

LOCAL PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. John Williamson of Payette, were Ontario visitors last Wednesday.

After an illness of several weeks Mrs. D. F. Graham is able to be about again.

C. L. Tostevin, district sales manager of the Union Oil company, visited the local agency of his company here Saturday.

Miss Ella Brosnan of Weiser was on Ontario visitor the first of the week.

Tom Brosnan of Weiser stopped in Ontario Saturday enroute to Vale.

William Allen of Juntura came to Ontario Saturday to do some Christmas shopping.

Among those who went from Ontario to attend the meeting of the budget board at Vale Wednesday were: H. C. Boyer, W. H. Doolittle, William Jones, Judge E. H. Test, G. W. Dean, Thomas Claggett, W. E. Lees, R. W. Swagler and E. B. Conklin.

Mrs. Frank Rader returned last Friday from Ellinwood, Kansas, where she spent the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Crouter have rented the Frye residence and will move there the first of the year.

Richard Wheelon of Pocatello was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Rasmussen on Wednesday.

Mr. C. W. Jones arrived Wednesday to spend the holiday season with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Jones and family.

Wearing a steel guard surmounted by adhesive tape over the bridge of his nose, William Lees returned from Whitman college Wednesday evening for the holidays. Bill had the misfortune to have his nose broken twice in as many weeks, once while wrestling and the last time while boxing in the college gym. The last injury is almost well and Bill expects to shed the armour before Christmas.

Paul McCulloch returned last Saturday from Ruby where he is teaching school this winter. Paul started from Ruby Friday with another chap to drive through Friday afternoon but they had engine trouble between Rockville and the top of Poison creek hill, and as the result they spent a cold night in the open hustling sage brush to keep a little fire going. They are none the worse for their experience, however.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Tyler of Bridgeport were in Ontario over the week end for a visit with Mrs. Tyler's son Tom Beam. They left Tuesday for Bridgeport. Mr. and Mrs. Tyler while in the lower valley purchased a ranch near Boise which they take possession of about March 1st.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald McPherson, Dec. 13, a 6 1/4 pound daughter.

MALHEUR COUNTY PREACHERS FORM MINISTERIAL UNION

The ministers of the several churches in Malheur county have organized a county organization known as the Malheur county Ministerial Union. The aim of the organization is to effect the mutual improvement of its members by religious, social, literary and physical culture in the interest of Christian brotherhood and fraternal interests among the different churches.

The officers of the Union elected at a recent meeting are: President A. W. James; vice president A. B. Weaver; Secretary-treasurer, E. E. Martin. The Union meets twice each month. Monday, December 18, a very interesting time was participated in at Vale, the guests of Rev. and Mrs. Weaver. Following a profitable program and social hour those present were given a very fine duch dinner. Rev. Weaver furnished the ducks and Mrs. Weaver knew how to prepare them to satisfy the most dainty pulpit-eers.

January 2, the Union will spend to satisfy the most dainty of the pulpiteers.

The W. C. T. U. will have an evening meeting at the Congregational church on Thursday evening, Dec. 28th. All members are especially urged to be present. The husbands of members and wives of Honary members are cordially invited to attend.

MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE BRIGHT AND HAPPY

This is my Christmas wish and I send it with hope that the day will be bright with the thought of Christ who came to earth and your happiness may be found in Him, the promised Redeemer.

Chas. H. Blom.

FOR SALE—Modern house, attractive home close in. A bargain. See W. L. Turner. tf 52

SCIENTIST DEVELOPS UTILIZATION OF WOOD

Oregon Professor Develops a Salvaging Process For Waste Material.

Eugene, Or.—One of the most outstanding contributions to science yet made by a University of Oregon man that admits of practical use in the Pacific northwest and elsewhere became public in the announcement that O. F. Stafford, head of the university chemistry department, has perfected a process for utilizing waste wood to obtain a superior grade of charcoal and wood distillation products used in a number of basic industries.

Because of the great quantity of cheap waste wood material available in the northwest, it is believed that the lumber industry and other enterprises will be keenly interested in Professor Stafford's success. Heretofore it has not been commercially practicable to utilize mill waste in the carbonization and wood distillation industries.

By the Stafford process a fine grade of charcoal can be obtained as well as the usual by-products of carbonization, acetic acid, acetone and wood alcohol, basic in the manufacture of such articles as dye, paints, varnishes, celluloid, smokeless powder and artificial leather.

The motor vehicle registration department of the secretary of state's office faces a serious congestion of work at the first of the year because of the tardiness with which motor vehicle owners are sending in their applications for new licenses.

Chief Justice George H. Burnett of the Oregon supreme court wrote a letter recommending Judge Charles H. Carey of Portland for appointment to the United States supreme court to fill a vacancy, which, it is said, will be made soon by resignation. Other justices of the court said they were going to write similar letters.

Sales of gasoline in Oregon during October amounted to 5,405,454.2 gallons, according to reports filed with Secretary of State Koser. The state tax on gasoline and distillate sales for the month amounted to \$112,254.69. While gasoline sales decreased 15 percent as compared to the previous month, sales of distillate show a gain of more than 30 per cent.

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HARMONY DECLARED BIG OBJECT OF U. S.

American Loan to Germany at Present Held "Idle" Talk.

Washington, D. C.—Adjustment of the reparations dispute between London and Paris is the crux of the European tangle, in the American viewpoint, as stated here on competent authority. Talk of any American loan to Germany was described as "idle" until such an adjustment had been made.

It also was made clear that the question of allied war debts to the United States was not viewed in Washington as involved in the Anglo-French differences as to the amount Germany can pay. Beyond this official spokesmen refused to go in outlining what the Washington government had in mind. There was no hint as to the purposes or progress of informal discussions with allied leaders, which have been indicated both here and abroad to be under way.

With the field of operation thus narrowed, however, it was evident in official talk that administration hopes that American influence can aid in the European situation were quite generally believed to be based on possibilities that may result in bringing British and French thought into harmony as to Germany's present economic plight and capacity to pay.

In this connection it is known that in some diplomatic quarters one impression prevails that American participation in some form when the council of premiers resumes its sessions in Paris January 2 is to be expected.

U. S. INTERVENES TO SAVE PATRIARCHATE

Lausanne.—America again intervened in the Lausanne conference when Ambassador Washburn Child, addressing the sub-commission on minorities, declared that the United States vigorously disapproves of the proposed removal of the Greek patriarchate from Constantinople.

"The proposal to abolish or remove the patriarchate from Constantinople," said the ambassador, "is vigorously disapproved by large bodies of Americans. We point out that the patriarchate was confirmed not by foreigners, but by Turkey herself. Intolerable injustice will be done if it is abolished. We have adequate evidence for this viewpoint in telegrams from large bodies of our population."

Lord Curzon, in his note to Ismet Pasha on the Mosul question, declared that aside from the fact Mosul received a mandate from the league of nations and therefore only the latter has a right to restore it, there are racial, political, historical and strategic reasons why England cannot give back Mosul to the Turks.

TO ADVISE LOWER FARM TAX

Commission Will Recommend to Legislature a 20 per cent Cut.

Portland, Or.—In a direct attempt to relieve the burden of the farmers of Oregon, the state tax investigation committee decided to recommend to the legislature amendment of the tax laws so that farm lands and improvements thereon be assessed not to exceed 80 per cent of that now borne; this reduction to be effective until there is a revaluation of all the property of the state.

The recommendation is one of the most sweeping that the committee will submit in its report to the legislature next month.

There is but one opinion in the committee on an income tax, and that is the advisability of such a measure. There has been a difference of opinion as to whether there should be a flat rate or a progressive rate. The committee, by majority, favors the former.

Germany Would Welcome Suggestions.

Berlin.—Germany will cordially welcome any suggestions from the United States as to the reparations situation, it was announced following a conference of administration leaders, at which Premier Cuno and others explained the crisis.

Fire Seizes Montesano Teacher. Montesano, Wash.—Miss Jessie Reid, a teacher, was singled in saving the records and other property of her school from a fire which, started by an explosion, gutted the Church of the Disciples of Christ here. The building was used as a school room.

Charleston, Wn., Bank Robber Routed. Bremerton, Wash.—Attempt of an unmasked robber to hold up the Bank of Charleston at Charleston, near here, Saturday was frustrated when an employe of the bank sounded a burglar alarm, frightening the man away.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR MALHEUR COUNTY
JEAN TREGASKIS, Plaintiff
vs.
MILTON TREGASKIS, Defendant.
TO MILTON TREGASKIS, Defendant:
In the Name of The State of Oregon you are hereby required to appear and answer the Complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the last day of the date prescribed in the Order for Publication of Summons, to-wit: on or before the 1st day of February 1923, said date being the expiration of six weeks from the first day of publication of this summons and if you fail to answer for want thereof plaintiff will take judgment against you for the relief demanded in said

complaint, to-wit: That the bonds of matrimony now existing between plaintiff and defendant be forever dissolved, and that the court make its Order restoring to the plaintiff her maiden name of Jean Mackey, and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem just and equitable.
This Summons is served upon you by virtue of an Order of the Honorable Dalton Biggs, Judge of the above entitled court, made and entered on the 24th day of October, 1922. The date of the first publication of this Summons is the 21st day of December, 1922, and the date of the last publication of this Summons is the 1st day of February, 1923.
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