

Just Thirty Years Ago in the Grande Ronde Valley

(February 19, 1892)

The following program has been arranged for the meeting of the Welcome club for next Thursday evening: Overture, Jones' Orchestra; Solo, James Handley; Recitation, Maudie Boller; Quartette, Opera House Band; Original Irish Speculation, M. S. Garry; Fanny Mrs. Masterion; Vocal solo, Mrs. Mark Scott and Speculation, Lawlor brothers.

The chamber of commerce meets this evening.

Kelly and Burd have opened the Crystal Palace saloon in Bunt's building of Jefferson avenue.

W. A. Glatler, the new secretary for the Y. M. C. A. arrived from Rawlins, Wyoming, on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Stearns entertained the whist club at their residence Monday evening. A sumptuous repast was served and the evening was one of the most enjoyable of the season.

At a meeting of the directors of the La Grande National bank held last night, R. M. Steel was elected president, Chas. Goodenough, vice president and G. Pennell, cashier for the ensuing year.

Billiard and pool tables were received yesterday for the La Grande athletic association. The new quarters in the Rogers block including a large reception room and gymnasium hall will be completely fitted up in a few days. The association claims, with every appearance of justification, to have the finest apartments of any similar organization in the Northwest.

The notice published last week concerning the advent of a boy in F. Simon's family was a mistake. It was a girl.

Burglars have it in for the railroad company. A few nights ago the depot at La Grande was relieved of a small sum and Saturday night the depot at Adams was entered and burglarized to the extent of \$250.

A meeting of the stock holders of the La Grande Land Co. was

held last week. The following directors were elected for the ensuing year: W. H. Sears, J. H. Slater, J. A. Slater, W. E. Paine and W. T. Slater.

A committee was appointed at the last meeting of the chamber of commerce to see if the railroad company cannot be induced to construct a new passenger and freight depot at La Grande.

The St. Valentine's ball given by Fred Lawlor in Slater's hall Saturday evening proved a great social success. The affair was gotten up for the members of the professional clubs, although all other lovers of the Terpsichorean art were made welcome. Miss Nellie McDermott received the first prize as the best lady dancer, and James Whelan secured the gentleman's prize. A delegation of young ladies visited Al Ray as the gentleman of the evening.

Chas. Johnson, a young man about 25 years of age, was killed yesterday evening while hauling logs down from the mountains. He was thrown between a log which he was dragging down the hill and a stump by the side of the road, crushing his head and causing instant death. He leaves a wife and child.

Born: In La Grande, February 17, 1892, to the wife of P. Probstel, a daughter.

It is settled! The \$26,000 water fund secured by the common council of La Grande two years ago is now available for the use of the city. A water system for La Grande is now assured.

Income Tax Facts

Every person whose gross income for 1921 was \$5,000 or over must file a return, regardless of the amount of the net income. If a husband and wife living together have an aggregate income of \$5,000 or more, separate returns or a joint return may be filed.

Regardless of the amount of gross income, Clyde G. Huntley, Collector of Internal Revenue, reminds taxpayers that returns are required of every married person living with husband or wife whose net income for 1921 was \$2,000 or over, and of every single person or married person not living with

husband or wife, whose net income was \$1,000 or over. "Net income," upon which the tax is assessed, is "gross income" less certain specified deductions. "Gross income" includes salary, profits, and income derived from salaries, wages, or compensation for personal service, of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, trades, businesses, commerce, or sales, or dealings in property, whether real or personal, growing out of the ownership or use of or interest in such property; also from interest, rent, dividends, securities, or the transaction of any business carried on for gain or profit, or gains and profits and income derived from any source whatever.

In computing his income tax, the farmer may deduct all amounts paid in the production, harvesting, and marketing of crops, including labor, cost of seed and fertilizer used, cost of minor repairs to farm buildings (other than the dwelling), cost of repairs to tobacco and mu-

chinery and the cost of small tools used up in the course of the year, such as pitchforks, handrakes, hoes, axes, etc.

Lateness in Plowing Loses Money on Farms

Farmers in the Columbia Basin lose from one to two bushels of wheat per acre, depending upon the season, every week their summer fallow land is left unplowed after the first of April. This important determination is the result of ten years of experimental work at the Sherman County Experiment Station. These results have prevailed in eight of the ten years and it has been found that on the average, unless summer-fallow can be plowed early, the loss in crop is so great as to make farming the land entirely unprofitable. Determinations of these facts and their dissemination among farmers in the Columbia Basin has brought about a great increase in the acreage of land plowed in April where previously summer-fallowing was carried on in some

seasons well into June. These facts are not confined to Sherman county, as similar results have been secured on experiment stations in Eastern Washington and in Utah, thus indicating that this principle is a general one in all dry farming districts west of the Rocky Mountains.

F. E. Stephens will be in Union county to discuss time of plowing and other subjects connected with grain farming at Farmers' Week.



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All Committees will meet tomorrow at the City Hall to organize