washburn and Clara E. Spiker, both of this city, were married at the home of Jacob Spiker last evening. C. J. Black of the L. D. S. church, officiated.

Invitations are out under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church, for an old-time "quilting bee" at the home of Mrs. Adcock, on Wednesday. If there are any who did not receive invitations, it is an oversight, and please consider yourself invited and come.

The Goodfellowship league of the M. E. church will give a St. Valentine social at the M. E. church parlors next Wednesday evening. The church organization and members are cordially invited to be present.

The Tuesday Musicals met this afternoon in a business session. The only musical element attending the meeting was chorus work.

The High Five club meets Thursday afternoon with Mrs. H. C. Grady.

The Neighborhood club meets next Tuesday afternoon.

DIRECTORS RE-ELECTED

The old slate of officers and board of directors was re-elected at the annual meeting of the Farmers & Traders' bank directors this morning. Matters of importance to the institution were transacted during the annual session.

All former officials and members were re-elected. They are: Joseph Palmer, president; J. W. Scriber, cashier; G. E. McCully, assistant cashier. The directorate: Joseph Palmer, George Ackles, G. E. McCully, C. J. Scriber and J. W. Scriber.

PIONEER RETURNS.

S. K. Cole, Who Freighted Through This Valley 35 Years Ago.

S. K. Cole was an entertaining visitor at The Observer office this morning. Mr. Cole freighted through this city in the early seventies and as this was his first visit within 35 years, was naturally not prepared for the great advances that have been made during this period. He well remembers trading with W. J. Snodgrass when he was in the merchandise business at Oro Dell and tells how, one winter, that "Whispering Thompson," well known to the early freighters, scooped the others. Most of the freighters used two wagons that carried between 7000 and 10,000 pounds each, and during this soft, open winter, were spending a good portion of their time getting their wagons out of the mud holes. Thompson secured 12 lightweight horses and, instead of using two large wagons, distributed his load into four wagons. As a result he walked right along through the mountains in the chagrin of his fellow freighters. Whispering Thompson was never known to speak to his lead guide horse in tones lower than a whisper, but those whispers could be heard for miles and miles.

Strayed.

There came to my place 2 1/2 miles east of La Grande, about Nov. 1, 1907, bay driving mare, branded 66 on left hip; weight about 1950 pounds. Owners may have same by paying pasturage and for this notice.

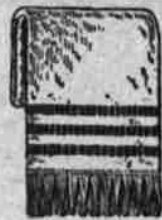
W. J. HUGHES,
Route 2, La Grande, Ore.

Trees and Shrubs.

Trees, shrubs and roses—The Union Nurseries, Union, Ore., have a large stock of apple, cherry, pear and shade trees, they are selling at reasonable prices. Send for their price list. 2-6tf

Specials For This Week

Extra special values in a large lot of Linen Towels, just received from Eastern jobbers. Pure Linen, Unions, Huck, etc.



Pure Linen, 21 x 43, fringed,	48c
Pure Linen, 22 x 46, satin finish	85c
Union Linen, 19 x 40, fringed, fancy	18c
Union Linen, 21 x 45, fringed, plain	25c
Huck Linen, 19x 37, fringed, plain	25c
Huck Linen, 22 x 42, all linen	65c

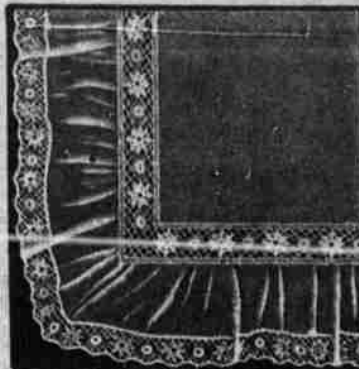
Specials in Lace Curtains and Bed Sets

Bed Room Curtains

Check Swiss Battenburg edge, very dainty design,	\$.98
Plain Swiss Battenburg edge, neatly trimmed	1.15
Plain Swiss Battenburg trimmed, White and Ecru	1.35
Plain Swiss Lace trimmed, Ecru	2.00

Brussels Net

Trimmed with Battenburg Braid 2 1/2 yards long	2.65
Trimmed with Battenburg Braid, cut out pattern	2.75
Trimmed with Battenburg Braid, white	3.00
Trimmed with Battenburg Braid, ecru	2.85



Bed Sets

Brussels Net Battenburg trimmed, beautiful designs	5.00
Swiss Lace Insurion and Edge, very neatly made	5.75
Swiss Lace trimmed, handsome pattern	6.50
Brussels Net Battenburg trimmed, very pretty	6.00

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FOR RENT—Nicely furnished east room; all modern conveniences. Inquire at J. M. Berry's store. 2-5tf

FOR RENT—Furnished housekeeping rooms; close in; call at 1417 Washington avenue. 2-24

LOST.

LOST—In this city, a plain gold bracelet. Leave at this office and receive reward.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—640 acres in Wallawa; cruises five million feet. See R. W. Logan, La Grande National bank.

FOR SALE—Barred Plymouth Rock roosters for sale. Inquire of J. E. Reynolds. 'Phone Black 592. 1-131m

FOR SALE—Fresh Jersey cow and young calf. A bargain. Inquire at 1417 Wash. Ave. 2-5-6t

WANTED.

WANTED—To buy telephone poles. Home Independent Telephone company.

WANTED—Good, competent girl. Small family; good wages. 'Phone Main 55.

WANTED—Four apprentice girls for the millinery department of the N. K. West store, at once. Apply at the store.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Jonathan Green has been duly appointed by the county court of the state of Oregon, for Union county, administrator of the estate of James Green, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same with proper vouchers to the said administrator at his residence about eight miles northeasterly from Elgin, Oregon, or to R. H. Lloyd, attorney for said estate, at his office in Elgin, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof. Dated this 6th day of January, 1908. JONATHAN GREEN, Administrator. R. H. LLOYD, Attorney for Said Estate. 6-13-20-27-5

Valentine Gift Books.

The only Valentine gift books in town are at FERGUSON'S. 2-11-3t

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