

Local News In Brief

Here Saturday—
A. H. Parsons, of Elgin, was in La Grande Saturday on business.

Here From Cove—
Mrs. H. S. French was in the city from her home at Cove today.

Home From Pendleton—
Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Halley returned to their home here last night from Pendleton, where they attended the funeral of his father.

Home From Union—
George A. Schard, editor of the Union Republican, was in La Grande on business Saturday.

At Alice—
John Clark, of this city, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Thomas Clark, at Alice today.

Home From Enterprise—
Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles has returned from Enterprise, where he was held motion day Friday and Saturday.

Marriage License Issued—
A marriage license was issued Saturday to Edmund L. Colpitts and Eva Goslin, both of La Grande.

Here From Elgin—
Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fisher returned to their home at Elgin this morning after spending last night in La Grande with his mother, Mrs. Sarah Fisher.

Miss Klein Better—
Miss Rose Klein, who was removed from the Cross home back to the Grande Ronde hospital last week, is reported to be feeling better today. Miss Klein has been ill for several weeks.

Home From Oregon City—
Mrs. Alfred D. Cook has returned to her home here from Oregon City, where she went to visit her parents, who celebrated their wedding anniversary while she was there.

On Way to Wallawa—
Mrs. Jack Bethel and children, Jack and Virginia, arrived here this morning from Baker on their way to Wallawa, where they will visit her mother, Mrs. Julia Snuffer. They plan to be in Wallawa county about two weeks.

Called by Father's Illness—
Neal E. Brown, of Albert, E. G. McRobert, of Roseburg, and Mrs. Nina Ott arrived here yesterday called by the serious illness of their father, James Brown, at the Brown home at 2302 North Ash street.

Home From Portland—
Mrs. G. Scott, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Taylor, in Portland for the past three weeks, passed through La Grande this morning on her way to Elgin.

Will Visit At Wallawa—
Mrs. Jack Bethel and her two children, were in La Grande this morning on their way to Wallawa where they will visit for some time with her mother, Mrs. H. Snuffer. Mrs. Bethel's home is in Baker.

Left For Medford—
Mrs. Mary E. Price left Saturday night on train No. 23 for Medford, Ore., where she will visit with Mr. and Mrs. Parley Allen for an indefinite length of time. Allen is Mrs. Price's brother. He formerly lived in La Grande and is well known here.

Have Baby Son—
Mr. and Mrs. Levi H. Russell are the proud parents of a baby son born to them Saturday night at 9:30 o'clock at the Grande Ronde hospital. The baby weighed nine pounds and 10 ounces. Mrs. Russell was Miss Myrtle Black previous to her marriage. The baby has not yet been named.

Passed Through Here—
Miss Wilmetta Carter stopped in La Grande a short time this morning on her way to Baker, where she will visit Mrs. A. F. Wertz and friends for about two weeks. Miss Carter has been living in Pendleton. From Baker she plans to go to Southern Oregon or California.

Here This Morning—
Mrs. Adelaide Packard, district deputy for the Woman's Benefit association, was here this morning on her way to Baker, where she will attend the installation meeting of the Baker W. B. A. She will be in La Grande Tuesday of next week for a meeting of the local review.

LOCAL EYES FOCUSED ON LEGISLATURE

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regardless of lack of funds in the state treasury and a deficit to face, will be larger, possibly \$175,000. Union county's delegation, Senators A. R. Hunter and Fred E. Kiddle and Representative H. H. Weatherspoon are expected to do all they can to get a satisfactory sum.

Then there is some talk of a movement to bring before the legislature a proposal to reconsider the location of the school, backed, it is said, by certain Pendleton interests and others who agreed with the East-Oregonian's walls of "train-robbing" and the like. The general feeling in Pendleton, however, does not coincide with the Pendleton newspaper's opinion. It is said here, and over the state the opinion is that such a movement would get nowhere—might not even be dignified by consideration, some believe.

The law provided that the normal school be located within 60 days after the election and, these 60 days are past history. On the face of it, it is doubtful if the school location could legally be changed, even were supporters flocking to the movement, which they are not.

The Armory Bill
The second big question that concerns La Grande primarily and nearby towns and cities secondarily, is the campaign for an \$80,000 national guard armory here. La Grande has \$40,000 ready to match an equal appropriation by the state, which is one point in favor of this city.

Secondly, at the 33rd legislature, three armory bills were voted but, after adjournment, vetoed by Governor Pierce. Since then the company at Roseburg, one of the towns that sought an armory, has disbanded, putting Roseburg definitely out of the running. At that time, La Grande's request for an armory was placed as most meritorious by O. N. G. headquarters and others, which should carry weight inasmuch as there is no armory east of the Cascades, although five national guard companies are thriving. The fact that La Grande is headquarters of the second battalion, 138th Infantry, increases still more the strength of the claim. And it is a certainty that La Grande interests will leave nothing undone to procure an appropriation this winter.

Confronting these points is the lack of finances. Governor Patterson's ideas as to armories are more or less unknown and whether he would attempt to prevent an appropriation for a La Grande armory may be guessed in the same category. The governor, however, believes that a definite program for the erection of armories would be a step toward economy and efficiency. A survey by military authorities and recommendations as to the most pressing needs would be welcomed by him. With military authorities recommending that La Grande's request be given first rating in the state, it is possible he might favor one, here despite the financial conditions of the state at present.

City Anxious
At any rate, with half of the money on hand, the city is anxiously awaiting news of any action that may be taken for an armory would not only be utilized here by the national guard but also for community meetings, dances, athletic conventions and also as a temporary or permanent normal school gymnasium.

Other items of lesser interest in comparison here are: What Governor Patterson will do in reference to E. E. Bragg and John Quinlan, who have been publicly endorsed by Governor Pierce for reappointment. The state problems, as a whole, will of course, attract as much attention here as in other communities over the state.

MORE SCHOOL CHILDREN IN THIS COUNTY

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comprised all of La Grande, and is the largest district in the county, the boys lead the girls in number by 28, there being 1,292 boys and 1,264 girls. In 1925 there were 1,245 boys in this district and 1,242 girls, or a total of 2,487.

Nearly half of the school population in the county is in this district, there being a total of 27,750 against 27,800 for the remainder of the county.

District No. 5—Union—has the second largest school population in the county, with 502 persons of school age, and district No. 23—Elgin—is third with 278. The district with the smallest number of school age is No. 37, known as Clover Creek, where only five persons, three boys and two girls of school age were found. Districts Nos. 31 and 71 were next with seven each. District 51 is Thorny Grove in the Elgin vicinity and 71 is Palmer Junction.

Bears Out Census
The increase in school population more than bears out the result of the Observer's recent census of population, which showed La Grande had 10,706 persons in November, 1926, compared with 10,000 in 1925. Using the school population as a basis, Union county's total would figure at 22,220 persons of all ages.

Bears appear immune to tear gas according to tests made in Yellowstone Park, where they become too familiar with campers' supplies. A small black bear, the subject of an experimental charge of gas, did not even blink.

Bones obtained from the kitchen formed the timber for ship models made by the prisoners during the Napoleonic wars. Many of these models still exist and are valued at from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

CITY SUPPLY OF WATER IS AT NEW PEAK

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Reservoir full
This condition no longer exists, however, as the reservoir near the intake is full where in ordinary years it was only half full. In 1925, during the cold period when the mercury fell to a minimum of 15 degrees above zero, the Beaver creek pipeline supplied only 210 gallons per minute. In December, 1926, when the thermometer registered a minimum of 12 degrees below zero, the pipeline was supplying 1,000 gallons a minute.

City Manager W. C. Crews declares that, if the intake should freeze up, there is enough water in the reservoir to supply La Grande for 60 days without any assistance from the deep well.

The second deep well is now down about 1,200 feet into the ground but a satisfactory flow has not yet been encountered.

Engineers hope, however, that a flow will be tapped in the near future, which, with the output of the first well and the Beaver creek system, would insure sufficient water for a city twice La Grande's size.

The purity of the water is also the highest in history. A recent test by the state board of health showed the water to rank almost perfect, having a count of two bacteria to the cubic centimeter. Ordinary creek water at this time of a year will show a count of 1,000 to 1,500 bacteria to the cubic centimeter and ordinary pure water will count from 50 to 100. The city's system of purification rids the water of this heavy percentage of bacteria.

THE WEST'S EPOCH-MERCHANDISING EVENT

C. J. Breier's Great



Prepared on the widest scope ever attempted by us, here is a sale whose opportunities overflow the whole field of public wants and needs. All previous prices have been ruthlessly uprooted.

No postponing, no waiting for a "better sale." This is C. J. Breier's greatest sale of all time—utilize it to the utmost NOW! The savings stagger the imagination!

Without doubt this is the GREATEST retail merchandising event ever held in the West,—covering as it does, a territory from Central California to the Canadian border,—reaching as it does, countless households and individual shoppers in all walks of life.

WHY?

After an intensive study of the ever growing needs of this progressive, forward-moving chain, we have decided to inaugurate a new merchandising policy with the new year. Which explains this drastic price-cutting event now launched to "clean house" of all reasonable merchandise in preparation for the new policy to be adopted.

WHEN?

This history-making event opens on Thursday, January 13th, at 9:30 A. M. sharp. Plan now to be here. Nothing else is more important to thrifty people.

REMEMBER!

There is an utter disregard for profit in this million dollar sale. Values are unparalleled. Price slashing has been most daring.

56 Breier Managers Will Open 56 Doors on Thursday, Jan. 13



Participate in this Mammoth Event; the Savings Are Vital

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Flannel Shirts in blue, gray and olive drab, \$1.98 to \$2.69
Cavalry Shirts for boys age 13 to 15 49c
Men's Heavy Chambray Work Shirts. Two pockets; triple stitched 39c only
Heavy All-Wool Blazers In all the new colors and weaves, \$3.09 - \$5.59
Sweaters—All-Wool In heavy rope knit known as the Cadet and Spokane Knitting Mills \$3.95 to \$5.59

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Comedians
Singers
Dancers
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The SILENT LOVER
Irresistible romance of a Desert Slave Girl and a handsome Lieutenant who brought her love from another world.
Comedy—MABLE NORMAND
In "Anything Once"
Tuesday—Wednesday
JOHNNY HINES in "STEPPING ALONG"

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS
Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the La Grande Building & Loan Association will be held in the office of said company in the La Grande National Bank Building, City of La Grande, Ore., on Wednesday, the 12th day of January, 1927, at 7 p. m., for the following purpose, to-wit: To elect 10 directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before said meeting. Date of first publication January 4th, 1927.
WILLIAM SIEGRIST, Sec'y, Jan. 4-11.

CHURCHES HERE ATTRACT LARGE CROWDS SUNDAY
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Evangelistic services were held in the evening, with a fairly large crowd in attendance.
Churches Well Attended
Other churches of the city were also well attended. "The Church and Its Discontent" was the morning topic at the First Methodist Episcopal church and at the Lutheran church the Rev. Lef H. Aves spoke

on experimental religion in the morning and in the evening his subject was "My Lord Thy Will Be Done."
Several people will gather at the First Presbyterian church this evening to hear Dr. William Locke, formerly a missionary stationed at Hounan, China, who will tell an interesting story of the orient. The meeting begins at 7:30 o'clock.
India's death toll from snake bites last year was 18,000.

SEATS NOW SELLING
Prices 75c to \$1.50 plus tax