

Local News In Brief

Visiting At Pandosa—Miss Fess Broomfield is visiting this week at Pandosa with Mr. and Mrs. Olin Broomfield.

Here From Baker—Mrs. L. E. Williams of Baker, was a La Grande visitor and shopper today.

Here From Baker—Mrs. Jessie Hopkins of Baker, was in La Grande yesterday re-organizing her winter vocal classes.

La Grande Visitor—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graham, of Ellettsville, La Grande visitors Tuesday.

Here From Joseph—Mrs. E. W. Humble of Joseph, returned to his home yesterday after visiting here for the past two days with Mrs. F. L. Lally.

At Milton-Preceptor—Mrs. Francis Burns, who is employed at the Eastern Oregon Music company, is at Milton-Preceptor this week in the interests of the business.

Home From Seattle—George Harrison is in La Grande from Seattle for a few weeks' visit with his mother, Mrs. William Siegel. Mr. Harrison has been working in Seattle this year.

Returned Tuesday—Mrs. E. C. Davis and son, Guy, and daughter, Edna, returned this morning from a week's visit at Ellettsville, Ind., spending three weeks visiting with friends and relatives in Tushnet, Brandon and Hood River. They went by car.

Back From Vacation—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Donney returned Tuesday night after a ten days auto trip west to Portland, Eugene and Seattle. Both Mr. and Mrs. Donney are employed at K. K. Wood's store.

Here From Hot Lake—Clifford McGinnis of Hot Lake, visited in La Grande yesterday with his sister, Mrs. W. P. Ballard. Mr. McGinnis has been at the Hot Lake sanatorium for a week or more taking treatment.

Left Today—Mr. and Mrs. George Herr left this morning on a two weeks' vacation. They went by way of Spokane and will return by way of Portland. The trip is being made by car.

On Visit—Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Ballard and daughter, Evelyn and Bobby Duris returned the first of the week after visiting for a week with Mrs. Ballard's mother on the Grande County river near Troy in Wallawa county.

Returned to Baker—Miss Callie Foster, of Baker, has been a guest for the last week at the home of Mrs. E. D. Steinrump of Island City. She returned to her home last night. Miss Foster is one of the leading music teachers of Baker.

W. H. Leave Tomorrow—Mrs. Fred Langer and Mrs. L. K. Knud and son, Steve, will leave tomorrow for the east where they will spend several weeks. They will first visit in Chicago and then visit Mrs. Merrill. Mrs. Langer will visit for some time with Mrs. Langer's parents.

Left This Morning—Mrs. L. E. Krueger and sons, Christian and Junior, and Mrs. A. S. Hunter left this morning for Woodland, Cal., after visiting relatives and friends in the Grande Ronde valley. Mrs. Hunter will join her husband at Oakland, Cal., and they will sail on Sept. 8 for Honolulu.

On Vacation—Miss Mabel Morton left this morning for a vacation trip into Washington. She will drive to Spokane today and from there will drive across the state to Raymond, Wash., where she formerly lived. She will be gone a week. Miss Morton is rally news editor of The Observer.

Mother Visiting Here—Mrs. M. J. Green of San Francisco, Cal., is visiting here indefinitely at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Green. Mrs. Green accompanied her daughter, Miss Mabelle Green, and a girl friend, Miss Mabel Pitts, both of Toledo, Ohio, who drove to San Francisco from Toledo and brought Mrs. Green to La Grande. Miss Green and Miss Pitts visited here one day. They are on their return home and will stop at the Yellowstone national park on the way.

Leaving Tonight—Mrs. Phoebe Grant will leave for Idaho where she will spend a few days. She will visit friends and relatives in Blackfoot and Pocatello.

Through Here—Lee Drove, of Eugene, stopped here for a short while this morning on his way home from Baker where he has been since Monday visiting at the W. A. Payton home. He attended the wedding of Miss Mildred Payton and John B. Spurluck last night at the Payton home.

Jubilee At Cove Today—The primary of the second ward of the Latter Day Saints church is having a jubilee at Cove today. They left this morning and will enjoy a swim at the Cove swimming pool and a watermelon feed during the day. Mrs. Beth Strine is president of the primary.

Leave For Newport—Mrs. G. Klopferstein and her daughter, Marguerite, of Corvallis, left by stage this morning for Portland and Newport where they will spend a week. Mrs. Klopferstein has been visiting here several weeks with her parents. Her mother will return about a week from Monday.

Left Yesterday—Mrs. Evelyn Rosenbaum left yesterday morning for various Idaho points where she will spend a week or so visiting. She was accompanied as far as Nampa by her sister, Mrs. Agnes Nelson, who has been visiting Mrs. Rosenbaum from her home in Nampa and conversing from an operation.

On Way To California—Mr. and Mrs. John E. Spurluck, passed through here last night on their way to Watsonville, Cal., where Mr. Spurluck will teach in the high school this winter. Mrs. Spurluck was formerly Miss Mildred Payton before her marriage to Mr. Spurluck at the farm home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Payton, near Baker last night. Both Mr. and Mrs. Spurluck are graduates of the Oregon State college.

Left To Idaho—Mr. and Mrs. John J. Broomfield and two daughters, Lois and Fern, have returned from a week-end trip to Idaho points. They visited in Weiser, Church and Tamarack during their stay, motoring home by way of Pine and Eagle valleys. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Olin Broomfield, of Pandosa, on the trip. Mr. Broomfield is associated with Joel Richardson in the fuel, feed and fish business here.

Golf Tournament Announcement—Entrances and handouts for the women's handicap tournament to be held Sunday afternoon will be published in Friday evening's Observer, according to announcement made today by the tournament committee. All women who want to enter must have their recent scores in the hands of the course pro by Friday at 10 a. m., or else have called some member of the committee by that hour. The women's scores will not be called by the committee but will be expected to notify the committee. The pairings will be drawn by lot Friday at ten o'clock. The committee is exceedingly eager that as many as possible enter.

Returned From Vacation—Miss Eunice Herr and little Alice Palmer returned yesterday after an extended vacation trip. They left here three weeks ago with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Palmer going by way of the John Day highway to Klamath Falls. They made side trips to Crater Lake and the Oregon Caves going from there into California to Crescent City and viewing the Redwood forests. They returned to Portland where they spent two days, going on to Seaside where they spent the remainder of the time. Mr. Palmer returned to La Grande after taking Mrs. Palmer and daughter and Miss Herr to Seaside. He drove after Miss Herr and his daughter yesterday. Mrs. Palmer remained in Portland where she has entered the Good Samaritan hospital to take a three or four weeks' rest.

Colonel Harvey Is Laid to Rest

BRACHAM, Vt., Aug. 22 (AP)—The body of Posthumus most distinguished son, Col. George B. Harvey, internationally known publicist and former ambassador to Great Britain, was laid in the family plot in the town of his birth today after a brief service attended by many of his friends and associates.

Senator George H. Moses of New Hampshire, Harvey's intimate friend, spoke in eulogy of the man to whom he had looked for counsel in the coming presidential campaign.

Tiger in White House



The people will not stand Tammany Hall moving into the White House, according to William R. Wilcox, former chairman of the Republican National Committee and campaign manager for Charles Evans Hughes in 1916. "That is one reason why he will vote for Herbert Hoover," he declares.

for president, the views on farm relief expressed by Governor Alfred E. Smith in his speech last night, accepting the democratic presidential nomination are "in perfect accord with our policy."

SMITH'S IDEA ATTACKED BY PROHI CHIEF

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On the republican side, Governor Smith's declaration as to the tariff was criticized by Senators Borah and Smoot. The former said the Underwood tariff, which I understand the governor to specifically endorse, would ruin the livestock, dairy, poultry and kindred industries.

Joseph Daniels, secretary of the navy during the Wilson administration, and Representative Blount of Georgia, expected only the governor's prohibition views in their opinion. George N. Peck, the "normally republican" farm leader, and former Senator B. C. Hanson of North Dakota, a republican who now is chairman of the Smith independent league, endorsed Smith's farm relief expression.

DARCY FINED \$25

NEW YORK, Aug. 23 (AP)—For driving too fast in a car with Greta Nissen, of the stage and screen, Jack Darcy, artist, is to be fined \$25.

He was fined \$25 and had the wheel seized, but, as Mrs. Nissen explains, "Mr. Darcy does not want to lose his car. He wants the experience. You see, he's never been in jail before."

Saves Millions



The forecasts of Walter Carter, entomologist in charge of the U. S. experimental station at Twin Falls, Idaho, have saved many best growers of Idaho millions of dollars.

Carter studied the migration of the sunnier beet leaf hopper, a dangerous and costly pest, and warns growers in advance of its coming so that they may hold down their crops.

WOULD ENJOIN HUBBY

NEW YORK, Aug. 23 (AP)—The presidential campaign is one cause of a case of marital trouble which has reached the courts.

Mrs. E. J. Hensch, whose husband in litigation and business naturally has been seeking an injunction to restrain her husband from competing with her.

Interview Citizens On Proposal For A New Court House

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The county to look to the court-house it justifies."

Dr. Lee Bouvy: "The court house is a public building that ought to manifest the condition of the county. It should for business reasons be much nearer the city district. Our city is growing rapidly and it needs a larger court house. A remodeled building will only last a short while and we had better build now and provide for the future. In view of the fact that the normal and the other schools are in the vicinity I believe the old site would be an ideal spot for a new school building."

William Stegert: "If we can sell

Valley News Story In Fire At Court House

While most folks were feeling dazed over the courthouse fire yesterday afternoon the valley editor of The Observer was just naturally waiting.

When Miss Mabel Morton saw the smoke gush up to the sky, she thought first, of course, of the county loss—but just as soon as her duty thought was over, she turned her wrathful meditations to six sheets of typewritten copy paper and in her mind she saw it curl and wither in the flames. "Gone, gone, gone, all my morning's labor, gone!" cried Miss Mabel Morton to Miss Mabel Morton. "Now you'll be in a fine fix, here you were all ready to go on your vacation at five o'clock in the morning, and now you are four hours work behind," replied Miss Mabel Morton.

You see, the valley editor had spent the entire morning at the office of the county treasurer, Mrs. Florence Bacon writing a long story from a school report of the county treasurer. Her "notes" for the story were taken from Mr. Sayre's books and she found it much simpler to write her article there than at The Observer office. At noon, she left it in the typewriter, planning to return in the afternoon to finish it. And that's why her wall was so agonized.

But, other off the worst look, gentle readers, this tragic tale has a heroic and a happy ending.

Two hours and 29 walks after the fire Miss Morton brought herself and church her trusty steed "Tody," a cohort to the valley page that is disguised in green armor—and hopped herself to the scene of the disaster.

And there, in a bedraggled, weebie pile of records and papers as sorry looking as an Easter bonnet after an April shower, Miss Morton found her story, my dears! And the heroine? Ah, yes! None other than Mrs. Jack Ferris, of the county commissioners' office. Mrs. Ferris, like other courthouse employees, did some tall grabbing.

Looking about the treasurer's office she saw Miss Morton's sheets of copy paper. Did she forget the valley editor's labors of the morning? Not she! Mrs. Ferris tucked it

COURT HOUSE LOSS ABOUT \$35,000.00

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Several of the firemen suffered slight burns but none of these were sufficient to necessitate medical action. The burns were caused by hot sparks and lava or three were almost scalded by near-boiling water.

Handicapped by Metal Ceiling—The firemen were handicapped in fighting the fire from the interior because of the metal roof in the upper floor and little headway could be made from the angle until the ceiling collapsed, after which the fire was quickly brought under control, although it was 2:27 p. m. before the firemen left the scene.

The fire was the worst of the year and came on the heels of more than a score of blazes this month, ranging from grass fires to destruction of residences.

Origin Unknown—The origin is unknown, although there are two or three possible. It is unlikely, however, firemen say, that the exact cause of the fire will ever be discovered. Starting in the space between the second-floor ceiling and the roof, it apparently burned for some time before it broke through the roof and the ceiling below.

The county had just completed extensive repairs and alterations to the entire building, which cost a considerable sum of money. Walls only recently bright with fresh halamine were today water-soaked and scorched. Thousands of gallons of water were directed into and against the building, the water doing much damage.

Law Library Damaged—Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles' law library, which he has been building up for years, was badly damaged. Many of his valuable volumes being water-soaked and some were scorched. On the other end of the building County Clerk J. C. C. County's office was practically untouched. The wind was blowing from the west and swept flames toward the east side of the structure. Mr. Knowles' furniture was practically ruined. It was insured.

Melba and Genevieve Hanna, daughters of Court Reporter H. R. Hanna, guarded their father's typewriter after it was taken from the burning building but some circuit court transcripts, not yet on file, were at first believed lost. However, checking up today, it was discovered that the transcripts escaped damage.

Sheriff's Room Wrecked—A room on the upper floor, occupied by Sheriff Jesse Broadbent in sleeping quarters, was a mass of water-soaked charred wood today. A table, the bedding and other articles belonging to the sheriff, were ruined.

In County Clerk McCormick's office, practically all records were saved, although some were water-soaked. The road master's light prints, etc., were damaged by water and now was a total loss, although some will have to be re-drawn.

The fire played some freakish pranks. A picture of county officials taken in the 80s when Union and Wallawa counties were one, was destroyed and another picture, of James M. Church, pioneer principal stockholder in the La Grande National bank and once a member of the G. A. C. board of regents, was not damaged.

Cleaning Up Rooms—Under the supervision of county officials a crew of workmen was busy this morning attempting to clean things up. The offices on the upper floor, some with shelves partially burned, boards, etc., two or three feet deep, presented the worst problem.

A large crowd turned out for the fire yesterday afternoon, viewing the burning building. Judge J. D. Slater, who had seen the building erected some 24 years ago, manipulated the small garden hose, keeping some bits of fallen cornice from landing. Crouched under his arm, County Assessor D. H. Proctor mingled in the crowd with the shaker look that one sees on all the court house staff. County Clerk McCormick signed the last parchment of the official family. County Judge Couch anxiously watched the fire progress.

Most of all one noticed Judge Knowles. There was a stern look about the judge as he watched the room that houses his library as the flames seared it. "Yes, that's my room, alright," he sighed and the tone said more than the words.

in a protected drawer.

So Miss Mabel Morton found her story, the valley page didn't have a yawning chasm where the story should have been, the valley editor and her green car started on their vacation trip early in the morning—and The Observer's force is going to live happily ever after.

BEAUTIFUL HANDS
NEW YORK, Aug. 22 (AP)—So beautiful are the hands of Helen Broderick, actress, that she has received \$2,000 to go to Paris and pose for Count Regino de Vittorio, sculptor, who is making a Madonna.

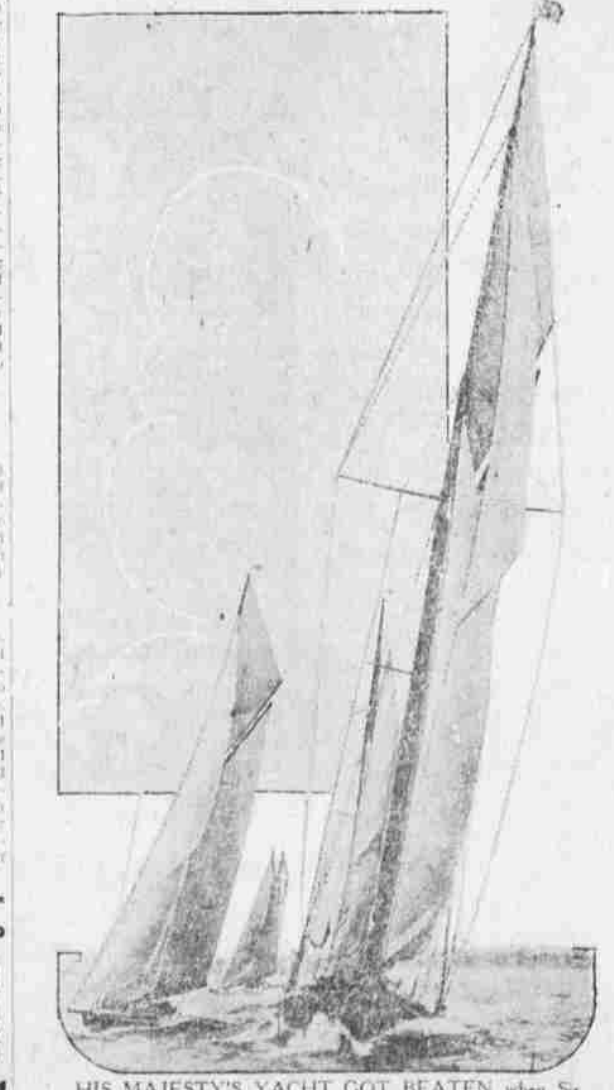
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W. K. GILBERT CO.
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STAR
Today—Friday
HOOT
The GIBSON in
WILD WEST SHOW
Thrills and Laughter
SEE the stage-coach runaway—Hoot as a bareback lady rider—the cross-eyed knife thrower—the cyclone hit the circus—the escape of the wild animals—a thrill or a laugh every moment.
When the Trapeze Broke and HOOT's little girl dangled helpless—what a thrill!
HOOT to the Rescue of the frail girl as the maddened animals plunged toward the precipice—what a thrill!
BUSTER BROWN COMEDY
Collegians
"WINNING PUNCH"

ARCADE
Today—Friday—Saturday
Destroyers of High Prices

COLONIAL
Friday - Saturday
SAM SAX PRESENTS
Thunder
THE MARVEL DOG.
THE SILENT AVENGER
WITH CHAS DELANEY DUANE THOMPSON
DIRECTED BY JAMES P. HOGAN
Comedy
"DOUGH BOY"
In Art For Art's Sake
WALTER MOROSCO PRESENTS
Corinne GRIFFITH
with Lowell SHERMAN LOUISE DRESSER and CHARLES RAY
A cabaret chorine goes from Paris to Monte Carlo looking for life—and loses her heart!
Felix—IN BARN YARD
METRO NEWS

WEYENBERG FALL OXFORDS
For men and young men here for your selection
\$5.95 to \$6.95 Pair
LINT'S CLOTHING
"THE STORE WITH A CONSCIENCE"



HIS MAJESTY'S YACHT GOT BEATEN when St. Thomas Lipton's famous "Shamrock" beat King George's "Britannia" in the Plymouth Royal Regatta, England, recently. This picture shows one of the earlier stages of the race; "Britannia" leading, is at the right, followed closely by "Shamrock" on the left.