

MANY DEALS PUT THROUGH

BUILDING OPERATIONS CONTINUE ACTIVE.

Contractors Rush Work to Clean Up All 1913 Contracts.

Proper changes have been brisk the past few days, and building keeps up its customary rapid growth. The near approach of winter has had a tendency of driving the contractors to even greater speed to complete as many houses as possible, and it is likely that some proposed residences will not be built this winter as contemplated.

ANOTHER RESIDENCE PROMISED

Contractor John Simpson Buys Property and will Build Soon.

Conductor John Simpson, who came here to work on the West-Jacobson building, from Idaho, is so well pleased with La Grande that he has purchased through the Geo. H. Curry real estate agency a two acre tract in North La Grande and will immediately commence improving the same by building a modern bungalow.

W. W. Kinzie will soon have his fine modern home complete on Third.

W. B. Sargent's new home in Second street is rapidly nearing completion.

S. R. Haworth is doing considerable repair work to his business property on Adams avenue.

MRS. GRAHAM BUYS.

Secures the Kalmbach Property on Washington Avenue.

Mrs. Lucy Graham of Ladd Canyon, has purchased the Jesse Kalmbach property on the corner of Third and Washington avenue and has taken possession. This is a valuable location close in, and admirably suited for rooming and boarding purposes which business Mrs. Graham proposes to follow. Jesse Kalmbach left last evening for Walla Walla, where he will visit his uncle for a few weeks and then will engage in railroading. The sale was negotiated by Geo. H. Currey.

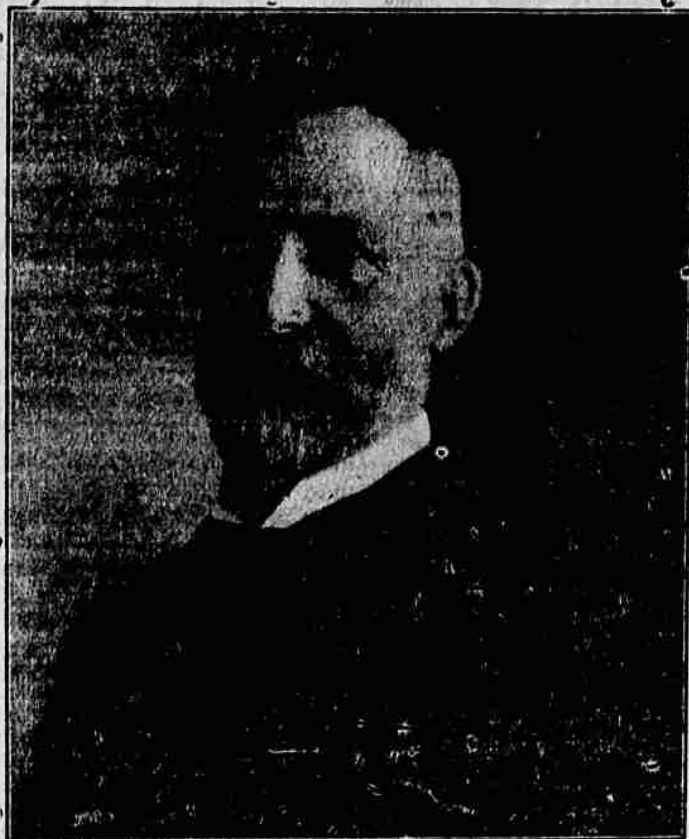
PROPERTY CHANGES HANDS.

Grande Ronde Orchard Company Fails to Retain Possession of Land.

During the course of the last week the Grande Ronde Orchard company lost their equity of redemption and title to a tract of land they had purchased in the neighborhood of Cove. The tract in question comprised 200 acres of choice land purchased from M. W. and J. W. Mitchell. The tract was set to trees and was sold to parties in 10 acre parcels. Owing to the failure of the Grande Ronde Orchard company to meet the principal and the interest it is alleged, Mrs. Mitchell was forced to foreclose, she said. In order to secure the contract holders, however, during the time of redemption, Mrs. Mitchell says she made various propositions to these contract holders, but they failed to protect themselves. Mrs. Mitchell is now in

UNCLE SAM'S LOAN OFFICE. Special Sale on Watches. 7 Jewel Waltham and Elgin \$3; 15 Jewel Waltham, Hamilton, Elgin, and Illinois, \$6; 17 Jewel Waltham, Hamilton, Elgin, and Illinois, \$9; 21 and 19 Jewel Burlington Special, Hamilton, Waltham, Elgin, and Rockford, \$29; 23 Jewel Weingart, 5 positions adjusted, 25 year gold filled case, \$30. We sell Clothing at Half Price. Hours from 7 a. m. to 10 p. m. **FOLLY HOTEL BUILDING**

DR. JAMES WITCOMBE, PROMINENT OREGON FARM EXPERT.



Director of State Experiment Stations, who is here from Corvallis today, and who has just inspected the station at Union, of which his son is manager. Mr. Withcombe is one of the best experts of scientific farming in the state.

IMBLER ELECTS WITTY AS MAYOR

SOCIALISTS FAIL TO PLACE IN OFFICE.

Saturday Election Selects First City Administration.

Imbler, Oct. 20.—(Special)—"Imbler, the city."

It became so in fact Saturday when the electorate chose a complete set of officers. The chief interest in the election centered on the socialist vote, and in no office were and in no office and in no offices were there any socialist victories. John T. Witty, a prominent young druggist, was elected mayor of Imbler, and is of course the city's first mayor. The majority in his favor was flattering, the opposition registering but 14 vote as to Witty's 55.

The complete set of officials as elected at the Saturday election, follows: For mayor, John Witty, progressive. For recorder, F. Perry, republican. For marshal, Don E. Meyers, democrat.

For treasurer, Guy J. Glenn, democrat.

For councilmen, C. J. Pratt, dem.; J. P. Larsen, pro.; R. McBride, rep.; Dr. F. E. Barrett, pro.; Geo. L. Cleaver, pro., and John Wells, Sr., dem.

NOTE CALLED FORGERY.

Man Who Is Said to Have Given Note Now Claims It to Be Forgery.

North Powder had the foreground today in circuit court when a case of alleged forgery in connection with a certain note, came up for consideration. A. T. Hewitt, it is pointed out, had given a note to a man named Blanchard, and he in turn transferred it to the North Powder bank. Now the bank is trying to collect the sum alleged to be due and Mr. Hewitt asserts that the note is a forgery, and refuses to pay it, hence the suit.

Saturday afternoon the jury returned a verdict of guilty against Ed. Kivette, accused of assaulting Mr. and Mrs. Syd Makin, of Cove.

full possession of the land and in the near future will dispose of it to other parties.

BLAZE FOUGHT BY CHEMICALS

SATURDAY NIGHT FIRE NIPPED IN THE BUD.

Dog Killed in Rush to Get to Fire—Pedestrians Menaced.

La Grande's fire department made another spectacular run last Saturday night, on Adams avenue, opposite the Mackey barn, when an alarm rang in from box 25, at 7:55. A. C. Huntington's residence, and occupied by Mrs. Lyman, was belching clouds of smoke and would have made history had not the department responded to the alarm in true metropolitan style.

The origin of the fire is not known and the damage has not as yet been announced and the usual damage done by water was happily obviated.

The general response to the fire by the volunteer contingency was also speedy and admirable, but in the rush to get there many pedestrians were in danger of being run over by the speeding volunteers in autos. A fine Spitz dog belonging to a local Jap, was disporting in the streets with fellow canines and had the misfortune to get a pass to the happy hunting grounds of dog heaven, viz: the auto wheel route.

ABSCESS IS DANGEROUS.

Hugh Logan in Precarious Condition—Doctors in Consultation.

A number of doctors were called yesterday to the bedside of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Logan's young son, Hugh, who is suffering from an abscess of the ear. The young lad is in a very dangerous condition. If the abscess breaks through the ear an operation will not be necessary. If it breaks on the inside of the head a very dangerous operation will become necessary to save the boy's life. Dr. Pierce of Baker, a specialist on diseases of this kind, was called in to consult with local physicians. His condition this morning was unchanged.

MEETING IS BUSY ONE.

Farmers Take Added Steps Toward Preparing for State Convention.

At Imbler Saturday, the various farmers' union locals of the county had representatives present to transact important business and also to take added steps toward entertaining the state convention here December 2. The program is about complete, according to State President Arthur Swift, of Baker, who was at the meeting, and that it is to be the biggest convention in the history of the order in this state, is confidently expected.

WILL REPAIR ELGIN SLIDE

BIG CREW OF MEN WILL REMEDY OLD TROUBLE.

Annual Troubles With Track and the Slides Near Elgin Is Fought.

To remove troubles that every winter in the past have tied up traffic on the branch line, the O.-W. has taken steps to repair the famous slide cut below Elgin. The ditcher and a big crew of men have been sent to the slide cut and will spend several days there, weeks in fact, to cut away the slide and stop the possibilities of drift if such can be done.

Every winter slides tie up traffic at that point and it has been declared to be the worst obstruction to traffic on the entire branch line.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Number 10 eastbound passenger, due here at 11:25 a. m., was marked indefinitely late this morning owing to a mishap to a freight train, which had several cars off the track in the neighborhood of Gibbon. There were no injuries and loss of time will be the only damage.

Frank Childers has traded his fine stallion Kismet, to Warren Dennis, of Idaho Falls, for a fast moving little mare that is known to the racing world by the name of Cantatrice. In view of the fact that Frank Childers knows horses like a veteran it is likely that he has drawn the long straw in the trade. At any rate it is safe to assert that if the horse gives any promise at all of becoming famous for speed, Frank will be the one entitled to the credit for developing it.

WANTED—Three teams and teamsters at once on Spring street grading. See John Mars. 10-20 tf.

Read the advertisements too.

ADDITIONAL PERSONALS

Dr. James Withcombe, director of farm experiment stations in Oregon, was registered at the Sommer today.

A. V. Olson, of San Francisco, is in the city today on business and is at the Sommer.

Mrs. Risley, who has been in Chehalis, Washington, visiting with her daughter, passed through the county seat this morning on her way to Union, where she lives.

C. K. Thronson, of Dayton, Washington, returned from a visit with his brother, J. A. Thronson at North Powder. He was in La Grande five years ago and stated that he hardly knew the place, owing to the many improvements that have been made since that time.

J. S. Meyers, of Phillipsburg, Pa., is in the city visiting with his brother, F. E. Meyers, of the Savoy hotel. The visiting brother is in the west with a view to establishing himself in this valley. He is highly impressed with the looks of our country and it is likely that he will make La Grande his future home.

Mrs. Stella Block Wagoner is in the city after being confined to a bed in a Portland hospital for some weeks. She is still unable to be up or have any use of her limbs but she is slowly recovering. A host of friends in this city rejoice that she is able to be in La Grande.

O. M. Hatch, Ontario, C. A. Ray, Elgin; W. J. Case, Alicel; W. J. Funk, Enterprise; M. Smallwood, Enterprise; M. P. Mills, Huntington; W. H. Keeler, Portland; A. T. Weaver, Spokane; R. Cadet and wife, Portland, were registered at the Savoy over Sunday.

C. J. Black & Co.

A Few Bargains in Ranch and City Property.

No. 1. One of the best Apartment houses in La Grande, always full of tenants; has a net income of \$105 per month. Besides five fine living rooms which are worth at least \$25.00 per month. This house is furnished from top to bottom in fine shape, is located close in and a new house. We have this house for sale for a few days only. It is a snap. Come in and see us.

No. 2. 112 acres of good land 4 1/4 miles from La Grande, 65 acres good farm land, 18 acres orchard, 20 acres in pasture, balance of 9 acres with buildings etc., poor buildings but a snap. Price \$4,500 Good terms.

No. 3. One of the best dairy ranches in Union county, 280 acres 10 room house and basement hot and cold water in house. Water piped to house from spring large barn holding 110 tons hay, full basement for horses and cows. 10 acres fine cherries, 10 acres of apples; 135 acres under irrigation, good pasture, plenty of wood, 1 1/4 miles from town. Come in and see us.

No. 4. We have several fine large stock ranches from \$8,000 to \$50,000, on terms. We also have good city property for sale cheap and on easy terms. We have 3 hotels, 2 restaurants, one barber shop, one rooming house. In fact we have anything you want. We also have some good trades for city property, ranches, etc. Call and see us and let us tell you what we have and where it is. We can find something to match you.

C. J. BLACK

J. W. BUSH

UTAH OFFICER HERE.

Man Arrested at Union on Warrants From State of Utah, Returned.

Sheriff Olson, of Box Field county, Utah, was in La Grande today to take charge of a man whom Sheriff Hug had arrested at Union on a warrant from Utah alleging a statutory crime. The prisoner, whose name is Jensen, has been in this country but a short time, and will be taken back for trial.

had a large bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house. After following the directions for an hour and twenty minutes he was through all danger." Sold by all dealers.

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