

L. E. Schroll, of Joseph, Passes Away on Friday

By Mrs. Maida Stevenson (Observer Correspondent)

JOSEPH (Special).—L. E. Schroll, who lived until recently on a farm east of Joseph, passed away Friday at 10:30 a. m. Mr. Schroll had been ill during the winter but his friends did not know that he was so seriously ill until the word came of his passing. A number of friends attended the funeral held at Enterprise Sunday.

Edward Eben went to La Grande Friday to meet his son, Maurice, who was on his way to Portland from Ontario where he had been on business. Mr. Eben returned on the evening stage.

C. R. Patten is able to be out after being ill for a week of the flu.

Harry May came out from Lower Imbaba Thursday and is spending a few days at home. Mr. May has been working for Harry Schroll, Paul Putnam and Maida Caldwell spent Sunday at Joseph creek fishing. They drove to the lookout on the Flona highway and walked down the canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kiel have moved from Loeing into the Emma Muller house on Lake street. Mrs. Kiel was from Davis.

Rev. Hall K. Wallis, pastor of the Methodist church at Enterprise, held services here Sunday morning. Mr. Smith, the pastor, is sick at the home. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davidson, formerly of Joseph, but now of Weiser, came in last week to attend to business and visit friends. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Neenan and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cameron Friday and Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Davidson like it in Idaho and plan to locate there.

Wald Chuse and Nud Day are home for the summer. These men spend their winters in Capitol City, Cal., and the summers in Wallawall county.

Friday evening, Mrs. Alex Gillespie had been to one of the neighbors and returning home about 8:30, noticed a car standing in the alley without lights. She saw a man get out and upon investigation found it to be their car. They had left their car in their garage and the front door securely fastened but entrance had been gained through the back door. If Mrs. Gillespie had been a few moments later, the thieves probably would have made a safe get-away with the car.

Mrs. B. E. Smutz and little daughter are at Hot Lake visiting Mr. Smutz, who is a patient there.

On Thursday afternoon the Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. D. McCully, with Mrs. McCully, Mrs. Fred McClain, Mrs. Alex Gillespie, Mrs. Maida Stevenson as hostesses. A special program will be given and refreshments served.

Mrs. C. P. Ragadeau spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Seary. Saturday afternoon at Community hall, a shower was given for two cent brides. Mrs. M. E. Halsey and Mrs. Bill Ragadeau. Many beautiful and useful presents were received and delicious refreshments were served. Mrs. Neel Scott, Mrs. Jack Wilson and Mrs. Spencer Linder were hostesses.

Mrs. Margaret Sheets is doing nicely and now has her foot in a cast and sits in a wheel chair for a while each day.

Darrell and Lois Gelinger and Kate DeBole were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. McCully Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Alex Gillespie had their guests Sunday for dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilson and sons, Gerald and Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Hamilton, and son, Layton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker, Mrs. Dora Hamilton and Ed Winston and Mrs. Laura Needham.

COVE PERSONALS

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin (Observer Correspondent)

COVE (Special).—Mrs. Amy Valentine has moved to the home where her son, Desmond Pulp, lives. Mrs. Valentine has long been a resident of Cove and will be greatly missed. Her son, Charles DeHann, took her furniture leaving here last Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wells have rented Mrs. Valentine's house and ten acres and already have moved in.

E. B. Fowler, who has been threatened with pneumonia, is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Feldman, of Portland, have been here to attend the funeral of their mother, Mrs. Daniel. Miss Audrey Proctor, a teacher in Missoula, Mont., also was here. Funeral services for Mrs. Daniel were held at the Methodist church Thursday afternoon with Rev. C. E. Calane officiating. Interment was made in the cemetery at Union.

Mrs. Bertech and Mrs. Comstock were hostesses to the Ladies Aid at the Bertech home Friday. After the business meeting, bridge was played at five tables. Mrs. T. R. Conklin winning first prize, Miss Lola Martin second and Mrs. Fletcher, low. The guests were Mrs. R. I. Barker, Mrs. G. Barker, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. T. R. Conklin, Mrs. A. G. Conklin, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. French, Mrs. Goyette, Mrs. Hefly, Miss M. Martin, Mrs. L. Martin, Mrs. Spauth, Mrs. Lincoln, Mrs. Presto, Mrs. Frank Wells, Mrs. Price and Mrs. Laird.

CASE AGAINST KELLER GOES TO THE JURY

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tortious sentences. Attorney Longman previously traced, step by step, the conception, organization and development of the Empire Holding corporation. He denounced all claims of the prosecution that there was a scheme to defraud and that the motives of Keller and his associates and he maintained throughout that the Empire plan did have, and does have, possibility, even probability of success.

WOOL MARKET

BOSTON, Apr. 26 (AP).—The wool market generally was very quiet, but an occasional buyer took a small to moderate quantity of wool for filling in purposes. Graded French combing 64's and finer; territory wools have sold this week at 41-45 scoured basis. Small quantities strictly combing 48-50's fleeces moved occasionally at 29-31 scoured basis.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT
LIVERPOOL, Apr. 26 (AP).—Wheat closed: May 57½; July 60; October 62½. Exchange \$3.64.

SILVER STEADY
NEW YORK, Apr. 26 (AP).—Bar silver steady and unchanged at 28c.

BUTTERFAT
SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 26 (AP).—Butterfat f. o. b. San Francisco 30c.

Surplus Butter And Storage May Change Prices

PORTLAND, Apr. 26 (AP).—Cold storage movement is tending whatever surplus butter is now being offered locally. Increase in the number of storage operators has been somewhat greater than normal. Many who have never before stored are this year operating on account of the extreme low costs.

Demand for butter appears suitable to take care of offerings at prevailing prices. There is some talk of a surplus but this appears chiefly coming from those who are not inclined to look for the favor upon the newer operators in the storage game. Therefore it would not be at all surprising if this element did not force an artificial price change within the immediate future.

General price of butterfat is unchanged and is practically uniform throughout the territory.

General egg market trading continues to reflect steadiness. Demand for case count supplies appear able to absorb offerings and prices are established on a rather firm basis considering the market for graded stock.

Conditions within the live chicken market continues more or less of steady character. Low prices have stimulated consumption with a corresponding increase in the movement.

There is a fairly steady tone in the market for dressed turkeys. A few really worth while hens are coming and selling up to 12c lb. while toms show a spread of 15-18c for the better grades.

Market for country killed spring lambs is inclined to slip a trifle with sales of the better stock generally around 13c although a few late sales have been made to 13½c. Yearlings are around 6-10c. Demand for ewes is good around 4c for best.

Market for country killed calves appears a trifle easy with the bulk of the tops moving 6c and only a limited supply going out at 5½c lb. Hogs are steady with best light blockers 6½c lb.

Market for strawberries shows a steady to stronger tone with higher prices noted in spots. Sales of best Florin stock are reported at \$2.50 but some operators are asking up to \$2.75 for Sacramento 20s. Both of good quality.

Notes of wholesale trading: Hawaiian pineapple are being offered at 15c per crate.

California peas are less plentiful and higher here as well as in the south.

Sharply lower prices being named for lettuce.

California sweet potatoes are about off the market. Southern yams plentiful.

New potatoes are firmer to higher as a result of shorter stocks.

Market is practically bare of cauliflower and prices are of nominal character.

Apparatus market shows greater offerings with prices easier.

U. S. Steel Omits Dividend On Its Common Stock

NEW YORK, Apr. 26 (AP).—The U. S. Steel corporation today omitted a quarterly dividend on its common stock for the first time since 1915. Directors declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 a share on the preferred stock.

Omission of the common dividend had been widely expected because of decreased earnings. When a 50 cent payment was made three months ago as reduced from \$1, the corporation said maintenance of disbursements on the prior shares must depend on a pickup in business.

A brief statement said "In view of the reduced earnings for the quarter, no action was taken on dividends on the common stock."

The corporation paid no dividends on the common in 1904, 1905 and 1916, but in other years since its organization has paid amounts varying from \$1.50 to \$1.75. The peak year was 1917.

STEEL SLUMPS

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 26 (AP).—The first sale of United States steel on the San Francisco curb exchange after announcement of omission of the dividend was 100 shares at 28½. The stock was offered immediately thereafter at 28½, with no takers.

The closing quotation in New York was 28½.

Within a few minutes 200 shares more sold at 28.

MARKET SLUGGISH

NEW YORK, Apr. 26 (AP).—The stock market edged uncertainly higher in another sluggish session today. The market closed with numerous gains of fractions to more than 2 points, with a firm tone. Turnover approximately 500,000 shares.

CHINESE EXPECT TO PROTECT AMOY FROM RED ARMY

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cept of further instructions from their government, Sir Miles W. Lampson, British minister, has completed a new formula through which it is hoped, an agreement settling the Shanghai conflict may be reached.

Both the Chinese and Japanese indicated this proposal would be considered willingly and this resulted in the announcement that the conference would be resumed soon, although no date was announced and the British minister's plan remained a secret.

Sir Miles has been playing the leading role among the nations representatives in seeking to guide the peace parleys to a successful conclusion.

from Arkansas where property damage and injury were reported. Half a dozen Southern Kentucky counties reported damage.

Hail, winds and rain damaged homes and crops in Northern Alabama and sections of Georgia.

FIVE KILLED IN STORM
NASHVILLE, Ga., Apr. 26 (AP).—Five persons were killed today as a tornado wrecked three homes in a farming district seven miles southeast of Nashville.

Earl Averill of the Cleveland Indians announced that he will hit 36 home runs this year.

MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

CHICAGO WHEAT				
	Open	High	Low	Close
May	50½	51	50½	51
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CHICAGO CORN				
	Open	High	Low	Close
May	31½	32	31½	32
July	35	35½	35	35½
Sept.	37½	38	37½	38
Dec.	38½	39	38½	39

Chicken House, Barn at Union Are Destroyed

By Mrs. L. Z. Terrall (Observer Correspondent)

UNION (Special).—A fire that destroyed a barn, chicken house and some old sheds belonging to Clarence Hess early Monday morning, had reached its height before it was discovered by Mrs. Clarence Craver who turned in the fire alarm. Neighbors awakened the family and Mr. Hess fled to the barn before it was discovered by Mrs. Clarence Craver who turned in the fire alarm. Neighbors awakened the family and Mr. Hess fled to the barn before it was discovered by Mrs. Clarence Craver who turned in the fire alarm.

The grounds about the Woman's clubhouse and the Methodist church have been receiving some special attention the past two weeks and will be very attractive when the new shrubbery and trees become well established. Mrs. C. A. Gale and Mrs. Mabel Galt donated the shrubbery to the club grounds and superintended the planting and Mrs. S. E. Miller is responsible for the many perennial plants and shrubbery at the church.

Mrs. K. J. Martin has been ill for the past two weeks.

John Martens went to Walla Walla Friday to attend a convention of coal dealers, returning home on Saturday.

On Friday Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Couch were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Conklin and Miss Laura Hayes, who has been a guest at the Couch home for a couple weeks.

William Kraft and Stein Carlson were down from North Powder Sunday to play a few games of tennis. The courts are very popular this spring as many of the grade children have become interested in playing tennis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kutch, of Milwaukie, Mrs. L. A. Umphrey, of Portland, and Mrs. Ralph Kutch, of Portland, were visitors at the John Miller home last week. Mrs. C. A. Kutch was formerly Lucille Miller.

The grade assembly program last Friday was in charge of Miss Lorna Gemmell. Two readings "Gladness of Spring" by Bernice Gamble and "Gardener" by Lulu Mae Wigglesworth, were given. Several members from the junior orchestra—Mary Hutchinson, Vera Allen, David Baum, Virginia Coughlin and Franklin Terrall—played two selections. Harold Ackley sang a solo and Mary Hutchinson and Virginia Anderson played a piano duet. Not the least interesting part of the program were the two selections contributed by the rhythm band consisting of nearly 40 children from the first grade under the direction of Mrs. Hal Rees. Their numbers were "Rock-a-Bye Baby" and "Silent Night."

Miss Dorothy Crawford, of the home economics department of the High school, spent the weekend in Baker.

A deal was closed this week whereby Miss Maggie Bell takes possession of the property of the late George Gignac. She has been making her home with Miss Georgia Wright for the past few years.

The Hempe property, formerly owned by Rex Gignac, was sold last week to C. H. Fessel, who will fix up the place for a home for his mother. The house on the property was burned a couple of years ago and one of the other buildings will be converted into a dwelling house.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Couper and two children, who had been visiting his mother, Mrs. Ida Couper, in Portland, stopped over night Friday with A. B. Davis on their return to Vernonia, Oregon, where they now make their home.

Mrs. C. W. Woolver, of Sherwood, Ore., is spending a couple of weeks here with her mother, Mrs. Mary Minnick.

Mrs. C. H. Bidwell, of Island City, was a visitor of Mrs. Fannie Bidwell from Thursday until Saturday. The latter left Sunday morning for Portland where she will visit for a week or ten days.

Mrs. Roy Conklin and Miss Laura Hayes motored to Wallawall to spend Sunday with their mother, Roy Jr., took them over.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Moreland left the last of the week for Portland. While here, Mrs. Moreland, formerly Maggie Smith, visited many old friends over the valley.

The Epworth League met at the Woman's clubhouse Saturday evening for a social hour. The evening was spent in games and dancing after which refreshments were served.

The booster boys of the Methodist Sunday school, taught by Mrs. Slide Vaden, enjoyed a hike to the hills Saturday afternoon. They took a lunch and toasted wafers over a campfire. Grace Vaden and Leonard Clark accompanied the class—Estel Posey, Charles Castor, Neil and Bob VanHeusen, James Withycombe, Louis and Clarence Ingram, Ray Connor, Jimmie Decker, Harold Ackley, Vance and Franklin Terrall and Johnny Haynes.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK
CHICAGO, Apr. 26 (AP).—(U. S. D. A.)—Hogs 23,000; active, steady to 10 cents higher, 170-210 lbs. \$3.85 @ \$4.00.

Cattle 7,000; little done; general trade steady; vealers \$5.50 @ \$6.00. Sheep 12,000; very slow, steady to shade lower; clipper \$5.00 @ \$5.75; ewes \$2.00 @ \$2.50.

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