

Local News In Brief

COMING EVENTS

June 8, 9, 10—Union Live-stock show at Union, Ore.
July 21, 22, 23—State Amateur Legion convention in La Grande.

Summerville Woman Here—Mrs. Earl Park, of Summerville, is in La Grande yesterday.

From Summerville—Mrs. Wayne Park, of Summerville, was a La Grande visitor yesterday.

From Hilgert—Mrs. Anna Matheson, of Hilgert, spent yesterday visiting in La Grande.

From Thorn Hollow—Mrs. Fred Thomas and baby were here yesterday from Thorn Hollow. Mrs. Thomas spent the shopping.

Day in Pendleton—J. B. Miller, local architect, was in Pendleton yesterday on business. He returned last evening.

Return to Portland—Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Harrison were in La Grande yesterday on their way home to Portland after spending the winter near Joseph.

Returned to Spokane—Mrs. Jennie Kint left here last evening for Spokane after visiting in La Grande for the past nine months.

Guests For Portland—Miss Ella Neiderer left last evening for Portland where she was called by the illness of a relative. Miss Neiderer is employed in the laundry here.

Home in McMinnville—Mrs. J. P. Houck and two children left last evening for McMinnville where they will join Mr. Houck who has been there for some time establishing a home.

Home Tonight—Miss Helene Price will arrive in La Grande tonight from Salem where she is a student at Willamette university, to spend the vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Price.

Back to School—Denish Schroeder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Schroeder, is able to resume her work in high school here after being at home for nearly two months. Miss Schroeder is a senior in the high school.

Guest at Becker Home—Mrs. C. W. Loomis, of Enterprise, was a house guest of Mrs. Becker yesterday. She left this morning for Grand View, Wash., where she will visit for some time.

Visit in Portland—Miss Mabel E. Doty, local librarian, and her mother, Mrs. Ella Doty, left last evening for Portland where they will visit for a short time. They plan to attend the concert given by Rosa Ponder at the Portland auditorium while there.

Coming From Whitman—Douglas Mac, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Mac, and Raymond Gersick, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Gersick, will arrive home tomorrow morning for the spring vacation. They will help in the entertainment of the Whitman club which arrives here Monday at a concert at the high school last evening.

A Baker Program—Mrs. Elizabeth and Alice Jeanette Cooper returned this morning from Baker where they took part in the annual St. Patrick's day program given by the Catholic church there. This is the second year that the little misses have participated in this annual program with their violin numbers. They are well known in both cities for their ability.

Visits at Home—Mrs. W. F. Kinghamer, nee Ruby Day, and little daughter, Marjorie, arrived here last evening on Enterprise for a short visit at the home of her father, L. P. Day. She will be joined by her husband in a few days and they will leave for Lincoln, Neb., where they will make their home in the future. Mrs. Kinghamer is a La Grande girl and a graduate of the high school here.

MORE ARRIVE IN GOLDEN NEVADA

Newcomers in Scores Flock into Tonopah and Head Toward Weepah

TONOPAH, Nev., Mar. 18 (AP)—The world having been told that the sage covered hills of Weepah hold perhaps some of the richest gold deposits in the United States, prospectors, astute students of practical psychology, turned their efforts today toward cashing in on the alluring toward cashing in on has acquired.

Reminiscent of the peak of the old Goldfield boom, when the presses of the surrounding towns were operated 24 hours daily to keep pace with the demand for literature, the printing offices here in this town nearest to the scene of the gold strike, have been swamped with orders.

Air Mail Favored—It being recognized that a letter delivered by air mail will always demand attention, three presses have been given over entirely to turning out only airmail envelopes.

Airmail stamps also have leaped into great demand. One firm of brokers who bought \$1000 worth of ordinary stamps protested loudly when they learned that airmail stamps had been available. They felt that they had been cheated in losing the prestige the special stamps would have afforded them.

Last night negotiations for the purchase of the claims of Frank Horton Jr. and Leonard Traynor, youthful discoverers of the gold field, were reported to be nearing consummation for the largest price yet paid. Wires to New York, where the prospective promoter lives, were kept hot with long distance calls.

Mining Campaign Due—It was stated that should the deal go through it will be followed by one of the greatest mining publicity campaigns ever staged, and later by intensive development.

Desert rats of ten days standing and without a penny, rub elbows with the real veterans of the hills. The former, lacking funds to carry on development, chase around eagerly after moneyed men or their emissaries seeking to buy ground as close to the discovery as possible.

The real veterans, although also without funds, have but one word when it comes to trading, and that is "million." The seasoned buyer laughs and the claim holder ultimately comes back to earth. Ten thousand dollars will buy a promising group of claims, and shrewd traders have gotten in for as low as \$500 and a promise of a share of stocks.

More New Comers—Tonopah continues to be engulfed with new comers. In addition to the long string of motor traffic two pullman loads of adventurers arrived yesterday and four more pullman cars are due today.

With road improvements, the distance from here to Weepah has been reduced to 25 miles. Stage lines have been established, leaving here in the morning and returning in the evening. The fare is \$8 for the round trip, which figures 16 cents a mile.

PENDLETON, Mar. 18 (AP)—Pendleton has felt the call of the Nevada gold fields. Roy Temple, Don Robinson and Bill Nethercutt, armed with picks, shovels, pans and other equipment, left yesterday for the new found gold bonanza. They should be successful, as Temple's middle name is Klondike and he was born during the Klondike rush and since childhood has been called "Nug."

REED TELLS OF SAPIRO'S PAST DEALS

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for good of the farmer and not money.

"In the Idaho potato case he received \$7500 for services performed not by himself but by a young attorney in his office."

"We will show you that in 1918 Sapiro had organized the California Tomato organization that lasted only a year; that a young man Mark Bryan, was put in by Sapiro and in less than 12 months it was in straits."

"Then the Vegetable Growers' association was organized and took over the tomato growers, their liabilities as well as their assets. Sapiro asked for his services in these associations \$5000."

"The union later went out of business."

"As to the California Prune and Apple Growers, Sapiro drew the articles of incorporation for them. While the firm was under this name, Sapiro and his associates drew \$50,000 in fees."

"The name was later changed to the California Prune and Apple Growers' association. Sapiro and his friends got positions paying large salaries. Sapiro got \$25,000 a year, the head of the field department got \$12,000 and a stenographer who had been drawing \$55 a month got \$6,000."

Objects to Details—Gallagher objected to detailing such matters as salaries and organization details as having nothing to do with the case. Judge Raymond warned the jury they were to keep in mind the statements were merely a prediction and not to be influenced prematurely. He asked Senator Reed to avoid detailed statements as far as possible.

"When dissatisfaction among the members arose," said the senator, "Sapiro persisted in raising salaries. The sales manager was increased from \$119 to \$500 a month."

"High pressure sales forces were sent out to sign contracts with the growers. Intimidation was used, Sapiro's brother, Milton Sapiro, be-

Boy Scouts To Strive to Build Best Birdhouse

Beginning Monday of this week Boy Scout troops of the Eastern Oregon Tri-county council started in a bird-house building contest, which will end April 4, when the council will give a prize to the patrol in each troop which builds the best bird house, the prize to be a Yucca fire set.

All troops in the council are taking in the contest and when the birdhouses are completed special judges will select the best of the number, which will be exhibited in the office of the scout executive, E. Russell Scott.

Scout troop No. 2 met in the basement of the Methodist Episcopal church Thursday evening, having as their guests the members of troop No. 15.

Major Andrew Loney of the Salvation Army, who has been a Salvation Army worker for 40 years, was present and gave a short talk to the boys.

After the business meeting a knot-tying contest was held between two teams from each troop, troop 15 being the winners. At the close of the meeting Scouts Furbush and Martin of troop No. 2 were given official boy scout first aid kits as prizes for the map and essay contest.

ing a member of the sales force."

More Objections—Gallagher insisted that the activities of managers and officers of these associations could not be blamed on Sapiro, although he had appointed them. Reed declared he was showing that Sapiro's claims of success for his organizations were not true, that the men he chose were not efficient.

Judge Raymond said he could not be bothered any more on arguments as to the permissibility of points raised in the opening statements.

The senator continued, only to be interrupted again by Gallagher, who said the inner-workings of association had nothing to do with Sapiro. Reed said the connection was that Sapiro was instrumental in starting a move to oust Judge Welsh of San Jose openly from the board of directors when he attempted an investigation.

Welsh had to go to court, Reed said, to gain reinstatement. Constant clashes continued between Reed and Gallagher who feared, he said, the jury might be unduly affected by the statements of the defense attorney.

OFFICERS IN FIGHT

PENDLETON, Mar. 18 (AP)—Federal Officers Frank Rogers and Homer Watts, Athens attorneys, who engaged in a fist fight Wednesday in justice court here, have filed affidavits regarding the episode with the district attorney. Several versions of the argument have been given, which started over a change of venue in a liquor case.

Describes Habits of Grosbeaks; Bird Is Native of This Country

The beautiful yellow and grayish-black birds that have been attracting considerable attention here this winter are fully described and identified in a communication The Observer received today from Carrie A. Pickens, which is reprinted herewith:

"The beautiful yellow birds that have been attracting so much attention here this winter are the western evening grosbeaks."

"They are natives and spend their winters here but usually are not seen in such large flocks."

"The seeds of the box elder trees are one of their principal foods and they may be seen under the trees picking the seeds out of the grass."

Like Seeds—"They are also fond of sunflower seed, in fact, almost any large seed will be welcome food for the grosbeak."

"One full several of them were noticed eating sunflower seeds that had been left standing in the garden so we purchased some of the seeds at a drug store and scattered them near our bird shelf at a window."

"From that time until the 28th of May they came every day for their breakfast and if we were not yet awake they would peck on the window and whistle until we came out and fed them."

"We also gave them pumpkin, melon and apple seeds and kept a dish of warm water for them to drink."

"Sometimes their beaks would be red from the mountain ash berries of which they are fond."

"In the spring they go up in the mountains and their nests are built in coniferous trees or sometimes in bunches of willows. Their food

at that time consists principally of pine nuts, the large coarse bill being used to break up the pine cones."

TO SELL LAND—PENDLETON, Mar. 18 (AP)—Land in Unatilla county will be sold at public auction for delinquent taxes six weeks after announcement has been made. Minimum prices of some parcels are as low as 13 cents a lot and 20 cents an acre.

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Tells Hearing of Highway Survey

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 18 (AP)—That the highway department of Oregon had made surveys for a bridge across the Columbia river in the vicinity of Rainier, Ore., was disclosed today at the hearing before a federal commission investigating plans for a private toll bridge between Longview, Wash., and Rainier, Ore., which recently was authorized by congress.

C. H. McCullough, bridge engineer for the Oregon state highway commission, said the survey, which was made in 1923, in response to an act of the Oregon

legislature had shown that Coffin Rock, above Longview, was the most feasible point for the bridge, from an engineering and economic standpoint.

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