

LOCAL MENTION

H. W. Cade was transacting business in the city the last of the week.

James Dyer, of Upper Ochoco, was in the city on business matters Monday.

Mrs. Wm. Combs is expected home this week from Portland where she has been visiting for several months.

U. S. Cowles was a business visitor from the Haystack country the first of the week.

Dr. Smith, of Seattle, Wash., is in the city visiting with his brother County Clerk J. J. Smith.

Beef hides and sheep pelts wanted. Will buy in large quantities.

J. F. Morris,

Fred Wallace, postmaster at Hay Creek, was in the city the last of the week transacting business matters.

Mrs. Will Wurzweiler this last week received the sad news of the death of her brother in Washington, D. C.

Salomon, Johnson & Co. have C. Gotzian's famous Health and Walkaway shoes, the easiest on earth.

LOST—A bunch of keys. Finder will please leave at The Journal office.

Wid Barnes left the first of the week for Deschutes where he has been employed during the past month by the D. I. & P. Co.

L. E. Allingham returned the last of the week from The Dalles where he appeared as a witness in some timber applications.

M. A. Lehman returned to Ashwood this week after spending several days visiting with his brother, Fred Lehman.

Rev. H. C. Clark will not preach at Willow creek April 3, because of the quarterly conference which will be held in this city next Saturday.

Walter Ray left Tuesday morning for Portland in response to a telegram received Monday night stating the serious illness of his mother.

Fred Zell came up from his ranch in the Haystack country the last of the week and will run his father's place on the Ochoco.

John Ryan came over from Deschutes Tuesday on a business trip. Mr. Ryan reports several feet of snow in the timber above the Bend.

Mrs. J. F. Spilman is expected to return the first of next week from Iowa where she has spent the winter visiting with relatives.

Mrs. Ed Bradford returned Monday evening from Portland where she has been buying a new stock of spring millinery for her store in this city.

D. S. Dufur, of The Dalles, had two patents granted to him last week. One, an envelope and card feeding device, and the other a device for feeding typewriters.

Miss Maud Vanderpool left yesterday for a summer's outing on her homestead at Deschutes where she expects to do considerable plowing during the next few months.

Gill Newson is expected home from the Portland Medical college early next month. Mr. Newson will deliver the valedictorian oration when the senior class graduates.

Next Monday night is the annual election of officers at the Athletic club. Other business of importance is to come before the meeting and it is desired that as large an attendance as possible be present.

The town of Kent on the Columbia Southern will apply for incorporation papers when the Sherman county court meets in April. A petition containing 46 signatures, has been filed in support of the village's claim for a municipality.

Register Watson of the Lakeview land office has been subpoenaed to appear before the U. S. Grand jury which is now in session at Portland. The government is anxious to look into the records which Mr. Watson has in keeping.

A man named Robbins who was smooth enough to fleece J. P. Hahn, of Madras, out of \$65 a short time ago, also conducted his operations in this city. Isom Cleek honored one of his drafts for \$50 which was afterwards found to be bogus.

Freighters are not having as easy a time of it between Shaniko and interior points as they might. A four horse team carrying freight for the D. I. & P. company at Deschutes arrived there a few days ago, having been on the road 17 days.

W. T. Fogle and wife returned this week from the McKay where they have been spending the past two months. Mr. Fogle says the weather in that section of the country has been good for crops, a fact evidenced by an abundant growth of side burns.

Jas. Sullivan returned to the OK ranch last Friday from Sacramento, California, where he has been since January with the J. W. Howard cattle. He says Joe is feeding 200 head of beef cattle on sugar beets, which cost him \$40 per ton, and requires but little hay for the cattle. Mr. Sullivan says Mr. Howard doesn't intend selling until the market price looks up. Jas. informed us that the Sacramento valley is the finest place he has struck for some time.—Central Oregonian.

Oscar Cox was in the city from LaMona this week transacting business matters.

Surely every Friday night now witnesses an initiation in Juniper Circle, W. of W. The old goat has been nearly worn out and a new one with horns some sixteen feet long is soon to occupy the throne. Refreshments are always served which is some consolation for the victims who feel the ax.

J. O. Johnson, of Columbus, Ohio, appeared on the streets of the city today with his automobile. It is the intention to make the trip to Bend. If reports concerning the condition of the roads are true, the machine will change its name to mud before it goes very far into the interior.—Dales Times.

From Ralph Cantrell, driver on the Prineville-Burns stage line, we learn that the proprietors are arranging for a change of the running time, by which the trip will be made through from one town to the other in two days. The change will probably be made about the middle of April.—Burns News.

The "tobacco coupon" finds who are endeavoring to get prices for an accumulation of the papers want to use considerable speed in the matter. A week ago a favorable report was made in the house of representatives on the Tawny bill which prohibits the inclusion of coupons in packages of tobacco. The bill is very apt to become a law in the near future.

Through the courtesy of County Clerk Smith, The Journal has for distribution a large number of copies of the local option and direct primary bills which will be submitted to the voters in June for their rejection or approval. A thorough reading of both these laws is the only way in which an intelligent vote can be secured.

Rev. G. M. Booth, presiding elder of The Dalles district, will preach at the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday morning, April 3rd. This is Rev. Booth's last visit into this section until after the general conference which will be held in Los Angeles. The quarterly conference will be on Saturday, April 2, at 2 p. m. All invited.

P. B. Howard returned last Saturday from a five weeks visit with relatives at Oakland, California. Mr. Howard says there is no complaint in that part of California on account of lack of moisture. During the four weeks he was there, only four days passed without rain and some 40,000 acres of land are covered with water nearly a foot deep.

A jury in the Sherman county court returned a verdict last Thursday in the sum of \$20,000 in favor of George Abbott who lost a leg some time ago through the alleged carelessness of the Columbia Southern and O. R. & N. railroads. The jury was out five hours. It is the supposition that the two roads will appeal.

The cattle market is again on the slump. Shortly before E. S. Dobbins and E. T. Slattery made their drive last week of some 165 head, word was received by them from the Union Meat company not to ship more than was contracted for as they could not be used. Later it was found that the Portland market was flooded with cattle from points so far east as Utah and being disposed of at almost any price offered.

J. C. Turney, of Portland, was in the city this week on his way to Deschutes where he goes to look after some timber interests in this section. He stated that considerable activity was manifested in the vicinity of Dufur where railroad talk is prevalent. It is understood there that the contracts for the ties and rails have been let and that construction of the road will begin early in the spring.

Next month Uncle Sam will offer an opportunity for surveyors in this state to land a job if they happen to be out of employment. The Geological survey wants assistance to carry on its reclamation work during the summer and examinations will be held at Portland, Astoria, Baker City and Eugene on April 19. The salaries range from \$800 to \$2000 per annum according to ability and experience.

Two road petitions have been filed for action by the County Court during the May term. Twenty signatures are attached to a petition praying for the construction of road running in a general northerly direction from section 3 in township 15, range 16 to section 24 in the township north. The other petition comes from the Ketcher precinct with 15 signatures and asks for a road from section 16 in township 15 to section 22, township 15.

The Eastern Star gave a supper Monday evening in honor of the Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Claude Hatch, of Salem. Mrs. Hatch delivered a very pleasant address on lodge work and also complimented the local organization upon the untiring efforts being made in the interests of the society. The supper was served on tables decorated with carnations which were apparently imported by the long ride from Portland where they were purchased for the occasion.

Heaviest Tax Payer Sends Check.

The sheriff's office this week received a check from the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Road

company for \$10,707.90 in payment of their taxes on their land in Crook county. The road company is the last of the five largest tax payers in the county to cancel their assessment this year, and the delay cost them something over \$300 the amount their rebate would have been had the payment been made a week earlier. The other four largest tax payers are: Baldwin Sheep & Land company, \$2177; A. W. Wright, \$893.50; Wurzweiler & Thompson, \$892.10; Prineville Land & Livestock company, \$785.44.

Only a little work has been done on the line of the Great Southern railroad at the Stoller place, where ground was broken several days ago though active operations will be going on in a few days. Contractor Nelson's construction outfit was shipped from Whitewood today. When it arrives dirt will begin flying lively along the right of way.—The Dales Times.

"Nevada" To Be Presented.

Arrangements have about been completed for the production of "Nevada," a four-act drama by the Athletic club during come week in May. The actors and actresses are putting in some diligent practice and promises given of a good play. The cast of characters is as follows:

Nevada.....M. R. Biggs
Vermaunt.....T. M. Baldwin
Tom Carew.....John Luckey
Dick.....Harold Baldwin
Jorden.....Henry Smith
Win Kye.....Frank Foster
Jube.....Bruce Gray
Mother Merton.....Mrs. John Wigle
Moselle.....Addie Foster
Agnes Fairlie.....Mrs. Carey Foster

BORN.

To the wife of Frank Ross, of this city, Tuesday, March 29, a ten pound boy.

Death of D. W. Hardin.

D. W. Hardin died at his home in this city last Friday night, after an illness of several weeks. Death was caused by pneumonia.

Mr. Hardin had been a resident of Oregon for over 16 years. He first settled in Jackson county, and came to this city about two years ago, since which time he had been engaged in the masonry business. He was a prominent worker in the Socialist party in this county and until a short time ago was a member of both the Macraeans and Odd Fellows lodges. At the time of his death he was an honored member of the Behnders.

Decesased was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa, in 1851, being at the time of his death in his fifty-third year. A wife and eight children survive him. They are: Will, John, Ernest, Elmer, Omer, Arthur, Gertrude, and Mrs. Sarah Prime, all of this city. The funeral services were held from the family residence at 2 o'clock last Sunday afternoon, the Reverend Z. W. Commerford, pastor of the Presbyterian church, officiating.

Lambing Begins in Wheeler County.

There is something doing among the sheep men these days, for lambing season is at hand. At Bettie & Patterson's Charles Hilton's and Wagner & Boyer's three of Wheeler County's largest sheep firms, the lambskins have now been arriving for several days past. Within the next week or two this will be true of all the sheep ranches in the county. As there are about 175,000 sheep in the county it will be seen that the lambing season is one of some importance here. Quite a force of extra men is always required at each camp to take care of the new arrivals, and in consequence all idle men may find employment during this time. Forty dollars a month is about the average pay for this work.

Conditions have been very favorable for the sheep business this winter. The season has been mild and open, and the grass good. It has not been necessary to feed much hay to either sheep or cattle so far.

However, it is very essential to the sheep men that the weather be good during the next two months until after the lambing and shearing are over. Shearing will not commence here to any great extent for several weeks yet.—Telegram.

J. J. SMITH, County Clerk.

Socialist County Convention.

The Socialist County Convention for Crook county, Oregon, is hereby called to meet at the Circuit Court room at Prineville, Oregon, on Wednesday, April 27th, at 10 A. M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for all the county offices to be filled at the next general election, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said convention. The convention will consist of one delegate at large from each local and one additional delegate for every three (3) members, or major fraction thereof, in good standing at the time of electing said delegate. No proxies will be entertained. The locals are requested to elect said delegates not later than April 13, 1904.

Done by order of the Socialist County Central Committee, March 21, 1904. KNOX BURTON, Chairman.

J. R. BENHAM, Secretary.

Democratic County Convention.

The Democratic County Convention of Crook County, Oregon, is hereby called to meet at the Circuit Court room in Prineville, Oregon, on Saturday, April 9, 1904, at 11 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of nominating candidates for all the County offices to be filled at the next general election; to elect four delegates to the Democratic State, Congressional, and District Conventions and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said Convention.

The Convention will consist of 60 Delegates which have been apportioned among the several voting precincts as follows:

Ashwood.....Howard.....1
Bear creek.....Ireland.....1
Beaver.....Johnston creek.....1
Bend.....Ketcher.....1
Black Butte.....McKay.....1
Broose.....Miller.....1
Camp creek.....Mill Creek.....1
Cherry creek.....Montgomery.....1
Cross Keys.....Newsom.....1
Hardin.....Prineville.....1
Hay creek.....Summit.....1
Haystack.....Willow creek.....1

Total.....45

The undersigned begs to announce that he has bought out the interest of Fred W. Wilson in the stock of merchandise of Simpson & Wilson, and that as soon as the weather permits will be at home with the largest and best selected stock of Dry Goods, Furnishings, Shoes, and all other kinds of Merchandise that have ever been brought to Prineville.

Thanking the patrons of the old firm, and inviting the same kindness for the new firm.

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