

LOCAL ITEMS.

H. A. Blair of Huntington, is here on business matters.

Marion Davis, of Union, is a Saturday visitor in La Grande.

J. M. Berry, who has been in Cove for several days, has returned.

Al Long, the Cricket Flat farmer, who has been a La Grande visitor a few days, returned home this morning.

The B. M. A. boys of the M. E. Sunday school, meet this evening at the home of Geo. H. Currey.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Johnson came down this morning from North Powder.

W. K. Davis, who is now a resident of North Powder, is doing business in the city today.

Clay Rinehart, the Imbler druggist, who has been in the city the past two days, returned home this morning.

M. E. Woodard of Baker City, transacted business in La Grande last evening.

E. D. Salisbury, formerly of Union, has purchased the W. T. Grider ranch and will make his future home there.

Constable J. W. Faulk is in Cove today transacting business for Justice Stewart's court.

C. J. Scriber has accepted a position with the Oregon Paint & Varnish Co. in Portland, and expects to leave tonight.

Ed Hopper left this morning for River Junction, where he will assist John Anthony in the building up of his new townsite.

Henry Rinehart, who has been in Washington for several weeks, came in last night and went on home to Elgin this morning.

Jeweler H. W. Hewitt expects on Monday morning to occupy the room formerly occupied by James R. Smith for many years.

County Assessor T. A. Rinehart left for Walla Walla this morning to spend a few days with his wife, who is there taking treatment.

County Commissioner J. M. Selder returned to his Cove home this morning, after having attended the March term of the county court.

Edward Roberts, son of Receiver A. A. Roberts, arrived in the city last evening from Pendleton, for a short visit.

Mrs. James A. Russell, who has been visiting her aged sister, Mrs. Welch, in Pendleton, and other relatives for the past three weeks, returned home last evening.

Rev. King writes from Everett, Wash., that he and his family are now comfortably located at 3110 Colby avenue. Thus far, at least, they are well pleased with the new location.

Mrs. William Morrison, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Fred Schilke the past few days, returned to her home at North Powder this morning.

Assessor Rinehart made his weekend visit to Walla Walla today to visit with his wife, who is recuperating at the Garden City. Mrs. Rinehart is reported as improving slowly.

Wallowa county is getting quite a few of the homeseekers. No less than a dozen have passed through the city en route there the past two days. The effect of Wallowa's literature describing cheap lands is bringing results.

J. H. Minnaugh, who has been in Ferry the past week, visiting his mother, who has been quite ill, returned to Wallowa this morning. Mrs. Minnaugh is much better this morning.

Henry Chambers, in a letter to The Observer from Cove, states that the section of the valley there was covered with snow to a depth of four inches last Wednesday morning. But as his garden was seeded he was glad.

G. E. McCully and wife spent Thursday and Friday at Hot Lake, going over with Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Swaney. Mr. Swaney will take treatment at the sanatorium, and Mrs. Swaney will remain a few days with him.

W. F. Matlock of Pendleton, is at Hot Lake with his daughter, Mrs. Fred Laatz, and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Carl Wheeler, who are at the sanatorium for treatment. Mr. Matlock is the eastern Oregon representative on the state fair board.

J. E. Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Holmes returned this morning from the Calgary country, where they have been looking over the possibilities of that rapidly developing country. They report having had a most pleasant trip.

Henry Rinehart was a La Grande visitor a few hours today, en route home to his home near Elgin from Walla Walla, where he has been visiting the past three weeks. While absent he also visited Hood River and Portland.

Several hundred booklets descriptive

of the resources of Grande Ronde valley are being distributed at the trains daily. The homeseekers seem to be eager to get the literature. While their tickets read to Portland and Seattle, they desire to learn of all parts of the country.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. McCully arrived from Joseph today.

Charles Playle and B. F. Wade of Allice, are here today.

C. Beckley has returned from a business trip in Wallowa county.

Ed Rumble of the Bolton-Bodmer Co., who has been in Elgin for several days, returned this afternoon.

Fred Palmer returned from Union, where he was called to fix up the switchboard for the telephone office.

Engineer George Parker returned to Kamela this morning after spending the night in the city.

Gene Moon of South La Grande, who was operated upon recently for appendicitis, is now out of danger.

Tracy Neuman, the timber cruiser, is home from a week's visit on business matters at Canyon City.

Mrs. J. J. Peck, who has been visiting friends in Elgin several days, has returned home.

Mike Woodard, a former business man of Union, but now located at Baker City, is a La Grande visitor today.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Bach, of Imbler, came up this afternoon to spend Sunday with La Grande friends.

Thomas Wynn continues to hover between life and death at his home in South La Grande. His condition is no better this afternoon.

Mrs. H. E. Oakes of Enterprise, who has been visiting the past two months in South Dakota, passed through the city this morning en route home.

F. W. Garner, a brother-in-law of Officer J. W. Black, arrived in the city yesterday from St. Anthony, Idaho, and is looking over the valley with a view of locating here.

All of those subpoenaed to appear before the federal grand jury Monday in Portland, in the Scriber case, will either leave tonight or tomorrow night.

Robert Blumenstein of Elgin, arrived on the train this afternoon. Bob always finds friends at this end of the line.

A letter from Long Beach to relatives here, states that Engineer and Mrs. John Gardner will reach home after their California tour, on April 1.

J. F. Martin, a prominent insurance man of Seattle, and a brother-in-law of William Ramsey, was a passenger on the morning train en route home from Seattle.

Mrs. Jacob Bowers of Enterprise, who has been visiting friends in Omaha the past three months, has been a visitor in this city the past few days, and returned home this morning.

Saturday crowds today thronged the business places to a degree not equalled in late months. Generally speaking, the roads are in first-class condition when the valley proper is reached.

Reverend Hendricks, who is attending St. John's school at Manlius, N. Y., was in Washington during the inauguration ceremonies and we all know that La Grande was duly represented on this occasion.

Another freight crew was put on yesterday. Railroad business is picking up in all departments, freight as well as passenger. There are very few men on the extra list at present.

No. 1, the morning westbound train, came in two sections again today, the colonist section carrying 173 through fares. The first section carried local passengers, baggage, mail and express. This arrangement will be the governing rule through the entire colonist season.

One hundred and twenty students of the four primary rooms in the brick school in North La Grande, accompanied by their teachers, marched in perfect step through our streets today and attracted attention from all quarters. It was easily explained, however, when one of the teachers stated that they had simply accepted the invitation of the managers of the Pastime theater to attend the matinee this afternoon in a body. One and all enjoyed the treat very much.

IMPORTANT MEETING HELD.
Promoters Enthusiastically Lay Plans of Ways and Means Today.

After the lapse of several weeks with nothing except committee meetings to care for the growing details in connection with the Park association, the membership of the association was largely and enthusiastically represented at a meeting in the Commercial club parlors, held late this afternoon. The after-Easter date of the lips of every society adherent was discussed at length, the appointment of committees being only a portion of the action taken in this respect. In addition a copious amount of details were

brought up for discussion and settlement.

SOCIETY.

Baraca Boys Entertain.
A most enjoyable evening was spent at the Presbyterian manse last evening, when the Baraca club entertained the Philanthropic class, at a return social. "GAMES OF VALENTINE" were played interspersed with musical selections by the High School orchestra and male quartet, both of which did themselves credit. There were about 35 young people present, all of whom pronounced the affair a grand success.

A dainty luncheon was served and at a late hour the party reluctantly broke up.

These societies are filling a long-felt want in the church and tend to promote its social life. Every week sees new members added to the Bible classes and increased interest is being manifested along these lines.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mackey last evening entertained 14 guests at cards in honor of Miss Vera Willette, of Baker City, who is visiting friends here. The affair was an informal one and cards were the order of the evening. A delicious lunch was served by the hostess before the highly enjoyable and social evening was marred by the approach of midnight.

Dr. W. D. McMillan
Painless Dentistry
La Grande National Bank Bldg
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Notice of Meeting.
Stated communication, La Grande lodge No. 41, A. F. & A. M., this Saturday evening, in the Masonic hall at 7:30. Business of importance. All Masons in good standing are urgently requested to be present. By order
Attest: W. M.
A. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

CITY ELECTION MONDAY.
Official Notice Tells You Where to Cast Your Vote.

Monday, after one of the most quiet campaigns this city has enjoyed for many years, the city election will take place. The polls will be open from 9 o'clock in the morning until 7 o'clock in the evening, and by reading over the official notice to be found elsewhere in this paper, the voters of the several wards will know where their polling place is.

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For Marshal.
The undersigned takes this means of informing the voters of La Grande that he is a candidate for re-election for city marshal, and respectfully asks consideration at the hands of citizens of this city.
J. W. WALDEN.

NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION.
Notice is hereby given that on Monday, the 8th day of March, 1909, a general election will be held in the

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