

Local News In Brief

COMING EVENTS.
December 28—Election to vote upon school budget.

Ill at Home—Miss Evelyn Smith is ill at her home here.

Returns to Home—S. L. Brooks returned to his home at Imbler this morning, after several days in La Grande visiting.

Buy Fruit for Exporting—Sam Birch, fruit buyer and exporter from Portland, is here today buying apples for shipment.

Leave This Evening—Miss Miss Ash will leave here this evening en route to Portland, where she will spend two days visiting and shopping.

Here from Perry—Mrs. Watson, who has charge of the Grande Round Lumber company's store at Perry, was shopping in La Grande yesterday.

At Island City today—Mrs. P. J. Langer and Mrs. L. E. Proby and little daughter, Ida Mary, went to Island City this morning, where they are visiting relatives today.

Road Contractor in Town—John Logan, of Pilot Rock, who had charge of some road work in Union county last summer, is in town on business today.

Presides at State Meeting—Kenneth McCormick is in Portland today, presiding over the annual meeting of the Oregon County Clerks association.

Bostonian En Route to Pacific—R. R. Wells, who lives at Boston, Mass., stopped in La Grande today for a short visit on his way to the Pacific coast. He is registered at the Hotel Foley.

Mr. Huffman Ill—Eldridge Huffman, junior high teacher at the Greenwood school, is absent today because of illness. Mrs. John C. Camp is acting as his substitute.

Judge Knows at Enterprise—Judge J. W. Knowles will hold his usual monthly Wallowa county motion day, which takes place the third Friday of each month, tomorrow at Enterprise.

Elks Initiation Tonight—La Grande Lodge No. 425 B. P. O. Elks will hold initiation ceremonies tonight at the regular meeting. After the lodge meeting there will be a program and a banquet.

Modern Woodmen Meet Tonight—There will be a meeting of the Modern Woodmen of America this evening at eight o'clock. After a short business session the meeting will be spent socially.

Here from Union—Mrs. Ernest Kohler was a business visitor to La Grande this morning from Union. She returned to her home on train No. 24.

Motion Day in Wallowa County—Judge J. W. Knowles will hold his usual monthly Wallowa county motion day, which takes place the third Friday of each month, tomorrow at Enterprise.

Visited in Portland—Mrs. J. A. Hoff, who has been visiting her two daughters who live in Portland for the past three weeks, passed through La Grande this morning on her way home to Elgin.

Left last night for Sweet Grass—Joe Brown left last night en route to Sweet Grass, Montana, where he will visit his sister. En route he will stop at Spokane for a few days, to visit friends there. It is reported here that Mr. Brown will be married while away. He will return to La Grande the first of the new year.

Here from Enterprise—Mrs. Walter Klinghammer and her little daughter, Marjorie, whose home is at Enterprise, where Mr. Klinghammer is manager of Skaggs store, are visiting in La Grande for a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Day.

Christmas Tree Stolen—Several Christmas trees have disappeared from porches, where they have been left overnight, in the last few days. One was taken from the porch at the A. T. Hill home sometime Tuesday night or Wednesday morning and the same night one disappeared from the Curry home.

Home from Union—Mrs. M. E. Taylor returned to her home here yesterday after visiting at Union since Saturday with her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Stevens. Mrs. Stevens accompanied her to La Grande and spent the day shopping and visiting.

Home from College—Max Jensen was in La Grande this morning on his way home to Union from Corvallis, Oregon, where he is a student at the Oregon Agricultural college. Mr. Jensen was on his way home to spend the Christmas holidays.

Testing Cattle at Parim—Dr. W. E. Thistlewhite left the first of the week for Parim, Idaho, where he is testing cattle for tuberculosis. Parim is on the Idaho-Oregon state line and Dr. Thistlewhite is testing Idaho cattle that are to be shipped to Oregon. He will return to La Grande about Sunday.

Attorney Return Home—Walter S. Gleason, of Portland, and Robert D. Lytle, of Vale, returned to their homes today. Lytle, who is grand chancellor for the Knights of Pythias in Oregon, was the speaker when Wallowa dedicated its new temple last evening. Several La Grande Pythians were in attendance.

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Prunes in Window Display—Prunes attractively packed by John Dean, of Cove, are displayed as Christmas suggestions in the window of the chamber of commerce office today. Special rates have been granted for shipment by express to points east. The prunes can be purchased at a number of the local grocery stores, and come in boxes of several sizes.

Left for Wallowa—After visiting for two weeks with Mrs. T. V. Bratton Mrs. J. E. Koon left this morning for Wallowa, and from there will go to Maxville, where she makes her home. Mr. and Mrs. Bratton formerly lived in a Grand, but moved to Perry a short time ago.

To Visit Parents—Mrs. E. T. Riley was in La Grande this morning on her way to Florida, Oregon, where she will visit for three months with her parents, who live there. Mrs. Riley is from Gulkale, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Home From Hospital—Mrs. Wayne Wagner left La Grande this morning on her way home to Wallowa after several weeks here. Mrs. Wagner underwent a mastoid operation at the Grande Round hospital the last of November. After leaving the hospital she spent several days at the home of her cousin, Mrs. Vernon Almsworth, recuperating before returning to her home.

Trial Continued—Another continuance of the trial of four Chinese and one Japanese, arrested in a raid Saturday evening at 2004 Fourth street and charged with frequenting a place where opium is smoked, took place yesterday afternoon at two o'clock. The remainder of the defense testimony will be heard either this afternoon or Friday before Judge J. D. Slater.

9 BACHELORS DINE AT COVE

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The recipient would marry a singer. Chit Van Fleet's single blessedness was pronounced secure when he found a bachelor's button in his pocket. The secret inside for Major R. E. Bacon—absent because of military duties—was found to contain a wedding ring, a sign that he will be the first to take to himself a wife. After dinner the host led the way to the living room, where he displayed a fascinating collection of souvenirs, curios and medals as an exhibit.
Leo J. French played piano accompaniment while the Coelms mingled their voices in songs of appropriate sentiment. A round of stories and another song or two concluded the party when the hour had grown late.
Mr. Stuckland's Cove guests were Grover Duffey and Louisa Jantz, other guests, who were from La Grande, included Fred E. Kiddle, Harry Bronholt, Harvey E. Matthews, Mr. Van Fleet, Mr. French and Mr. Marlas.



Gift Suggestion

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Markets

PORTLAND MARKET
PORTLAND, Ore., (AP)—Livestock—Steady.
Eggs—One cent lower, firsts 29c; extras 28 1/2c; 2nds, 28c. Butter, butterfat—Steady.
SAN FRANCISCO (AP) Butterfat—57c per today.
PORTLAND GRAIN MARKET
PORTLAND, Ore., (AP)—Wheat—BBB, hard white, E. S. Hart, soft white, western white, December and January, \$1.52; western red, December and January, \$1.51.
Oats—No. 2 white feed and No. 2 gray, December and January, \$2.50.
Corn—No. 3 E. Y. shipment, December and January, \$2.40.
MARKETS AT A GLANCE:
NEW YORK (AP)—Stocks—Irregular; more than 20 rails shares at new highs.
Bonds—Firm; railroad issues lead advance.
Foreign exchange—Steady; French francs recover.
Cotton—Lower; spot business selling.
Sugar—Barely steady; commission house selling.
Coffee—Easier; lower Brazilian market.
CHICAGO (AP)—Wheat—Firm; despite bearish official Argentina estimates.
Corn—Barely steady; good weather.
Cattle—Steady.
Hogs—Higher; good demand for medium weights.

Anti-Aircraft Practice Successful, Bloch Says

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The purpose of testing such targets, their towing gear and their handling. They were in no sense gunnery exercises, nor were they intended to be such. Although the Texas did fire a number of rounds with her anti-aircraft guns at these new and larger targets with very good results, this was incidental to the test of the targets and the gun. From a tactical point of view the tests were satisfactory, and it appears that the expectations of the service for larger and better targets will be realized.
Admiral Bloch declared that "contrary to the reflected opinion of certain portions of the press, the bureau is of the firm opinion that our navy is not in a high-ly efficient condition and that much progress has been made during the past fiscal year in gunnery."
"This is not to say," he added, "that greater efficiency can not be obtained by the construction of certain types of new ships permitted under the treaty for the limitation of armaments, and by the substitution of new and improved material for the old material which is now on board many of the older ships."
The report took the position that fleet aircraft "should be in and of the navy and not of a purely service."
"In the development and study of offensive and defensive apparatus," it said, "not only for surface and subsurface craft but also for aircraft, those arms have been found to be interrelated that the best results are only obtainable by close coordination and cooperation between the various types of naval craft."
"It has been clearly determined that for the purpose of increasing the effective range and increasing the accuracy of fire of anti-aircraft guns that the aircraft is essential to operations ships. Thus the airplane has become a part of the long range fire control system, and is as much so as the director, scope or the range finder in the hands of the personnel. As such, without considering their other uses, airplanes must be on ships of the fleet. This alone justifies and requires that the personnel and material assigned to such fleet aircraft should be in and of the navy and not of a purely service."
"The development of weapons for the plane, such as bombs, flares, bomb sights, gun, torpedo tubes, has proceeded rapidly and progress has been made in the develop-

CONVICT TRIO AWAITING END

Murray, Willow and Kelley, convicts condemned to die for the murder of guards they shot in an attempt to escape from the state prison, were all in high spirits and seemingly unaffected by their gloomy prospects when Sheriff Jesse Greenhous and Ensign Barage of the Salvation Army visited them in their steel-walled cells at Salem over the weekend.

Two of them immediately recognized Ensign Barker when he pressed his face against the screen, and called him by name. He had visited them a number of times before since they were first committed to prison. They are in solitary confinement in cells both barred and screened with steel.
With permission of G. W. Little, warden, whom Barker has had a long-time acquaintance, the La Grande men inspected every department of the penitentiary, not omitting the execution chamber. They revisited the Union county prisoners whom they had seen dragged in on their delivery the day before and stayed with them for three hours.
Stopping in Portland on their way home they called on Adjutant Koohey, of the Oregon division of the Salvation Army, who arranged a trip to the White

weapons and in particular have also been improved, and I am optimistic enough to hope and expect that notable advances will be made within the next few years.
"At the close of the world war the navy was just being equipped with its first anti-aircraft weapons. These being the first ever produced in this country and having been developed in the stress of war, naturally were susceptible to many improvements. However, this material was on hand. It was expensive and was capable of enduring many years, so, therefore, no changes of unproven value were recommended. Research, study, experimentation, and development were proceeded with, and until it was certain that material advances could be made no request for funds were made."

"The director of the budget and the two congresses have passed the bureau, and soon it will be possible to install for trial almost a limited amount of new, improved, and efficient apparatus. While the present anti-aircraft guns are by no means useless, they are not negligible. The records of the navy department indicate that during the past year 16 battleships and two light cruisers held 42 practices against aircraft, towed by airplanes. In 26 of these practices hits were made on the targets. While those practices were held under favorable conditions, nevertheless they represent at the best reproduction of actual conditions that could be obtained. It can be hoped that even the very creditable performance will be much improved by recent developments.
"With the development of automatic triangulation recording devices it will be possible to locate the point of burst of anti-aircraft projectiles, thus enabling careful analysis to be made which will assist in gunnery training and technical."

Shield home. Twenty bales, including one Eskimo and one Filipino, are being cared for there now. As soon as the mothers are able to work, the home finds places for them. On their afternoons off, the girls are privileged to return to the home where a room is equipped for their use with sewing machines, tables, chairs and lounges.
The sheriff and the ensign arrived home Tuesday night.

MITCHELL CASE NEAR END TODAY

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I have therefore directed my counsel to close our part of the proceedings without an argument," he said.
The prosecution then offered to forego the closing arguments, but the court ordered Assistant Judge Advocate Gullion to present the prosecution's plea.
Gullion, for the sake of army discipline and for national interest, asked that Mitchell be stripped of his arm commission. Mitchell, in his statement to the court, declared his trial was the "culmination of efforts of the army general staff and navy general board to depreciate the value of air power."
Referring to former Secretary of War Weeks' letter to President Coolidge, presented to the court yesterday, Mitchell asserted that "Weeks and indirectly the president were wrongly and untruthfully informed as to the condition of our aviation and national defense by persons furnishing data on which his letter was based."

Obituary

FUNERAL AT JOSEPH.
The funeral of J. M. Mitchell, 77, pioneer, who died at Hot Lake yesterday morning, will be held at Joseph tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock from the Methodist church there. The body was forwarded to Joseph from here this morning by the W. H. Holtenkamp company, and was accompanied by Mrs. J. E. Caviness, daughter of the deceased. Mrs. Caviness joined Mrs. Caviness here this morning from their home

Wallowa Farmers Hold Wheat for High Prices

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ures, and say they will hold for awhile yet. The condition has been the means of bringing much more money to the producer for his products and taken as a whole over the country will amount to many thousands of dollars.
The price of other grains such as barley and oats has not been as good as that of wheat. Much oats and barley have been sold by farmers at prices ranging from \$22 to slightly above \$25 a ton. Warehouse men have been asking \$20 a ton for oats, but sales have been slow at this figure. The sale of hay has also been rather slow, due in a large part no doubt to the mild conditions of weather, no feeding to speak of has been done anywhere yet, and those who are expecting to need feed later in the winter are waiting to see how low hay prices are going before making purchases.
Prices being asked for alfalfa and other common grades of hay is said to be around \$8 to \$10 a ton. The sale of timothy hay has been considerably better than the other grades, some bidding has been done by a number of farmers in the valley section. Much of this class of hay finds a ready sale at the logging camps in the woods where many logging teams are fed during the winter months.

Mr. Mitchell leaves his widow, also a pioneer to this section, who is quite ill at their home in Joseph, four sons, Herman, Henry and Guy E. of Joseph and Walden of Nampa, Idaho, and one daughter, Mrs. L. E. Caviness of Portland, besides a host of friends in both Union and Wallowa counties.

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