

LOCAL ITEMS.

Conductor W. H. Kelsay is a very sick man at his home in Pendleton.

Mrs. Robert Britts is home after a week's stay in Spokane.

Attorney B. F. Wilson came over this morning to attend circuit court.

Attorney W. H. Strayher of Baker City, is here on court matters.

Ray Norval of Elgin, was a Sunday visitor.

George H. Currey, senior editor of The Observer, is home from a few days spent at Idaho points.

William Earls of this city left today for Wallowa, where he will spend the week looking after his business.

Tim Donovan, Western Union line superintendent, went to Wallowa county this morning to look after his new lines over there.

Mrs. C. H. Conkey returned on the Sunday night train from Spokane, where she was a guest with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hutchinson now occupy the J. C. Gulling residence on Madison avenue.

The fourth express office in Wallowa county is soon to be opened. Lostine is the place where it will be located.

The west wall of the M. & M. company's new building on Jefferson avenue, is rapidly taking shape. It is now several feet high.

Miss Ellen Stafford returned to Union last evening. She has been visiting a few days with her sister, Mrs. E. E. Lewis of this city.

Frank H. Greene is home from a visit to Sumpter and Baker City, for the Blue Mountain Creamery company.

Conductor and Mrs. J. C. Gulling left yesterday for Pendleton, where they will make their home while Mr. Gulling is employed on the Pilot Rock-Pendleton passenger run.

Mrs. Emma Simmons left last evening for Portland, where she intends remaining for three weeks or a month. She will spend some of the time during her absence at Newport.

Mrs. G. C. Osburn of Portland, is a visitor in Pendleton, a guest of her cousin, Mrs. Al O. Carden and other relatives and friends.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

The front of the building in the Sommer block next door to Ash Bros., is being changed and will be occupied about the middle of March as an exclusive shoe store.

Walter Henry, of The Observer job department, has been ill for the past several days, but is improved today and expects to get back to his old corner in a few days.

The 16th annual ball of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen is set for December 31, and the firemen are making extensive preparations to make the affair up to the high standard of precedent.

Rev. W. H. Bleakney, Ph. D., of Pendleton, delivered two stirring addresses at the Presbyterian church yesterday. The doctor is a talented speaker, and many were out to hear him. He returned on the evening train.

Route Agent J. E. Birch, of the Pacific Express company, is at Baker City, doing office work pending the return of local Agent Hibberd, from Salt Lake. Mr. Hibberd is expected home tonight, and then L. F. Massee goes to relieve Mr. Birch at Baker City.

Apostle John Henry Smith left yesterday evening for his home in Salt Lake. He came here to attend the conference of the L. D. S. stake.

The large delegation from Union that attended the L. D. S. conference here Sunday, returned to their homes last evening.

Rescue Hose company No. 1 meets tomorrow night for important business. Foreman Jackson requests that every member attend.

C. W. Nibley of Salt Lake, who came to La Grande Saturday morning, is still here, but leaves tonight for Portland. His son, Joe Nibley, has also been in La Grande since Saturday, but returns tonight to Portland with the senior Nibley.

Hon. A. E. Eaton of Union, passed through the city this morning en route to Salem, where he will be present at the laying of the foundation stone of the \$50,000 Eaton hall, a gift of Mr. Eaton to Willamette university. In about 10 days Mr. Eaton will leave for southern California to spend the winter.

R. A. West, the well digger took his departure this morning for his miniature oil field near Imbler. He is certain that he will have a flowing well of water by next Saturday, at the latest. The indications of oil are still prevalent and he believes that oil in

considerable quantities will be found there.

D. G. Smith of Pendleton, is a land office visitor today.

An order has gone out from the land office department that no attorney or any other person not connected with the local land office will be permitted behind the gate.

Mrs. Ada Grout, a grand lodge officer of the Rebekahs, accompanied by Mrs. C. E. Cox, left today for Wallowa county, where they will officially visit the lodges of that county.

Dr. C. T. Bacon returned yesterday morning from Portland, where he went with James Gavin. He reports the young engineer safely in the Portland hospital and having stood the trip to Portland nicely.

Poundmaster Joe Black is slowly recovering from an attack of facial paralysis. His face is distorted, and his left eye has not closed voluntarily for the past week. He hopes to have complete possession of his facial muscles soon.

The Lyric theater has inaugurated an amateur night. Every Wednesday evening, amateurs will be allowed on the stage and those intending to take a part should appear for rehearsal or notify the box office on Wednesday afternoon. This has proven a popular venture in other vaudeville houses in the past.

Forest Ivanhoe is back in La Grande after a tour lasting 16 months that took him over a greater portion of Europe, the states and a portion of Canada. Sixteen months ago he started "around the horn" and later touched the southern portion of Ireland, went over the battlefield of Waterloo, spent some time in Paris, and then London. From there he came to the states and went as far south as Texas, and as far north as Canada.

Claude Gatch, the national bank examiner, is here on a regular tour of inspection of eastern Oregon banks. He was in Wallowa county last week, and was apprised of several potent facts, among them that La Grande is destined to become the great city of eastern Oregon. He was surprised at the enormity of traffic from Wallowa county. After a day or two spent here, he proceeds on his inspection tour.

34 Cents for Butter Fat.

December butter fat, 34 cents. We need more butter to supply the demands and will guarantee 34 cents for December. Bring us your cream. Blue Mountain Creamery Company.

Teachers Can't Give Presents.

Tacoma, Dec. 14.—Teachers of the public schools are not allowed to give Christmas presents to pupils, neither can they receive them. The edict was issued by the board of education.

Dr. W. D. McMillan
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La Grande National Bank Bldg
Both Phones

Quartet Will Sing.

The L. D. S. quartet will sing at each performance at the Pastime theater this week. This insures music of the first class for the house. There is a fine comedy in the moving pictures.

SEAT SALE TUESDAY.

Tickets for "Little Johnny Jones" Put on Tomorrow Morning.

Geo. M. Cohan, the author of both play and music of "Little Johnny Jones," which will shortly be seen in this city, is but 27 years of age. The great success scored by "Johnny Jones" last season has made great fame and a big fortune for this young author. "Little Johnny Jones" will be presented here by a company of 75 people, and with the entire original production. At the Steward Thursday, December 17. Seats for this attraction will go on sale tomorrow morning at the Van Buren cigar store.

At the Scenic.

There will be an entirely new bill at the Scenic this evening. In the picture line the feature will be, "Saved by Love," which is a clever plot. In the "Nature Fakir" picture there is a chance for a laugh every second. Simply a comedy of errors. "A Dear Old Grandma" is a pretty little heart story where pathos and sympathy blend. Tonight will also be the first appearance of Mr. Dunbar and the Atkinson Bros., whom Manager Gardiner has every reason to believe are the strongest specialists he has yet introduced.

At the Lyric.

New pictures and new specialties tonight. Something that will please all tastes and offend none. The two Hoyts tonight for the first time present their burlesque magic act. This alone is well worth the price of admission and the pictures Manager Parson believes will please better than many changes which have given such universal satisfaction. You cannot overlook the Lyric bill tonight.

Schwab to Testify.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Charles M. Schwab, the steel magnate, will appear tomorrow before the congressional ways and means committee at the hearing on tariff matters.

Neighborhood Meeting.

The Neighborhood club meets tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. M. Berry. A very interesting program has been prepared by Mesdames Vincent Palmer and Stella Ingie.

Ships Are Coaling.

Colombo, Ceylon, Dec. 14.—The United States and Ceylon paid respects to each other today through official visits between Admiral Sperry and Governor Edward McCallum. Ships are coaling for the trip through the Indian ocean to Suez.

J. W. McAllister is reported resting much easier today.

Thomas H. Haddox of Clem, Ore., is here on land office business today.

An Elaborate Display

As in the past, we take position at the head of the procession, showing the largest and most complete line of Holiday Goods.

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MRS. WOODS DEAD.

Wife of Former Unionite Dies at Walla Walla Yesterday.

Joe Woods received a telephone message this afternoon from Walla Walla from his brother, W. B. Woods, whose wife has been in the hospital there, that she died yesterday morning. The brother will arrive in this city tonight with the remains and tomorrow morning will go to Elgin, where the funeral will be held. W. B. Woods was formerly a resident of this county, residing near Elgin for many years.

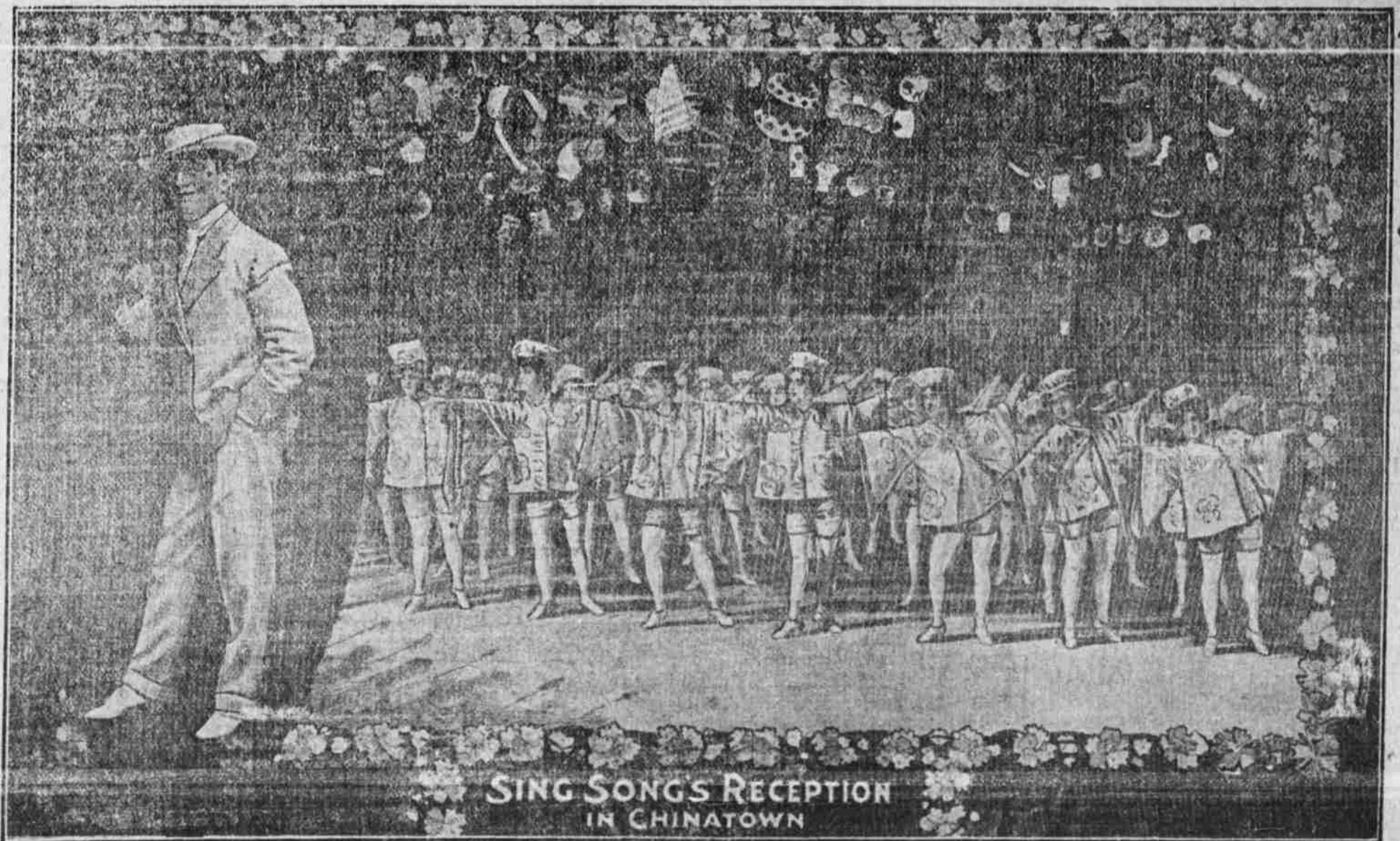
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