

LOCAL ITEMS.

S. B. Stafford of La Grande is a Pendleton visitor.—Pendleton Tribune.

Horace Ludlker of La Grande, is at the St. George.—Pendleton Tribune.

The W. C. T. U. meets tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. Joseph Palmer.

T. S. Scofield left this morning for Wallowa county points, representing an eastern accounting firm.

Hon. J. Dobbins, formerly representative from Wallowa and Union counties, returned from a business trip to Joseph.

A. Kinney of Joseph, reached the city this afternoon en route to Portland, where he will look after business matters.

J. H. Oliver made a flying trip to Union today. He went over on No. 2 and came back on No. 1.

Contractor E. J. Stewart, who has been in Wallowa county for several weeks, returned today.

This is the time to talk paved streets, gold mines and fine timber claims. The climatic conditions are such that little can be done.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. West left today for Prosser, where they will remain until Mr. West finishes his well digging contracts.

County Judge Olmstead of Wallowa county, who came over to attend the Masonic Banquet last night, returned this morning, as did also W. J. Funk of Enterprise.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Huetel leave in the morning for Bellingham, Wash., where they will make their home in the future. Their many friends regret their departure, but wish them all kinds of success.

Freight train No. 23, westbound, was hit by a landslide below Hilgard today, that crippled eight of the cars. A switch engine was sent up from here to bring the disabled cars back to the rip track here.

The Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian church holds a social at the J. K. Wright home tonight. A business meeting will be held at 7:30. All young members of the Presbyterian congregation are cordially invited.

If you desire to attend the meeting of the Oregon and Idaho Development association which meets in Boise City on the 26th and 27th of this month, call upon President Collier of the Commercial club, who will give you proper credentials.

Creditors of James R. Smith, the bankrupt jeweler, met before Referee in bankruptcy John S. Hodgins today, and after appointing a trustee, adjourned until the second Monday in March—the 8th—at which time the bankrupt will be examined. Frank Phy was named as trustee at the morning meeting today.

Old Apache Chief Dead. Denver, Feb. 17.—A dispatch from Lawton, Okla., says Geronimo, the famous Apache chief, died at Fort Sill this morning. He was a prisoner of war for 21 years.

ANOTHER SUCCESS

Another exceptionally large audience was at the Steward opera house last night to witness the production of "Down on the Farm," by the Curtis Comedy company, which opened at the Steward Monday night for a week's engagement. The company increases in popularity with each performance and the appreciation of the plays presented is expressed more and more every day. The band concerts rendered twice daily by the company's band is a treat greatly enjoyed by residents of the business district and the music by the orchestra at each evening's performance is an appreciated feature.

Last night's bill was exceedingly well received. The play, one which always pleases when fairly presented, was produced ably and well. Portraying splendidly the character of "Ruth Walton"; Miss Leota Howard equaled her success of the opening night, while Messrs. Melvin Mayo, George Booth, Chic Kehoe and Ray Pennington gave a strong and capable reading of their respective parts. "Si Hasank," the village wit, as impersonated by S. M. Curtis, was uproariously funny, and Mr. Curtis' work was just a bit better than anything ever seen

in the comedy line in La Grande. Bessie Canwright and Lillian Mullaly were two others of last night's cast who contributed much toward the success of the play.

"Out West," which is considered by many to be one of the strongest bills presented by the company, will be the offering tonight. "Out West" is a play of western life, not a cheap blood and thunder exhibition of coarseness, but an interestingly and excitingly clever melodrama. Melvin Mayo, the company's leading man, will be seen in one of his strongest characters tonight. Miss Howard also has a pleasing role. The play requires more people than any other bill the company produces.

Be sure to see "Out West" tonight. Get seats at Van Buren's News Depot. The prices are 10c, 20c and 30c—no higher.

Flowers never before grown in the United States will form part of the decorative features at the Alaska Yukon Pacific exposition at Seattle next summer.

CONGRESS AT BOISE

FOLLOWING MEETING TO BE HELD IN LA GRANDE.

City Should Be Well Represented at Boise—Credentials Will Be Furnished—Local Clubs Will Have Some Work to Do in Preparing for Congress.

The next meeting of the Idaho-Oregon Development League will be held in Boise on the 26th and 27th of this month.

The last meeting was held at Ontario several weeks ago, at which time Assessor E. A. Rinehart was a delegate from this city and extended an invitation for the league to meet in La Grande on the 26th and 27th of April, which was readily accepted.

Now, in order to make a good showing at the local meeting, it is quite necessary that La Grande be well represented in the Boise meeting this month. Judge Lowell of Pendleton, is president, and a wide-awake business man of Caldwell is secretary.

Anyone desiring to attend or anticipating being in Boise on these dates, should secure credentials from President Collier of the Commercial club.

This league meets frequently and programs are prepared by the executive committees. Though a great portion of the work of preparing for the La Grande congress will be done by outsiders, there will be something for the local Commercial club and business men to attend to. This work will be planned at nearby sessions of the Commercial club board.

Traffic Tied Up. Butte, Feb. 17.—Traffic on the Montana Central railroad, a branch of the Great Northern, will be tied up a month by a sand cave.

BLOWS AVERTED IN WRANGLE

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to state institutions, and the other against the bill protecting salt water crabs in Lincoln county. An encounter occurred between Senator Bingham and former Representative A. B. Manly of Portland, who was accused by Bingham on the floor of the house with holding up his bill providing that title guarantee companies put up a bond of \$50,000. Bingham demanded Manly be thrown out. Speaker McArthur restored order after a heated discussion between the members.

Get Together Again.

Later Manly and Bingham met near the door. Bingham shook his fist in Manly's face, while the latter was struggling with the doorkeeper.

"I have proof that you are trying to use money to defeat my bill," Bingham declared. "We kicked you out of the senate, now you come to the house trying the same game."

Manly challenged Bingham to point out any person who could say he tried to use money, directly or indirectly. Speaker McArthur walked down the aisle, gavel in hand, and stopped the wrangling. Manly stepped to one side and Bingham returned to the senate.

SOCIETY.

Afternoon Wedding.

William B. Winburn of this city, was married this afternoon by Justice of the Peace Angus Stewart, to Miss Margaret A. Banton of Ladd Canyon, in the office of the justice. Both are well known in this county. The bride is from Ladd Canyon, where she enjoys a large and close acquaintanceship. Mr. and Mrs. Winburn will be at home in La Grande at once.

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