

IDLE LAND IS BEING UTILIZED

MT. GLENN FARMER REMOVES BRUSH AND ROCK.

James Ainsworth Adopts Grubbing Tactics and Is Winner.

Mount Glenn, Ore., Oct. 31.—James Ainsworth has forty acres of new land ready to plant in fall wheat; this tract of land has been lying idle for centuries on account of it being covered with brush and rocks. Mr. Ainsworth, like all wide awake men saw the value of grubbing the brush out and gathering the rocks off and now he will reap fruits of his labors in a good crop next year.

David and Elmer Stoddard and Mrs. Polley Storey, and daughter, were La Grande visitors in Mt. Glenn Sunday.

Haukins Mitchel is reported improving rapidly after a long siege of sickness.

H. S. Hendricks and wife, of La Grande, visited over Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Feik.

Walter Gibbons, formerly of Island City, has moved with his family to this section of the country. Mr. Gibbons has leased the farm known as the Hyrum Williams place.

Will Nibarger and wife, of Union, were visitors over Sunday with Mrs. Nibarger's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Mitchell. Mr. Nibarger expects to go east in a few days with a shipment of potatoes.

Mrs. Kingston and her three children are here from Idaho, visiting with her sister, Mrs. J. R. Beddes. Mrs. Kingston expects to remain here about three weeks.

J. R. Beddes is hauling rock this week and is improving certain portions of his farm.

Grover Grimet is busy plowing with his new caterpillar traction engine. Mr. Grimet is breaking up a portion of his alfalfa land.

The apple crop in the section is practically over. The reports from some of the leading growers say the crop is short, but the quality is excellent.

Fred Leak is hauling cord wood to La Grande this week. He reports the market very good.

E. L. Whiting, who underwent a

Fine New House For Sale

I will sell a new six room bungalow on O and First, including 2 30-foot lots, paved streets, for exact cost to me, \$3,200. The house cost me \$2,588, making \$350 for each lot. This is one half cheaper than any other lot can be bought for on O street. Reason for selling, want to use the money in building on Adams avenue, where I have lived for 15 years. Bungalow has full basement, 34x34, drains to sewer by a 4-inch pipe, laundry trays, clothes chutes, wood lifts, dutch kitchen, closets, electric fixtures, the best, all in place, push buttons in every room for shutting off lights. Will sell for \$600 down. Arrangements may be made whereby balance can be paid so much per month at usual rental figures.

AL ANDREWS.

UNCLE SAM'S LOAN OFFICE. Special Sale on Watches. 7 Jewel Waltham and Elgin; 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; \$20; 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. FOLEY HOTEL BUILDING

serious operation two weeks ago, is home again. He says he is feeling fairly good.

Smith Mountain News.

Minam, Ore., Oct. 31.—(Special)—The weather is fine again after a few bustling days last week, and the ranchers and farmers are busy with their potato digging. The yield is good and the quality of potatoes are good and the quality of potatoes is good. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Peterson and children moved one day last week from Smith Mountain, where they have resided the past two years, to their homestead near Baker City.

H. W. Littlefield returned from La Grande last Sunday, where he attended to the purchase of a pure bred Jersey cow and three fine Jersey calves. They were shipped to Minam and from there Mr. Littlefield drove them to his ranch on Smith mountain.

Mr. Geo. Bean and family moved from their place on the Minam to Wallowa last Wednesday, where they expect to live during the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wyatt made a business trip to Smith Mountain one day last week and visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Fisher.

Miss Alice Davis, of Minam, has been very sick the last few days. Dr. Gregory of Wallowa, was called and is attending the case. Miss Alice is improving slowly.

W. W. Carter made a sale of the timber on his homestead on Smith mountain to the Scott Brothers during his visit on the mountain last week.

H. W. Littlefield and family of the Minam country, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Miller, of the Wallowa fish hatchery.

Lorna Davis is having lumber hauled this week to build a residence on his homestead on Smith mountain in the near future.

W. W. Carter, a well known former resident and booster of Smith mountain, but now a special agent of the Inland Empire System of Spokane, Wash., came in on Saturday's train to Minam. He stopped to visit several days with old friends on the mountain, and to also enjoy the bracing mountain air. Mr. Carter and family have just returned from an extended eastern trip, and he says he saw nothing to compare with the Smith mountain country in all his travels. He expects to move back on his homestead near Minam in the spring.

Mr. B. Allan, of Howard creek country, expects to start next week for his old home in Kentucky, where he will spend the winter visiting at different places with old time friends and relatives.

Mrs. Maude Labranche and baby, departed last week for Canada, to join her husband, who is employed in that country.

Postmaster Boswell made a trip to Elgin last week on business. He also attended the circus while there and reported it to be better than usual.

Messrs Walter and Will Spencer made a trip to the Minam country on Wednesday looking after business, returning home Thursday.

Lorane Davis was a passenger on Saturday's train to Enterprise.

Mrs. Anna Miller went to Elgin on Friday evening's train and returned the following day.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Fleecer have moved back to the Minam country, from Minam station, where they have been living for the past two months. Mr. Fleecer being employed loading lumber in cars for Mr. Goff.

Mr. Jno. Riggle built a new addition on his house last week. Guss C. Marohue assisted Mr. Riggle with the carpenter work.

Mr. Barton is digging potatoes this week for John Fisher.

John Fisher purchased 10 head of spring calves and a milk cow of Chas. Wyatt last week, and drove them to his ranch on Smith mountain.

Mrs. Will Slade, who resides on the James farm near Minam, has been quite sick the past few days.

John Conaway Improved.

Ladd Canyon, Or., Oct. 31.—(Special)—John Conaway, a young man living up in Ladd Canyon, has been near death's door, but is now on the

road to recovery. Mr. Conaway is subject to asthma and had it so bad that Dr. Underwood, of La Grande, remained with him all of Monday night, administering as best he was night, expecting death any time. He was so badly choked he was heard breathing quite a distance from the house. Mr. Conaway will take the doctor's advice and change climate, probably going to Arizona, as the altitude is too high here for him.

Mrs. Dick Peebler is slowly improving from a week's illness. Her daughter, arrived from Enterprise a few days ago to be with her and to visit other relatives for some time.

The dance which was given in the cook house at the planing mill, last Saturday night, was quite well attended, everyone having a good time.

Banton and Conaway will finish their fall run of threshing today, unless they decide to thresh some upon Clover creek. They have threshed a great deal, covering a wide scope of the valley and all of the Ladd Canyon neighborhood, and have had quite a successful run.

Coffee.

Ten cups of coffee; for keen satisfaction, 10c; to serve a dull habit, 7 to 9c.

Quality costs almost nothing per cup. Buy with your eyes open and drink with your taste awake.

Schilling's Best—in aromatic tight cans—is 40c a lb, and money back. It makes cheaper coffees dear.

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WOMAN IS FLORIST.

Mrs. Monroe Has Thriving Industry in Floral Field on Third Street.

The propagating green house belonging to Mrs. W. N. Monroe, of 504 Third street, which was partially destroyed by fire early in the spring, has been rebuilt and is now in a more flourishing condition than before the fire. This plant, though just in its infancy, boasts of some of the rarest botanical specimens to be found on the coast. Exquisite roses of rare varieties and ferns of the most delicate texture are to be found among the plants that fill the plant to overflowing. A thriving Mexican cane cactus is one of the best of the collection. Young holly ferns, among the rarest of their kind are to be found here and numberless other plants whose names are known only to the expert botanist.

Mrs. Monroe spends much of her time in the propagating green house and is now making extensive preparations for the winter stock. Besides flowers for sale she is growing tomatoes that will help supply the local trade throughout the winter.

Mrs. Monroe is a graduate of the Indiana state normal and has taught school for many years, including several years' work in the La Grande institutions. Mr. Monroe has also been on the local teaching staff being compelled to give up the work on account of failing sight. The home in summer is idyllic, nestled among beds of varicolored flowerbeds. The propagating plant will be enlarged in the future to take care of the increasing trade.

MEXICO CLIMATE GOOD.

Former Businessman There Forced to Leave Trouble Zone.

M. H. Densmore, recently from Mexico passed through La Grande this morning en route to Elgin, where he intends to engage in saw milling. He was engaged in the same kind of business in the badly disrupted republic and claims that he together with other Americans, were told to get out. He says that as soon as the conditions in the republic warrant the return of many of the Americans who hold property in there, the return rush will be great. The climate is ideal along the coast and the soil is extremely fertile.

ORPHEUMITES MAKE HIT.

Excellent Team Makes Decided Impression on Local Audience.

Last night Lowe & D'Marl, tight wire comedians, made their first appearance of a three night show at the Arcade. The Orpheum act got off with a vim and made a decided hit with the audience. They will give their high class performance again this evening and any person enjoying clean, interesting vaudeville will get their money's worth right there.

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PREPARES FOR ELECTION.

Ballot Boxes Taken to Various Precincts for Referendum Election.

County Sheriff Hug and his deputies have been busy distributing the ballot boxes for the coming election on the 4th of November. Frank Batchelder went to Starkey, Perry and Hillgard with the boxes for those places and Deputy H. C. Rees took others to the towns of Union, Cove, North Powder, Telocaset and Big creek. Sheriff Hug was absent from the city yesterday on a trip to Elgin, where he transacted official business for the county.

Speaking of delinquent taxes, this morning Sheriff Hug stated that he was checking up the tax rolls for the year 1912 and that there will be in the neighborhood of \$3,000 uncollected. Taxes become delinquent on the first day of April and can be advertised as such after the 15th of August. After the first Monday in November anyone can pay the taxes and get a delinquent certificate for the amount paid. If the owner of the land does not pay the taxes within three years, the matter is foreclosed in the manner of foreclosing a mortgage and the payer of the taxes has a good title to the land.

Metzger Is Fined \$100.

Baker, Or., Oct. 30.—George Metzger, arrested in La Grande on a charge of the theft of a cheap watch in Baker, today changed his plea of not guilty on a charge of larceny from a dwelling to one of guilty of petty larceny. A fine of \$95 and \$5 costs was imposed by Justice of the Peace Hubbard and this Metzger paid and was allowed to go.

District Attorney Godwin assented to the placing of the lesser charge, first because there was some doubt as to Metzger's moral capability and second because the witnesses in the case were almost all transient persons and a conviction on a case before a jury might have proved hard.

RESTAURATEUR FINED.

Low Young Pleads Guilty to Disobeying State Labor Laws.

Low Young, proprietor of the Palace restaurant, pleaded guilty this morning before Justice Williams to a charge of disobeying the state labor laws by working females over the 60 hours a week limit. He was fined \$25 for each of the two offenses pleaded guilty to today and added to that were the costs, making a total of \$64.80. Wm. A. Dalziel, deputy labor commissioner, prosecuted the case leading to the arrest yesterday and the pleadings today. "We will make an honest effort to make restaurants obey this law, and strict enforcement of it is to be the rule in all departments of labor where female help is employed," said Mr. Dalziel today.

Two La Grande Boys On Emerald.

This week's publication of the Oregon Emerald contains the names of Ray Williams and Milton Stoddard, both La Grande high school graduates, in its editorial caption. The boys are new members of the reportorial staff, and from the information that has been gleaned from various sources, are making good as "reporters."

BUYS ANOTHER HALF BLOCK.

Attorney R. J. Green Will Build More Houses Next Spring.

Attorney R. J. Green, who, last year purchased several lots near the high school building and readily disposed of the same after building new, modern houses thereon, has just closed a deal through the Geo. H. Curry Real Estate Agency whereby he bought a half block and next spring, if not sooner, will build several bungalows.

Board After Truants.

Local school board members will meet this evening for the purpose of taking up the subject of truancy. Up to the present time the board has been somewhat reluctant about compelling regular attendance at school owing to the unfinished character of the heating plants. While all of the plant on one of the local schools has not yet been installed, it is thought the same will be in proper working order in the very near future, when the laws of the state demanding constant attendance at school will be rigidly enforced. The board is mindful of the fact a number of children are not in school, but have not felt quite in a position to act as they might have desired. It is understood that with the provision for widows who are financially unable to keep the children in school all the time due to lack of funds, there will be little excuse in the future for children to play truant or for parents to keep them at home to assist with the work.

Russell Company Pleases Again.

That Miss Jeanne Russell is a woman of considerable determination and pluck was demonstrated last night

when she played through her assigned part suffering from a severe cold and apparently in no condition to be on a stage.

The audience liked the production and the well-filled houses testify to the support given the company.

Methodists to Entertain Tonight.

All Methodists and their friends are invited to attend the social to be given at the new church this evening. The basement has been decorated and other special preparations are in progress for the evening's amusements. Ghosts will walk and all hallowe'en rites will be strictly observed.

One Dead After Wreck at Vale.

Ontario, Ore., Oct. 30.—Wesley Hinton, a laborer, died today as the result of injuries received when two gravel trains on the Oregon Eastern railroad collided near Vale yesterday.

Seven others were injured, Harry Berger, conductor and Frank Buckley, brakeman, perhaps fatally. Both trains were practically demolished.

Fans Are Hopeful.

School duties kept many of the fair rooters at home today. However, they did not mind it much for they are saving all their energy for the great game which will be played next Friday when Baker meets La Grande in this city for the annual clash which has come to mean so much to the students. It may also be said that it is reported that the "fair ones" have been holding secret yell meetings and are expected to make quite a showing at the big game.

Both Sides

of the
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