

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



Local News In Brief

COMING EVENTS
 March 24, Superintendent and Principals Conference in La Grande.
 April 1, University of Oregon Glee Club here.
 May 25, La Grande high school commencement exercises.

Attends Presbyterian Society
 Mrs. O. G. Edwards, official of Portland, who was here to attend the Presbyterian society at the Presbyterian church yesterday expects to leave tonight for her home in Portland.

Will Go To West Oregon
 Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe West and family of La Grande, will move to the Willamette valley early this summer, probably in June, where they will make their home.

Salvation Army Officials Arrive
 Staff Captain and Mrs. Winterbottom and Adjutant Pierce of Portland arrived in La Grande this morning to be present at the convention to be held next week. A special meeting will be held tomorrow night at the Methodist church.

Union Editor in City
 With the coming of spring comes the coming of George Seibert, editor of the Union Republican, and today he is in La Grande spreading the gospel of the stock show for this year. The Cattle and Horse Raisers' association meet the first two days of the week of the stock show which makes the entire week one of celebration for the town of Union. "The show is to be bigger and better" were the words of the newspaperman.

Parish Meeting to be Held
 A parish meeting by St. Peter's Episcopal church will be held tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock for the purpose of hearing the report of the vestry relative to their recent canvass and a further discussion on the prospective program of the church. All members and friends are urged to be present as this is the important meeting of the year as the business to be brought up needs the judgment and support of everyone interested in St. Peter's, according to the presiding officers.

Joseph Has Radio
 O. M. Hancock of Enterprise came to Joseph yesterday and made arrangements with Arthur Collinsworth to install one of his radio receiving sets in the Joseph Furniture store. The instrument was installed and a program from the Oregonian broadcasting station was listened in on last night. Mr. Hancock will be on hand again this evening to listen in for another concert and the public is cordially invited to attend. There is no admission. Mr. Hancock simply wishes to demonstrate his instrument. The Hancock receiving set is classed with the best in the country. It is a Wallowa county product, invented by

days recovering from an injury sustained while employed in the construction of a government trail on Snake river, below Troy. While at work on the trail a rock slide started down the mountain just above him and before he succeeded in getting out of the path of the slide a number of rocks struck him, breaking four ribs, inflicting a severe scalp wound and causing other minor injuries. The injured man was compelled to wait the arrival of a boat from Lewiston and received no relief until the boat returned to the city. After receiving first aid at the Lewiston hospital, McGinnis boarded a train for La Grande. He is now on the rapid road to recovery and expects to be able to return to his duties in a few days.

Attending Conference
 Among the superintendents and principals of this district meeting here today in conference are R. G. Dykstra of Imbler, and Roy Conklin of Union. Mr. Conklin is president of the association and motored over this morning. Mr. Dykstra is registered at the Savoy.

All Strangers to Him
 Jim Christianson, former chief of police in La Grande, is now living in Seattle. That the old fellow is getting homesick is shown by a letter he wrote the Evening Observer a few days ago ordering the paper sent to his address. He said there are 335,000 in Seattle and 334,999 of them are strangers to him.

Portland is Busy Town
 Dr. Lee Bouvy has returned from a combined business and pleasure trip to Portland. He states that Portland has a busy appearance but that La Grande's streets present nearly as much activity and he is of the further opinion that business conditions in La Grande are better than in most towns of the northwest.

Public Library Gifts
 Among the recent donations to the library are: Judge Carey's History of Oregon; The Beaver, Oregon Agricultural College Annual; The Wallula, the Willamette University Annual; New Supplement to the California Encyclopedia; Book of Mormon; a number of popular fiction titles, including Zane Grey's "Wanderer of the Wasteland."

Ladies' Aid Met
 The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church met Wednesday afternoon at the church for their regular monthly business meeting. Plans were completed for the cooked food and apron sale which will be held in the Skaggs store, Saturday, March 31. The third division of the aid served refreshments during the social hour.

Divorces Queen Nicotine
 George W. Allen, who has smoked and chewed tobacco since the days of the Civil war, in which he was an active fighting soldier, has bid farewell to the filthy weed, even though he is now quite an old man in years. He proudly held the deed at the Evening Observer office a few days ago and proclaimed his supremacy over the soothing queen called Nicotine and said, "never again for me." He was admonished that no one could go fishing and have any fun without a pipe and smoking tobacco and urged to withhold his decision until after the fish began to bite.

Street Conditions Bad
 Despite the fact that the windy weather, coupled with sunshine, is rapidly drying up the muddy streets in La Grande, in some sections the traffic is quite impossible. In some other sections, the conditions are not so bad but could be considerably improved by scraping and light grading. Many complaints have been received at the Observer office lately relative to the condition of some of the streets, although it is expected that the city commission will take prompt action on the matter and alleviate the trouble in a short time.

IMBLER PUPILS PRESENT DRAMA

IMBLER, Mar. 24—Mr. Huron, his daughter Elizabeth, and Mr. Prescott were La Grande visitors Saturday evening.
 Mr. McBride, bishop of the L. D. S. church, Lemar Westenskow, Leonard Hillings, Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Tamm, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peery were some of the members of the church who were in La Grande last Sunday attending the quarterly conference of the church.
 Ross Perry has sold his home to Mrs. Mary Ross who recently moved here from New Mexico.
 A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Clark Sunday.
 Mrs. Johnson has rented Hans Westenskow's residence in town near McBride's Lumber yard to the summer. She is moving in this week.
 Hans Westenskow has bought a building lot on Win. Hendon in the north end of town, and intends to build him a new bungalow in the near future.
 Mr. Moore of La Grande is moving his sawmill to Imbler on the east mountains east of Imbler.
 The Junior class of the Imbler high school presented their play "The Old Oaken Bucket" in the amusement hall Tuesday night. They had a very large crowd and everyone felt well paid for going. They will present their play in Summerville soon.
 Nora Hansley of Summerville was surprised by her friends March 17, and a good time was enjoyed by all.
 Hans Westenskow and Mr. and Mrs. Henrie were in La Grande on business Monday.
 The apple men unloaded a car of sulphur spray Monday.
 H. G. Dykstra enjoyed a pleasant walk to Hinesburg station Sunday afternoon and came back on the train.
 Everett Keown and wife were La Grande visitors Tuesday.
 Joe Ross will give an invitation dance in the old white school house next Friday night.
 An Ohio man has been arrested for impersonating a congressman. The poor fellow, we imagine he'll plead insanity.

BROWN HITS THE FILM PRODUCERS

In His Producers' Call He Expresses Regret at the Defeat of Film Tax Bill.

Editor M. J. Brown in his Producers' Call, a publication devoted to the producers of food products of Oregon, reviews the recent movie bill in the legislature. This is the bill which caused Speaker Kuhl to throw spasm over and make charges which were unfounded and untrue. While Editor Brown speaks of it as the Dennis bill he probably does so because of the support given the measure by Union and Wallowa's representative in the senate chamber who also aided in starting the bill in the house. It was a house bill because all bills for the purpose of raising money by taxation must originate in the house of representatives. The review of Editor Brown follows:

There is no question that the people feel a keen sense of disappointment at the failure of the legislature to pass the Dennis bill, taxing the moving picture producers in Oregon. The producers are holding up the exhibitors who in turn are forced to gouge the public.

The show-going public is resenting the exorbitant admission fees. Instead of going two and three times a week, individuals and families are only going once a week and sometimes not even that much. It has been kept a secret, but it was only a short time ago that a number of exhibitors went on a strike against the trust exchange and refused to use the service for about a month until the prices were reduced.

Colonel Woodlaw of the Circle Theatre and a number of other exhibitors are fighting the movie trust good and hard. The Colonel does not bark behind the backs of these pirates, but gets right up on his stage and handles Will Hayes and the rest of the "Frenzied Movie Pirates" without kid gloves. They cannot shut him up or drive him away for he owns his own building and they have to stand and take it. Mr. Woodlaw's denunciations have strengthened the morale of the exhibitors and the late concession secured by the exhibitors is directly traced to the heavy artillery fired by the doctory Colonel.

The greediness of the producers is shown by the fact that they serve old worn-out films especially to Portland suburban theatres. They are too stingy to furnish undamaged films. In an interview with one of the owners of a leading suburban house, a representative of the Producers' Call questioned him, why he showed a damaged film of "A Yankee at King Arthur's Court," part of the film was missing, and it was the same with Mable Norman film, "Moby O," which was even worse. There were others, too numerous to mention, but these were the poorest.

The exhibitor replied: "It is not our fault. It is hurting business, as our patrons think that we are skipping part of the film in order to get more people into the show. We have complained to the managers of the exchanges and they just laugh at us. They say we can take their service or leave it. They give us a program for a month ahead and we are helpless."

The movie producers are killing the picture game by their greed, poor service, damaged films and extortionate prices just like the saloon keepers killed the liquor business in the old days and brought on prohibition. It is no wonder that the people wanted the Dennis measure to become a law which would have brought huge sums of money into the state treasury from the overpaid producers which now go east to Wall Street or create more Hollywood scandal. The Dennis bill would have reduced taxes, but the Movie Hog put the skids under the measure. Another time will come unless the Movie Hogs become good.

However, referring to the matter of mutilated films now being distributed by the local exchanges, the Producers' Call serves formal notice this outrage must cease. Our attorney informs us that the City Council has the power to pass a measure forbidding defective films from being shown within the city limits. In this way the local exhibitor can refuse these films without violating his contract. No contract can be enforced that is contrary to any municipal, state or federal legislative acts. That is the law.

So take notice you managers of ex-

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