

# Local News In Brief

**COMING EVENTS**  
 July 13, 14, 15 and 16—Free Home-makers' institute under auspices of the Observer.  
 July 15—Union county's 36th annual pioneer reunion.  
 July 22, 23, 24—Convention of Northwest Real Estate association in La Grande.  
 Sept. 22, 23, 24, and 25—Union county fair at Elgin, Ore.

**Here from Union**—  
 Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Picklin of Union, were visitors in La Grande yesterday.

**To Celebrate Birthday**—  
 Mrs. Mary Hummelhart will celebrate her 77th birthday anniversary, Friday, June 25.

**To Baker this Morning**—  
 Mrs. D. B. Lefebvre and children, Eugene and Rosalie, went to Baker on this morning's train, where they are visiting today.

**Home from Hermiston**—  
 Little Miss Twila and Jack Hous returned to their home here this morning after visiting at Hermiston for the past three weeks.

**Visiting in City**—  
 Victor Forde and family accompanied by Mrs. Dudley Blacker are visiting at the home of E. Barnes here for a few days. They arrived in the city yesterday.

**To Visit Sister**—  
 Mrs. E. L. Winton arrived in the city this morning from Los Angeles, California and will visit here for some time with her sister, Mrs. Earl Hourst.

**Attended Wrestling Match**—  
 Judy Ash returned to his home here this morning after a trip to Portland, where he attended the Ben-Three wrestling match last night.

**To Visit at Enterprise**—  
 Mrs. Ellen Carlson and daughter, Mae, passed through La Grande this morning on their way to Enterprise, where they will visit relatives for about three weeks.

**To Imbler this Morning**—  
 Fay Lannan, accompanied by Mrs. W. L. Lannan and family, went to Imbler on this morning's train. Imbler is Miss Lannan's home and she will visit there over the week end.

**Expected Back Tomorrow**—  
 Chief of Police Clint Haynes and Deputy Sheriff Albert Hays are expected to return to La Grande tomorrow. They are attending a convention of north-west police chiefs and sheriffs.

**Here from St. Paul**—  
 Miss Gertrude Hayes arrived in the city this morning from St. Paul, Minn., where she is a teacher in the schools there. She will visit here for about two weeks with Miss Doty. This is Miss Hayes' first trip to Oregon.

**Elgin Girl Recovering**—  
 Miss Louise Denham, who has been ill of typhoid fever for several weeks at the University of Oregon, where she is a student, was able to be taken to her home at Elgin Wednesday. Her father, L. Denham, accompanied her. From La Grande she finished the journey in an ambulance.

**To Lake for Week End**—  
 Mrs. Frank Knudt, and Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Congdon and daughter, Ma G., who are visiting in La Grande, went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Earhart, 501 Grand avenue from Des Moines, Iowa, where they will spend the week end. Mr. Earhart will join them there tomorrow. They have

been visiting here for about four weeks and expect to be here until the middle of next month. From here they will go to Portland.

**To Visit at Lake**—  
 Mrs. V. R. King and little daughter, Gertrude, went to Walla Walla this morning, where they will visit for some time.

**Home this Morning**—  
 Mrs. H. G. Smith and little son, Billy, returned home this morning from Portland, where they have been for the past few weeks. Little Billy having an operation performed on him while there.

**To Visit Brother**—  
 Mrs. Mary S. Goodman, went to Enterprise on the branch line train this morning. She will visit her brother, J. H. Warner, who is visiting there from Fairfield, Iowa. She has not seen her brother for forty years.

**To Make Home Here**—  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Taylor have arrived in the city from Spokane, Wash., and will make this city their home for several months. Mr. Taylor will sell Eureka vacuum cleaners, working with Jess Rosenbaum, electrician here.

**Stopped Here to Visit**—  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hicks stopped in La Grande for a short visit the first of the week on their way to Yellowstone national park on a vacation trip. Mr. Hicks is sales manager for the Guarantee Fund Life Insurance company, and he called on the local representatives while here.

**Return from Trip**—  
 Mrs. Hazel Robbins and three children will return to La Grande tonight or tomorrow from Kansas and Nebraska, where they have been visiting relatives. They will be accompanied to La Grande by Mrs. Robbins' father-in-law, who will visit here for some time.

**Here from California**—  
 Louis Hagglund and son, the Wurlitzer organ expert from San Francisco, California arrived in La Grande this week. While here he will overhaul and tune the Wurlitzer military band organ used at the Rex Roller Skating rink.

## SINGERS MEET THIS EVENING

Songs, with which a community chorus of 250 voices will interpret the legendry of the historical pageant to be presented at the athletic grounds here the evening of July 25, will be practiced at an important rehearsal at the high school auditorium at 7 o'clock tonight. Not only singers from La Grande but those from the surrounding country are to participate. Men, women and children are needed, according to Carl Stoddard, who is musical director for the pageant. It is not necessary to have a solo voice in order to be eligible, he announces.

The chorus will be stationed at the front of the improvised stage, facing the grandstand. And during the progress of the pageant the singers will offer old and new songs, including pioneer travel favorites, to help with the unfolding of the story.

James W. Evans, of Seattle, who is general director of the historical spectacle, has composed several musical numbers, especially for occasion of this kind.

A good deal of local history is to be woven into the pageant, which depicts the building of the empire, from its beginnings in the colonial days. The first episode has to do with life in the colonies. The next leads up to the Civil War, with scenes from early times in the northwest. Events from the pioneer annals of Union and Walla Walla counties will intersperse the subsequent episodes dealing with Civil, Spanish-American and World wars.

A cast of 75 to 80 persons is being chosen for the presentation of the pageant proper, the various acts of which have been assigned to the organizations of the community.

The stage will be arranged to megaphone the announcements and interpretations made by an interlocutor, states Judge Hugh E. Brady, who is chairman of the American Legion central committee in charge. A. W. Nelson represents the chamber of commerce as chairman of the entertainment committee.

partment, of Yakima, were in the city today for the same purpose.

**Walking to Chicago**—  
 David Hogner, junior in the school of commerce at the Oregon Agricultural college, spent last night in La Grande. He is starting on a hike from Corvallis to Chicago, where he will join his father, who will be there for the Elks convention next month. He has a month in which to make the trip. He left Portland Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock and arrived here last night, and reports that he has many ribs aching from the long walk. Hogner's home is in New York. He stayed in La Grande last night with his fraternal brother, Lawton Slocum.

**Second Day of Sales Proves Successful**  
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 came from Summerville, others up the river from Starkey. Six head of sheep and a mowing machine were disposed of by owners who brought them from Cove. An automobile, several sets of harness, a stretcher, six horse collars, a truck, harness, a mowing machine and three saddles made the transaction interesting for the ranchers. Cash, amount was won by the bicycle, shotgun and pair of chaps offered. Home-makers bid in the range, the cream separator, the lavender, the buffet and the baby carriage.

La Grande people were among the buyers, one local resident paying for \$350 worth of horses and harness.

## CARAVAN ON BRANCHLINE TRIP TODAY

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Grande's chief contribution to the program that will be given jointly by residents and visitors at the meetings of the trip. Fifteen musicians have volunteered to perform at Enterprise this evening. Dinner will be served at 6:15 o'clock at the I. O. G. P. hall by the women of the Methodist Ladies' Aid society. An informal program will be given, talks by La Grande and Walla Walla county speakers to be supplemented by orchestral numbers under Louisa's direction. Morelock will act as toastmaster.

About 75 Enterprise business men are to attend the dinner meeting as guests of the caravan crowd.

Some of the La Grande people will drive directly to the Wonder-land inn after dinner. Others plan to remain for the chautauque program at which Lucille Dunbar, a one-time local teacher, will be one of the three entertainers.

Breakfast Li Wonderland. Breakfast will be served at the Wonderland hotel at 8 o'clock Friday morning. At 9:30, the caravan, accompanied by several Joseph citizens, will make a side trip to the marble deposits to view the preparations for quarrying. Ross Leslie, or some other member of the new industry, will explain the progress and plans.

With 40 Joseph men as guests, luncheon will be served at Walla Walla lake in the new building. The upper Walla Walla valley will be visited in the afternoon.

Dinner at Walla Walla. Dinner at the Kirkhous of Lythias hall at Walla Walla will conclude the series of fellowship gatherings. Dr. W. T. Phay, president of the Union county chamber of commerce, will preside at the program. Music will be furnished by Cox's Troubadours, with Reed Cox, a former La Grande high school student, directing. The Walla Walla have signified their acceptance of the invitation to the affair.

In the interests of the Eastern Oregon normal school, several short talks will be made during the trip by Albert R. Hunter, state representative from this district.

**AWARD SALEM 1927 MEETING**  
 MARSHFIELD, Ore., June 24 (AP).—Salem was chosen for the next annual encampment of the department of Oregon G. A. R. here yesterday.

Encampment adopted resolutions upholding P. N. Lathrop, department commander the past year, who was deposed recently by ruling of national G. A. R. The state G. A. R. will ask reconsideration by national body and also pay all expenses Lathrop has been in defending his last year's election.

Following officers were elected: department commander, William Clemens, Newberg; senior vice commander, S. B. Cathart, of Marshfield; junior vice commander, L. M. Guy, of Portland; chaplain, Louis Huff, of Eugene; council of administration, T. H. Stevens, of Portland; Gibson Stultz, of Salem; J. C. Cooper, of McMinnville; S. L. Bythe, of Hood River; C. P. Pike, of Newberg.

Delegates to Des Moines encampment: Charles True, of Portland; Hugh W. Ruckley, of Portland; J. E. Noll, of Astoria; Louis Huff, of Eugene; J. C. Markoe, of Portland; D. B. Hanson, of Portland; George L. H. of Grand.

## EIGHT BID ON FLORA HIGHWAY

PORTLAND, Ore., June 24 (AP).—A new survey of the Willamette highway between Lowell and Oak Ridge some 23 miles, was ordered by the state highway commission today. The work will be done as soon as possible.

County Judge Barnard of Eugene, stated that Lane county now has \$550,000 waiting to be spent on this section of the Willamette highway. He added that the county is willing also to buy the right of way needed.

The state's present estimate of the cost of the Lowell-Oak Ridge section is \$300,000 but Judge Barnard thought a new survey would reduce this more than \$100,000.

Bids may be let for the grading or paving of this section before the show files next fall.

Five dangerous railroad grade crossings will be eliminated by action taken by the commission today. One of these will be abolished by the new Gold Hill bridge four others by the new Garibaldi-Hobsonville section of the Roosevelt highway in Tillamook county.

**SEARCH FOR ABDUCTORS UNDER WAY**  
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## JACK SMITH RELEASED

ROSEBURG, Ore., June 24. (AP).—Jack Smith, held by city officers for investigation, has a long record for petty violations in Seattle, according to word received today by Chief of Police Ketch. As Smith answered in a general way descriptions of the man suspected of the Gain's murder in Seattle, his fingerprints were sent to that place where he was identified as Charles Cassidy alias Arthur Emery, alias John Brown, a "three time loser" in the state of Washington, having been sent to the penitentiary each time for petty thefts, according to a letter received from W. H. Seearing, chief of police. As the man apparently is not wanted at the present time he was released from custody.

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