

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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The Oregon Scout has as large a 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.

Quite a number of Pine creek ledges were sold recently.

Large stock of groceries received at Jo Wright's this week.

Rather warm days, but the cool nights are refreshing.

It is astonishing to see the amount of freight that is coming into the quiet little city of Union.

J. A. Bell, the painter, is busily engaged in painting the Episcopal church, both inside and out.

MONEY.—To loan on Real Estate security, one to five years time.—F. F. BAKER, Union City house.

The Star of Bethlehem may be seen any afternoon near the sun, about 4 o'clock, with the naked eye.

It is reported that some rich ledges of gold and silver bearing rock have been found near Joseph, in Wallawa county.

A child of a Mr. Hager, residing in Umatilla county, was bitten by a rattlesnake last Saturday, and died from the effects Sunday.

Farmers should bear in mind that the New York store at La Grande is offering extraordinary inducements for their trade. Investigate and be convinced.

G. C. Israel, an attorney of Pendleton, left suddenly and turned up at Olympia. He left unpaid bills amounting to about \$1500. Nothing more about that.

Editor C. S. Wright, of the Dillon, Montana, Examiner skipped the place carrying away all he could carry. Guess that wasn't much if he had been an editor very long.

Don't buy a gun until you have seen the large assortment of guns to be received at the Cove drug store in a short time. Don't fail to see the new Winchester repeating shot guns.

If you want a fine pair of shoes or boots, call on Mr. C. Vincent, who has just received a large assortment of latest styles from the east. He will not be undersold for cash. Try him.

Marriage licenses granted during the week to Lorenzo C. Grout and Miss Mary Hammock; Jesse G. Walker and Miss Emma Stewart; Clarence E. Gaylord and Hazel Dell Arnold.

Last week we said we wanted some things of permanent fixture in this place. Does it occur to you that we will have one of them? Well my dear reader we will answer this question right now. Yes.

U. S. Senator Stanford has filed a claim against the government, in favor of the Central Pacific, for the snug little sum of \$63,000,000 as losses by reason of the government giving aid to competing roads.

Hon. Hyram Abram, the new collector of customs for the Willamette Dist., took charge of the office last Monday. Anthony Noltner, of the Weekly World, will occupy the position of chief weigher and gauger.

A reward of \$200 is offered by the sheriff of Whitman Co., W. T. for the capture and return of one Charles S. Lewis, who broke jail July 28th. He is aged about 30 years, height 5 ft. 10 inches, dark complexion, red cheeks and wore a moustache, color between a sandy and black.

In tearing down a chimney attached to a house on the farm of Mrs. Kelley, at White Rock Springs, Cal., a strong box containing \$28,000 in gold coin was discovered. The farm was an inheritance from Mrs. Kelley's mother, who was reported, during her lifetime, to possess a large amount of money, but on whose death very little coin was found.

It is just too bad for anything that a great city like Portland should be snubbed by a lot of millionaire U. S. Senators, because she does not have a hotel large enough to hold their diminutive souls. We presume the party will gorge themselves on Alaska dried salmon, and drink the Alaskan tanglefoot champagne out of seal skin goblets, while up in "Seward's Purchase."

We, of the Northwest, can sit back in our easy chairs under our own vine and apple tree and feel as cool as the disturbing cucumber, and read how they, of the eastern states are enjoying the oppressive heat that is sweeping over those states. No deaths caused from overheating here. The nights are just such nights as are needed to refresh us. We wouldn't "swop" one summer night in Oregon for a dozen of those where men of might lie down at night and smother until morn.

No better time for any enterprising individual to invest money in Union than now. That Union is going to be a place full of new enterprises that will entitle it to rank among the leading towns of Eastern Oregon, there can be no doubt. Already there are indications of renewed business activity, and though we make no superfluous noise about it, we are moving right along. This is noticeable in the fact that trade, which has been diverted from this point through outside influence, is fast returning, bringing with it new trade. We have the country to back us, and more than all we have the best of roads leading into all sections. We feel confident in the future of Union as a place of business, while for a pleasant home it cannot be equaled in the state.

ETCHINGS.

Or Impressions Made on the "Scout" by Passing Events

SUSPICIOUS CHARACTER FROM PINE VALLEY.—For the benefit of the Pine valley people, we will state that a gentleman from that section, came to Union under suspicious looking circumstances. He was not had looking, nor did he impress one with the idea that he had ever committed any crime, but he carried with him the usual suspicious air of one about to commit something. Our local detectives and news reporters were immediately on his track and his every movement was closely watched. He was seen around the furniture shop with his optics fixed on certain kinds of furniture which he hoped to get away with. He was also known to go to the court house with an accomplice who is his F. M. J. L. His heart nearly failed him as the clerk read to him the sentence and by way of reminder, casually remarked that it was a double life sentence—four dollars please. He left feeling better, drove down to a store, feeling so strong that he came near pulling a street lamp over on himself. We presume ere this reaches your lovely vale of pines, "Hazel Dell" will be the happy owner of a Gay Lord. We wish them unbounded bliss.

PRESENCE OF MIND.—The Pomeroy Independent relates a case of remarkable presence of mind of a child of that city. Last week the little girl of P. F. Noyler fell in a well 70 feet deep. She clasped the bucket rope which accompanied her to the bottom. The mother on missing the child went to the well and began to turn the windlass and so found her child was on board the rope below. About the time the mother gave out, the bucket from the top met the one half way down coming up, with the child which had presence of mind enough to catch the descending rope and rest her mother, who soon rallied sufficient strength to pull her jewel to the top. The child sustained only a few bruises.—Ex. This child was certainly very thoughtful, but not more so than the little French girl at Damascus, in Clackamas county, who fell into a dry well 40 feet deep, unharmed, and hollered that if they didn't come and help her out they wouldn't find her.

A UNION INVENTION.—The inventive genius of the American people is always on the alert to invent something that will benefit mankind, and to this end our fellow townsman Thomas G. Gillfillan has invented and patented a "Safety Car," for use on railways &c. The invention consists of several trap doors, on the sides, the bottom and on the roof of each car, and are placed in such positions that in case of accident where the coaches are turned over in any way conceivable, these openings may be reached and easily opened by the imprisoned passengers. The invention is no doubt a good one and worthy the attention of railroad men. We hope Mr. Gillfillan will be well remunerated for his inventive genius. A full description will be given in the Scientific American soon.

FINE FRUIT.—Mr. H. J. Geer, the fruit raiser of the Cove, placed on our table this week some very fine varieties of fruit, among them the "S. G. French peach," which are very fine and ripen, fully, about the 20th of July, and is destined to be the peach for this climate. It stands the frost well; the "Yellow Spanish" cherry, which grows very large, ripens well and is a highly flavored fruit; also the "Black Republican" cherry, is a choice fruit for this climate, being of firm meat and highly delicious; the "Longworth Prolific" strawberry, which is superb both in growth and flavor. Mr. Geer is a progressive fruit grower, and spares no pains in securing the best varieties. Parties in need of fruit trees, shrubbery, etc., will do well to call on him.

A LATE ARRIVAL.—Mr. F. F. Baker, of The Dalles, arrived in our city last Thursday. He will locate here and open up a life and fire insurance and real estate office. He has money in unlimited quantities to loan on long and short time at extremely low rates of interest. The Dalles Sun says of him: "Mr. F. F. Baker, who has been in the real estate and insurance office of Mr. O. D. Taylor in this city for some time past, leaves for Union, Union county, to-morrow, to open an office in the same business in his own interest. Mr. Baker is a thoroughly reliable and competent young man, and we commend him to the good people of Union. We wish him every success in his new venture."

A SUDDEN CHANGE.—At Augusta, Ga., twenty prominent citizens and a reporter for a Macon society paper started Friday night to lynch Mormon elders who have been proselyting in Berkeley county, where the missionaries have had wonderful success. When the lynchers appeared one missionary asked, as a final request before death, to be allowed to preach a sermon. He began, and before he was half through masks began to drop from the faces of his hearers, and as he warmed up to the subject the audience warmed with him, and after he finished the lynchers fought with each other to grasp his hand: He converted the whole party to Mormonism.—Ex.

OUR NEW ENTERPRISE.—Gentlemen, strike while the iron is hot, for that little enterprise can be accomplished and the amount of money required to be raised, can and will be pledged within three days after it is known that you mean business. No better investment for yourselves and the town can be made. One gentleman tells us of four parties who say they will put \$26,000 into the enterprise, and numerous other parties will contribute from \$1,000 to \$2,000.

Social Scintillations.

Paragraphs Pertaining, Principally, to the Perceptions of the Population.

"THE WORLD DO MOVE."

H. N. Corey is on a business trip to Baker county.

A. R. Robinson, of the Cove, called on us Thursday.

James Payne, of the Cove, was in the city this week.

Mr. S. S. Booth and family, of Island, made Union a visit recently.

Little Beniah Jones has sufficiently recovered as to be able to sit up, and is out of danger.

J. B. Sams, of Big creek, was on our streets this week looking as good natured as ever.

Mrs. Lou Remillard and family and Miss Emma Jones will arrive to-day from Butte City, Montana.

Mr. C. M. Duncan, of Big creek, called on us this week. He will read the SCOUT regularly hereafter.

Dr. Harmon returned from Cornucopia, Wednesday, and left for the Cove and Summerville yesterday.

Dr. C. H. Day left, Wednesday, for Dayton, W. T., on a visit to his family. He will be absent only a few days.

Miss Sallie Warren went to Wingville, Baker county, Thursday, to spend a few days visiting relatives.

Sheriff Hamilton and family have gone out on Snake river, to their peach ranch, and will rusticate for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery, formerly of Union, but now of Baker, are in town visiting their daughter, Mrs. Ed. Remillard.

Miss Edith Packwood and Miss Bertha Ison, of Baker City, came down, Thursday, on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Cates.

G. M. Stroud, grand lecturer of the A. F. & A. M., was in town, Thursday, and held a meeting with the lodge at this place.

Mr. Al Gardner and wife returned from their trip to Powder river valley last Sunday. They report having an excellent time.

Quite a number of Cove Masons have been in town during the week, attending the informal lodge meetings of that lodge.

H. N. Webber, mayor of La Grande, has been promoted to the position of master mechanic of the O. R. & N. railroad, with headquarters at The Dalles.

Mr. W. C. Owen, traveling in the interests of Pickens, Fuller & Co. Commercial Agency, was in town the fore part of the week, interviewing our business men.

Fred Nodine returned from the Wallawa last Tuesday. He says that about three hundred of his horses are missing. As he has a pretty good idea what became of them, further developments may be expected.

Mr. W. T. Wright and family and Rev. Irwin and family left, Monday, for Cornucopia to be gone a few days. Also Mr. J. T. Wright and Geo. Somner have gone to Cornucopia, where they will work on the mine belonging to Mr. Wright & Co.

Mr. A. McAlexander, of Lostine, was in the city this week, looking after his property here, preparatory to moving over in a few months. He was met here by his grand-daughters, the Misses Pauline and Adaline Piferle of Weiser city, who accompanied him to the Wallawa for a few weeks visit.

Our much valued correspondent, "Sally Ann" of Island City, took her departure the fore part of the week for her old home in the Willamette, where she will permanently reside. Our readers will miss her spicy letters. We trust, however, that she will continue to contribute to our poetical column, as she possesses genius in that line far beyond mediocrity.

ATTENTION FARMERS.—The managers of the Mechanic's Fair, of Portland, would like Union county to give an exhibition of her agricultural resources at their exhibition in October. H. B. Drake, of Union, has been appointed to receive and forward all samples. He would like farmers to send him samples of all their grasses and grains. Send a good sized bunch, full length of stalk and head, with name of owner of farm and where situated. He would, especially, like a good sample of bunch-grass. Let us show that we have the garden spot of the West. The samples are afterward to be used by the Northern Pacific R. R. for immigration purposes.

SCHOOL APPOINTMENT.—The number of young people in the State between the ages of 4 and 20 years, is \$7,217, as taken from the report of the different county school superintendents of this State. As the apportionment is \$1 per head the amount disbursed is \$7,217, an increase of \$12,646 over last year's apportionment. This gives Union county \$4,740 and Wallawa \$1,340.

DIED.—Geo. Steel, formerly of Union, but late of Cornucopia, arrived in this city last Monday on his way to California. He found awaiting him in this city a dispatch conveying the painful intelligence that his wife had died in California. The news was a severe blow to Mr. Steel.—Democrat.

PREACHING.

Elder John A. Siders will preach in the court house this evening at 8 o'clock subject, Sin against the Holy Spirit; Sunday at 11 o'clock, subject, "Gates of hell," Math. 16: 13-20; Sunday at 8 p. m. subject, 1 Pet. 3: Spirit in purgatory.

Local Lines.

There is a good demand for small fruit this season.

Harvest hands are very scarce, at least those who will work.

Messrs. Carroll & Wilson have received a fine safe for their office, of the Victor patent.

Read the ad. of \$100 reward offered by E. F. Springer, for the recovery of stolen horses.

MONEY.—To loan on Real Estate security, one to five years time.—F. F. BAKER, Union City house.

Hay has been gathered in, and so have the girls—one from Summerville and probably one in Pine valley.

"I am engaged in the very unpleasant task of keeping bachelor's hall," say quite a number of our married men.

To rent.—Good barn, well arranged and convenient to water. Centrally located. Enquire of H. B. DRAKE.

An exchange says that "the Shinnonis mines, located in the Pine creek country, have been sold for \$100,000.

The peach crop on the Snake river is reported to be abundant, the peaches being large and unusually delicious this season.

Why did one of our county officials say "Go long" so suddenly one evening last week? We suppose he was ready to go.

Bring specimens of your fine grain and grasses and leave them with H. B. Drake at Union, ye farmers of Grande Ronde valley.

Soon the busy hum of the threshers will be heard in every part of the valley, and the fields of golden grain will teem with busy life.

There will soon be a lodge of A. F. and A. M. organized at the Cove, which will be of great convenience to the Masons at that place.

The Hogen mines at Sauger are being pushed rapidly, preparing for heavy work. These are among the best mines in the county.

The long projected palace hotel, of Portland, is about to again be started, and will be pushed to completion this time. The proposed building will cost about \$500,000.

Mrs. Summers offers her stock of summer hats at cost, to make room for her fall stock. Ladies, do not miss this opportunity, but call at once and secure a bargain.

Sunday night the wind seemed to be on a general jamboree, tearing down fences, breaking down ornamental and fruit trees without respect to quality, position or previous condition.

Brother McCully, of the Wallawa Chieftain, complains that the Grande Ronde prints do not give the Wallawa county its just dues. The devil had a hard time of it, you know, even in the garden of Eden.

Foster & Jaycox are repainting the interior of their store which gives it an air of neatness. Likewise, Jo Wright is having the inside of his mammoth brick store handsomely refurnished under the supervision of Gignac, the painter.

The Union Milling Company, ever wide awake and determined to make the best flour in Oregon, are putting two large Smith's improved centrifugal bolting reels in their mill and inform us they are ready to pay cash for new wheat as soon as offered.

A Detroit man is coming to Oregon to engage in the business of making toothpicks. He will probably locate in Josephine county. The toothpick business has assumed gigantic proportions in the United States, about ten billion picks being made annually. He will invest about \$10,000 in the business.—Ex.

An exchange says there are yet 9,000,000 acres of public land in Colorado; 12,000,000 in Arizona; 30,000,000 in California; 49,000,000 in Dakota; 7,000,000 in Florida; 44,000,000 in Idaho; 7,000,000 in Minnesota; 41,000,000 in Utah; 20,000,000 in Washington territory, and millions of acres in other States and territories still untaken.

Vice President Potter of the Union Pacific, has been reducing the force of employes on the O. R. & N. until it is certainly not safe to travel over that road. Track walkers have been discharged, until for miles no employes go over the road before or after the train passes. We suppose that he will cut sufficient to equal his salary. This cutting off may be economy, but the traveling public will not so recognize.

A hurricane swept over parts of Nebraska Friday night. At David City the greatest damage was done. Many brick houses were blown down, and trees uprooted. A horse was blown against a brick wall and killed. A team of mules were blown bodily a long distance in the air and landed in a cellar. Louis Dexter was the only person killed. A man named Duluth had both legs crushed and they had to be amputated. A number of persons were seriously hurt. The hurricane lasted five minutes; fully \$200,000 in property was destroyed.

According to Bradstreet's, the chances for high prices for wheat are not very flattering. While the probable crop in the United States is from 35,000,000 to 40,000,000 less than in 1886, the probable wheat crop of the United Kingdom is about 70,000,000 more this year than in 1886, while the British Indian crop is 28,000,000 less than in '86. Hence with other wheat growing countries holding their own, the surplus is in favor of foreign countries, thus requiring less American wheat for export. The present prices are not altogether flattering, while indications, if the weather continues fair through harvest, point downward, with little if any hope, in the absence of contingencies not likely to arise to improve only prices' satisfactory.

SO SAY WE, ALL OF US.

Prices Speak Louder Than Words!

Full Line of Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes.

Table listing various goods and their prices, including Ladies' shoes, Misses', Children's, Baby, Mens', Mens' boots, and Gloves.

Other Goods Equally Low. We mean business. All remnants at cost.

Table listing various goods and their prices, including Sugar, Rice, Coffee, Tea, Syrup, Sardines, Royal savon soap, Soda, Matches, Wash tubs, Tobacco, Honey, Prunes, Dairy salt, Stock, Eng. lick, and Chop oil.

I keep 18 kinds of Tobacco, also a fine stock of cigars.

WILL SELL OUT MY SUMMER STOCK AT COST!

COME AND SEE MY BARGAINS. Drake's Cash Store, Union, Or.

CLEARANCE SALE!

Preparatory to taking my annual inventory, I have reduced prices on

SUMMER GOODS!

TO ACTUAL COST,

30 For Thirty Days and no Longer. 30

In order to close out balance of my Sewing Machine Baking Powder, I will sell it at 50 cts. a lb. can; regular factory price is 65 cts. Only a few left.

Adolph Levy, - Union, Ogn.

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 Quænsware, 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 dealing, 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.