

LOCAL BRIEFS

Checker Exports Busy

The checker tournament which has been causing much interest among local rivals is under way now. Mr. Cooper is in the lead with 14 games won and 10 lost. Floyd Baxter comes next with eight games won and 10 lost. Snyder is next with seven games won and seven lost. Otis Veal has won six games and lost six games. E. E. Harley won five and lost one. Bud Beard won four and lost eight. Brock won one game and lost five. Loren Carver, Mr. Newman and Mr. Poston have not as yet played any games. H. W. Smith is a new contestant in the tournament.

Program Held

An interesting program was presented Sunday night by the M. L. A. of the first and second wards of the L. D. S. at the Mt. Glen church. The program was presented by Nephthys, Mrs. Helen M. Geddes, and a vocal number, an interesting account of the life of Willard Woodruff was told by Lehl Wright. Miss Barbara Hiatt presented a vocal solo, and a piano selection was played by Mrs. Nephthys.

Traffic Accident

Driven by C. E. Kipp, of Caldwell, Ida., and William Zirkovich, of La Grande, two cars collided at 12:35 p. m. yesterday at 1st and Jefferson. The character of the movement was "snow and ice" and in his report to the police, Mr. Kipp said the accident was unavoidable.

Omission

The names of Mrs. Olson, inner sentinel, and Flossie Engle, outer sentinel, officers of the Supreme Forest Woodman circle were omitted through an error when given to The Observer in a recent copy of the installation.

Elks Dance Tonight

The committee in charge of the Elks dance, to be given this evening as the first of the new year's series, announces that a Spanish dance by two "senioritas" will be one of the features of the event. Much interest has been shown in the dance and a large attendance is anticipated.

Funeral Tomorrow

Funeral services for the Rev. William Baird will be held at Baker tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, according to word received here today.

Evangelistic Meeting

J. J. Gillespie, of Salem, is here today and this evening will conduct an evangelistic meeting in the church of God, at N. and Spruce. His subject will be "God's Remedy for Sin." The public is invited.

Returned to the Dalles

Mrs. C. A. Bredie returned to the Dalles after visiting here with her daughter, Miss Mary Gould Parsons, for a week.

Return in a Few Days

Sherwood Williams, who went to Portland last weekend on a business trip, is expected to return in a few days.

Visiting Here

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Roby, of Portland, are visiting at the M. M. Hunt home for several days. Mr. Roby is a former manager of the J. C. Penney store at Eugene, where Mr. Hunt was employed.

From Hot Lake

M. M. Hunt who has been ill for some time, was removed to his home from Hot Lake yesterday.

Enjoyable Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Hildebrand have returned home from Washington and British Columbia, where they spent the holidays visiting with relatives and friends. They report a most enjoyable trip.

Fire Dies

The fire school was called to the Greenwood school at 7:45 o'clock this morning because of a fire fire. There was no damage.

Making Preparations

The La Grande lodge of Masons is making preliminary arrangements for a county meeting to be

At the Hotels

E. F. Tobin, Seattle; Fred Hull, Baker; J. H. Smith, Walla Walla; C. W. Todd, Sunnyside; J. C. Hatfield, Walla Walla; L. A. Grunk, Walla Walla; Ed Johnson, Portland; R. W. Leonard, Walla Walla; John Starr, Spokane; E. H. Sutherland, Baker; B. H. Keller, Portland; Henry Lloyd, Milton; J. Meyer, Seattle; William Dixon, Portland; Jack K. Hanks, Portland; V. Paun, Boise; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stearns, Portland; A. B. White, Pendleton; W. R. Harms, Boise; R. H. Beauchamps, Omaha; J. C. Smith, Portland; C. P. Ragsdale, Baker; H. P. Miller, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Ross, Portland; Carl Rodgers, Portland are among registrants at local hotels.

Called by Illness

Harry French has been called to Kansas City, Mo., by the sudden death of his brother Charles, who was killed in an accident. He was expected to arrive at his destination yesterday. While there he intends to visit relatives and will probably be gone about three weeks. Mr. French's home was in Missouri until he came west about ten years ago.

Returned to Herndon

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Prindle, of Herndon, who have spent the holidays visiting at the N. H. Morrison home, returned home last night on No. 23. Mrs. Morrison and Mrs. Prindle are sisters.

To Move Here

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Moore, of Portland, spent the day in La Grande yesterday in preparation to their moving here about the fifteenth of this month to make their home at the Grande Bonde apartments. They returned home last night. Mr. Moore expects to take the place of Mr. Jones, storekeeper for the O-W.

Visited Here

Earl Zeck and family, of Bend, who visited at the F. G. Craig home over New Year's left yesterday morning on their way home. Mr. Zeck is a brother of Mrs. Craig.

Here Yesterday

Mrs. F. Marie Endburg, of Baker, spent yesterday as the guest of Mrs. Peter Hedgren and Mrs. Edward Streiff.

Returned Home

Miss Mildred Hiatt, who has been visiting her cousin, Edna Hiatt, since New Year's eve, has returned to her home in Baker.

On Business

E. E. Crossen and M. K. Bue, of Baker, were business visitors in La Grande yesterday.

Spent the Day

Mrs. J. M. Casey and daughter Florence from Metolam spent the

day in La Grande Monday on business.

From Paradise

Mrs. O. E. Bodmer, of Paradise, spent yesterday in La Grande, before continuing her way to Phoenix to visit her father and brother. She drove from Paradise to La Grande yesterday. Mrs. Bodmer expects to be gone about two months.

Vacation Trip

Melen Dahlvang left recently on her way to Kansas City and way-side points, expecting to be gone until the first of February. She intends to spend most of her vacation in Denver and vicinity.

To Attend Denver Meet

S. E. Johnson, of Union, and Ernest Miller, of Wallawa, were among five delegates named at a meeting of the Cattle and Horse Raisers association at Baker yesterday, to attend the meeting of the American Livestock association in Denver Jan. 15-17.

Leaves Hospital

Mrs. J. L. Hawes and young son, of Metolam, left the Wonderlich hospital yesterday to spend a few weeks with her mother at 1507 W. avenue, after which they will return to their home.

Expected Home

Miss Vera Beatty, University of Washington graduate in business administration, is expected home this evening.

Returned Home

C. R. Dodge and Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Smith, of Pomeroy, Wash., who visited Mr. and Mrs. June Stalcup for several days, have returned home. Mr. Dodge and Mrs. Smith are Mrs. Stalcup's father and sister.

Arrived This Morning

J. E. Hoodenpile, of Pendleton, arrived this morning on business.

Marriage Situation In Baker Improves

BAKER, Ore. (AP)—The matrimonial situation in Baker county was considerably improved in 1929 over 1928, according to figures released by the county clerk's office. In 1929 there were 170 marriage licenses issued and 63 divorce suits filed. Of the 63 suits filed, 57 resulted in decrees being issued. In 1928 there were 175 marriage licenses issued, 163 divorces granted and 88 divorce decrees filed.

FIRE LOSSES LISTED

EUGENE, Ore. (AP)—Fire losses in Eugene for the year 1929 were \$52,230, according to W. E. Nibbaum, fire chief. Insurance totaling \$45,075 was collected on fires from October and November went without fire loss.

A. G. RUSHLIGHT DIES

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 7 (AP)—A. G. Rushlight, former mayor of Portland, and state legislator, who suffered a heart attack while attending the funeral of the late Governor L. L. Patterson at Salem, died yesterday.

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average price for 1929 of 43 cents a pound, making a total of \$786,412.80.

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