

Local News In Brief

Home From Lake—Ralph Miller returned to his home at Hot Lake, where he had been receiving treatment.

In Portland This Week—A. T. Hill spent the first part of this week in Portland on business.

Here On Business—J. M. Huffman returned to his home at Elgin this morning after a business trip to La Grande.

Go to Pocatello—Miss Isabella Miller, of La Grande, will leave for Pocatello, Ida., shortly, where she has accepted a position in the school there.

Return to Portland—Miss Ruth Adler, teacher in the Portland schools, who has been spending the holiday season here, will return to her work shortly.

To Visit at Joseph—S. Laing, of Pendleton, passed through the city this morning on his way to Joseph where he will spend New Year's day.

Meet Monday—The Parent-Teacher city council will meet at 4:45 o'clock Monday afternoon in the Neighborhood club rooms.

Mrs. Smith Believes—Mrs. Harley Smith, who has been ill at her home at 2191 Second street for several days, is reported to be better today.

Visiting Here—The Misses Jean and Mary Wale, of Salt Lake City, Utah, are visiting here at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Elmo Clegg.

Here For Dance—Mrs. M. McKenzle returned to her home at Elgin this morning. She was here for the dance last night.

Returns to Union—Miss Helen Johnson and Miss Carrie Skiff, who have been visiting in La Grande for the past few days, returned to their homes at Union this afternoon. Both are attending Union high school.

Home From Portland—Mrs. Mary R. Eckley was in the city this morning on her way home to Enterprise. She has been in Portland under the care of a physician for the past four months.

On Way Home—The Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Slaton and daughter, Miss Truett Slaton, were here this morning on their way home to Wallawa. They spent Christmas visiting at Dayton, Wash.

Home From Portland—Hugh McLean and Karl Burris arrived here yesterday from Portland, where they are now making their home. They are visiting relatives and transacting business while here.

Home From Twin Falls—Mrs. J. A. Van Elsberg, of Twin Falls, Ida., is visiting relatives and friends in La Grande. She arrived here Monday night and plans to return to her Idaho home Saturday. Mrs. Elsberg, nee La Grande, her home at one time and has many friends here.

Leave Tonight—Ernest Fann will leave this evening for Des Moines, Iowa, after spending the Christmas holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Fann. He is a student at Still's College at Olathe, Kan.

Returned Home—Miss Louise Blon and Gaston Blon returned to their home on Cherry Ridge this morning after spending several days in La Grande shopping and visiting.

Left This Morning—Miss Monica Hohl left this morning for her home at Allet after visiting here for a few days with her cousin, Miss Lola Gaskill.

To Visit Mother—Mrs. Walter Ingan passed through La Grande this morning on her way to Joseph, where she will visit her mother, Mrs. W. H. Gibson for about two weeks. Mrs. Ingan's home is at Dayton, Wash.

Here Last Night—Arthur M. Schupp, a former Joseph attorney, but now located at Klamath Falls, spent several days visiting in Wallawa county this week. He spent last night in La Grande a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Eberhard, and left this morning on route home.

Home From Portland—Judge and Mrs. J. W. Knowles returned to their home here yesterday from Portland, where they have been visiting during the Christmas holidays with their son and daughter. Judge Knowles is holding motion day at the court house today. This is the first motion day for about two weeks.

Leave Tomorrow Night—Earl Barnwell will leave here tomorrow night for Corvallis, Ore., where he is a student at the Oregon Agricultural college. He is a freshman in mining engineering at the college. He has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Barnwell, here during the Christmas holidays.

Here From Pendleton—A picturesque figure in bird and game circles of Oregon was in La Grande yesterday when C. K. Crigdon came over from Pendleton unofficially to inspect the La Grande sewage disposal tank. Crigdon is in business in Pendle-

UNALASKA ISLE VOLCANO ACTIVE

Dutch Harbor Anxiously Awaiting Word of Possible Loss of Life

DUTCH HARBOR, Alaska, Dec. 31 (AP)—Word of possible loss of life in Makushin, an isolated village southwest of here, from an eruption of a volcano of the same name, was awaited in Dutch Harbor today.

The mountain, which stands 5,621 feet above the little town, began emitting great volumes of fire and smoke yesterday at about the time an earthquake shook the Pacific Northwest of the United States. A slight tremor was felt here.

By either dog team or vessel it is a days journey from Makushin to Dutch Harbor, where the United States navy maintains a radio station. The population of Makushin is estimated here at 75, mostly Aleut Indians.

Dutch Harbor and Makushin are on Unalaska island, the largest of the Aleutian group, which has been the scene of frequent volcanic activity.

The United States coast guard cutter Albatross, cruising the Aleutians in the fall of 1925, reported that Makushin was more active than it had ever been in 23 years, and that a halo of dense smoke encircled it.

Mesh Pumps



Metal mesh appliances are very effective on colored velvet evening slippers.

Wealthy Retired Mining Man Dies After Being Shot

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 31 (AP)—J. L. Bayne, a wealthy retired mining man, was found lying near the skyline boulevard by an automobile party last night. Found near the highway, he died later in an emergency hospital here.

It was at first thought that Bayne had died from natural causes, but an examination of the body showed a gunshot wound in the abdomen. While the police presume that Bayne killed himself, there are no powder marks on the body and a casual search revealed no trace of a gun.

Bayne had resided at an Oakland hotel.

Little is known of Bayne here. He moved into the hotel six months ago and lived by himself. In his effects were found a number of addresses, among them being "May E. Banton, 545 North First street, Corvallis," and "Wardener Lodge, Kellogg, Idaho." A Shriners' cap bearing the name "El Kallie," Spokane, was found also.

HUNDREDS TO ATTEND NEW YEAR FROLIC

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Epworth league of the South Methodist Episcopal church will have a New Year's party, which will close with devotional services at midnight.

The Salvation Army will hold a watch night service in the hall, beginning at two o'clock and featuring a program given by the young people. This will be followed by a regular service led by Envoys and Mrs. J. C. Barker. The public is invited.

Family Gatherings Tomorrow, in Addition to the Various Family Gatherings for New Year's dinner, the third annual "Old Home" will be held at the Hot Lake Sanatorium in the afternoon from two until six o'clock. There will be dancing and a program.

The public library will be closed all day tomorrow, as will the stores of the city. The grocery stores will be open until 5:30 this evening for the convenience of the late shoppers.

The Observer will issue an early paper.

Gunshot Wound Kills Young Man

LONGVIEW, Wash., Dec. 31 (AP)—The body of Walter Allen, aged 29, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Allen of Woodland, Wash., was found by a searching party yesterday with a bullet in the chest. Allen went hunting Wednesday afternoon. The position of the body when found indicated that Allen's gun was discharged accidentally when he crawled through a fence.



P. E. P. Program for New Year Arranged

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 31 (AP)—The 1927 construction program as approved by executives of the Portland Electric Power company will embrace items aggregating between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000 for the light and power department exclusively, according to announcement of officials today.

Most of the items represent improvements in the alternating current overhead and underground in the Portland district and outside districts, direct current underground, electric laboratory equipment, office building equipment, Portland station and sub-station buildings, equipment for the various stations and sub-stations, water systems at Vancouver and Hillsboro and miscellaneous items.

12 AUTO FATALITIES
MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 31 (AP)—There were twelve automobile fatalities in Jackson county during 1926, including eight in one party from Pennsylvania that went over a cliff near Prospect. This is a total of seven more than in 1925.

General Chang has ordered 4,500 bibles and 6,000 new testaments through the agency of the American Bible Society in China for the officers and men of his army.

Hungarian King Position May Fall to Carol

BELGRADE, Yugo Slavia, Dec. 31 (AP)—Some of the local newspapers suggest that former Crown Prince Carol of Rumania may become king of Hungary.

Among other candidates mentioned are Archduke Albert, with alleged Italian backing; Archduke Joseph, former Emperor Zita's son; Prince Otto, and the present Hungarian regent, Admiral Horthy.

Aspiration for a return of the monarchy is reported increasing due to speeches by Premier Bethlen in the Hungarian parliament recently in which he is said to have foreseen the proclamation of a king in the near future.

EUGENE GIRL DISCOVERED IN KLAMATH FALLS

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 31 (AP)—After a state-wide search, for more than a month Anna Howers, 16, of Eugene, has been found in Klamath Falls, according to a telegram received here by W. G. Judson, chief of police. Investigation of the circumstances of her finding are said to be under way at Klamath Falls.

W. L. Howers, father of the girl, left for Klamath Falls this morning. He expects to bring the girl back tomorrow.

Snow 20 Inches in North Woods

ENTERPRISE, Ore., Dec. 31—Snow in the north woods is now about 20 inches deep, and more full almost every day, coming down gently a little at a time. The highway crew was over the road to Camp 19 on Tuesday with a snow plow on a heavy truck and left the road in fine condition for auto travel. But beyond the camp the snow was too deep to be removed in one day with the equipment in use.

North end farmers have erected a small chute and loading platform just beyond Camp 19 for loading hogs on trucks. They can haul hogs from home to camp in sleds, and transfer them to trucks, and get the stock to the railroad yards in one day, saving time and reducing the shrink.

Risberg Accepts Landis Invitation

CHICAGO, Dec. 31 (AP)—Charles "Swede" Risberg, former shortstop with the Chicago White Sox, banished with six of his mates from organized baseball following the crooked world series of 1919, today accepted Commissioner Landis' challenge to tell his secrets of crookedness in the sport.

Risberg, writing from Rochester, Minn., advised Landis that he would come to Chicago as quickly as he could arrange to leave the farm. Risberg spends the winters on a farm near Rochester.

Highway Body Is Accused by Trucks

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31 (AP)—The Oregon state highway commission was charged in a brief filed in the supreme court today by Morris and Lowther and other motor companies with having issued orders reducing the maximum load on some of the state highways during the winter months. "To destroy the operation of trucks in competition with the railroad and steamship lines."

The motor companies asserted that the portions of the highways affected by the orders "are parallel to railroad or steamship lines or both."

The brief was filed in support of a motion by the truck companies asking the court to reopen a case attacking as invalid the maximum load orders of the commission.

Cumberland River Higher Than in '82

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 31 (AP)—The Cumberland river, having reached a 55.5 foot stage, five-tenths of a foot higher than the previous record of 1882, was creeping upward this morning at an snail's pace. A flood crest of 56 feet is expected late today.

In the meanwhile relief work progressed among the 6,000 refugees of the city and a check of the water bound areas indicated that property damage of at least \$2,000,000 had resulted from the high water.

CELEBRATION ON BROADWAY WILL BE WET

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Administrator Robert E. Firth announced his intention to have officers in cafes and road houses, but the police were instructed to "help people not to violate the liquor law."

Washington and Oregon heard prohibition officials announce there is no good liquor available there and Roy C. Lyle, federal administrator at Seattle, promised to set a keen watch for law violators. Meteorologically, however, the two states will be wet, says the weather man.

STREET IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 31 (AP)—Portland police will be on duty throughout the night to see that revelers celebrating the New Year's advent do not become rowdy, and officers will keep an eye on cafes and hotels to see that liquor laws are observed. This was a warning note issued today. Sale of confined liquor in houses will not be permitted.

University Team To Lose Stauson

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 31 (AP)—Coach John J. McKean, of the University of Oregon football team, is faced with the problem of searing up another and for next year's varsity eleven, as the result of ineffectuality of Edgar Stauson, right end on this year's team. Stauson failed to keep up on his scholastic standing and will be ineligible for a year.

Under the ruling of the university, any one who makes five hours or less term hours during a single term is automatically suspended from the university for a year. Reinstatement application may be filed at the end of that time. Stauson made but five hours during the past term.

Husband Insane After Wife Dies

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, Dec. 31 (AP)—J. E. Berard, whose wife was found strangled to death in her home a week ago, was placed in a straight jacket and taken to a hospital. Berard was talking to officers in the home about his wife's murder when he suddenly became insane.

May Create U. S. Ball Commission

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31 (AP)—Creation of a federal baseball commission may be proposed in congress as a result of the recent charges of a thrown game between Cleveland and Detroit of the American league.

Representative Clyde Kelly, republican, Pennsylvania, who has interested himself in the cases of "Ts" Cobb and Tris Speaker, who were mentioned by Hubert "Dutch" Leonard, former Detroit pitcher, as having been involved in the throwing of the game, said today he was considering such a move.

Steiner Quits Law Firm in Pendleton

PENDLETON, Dec. 31 (AP)—Frederick Steiner, republican senator from Oregon whose home is in Pendleton, has retired from the law firm of Raley, Raley and Steiner of which he has long been a member. Harold Warner, in the service of the law firm for several years, has now become a member. Warner is a graduate of the University of Oregon class of 1912, and law course of 1916. Mr. Steiner is planning for his journey to Washington in the early spring.

Cove Seal Sales Amount to \$15.75

COVE, Ore., Dec. 31 (Special)—The money made from Christmas seals sold here during the month before Christmas was less this year than in previous years. The total amount was \$15.75.

STANFORD MEETS ALABAMA JAN. 1

Red Shirts Hope to Win from Southern Team in Pasadena Tomorrow

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 31 (AP)—Football warriors of Stanford and Alabama appeared today in perfect form and ready for their Rose Bowl conflict here tomorrow, which will carry weight in determining claims to that mythical title—the national gridiron championship.

Already finely drawn, the aggregations today were slated to go through only light practices, rounding out their intensive training for the New Year day battle for East-West glory.

For Coach Wallace Wade's undefeated Alabama varsity, southern conference champions, tomorrow's tussle will mark the second time the Dixie institution has participated in the annual Rose Bowl clash. On Jan. 1 last, an Alabama eleven came from behind when faced with what appeared certain defeat, to crush Washington beneath a 20 to 19 score.

Stanford, with its characteristic Glenn (Pop) Warner eleven, champions of the Pacific coast, and equipped with the best speed and power offense the Cardinals ever have had, hope to succeed in the intersectional game.

MAIL SCHEDULE CHANGED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31 (AP)—The office of the Pacific air transport here announced today that its southbound airmail plane which now leaves Portland at 5:15 a. m. or thereabouts, will leave at 10 a. m. or thereabouts hereafter. While this will delay deliveries in San Francisco, it will carry the air mail from two more trains than are now accommodated. These trains are from Western Idaho and Eastern Washington.

Stamped Baby Dresses

New dresses on mercerized batiste, in simple, dainty patterns. \$5.00 to \$12.95. Gertrudes to match.

ART & BABY SHOP

STAR TODAY

And Saturday

WILLIAM FOX presents The COUNTRY BEYOND

by JAMES OLIVER CURWOOD

With Olive Borden - Ralph Graves - Gertrude Astor - J. Farrell MacDonald - Fred Kohler

Comedy --- "Golf Widows"

SUNDAY BEBE DANIELS in "STRANDED IN PARIS"

ARCADE

TODAY - SATURDAY

THEN THE FUN BEGAN!

Chester Binney told a white lie about a red past. And it almost resulted in a black eye! LAUGH!! It's the greatest rib-tickler to hit this town in years and years!

That's The Whole Town's Talking

EDWARD EVERETT HORTON

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Note—Doors open for Legion Midnight Frolic at 11:30

Starting Monday MARY PICKFORD in "SPARROWS"

THIS IS THE LAST DAY OF OUR 17TH ANNIVERSARY SALE

If you have not to date fully supplied yourself with the greatest bargains ever known in sales history for men, women and children, you can still do so.

LADIES' SILK HOSE in all of the new colors at 49c

LADIES' ALL-WOOL IMPORTED HOSE, in all new colors at 89c

LADIES' SILK SCARFS in the most attractive patterns of the season at \$1.50 Regular \$3.50 values.

NEW YORK STORE

—NEA Los Angeles Times— IS THIS JACKIE COOGAN'S SUCCESSOR as the child actor of the screen? Maybe. It's "Big Boy," the 3-year-old who has appeared in several recent juvenile comedies.