Society

La Grande society has been very well divided up for the past week. While the functions at home have been numerous there has also been quite a number of people absent from the city attending the livestock show at Union and the Rose Festival at Portland. That two important events should fall upon the same days is a matter of regret to many for the disposition of all La Grande is never to miss the annual show at Union, and at the same time it was found necessary for many Union county folks to be in Portland the first during the Rose show.

Union's exposition came up to every expectation of the visitors and it will go down in history as the biggest show that has ever been held in that city. The event has grown so large that its momentum now carries it and the committees in charge always see to it that the program is better than the preceding year.

Portland's Rose Festival was all that could be wished for, including replus crowds which are necessary to Portland to have any occasion wholly true to the climate. The parades were very fine and the floral parade on Friday is said to have been the best in the city's history. While the floats were very beautiful showing great care and expense, the handling of the parade was not up to the standard for long waits intervened and the floats were far apart and lonely. Nature did her part in most elaborate manner this season for the flowers were simply wonderful. The city of Portland, however, disappointed many because of the extremely commercial features attached to the Festival. They cheapened what would otherwise have been grand by having a street carnival at work, each little show popping the price of admission high in the clouds. On every hand there was some sort of a deal to grab the loose change from visitors. While no one complained particularly about the expense, it seemed to lend a cheap familiar aspect to what otherwise would have been a high grade exhibit of nature and art.

La Grande and Baker people were numerous throughout the city. Every hotel lobby contained many people from these two towns and occasionally they should become so thick on Washington street that one might have thought a portion of the city had been reserved for the Eastern Oregon delegation.

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A delightful wedding occurred on June 12th at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at Corvallis when Miss Etta Woodell, daughter of J. L. and Jannette Woodell of Union county, was joined in matrimony to Mr. Phillip Parcher, who graduated from the school of architecture at Oregon Agricultural College that same day. The bride is a native of Union county and is well known to all the people who have lived here any length of time as one of the brightest energetic young ladies who by earnest and sincere application has made for herself a place among the teaching profession of the state. She attended school at Weston, later at Whitman college and finished her work at Cheney, Washington. For six years she has taught, the last two years of which have been devoted to the Weston schools. She comes from the sturdy Woodell stock, which has done much to improve The Grande Ronde valley. Her father located here in 1862. While the groom is not well known in La Grande he has many friends in Pendleton where he resided before entering the service of his country where he remained for fourteen months. He is originally from Marysville, Mo. but has spent some time in the west. After a brief visit in Corvallis they will come to Union county to visit relatives before locating permanently.

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The Oregon Congress of Mothers and Parent Teachers' association held a board meeting Friday morning in the parents' educational bureau in Portland and discussed tentative plans for the state convention, which probably will be held in Medford in the early fall. Mrs. Frederick Schlike of La Grande presided. Mrs. Schlike, who also is head of the child welfare work of the state, reported that New York with all its millions has added to its roster only 29 more babies than last year. The parent education bureau is conducted by the congress of mothers in the courthouse and in Pendleton there is a children's clinic conducted under the auspices of the child welfare bureau of the government. Mrs. William D. McNary is chairman of that work. Mrs. A. Bayley has charge in the bureau here. Mrs. Schlike told of the splendid co-operation found throughout the state in both lines of work.—Oregonian.

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Monday evening the La Grande ball team will give a dance at Rex hall and as a special feature of the evening will be an entertaining series of dances by Mrs. Harold Grady, well known and skilled Portland dancer who is sojourning here. The dance itself promises much for Cove is coming over in goodly numbers to join in the festivities in return for what is expected to be a large turnout from La Grande today at Cove, where the two teams meet.

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Mrs. C. N. Lewis, of Hilgard, visited friends in La Grande Friday and left yesterday morning for Hood River and The Dalles, where she will make an extended visit to relatives. Mrs. Lewis' husband, who has been postmaster at Hilgard for the past twenty-six years, has resigned that office and their plans are as yet indefinite as to their future. Mrs. Lewis may go down to California later, in the summer, to spend some time with other relatives and relatives who reside in that state.

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Miss Ella and Rena Scribner entertained a few of their friends Monday evening at the home of their grandmother, Mrs. Ella Ryncarson. The evening passed pleasantly playing games and enjoying music.

The Island City Ladies Aid met with Mrs. Andrew Rice and Wednesday afternoon to the contents of all for completing their work a short business meeting was held. Then the refreshments of ice cream, coffee and home made cake were enjoyed and an hour of visiting.

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Mrs. Frank S. Parchak and children, Caroline and Theodore, of Ithaca, N. Y., have arrived for a visit with Mrs. Frank Eichling and Mrs. M. E. Metzler. Mrs. Parchak was formerly Miss Helen Hartford and was a resident of La Grande and Elgin.

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Miss Ruth Chormley, a teacher in Portland schools, arrived yesterday to spend several weeks with La Grande friends. Miss Chormley formerly taught in this city and is very popular among the younger set. She will be the guest of Mrs. Geo. Cochran and Mrs. A. E. Dixon while here.

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Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Grimmett and Miss Nell Grimmett, who had been on a motor trip in Washington state, arrived in Portland a few days ago for the Rose Festival. They expect to return to La Grande the first of this week.

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Mrs. Fred G. Schlike returned yesterday from Portland where she had been attending the state grand chapter of the O. E. S. and looking after work connected with the Child Welfare Bureau of which she is the state head.

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Miss Lois Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Nelson left Saturday for Yale, where she will visit her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. George Huntington Currey.

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Mrs. Ray Murphy returned to La Grande this morning after a few days' visit to relatives in Portland.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Larison and son, John, arrived home last evening from Portland where they had been visiting relatives and taking in the big show.

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Mrs. Sadie Given and daughter, Miss Lois, are among the La Grande people in Portland having a good time while the roses last.

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Mrs. Carl Evans, of Portland, is here for a month's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cockill. She arrived a week ago.

Miss Ruth Watkins, of North Powder, is the guest of her friend Miss Lola Mulkey, for a few days.

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Miss Helen Carey is among the La Grande visitors who have been in Portland the last few days.

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Among the many La Granders seen on the streets of Portland during the Rose Festival were Mrs. Roscoe Neal and Miss Etta Foley.

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Mrs. Grace Frens, who had been visiting her son, N. W. Frens, for the past few weeks, has returned to her home in San Diego, Calif.

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Miss Enid Stanchfield went to Baker on No. 6 yesterday and spent the afternoon visiting friends.

OBJECTED TO ENGINE

Buffalo Did Not Like Locomotive and Stopped Train.

Denver and Rio Grande officials are wondering just what a certain huge buffalo thinks of its passenger trains. The beast recently tried to stop a train over La Veta pass at night, but found the locomotive stronger than its head. Undaunted, he came back and rammed the train again and a second time rolled off into the ditch.

The train was running slowly, otherwise it is believed the buffalo would have been killed.

Huge Death Toll Among Prussians.

Prussia's losses in officers and men during the war have been made public by a staff officer, who based his figures from the official casualty lists. The report shows that 32,454 officers and more than 4,530,000 soldiers were killed, wounded or missing.

Marble in an Egg.

Even hens play marbles in the spring, says Mrs. Robbs of Kenosha, Wis. While preparing a cake (not a marble cake, either) she cracked an egg and out rolled a hard marble.

Indians Took Ammunition to Mexico.

Yaqui Indians, who crossed the boundary from Sonora, Mexico, have obtained a large amount of arms and ammunition in the United States.

German Siege of Paris

The siege of Paris began on September 19, 1870, and ended on January 28, 1871, when the city surrendered to German troops. The siege lasted 4 months and 10 days. The Germans had 1,000,000 men in the siege. The French had 500,000 men in the city