

Local News In Brief

Critically Ill— Jerry Hopkins of La Grande, who left here some time ago for Oregon, is critically ill and relatives fear that he will not survive. It was learned here today. Mr. Hopkins has been ill for many months. He had planned to come home for the Christmas holidays but was not able to make the trip, and his condition became critical a few days ago. His sister, Miss Esther Hopkins, left for Illinois last night to be with him.

Willows Out— Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hunter returned from Lewiston, Idaho, yesterday. Mr. Hunter reported that the pussy willows were out and the leaves were about a half inch long. He is expecting to leave shortly for South America.

Here from Salt Lake City— Mrs. W. M. Hale and son Billy and Mrs. J. W. Nibley and son Billy are here from Salt Lake City, Utah, where they were visiting with Mrs. Dave B. Stoddard and Mrs. Elmo Clegg. They arrived Saturday and expect to be here until after New Year's.

Family Returned— John Arkell drove to Pendleton yesterday and brought back his family who have been visiting there during the holidays. The children started to school today.

Daughter— Axel Colt, of Summerville, spent Christmas with his daughters Mrs. J. J. Goss and Miss Arleta Colt. Arleta makes her home with Mrs. Goss.

Portland— Miss May Colt went to Portland for the holidays to be with her brother Brook Colt and family.

House Entered— According to the police, a burglar entered a home at 1601 Sixth street last night and escaped with a woman's purse and a flashlight. Entrance was through a window, which the intruder broke.

Six Weeks' Visit— H. Telle, of Ogden, is leaving in the morning for home, after a six weeks' visit at the home of his son, Dr. F. L. Telle.

From Baker— Gilman Ryder, Bill Dattison and Dan Tarley, from Baker, were in La Grande Sunday visiting friends.

At the Hotel— Among those registered at local hotels are: R. W. Baker, Home; A. W. Hornum, Yakima; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tompkins, Corvallis; Gilbert Parker, Baker and Clarence R. Chandler, Pasco.

Went to Portland— Lowell Williamson, local realtor, went to Portland Saturday on business.

Here Saturday— Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Miller, of Enterprise, were business visitors in La Grande Saturday. They drove to this city.

Spent the Day— Ed Crossen, roofer from Baker, spent Saturday in La Grande on business.

Baby Son Born— An eight and a half pound baby son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Towle, of Cove, Dec. 29, at the Wunderlick hospital.

Weekend Guests— Griffith Williams, of The Dalles, and John Paul Jones, of Cody, Wyo., were weekend guests at the home of R. Seltz home. They are

ASK RECEIVER FOR STUTZ COMPANY

Petition in Involuntary Bankruptcy Filed in Indianapolis Today.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 30 (AP)—A petition in involuntary bankruptcy was filed today in federal court here against the Stutz Motor Car Company of America by three Indianapolis creditors, for claims aggregating \$2,175,98.

In addition to the petition filed in federal court a suit asking appointment of a receiver was filed in the Marion county superior court by the Standard Automotive Parts company, a Michigan corporation. This company alleged that it has a claim of \$753,12 against the Stutz company.

Col. E. S. Gorrell, president of the Stutz company, was out of the city today and in his absence other officials declined to comment on the bankruptcy petition. Col. Gorrell has been president of the company since the retirement early last year of Frederick E. Moskovic.

Stutz common stock has been declining on the New York curb exchange almost steadily since it reached \$34, the year's high, in May. The October - November crash carried it down from \$12 a share to \$2.50, which figure was reached early this month. During the past few years, Stutz's earnings have improved, nothing was earned on the common stock from 1921 to 1925, inclusive, but \$1.56 per share was earned in 1926, 84 cents per share in 1927, and \$1.05 in 1928. Early this year, the company brought out a medium priced car in addition to its regular high priced models. Large increases in business were reported for October, when orders were 31 per cent above any previous October, and retail deliveries 52 per cent higher.

Sensation in 1920— Stutz stock was one of the sensations of Wall street in 1920 the year of the famous "Stutz corner," in connection with which Allan A. Ryan, son of the late Thomas Fortune Ryan, was expelled from membership in the New York stock exchange. The elder Ryan's disapproval of the Stutz corner was believed to have been one of the major causes of the young Ryan's disinheritance.

The stock rose from \$70 to \$391 a share before the exchange suspended trading and began the investigation which resulted in Ryan's expulsion. Ryan and his associates were said to have made shorts pay \$55,125 a share for the stock. It later sold as high as \$724 a share on the curb market. In 1924, however, it dropped to \$19.50 and continued downward until 1924 when it touched \$4.62.

There are now outstanding nearly 300,000 shares of an authorized capital of 400,000 shares. Funded debt totals \$689,000. The company's last balance sheet, as of October 31, 1928, shows total assets of \$6,342,165, current assets amounting to more than one-third of the total.

Drama Tourney To Be In April

EUGENE, Ore. (AP)—The fourth annual high school drama tourney will be held on the University of Oregon campus April 3, 4 and 5, according to announcement of Mrs. Ottilie Soybolt, director of dramatics at the university, who is in charge of the tournament.

The first ten high schools of the state applying for entrance will come to the campus to compete with one act plays of their own selection. The registration fee and the name of the play must be sent to the committee in charge by February 15 in order for the applying school to be eligible for admission.

The length of each play is limited to a 25 minute presentation in order that a number may be given each evening of the tourney. Milwaukee Union high school received the Guild theater cup last year for the best presentation in the tournament. Eugene was awarded first honorable mention and Henley high of Klamath county was second. Other schools winning former tournaments are: Eugene, Mill City, Roseburg, Milwaukie and Jefferson high of Portland.

INTEREST KEEN IN COMING GAME

Packed Stadium Assured for Pasadena Contest on New Year's Day.

By the Associated Press
Football will breathe its last with four big games on New Year's day. The University of Pittsburgh, unbeaten and untied, clashes with Southern California in the Rose Bowl game at Pasadena.

A picked eastern team battles an all-star western aggregation in the annual Shriners' charity game at San Francisco.

At Dallas, picked teams from the mid-west and the southwest will battle for supremacy.

The northern and southern divisions of the southern conference will meet in still another game at Atlanta, Ga.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 29 (AP)—The University of Pittsburgh's powerful Panthers, undefeated and rated one of the outstanding football machines in 1929, will come to the end of their westward journey today and will immediately launch a two-day campaign to become acclimated for the New Year's day classic in the Pasadena Rose Bowl with the Trojans from the University of Southern California.

A stiff practice on Pasadena turf is in store for the Pitt boys today and tomorrow, according to plans announced by Coach Jack Sutherland. The Pitt mentor puts his men through signal drill, dummy scrimmage and work on Trojan formations during a train stop at Tucson, Ariz., yesterday, and reports indicate that the hot Arizona sun had no effect on Panther speed. Coach Sutherland said the Tucson practice was the most satisfactory en route as inclement weather hampered attempts further east.

Coach Howard Jones will put his Trojans through a workout on their own field today, and plans to send the boys into a final practice in the Pasadena bowl tomorrow.

All seats in the bowl were placed on sale, and more than 7,000 fans were scheduled to witness the New Year's day event. It will be the first Rose classic played before a packed stadium.

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Wheat Nervous And Lower Today

CHICAGO, Dec. 30 (AP)—Year end readjustment of accounts led to moderate downturns in wheat values today. Word that actual new export business in wheat from North America was relatively small intended also to handicap friends of higher prices. Opening unchanged to 1/2 up, wheat afterward underwent a general sag, but displayed considerable power to rally. Corn, oats and provisions were likewise easy, with corn starting at 1/4 decline to 3/4 advance, and subsequently showing a pronounced drop for December.

Wheat closed nervous, 1/4 to 3/4 down, oats 1/2 to 3/4 off, and provisions unchanged to a setback of 10c.

Close Firm After Early Irregularity

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP)—Extensive year end readjustment of speculative accounts brought about an irregular price movement in today's stock market. Prices headed upward at the opening but turned heavy around midday when fresh selling broke out in the copper, rubber and merchandising issues. This was the last day in which stocks could be sold the regular way for the purpose of establishing income tax losses, and it was apparent that much of the day's selling was for that reason. The close was firm. Sales approximated 2,769,000 shares.

China Will Start Action on Jan. 4

NANKING, China, Dec. 30 (AP)—C. T. Wang, nationalist foreign minister, in a statement today said that the process of abolishing extraterritoriality would begin on January 4 but that China was "prepared to consider and discuss with reasonable times representations made with reference to the plan under preparation at Nanking."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—State department officials today reiterated their belief that the privileges of Americans in China would not be affected by the order issued by the Nanking government for the abolishment of extra-territoriality privileges for foreigners.

SCHOOLS OF CITY REOPEN FOR WINTER

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President H. E. Inlow stated during the last assembly of last quarter, that no steps had been taken to meet the failure of students to be on hand Thursday, but if it were necessary, such steps would be taken as to insure proper registration and beginning of the winter quarter.

Basketball to Begin
In connection with the opening of the schools, basketball will get under way in the near future. The La Grande high school team is scheduled to play Enterprise here Saturday and the Normal school quintet, under Coach Bob Quinn, will swing into its schedule in the near future. The complete E. O. N. schedule has not been announced as yet.

EUGENE HIGH TO STAY WITH ASSOCIATION

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 30 (AP)—Eugene high school football fans were indignant today over the ruling of the state high school athletic association that only full time teachers may coach football teams at schools which are members of the association.

Expectations are, however, that Charles (Shy) Huntington, former University of Oregon star and later head coach at the university, will be retained as coach of the Eugene high school next year.

Huntington has a teacher's certificate and probably will be employed as a full time teacher in connection with the athletic association's ruling. The feeling here indicated that Eugene had been legislated against, but the probability is that the school would not withdraw from the association.

Society News

Miss Ding Honor Guest at Weekend Social Affairs

Miss Mae L. Ding of Fochow, China and a student at O. S. C., who is a house guest of Miss Mabel Morton and Miss Alice Kippel during the holidays, was the honored guest at many delightful events during the weekend.

Saturday evening the Girls Missionary society of the First Methodist church entertained in Miss Ding's honor at the home of Anna Gaither with Dorothy Rhine and Natalie Ebert, as assistant hostesses, with 20 in attendance. Interesting games were enjoyed and Miss Ding was awarded first prize. She talked to them of China, and at the girls' request explained about foot binding, illustrating with a miniature shoe, which was presented to Bernetta Peterson. A lovely handkerchief shower complimented Miss Ding. A dainty two-course luncheon was served.

Yesterday morning Miss Ding was the guest of honor at a breakfast given by Miss Mae Stearns and Miss Mabel Doty. She was entertained at tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Tyler.

This noon the Methodist girls who are home for the holidays are entertaining with a luncheon at the Sacajawea Inn for Miss Ding, and this evening a potluck supper given by members of the Ida Belle Lewis circle will take place at the R. E. Tyler home, honoring Miss Ding.

Ugo-Igo Club In Enjoyable Meeting

Members of the Ugo-Igo club spent a pleasant evening Friday at the home of Mrs. L. M. Hoyt. Honors for high score were won by Mrs. Nate Zweifel, and consolation was presented to Mrs. J. E. Reynolds.

Attractive decorations were in a theme of Christmas, and dainty refreshments were served. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Reynolds, at 1508 Second street, January 10.

First Ward M. I. A. To Dance Friday

A jolly dance took place last Friday evening at the L. D. B. recreational hall in the small ballroom when the First Ward M. I. A. members under the chairmanship of Jeff Bean were hosts and hostesses. A large crowd attended and the dance was such a success, that another will be held this Friday. The Second Ward orchestra played for the dancers.

Announcements

A special meeting of the Supreme Forest Woodman circle which has been called for Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 31 for the purpose of election and installation of officers for the year, will be held at 1106 H. avenue. All members are requested to be present.

Members of the Ida Belle Lewis Circle of the Methodist church are urged to remember the potluck supper this evening at the home of Mrs. H. E. Tyler on First avenue. There are letters from Dr. Lewis and also Christmas gifts for each one, which she recently sent.

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Lodges, Churches Plan Watch Parties

At the recent meeting of the joint committee of the Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Richardson on Penn avenue it was decided to have dances the second and fourth Saturday of each month. Due to conflicting events, the first dance of this month will not be held until January 25, when the theme of the event will be hard frosts.

This committee is also arranging for the dance, entertainment and refreshments tomorrow in the I. O. O. F. hall for members of both lodges, in La Grande and in the valley.

Lodges Planning Dancing Parties

Many lodges and churches in La Grande are planning watch parties for their members on New Year's eve, and of special importance in the New Year's midnight matinee, which the public will attend. Besides these large affairs smaller groups are meeting in the homes of friends for the festive occasion. Everyone young and old has something to go New Year's eve and wait for the birth of 1929—if it is only to bed for the very youngest. There are only two days to go, and they will pass quickly, perhaps it will be a sleepy world, January first.

PLAN TO TEST ALL HERDS AT HOOD RIVER

HOOD RIVER, Ore. (AP)—Plans are under way for making Hood River county the first in Oregon to have 100 per cent of the northward to have 100 per cent of its dairy cows tested for both tuberculosis and contagious abortion. A complete test for both diseases is in progress at the present time under the leadership of A. J. Marble, county agent.

The November report of this work showed that 1667 cattle had been tested for tuberculosis with only 14 reactors. A total of 465 herds of 1255 cattle had been given the abortion test with 279 herds and 1730 cattle given a clean state. Insurers, bankers, creamerymen, the county court and the federal bureau of animal husbandry are cooperating in the movement.

BRITISH RULE OVER INDIA IS ATTACKED

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represent India," nine-tenths of the population of which are illiterates who do not care a fig for politics."

LINDY IN OHIO

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 30 (AP)—Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh arrived at Port Columbus just before noon today from Detroit after a flight of an hour and 45 minutes on the first hop of an inspection trip over the Transcontinental Air Transport line.

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Elks Dance To Be Given January 7

The last few months of this year, members of the Elks' lodge who enjoy dancing, have attended three

Petition Against Sheepmen Fought

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP)— Reports of the circulation a petition in the Wenatchee district aimed against the activity of sheepmen in the national forest is looked upon with disfavor by sheepmen in the Yakima and Ellensburg districts. J. F. Sears, manager of the Wool Growers' Service corporation said.

The Wenatchee petitioners believe that sheep grazing materially depreciates the value of the national forest lands as hunting grounds and for the conservation of watersheds. The petition asks for federal action in the reduction of grazing rights.

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