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News Of La Grande

New Dispatcher's Table—A new dispatcher's table is being installed in the O. W. R. & N. dispatcher's office over the depot.

Goes to Fair—Fred Dutli went to Enterprise this morning for the Fair.

Returns Home—Mrs. J. T. Robert, who was operated on at the hospital about two weeks ago, returned home last night very much improved.

Patients Improve—Mrs. Philip E. McCoury and Mrs. Lawrence Hill, both of whom were operated on at the family have just arrived to locate both getting along nicely.

Mr. Cooper Visits—Mr. Cooper of the Devereaux Mortgage Co. of Portland arrived this morning on No. 4 on a short business trip.

Will Locate Here—A Singleton and family have just arrived to locate here as Mr. Singleton will be employed in the O. W. shops.

Arrives Safely in France—The many friends of Mrs. Bertha Alford will be glad to learn of the safe arrival of her son, Eugene, in France.

Here on Visit—H. Foster of Arizona is visiting with Harry Hoffman and family. He expects to remain about a month.

Neighborhood Club to Meet—The Neighborhood Club will hold its first meeting of the winter season in its club rooms in the library building Tuesday afternoon, October 2.

Repairing Home—P. J. Theisen, on First street, is making repairs to his house and is building a porch onto it.

Takes Position in Bank—Lester Bramwell, after 10 years with the O. W. R. & N. Co., has accepted a position as paying teller at the U. S. National Bank, succeeding H. E. Mason, who moves to Nebraska soon to reside. J. A. Pound will likely take the day ticket position at the depot in Mr. Bramwell's place.

Will Visit in The Dalles—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Austin, of Boise, passed through here this morning. They have been visiting in Cove with Mr. Austin's sister Mrs. Frank Galloway. Mr. Austin went to The Dalles this morning, while Mrs. Austin went to Elgin where she will visit for a few days with her mother, Mrs. S. E. Evans, before joining her husband in The Dalles.

Visiting Here—Helen Dougherty of Baker came in this morning on No. 17 to spend the day with Inez Knowles, Ethel Wright and others of her many friends here.

Here From Des Moines—Mrs. M. M. Thompson of Des Moines, Iowa, arrived this morning for a visit with her son, Mr. Thompson, superintendent of schools at Island City.

Unusual Market Items—On the market today are wax beans at 3 pounds for 25 cents, and blackberries at 2 boxes for 25 cents. Rather unusual for this time of the year.

In Portland—The following people registered at the Imperial Hotel, Portland, Sept. 25th: R. W. Leighton of La Grande, R. M. McAllister of La Grande, V. Palmer, of La Grande, R. D. Jacobs of La Grande, I. A. Bingham and wife of La Grande, Ed E. Kiddle and wife of Island City, L. F. Allen and wife of Wallowa, G. H. Rollins of Union.

Return From Visit—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bingner and daughter, Janet, returned last night from a two weeks' visit in the East with relatives.

Attending Fair—Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Corbett went to Enterprise this morning on the special train to take in the Fair.

Magazine Solicitor Here—Helen Gubler of Santa Clara, Utah, is here getting subscriptions for magazines, in which way she is working her way through college. Her home in Santa Clara was formerly the home of H. H. Hug of this city, Mr. Gubler having bought it years ago from Mr. Hug's father.

O'Neill to Wrestle Tonight—Jack O'Neill went to Enterprise this morning where he will wrestle with Jim Noregaard at the Fair tonight.

Confined to Home—Mildred Stringham, stenographer at Hilton's garage, is confined to her home for several days with a very bad cold.

Attending Fair—Mr. and Mrs. A. Newlin were among those who went to the Wallowa County Fair at Enterprise on the special this morning.

Game Warden Here Yesterday—E. S. Cattron, U. S. game warden, was in town today in the interest of the game wardens' work of this state.

Leave for Seattle—Mrs. Griffin and son C. H. Griffin, leave tonight for Seattle, where Mrs. Griffin expects to make her future home. Mr. Griffin will return after a short visit there with his sister.

Returns From Portland—W. R. Kivette returned yesterday from a short trip to Portland.

Dr. Murphy Enlists—Dr. R. F. Murphy who recently took the examinations for the Dental Reserve Corps, successfully passed the examination and expects to receive his commission as first lieutenant soon. However, he does not expect to have to leave here until sometime next Spring.

Leaves For Minneapolis—Violet Larson left last night for Minneapolis for a lengthy visit there on account of her health.

Cove People Here—Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Otto of Cove were here for a short time today. Mrs. Otto has just returned from a six weeks' visit with relatives in Alamosa, Col., and was on her way home.

Honor Guard Benefit—The girls of the Honor Guard have planned a dance to be given in the Eagle's Hall tomorrow night. The proceeds of the dance will go toward furnishing the new club rooms. Lindsay's orchestra will furnish the music.

New Reporter—Ernestine Stitzinger who has been reporting for the Observer for some time past, has resigned her position and the vacancy will be filled by Mary Newlin, who takes up her duties tomorrow morning.

Joseph News Items

Joseph, Sept. 26.—(Special).—Filleen Beaudoin, the little sister of Miss Mary Beaudoin left the first of the week for Salem, where she will attend the school for the deaf and dumb children there.

Albert Walker, who has been employed on the Howell ranch in Idaho, is home again.

Among the Joseph people who enjoyed the Round-Up were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Leffell and family, Miss Clara Redymond, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Siler, Guy Mrelock, Fred Beaudoin, Ralph Feit, Dr. and Mrs. Albert Mount, Misses Gladys and Alice Moshier, B. Christy, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ross Leslie and William Beaudoin. All report a fine time.

George Martin, of Caldwell, Idaho, formerly of Joseph, is in Joseph this week working.

Mrs. Ida Valentine has bought from J. Curry the house which stands back of the Joseph Herald office. Mrs. Valentine expects to make several improvements in the house, moving it back several yards.

Six hundred head of cattle arrived in Joseph last week from Innaha. The joint owners of the herd are Herman Mitchell, John Johnson, Cleve Lloyd, C. Thompson, L. E. Shinn, Winston Brothers, Fred Baudoin, Lee Butler, Arthur Wilson, Henry Mitchell and Mark Thompson and son.

Sunday school and churchgoers have a treat in store for them next Sunday as a Rally Day program will be given then. Several special music numbers will be enjoyed at that time.

On last Friday evening some of the ladies of Joseph gave a reception in honor of the school faculty and the new minister. A large number of the patrons of our school and some high school students enjoyed the affair. Light refreshments followed a fine program of music, solo, dancing and readings. All present report a fine time.

Mrs. Cora Blankenship returned the middle of the week from a visit to her daughter who is confined to a hospital.

The Graves residence which stands directly north of the I. O. O. F. hall, has been rented to George Shith, who will occupy it.

F. D. McCully and family were guests at the Teachers house in South Joseph last week.

Miss Ava McMahon, of the Willamette University, is in Joseph visiting her school chums, Miss Helen Wastell and Miss Lucile McCully.

Peter Beaudoin was a business visitor in Baker recently. While there he visited his daughters who are taking work in a school there.

Epworth league and church in the evening will start a half an hour earlier during the Winter.

L. L. Bunch and J. Cooke, of Armin, were in town on business last week. C. M. Goodman, of Lostine, was in Joseph recently.

The band boys who went to play at the Pendleton Round-Up are reported to have made a fine showing. They all report a fine time although those who went in cars had some trouble on the return trip on account of the rain.

Among the Innaha visitors this week are C. Denney and L. C. Johnson.

It is reported that Louie Faunfeller has purchased a ranch near Joseph.

William Morelock, captain of the Home Guards, announces a meeting for next Tuesday evening in the Masonic Hall.

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Notes From Wallowa

Wallowa, Sept. 27.—(Special).—Arbie Ellege, who was operated on for appendicitis last Sunday night, is doing nicely. Although nothing definite will be known before a day or two.

Alta Schmidt, who was Alta Edgeman, arrived in Wallowa Tuesday evening from Enterprise, where she had been visiting friends and relatives; having just come from Davenport, Iowa, where she lives.

Leo Couch, received a cablegram from Ralph Couch, who joined the ambulance corps, stating that, their division arrived in France that morning. (Tuesday).

Two boys, Moelock and Purdin, driving an Overland, and Ford, respectively, had a collision in front of the school house Monday, badly bending the fender on the Overland and taking a rear wheel from the Ford. No one was hurt.

Hilgard News Items

Hilgard, Sept. 22.—(Special).—J. W. Scott is shipping out several carloads of wood. The price of four-foot wood is \$6 while 16-inch wood is selling at \$7.50.

Sunday School has been resumed at the school.

Clyde Stults has sold out his farm equipment and is taking his family to Jordan Valley in Harney County. The Stults will make the trip schooner style and will take nothing except some stock and household goods.

Fred Taal and family were visitors to La Grande Thursday.

Mrs. Divens, who has been handling one trick at the Hilgard station while Agent Powell was taking his vacation, is now substituting for N. O. Bard while the latter is in North Powder on a two weeks' vacation. Mr. Divens is in the hospital recovering from an injured hip, the result of an accident. He was in charge of the Western Union office, and Mrs. Divens has been working for the O. W. since her husband's accident. Mrs. Fredericks now has the permanent place here and Mrs. Divens will probably be transferred to Huron.

W. V. Connor, Steve and Frank Beachamp and Orville Divens were visitors to La Grande Saturday.

Only a few Hilgards took in the Round-up.

Hilgard enjoyed a good rain Saturday and Sunday.

Some fall plowing is being done. Fred Taal has sold off a bunch of cattle.

Butter Labels for sale at The Observer Office.

Letters From The Front

The following letter has been received by Mrs. A. S. Bradway from her son Lee, who is with the Army in the Hawaiian Islands:

Battery F, 1st U. S. Field Artillery, Schofield Barracks, August 20, 1917.

Dear Mother and Father: I have not heard from you for a long time, but I expect to today when the Wilhelm comes into port.

The bunch of recruits that I was in has been taken out of the battery again and all twelve of us are receiving intense instructions in all parts of the artillery service.

The B. C. told Sergeant Riley, who is our instructor, that several of us would be made non-commissioned officers. That is pretty good for only two months' service. Major Daly examined us Saturday and I was well pleased, for he told our B. C. that we were the best bunch of recruits that he had examined since he was major.

I will do my best to make Corporal, but I am afraid that I will lose out because I am only nineteen, while the rest are between 23 and 35, and the B. C. will hardly make me over one heads of older men. I will give them a good run for their money though, and if I do lose out it won't be for lack of trying.

The course will last two months. A corporal receives 38 dollars a month and has a great deal more liberty than a private, does not have to work so hard, as he gets paid for what he knows more than for what he does. The army definition of a corporal is as follows: "A corporal is a man who says a great deal and does nothing." I have discovered that a private's best course is to keep his eyes and ears open, do a great deal and say nothing and I am doing my best to hold that course.

I haven't heard from Willie since he went to sea on the U. S. S. Saratoga.

I guess our second hike is postponed for awhile for I haven't heard anything more about it.

Say, tell Roy to get the cramp out of his trusty right arm and dash off a few lines. Clarence writes more news than Roy does. Tell Clarence not to run the wheels off my bicycle or try to stop an automobile with it.

Well, I must close now and write to Willie.

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