

MOUNTAIN HAY HEAVY

MOUNTAINEERS HARVEST BIG CROPS THIS SUMMER.

Frost Visits Mountain Farming Districts—Other News Items.

Lane Elm Ranch, Aug. 12.—(Special) Haying is in full progress in the mountains and is an exceptionally heavy crop.

C. Broadhurst has about 20 acres in timothy, wheat and oats and estimates his crop will aggregate 25 tons or more. Mr. Burnap has about five tons of timothy but his spring sown grain will be light owing to late sowing and on first broken sod ground.

Henry Spears is putting up a lot of first class hay and George Bartemus is also making a good cutting on his dairy ranch on Rock creek.

Frost Comes Early. Heavy frosts have visited these parts for the last week or so, but vegeta-

bles on the higher altitudes remain untouched.

Mr. Preston met with rather a painful accident one day last week by being kicked by one of his work horses. The stroke made quite an abrasion on his left leg just above the knee, but the bone was not broken, although the injury and pain confined him to his bed several days.

Forester Parker made his usual round again last week to assure himself the fires were fully extinguished, and the serious trouble of last year in no danger of being repeated. He reported several small fires on his route being started by lightning.

The Railroad Situation.

(Union Republican.)

There is little new to report on the railroad situation in Union this week. The Central gang is laying steel in the city as we go to press, replacing old rails with heavier ones. It is reported that the gap from the Sugar ranch to Hempe siding is being closed up also, or will soon, and that some work has been done this week in the vicinity of the Townley ranch. The new motor car has not yet arrived. Nothing is being done toward repairing the track from Cove switch to Union junction.

Accident Sunday.

While coming to town from the Thomson place up Catherine last Sunday, Mrs. W. B. Gassett was seriously injured by being kicked by a horse, says the Union Republican. While on the road near the Hall place, a wire became entangled around the horse's foot, with the result that the animal endeavored to kick itself loose. Mrs. Gassett was kicked twice below the knees and so severely injured that she was brought to the city by C. J. Forsstrom in his auto. Two children in the buggy were not hurt. Mrs. Gassett pluckily stuck to the vehicle and stopped the horse which was badly cut.

CONVENTION INSTRUCTIVE.

Local Optician One of the Two Representing Oregon at Salt Lake.

O. M. Heacock, who, with J. W. Watts, a prominent optician of Eugene, represented Oregon at the national convention of opticians at Salt Lake last week, returned this morning and reports the meeting a big success. The delegates from all parts of the country were present and rehearsed the newest things in their lines. In addition to attending the meetings Mr. Heacock purchased the very latest testing machine on the market, and will add it to his already large line of equipment in his office here. Mr. Watts and Mr. Heacock were the only delegates from Oregon.

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UMMER suggestions

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Lemon, Orange, Pineapple or Grape

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Society and Clubs

Mrs. A. L. Richardson and Mrs. A. T. Hill entertained Thursday afternoon for Mrs. J. W. Loughlin and her guests, Mrs. Thomas Dumbleton and Miss Loughlin of New York. The reception which was one of the most elaborate and beautiful ever held in La Grande, was given at the home of Mrs. Richardson. One hundred and fifty callers passed the receiving line which was composed of the hostesses, the guests of honor and Mrs. D. M. Clark.

The decorations were unusually artistic. In the reception rooms trailing vines of the purple clematis were relieved by masses of snowy marguerites while in the dining room a profusion of nasturtium blossoms gave greeting from out their graceful foliage.

The serving table glittering with silver and cut glass was presided over from hour to hour by Mrs. George Carpy and Mrs. Stella Ingle. Mrs. S. W. Seemann and Mrs. J. K. Wright, Mrs. Turner Oliver and Miss Anson, assisted by Marjorie McCall and Olive Massee. While dainty refreshments were being served strains of sweetest orchestra music added to the delight of the hours.

On a shaded porch made bright with gold and sweet peas Alice Hill and Helen Curry charmingly did the honors where fruit punch was served to the departing guests while Minna Ash gracefully presided at the door.

Mrs. William Ash, Mrs. F. S. Ivanhoe and Mrs. J. T. Richardson assisted the hostesses who have been highly complimented upon the success of the afternoon's entertainment, while their many friends greatly appreciated meeting Mrs. Loughlin and her guests.

Miss Ethel Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Wright, entertained her

young friends last evening complimentary to Miss Helen Bartlett who on Monday leaves for Palo Alto to resume studies in a boarding school there. The event was largely attended and exceptionally pleasant. Hobbies of each individual guest were used to entertain and music, vocal renditions, chalk talks and other avenues of amusement were used to good advantage by the guests who carried with them particular hobbies. Refreshments, of course, played a no small part in the entertainment. Miss Bartlett, the motif, has been spending the summer vacation here with her mother Mrs. E. W. Bartlett. Those present were:

Misses Helen Bartlett, May Neill, Zoe Bragg, Sarah Smith, Lillian McDonald, Miriam Smith, Ethel Hanley, Ethel Wright, Messrs. Kenneth Bartley, Merla Batley, Harley Richardson, Milton Stoddard, Ray Williams, Willard Carpy, George Currier, Russell Ralston, Lee Reynolds, Frank Ralston.

A social event of more than passing interest to many young people occurred in South La Grande last Thursday evening when a large number of young people spent an informal evening with Arthur Gammond, 405 Fourth street. Music and parlor games whiffed away the evening hours very pleasantly. Mr. Gammond and Miss Bolton provided much of the music for the occasion. The guests were principally young people of South La Grande.

Mrs. E. Polack was hostess to the Five Hundred club Thursday evening, the afternoon hours being substituted for the evening hours because of the reception that afternoon. Mrs. E. W. Bartlett won the honors.

VOTERS REFUSE ADDED FUNDS

UNION SCHOOL HOUSE NOT COMPLETED—FUNDS GONE.

Election Shows Majority Do Not Favor More Expenditures.

Ten thousand dollars over and above the initial levy needed to complete the Union high school building, which is now partially completed, were denied the Union school board this week by popular election. The building is not complete and funds are exhausted. The Union Republican says of the incident:

According to the call of the board of directors, the voters of school district No. 5 met at the brick school building at 2 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, August 9, for the purpose of considering the matter of authorizing the board of directors to incur further indebtedness of \$10,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary to complete the high school building.

There was a large crowd present but not as large as at previous school meetings covering different phases of this same proposition.

Director Forsstrom read a statement also covering the needs of the district and reciting the expenditures already made.

After some further discussion, Pres. Levy appointed judges and clerks of election. It was decided to keep the polls open until 6 o'clock and voting commenced, a ticket being furnished by the directors covering the two sides of the case—for and against the appropriation.

The count was made soon after the polls closed, showing 211 votes cast, divided as follows:
Against the indebtedness 137
For the indebtedness 74

Majority against 63

According to the above showing, the appropriation lost by a vote of nearly two to one.

The victorious element gives as a reason for the denial of the needed funds a too lavish expenditure of the original \$50,000 in the different contractors and extras, while the two old directors see in the result a direct thrust at them personally.

Just what the outcome will be remains to be seen. The two directors announce that they will not resign under fire, while the other side announces an investigation of expenditures pending a possible reorganization of the board of directors.

Off on Vacation.

George Carpy, chief clerk of the United States Land office, took his family to Fox hill this afternoon and intend to camp there during Mr. Carpy's vacation.

Sailors Have Narrow Escape.

Provincetown, Mass., Aug. 12.—Eighteen officers and seamen from the battleships Delaware and Nebraska of the North Atlantic squadron, narrowly escaped death today when two launches from the vessels collided in a fog. The Nebraska launch sank, but all were rescued.

FAIR PEOPLE TO MEET TUESDAY

WILL PROVIDE FOR APPROPRIATION OF STATE FUNDS.

Legal and Technical Steps to Obtain State Funds to Be Taken.

Commissioners of the Union-Wallowa county district fair association have been called to meet in this city next Tuesday when much important matters will be taken up. President A. L. Richardson of the local fair association is urging early exploitation of the fair this year, and forecasts an event in fairdom that will surpass former attempts.

The meeting of commissioners of the two counties will be marked with a whole lot of important business and must be transacted at once, that the fair preliminaries in both counties can be gone through with without hitch.

The meeting is the legal and technical step to unloosen the state purse to the extent of the annual fair appropriation provided by the state for Union and Wallowa counties' fairs.

CALL IMPERATIVE.

Former Island City Resident Likes Conditions Here and May Return.

E. M. Holman and three children of Salt Lake county, Utah, has been visiting his brother, J. A. Holman of Island City, this week. Mr. E. M. Holman went from here to Utah and it is now four years ago since he spent a few days with his brother here. Mr. Holman sees a wonderful change in La Grande and the Grande Ronde valley and thinks he will return here again. The changes for betterment of conditions has been really wonderful, he says, and he is much more impressed with the valley now than when he first located here.

HERE AND THERE.

The house of lords reached the entirely sensible conclusion that it is better to be dehorned than abolished. —Kansas City Star.

When one looks at congress, the impression forms that the ship of state would do better with more steam and fewer rudders. —Life.

Senator La Follette offers convincing proof that the insurgent opposition to the reciprocity bill was blown up from the inside. —New York World.

A South Carolina newspaper refers to the colonel as "the dowager president." South Carolina had better be careful or it will be wiped off the map. —Cleveland Leader.

No wonder Governor and United States Senator-elect Hoke Smith wants to hold on to his Georgia job a while longer. This is watermelon time down in Georgia. —New York World.

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