Local News In Brief

Employes—
Doris Warner, Erma Kennedy, Ethel Sayre, Bernice Gray, Nellie McClure, Berneva Hunt, Bernice Lamb, Bethel Trill, Mrs. Starmer, Lucille Marquis and Mrs. Waldroff were the extra employes at the F. W. Woolworth store during the holiday rush.

At the Hotels—
W. L. Brown, Weiser; Elsie McLean, Baker; Wade Goodman, Walla Walla; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Morse, and family, Baker; S. W. Williams, and family, Boise; E. D. Mathis and wife, Burns, E. H. Harris, Walla Walla; were recently listed on the ledgers of local hotels.

Christmas at Elgin—
Hugo Klinghammer and family went to Elgin yesterday to spend Christmas with Mr. Klinghammer's sister and family, Mrs. Joe Hallgarth.

Only Four in Jail—
There were only four prisoners in the county jail to partake of the Christmas dinner there this year. That is the lowest number that has been in jail at Christmas since Sheriff Breshears has been in office.

Island City has Tree—
The Island City community Christmas tree was held at the church Tuesday evening, with a program given by the eighth grades of the Island City school. After the program, Santa Claus arrived and had a present for every girl and boy there and for some of the older folks who had been "real good" during the year.

Much Improved—
Mrs. Alec Robinson, who was operated at Hot Lake some time ago, is now able to be up. Her family were very glad to have her home with them for Christmas dinner as she was in the hospital at Thanksgiving time.

New Position—
Frank Harris, who represented the Portland-Boise auto freight line as local manager until the company disposed of its holdings, has accepted a like position with the Baker-Portland truck line, occupying the same offices.

To Union—
Henry Miller left here yesterday for Union to spend the remainder of the holidays with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Skiff.

License Issued—
A marriage license was issued Dec. 24 to Effie Blanchard and Clarence Berry, both of La Grande.

Articles Stolen—
According to the police, some one stole an overcoat, a woman's blue hat, and a pair of gloves from cars parked on Washington avenue near the Zuber dance hall last night.

Adopt Twins—
Two little boys, year and a half old twins, have been legally adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Graham, deputy county clerk of Union county. Lee and Leal, the twins, lived in Portland before Mr. and Mrs. Graham brought them to La Grande. They have no other children.

Spend the Holidays—
Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Palmer and daughter spent the Christmas holidays in Baker visiting relatives.

Returned from Spokane—
Miss Hanna Clark and Frances Menger returned from Spokane this morning on No. 24, after spending the holidays visiting relatives.

To Attend School—
E. F. Newlin, who is spending the Christmas holidays in Chicago, will enter the Palmer school of Chiropractic at Des Moines, Jan. 6.

From School—
Miss Anita Erickson is spending the holidays from her studies at W.S.C. visiting her parents in La Grande. She is a member of Chi Omega, national social sorority, and several honorary societies, being active in campus events.

Visiting Here—
Miss Phyllis Gordon is visiting relatives in La Grande during the Christmas holidays.

At the Hotels—
The following persons are registered at local hotels: Mrs. Lelia Graham, Medford; Mrs. C. E. Lawson, and daughter; J. E. Hamstreet, Ontario; J. A. Sommer, Elgin; and Helen Fisher, Salt Lake.

Got to Elgin—
Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Holbrook drove to Elgin Christmas eve, where she spent yesterday with relatives. Mr. Holbrook returned to La Grande yesterday morning.

From Baker—
E. E. Crossen, of Baker, was a business visitor in La Grande Tuesday.

Returned Saturday—
Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Godel and son expect to return Saturday from Portland where they have been since Tuesday visiting friends and relatives.

To Pendleton—
B. F. Peetz and family are spending the holidays in Pendleton with their two daughters.

From U. of O.—
Vernal Shoemaker has returned home for the holidays. He is a student at the University of Oregon, where he is affiliated with Delta Tau Delta. He is a sophomore.

To California—
Dr. Belle Foster, local chiropractor, has gone to Pasadena to spend a month visiting Dr. Margaret Kelly, formerly of La Grande.

Left Last Night—
Mrs. Raymond Hall (Thelma Kitchen) pleasantly surprised her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Kitchen by a short visit over Christmas, arriving Tuesday morning and returning last evening to her home in Portland. Other Christmas visitors at the Kitchen home were Miss Edith Shell and Thurston Shell from Wallowa and their houseguest, Jack Dale, from Los Angeles, who is spending the Christmas vacation with the Shells in Wallowa.

From U. of W.—
Gene Roehm, student at the University of Washington, is spending the Christmas holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roehm.

Spending the Holidays—
Mr. and Mrs. Roy K. Perry, of Portland, are spending the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Hodgin.

Home for the Holidays—
Tom Bruce, sophomore at the Oregon State college, is spending the holidays here visiting his mother.

Visiting Here—
Marjorie Kirby is visiting at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Kirby, during the holidays. She is working at Corvallis this year.

Went to Portland—
Miss Dorothy Kirby, science instructor in the La Grande High school, went to Portland last night to spend a few days visiting friends and to attend the meeting of the Oregon State teachers. She expects to return Monday morning.

Spent Christmas in Walla Walla—
Miss Anna Laura Lee spent Christmas in Walla Walla and planned to continue her way to Portland yesterday evening. She is a teacher of English at the La Grande High school.

On Business—
Mrs. C. E. Lawson and daughter, of Union, are in La Grande today on business.

Returned Home—
Arthur Woodell, of Pilot Rock, returned home today after visiting his brother John Woodell for the Christmas holidays. He reports that the weather at his home is practically the same as it is here.

Returned to Portland—
Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Johnson returned to Portland after spending Christmas in La Grande with relatives.

From Klamath Falls—
Mr. and Mrs. Theryl "Babe" Green, of Klamath Falls are spending the holidays in La Grande visiting relatives. Mr. Green is formerly of this city.

Visiting Parents—
Miss Vida Nelson is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents in this city.

To Eugene—
Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Alexander and two children are spending a week in Eugene, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Perry Oliver.

From Idaho—
Dorothy French, teacher in Apple Valley, Ida., near Parma, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry French, during the Christmas vacation.

Spent Christmas—
Stewart and Archie Lynn, of Fruitland, Ida., spent Christmas with their mother and sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Lynn and Mrs. C. E. Walq.

Returned This Morning—
Miss Anna Freels returned this morning after spending Christmas in Enterprise visiting relatives and friends. Miss Freels left Tuesday night.

Visiting Here—
Mrs. B. Edlin, of Weiser, is spending the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Lockwood.

Dr. Cook's Parole Hearing In January

LEAVENWORTH, Kas., Dec. 26 (AP) — Application of Dr. Frederick A. Cook, arctic explorer, for parole from his sentence of 14 years, nine months for conspiracy to use the mails tto defraud will be heard at the January meeting of the federal parole board.

Dr. Cook, admitted to the federal penitentiary here April 6, 1925 has served one-third of his term and automatically is eligible for parole on his record of good behavoir.

All of his associates in the oil promotion scheme which led to his conviction were paroled three years ago, his sentence is the longest ever given a prisoner committed to the penitentiary here on a similar charge.

FAMOUS SURGEON DIES

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 26—(AP)—Dr. Fran Le Moyne Hupp, 64, a charter member and a member of the first board of governors of the American college of surgeons and widely known as a cancer surgeon, died here today following a cerebral hemorrhage. Dr. Hupp was a member of the staff of the Ohio Valley General hospital here.

FEW RESIGNATIONS TO BE SUBMITTED

State Officers Will Continue at Posts Unless Requested to Quit.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 26 (AP)—No resignations, unless requested, will be submitted to Governor Norblad by state officials who hold office in the state capitol under the appointive power of the governor. This was plainly indicated here today by the administrative heads of various state departments. Contrary to current reports that political ethics would cause appointees of the late Governor Patterson to hand in their resignations to his successor, to accept or not, officials declared today that there is no precedent for any concerted action of this kind. There have been isolated instances of such resignations in the past.

The three members of the public service commission, around which there is always much political wrangling, are all Patterson appointees. Governor Patterson was severely critised in some quarters for his appointment of H. H. Corey, when Corey's elective term expired and the office became appointive by a new law, and also for his appointment of O. C. Bortzmeyer at the same time. Once appointed, however, members of the service commission are not easily removed. Removal must be for cause, and then the law gives the official the privelege of a public hearing. Corey is conceded as having more strength now than at the time of his appointment because of the recent interstate commerce commission order of construction of the east and west rail line across Central Oregon, a movement that was initiative by Corey.

The three members of the state industrial accident commission are Sam Laughlin, E. E. Bragg and W. H. Fitzgerald. Bragg is the democratic member. None of the three expects to submit a resignation unless it is requested. The same is true of Mark D. McCallister, state commissioner of corporations, and Clare A. Lee, state insurance commissioner. A fight against Lee may be made, it is believed, by members of certain fraternal benefit associations that have increased assessments. Lee has gotten into disfavor among certain members because some rulings by the department, but Governor Patterson staunchly backed him up.

What the attitude of the three state highway commissioners will be towards the matters of resignations remains to be seen. Should any of the members decide to run for the gubernatorial nomination that situation doubtless would have a bearing on the question, since Norblad himself will be a candidate for the nomination.

Sam A. Kozer, state budget director, is a Patterson appointee. Kozer declines to discuss politics but opinion here is that his resignation is not a remote possibility unless Kozer, too, should run for governor.

Changes, at the initiative of the new governor, might be made, it is believed, in the ranks of the fish and game commissions. One of Norblad's major activities as a member of the state senate was legislation pertaining to the fishing industry. One of the members of the fish commission is John C. Veatch of Portland, who is a member of the law firm of Joseph, Haney & Veatch. Joseph, when in the senate, and Norblad were bitter enemies, often clashing on the fish question. Veatch, also, is not of Norblad's political faith.

Joint Appointments

Rhea Luper, state engineer; Carl Abrams, secretary of the state board of control; A. A. Schramm, state superintendent of banks; John H. Carkin, Earl Fisher and Charles V. Galloway, the three members of the state tax commission; and all the heads of the state institutions, owe their appointments to the joint vote of the governor, the secretary of state and the state treasurer. Under the present line-up these officials are out of reach of the governor if he should feel disposed to see them out of office. The same is true of State Forester F. A. Elliott, appointed by the state board of forestry, of which the governor is a member, and State Veterinarian W. H. Lytle, appointed by the state livestock sanitary board, of which the governor also is a member.

Roy A. Klien, state highway engineer, one of the most lucrative of state office, holds his position by appointment of the highway commission.

Governor Norblad was not here today and is not expected until the first of next week.

Wheat Irregular At Close After Drop And Rally

CHICAGO, Dec. 26 (AP) — Wheat scored late advances in price here today, helped by reported United States department of agriculture data tending to confirm huge crop damage in Argentina. Based on a study of Argentine wheat yields, temperatures and rainfall during the last 34 years, the department of agriculture was said to figure the 1929 wheat output in Argentina at 152,000,000 bushels, very closely in line with the latest official Argentine government estimate. Under such circumstances, wheat price declines here earlier today were more than counterbalanced as the day drew to an end.

Wheat closed irregular at ¼c decline to ⅞c gain, as compared with Tuesday's finish.

CLOSING TONE IS STRONG IN WALL STREET

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 (AP) — Wall street experienced a marked change in speculative sentiment over the holidays, with the result that prices rallied briskly under heavy buying for both accounts. Net gains in a long list of active issues ranged from 2 to 10 points with a few specialties marked up as much as 15 points.

The apparent completion of large scale tax selling, combined with fresh buying in anticipation of the distribution of more than one billion dollars in January dividend and interest payments, gave the market a much stronger undertone. Buying orders were distributed over a fairly broad list, covering again being an important factor in the day's advance.

Raising of the call money rate to 6 per cent failed to dampen speculative enthusiasm and the high prices of the session were made in the final hour. Investment utilities were up 5 to 10 points and many industrials and specialties were equally strong, including U. S. Steel, General Electric, American Tobacco, Eastman Kodak, Allied Chemical, Johns-Manville and U. S. Industrial Alcohol. The closing tone was strong. Sales approximated 2,800,000 shares.

Butter And Egg Prices Are Steady

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26 (AP) —Eggs and butter began the day after Christmas with prices steady. The holiday trade appeared to have taken care of most of the supplies received.

Poultry and country dressed meats were weak, as was expected following the holiday. Turkeys and other poultry were cheap the day before Christmas and the lowered prices brought about a larger demand.

Fruits and vegetables were unchanged.

University Dance Event of Tonight

Final arrangements were made this afternoon for the annual U. of O. ball which is an event of this evening at the La Grande hotel, with Merlyn Mayger as general chairman. Decorations are in the University of Oregon colors, and some clever features are being planned.

This dance is given each year by university men and women for all the alumni and students of institutions of higher learning and the high school and for others interested.

Alleged Bootleggers Arrested

BAKER, Ore., Dec. 26 (AP)—Nine alleged bootleggers and a man said to be one of their customers were arrested by state and county authorities Tuesday and Wednesday night. The officers confiscated two automobiles, several gallons of whiskey and beer and two revolvers.

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Pioneer Passes On Wednesday; Burial Saturday

Martha Matilda Buchanan, pioneer resident of La Grande, died yesterday afternoon at 3:25 o'clock at the home of her son in Old Town. Funeral services are to be held Saturday at 1 o'clock at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary. She will be buried in the Summerville cemetery with her brother, Jake Gearhart, who died here in July.

Mrs. Buchanan was born in Pennsylvania Oct. 5, 1849 and was 80 years, two months and 20 days of age. She came here 37 years ago. She is survived by six children, J. C. and George W. Buchanan, of La Grande; Minnie Johnson, of Hershel, Ore.; Ida Campbell, of Goldendale, Wash.; Maggie Beeman, of Enterprise, and Emma Nelson; 13 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Elliott, of Auburn, Wash., and Caroline Brady, of Jackson county, Iowa and two brothers, Dan Gearhart, of Yakima, and Joe Gearhart, of Spokane.

CANTATA GIVEN AT M. E. CHURCH

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tume, who had been directed by Mrs. E. G. Armfield and Miss Mabel Doty. As Miss Ruth Margaret Hall read the story, it was pictured in pantomime. The setting of the story was an old cathedral, and this setting was reproduced very strikingly. The parts were all very well taken.

The story of the pageant had to do with this cathedral in whose dome was a marvelous set of chimes. Their origin was uncertain, and the legend concerning them recited that only by unusually acceptable gifts to the Christ on Christmas eve could their music be set ringing. On this particular evening during the service, those from all stations brought their gifts, from the more humble even to the king, who gave this crown, with the hope that it might be accepted. On their way to the service, coming through cold and snow and from a long distance, two little boys found by the road side an old woman who had been overcome by the cold. They stopped to minister to her, the older boy remaining but sending younger brother on to the great cathedral with his very small and insignificant gift for the Christ. It was only when the younger brother crept into the great church and deposited his gift on the altar all unnoticed, that beautiful chimes started their wonderful music.

It was a very pretty and impressive pageant.

HISTORIC ROOM USED BY HOOVER FOR HIS OFFICE

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ed executive offices, with the exception of the president's desk, which was badly damaged, has been transferred to the state, war and navy building and the chief executive's personal files, all of which were saved from the fire have been stored away in the White House proper.

Experts have made a thorough investigation and reported to the president that in their opinion the fire of Christmas eve was caused by defective wiring. This view was supported by the fact that the first to reach the blaze with hand fire extinguishers reported that the lights could not be turned on, indicating that a short circuit had occured.

ARTIST, 99, PASSES ON

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26 (AP) — William H. Fry, artist and noted wood carver, died at his home here today. He would have been 100 years old next February 5.

One Penalty of Success

A successful man is one who is quoted on subjects he doesn't know anything about.—San Francisco Chronicle.

1975 KIDDIES ATTEND ELKS XMAS PARTY

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Besides these events, the Elks distributed more than 100 large baskets of provisions to needy families in this district, beginning the work of distribution last Sunday and concluding it yesterday. Funds for this and the Christmas party came from the Days of '49 show held during the fall.

The city co-operated with the Elks, not only in providing the municipal band, but in handling traffic, etc.

Christmas eve found large crowds gathering at the First M. E. church, the St. Peter's Episcopal church and the Catholic church for annual observances. "Why the Chimes Rang," a beautiful cantata, was presented at the Methodist church, and Christ Mass, with the Rt. Rev. W. P. Remington, D. D., in attendance, was observed at the Episcopal church. At the Catholic church, the annual midnight mass was held. A Christmas program was also held at the Second Ward chapel of the L. D. S. church.

Yesterday morning a special Christmas program was given at the English Lutheran church, with a large attendance.

No Accidents

No accidents of any consequence occurred over the holiday to mar the Christmas cheer, and today La Grande had returned to its regular tasks with the memories of a happy Yuletide behind it.

In the business section, merchants, in checking over their December business, were stating that the Christmas buying this month was very good.

PROHI PLAN IS PREPARED, MILLS SAYS

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prohibition questions is named.

Under Secretary Mills, who made the announcement today, said that President Hoover's suggestion that a congressional committee be named to study consolidation of enforcement agencies had not been acted upon.

Limit Ports of Entry

He said that as soon as the committee is named the treasury will submit a plan for a unified border patrol which would require the consent of Canada because it will provide for limitation of the number of ports of entry to this country. In addition to limiting the ports of entry the plan, he said, will provide for an intensive border patrol under direction of the coast guard to prevent smuggling.

At present, the under secretary added, a person coming from Canada may enter this country anywhere along the border, but must report his entrance at the nearest port. This requires, he said, a patrol to work ten or fifteen miles inside the border. Under the new plan if approved by congress and Canada the patrol would work along th exact border and prevent entry anywhere except at points designated.

Senators Make Demands

The Mills announcement came at a time when prohibition has been brought to the fore in the capital by an attack on enforcement personnel by Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, and demands made by other senators for a report on its prohibition study by the Hoover law enforcement commission.

MANY DIE IN CALIFORNIA CAR WRECKS

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ately, the bullets hitting Arnold and Morton who were bystanders.

EDUCATORS GATHERING IN PORTLAND

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If the schools of Oregon were organized on the county unit plan, or in large consolidations and if the state would provide funds with which to make possible a uniform system of schools, and if the state department of education could be built up to an efficient level, education would go forward with leaps and bounds in Oregon, George Willard Frasier, president of the Colorado State Teachers college, Greeley, Colo., told delegates to the Oregon State Teachers association here today.

Considers Two States

Frasier spoke on "Advantages of Large Units of Educational Administration," and delved in the past, present and future of modern educational systems, both in Denver, Colorado and Oregon.

"If Oregon is to have a uniform and general system of common schools," he said," it must do some administrative reorganization. In the first place it must establish a non-political state department of education with a commissioner of education as its executive head.

"He should be the best school man that the state board of education can find in or out of Oregon," the speaker continued. "He should be the educational leader of the state and should have an able corps of expert assistants who would adequately supervise the educational activities of the state. The present salary of $4,000 is less than half what the educational leader of your state should receive.

Criticizes Salary

"Why does the state of Oregon pay its highway engineer $7,200 and its budget director $6,000 when it pays its state superintendent of schools only $4,000?" Frasier asked.

The speaker said that perhaps the budgets and the roads are more important than education in the eyes of the Oregon legislators.

RUSSIAN FLIERS WILL AID SEARCH

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son had heard from traders and natives that the plane was heard circling overhead for a long time as if seeking a place to land. Crosson did not say where the place was, but this information will be obtained later and an intensive search made over the area. The Canadian planes will be flown by Captain T. M. "Pat" Reid, chief pilot, and R. W. Broatch and Gifford Swartman, associate pilots.

SON OF OFFICER SHOT TO DEATH

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the names of the coast guardsmen connected with last night's tragedy.

Commander W. M. Rasmussen, of the coast guard, said that the Dodge was sighted by coast guardsmen at 4:40 p. m. off Erie Beach, Ont. At the same time, he said, four other men were seen bringing a small boat down over the ice in the Niagara opposite the foot of Genesee street, Buffalo. The officer in charge of the Buffalo station, the commander said, immediately dispatched the CG-2245 to the harbor entrance to await the coming of the supposed rum boat, later identified as the Dodge, into the harbor.

The Dodge, Rasmussen said, was cruising without lights. The coast guard craft hailed her, but she failed to heave to. After the usual required signals were given, one of the men aboard the government craft fired at the motor boat, the commander explained.

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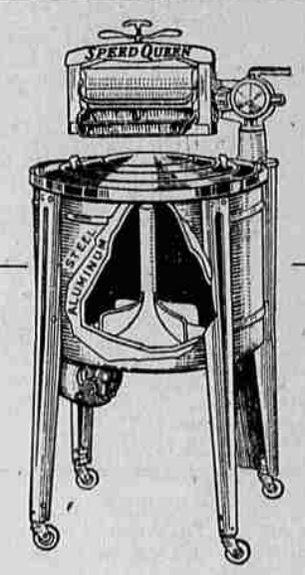

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