

LOCAL ITEMS.

F. S. Bramwell returned this morning from Portland.

Miss Carman Stoddard is home from a visit to Baker City.

Attorney J. L. Rand is down from Baker City on legal matters today.

C. A. and Fred Beagle of Portland, are land office visitors in the city.

James Graham of Walla Walla, is visiting here today.

Turner Oliver went to Union last evening.

Aaron Murphy is seriously ill at the home of J. Lawrence. There is but a slight chance of recovery.

C. W. Elsworth and family of North La Grande, have returned from a short visit with friends in Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hamilton returned to their home in Salt Lake last evening.

Engineer Tom Golthian is here from Spokane, where he has been employed for some time.

Representative-elect S. F. Richardson, leaves for Salem about the middle of next week to attend the legislature.

Miss Sadie Michaels, at one time located here, is in the city from Walla Walla.

Guy Van Fleet is here visiting his relatives after a year's stay in Walla Walla.

J. K. Wright is in North Powder today transacting business in connection with the La Grande Investment Co.

Machinist William Kennedy has gone to Portland. He was injured some time ago while working in the O. R. & N. shops.

Engineer Graybeal, has gone to Kamela to relieve Engineer Parker and Fireman Wall to relieve Fireman H. Pfeiffer.

Todd, the Portland horse buyer, purchased eight animals at Cove yesterday. He will ship a carload in a day or two.

Mrs. Virgil T. Ghermley of Lewiston, Idaho, a sister of Mrs. Charles Cochran, is here today on business before the land office.

There will be a special meeting of the city council this evening to consider the proposed sale of the Beaver creek lands and other matters concerning the water question.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Merrill returned this morning from Portland. Mrs. Merrill has been visiting friends and relatives there for the past three weeks, and Mr. Merrill joined her there a week ago.

Miss Katherine Hanna of Sitka, Alaska, will address the ladies of the Presbyterian Missionary society on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. T. Richardson. All are cordially invited. Meeting begins promptly at 2:30.

The case of the Break of Commerce vs. Charles Bertram, is on trial in the circuit court today. This is one of the features coming out of the failure of the North Powder sawmill last summer.

Charles England, who was expected to arrive this morning from Missouri, from where he started Saturday night and the funeral of Mr. Benton, which was to have taken place this afternoon, has been postponed until his arrival.

William Eastman, lately of Colorado, but now located temporarily at Elgin, is in La Grande today, looking for a suitable location as a dairyman. The fame of the coming possibilities of Grande Ronde valley had reached him, and he is here to investigate.

The new fire whistle, aided by several others of the railroad yards, awakened the sleeping populace shortly after midnight this morning. The cause was a fire in the outskirts of the city on the East Side. The small house was destroyed with most of its contents. The department did not get out because of the fact that the blaze was beyond the reach of the water mains.

Hurrah for Ellensburg.

It has been announced officially that the Northern Pacific will begin the construction of a 1,000-foot trestle in Ellensburg. Work is to be started the first of the year, and the structure is to be of brick and stone. The trestle in present use will be converted into a freight shed.

Wealthy One Robbed.

New York, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Helen M. Kelly, mother-in-law of Frank Gould, today reported the loss of \$5000 in currency and jewelry, which was taken by a strange man who escorted her to a hotel after the accident a few days ago. The man was seen driving a dark-colored car and was driving dropped dead. After the man had departed Mrs. Kelly discovered that only a chain of her chatelaine bag remained.

FORAKER IS BLUE

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and the republican legislators will hardly dare to delay the public demand for his selection. Apparently, the days of Foraker in the senate are numbered.

Signs of activity are displayed in the camp of the friends of Joseph Benson Foraker following the letters he has sent to assemblymen-elect. These letters, it seems, were invitations to the recipients to visit the senator in Cincinnati. Representative McEwen, of Fayette county, is the only one who is reported to have responded in person. Old followers of Mr. Foraker who received the invitation sent excuses. They privately admit that they cannot vote for the senator's re-election if they wish to retain the favor of the great mass of their constituents. They declare that the only men in their counties who are demanding the return of Mr. Foraker to the senate are politicians who have been allied to the old organization or to Foraker personally.

With the senatorial fight practically settled, the republican leaders are making plans for overturning the democratic regime at the next state election. A continuous campaign is being seriously considered in order to effect this end. A matter of great moment among the republican politicians just now is the gubernatorial nomination in 1910. Republican leaders said that they wanted a live candidate, a man accustomed to the management of big affairs, who was popular and had the good will of the people. The sentiment seemed to be for a northern Ohio man. It was declared that the northern part of the state was entitled to the candidate.

Arthur L. Garford, of Elyria, was named as a man who would fill all the requirements. Others mentioned in connection with the nomination were David Tod of Youngstown, Joseph G. Butler, Jr. of the same city, and J. Warren Harding of Marion.

NEW FACES IN LINEUP

Tomorrow night the La Grande football team, 15 strong, takes its departure for Pendleton, where strenuous efforts will be made to take Pendleton into camp at a decisive style. There will be a slight change in La Grande's line-up for the game. Will Adler, the O. R. & N. engineer, is a new backfield man who is trying for position, and his speed, coupled with a thorough knowledge of the game itself, has placed him well up in the estimation of Coach Wall. He will be a valuable man for either end or half-back. Heldenreich, the local high school player, is also in the squad, trying for a backfield position—fullback. He is acquainted with Coach Wall's style of plays and has less trouble mastering intricate attacks than others who have the signals and style as well to learn.

An interesting announcement to local football players comes in the following clipping from the Pendleton Tribune, stating that Turner has been switched to end and the starry quarter who played with the high school team is playing behind the center:

"Captain Turner has made the selection for the football team that is to play here on New Year's day and he is confident there is no doubt that the result will be victorious for Pendleton by a large score. It will, he says, be a very different story from the result which occurred at La Grande on Christmas."

"With such old stars as Jim Hill, George Grand and Cargill, and the high school stars, taken, Kimbrell and others, the score ought to run out at least into the double or triple figures."

"The La Grande team, however, has been practicing together these days. Pendleton and although the local individual stars may make some sensational plays, it must be remembered that team work counts more than individual playing. For that reason the Pendleton team has decided to get together beforehand and do some conscientious practicing so that an unexpected surprise may be met."

"The line-up will be as follows: L. E. Turner, Thompson; H. Devine; Ben Creswell; C. Bean; R. G. English; J. Sturgiss, Cargill; re. H. Thompson; G. Kimbrell; H. Strand; R. J. Hill; F. Baker."

WM. HANCOCK DEAD AT COVE

WAS COURT BAILIFF OF LAST CIRCUIT COURT.

He Put a Day or Two of Pneumonia—Father of Girl Injured in Runaway Recently—Had Many Friends in La Grande as Well as Cove, His Home Town.

Cove, Dec. 30.—William Hancock, bailiff of the circuit jury which was discharged but a few days ago, is dead. His sudden and untimely demise occurred at his home at 12:30 a. m. this morning, after two days of serious illness. The physicians say it was pneumonia, resulting from a severe cold contracted some time ago. Then, too, he has been troubled with asthma for the past year, but that disease was in no way responsible for his sudden death.

Father of Injured Girl.

The deceased is the father of Clara Hancock, the girl who sustained a broken leg in a runaway the night following Thanksgiving day. She was taken from the hospital a few days ago, but is not yet recovered from the injuries.

The deceased leaves a widow, four sons and two daughters: William Jr., Charles, Ralph and Arthur; Clara and Violate. The last named has been notified of the death and will arrive from Corvallis tomorrow. She is a student in O. A. C.

No funeral announcement can be made, as a brother in Canada will be at the corpse side before interment takes place.

La Grande is grieved at the untimely death of Mr. Hancock, who was seen in this city but a few days ago. He has officiated as court bailiff this winter, and at one time was constable of Cove. He is one of the leading ranchers of Cove, always honest in business relations and a warm friend to every one.

QUEEN FAINTS AT SCENE

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and queen risked their lives to rescue a wounded child from a wrecked building in Messina. The king and queen were passing a building when the pitiful wails of an infant attracted the queen, who rushed into the structure despite the king's protests, and carried the child to the relief boat.

Pope Contributes Relief.

Rome, Dec. 30.—Pope Pius X is deeply grieved over the catastrophe. He contributed \$200,000 to the relief fund immediately upon hearing of the extent of the disaster.

Governor Hughes Will Help.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Governor Hughes today issued a proclamation calling for contributions to the state branch of the Red Cross, for the Italian earthquake victims.

Railroad Sinks Into the Sea.

Naples, Dec. 30.—An official message confirms the report that many miles of the Calabrian-Sicilian railway has sunk into the sea. Three submarine cables connecting Corafu, Zante, and the mainland were silenced this afternoon.

CREDITORS' MEETING.

Frank Eby Selected as Trustee in the C. J. Scriber Estate.

The creditors of the estate of C. J. Scriber, bankrupt, met this forenoon in the office of Referee in Bankruptcy John H. Boggs, and selected Frank Eby as trustee. In all about 1,000 claims were presented, with the exception of the \$4000 filed by the Farmers & Traders' bank, in which Mr. Scriber was a stockholder, the other claims were those which C. J. Scriber was an endorser for. Mr. Eby is a well-known name where the bankruptcy proceedings are being conducted. Mr. Eby is a resident of La Grande and is well acquainted with the circumstances.

May Take Oath January 11.

Five Roles, This 30.—A group of five roles, that is, the health of the people at the present time, is set for an Orem's January 11, to take the oath of office. He is setting well and sleeps well.

TOYS—TOYS—TOYS

Every nitch and corner of our immense store is crowded with toys. The ceiling shelves, tables, and floor are burdened with gifts to commemorate the greatest day in life. The day to breathe peace to every man, woman and child, and bring joy in every home has arrived again, only once in a year, why not be

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Walla Walla Poultry Show.

The nine annual Walla Walla Poultry show opened at Armory hall today and will continue until Saturday. Entries in all classes closed last night and Secretary Dickinson has been busy all day preparing blanks for exhibitors, having opened his office in the show room. Coops have been put in place and it is expected that all stock will be ready tomorrow. Outside entries are numerous this year. Fanciers from Oregon, Idaho and points in Washington have sent their best birds here and the show promises to be the best ever held in this section. Cash prizes as well as ribbons are to be given this year and every bird entered will be scored by George H. Northrup of Raceville, N. Y.

Honolulu Soon a City.

Honolulu, Dec. 30.—Honolulu today commenced a celebration which will extend through three days, ending Friday with the inauguration of the first mayor of the city and the formal installation of a municipal government. Although Honolulu has been the capital of "the Paradise of the Pacific" for 80 years, it has never been a city, from a legal standpoint, being governed by the officials who have general jurisdiction over the entire island. The city's first mayor, who will begin his term Friday, was elected last month, the democratic candidate, Joseph J. Fern, being elected over the republican candidate, John C. Lane, by eight votes, and over the Home Rule candidate, William C. Achi, by about 1500 votes.

Mother of Defendant Faints.

Flushing, L. I., Dec. 30.—It was announced shortly after court convened, that the mother of Thornton Hains, on trial for participation in the killing of William Annis, collapsed last night, and is unable to testify. The prosecution may take her deposition at the hotel.

Remove Great Mass of Coin.

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—Uncle Sam today completed the transfer from the mint to Denver of \$222,500,000. Officials began the work of removing the coin last August, soon after the first lot for the orient.

To Replace Embassy.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Senator Perkins of California, announced today he received a letter from Roosevelt regarding the transfer in creating an American embassy at Peking to replace the present location at the Chinese capital.

Tillman to Speak.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 30.—Senator Benjamin R. Tillman will deliver one of the principal addresses at the annual session of the South Carolina Teachers' association, commencing today at the state house.

Thirteen Clubs Meet.

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—With members from 23 cities in attendance, the Thirteen clubs of California convened here today for a ceremonial session, which will be presided over by "Billy" Lemon, grand president of this unique organization of good fellows.

BARRY IS CONFIDENT.

Kaufman-Barry Bout of 45 Rounds is Scheduled for Tonight.

Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—Jim Barry today bet \$500 to \$1000 that he will win from Kaufman in the fight tonight. Kaufman said he will be in good condition despite the fact that a week ago he was suffering from a sore foot. The bout is scheduled for 45 rounds.

Anna Gould Given Children.

Paris, Dec. 30.—Princess de Sagan, formerly Anna Gould, was today given the custody of her three children, a court order having been made to that effect. The court reserved the right to remove the children from the mother's care whenever it was shown she was unworthy of the responsibility.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green, near Island City, December 30, a daughter.

FREE-FOR-ALL AT SUMMERVILLE

A free-for-all fight following a wild carousal at Summerville last evening, broke the monotony of the quiet village during the stillness of the night, according to reports today. A gang congregated at the soft drink parlor there and wrecked the furniture to a greater or less extent, and then went to fighting. This morning the "night riot" it is said, duplicated the trick of last night. The extent of the injuries to participants is not great. Considerable damage was done to the soft drink shop.

S. M. HIATT DEAD.

Died While on a Visit to Hermiston—Funeral Saturday.

Samuel M. Hiatt, who has been a resident of this city for the past five years, died today while visiting friends in Hermiston, Umatilla county. His body will be brought home tomorrow evening and the funeral will take place Saturday afternoon in the Mormon tabernacle. Mr. Hiatt was 77 years of age and is the father of S. R. Hiatt and Mrs. T. W. Workman of this city. He was apparently in the best of health when he left here a few days ago.

Mrs. J. B. Fisher, who has been visiting at Imbler, returned this afternoon.

County Surveyor Arthur Curtis returned today from the Elgin country, where he has been surveying some timber land.

J. F. Johnson, one of the best known pioneers of Walla Walla county, arrived on the train this afternoon en route to Baker City. He may remain here over night.

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