

ITEMS IN BRIEF.

From Wednesday's Daily: M. D. McDonald, of Lyle, is in the city.

Miss Ida Foss is in the city from Hood River.

J. P. McClay, of Moro, is at the Umattila House.

Miss Lela Evans, of Dufur, is visiting Dalles friends.

Frank Woodcock Jr., of Wamic, is visiting friends in the city.

C. E. Jones, of Anapelo, is registered at the Umattila House.

Miss Beale Isenberg, of Hood River, is registered at the Umattila House.

Marriage license was issued today to Martin L. New and Miss C. L. Chastain, both of this county.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hanna, of Arlington, are visiting Mr. Hanna's brother on Chenoweth creek, near this city.

The snow storms are causing considerable trouble between this place and Spokane. The Spokane train, which is due here at 5 a. m., is reported ten hours late, so she will arrive about the same time as the O. R. & N. overland.

Sheriff Gray, of Crook county, stopped over in the city last night on his way from Pendleton to Prineville. He had a man by the name of Crane in custody who is wanted in Crook county for larceny. Crane was arrested a few days ago in Umattila county.

This seems to be a bad day for the railroad company. Along with the freight wreck at Rooster Rock and the slide which delayed the Spokane train ten hours, the overland is reported eight hours behind time, so that it will not be through until eleven or twelve o'clock tonight.

The teachers' examination for county certificates, state diplomas and state life diplomas, is being held in the superintendent's office this afternoon. There are sixteen applicants for county certificates, three for state diplomas and one for a state life diploma. The names of the successful ones will be published as soon as the result of the examination is learned.

Attorney S. E. Van Vactor returned last evening from a business trip to Condon. He informs us that the weather is intensely cold in that section in comparison to what it is in The Dalles. From his account there being at least twenty degree difference in the temperature. A few days ago one of the passengers going from Arlington to Fossil on the stage had his feet badly frozen and is in a pitiful condition.

If the reports in one of our exchanges are reliable concerning the condition of affairs with the stockmen in the Antelope country, it will be with difficulty and great expense that the stockmen around Antelope will pull their stock through the winter if the present weather continues. It states that hay is selling at \$30 per ton and is not any too plentiful at that price, and that many stockmen are short of feed. It is such a state of affairs exists it is certainly hard on them.

The Minstrel boys arrived on the delayed Spokane train this afternoon and are enthusiastic over the reception accorded them by the hospitable people of Heppner. After the show, which was a success in every regard, the audience tendered them their congratulations and cleared the floor for dancing. A banquet was served after the dance.

Some time this morning the west bound freight, No. 21, was derailed near Rooster Rock and the engine and fifteen cars went into the ditch. The telegraph wires have been down almost all day and nothing effective could be learned concerning the wreck. Reports were current as to members of the train crew being injured but nothing definite could be learned. Some had it that Engineer Charles Graham was seriously hurt while others said the brakeman whose name could not be learned was injured. Nothing has been received to verify these reports.

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A. J. Douglas, of Dufur, is at the Umattila house.

Miss Susan Ward, of Kingsley, is in the city attending the teachers examination.

G. J. Friend of Kingsley returned last evening from a business trip to Portland.

Mrs. Hazel Logan left on the early morning train for a short visit in Portland.

Mrs. L. Ulrich left this morning for Albany to visit her daughter, Mrs. Ohling, for a short time.

W. H. Medall and wife arrived in the city last evening from Vancouver to attend the funeral of his brother which was held this afternoon.

Thomas Purdy, a former Dalles boy, who is at present in the employ of

Studebaker Bros. Mfg. Co. is in the city from Portland today meeting old friends and attending to business for his company.

The Telephone and Telegraph companies are having a great deal of trouble with their wires between this place and Portland today. Most of the wires are down and it is with difficulty that any communication can be had between the two places.

Today being China New Year the sound of fire crackers can everywhere be heard. The youngsters who are always ready to indulge in such sport are having all kinds of fun shooting the firecrackers with which some of the more liberal class of Chinese furnish them.

J. H. Zane, of Portland publisher of the Oregon Reporter the official organ of the A. O. U. W. for Oregon, is in the city today attending to business connected with that order. He will leave for Waco this evening where he will assist Grand Master Workmen D. C. Herrin, in organizing a lodge.

The wreck on the O. R. & N. between this place and Portland was not cleared until late yesterday evening which threw the Spokane flyer two hours late so that it did not arrive in The Dalles until about 7:45. No. 1 west bound is having considerable trouble through Montana area Wyoming and will not pass through before midnight.

Today the water commission received a new machine for tapping the mains attaching small pipes to the same. The machine is one of the latest make and can be used for any size, from a four inch to a twelve inch main and is indeed a great improvement on the old one in operation of which much time and labor was wasted.

The warm change in the temperature will soon make its mark on the ice which blocks the Columbia at present and steamers can once more be pressed into service. This has been an unusually bad winter for steaming on the Columbia, however, the D. P. & A. N. Company will make up for lost time when they get the new Regulator and the Flyer into service once more.

While Eastern Oregon has thousands of fine blooded horses, cared for religiously at all times, there are tens of thousands of ordinary equines in the inland Empire, worth but a few dollars a head, and these poor brutes are said to be dying from cold and starvation.

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The warmer weather played havoc with the ice and those who were engaged in starting for summer use were forced to give up last evening. Seuffer Brothers have put up probably more ice this winter than ever before, more in fact than they can use during the next fishing season.

It is not evidence, however, that they have such opportunities as this one has afforded and they have taken every advantage of them by putting up sufficient for almost two seasons.

A trainload of live porkers passed through the city yesterday from Nebraska to Portland. Three carloads of the same were unloaded at the landing and fed after which they were shipped through to the Union Meat Company yards at Troutdale.

Mrs. Peter Abola, who lives between this place and Centerville, had the misfortune to run a needle in the palm of the hand which broke off leaving two-thirds of the needle in the flesh. She went to Goldendale for medical assistance, but the doctors were unable to find the needle. The hand is being poulticed to draw the needle out.

The cold weather is not breaking up any too soon for the farmers and stockmen of Waco county. While nearly all have had sufficient amounts of hay much of their stock went into the winter in poor condition and the severe weather of a few days ago was beginning to kill them off. The snow is about all gone however, and the stockmen are once more happy.

Etzel Williams the eleven year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Williams of this city, died at the family residence on Ninth street last night, the cause of her death being typhoid pneumonia. The family here lived in The Dalles but a short time, having come here from Salem. The funeral will take place from the family residence at 2 p. m. tomorrow. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

Yesterday Fred Houghton received a letter from Herman Wise, chairman of the bowling committee of the Astoria club, in which he states that the Astoria ladies are willing to bowl the ladies of the Dalles Commercial and Athletic club, on the Portland alley, any time during the present month. The tournament will in all probability take place on the Road Club alleys, though some prefer the Mattoon's which makes this question unsettled as yet. The date set at present is Thursday, Feb. 14th. The deal is not being put off, practicing much of late but with about two weeks ahead of them they can undoubtedly put themselves in a shape to make a good showing in the tournament.

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