

**ESCAPED YOUTH CAUGHT AT BAKER LAST NIGHT**

Frank Bacon, a sixteen-year-old Wallowa youth, escaped from the custody of an officer of the Reform institution at Salem Saturday. The officer was taking young Bacon from Wallowa to the Reform school and stayed here over night. The boy was evidently given a little too much latitude and made his escape from a local pool room Saturday night. He was caught again at Baker last night, however, and taken to Salem.

**FLU SITUATION BETTER**

There are only twenty-three homes in La Grande under quarantine for Spanish influenza today. The Observer learns. Only occasional new cases have been reported during the last few days and it is confidently expected that within a short time all the homes now quarantined will be released and the city will practically be free of the epidemic.

**GATES TELLS OF WORK OF NAVY**

**NO BROTHERS TO STRAY WHEN REACH HOME**

Fought Through the Whole War of the Submarine Destroyer in Coast Service.

Writing to his brother in La Grande Erwin Gates of the Destroyer Stewart, tells of many interesting events. His boat is one of three in the entire navy permitted to wear the silver star and this is indicative of great honors played by the Stewart among the German U-boats during the war. It was Gates' boat that sunk the coyote prowler along the French coast after the prowling job had dealt death and destruction to the allied forces.

Erwin entered the navy eight years ago. He secured one enlistment and was discharged. Now that this war is over, his brother believes the lad will go home in a couple of months for his time is out with Uncle Sam unless another enlistment follows.

"Arrived back in God's count yesterday and was sure glad, believe me," says Erwin to his La Grande brother. "The old Stewart and her crew have had some experience since the Dutchman got his steam up and tried to lick the world. You will remember my last letter before censorship, telling you of the Stewart leaving Panama in July, 1917, for Philadelphia and from there we started across.

Of course we ran on the rocks once or twice and it looked like the end had come but somehow a High Power takes care of a bunch on the ocean and we got out all right everytime.

We were on duty in coastal service on the coast of France for we had not sufficient coal capacity to permit us to use the open sea for any length of time. It was on the coast of France that we dealt death and destruction to Hun submarines. We surely got even with the Hun in some instances for we sent several of their pirates to the bottom. When the armistice was signed we were still on the coast patrol work.

You will recall the ramming of the William Hall and explosion of the Florence. We were at hand in both instances and succeeded in saving many lives. I was in charge of the lifeboats and am happy to say I received a fine letter from the admiral for the work we done.

Things did not go in our favor all the time for at Brest we got rammed in a fog and for thirty days were laid up. Among other little things I picked up a couple of hydroplanes with a whaleboat crew and towed them alongside the ship.

But after the whole story has been told and we look back at events of the past few months more as a fearful dream we are back on the soil of the old United States happy and well. I will be paid off in a couple of months and will then come out and visit you. We did not have even favorable mention in Philadelphia when we arrived. For some reason there was nothing said or done to let the country know that a bunch of veteran navy men were safe home again. But it is all right and we are not sore. Glad to be back. So with best wishes and the hope that we will see each other soon."

**SUNDAY SCHOOL IS ORGANIZED**

**KAMELA PEOPLE JOIN IN SOCIAL EVENTS**

Big Dance Held and a Jolly Time Enjoyed by All the People.

KAMELA, Jan. 12.—The past week Kamela has been having some very nice weather but today about an inch of snow has fallen.

Miss Lena Gebber was a visitor in La Grande Thursday evening. Elsie Harvey visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. L. Damerell in La Grande Friday.

Don Scott spent Friday transacting business in La Grande.

Mr. T. Burnett spent Friday in La Grande transacting business at the land office.

Jack Burke and W. W. Guthrie were visitors in La Grande this week.

Elsie Harvey spent Saturday at Ruth visiting with her mother, Mrs. B. F. Cook. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. C. L. Damerell and children of La Grande.

Mrs. Frank Harris of La Grande spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Annie Ziegler of Hanlon Spur.

A very enjoyable evening was spent by everyone Saturday night at the Community hall. The evening was spent in dancing. Refreshments were served at midnight and were thoroughly enjoyed by all. A number of out-of-town visitors arrived Saturday evening for the dance among them were: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Maters and Jack Doekweiler of Meacham, Miss Florence Stanchfield and Miss Jessie Ashby of Huron, Miss Phyllis Shaw and Lena Gerber of Casey Siding and Mrs. Annie Ziegler of Hanlon Spur.

O. W. watch inspector Young, was a visitor here Saturday.

Walter Ingerson was a visitor in La Grande Saturday.

A Sunday school was organized yesterday. It opened with a very good attendance but the election of various officers was put off until a later date. Mrs. F. A. Wayne was elected superintendent and it is understood that Martin King will teach the Bible class next Sunday or until the elections are made.

M. T. Barnett and Jack Burke returned from La Grande this morning where they have been spending the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Neyhart are moving to Pendleton. While residing here Mr. Neyhart was employed as engine wiper.

William and Wendall Bronson left for Pendleton this morning. The past few months they have been in the employment of the railroad company as engine wipers.

Curly Fugit of La Grande spent Sunday with his brother, Leo Fugit.

**HERO OF ZEEBRUGGE ATTACK**

**Morale—a New Word.**

Napoleon once remarked that morale is to other factors in war as three to one. Morale is a new word to our speech, and I do not know that any one has yet fully defined it, but there are certain factors which must enter into its composition. And one of these factors is the turning of men's minds away from the trenches to other thoughts and occupations. Without a change of mental atmosphere morbidity comes and homesickness and the feeling of being "fed up" on the war dulls the fine edge of enthusiasm.—Bruce Barton in Red Cross Magazine.

**ANNOUNCEMENT.**

I wish to inform the public that I have purchased the furniture and lease of the Oregon hotel, 10 Depot street, and will conduct it in connection with the Harland hotel, and it will be known as the Harland hotel.

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1-11-17 H. C. SAWYER.

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**Aquatic Plants.**

Aquatic plants should not be planted in shallow ponds or lakes that freeze solid. No matter how thick the ice forms on the surface the plants will live if the water about them, under the ice, does not freeze. If ice forms about the roots of the plants they will be killed.

**A WANT AD will do it**

**HERO OF ZEEBRUGGE ATTACK**

Lieut. H. T. O. Walker of the royal navy, who was the hero of the famous British naval attack on Zeebrugge, Lieutenant Walker, who was an officer of H. M. S. Vinelive, had his arm blown off during the handling of the British sailors and machines on the mole. He is expected in this country shortly to fill an appointment with the British bureau of information.

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**Pretty Things Made of Paper**

Every little "Jim-crack" that means an evening touch to the house indicates its appearance these days, for there never was a time when it was more worth while to keep up all the pleasant little amenities of life. Everything that will contribute toward making an atmosphere of cheerfulness in our surroundings is more needed now than in less anxious days. To dress up our homes and keep ourselves well groomed shows the right fighting spirit. At the same time we are reminded to save as much as possible and go on accumulating Thrift stamps and War Saving stamps. Therefore we turn to paper, that costs next to nothing to make the bits of bright furnishings for our homes and gifts for our friends.

In the illustration above there is a toilet basket for the new baby and a flower basket for the table, both made of paper. The tiny cradle is made of wire and paper rope in very pale gray and lined with rose-colored silk and fitted up with brush, comb, powder and any other toilet necessities of the newcomer which the giver of the basket concludes to add. There is a bow of mauve ribbon, in pink, fastened to the head of the cradle. It is not his baby's fault that the world is war-torn—nor his mother's—they both are entitled to such pretty little gifts as these that represent time and kindly thoughts, but very little money.

The basket for the table is made of crepe paper over a pasteboard foundation, and has a rustic handle, contrived by winding heavy wire or small sticks or twigs with paper. Any two colors may be used for the flouncings that cover the pasteboard foundation, but brown or green in two shades make the right sort of background for all flowers. Or the basket may be in zayer, colors if it is to hold foliage or growing greenery.

*Julia Bonney*

**Conservative Shoes for Fall.**

Conservative colors and sensible cuts, which are almost manish in their effect, are the features to show for women for late fall business. Footers report that retailers are now looking for shoes of this sort, not only from the desire to clear of doubtful novelties, but because, in the business which they have already done over the counter for fall, there has been comparatively little demand for anything else. Mahogany and full black oxfords are the most popular in fall. Walking boots, while in shoes for more dressy wear, black patent leather and a few shades of gray are selling.

**Pockets Remain.**

Pockets are a trimming feature that remain in good style in spite of the fact that they are so costly. Real or seeming pockets, faced or lined with white or colored satin, are used smartly on some of the new models of navy blue serge.

**Smart Tops or Shanters.**

Especially for the young girls, the new blazer Tam o' Shanter that are shown at the shops are just smart. They are made of heavy, soft beaver, with pulled, one-sided creases and a snug-fitting band about the head. They come in black, dark blue and other colors.

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