

Local News In Brief

Wood Gets Scarce—Saturday there wasn't a stick of rick wood to be had in town. The muddy roads leading to the hills where the wood comes from put a stop on hauling wood to the railroad so nothing but cord wood could be had. The change in weather is expected to relieve the situation before it becomes serious, according to reports today some wood being on its way now.

Y. Bureau Has Men Registered—The Y. M. C. A. has a number of men registered for jobs, according to J. L. Cramer, secretary. Mr. Cramer stated today that if people having work to do, odd jobs, mowing lawns, etc., call on his bureau they will attempt to put them in touch with men he has registered. "There has not been a great demand for men and because of that we have not had many men registered lately," he said today. "But with the change in weather there is bound to be more demand for men and more men will be put on our register. We have both local men and transients."

Screen season here—Screen season is here. This morning householders in many parts of the city were seen up early putting the screens on their windows and doors. The screens were brought out at the post office and put in place. Business houses were also getting their screens in place on back and side doors and windows. The J. C. Penny Co. was among those dressing its alley windows in new screens.

Welfare Meeting—The Welfare Commission of La Grande will meet tomorrow evening at eight o'clock in the city hall. At this meeting the by-laws will be

- COMING EVENTS.**
- May 27.—Commencement, La Grande Public Schools, high school auditorium, 8 p. m.
 - June 3.—State Bankers' convention, Seaside and Astoria.
 - June 6.—Union county circuit court convenes, June term.
 - June 7.—Special state election.
 - June 14.—Flag Day. Special observance, Elks Temple, 8 p. m.
 - July 2.—Dempsey-Carpentier bout, Jersey City.
 - July 24.—State Convention United Artisans, Astoria.
 - July 8-15.—Chautauqua at Riverside Park.
 - July 16-17.—State convention, United Spanish War Veterans in Astoria.

presented for adoption and recommendations for committees will be reported by the committee appointed to undertake this task.

New Printer on Job—J. D. Dement, formerly of Caldwell, Idaho, where he was connected with one of the largest printing establishments in that city, arrived here yesterday. He is now employed by the Nelson Printing Company.

County Assessor Here—Walter A. Baird, assessor of Baker county, is in the city transacting business today.

Damage Suits Settled—A total of \$12,000 was recently paid by the O-W to the parents of the school children killed and injured in the wreck last fall when a truck load of children and a branch line train collided near Imbler.

Housing Shortage Not Relieved—Mrs. G. W. Reese, a farm owner of Harney county, has come to La Grande to engage in business. She chooses this point after a survey of all Eastern Oregon. She has been spending the winter with her daughter who has been teaching on Snake river below Huntington. Mrs. Reese arrived Sunday morning and spent the day, following the classified advertisements in the Observer, to choose for herself and daughter a furnished house or furnished housekeeping rooms. By nightfall she declared that La Grande has the most pronounced shortage in housing of any city in Oregon outside of Portland.

Boosts E. O. Cheese—John S. Hodgkin heard the praise of Tillamook cheese soon recently when visiting his brother-in-law's home in Portland but the product didn't convince him that it was better than that made at Halfway over in Baker county. So this morning Mr. Hodgkin sent a Halfway-made cheese to R. K. Terry, of Portland, the man who praised Tillamook cheese and believes it better than the Eastern Oregon product. If the Halfway cheese convinces Mr. Hodgkin has another surprise in store for the Terry family by sending some cheese from the factory at Union.

Drive Ends Wednesday—The drive for toys and clothes for the children of Armenia closes on Wednesday and all who promised to contribute, as well as others who have something to contribute, are asked to leave their contributions in the Y. M. C. A. at that time.

To Sell Chinlund Goods—W. P. Rauch, Portland accountant in charge of the goods of the A. Chinlund bankrupt store, La Grande, says that his disposal of the goods will be decided on Wednesday, when the sealed bids will be opened. A number of prospective bidders have gone over the stock, which indicates lively competition for the goods.

Swimming Classes Start—The high school girls swimming classes, which meet on Wednesdays and Saturdays, have again started after having been temporarily suspended.

Exams Start Today—The final examinations in the high school began today.

Leaves For Seattle—John Francis Cramer, who has been elected to teach science in the local high school next year, left for Seattle Saturday night after a few days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cramer. At Pendleton he met Mr. and Mrs. Jessup, of Milton, and from there they drove through Mr. Jessup's teacher of agriculture at the Milton high school where Mr. Cramer taught last year. Mr. Cramer expects to make preparations for attending the University of Washington summer school this summer. He will specialize in chemistry.

Squirrel Shooting Popular—The sunshine yesterday brought squirrels by the thousand out of their hiding places and motorists and pedestrians enjoyed the sport of shooting the little pests of the farms. A. J. Martin, formerly a storekeeper of the O-W, picked up a 22 rifle the first time in years and joined in the sport. Martin got one squirrel after firing twenty shots in vain.

Meet On Wednesday—All members of the L. A. of the B. of R. T. doing bazaar work are asked to meet at the home of Mrs. Charles Stoop, 2206 Oak street on Wednesday, May 25, at 2 p. m.

Jack Dempsey's Career—In this issue of the Observer, a new feature has been added—the story of Jack Dempsey's career. From now until July 2, the date of the big fight between Dempsey and Georges Carpentier, the Observer will carry a series of articles on these two men so prominent in sport circles of today. The first story of Dempsey's career will be found on page three. Later, the life story of Carpentier will be told.

New Standard Oil Man—Paul C. Blair, formerly in charge of the Standard Oil company's station at Enterprise, today assumed his new duties as manager of the local station, succeeding T. R. Maxwell. Mr. Blair has been at the Enterprise station for two and a half years. Ralph D. Kay is acting manager of the Enterprise station until a successor is appointed to him. Mrs. Blair will remain in

Enterprise until suitable living quarters are found here.

Is Convalescing—Ida May Kent, the 9-year-old daughter of M. D. Kent, 1910 Q Ave., is convalescing from scarlet fever.

SAYS LA GRANDE IS PROSPEROUS

C. A. RANDOLPH TAKES THE LOOKS OF THIS CITY

Fine Homes, Shaded Streets and Business Blocks Tell Story of Prosperous Country

C. A. Randolph, who owns two farms near Wallowa, another at Hood River and lives in Portland, spent Sunday in La Grande. He says that La Grande reminds him very much of the most prosperous town in Montana in which he lived for 32 years and where he made the fortune that now enables him to live anywhere he wants to—the town of Lewistown, center of stock, wheat and oil producing country of Montana. He says the fine homes, excellent business blocks, beautiful improved shaded streets of La Grande are much like those of Lewistown and tell the story of prosperous surrounding country.

Dewey Randolph, the elder of two sons, manages the two farms near Wallowa belonging to the Randolphs. He prepared for this occupation upon his father's large stock ranch in Montana and finished for it in the state agricultural college of Montana. The merits and advantages of the Wallowa country were discovered by the Randolphs about a year ago, when they were looking for a stock country with more even rainfall than they had in Montana.

Coquille School Dedicated—Professor John C. Almack, assistant director of the extension division of the University of Oregon, spoke on May the first at the dedication of the new \$65,000 high school building at Coquille.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS OF THE BIG RECORD—This is to give notice that Chas. S. Scott is the only authorized representative of the Big Four Record in this territory.

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JACK DEMPSEY'S CAREER—HOW PEACH PICKER RODE ON BOX CARS TO WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP



This story of Jack Dempsey's career has been written for the La Grande Evening Observer by Hal Cochran on information, much of which was furnished by Dempsey himself. The rest was obtained from Dempsey's close acquaintances and official records.

BY HAL COCHRAN.

CHAPTER I

This might be the story of a champion peach picker, the history of a miner, or the tale of a hobo. But it just naturally leads into the rise to fistic fame of one William Harrison Dempsey.

About 10 years after Hiram Dempsey, erstwhile school teacher of Logan, W. Va., moved to the San Luis Valley of Colorado, the stork paid a visit to the little Dempsey ranch, between Antonito and Manassa. Then it was—June 24, 1895—that William Harrison first saw the light of day.

In the early years of his life William got bits of schooling here and there, and plenty of outdoors and fresh air. It was the latter part that played a big part in his growing into the husky of the family.



SKETCH MADE FROM A PHOTOGRAPH OF JACK DEMPSEY'S FIGHTING FACE. ABOVE ARE PICTURES OF THE CHAMPION'S PARENTS, MR. AND MRS. HIRAM DEMPSEY.

most of the time in an athletic way. If there was a baseball game, a football misplay, a wrestling affair or a boxing go in the neighborhood, it was a safe bet that the six Dempseys would be on deck; William and Bernard, an older brother, usually came out on top.



with some kid in the town of Montrose. He finally grew into the town champ. He had licked every one of the village scrappers except one. As for this one and William were buddies and had never mixed in a fistic way.

Success finally prompted William to grab off the title of "Jack," dropped by his brother, and his faith to conquer amateur-battlers in other towns. Jack had no money, so he took a "private car" to Delta, Colo.

Jack Bums on a Freight—"It was soft pickin'," as Jack now recalls it. "I simply hopped into an empty freight car when nobody was looking."

This ride, as after events will show was the first of many that went to make up the hobo, catch-ay-catch-ay adventure, portion of Dempsey's rough and tumble career. Delta held Jack's interest for but a short time. He battled in a few bouts, and picked up some odd change, spicing speeches, and finally headed for Lakeview, Utah, where his family had moved in the meantime. Jack had had visions of a real money bout for some time. He soon climbed another freight and landed in Montrose. In short notice a was arranged—his first real coin encounter.

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