

Local News In Brief

COMING EVENTS

March 5, 6, 7—District high school basketball tournament at Union.

Accepted Position—Miss Mildred Weeks has accepted a position at the Court House in the County Recorder's office.

Returns from Middle West—H. K. Wallis, pastor of the First City church, has recently returned from a trip to Chicago and other points east. He reports an enjoyable journey.

On Honeymoon—Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Woodell returned to La Grande this morning from a honeymoon trip to Portland. The young couple will spend a few days here and will afterwards be at home at Nampa, Ida.

Heard Talk—H. G. Avery, county agriculturist, is back in his office in La Grande again this morning after attending a farmers' meeting at The Dalles yesterday. The principal theme of the program was a talk by W. J. Spillman of the Bureau of Economics, of Washington, D. C.

True Spirit—An instance of practical philanthropy was recently uncovered when it was learned that a group of La Grande business men were the benefactors who provided a turkey dinner with all the garnishes for the inmates at the county poor farm on New Year's day. The men who were responsible for the kind act were J. M. Smith, C. H.

Marias, George Johnson, W. C. Sturgill, John Moyle and Clint Van Fleet.

To Give Talk—Raiph Dyers will be the principal speaker at the Men's Forum of the Methodist church tomorrow at ten o'clock. Mr. Dyers will speak on "Synagogue," ancient philosophy upon whose principles the Knights of Pythias and their organizations are established.

To Hold Meeting—The annual meeting of the La Grande Country club will be held at the club house on the evening of January 12. At this meeting seven directors of the board are to be elected. The board of directors is composed of 15 men seven of whom retire at the end of this year and eight at the end of next.

Boosting Show—Reno Banks of Spokane, representative of the Hereford Growers' association, is traveling east spreading the gospel of the Ogdon Live Stock show which is to be held at Ogdon, Utah, starting Tuesday of next week. The Ogdon Livestock show, according to Mr. Banks is well worth attending and is one of the largest held anywhere in the country. Chief among the eastern Oregon exhibits at the show will be the Chandler herd of Herefords from Baker.

Personal Mention

Miss Isabel Miller and Miss Ella Nelms of La Grande left via stage this morning for Elgin. S. D. Keltner, hardware merchant of Enterprise, is in La

Grande on a business trip. Mr. Keltner is registered at the Sommer hotel.

A. Shaw of Summerville is now registered at the Hotel Foley.

L. Denham, attorney of Elgin, is stopping at the Hotel Foley. James Gekeler of Elgin, is now stopping at the Sommer hotel.

I. J. Kitchen returned yesterday from Boise. Mr. Kitchen made the trip on business.

Miss F. J. Roberts and Mrs. Nellie R. Grace of Cove are now registered at the Sommer hotel.

Mrs. W. J. Robertson of Toloconet was in La Grande this morning on a shopping trip.

Am. W. Eggleston and his sister, Miss Eunice Eggleston, of Enterprise are spending the winter in California.

Miss Mildred Lovett left on No. 24 this morning for Baker. Miss Lovett is taking music lessons in Baker from a Miss Florence French.

George Perry of La Grande left this morning for Salt Lake. Mr. Perry is making the trip for his health.

Miss Mary Geer of La Grande left on the branch train this morning to spend the day in Elgin with relatives.

Mrs. F. E. Shumard of Portland arrived in La Grande this morning to visit over the week-end at the J. D. Fitzgerald home.

1924 BEST FARM YEAR SINCE 1919

(Continued from Page 1.) 600,000 against \$225,000,000 the value of his 1923 crop. "The changes in the 1924 farm values of other important crops as compared to the 1923 values are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Crop, 1923, 1924. Rows include Barley, Rice, Tobacco, Hye, Flaxseed, Hay.

"Recovery of Farmer" - This particular occurrence has been referred to variously as the return of farm purchases power, the recovery of the farmer, the readjustment of prices, and the purging of the price scale. All of them mean that the farmer is again in the market with both money and the inclination to spend it.

"A return implies absence and to get the full significance of this development we must understand just where the farmer has been and why he has been there. In 1913 things were supposed to have been in a reasonable balance. We may assume that the farmer was then receiving \$1 for his crops, \$1 for his livestock and that he was paying \$1 for the industrial commodities that he needed. Under these circumstances trade may go on freely and everyone may keep busy. By 1920 we find that things have changed. The farmer is now receiving \$3 for his crops, an increase in income of 200 per cent, and he is paying \$2.50, or an increase of 150 per cent, for the things that he must buy. Money flowed freely.

"The following year the most drastic price decline in history broke in upon this generally pleasant scene. Farm prices tottered until the farmer was again receiving \$1 for his crop. Industrial prices also came in for an adjustment, but they did not suffer so seriously and the cloth of the year found comfortably priced at \$1.50. Thus the farmer had but \$1 and the things he wanted were priced at \$1.50. No sale!

"In 1923 the situation was somewhat better, but still the farmer's income from his crops was only \$1.40, while the things he needs in the industrial world cost \$1.75. The year 1924, however, has seen the readjustment completed. Farm prices for crops have risen to \$1.55 and industrial prices have receded to \$1.55. The farmer is again in the market for the first time since 1913. He has almost a billion dollars more than he had last year, in cash, and the accumulated needs of three lean years clamor to be filled.

"This balancing of income and outgo is vitally important to the farmer and to those who do business with him directly, but it is also of unusual importance to everyone in the United States regardless of occupation or financial position. First, the farmer is a primary producer. Money in his hands works its way through our whole commercial fabric. More important than this is the fact that the farmer represents fully 20 per cent of our total market, and it is impossible to have a period of prosperity upon all groups are relatively prosperous and are buying actively. The best business which started in the fall of 1922 and ran over into 1923 was

doomed for this reason: With but 70 per cent of the prospects buying, the factories filled all the orders and soon got ahead of themselves. "The return of the son of the soil to our markets, therefore, deserves first position as the most important and significant development of 1924. General business as reflected by the Babsonchart is now slightly above normal. We may or may not see continuous and growing prosperity this year, but at least one of the necessary conditions for such prosperity has been fulfilled."

East in Grip of Snow; Transportation Is Hit

(Continued from Page 1.) from Norfolk. The weather bureau predicted the snow probably would continue most of the night, but the wind would die down and the thermometer rise.

WASHINGTON HARD HIT WASHINGTON (AP) — Washington, for the most part, walked to work Friday with trolley traffic badly crippled by a fall of snow. Except for Pennsylvania avenue from the peace monument to the treasury street railway traffic was most intermittent and for hundreds of government employes it was a case of walk or stay at home.

27 YEARS AGO

Morning Daily Observer, January 3, 1898.—Elliott Al Krome and Frank Pike have been promoted to regular engineers. Union—Batling Jack, the fire-squid who never falls under, but always on top, was in Union Thursday and Friday. W. B. Sargent was over from La Grande Friday. Elgin — Jessie Hindman killed and dressed 13 hogs Thursday that dressed over 200 pounds each. This would do credit to a corn country. Geo. Mapeo, of the M. and M. company, at Elgin, visited La Grande yesterday. J. D. McKennon's family are well and the house has been thoroughly cleaned and fumigated.

Hunt's Letter

(Continued from Page 1.) another volunteer took hold of her feet. "Then the magician and an assistant, with an ordinary crowd saw, began sawing the trunk in two. If they cut the trunk in two, then certainly something disconcerting and painful seemed certain to happen to the lady, since—with head at one end of the trunk and feet at the other—no one could see how she would escape being cut in two also. Just when the saw had cut about one-third the way through the trunk, and its jagged teeth must have been about rasping the lady's ribs, she let out a dreadful, nerve-racking shriek.

Harrison, his nerves already taut by the thought that if, as seemed certain, the woman was to be bisected, then he, as an accessory to the act, might be held jointly responsible for her murder, jumped at least two feet high, turned precipitately and "beat it." Senatorial dignity, political bravado, all thought of hardship and the appearance of things were forgotten. But wanted away from there, and he stood not on the order of his going, but went. "That the apparent bisection of the lady was completed, and that she was somehow joined together again so there was no need for calling the coroner, was of minor interest to the senator from Mississippi after that. He hopes, however, to have his

never pulled together again by the time the senate reconvenes after the holidays. Nick Longworth's campaign for the speakership of the next house has developed the chief that either on the piano or violin, he can run Vice President-elect Dawes a close race as musician. Model Prisoner Wins Pardon of King Boris SOFLA (AP) — "in the ground A regular advertiser is a dependable merchandiser.

Child's Rubber Boots \$1.95 Child's Rubber Boots, fleece lined, red tops. The little folks really enjoy them. Keeps them warm and dry—and the price is very low—\$1.95. 54 STORES E. J. Breier Co THE HUB

STAR TODAY AND SUNDAY BUCK JONES —IN— "Winner Take All" Comedy — "Upon the Farm"

Announcement:

Beginning today, we will have an ad on this page regularly throughout the year—an ad that we will try to make interesting to every household in the La Grande territory.

We urge you to follow it closely. There will be something new every day about established home conveniences, drugs of national reputation, guaranteed personal needs—interesting facts about everything that you buy at a Drug Store.

And as we start this series of advertising messages to you, we pledge this organization to better and greater service in the New Year. We assure your complete satisfaction here under all conditions.

Glass Drugs, Inc. "If It's Sold in a Drug Store, We Have It."

WEALTHY MAN IS HELD FOR WIFE MURDER

(Continued from Page 1.) affair until his arrival with a plumber last night. A hatchet and a hammer, each with strands of hair and clots of blood clinging to it, were found in the basement, according to detectives. Blood stained clothing was found nearby. Two valuable diamond rings are missing and two diamond ear rings were unaccounted for. Gashes in Head. Twelve deep gashes, several of them three and four inches long, had been inflicted on the woman's head. The knuckles of her right hand had been broken and cut in an attempt at defense, according to a police theory. According to Haines and the plumber, they came to the house late yesterday and found the body huddled at the bottom of the basement stairs. A doctor was called and he called the police.

HILL NAMED LA GRANDE PRESIDENT

(Continued from Page 1.) without the formality of a vote, his appointment being made by acclamation. The appointment of a municipal judge was then taken up and Mr. Hill stated that no application had been received by him and that he would like to hear the wishes of the commission. The recorder informed the body that the present office holder, Judge J. D. Slaughter, would continue in office until a successor was named. He was reappointed, so the commission decided that it would defer the appointment until a later date. With these matters dispensed with the commission adjourned by motion. To Announce Appointments Naming of persons appointed by him to hold city offices will be made during the next two or three days. City Manager Crews told an Evening Observer reporter, the chief of police, fire chief, city recorder, city water and streets superintendent and city attorney appointments are in his jurisdiction. It is believed that in most cases the same officials in office now will be retained but this is more or less conjecture and cannot be verified until Mr. Crews makes public his appointments. The commission will meet in regular session next Wednesday night.

When you see the beautiful patterns of our new Lunch Cloths and Pillow Slips, you will want to work them for yourselves. Art & Baby Shop "Everything for the Baby" SEWING STAMPING Hotel Sommer, Bldg. Butterick Patterns — D. M. C. Thread

Arcade SUNDAY ONLY 5 Acts Vaudeville 5 Featured by Arcade 7-Piece Orchestra K. Gekeler, Leader Overture Special Cornet Solo, "Arbuckleanian Polka" Played by Andrew Loney, Jr.

ARCADÉ 4 BIG DAYS STARTING MONDAY IF YOU'RE MARRIED—you will want to see this gorgeous classic of comedy! IF YOU'RE SINGLE—You surely MUST see it! Don't say we didn't warn you! Come early and avoid the crush, or better still, attend a matinee performance. HAROLD LLOYD in Hot Water A Pathé Picture The Beautiful Scenic Rambles of a Raindrop and the Grandland Rice Sport Light Solitude and Fame. Eugene Toll at the Organ, Featuring "Bagdad," by Milton Ager.

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