

LOCAL ITEMS.

W. Todd, the Portland horse breeder is in the city and is registered at the Hotel Sommer.
 Sam Brooks, of Imbler came up to attend the Irregular mass meeting.
 C. H. Law and John Rich drove from Union yesterday to attend some business in this city.
 E. Birch, route agent for the Pacific Express company is here today inspecting the local office.
 Miss Ada Anderson of the Home Independent Telephone office will spend today with her parents at Imbler.
 Miss Nellie Graham who has been visiting in this city returned to her home in Elgin this morning.
 M. Pixter of Cove and his sister, Mrs. Pixter, a teacher of the High School are in La Grande to-

Mr. and Mrs. Wright of Palmer have been in the city for a few days attending to business matters.
 Mrs. Sam Brooks, of Imbler left this morning for a visit of a few days with her daughter Mrs. Homer Bidwell of North Powder.
 F. Richardson, a prosperous farmer of Imbler, attended the Irrigation mass meeting at the opera house yesterday afternoon.
 C. H. Jordan, who has been spending the past week in Wallowa county has returned to his home in this city.

Vincent Palmer returned today from a visit to Spokane where he transacted business pertaining to lumber interests.
 Until Wednesday, when the bridge over Oro Dell is finished, teams must pass at the Palmer mill and make their way to Perry along the more circuitous route.

Rev. J. D. Gillian left this morning to spend Saturday in North Powder and from there will proceed to Elton before returning home for the Christmas holidays.
 Dr. B. C. Campbell of Lake Geneva, Wis., who was a guest yesterday with S. Massee and Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Green, left last evening for his home in Salt Lake.

L. R. Beasley of Union arrived in the city last evening. Mr. Beasley is going to fill the place as travelling salesman for the Baker City Grocery Company recently vacated by Mr. C. Beckley.
 S. D. Crowe, manager of the Home Independent Telephone Company, who has been superintending the construction of the copper wire circuit between Joseph and La Grande returned home this morning to spend Sunday.

No. 11 the fast mail train continues to run from 9 to 12 hours late. No. 12 the morning train from the east, showed some improvement today and reached here shortly afternoon. It, too has been running from 10 to 12 hours late for several days.

Latent talent cropped out last evening at the joint literary society held at the high school. The entertainment was quite well attended and those who went saw the talent existing in the ranks of those who were on the program.
 C. M. Lappin, a former resident of this city but for the past six years of residence in Idaho, arrived in this city last evening and will remain in La Grande for some time visiting Mrs. Lappin and children; went to Elgin this morning where they will visit with Mrs. Lappin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kloostera during the holidays.

Dr. W. D. McMillan
Painless Dentistry
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 Both Phones



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 Where you will always find those thousand and one little things that are never at hand when wanted as well as every thing in mechanics tools, builder's and shelf hardware of superior manufacture and best quality. It is the store that is always sought for when you don't want to waste time or money, and this is always at **LILLY'S.**

John A. Blevens and Julius A. Balter of Joseph were in the city yesterday on business matters.

Bay & Zweifel, plumbers, today completed the work of retinning the boilers building.

J. W. Baxter, secretary of the Union is in the city today reporting an enthusiastic reign of the Union at that place. A committee is now investigating the feasibility of erecting a farmers warehouse and flouring mill there. Many new members are coming in regularly.

DR. M. P. MENDELSON
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The doctor is endorsed by all of the leading oculists in Portland and all of the physicians in La Grande.

The entire problem lies in these three words—**Rightly fitted lenses. YOUR CASE WILL NOT PUZZLE DR. MENDELSON.**

Office hours from 9 to 12; and from 1 to 5. By special appointments in the evening.

SOCIETY.

"La Veillee" is rapidly coming to be synonymous with the best there is for last evening's party at the Elk's hall proved to be even more enjoyable than was the first of the series of the three parties to be given by that club. Music for the occasion was much improved over former occasions and in view of the fact that the membership and guests of the club is not as large as customary, the floor was amply large to accommodate all. The winter has been replete with delightful dancing parties but it is doubtful if any affair of this season has eclipsed that of last night.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Riehart of Summerville and Miss Edna Burton of Baker City.

Uncover Crime.

Detroit, Mich. Dec. 11.—The discovery of the body of Helen Brown, aged thirteen years, under the trucks in the yards of the Whitman Cartage Company today, reveals a crime that has aroused the citizens of that section of the city into a high state of excitement. The girl had been strangled to death and horribly abused. There is no clue to the identity of the brutal murderer but the entire police force of the city are working on the case. If the miscreant is captured it is almost certain that he will be lynched.

Night School To Open.

Forest Ivanhoe's night shorthand and typewriting school will open at 7 o'clock next Monday evening. All students should be present.

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Charles D. Delaney. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of Charles D. Delaney, deceased, to present them properly verified to the undersigned administrator, at the United States National Bank in La Grande Union County, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.
 Date of first publication, December 4, 1909.

H. E. COOLIDGE,
 Administrator



We have ready a notable showing of superb, dainty, little novelties in gold, silver, copper, nickel, and also in pottery; things for the bric-a-brac, etc., just the things for a birthday gift by the one who doesn't desire to spend heavily yet give something of high, intrinsic value and that will ever be remembered.

J. H. PEARE

THE EYE IMPORTANT

The eyes is one of the most important and delicate part of the body. "Sight is Priceless". Glasses should not be worn where no error of refraction exists, but where an error does exist they should be put on as soon as possible and worn constantly until the defect is cured. Wearing glasses once does not signify that they will always be worn. You can at any time (before the defect is cured) go back to the poorer vision if you so desire. The vision will not be poorer than it was before the glasses were worn, but will be more noticeable on account of having been accustomed to better vision. I have made a special study of

Everything for Christmas

AT

The Peoples Store

WHETHER IT IS TO BE FOR MAID OR MATRON, BACHELOR OR BENEDICT, YOU WILL FIND IT HERE.
THE CHRISTMAS RUSH WILL NOW GROW WITH THE PASSING OF EACH DAY, AND EACH DAY THE GIFT COLLECTION, NOW COMPLETE, WILL BE MORE DEPLETED COME EARLY WHILE THINGS YOU MOST DESIRE IS STILL HERE.
WE HAVE ANTICIPATED THE CROWDS. ADDITIONAL HELP HAS BEEN SECURED IN ORDER TO GIVE YOU THE COURTEOUS ATTENTION TYPICAL OF THIS STORE.

HOLIDAY FURS.

The nicest line that it has ever been our pleasure to show you. There is nothing more acceptable to your wife, daughter or sweetheart than furs.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS

Buy "Him" a house jacket, pair of hose, shirt, or suit of underwear. He may need them all. What he likes awaits you here.

HAIR BRUSHES AND TOILET SETS

A nice assortment at very low prices.

BELTS AND BUCKLES.

Attractive gifts styles. Our holiday lines contain pleasing efforts in the inexpensive grades as well as the more elaborate affects.

HOLIDAY HANDKERCHIEFS.

If you don't know what to give—give handkerchiefs—they are always a safe Christmas proposition.

A large assortment her to select from.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST—The beautiful premiums that we give for your cash slips—handsome Haviland, German and Austrian Ware—Equal to fully ten per cent of the amount of your purchases.

BIG GIFT LINE OF UMBRELLAS

This popular Christmas article is here in such a variety that anyone intending such a gift cannot afford to disregard the many advantages offered. The handles embrace varieties from plain styles in woods to the most elaborate novelties, insuring gifts that will be appreciated.

CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR IN PRETTY EFFECTS.

Specially selected holiday lines at rare price inducements. Jabots, Bows, in Laces, Silks Etc. Very appropriate. **GIFT SUGGESTIONS FOR THE HOME.**

Christmas interest is very largely kept alive by the home spirit. Consequently gifts which become a part of the home life and contribute to its comfort are not only very practical but are remembrances that are most appreciated. An Indian Blanket, a nice Comforter, a pair of Blankets, Table Linen, Napkins or any of the many of useful articles that go into the home.

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Opera House Block - - La Grande, Oregon

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 Optometrist & Jeweler.
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Administrator's Notice of Sale of Real Estate.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order of the County Court of the State of Oregon for Union County, made an entered on the 21st day of October, 1909, I will from and after the 1st day of January, 1910, proceed to sell at private sale and for cash, all the interest of Anna M. Stearns, deceased, in and to the following described real estate, to-wit: Lots 1 and 4 in Block M in McDaniel's Second Addition to the town of Cove, Union County, Oregon.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 29 day of November, 1909.

J. E. STEARNS,
 Administrator of the Estate of Anna M. Stearns, deceased,
 COCHRAN & COCHRAN,
 Attorneys for Administrator.
 (12-3-10-17-24-31.)

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