

LOCAL ITEMS.

Dr. C. T. Bacon is in Portland. Miss Ruth Haws of Hilgard, is here visiting relatives and friends. Mrs. F. H. Green is slightly improved today after a short illness. John L. Rrand of Baker City, is transacting business in the city today. Mrs. James A. Russell left for Pendleton this morning, where she will spend a week or more with relatives. David Brehoux, the timber locator, is today for remote parts of Iowa county. Frank Muzzy has returned to Sumpter after being called here by the funeral of Grant Turner. Miss Sarah Weber, one of the north end school teachers, returned to Elgin this morning. Mrs. Charles H. Crandall left this morning to visit friends in Walla Walla. Seats are now on sale for the Curtis Music company at the Steward next week. The company is credited with being a splendid one. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eades, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ray Carpenter, have returned to their home at Easton, Wash. Mrs. G. C. Scheurer returned to North Powder last evening. She came down to attend the funeral of J. P. Donnelly. Mesdames Halley and Riggs and Peter Soards of Sumpter, have returned to their homes after attending the Grant Turner funeral in this city. Chris Simpson of La Grande, is in the city for a visit. He was one of the early settlers in Umatilla county. —Pendleton Tribune. Mrs. M. H. Kirtley returned last evening from Walla Walla, where she has been visiting her son, Ellis and family. Mr. and Mrs. Glen Winslow left today for their home in Pendleton. They have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Heacock for the past week. A. V. Andrews made a visit to Hot Lake this morning, the first time in three months. It was not very long since Al was making regular trips out there, but his health has greatly improved recently. Shelving for the new exclusive shoe store to be opened next month by Messrs. Smith and Greene, is now being put in place. The new store will make a slightly addition to the Depot street business. William Hall and wife have returned from an extensive trip through southern Oregon and California. Mr. Hall, who is one of the prominent apple growers of this county, studied conditions of fruit in the territory visited and is not less enthusiastic over Grande Ronde fruit since his visit south. They have been gone about two months.

George W. Lilly, a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, located at Portland, is in the city today looking after business matters. The county tax collecting department is sending out notices of taxes due. If all taxes are paid before March 15, a 3 per cent rebate is allowed. W. W. Woods of Elgin, came to La Grande yesterday evening to transact business here. Manager Laughlin, of the Pacific Telephone company, returned this afternoon from Wallowa county points. G. H. Elmer and sister, Mrs. Ida Weatherston of Pleasant Valley, who came here to attend the funeral of their cousin, Miss Louis Young, who died near Elgin last Wednesday. They expect to return home this evening.

Italians, taken to a hospital and his case diagnosed as appendicitis. The doctors cut him open, took out his appendix, and he was saved. After he was well he went to a lawyer and wanted to sue the city for \$10,000 damages, on the ground that he had not authorized the elimination of his appendix, which, he said in his complaint, "was a treasured and revered portion of my anatomy."

Taft Leaves New Orleans.

New Orleans, Feb. 13.—President-elect Taft and wife left today in a special train for their home at Cincinnati.

TRUAX CASE TO THE JURY

ALL LADIES AND CHILDREN EXCLUDED FROM COURT ROOM

Circuit court gave its attention today to the trial of young Truax of Kamela. The jury was selected, the testimony introduced and the arguments made to the jury all in the same day, with the result that the jury has the case tonight. The defense had a short list of witnesses, and the state had only a half dozen or so. Children and Ladies Out. On account of the nature of the testimony, which is obscene in the extreme, Judge Knowles this morning ruled that all women, and children under 14 be refused admittance to the court room. Maxwell Case Monday. The case to be heard Monday is the Fred Maxwell suit, where the defendant is charged with stealing an overcoat from the Golden Rule store.

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SIGNING HALL'S PETITION

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tion but what C. E. Cox will file his petition before the expiration of the required period, which is ten days prior to the election.

In older times there used to be a fierce fight over the city treasurer's office, but the last few years this office is not so ostentatiously sought after as the salary is only \$15 per month.

His Anatomy Outraged.

"Speaking about ingratitude," said a Texas man, "I am reminded of a tramp who came into our fair city only suffering intensely. He was discovered by some of our many human-

CONFERENCE COMING HERE

PENDLETON GIVES IN AND LA GRANDE IS MEETING PLACE

Conference Dates Announced. February 26 and 27, inclusive are the dates set for the Eastern Oregon Athletic conference in this city. The Union County Teachers' institute will be held on the latter day.

La Grande's efforts to land the eastern Oregon high school athletic conference has been successful, as Pendleton, in a letter received last evening, magnanimously gave in to the requests. With the meeting place definitely settled, strenuous efforts will be made between now and the date, to make the initial conference a profitable one. There are hosts of things to be discussed and given final action at the pending meeting, among them the four-year rule, college or normal school disbarments, election of officers, rules governing preliminary and championship games, who is to fix the schedule and a copious bulk of other matters too extensive to enumerate.

Eastern Oregon will set a pace for all the northwest if the proposed regulations and conference rules become a fact, for at present there are no high school conferences that are regulated as closely as the recently adopted conference rules now governing the northwest colleges and universities. The high schools of this section will be protected and regulated fully as well as the colleges if the motive of the coming conference is carried out.

Those Coming.

Invitations urgently inviting the schools to send three delegates or three proxies—the former more pref-

New Spring Goods

Shanghai Silks, Satin Liberties, Madras stripes, Borders, Linon Veilings, Costume Chiffons, Striped Batistes, Voiles, Panamas, sideband, Cambrics, Flemish Linen, Zephyrs, Percales, Cingham ann Galateas.



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Myriads of Beautiful Things

It may seem early to mention spring goods but they are so lovely this year that we could not refrain from telling our friends about them—then too, most everybody wants to make their selection while the stock is complete.

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In this connection let us call your attention to The Ladies' Home Journal, Spring Quarterly style books, the greatest book of its kind in the world—one hundred and ninety pages—nearly 1500 illustrations. Price 20c and any 15c pattern FREE.

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FIR STREET

BUY A WHEAT FARM AT \$10. PER ACRE

In the Canadian Pacific's 3,000,000 acre tract of wheat land east of Calgary, Alberta, a new district has just been put on the market at \$10. per acre, on 10 years time at 6 per cent interest.

This land lies directly on the main line of the Canadian Pacific and one crop of wheat or oats will pay for it. The winter is open and mild and Umatilla County purchasers are moving over this month to began work on their new farms.

Mordo McDonald, of Walla Walla, but well known in Grande Ronde, is sending over a big farming outfit to begin work on his section on a half east of Calgary. He says that it is the best wheat country on the American Continent.

Bert Huffman, formerly of Union county, is farming his land east of Calgary this year. Conductors Jack Smith and Len McGrary, of the O. R. & N. will begin work on a section near Strathmore this spring.

Wheat raising on the Canadian Pacific tract is not an experiment now. Miles Farel, a farmer near Calgary harvested 46 1-2 bushels of winter wheat per acre on a full half section of new land.

Yields from 50 to 60 bushels have been commonly reported all through the new settlement in the Bow River Valley. One crop pays for the land. A. E. Burnett harvested 60 1-2 bushels of No. 1 winter wheat on new land east of Calgary in 1908. Over 100 bushels of oats were grown on land adjoining the above tract. Spring wheat matures in 20 days owing to the long hours of sunshine in the growing season.

DON'T BE A RENTER WHEN YOU CAN OWN A HOME IN A NEW COUNTRY. You can pay for a section of land in Alberta with one crop Others have done it, why not you?

The next party will leave Pendleton for Calgary on Tuesday, February 16 Go now and get a choice tract on the main line of the railroad.

J. E. REYNOLDS, La Grande, Ore.

JONATHON JOHNSTON, Pendleton, Ore.

The Tag day announced by ladies same by proving property and paying of the M. E. church for next Saturday, has been postponed. Estray Notice. Notice is hereby given that I have taken up one 2-year-old heifer, and same is now at my place in the city of La Grande. And owner may have w2-12M15 F. M. GATES.