

# LOCAL BRIEFS

**Elect Delegates**—Four delegates to the grand lodge of Odd Fellows of Oregon meeting in Portland, April 25 were elected last night at the meeting of the Odd Fellows lodge with about 45 in attendance. The delegates are James Moss, F. E. Piper, W. G. Frizer and John Winn.

**From Pendleton**—Mrs. O. W. Huey and grandson from Pendleton arrived in La Grande yesterday and visited last night with Mrs. Perry. Today they are at the S. G. Coleman home and are returning to Pendleton this afternoon.

**Improving**—H. W. McCrary, who has been a patient at the St. Vincent's hospital in Portland for the past four weeks following an operation, returned to La Grande yesterday morning and is visiting here with his father, C. A. McCrary.

**Leaving Tonight**—Miss Jean Williams, student at the University of Oregon, and Miss Dorothy Brown, of the University of Washington, are leaving tonight returning to school for the spring term after spending the vacation here with their parents and friends.

**At Home**—Mrs. Anna Earhart, who recently underwent an operation for the removal of her appendix at the Grande hospital, has been removed to her home where she is improving. Her daughter, Mrs. H. L. Hilliard, of Long Beach, Cal., is with her and will be here for several weeks.

**Return Tomorrow**—Miss Lois Nelson, Miss Betty Barnes, Kenneth Siegrist, Lawrence Ray and Eddie Wells are leaving in the morning, driving to Eugene where they are students at the University. Miss Barnes has been a guest at the Herman Siegrist home and Mr. Wells at the H. M. Bay home during the vacation.

**Recovering**—Mrs. D. A. Deans is recovering from an attack of the flu.

**At Hot Lake**—Mrs. M. M. Paris, who has been at Hot Lake this week, is improving after a tonsil operation and expects to be home soon.

**Return Home**—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parker left for Lewiston, Ida., this morning after spending several days in La Grande, their former home.

**Returned to Boise**—Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Ward, of Boise, returned to their home this morning after visiting in Enterprise.

**Spent Day in Portland**—Mrs. L. W. Shirley and daughter Barbara returned this morning on No. 24 after spending yesterday in Portland on business.

**From Cove**—Charles Dollans, of Cove, was a business visitor in La Grande this morning.

**From Union**—Mrs. C. E. Hess, of Union, was a La Grande visitor this morning.

**Day Clerk**—O. J. Williams started work today as day clerk at the La Grande hotel. Jeff Benn, who has been at the desk during the day, is working as night clerk now.

**Assault and Battery**—James Jackson was found guilty yesterday of assault and battery and was fined \$30 and costs at the justice of peace court with L. Debnan in charge.

**Recovering**—Mrs. Low-H Williamson, who has been ill since last November, is able to be in a wheel chair for short time each day and is slowly improving.

**La Grande Visitor**—G. F. Hall and Tex Knight, of Union, were callers in La Grande on business this morning.

**On Business**—The Conklin, of Inbder, was in La Grande this morning on business. Another visitor from the valley this morning was Homer Littleton, of Alice.

**Baby Daughter**—Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Gardner are the parents of a baby girl weighing nine and three-fourths pounds, born yesterday at 802 N. avenue.

**Tonsil Operation**—Mrs. Ray Palmer underwent a tonsil operation this morning.

**Quarter Year License**—Today was the first day quarter year licenses for 1930 were issued at the sheriff's office. Up to noon 80 applications had been made.

**Anniversary Meeting**—Company E, 388th Infantry will observe its sixth anniversary Monday night with a banquet at the Snowflake Inn at 7:30 o'clock with the members attending in their new uniforms. Following the banquet, the company will go to the armory to stand muster and company inspection and stage a demonstration for visitors. Any former members of the company may attend the banquet by making reservations before Monday noon.

**At the Hotel**—The following are registered at local hotels: R. A. Wilson, Portland; E. H. Russell, Portland; R. E. Groh, Boise; F. J. Hayes, Portland; A. C. Bariman, Portland; F. W. Harrison, Portland; Miss June Mann, Portland; Mrs. Shealy, Boise; E. C. Newman, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. K. Kelson,

**NEW COMETS ARE FOUND BY GAZER**  
above might be reached during the afternoon.  
A breeze, combined with the warm sun, was rapidly drying the ground over the Grande Ronde valley.

**Cow Pasture Astronomer Locates Two New Heavenly Wanderers.**  
DELPHOS, O. (AP)—From a home-made observatory on his father's farm, Leslie C. Pelletier, aged 29, has discovered two comets. Astronomers have verified both and named them after him. They are Pelletier's comets, number 1 and 2.  
Pelletier began studying astronomy while lying in the grass of this same cow pasture as a boy. He learned it from books by himself, as his school education ended in high school. Five years ago Princeton university, impressed by his ability, loaned him a telescope.  
Pelletier makes his living working in the stock department of a motor shop near Delphos. He lives on the farm.  
He has written articles on astronomy that appear in technical publications and scientific scholars have visited him.  
His last comet is tailless, although it may develop one when it approaches closely enough to the sun. Prof. George Van Biesbroeck of Chicago, after observing Pelletier's latest comet through the great telescope of Yerkes observatory, informed the scientific world the youth had made another important contribution to astronomy.

**Perry Teacher Resigns So As To Enter E. O. N.**  
Mrs. Mary B. Kall (Observer Correspondent)  
PERRY (Special)—Mrs. Mary B. Kall has resigned her position as teacher of the Perry school, a position she has held for the past five years. Mrs. Kall doesn't expect to teach next year but will enter the Eastern Oregon Normal school next September and continue in school until March, at which time she expects to graduate.  
Joe Walmer, who has been visiting his sister Mrs. Ole Matheson for a couple of months, departed for his home one day last week. Mr. Walmer's home is in California.  
Mrs. Thomas Haskins of Fox Hill was a Perry visitor last Tuesday. She formerly lived at Perry.  
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pierson and family were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louie Evans in town.  
The Misses Clara Carlson and Ada Sinclair recently visited Mrs. Stephen Proctor.  
Ed Marony is employed on the grading crew of the state highway near here. Mr. Maroney formerly lived at Cove.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ole Matheson were business visitors in town last Thursday.  
Mrs. A. P. Ingram accompanied by her son and daughter made a trip to town the first of the week.  
The nature study class of the Perry school and the teacher took a hike Wednesday afternoon and gathered several interesting specimens of plant life and all had interesting facts to write about in their nature study composition the next day.  
The crusher located just west of Perry bridge began operations again the first of the week after being shut down since the holidays. C. Seitz and a crew of men are resurfacing the road east of Perry.  
Mrs. Molly Braden and friend were shopping in town on Friday afternoon.

**Results of Absence**  
Absence extinguishes small passions and increases great ones, as the wind will blow out a candle and blow in a fire.—La Rochefoucauld.

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**Freak Pig Born At The Park, Ore.**  
By Elva Vanorder (Observer Correspondent)  
THE PARK (Special)—Lee Wilson of Medical Spring has among a litter of purchased Jersey hogs, one which has three legs. Its two front legs are like any normal hog but it has only one back leg. The animal is two weeks old and seems to be getting along all right.  
Gust C. Berg visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bryant Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Bryant now live on the Leon Brown ranch.  
Mrs. Frank L. Wigglesworth and daughters, Norma and Edith visited Mrs. Wigglesworth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. VanOrder this week.  
James E. Smith who has recently moved to the A. J. Vandevanter ranch motored to Pendons Thursday.  
Mrs. Kenneth Vanorder visited Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wanker and family.

**Packrat Causes Blaze At Bend**  
BEND, Ore., Mar. 29 (AP)—A packrat gnawing on matches it had carried into a nest in the storeroom of a grocery store caused a fire which damaged the store here yesterday. After the flames had subsided, firemen found the rat burned to death in its nest with blackened matches nearby.

**SPECTACULAR MILL FIRE**  
SACRAMENTO, Cal., Mar. 28 (AP)—The mill of the California State Rice Milling company and two adjoining warehouses filled with rice, were completely destroyed in a spectacular early morning blaze today.  
The estimated loss is \$600,000. The origin of the fire is shrouded in mystery.

**Curbing Mob Spirit**  
The expression "rent the riot act" means to warn or reprimand. As early as 1715 England had a statute for preventing tumultuous and riotous assemblies. The act provided that in case of 12 persons or more unlawfully assembling and disturbing the peace, an officer could make proclamation of the general provisions of the riot act and call upon them to disperse. If they failed to obey, they were guilty of felony.

**Pantomimes Ancient**  
The first pantomime produced in England was at Denry Lane in 1702. It was called "The Tavern Builders." It was not until 1723, however, that the noted harlequin, John Rich, established the Christmas pantomime. This form of entertainment had long been popular, having been at its height in Rome in the time of Nero. Pantomime still has thousands of devotees throughout the world.

**HOOVER TO OPEN COLUMBIA BRIDGE**  
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Vice president of the Bethlehem Steel company, builders of the structure. Governor Alfred W. Norblad of Oregon, with Governor Young, of California, and Governor Baldrige of Idaho, will head toward Washington.  
High school girls of Kelso, Longview and Rainier, Ore., will release carrier pigeons with messages for President Hoover.

**SEEKS HEART BALM PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 29 (AP)**  
—A. B. Smith, Portland engineer, filed suit yesterday in circuit court asking damages of \$125,000 from Samuel H. Cobb, Portland lumberman, claiming that Cobb alienated the affections of Goldie Bezell Smith.

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wholehearted assistance we can in the matter of office, records, files, date. On the fifth of March the commission had no engineers which could render any service or be of any assistance in making this valuation.  
"You have stated that the public service commission was not expected to perform that service for private engineers; hence there can be no misunderstanding between us on that point."

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The Junior baseball program of the American Legion is starting. Plans are to organize about eight teams sponsored by individuals and firms. These teams will compete in a series of games, and from them boys will be selected to represent La Grande in the district tournament. The Northwest tournament will be held in Baker during the convention with teams from Oregon, Idaho, Washington and Montana entered. The winning team of the United States will receive tickets to the world series.

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