

**LOCAL MENTION**

Ten above zero this morning!  
 C. P. Becker of Laidlaw is in town.  
 C. E. Waldron was down from Bend Tuesday.  
 Miss Laura Hager leaves today for Bradford, Conn.  
 Mr. Ireland of Corvallis is here visiting friends and relatives.  
 Mrs. Estes is closing out her stock of millinery. See adv.  
 Miss Elva J. Smith will go to her home in Madras for the holidays.  
 Dad West and Mr. Vandervert of Bend were in the city during the week.  
 Fred Young of Muddy recently sold 4,400 sheep to Mr. Lape, of Boise, Idaho.  
 James Overturf of Bend passed through here this week to spend Christmas at his former home in the East.  
 John Combs is in Portland until after Christmas as the guest of his sister, Mrs. Kundret, and his mother, Mrs. Jane Combs.  
 Uncle Sam Dingee will start for his new home near Salem, with his family, December 24. He recently bought a 6-acre fruit farm there.  
 Dr. Kelsey and wife, who have been staying at the Hotel Prineville while the dentist received patients in this city, left on Monday's stage for Portland.  
 Two new members were received into the Methodist church Sunday morning and Sunday evening, one young lady went forward for consecration.  
 George Taylor and wife, who were visiting friends and relatives in Sisters, passed through the county seat this week en route home to their ranch on Bear creek.  
 Mrs. S. E. Taylor and daughter, of Sisters, came early this week to visit local friends. Miss Taylor returned home Tuesday, but the mother will remain until after Xmas.  
 Word comes from Salem that the supreme court will not consider the appeal of C. Sam Smith until next spring; hence no decision in the matter may be expected for a number of months yet.  
 Mrs. C. A. Housel writes Mrs. H. P. Belknap from their new home at Dayton, Wash., that that city has voted "dry" nearly 2 to 1. Mr. Housel, who lately was Methodist pastor in Prineville, took an active part in the anti-liquor crusade there.  
 Jack Summers, lineman for the Pioneer Telephone Co., says the Madras Pioneer was in Madras last Friday repairing the telephone line between this place and Prineville. Mr. Summers says he is putting the line in good repair and that the line should be greatly improved.  
 James Magness returned to Madras last week from the camp of the Madras Oil company on Grizzly butte where he has been helping get things in shape to begin drilling. He says that everything was about ready to begin drilling the first of the week. He also says it is pretty cold on Grizzly, and that there was several inches of snow where he was working.  
 The Degree of Honor has elected these new officers: Mrs. Dubbs, past chief of honor; Mrs. Estes, chief of honor; Mrs. Cleek, lady of honor; Mrs. Celia Yancey, chief of ceremonies; Mrs. Belknap, recorder; Mrs. Park Donk, financier; Miss Fessila Lippman, receiver; Mrs. Vira Cyrus, usher; Mrs. Hugh Lister, inner watch; Dr. Belknap, outer watch. The D. of H. has a ranged to hold joint installation with the A. O. U. W. January 12.

The Baptist ladies cleared \$25 on their dinner last Friday.  
 Max Wurzweiler left for his new home in Portland on Tuesday's stage.  
 Mrs. Fry of Lebanon is here to prove up on her homestead near town.  
 Dr. Jordan and family of Sisters went out on Monday's Shaniko stage.  
 Martha C. Johnson of this city will prove up on her homestead in 17-12 15 next Tuesday.  
 Dr. Dunsmore left Monday to spend two days at the ranch of Jim Cram, returning to town Wednesday.  
 G. Springer of Culver is a business caller in the city today, having come here from the Haystack country early Wednesday morning.  
 Mrs. Frank Rodman, formerly of this city, died a few days ago in Portland, where her husband conducts a garage. She carried \$2,000 insurance in the Prineville lodge of Royal Neighbors.  
 The Heister stage station is being rapidly rebuilt, and in another week it will again be ready for the reception of travelers. It is a one and one-half story double box frame building, of the kind best adapted to interior Oregon.  
 John E. Ryan has returned from Shaniko, where he delivered 400 head of beef cattle at the notably high price of 4 cents a pound f. o. b. cars Shaniko. These heaves were fed at Trout creek before selling. He will have 1,000 more ready by spring.  
 W. H. Prose and P. M. Wing have bought out the good will and interest of J. H. Wigle in the blacksmith shop the latter has heretofore conducted. The deal became effective December 1, and the new owners will keep the business unchanged from now on.  
 Miss Verna Howard sang "The Holy City" at the First Methodist church Sunday evening, before a large congregation. Her musical interpretation of this impressive anthem, and her mode of rendition, were excellent and few soloists could have done better.  
 Prineville camp No. 9565, Modern Woodmen of America, elected the following officers Monday night: Ray V. Constable, venerable consul; J. O. Powell, advisor; H. L. Hobbs, banker; C. C. Brix, clerk; Robert A. Kester, escort; A. T. Bogue, watchman. The new officers will be installed January 11.  
 No interest is being taken in the city election, which will be held Monday, Dec. 21. Only one ticket is thus far in the field, and whether another will be forthcoming on the morning of election day, next Monday can determine. No one, apparently, talks about the election on the street and to all outward appearances it would seem as if no election were impending.  
 Prineville assembly No. 163, United Artisans, has elected the following officers, who will be installed Jan. 4: I. W. Spear, master artisan; Mrs. M. R. Buggs, superintendent; Mrs. H. P. Belknap, secretary; Mrs. I. W. Spear, inspector; Mrs. Cleek, senior conductor; Mrs. R. S. Price, junior conductor; Mrs. P. B. Howard, master of ceremonies; J. W. Horgan, treasurer; Warren Brown, organist.  
 Frank Lafollett, while operating the picture machine during the travelogue exhibition of "Paris" Tuesday night sustained a severe electric shock from the arc light used in illuminating the pictures. His left arm was rendered useless for many minutes and he himself nearly felled by the high voltage which passed through his body. No one in the audience, however, knew of Frank's mishap, as he stoically continued the performance with his remaining good arm.

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D. G. Rogers came over from Madras Tuesday.  
 E. J. Covert of Redmond was in town Tuesday.  
 Mrs. Annie Estes has been on the sick list this week.  
 Mrs. P. B. Howard is numbered among the sick this week.  
 Mrs. E. O. Hyde and Mrs. J. T. Moore, who have been quite ill, are better.  
 James W. Mitchell of Bend has been granted a pension of \$12 a month by Uncle Sam.  
 There will be a turkey shoot at the Prineville shooting gallery Sunday afternoon, Dec. 20.  
 Miss Jessie Hartley and Miss Hazel Caldwell will leave next Thursday for Bend to spend the holidays.  
 The seventh grade class will hold its Christmas exercises at the public school Wednesday evening, Dec. 23.  
 When looking for Cigars for Christmas gifts, ask dealers to show you Christmas boxes of Cigars made by the Prineville Cigar Factory.  
 The Methodist Ladies' Aid Society will hold a sale of fine eatables at C. W. Elkins store the day before Christmas beginning at 10 a. m.  
 Robert Evans, who has been at work on the court house, left Wednesday for Portland, from where he will go to his home in Baker City to spend Christmas.  
 The five stonecutters who have been at work on the new court house left on Wednesday's stage for Portland. The tinnery expect to leave next week, reaching Portland Xmas eve. The court house is rapidly assuming a finished condition under the able superintendency of Contractor J. B. Shipp.  
 At the Methodist church the subject Sunday morning will be, "The Joy of Christmas Time," evening, "The Meaning Christ Put Into the Word 'Father.'" Sunday school at 10; all classes represented. Epworth League at 6:30 o'clock. Miss Caldwell, leader. The orchestra and choir will furnish music at all services.  
 Changes have been made this week in the interior arrangement of the Methodist church. The choir loft has been removed from its old position along the side wall and combined with the chancel and pulpit, which have been doubled in size, the pulpit now being much nearer the people at a point where the preacher may be plainly seen and heard even at the rear end of the Sunday school room.  
 The Order of the Eastern Star last Thursday elected the following new officers: Mrs. C. W. Elkins, worthy matron; Dr. Rosenberg, worthy patron; Miss Iva Booth, associate matron; Mrs. Sarah Thomson, conductress; Mrs. Oscar Hyde, associate conductress; Miss Fay Baldwin, secretary; Mrs. T. H. LaFollette, treasurer. Joint installation with the Masons will be held December 26.  
 Fred Foster of Summer Lake, purchased a fine stallion of G. Springer of Culver, one day last week, paying the sum of \$1,500 for the horse. Mr. Foster is to be congratulated upon securing such a fine animal, and the people of Summer Lake, says the Silver Lake Leader, should as well feel themselves very fortunate to have such a colt in the community. The colt won first and sweepstakes both, at the Central Oregon fair in 1907 as a stallion under one year old, and in 1908 as a stallion over one year old against all comers.

Crook county was visited by a general snowfall of from one to three inches Wednesday morning, the precipitation starting about 8 o'clock the preceding evening. The snow was fine and dry and fell slowly, without wind accompaniment, though Old Boreas had "kicked up a whole lot of dust" during the week previous.  
 Crook, Columbia, Douglas, Grant, Harney, Hood River, Multnomah, Union, Lake, Lincoln and Klamath counties have not yet filed their assessment summaries for 1908 with the secretary of state. In this county the omission is due to negligence on the part of the Salem office in not forwarding the necessary blank forms to this city.  
 Christmas exercises of the third, fourth and fifth grades in the city grammar school will be held in the third grade classroom next Thursday, Dec. 24, at 10 o'clock in the morning. Gifts will be received by the pupils through the "city post office" to be held in operation in the room. Besides this union mode of Christmas commemoration the fourth grade will decorate its room and the fifth grade will have a Christmas tree in addition to the decorations.  
**Eighth Grade Examinations**  
 R. A. Ford, county school superintendent, gives out the following information concerning eighth grade final examinations:  
**DATES**  
 January 21-22, 1909.  
 May 13-14, 1909.  
 September 23, 1909.  
**PROGRAM:**  
 Thursdays—Arithmetic, Writing, History, and Civil Government.  
 Fridays—Grammar, Physiology, Geography, and Spelling.  
**SOURCE OF QUESTIONS:**  
 Civil Government—United States constitution.  
 Geography—State course of study, Redway and Hinman's natural school geography.  
 History—List of topics from history outline in state course of study and current events.  
 Language—Buehler's modern English grammar, no diagramming.  
 Reading—The teacher will send to the county superintendent the applicant's standing in reading which shall be taken as the standing on the subject.  
 Spelling—80 per cent from Reed's Word Lessons and 20 per cent from manuscript in language.  
 Writing—Specimens of penmanship as indicated in copied matter and from manuscript in language.  
**Sources of Information.**  
 Arithmetic. One-fifth from State course of study, four-fifths from Smith.  
 Civil government. Strong & Schafer.  
 English literature. February, 1909, one-half from texts: Newcomer's American Literature and Newcomer's English Literature; one-half from the following classics: Lowell, the Vision of Sir Launfal (Riv. lit. ser.) Houghton; Webster, the First Bunker Hill Oration (Riv. lit. ser.) Houghton; Scott, Marmion (Pocket Classics) Macmillan. August, 1909, one-half from texts: Newcomer's English Literature and Newcomer's American Literature; one-half from the following classics: Shakespeare, Julius Caesar (Riv. lit. ser.) Houghton; Ruskin, Sesame and Lilies (Riv. lit. ser.) Houghton; Carlyle, Essay on Burns and Burns' Poems (Pocket Classics) Macmillan.  
 Geography. One-fifth from State course of study, four-fifths from Redway & Hinman.  
 Grammar. One-fifth from State course of study, four-fifths from Buehler.  
 History, U. S. One-fifth from the State course of study, four-fifths from Doub.  
 Orthography. Reed's Word Lessons.  
 Physical geography. Tarr's New Physical Geography.  
 Physiology. Krohn, Hutchison.

Reading. State course of study, White's Art of Teaching, Oral Reading.  
 School law. School Laws of Oregon.  
 Theory and Practice. White's Art of Teaching.  
 Writing. Outlook Writing System and Tests in Writing.  
 Algebra. Wells: Algebra for Secondary Schools.  
 Bookkeeping. Office Methods and Practical Bookkeeping, Part I.  
 Composition. Herrick & Damon.  
 Physics. Millikan & Gale: A First Course in Physics.  
 Psychology. Buell.  
 Botany. Bergen: Elements of Botany.  
 Geometry. Wentworth: Plane and Solid Geometry, questions on Plane Geometry.  
 History, general. Myers: General History.  
 An examination is required upon the first thirteen subjects for a first grade county certificate valid for 3 years; upon the first 18 subjects for a state certificate valid for 5 years; and upon the 21 subjects for a state diploma valid for life.  
 If you want to please your husband just buy him a box of these Cigars packed especially for Christmas by the Prineville Cigar Store.  
**Postponed.**  
 The masquerade ball which was advertised for December 18 at Templeton hall on the McKay, has been postponed indefinitely on account of sickness.  
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**DECEMBER 23rd**

**DECEMBER 30th**

The Sixth Annual Christmas and New Years  
**GRAND BALL**

Given by the P. A. A. C. at the Club Hall  
**Wednesday Eve, December 23, and December 30, 1908**

**MORGAN'S ORCHESTRA**

These two dances will be the social events of the season and the Club extends a hearty invitation to all country friends and dancers. The floor committee is composed of Jack Summers, Frank Elkins, Harry Lanis, John R. Luckey, Frank B. Foster and others. The Club has secured a competent caller and the orchestra has new and late dance music for the occasions. The ladies will serve their celebrated Buffet Luncheon in the hall.

**TICKETS \$1.00**