

LOCAL ITEMS.

Attorney Denham of Elgin, is here on circuit court matters.

Julius Sommer of Elgin, is doing business here this afternoon.

Attorney Dan Shehan arrived from Enterprise this afternoon.

Lawrence Caviness, who is one of the active real estate men of Wallowa county, arrived on the afternoon train.

J. E. Anderson, one of Imbler's hardware men, came in on the afternoon train.

Contractor John Slater, who has been here for some time, returned this afternoon.

Mr. Wilson, the real estate man of Imbler, and who is also interested in a large fruit farm, is here today.

S. D. Crow and brother, W. S. Crow, who have been in Wallowa county, have returned.

C. W. Todd, the horse buyer, has taken out another carload of fine horses.

William Siegrist, the O. R. & N. watch inspector on this division, is in Pendleton on professional matters.

Rev. C. E. Deal will preach tomorrow evening at Island City. His theme will be "The Christian and His Amusement."

Mrs. J. R. Oliver is enjoying a visit today from her mother, Mrs. Blakeslee and her sister, Mrs. Stafford, of Union.

J. E. Reynolds, who is working in the interest of locating cheap lands in Canada, left this morning for Wallowa county.

Mrs. J. Fontaine has returned to her home in Pleasant Valley after full recovery from an illness that took her to the hospital for treatment.

Mrs. Hannah Rogers, who has been visiting Judge and Mrs. Henry for several days, expects to return to Union tonight.

F. B. Peale returned home Saturday evening from a trip to Pendleton and La Grande, where he has been doing some special work.—Baker City Herald.

Miss Ethel Fuller arrived in Baker today after a two weeks' visit in La Grande. She will leave in the morning for Durkee to visit her parents.—Baker Herald.

Mr. Wilhelm, a young man who went to work at the brewery this morning, met with a painful accident this afternoon. His thumb was split by a saw.

Several Greeks came up from the front this afternoon for treatment in the hospital. When asked as to the nature of their ailment, they managed to say that they were hot on the outside and cold on the inside.

A carload of grade Jersey cows was shipped into Wallowa county on the train today. This marks the beginning or, rather, shows that there is a transition from stock raising to dairying taking place.

Charles Binder of Huntington, who was formerly a business man of this city, arrived this morning to look after his property interests. Charles always has a good word for this place and says that if that irrigation project goes, we will have a city.

Charles E. Funk, George Craig, W. R. Holmes and Ben Boswell of Enterprise and Waldo Chase of Innaha, were among those who came in on the train this afternoon to witness the conferring of the Royal Arch degree this evening.

Horace McKenzie, with the Schwabacher company of Walla Walla, is visiting friends in the city today, having come down from Hot Lake this morning, where he has been the past 10 days recuperating. He returns to the Lake this evening.

Every Royal Arch Mason is expected to be present this evening to witness the conferring of the Royal Arch degree. A number of visiting companions are expected to arrive from different portions of the valley and Wallowa county.

Will French received a telegram this morning just before the west-bound train was due, informing him that his father was very low with heart trouble and not expected to live, at his home at Camas, Wash. Mr. French left on No. 1 and Mrs. French will follow on the evening train. His father, Phillip French, is 59 years of age and was in La Grande several weeks, visiting, recently.

E. K. Lorimer, formerly a resident of Pendleton, and at one time manager of the local baseball team, lies at the point of death in a Boise hospital, as the result of burns received in a fire which occurred in that city Wednesday. A letter from his wife received this morning says his condition is critical. He is kept under the influence of morphine all the time and it is necessary to administer chloro-

form whenever his injuries are dressed.—Pendleton East Oregonian. The railroad employes are paying their bills today—pay checks arrived this morning. At press time the Warren-Palmer Mill suit is delayed pending the settlement of a motion for non-suit. The plaintiff has restive his case. Grant Lincoln, the local baseball promoter, has returned from a tour of western Idaho and eastern Oregon in th interest of class D baseball. He found things highly satisfactory for such a league. Baker City has taken up with the idea.

FULL HOUSE AT COMEDY

There was not even one reserved seat vacant at the Steward opera house last night at the presentation of "La Belle Marie," by the popular Curtiss Comedy company, and every person in the entire audience went away pleased with the bill. That's one fact worth mentioning. Here's another: Every member of the company proved by his or her work last night that they were accomplished men and women of the theatrical profession.

Too much cannot be said of the manner in which last night's play was produced by this clever company. Miss Leota Howard was most interesting in her classic portrayal of the characters of "Jean Ingleside" and "La Belle Marie" and her work excels in the line of dramatic impersonations any effort seen in La Grande for some time past. The remaining members of the "La Belle Marie" cast, Messrs. Melvin Mayo, George Routh, S. M. Curtiss, Chic Kehoe, Leroy Smith and Ray Pennington and Bessie Canwright, Lillian Mullaly and Flossie Stricker, were excellent in the rendition of the respective parts.

"Down on the Farm" is to be presented by the Curtiss company tonight. Founded upon a story of heart interest and amusing lines and depicting New England life in all its bucolic naturalness, "Down on the Farm" possesses features which are ever-pleasing. There is the portrayal of a pathetic life story for those who love the drama and there is comedy of the richest sort for theatergoers who enjoy and appreciate a comedian's work. Miss Howard will be seen in the leading role and her supporting cast will be fully up to requirements.

Seats are selling at Van Buren's and the lowness of the price is most gratifying—10c, 20c and 30c—no higher.

SOCIETY.

Philatheas to Entertain.

"At 8 o'clock on Friday evening the fair Philatheas would like to receive the brave Baracas, bold and true, in honor of red, white and blue and George, with his colonial dame, at Silverthorn's residence on First and Main," reads the unique invitation issued to members of the Baraca club of the Presbyterian church, by the Philatheas club, a girls' organization of the same church.

Five-Tables "509."

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Logan were hostesses last evening for the new card club, known for the present as the "Happy Hoologans," at 5-table "509." The club prize was won by Robert Nowlin. Refreshments were served, and a most enjoyable evening spent.

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

Corporation Files Articles. Articles of incorporation were filed in the county clerk's office yesterday by Davis, Kilburn & Bloch, C. R. Davis, G. F. Kilburn and W. E. Bloch are the incorporators. The company is capitalized at \$10,000 and will deal in wholesale and retail stationery.

The above is taken from a Portland paper, and the W. E. Bloch referred to is Walt Bloch, son of Max Bloch of this city. He is well known in La Grande, and his many friends wish the new corporation success.

GOOD TIME AT DANCE.

Members of the Band Need Not "Dig Up" for a Week or Two Now. For a little time at least, members of the La Grande band will not have to meet current expenses from their own pockets, as has been the rule for several months, as the profits of last night's ball will carry the organization along for a little time. Financially and socially the dance last evening was a huge success. The dancers speak in the highest complimentary tone of the quality of the band and orchestra music. The attendance was also complimentary to the band boys.

Pacific Salmon Output.

Seattle, Feb. 16.—According to the annual review of the salmon industry by the Pacific Fisherman, the total salmon pack on the Pacific coast for the season of 1908 is 3,852,592 cases, against 3,869,023 in 1907. The Alaska pack was the largest in the history of the industry, being 2,619,019.

Trouble With the Eleventh.

San Francisco, Feb. 16.—The trial of Patrick Calhoun, president of the United Railroads, accused of offering a bribe, began today with an attempt by Heney to oust Juror Walter C. Rock, without using one of his five peremptory challenges remaining. Heney argued to anger Rock by a method of examination and hot exchanges followed. The prosecutor attempted to make Rock disqualify himself.

"Recallers" Call Candidate.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 16.—George Alexander, a former county supervisor, is the nominee of the committee of 15 appointed by the "Recallers" to select a candidate for mayor against A. C. Harper, whom they are trying to oust from office. Alexander will run if the nomination is ratified.

King Opens Parliament.

London, Feb. 16.—King Edward formally opened parliament with a speech from the throne today. He sketched the recent Anglo-American treaties, expressing hope that these agreements would bring final and amicable settlement of various matters affected, including the international waterways and Newfoundland fisheries.

TRAFFIC GOOD

In response to the question as to how business in railroad circles was, Division Foreman J. H. Watson replied: "We are considerably ahead of last year at this time. I have just left my desk comparing the first 12 days of February, 1908, with the corresponding period of this year, and I find that in 1908 the register shows that 134 engines were ordered out and 140 came in; that for the first 12 days of this month the record shows 134 out and a like number in, a difference of about 50 engines in favor of the present year. Last night there were 24 engines ordered out and a like number in. Forty-eight engines and their crews, and everything is not evidence of a demoralized traffic, by any means.

Russian Private Assassinated.

Peshawar, India, Feb. 16.—A private in the Warwickshire regiment was assassinated today on Kemrud road.

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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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