

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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The Oregon Scout has a large circulation as any three papers in this section of the State, combined, and is correspondingly valuable as an advertising medium.

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Union and Vicinity.

The Scout—only \$1.50 a year. Lostine, will also celebrate on the 4th of July.

A chair peddler took in the town this week.

Circuit court convenes the 11th of next month.

Several communications crowded out this issue.

"Dot drummer" abounds in considerable numbers.

Parties en route to the mines are passing through almost daily.

Read our new advertisements. You will probably see something to benefit you.

Judge Piper will deliver the oration at the Joseph celebration on the Fourth.

Jos. Wright is constantly receiving new goods, and will soon open up as extensively as ever.

Work on Pyle canyon road still continues. A good thoroughfare through that place will be the result.

Mr. A. Levy has had a new sidewalk built leading to his residence on C street, a length of nearly two blocks.

Dr. Deering lost a valuable Belle-fondier colt last Saturday. It was pushed into the river by other horses and drowned.

The State Teachers' Association will convene in Salem July 6th and continue until the 8th inst. Reduced rates on all railway lines.

Johnny Lauman, of Summerville, had his leg broken last Thursday morning, at North Powder, while hauling lumber for Liall, Eccles & Co.

Thanks to Al. Goodford for some delicious strawberries from his garden. Orders left with Al. for berries or vegetables will be promptly filled.

Several cases have been tried in Justice J. B. Thomsons' court this week, but we are unable to get the decisions of the same as we go to press.

Minick & Davis have their new engine and separator set up and it works like a charm. They will visit Grande Ronde valley and thresh for all that desire their services.

The First National Bank received a nice piece of furniture yesterday, in the shape of a patent wash stand. It is the most complete and useful piece of furniture we have ever seen.

C. H. Craig, of Eagle Valley, bought ten head of yearling Galaway bulls, of a cattle dealer from Western Kansas, in this city, the fore part of the week. He took them to his farm in Eagle.

Do not fail to read H. J. Geer's advertisement in this issue, of the grand prize ball to be given at Wright & Duncan's hall, Cove, on the evening of July 1st. A big time is expected.

Dunham Wright has completed the work of clearing the slides out of the Pine creek road and it is now in as good condition as it ever was. Considerable travel is now going over this route.

The New York Store of La Grande is constantly receiving new and latest styles of goods, and will be found up with the times in all things. Good goods, low prices, and fair dealing is the motto.

Baird's minstrels exhibited in this city last Thursday evening to a rather slim audience, which was, however, much larger than they deserved. They are a parsimonious outfit, not worthy of patronage.

Letters remaining uncalled for at Cove post-office, June 23, 1887: Dunigan, F.; Gray, E. C.; Northway, Newton; Patty Miss May; Siersdorf, Mrs. Mary; Vaughan, J. M.; Wash, Mrs. Rhoda.—M. STEVENS, P. M.

If you are in need of harvesting machinery, call on Jo. Wright. He has for sale the Osborne No. 11 steel frame twine binder, the best and lightest running binder in the world, also Osborne mowers, reapers, etc. It will pay you to call on him.

We are pleased to note that the city council have concluded to repair and occupy the city buildings on C street. Workmen are now prosecuting the work, and a marked improvement will soon be noticeable in that portion of town.

Remember the grand ball to be given at Dunham Wrights hall in the Park, on the evening of July Fourth. Good music will be in attendance, and an excellent supper served. Tickets including supper, \$2.50. Every body invited.

Corwin C. Coffinberry has just received the castings for his washing machines, which were delayed on the Northern Pacific for some time, on account of a wash out. He will have a number of the machines ready for delivery in a few days.

Jap Stevens, of the Cove drug store, bought in Portland last week a supply of fire crackers, great and small, torpedoes, rockets, kites, 22 and 32-calibre Winchester and Ballard rifles, a very fine lot of fresh candies, carriage paints etc. etc., all to be sold at lowest prices.

Thursday, Jo. Figklin, while driving down Main street in a hack, accompanied by his father, came near having a serious mishap. One of the lines broke and the horses started to run, dashing madly into Elliott's livery stable. Luckily but little damage was done.

ETCHINGS.

Or Impressions Made on the "Scout" by Passing Events

THE INLAND EMPIRE.—Phillip Ritz, of Walla Walla, says a Portland paper, arrived in the city yesterday via "Switch back" over the Cascades. He reports the crops in his country the finest ever grown. He thinks there will be an average of a ton (33 bushels) to the acre. He says he knows of thousands of acres that will make a ton and a half, or 45 bushels per acre, and thinks the tonnage for transportation will be over 400,000 tons this year. This would be more than one road could handle, but the N. P. R. R. comes in prepared to place 1000 tons over the switchback every day in the year. He says the road over the Cascades is most admirably and substantially built, and those immense twelve-wheeled engines (decapods) just walk up and over that mountain, 1000 feet of elevation above the tunnel, at the rate of 275 feet ascent to the mile, seemingly just as easy as an ordinary engine would go on a 50 foot grade. In crossing the summit the road rises and descends 1000 ft. in the distance of seven miles.

GOING ONE EYE ON IT.—The Baker City Democrat speaking of the Pine creek road says: "The Union county road from Union, via Big creek, to the Pine creek mines, is being repaired under the personal supervision of Mr. Dunham Wright, and we are told when finished it will be a very good highway for travelling during the summer months. But when winter sets in travel over it will be suspended, for it will be impossible to keep it open. Snow on this route falls to a tremendous depth and drifts mountains high. We regret that fate has decreed that Union shall have no outlet to the mines, and would readily, if in our power, slice off a portion of our advantages to the benefit of our neighbor." When our friend of the Democrat gets his other optic open he will find this road will be better, everything considered, in the winter, than he now acknowledges it to be, in the summer. That optic of his will be open next winter, wide—also the road.

HE WAS DISAPPOINTED.—Our devil is the happy possessor of a small air gun, which will noisily propel a small bullet with considerable accuracy, a distance of forty or fifty yards. A person struck with one of these pellets would naturally conclude that he had "stung himself" with a wasp or something. When the outfit known as "Bairds Minstrels" made its appearance on our streets Thursday in all the glory of seedy clothes, and white plug hats, it occurred to this imp that game was plentiful, so he carefully cleaned up the air gun, and was about to sally forth when he discovered that he was out of bullets and had to forego the fun. But for this the gang would have went away from here with the impression that Union is the worst place for musketos, gallinippers, wasps yellow jackets, bald hornets, and other aggressive winged insects, on the earth.

TO BE ENLARGED.—The managers of the East Portland Reduction Works now see that their little plant is too small for the work ahead. At a meeting of the stockholders Friday the capital stock was increased from \$50,000 to \$300,000, the idea being to erect works of great capacity. There will be no trouble, we are told, about placing this stock. We are glad to see our people take hold of this matter energetically. The first thing for Portland to do to secure the business of the mines about us on every side is to make a market here for ores. This will be the immediate effect of such an establishment as is now proposed to set up.—Oregonian.

THE COMING ASSOCIATION.—Superintendent McElroy was at Portland Monday, in the interest of the State Teachers' association, to be held in this city, July 6th 7th and 8th, and secured a liberal reduction in railroad fares over the Oregon & California railroad. The O. P. will also make special rates. Among the prominent orators to be present are Prof. J. W. Merritt, ex-principal of the Jacksonville public schools and Rev. R. B. Dilworth, acting pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Portland. Prominent teachers from the universities, academies, public schools, etc., will be present from the different parts of the State.—Salem Statesman.

A MONSTER STRAWBERRY.—F. W. Pain exhibited in Walla Walla Journal office, Wednesday, what is probably the largest strawberry ever grown in the valley, if not in the world. It measures a full foot in circumference and, doubled over, fills a jelly tumbler. This marvel is distinctly one berry and not a pair or cluster grown together. It was raised in Frank Orselli's garden, and he has quantities little less in size. The berry, preserved in alcohol, has been sent to Manager Potter, of the U. P.

HOW THEY GET IT.—The Salvation Army is "working" the Kansas towns; and here is one of its recent circulars, advertising a prayer meeting, and published in a Milwaukee paper: "Smiling Belle" from Witchita Ka., the girl who jumped out of a two story window to get salvation, will be at —s rink Monday, May 18, at 8 p. m. Cyclones of salvation! Tornadoes of power!!! Gales of grace!!! Celestial breezes!!!! Collection at door to defray expenses."

THE FESTIVAL.—The festival given last Wednesday evening, at Wrights Hall, by the ladies of Union, for the purpose of raising funds to improve the cemetery, was largely attended, the spacious hall being crowded the entire evening. In addition to the delicious repast prepared by the ladies, there was vocal and instrumental music, and choice selections by the Union Silver Cornet Band. The proceeds of the evening amounted to \$101.55.

Social Scintillations.

Paragraphs Pertaining, Principally, to the Peregrinations of the Populace.

"THE WORLD DO MOVE."

Rev. Baird returned from Omaha, last Tuesday.

James Payne, of Cove, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. D. C. Fisher, of the Cove, called on us Thursday.

Mr. Jap. Rinehart, of Summerville, visited this city, Monday.

Miss Laura Foster, of the Cove, was visiting in Union this week.

Johnny Clark, and wife, of Island City, were in Union Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Brooks, of Sand ridge, were in the city, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Hills returned Tuesday from a visit to Baker county.

S. L. Hunter who is working in Baker City made Union a brief visit this week.

Mr. J. A. White and wife, of North Powder, visited Union the fore part of the week.

Mrs. Jemima Boley, of Indian valley, called on us Wednesday and subscribed for the Scout.

Louie Davis, who has been attending the State University at Eugene, returned home Monday.

Ed. Parker started for Cornucopia Thursday. He thinks that he will locate there permanently.

Mr. Watt Sanberry, who has been visiting relatives and friends in this city took his departure, Tuesday.

Misses Lilly and Helen Levy will start on a visit to Centerville, Unafilla county, sometime this week.

Mr. John Wright and wife started yesterday on a visit to Cornucopia. They will be gone about a week.

The Ladies Aid Society, will meet at the residence of Mrs. A. E. Benson, Friday July, 1st at 2 o'clock p. m.

Mr. J. M. Berry, of Island City, and his brother-in-law, recently from the East, were in the city, yesterday.

Robt. Lloyd, formerly of this place but now of Pendleton, was visiting relatives and friends here during the week.

J. B. Fithian, local editor of the Portland Evening Democrat is in the city, on business connected with his paper.

W. N. Young, Chas. Craig, and Jimmy Holcom, of Eagle valley visited Union last Tuesday. They say everything is flourishing in Eagle.

Frank and Lee Wilson and John Kennedy returned from Cornucopia, Wednesday. They report everything flourishing in the Pine creek district.

Ed. Remillard, Ferd. Bloch, and Mr. Corey returned from Cornucopia the fore part of the week over the new road. They made the trip easily in one day.

Mr. E. C. Brainard of this city has been invited to read a poem at the 4th of July celebration at Summerville. We presume he will accept and add another interesting feature to the programme of the day.

W. T. Wright and Chas. Davis returned Sunday, from the Grand Lodge A. E. & A. M., recently held in Portland. Mr. Davis was the delegate from the lodge in this city and not Mr. Wright as stated last week.

T. N. Proffit and Selby Leep of Pine valley passed through Union this week on their way to the land office at La Grande, to prove up on their land. That office should be located at Union, which is the county seat, centrally located and more convenient for everybody.

Mr. Jasper G. Stevens, of the Cove, who has been on a pleasure trip to the Willamette valley for several weeks, returned last Monday. He says he had a most enjoyable time while gone, so much so that his visit was prolonged somewhat. His many friends are pleased to have him back again.

W. T. Wright has our thanks for a magnificent bouquet of rare flowers from his residence grounds in North Union. We have forgotten the names of most of them but they are all superb. Mr. Wright takes great pride in arranging his grounds, and allows none but the choicest flowers and plants to be cultivated thereon.

The following named persons, most of whom are members of the Masonic lodge of this city, attended the funeral of Mr. Sterling, at Island City, last Sunday: A. N. Hamilton, D. B. Rees, O. F. Bell, C. L. Blakeslee, Mr. Gillfillan, Ed. Kittle, Wm. H. Huffman, A. T. Neil, S. O. Swackhamer, A. Levy, Rev. Irwin, and Turner Oliver.

Mrs. John T. Gilroy, of Creswell, Lane county, while riding in a wagon last week, was thrown out by the horses becoming unmanageable and running away, and received injuries from which she died a few hours afterward. Mr. Gilroy was also thrown out and severely injured, but not fatally. Mr. and Mrs. Gilroy were old pioneers of this country, and well known by many people throughout the State.

John Wright, whose book accounts were destroyed in the recent fire, requests us, through the columns of the Scout, to say to those parties who refuse to come forward and make some kind of a settlement, that if they do not comply soon, it is his intention to publish their names so that the people may know who, and what kind of men they are. He thinks that anyone who would try to evade payment under the circumstances should be known—and we think so too.

Sample lay press at Frank Bro's, Implement Co. Island City house. It will press faster and with more ease than any other. Don't fail to see it before purchasing.

Frank Bro's, Implement Co. of Island City, have just received their second car load of harvesting machinery. They have all the late implements, and their prices are lower than ever. See their new mower with late improvements. It is the boss, and don't you forget it.

Try the new baking powder at Jones Bros. Only 35 cents a can. Warranted as good as any powder in the market, or money refunded.

Wool sacks 38 cents each, at J. B. Eaton's.

BORN.

HARSH.—On Big creek, June 12th, 1887, to the wife of James Harsh, a 12 pound son.

MARRIED.

DEBORAH—SMITH.—In this city, Thursday, June 23, 1887, Mr. A. C. Debor and Miss Miranda Smith, Rev. Boudie officiating.

IN MEMORIAM.

DIED.—At Los Angeles, May 31, 1887, Mr. M. Sterling, aged 69 years.

For a long time he had been a patient sufferer from heart disease, and at last exhausted nature gave way, and he peacefully breathed his last. His son arrived at the remains Saturday at 11 A. M., and they were taken to a residence unoccupied, and lay in state until the hour for the funeral.

The room was draped in the deepest mourning for the occasion. Sabbath at 2 P. M., the funeral services were observed at the Episcopal church which was beautifully trimmed with mourning, flowers, etc. Rev. Irwin, of Union, officiating. His sermon, appropriate to the living, full of pathos—a just and fitting tribute to the dead, every word as if it were spoken to the living, sank deeply to the hearts of all who heard. After a short singing, and the remains were given in charge of the Masons, of which there were over sixty in number, from San Francisco, Baker City, Union, La Grande and Island City. There were fully one hundred people present, only a part could get within the portals of the church. Many availed themselves of the privilege of a last look at one whom they loved in life, whose death had been so quietly at rest in the beautiful casket. Floral offerings were the most profuse, magnificent, elegant and appropriate ever seen in Island City, the cross, the anchor, the wreath, the star, Masonic emblems, and the shaft and sickle being most noticeable. The Masons led the way,—out of town about half a mile, in the funeral procession, a shaft had been erected, covered with wreaths and vines, to guide us to the grave. Head of the procession was Mr. Sterling's favorite horse—Anvil, James Mason, driver with Rev. G. M. Irwin. Next the ladies and gentlemen, then forty-two small children, citizens on foot, forty-nine on horse-back, ninety-three carriages, altogether formed the largest funeral ever in the valley.

The service at the grave was conducted by the Masons,—that they loved him, their respect for him, in the exemplified the virtues of those chosen servants of God. The lovely characteristics of the order, the memory of his many deeds of kindness, his gentle nature, and his noble character, his simple heart, his love for the poor, his sympathy with the pilgrims of life, and his sympathy in his vicissitudes and trials. Yes, one more friend and neighbor has fallen by the wayside, weary with the march of life, and we have paid the last sad tribute to his memory. The long procession of friends with solemn steps, and sorrowing hearts, went forth, bearing his body to its last resting place, and memories are all we have left of him. Departed friend and brother, thy lips are silent, but thou dost speak to us, thou dost rest from thy labors, but thy works follow thee. Long will we miss that face radiant with that courtesy that never faded, and that manner void of all pretension. To those who knew him intimately, who had all the glow of his heart and generous heart, and had seen him ready response to every call for sympathy, there is a sadness irrepressible. With pleasure and pride we remember the fidelity with which he discharged the duties of the various public trusts to which he was called. We shall not forget the example of his earnest and upright life, nor the gentle courtesy that marked his intercourse with his many friends, the charitable judgment with which he regarded all within the circle of his acquaintance.

His life, as given to us, and a valuable lesson to teach in the frailty of human life, collectively Island City has lost a pillar of strength, individually every citizen has lost a friend, and as the shadow of his death falls upon us, let us draw wisdom from this lesson, and while removing our devotion to every call of duty, still may we walk so soberly and charitably that when we close our eyes in death, our friends may say of us as we have said of him, whose virtues we now commemorate. God in his wisdom appoints his laborers, and his ways are indeed inscrutable and past finding out. His will, not ours, that death has sealed in their last long dreamless slumber the dear kind eyes with the loved soul, loaded with cruel fates, the hands that have so long and patiently toiled and the dear ones so tenderly cherished, chained with an unyielding clasp the way-worn throbbings of his true and loyal heart. Oh! could we fold back the sable drapery enwoven above his tomb, and tenderly press within the withered hands the tiny offerings of strings of prayer, and flowers, plucked from the white of the little hands that they had twined above the outlined shadows of each hidden grief the fairest sprays from out the wealth of bright beautiful flowers he loved so well. His dust we silently, sadly, drop them in his tomb.

Of all the prayers we ever breathed, This is the hardest one. To gaze on grandpa's face in death And say, "Thy will be done." In the wild struggle nature fails. And strikes affrighted down. A mortal's grief our lips prevail. The cross obscures the crown.

To the widowed and bereaved companion, and stricken sons and daughter, we cannot say, "weep not." Jesus wept, and tears are the precious dewdrops that water the flowers of affection on the tomb of those we love. In the midst of that stunning calamity that has befallen them, they feel that earth has no compensation good enough to mitigate the severity of their loss. When the good and lovely die, the memory of their good deeds, like the moonbeams on the stormy sea, lights up our darkened hearts and lend to the surrounding gloom a beauty so sad, so sweet, that we would not, if we could dispel the darkness that surrounds it.

The mallet and chisel are needed no more—His labor is ended, his toiling is over. In the Eternal Lodge above he now sits at the feet.

With the Master in glory, who rules in the East; The evergreen garden shall bloom on his grave. Where fidelity sleeps the sweet sleep of the Just.

O'er the mortal in peace may its loveliness wake. Till the glorious immortal shall wake from the dust.

After labor and toil, there is triumph and rest. And he's journeying on to the East from the West.

With the light on his brow, he has entered that bourne From whose allegoric traveler can ever return.

Slashing Reduction!

From now until further notice, at

Herman Waldeck's, - Summerville, Or.

20 YARDS GOOD LAWN. \$1. 6 YARDS. ORIENTAL \$1.

Parasols, from 50 cts. upward. 6 yds. WIDE Oriental lace, \$1.00.

Jerseys, from one dol. upward. GOOD CORSETS, 50 cents each.

GLOVES, HOSE, CALICOES, GINGHAMS, EMBROIDERIES, RIBBONS, ETC. AT PRICES IN PROPORTION TO ABOVE.

Fine ORIENTAL FLOUR. CING for DRESS Fronts.

CLOTHING.

Mens' Fine Cassimere Extra Quality Diagonal, \$17.00, \$22.50.

Mens' Fine Diagonal BOYS' SUITS & JO-Suits, \$16.50, SIES in Proportion.

CALL EARLY, SECURE THESE BARGAINS and avoid the RUSH.

"SWING LOW SWEET CHARIOT."

List, 'twill be well for you,
List, while I tell to you
How I will sell to you
Bargains all the way through.

Ladies' Dress Goods Sold by Sample at Portland Prices.

GROCERIES AT BEDROCK,
SALT ALMOST GIVEN AWAY,
HARDPAN ON FURNISHINGS.
NEW STOCK OF DRY GOODS JUST IN.

"As the twig is bent, so is the tree inclined.

Drake buys for cash and gives his customers the benefit. Cash is king and success is his servant.

Drake's low rent and low prices makes his store the place to save money.

"I WILL NOT BE UNDERSOLD."

Now, it is our turn, not to "Blow," but to

Inform the Citizens of Union and Union County that we are receiving a Large and Finely Selected Stock of

Dry Goods, Furnishing Goods, Boots and Shoes, Glass and Queensware, Groceries, Wood and Willow-ware, etc., etc.

Which was bought for cash and will be sold strictly for cash, at prices that will "astonish the natives."

We don't expect to "run the town," but do expect our share of the trade of this city and country; if fair deal, good goods and low prices will accomplish that end.

The old way of doing business is a thing of the past. Cash men do not want to pay poor debts and long-winded accounts. We expect to re-organize the mercantile business in this valley, not to drum or humbug the people by misrepresentations, not to sell goods less than cost, but to make a uniform cash price on all goods, which means 20 per cent. lower than any man who buys on time can sell for.

Twenty thousand dollars worth of general merchandise bought and sold for cash will make this saving:—10 per cent. for the risk, 6 per cent. discount, cash and \$800 for book keeper, making a saving of \$4,000. Does anybody blame us for starting the ball a rolling?

An early inspection of our stock will convince

The most skeptical that the new order of business is much more satisfactory to all.

JAYCOX & FOSTER, - - Union, Or.