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LOCAL ITEMS

Henry Rinehart of Elgin, came up last evening on the train.

J. Hopper and son, G. C. Hopper, left today for a visit in Pendleton.

Mrs. J. Howell is quite ill with the prevailing epidemic of la grippe.

George Harmon of Spokane, is here for a few days visiting his daughter, Mrs. Cecil Brown.

Mrs. Edna Swarts is confined to her home with a severe attack of neuralgia.

William Cotner left this morning for Pendleton, where he will be employed in the Bowman hotel.

The S. M. Evans residence in North La Grande has been quarantined for smallpox.

Master Lyle Wilson of Imbler, is in the city taking medical treatment. He is a guest of his brother, C. C. Wilson.

William Miller, who has been looking after his business interests in Walla Walla county for several days, has returned.

T. S. Nisbet, traveling salesman for Blake-McFall, the Portland paper house, is a business visitor in the city today.

Attorney Rand and Judge William Smith arrived this morning from Baker City. Mr. Smith will sit as judge in the Bartlett trial which opened this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wade left this morning for Pendleton, where a relative is seriously ill. They had planned to leave last evening, but were detained.

Robert Cotner, formerly with The Observer, but lately employed with the Baker City Democrat, arrived in La Grande last evening. He will be employed on the Morning Star.

Ex-Governor T. T. Geer is in the city today looking after his campaign for the congressional nomination in this district. He will leave this evening for Ontario and will return here later and spend possibly several days.

Attorney J. W. Knowles and W. J. Snodgrass returned last night from Enterprise, where they attended the dedication of their new handsome fraternal building. They had a great time and were the recipients of the fat of the land.

The Island City track team is living in high spirits over the result of their basket supper a few nights ago, which netted them \$66, which will be sufficient to carry them through the season nicely. Island City was in evidence at every meet last year and they have a strong aggregation.

Telephone communications with the Portland hospital today noon discloses the joyful news that Mrs. Adcock is considerably better today. The operation was performed yesterday morning, but during the day her condition was critical. Today, however, she gives signs of speedy recovery.

George H. Boughton of Medical Springs, made proof on a homestead in the local land office this morning.

Frank Rader of Ontario, made proof on a timber and stone claim. Other business visitors at the land office today were K. G. Warner, A. B. Warner and F. M. Ellenberger of Pendleton, and Maude J. Rader of Boise.

Rev. Father Whyte is again in La Grande after months spent in a Portland hospital, where he was taken to recover from painful injuries sustained in a fall on the sidewalks of this city. He is fully recovered and will again resume his duties as priest in the Catholic church.

All the local and the world's news of interest in The Observer each eve-

social apex of the season is the dancing party at the Commercial club tonight as arranged by 20 young gentlemen of the city. For two days decorations have been under way and the auditorium is a labyrinth of beautiful things. Natty cozy corners hidden behind groves of fir branches, hundreds of yards of bunting, lights and a score of other details have converted the place into something really neat and attractive. As a variation from the usual nature of these parties, the hosts have purchased 10 dozen carnations, which will be distributed liberally to the feminine guests. An eight-piece orchestra will supply the music.

PLANS FOR A LIBRARY

All fraternal orders and lodges of the city, and many other organizations that have life here, will be asked to work with the Neighborhood club in securing a suitable library for La Grande. Through a committee appointed by and from the Neighborhood club, the real virus of the library fever has been inoculated into the public spirit, and the effects are even now noticeable. Letters are being prepared and will be sent to every lodge, asking for co-operation in this great work.

The plans are now incomplete, but the committee believes that something tangible will result from a meeting of representatives from these many orders to be held in the near future. Every possible scheme for sprouting the germ is now planted, will be formulated and discussed at that time. The lodges and other organizations cannot, it is apparent to one who enjoys library facilities, enact better actions than to foster this movement.

A library is one of the urgent needs of the city and it is hoped the movement will not cease to be accelerated

SOCIETY.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Aid society will meet tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. T. Richardson. This being a regular meeting, a good attendance is desired.

The Neighborhood club met this afternoon and listened to a splendid program. Talks on the Philippines by George Cochran and one on Germany by Mrs. E. Polack, were both extremely interesting. Musical numbers were numerous and included renditions by O. Zamona, the violinist. Mrs. E. E. Bragg had charge of the program.

Musical Treat.

One of the best musical treats that have been presented in this city this season occurred last evening when O. Zamona gave a violin recital in the Presbyterian church. He is an artist with the classical musical instrument. The crowd was not as large as the quality of the recital deserved. Following is the program as rendered:

Mr. Zamona, the rising young vio-



O. Zamona, the Violinist, Who Appeared in the Presbyterian Church Last Evening in a Splendid Recital.

linist, will appear in recital at the Presbyterian church on Monday evening, assisted by Mrs. W. W. Berry, pianiste, in the following program:

PART I.
1.—Mendelssohn, Andante from Concerto.

2.—Ole Bull, Melodie.
Beethoven, Romanza in G.

3.—Dvorak, Humoresque.
Wagner, "To the Evening Star."
Schubert-Remenyl, Serenade.

PART II.
4.—Serenade Pierre, Brahms-Joachim.
Dance."

(b) Chopin, "Choral Nocturne."
5.—G. Marie, Serenade, Badine.

6.—Selected.
(a) Massenet, Elegie.

7.—Brida Caprice in A.
The evening is given under the patronage of a number of La Grande's leading people, and there will doubtless be an excellent attendance.

Dancing Party Tonight.

What gives promise of being the

until a creditable library is established here.

Mesdames Rachel Worstell, J. D. Smith, O. Williams and Stella Ingie, are members of the Neighborhood club committee, which has the work in hand.

Pendleton Cut-Off in Use.

The O. R. & N. cut-off west of the city, one of the most important sections of new track to be completed on the mountain division recently, is now in use, the tracks having been connected on Saturday afternoon. Trains are now running over the new grade, which is in excellent condition.

The new track is about a mile in length and includes one of the largest steel bridges on the system. The cut-off shortens the distance between Pendleton and Portland somewhat, and gives the company an easier grade into the city from the west of Walters' mill spur, which will still be used as a mill spur.

There is a movement on foot to purchase the old railroad bridge for a

new road into the city from the west. It is estimated that the entire cost of the cut-off and steel bridge was about \$100,000.

G. N. Earned \$23,000,000.

The Great Northern road will pay the state nearly \$1,000,000 in taxes this year, says a St. Paul dispatch. This is \$60,000 in excess of 1906 and is representative of the biggest year's business in the history of the company. The gross earnings of the Great Northern last year, according to statements filed by the company today, were \$22,952,856, and on this it will pay a 4 per cent tax, amounting to \$917,115. In 1906 the earnings were \$21,444,275 and the tax was \$857,770.

Sell Mansfield Art Collection.

New York, March 3.—After having been on public view at the American Art galleries for some time, the valuable collection of paintings and art objects of the late Richard Mansfield was today placed on the block to be sold at auction, by order of the famous actor's widow.

NEW ARRIVALS

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as soon as possible.

"We do not want any strikes. Strikes are to be avoided except as a last resort, and in nine cases out of ten, if both sides be willing, the trouble can be settled by arbitration."

In the O. R. & N. dispatchers' office in this city, the new law affects one department. The dispatchers have always worked in eight-hour tricks, but the operators have worked 12 hours. The new law will ultimately mean the employment of one more operator here, but at present the volume of business is such that the office can do without an operator part of the day. Commencing with tomorrow, the men, the operators, will work in tricks of nine hours each, and the six remaining hours will be taken care of by the dispatchers.

INFORMATION FILED

Against R. W. Deal for Larceny—No Date for Trial.

District Attorney F. S. Ivanhoe today filed information against R. W. Deal, charging him with the larceny of a horse, the property of E. L. Halley, valued at \$75. Mr. Deal has not yet been arraigned, consequently the date of trial has not been fixed.

Money is Even.

Los Angeles, March 3.—The betting on tonight's fight between Jimmie Britt and Battling Nelson is an even money proposition. It is rumored that Britt is having difficulty in making weight, but he denies this.

Lumbermen at Exposition.

Jacksonville, Fla., March 3.—Lumber manufacturers and sawmill operators from several southern states are participating in the observation of lumbermen's day at the International Mid-Winter exposition. A business meeting was held this morning by the Georgia and Florida Sawmill association.

Best Healer in the World.

Rev. F. Starbird, of East Raymond, Me., says: "I have used Bucklen's Arnica salve for several years, on my old army wound, and other obstinate sores, and find it the best healer in the world. I use it too with great success in my veterinary business." Price 25c at Newlin's drug store.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Ore.,
December 13, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892,

LEWIS H. RUMELHART, of La Grande, county of Union, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5862, for the purchase of lot 4, Sec. 22, lot 1 of Section No. 27, in township No. 2 S., Range No. 37, E. W. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the register and receiver of at La Grande, Oregon, on Monday, the 9th day of March, 1908.

He names as witnesses: R. D. Hamilton, J. E. Neukirchner, Albert Neukirchner, and D. F. Gillstrap, all of La Grande, Ore.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 9th day of March, 1908.

E. W. DAVIS, Register.

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