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UNION.

A Beautiful City With Unparalleled Natural Advantages.

A brief description of this city may not be uninteresting to our numerous readers in other states, many of whom, no doubt, are looking about for a more favorable locality than where they are, in which to build up homes for themselves and families.

UNION is situated in the southern portion of the beautiful Grande Ronde Valley, in the exact center of one of the most populous and prosperous counties of the great Inland Empire. It is

THE COUNTY SEAT, and the county buildings—a commodious court house and jail, constructed of brick, are located here. It is the

SUPPLY POINT for the great mining districts of Pine creek, Sanger, and Eagle. A fine line of stages now run regularly to Cornucopia, on Pine creek, touching at all the mining camps of importance on the route. The trip is made in less than ten hours, entirely by daylight, thus enabling the traveler to feast his eyes upon a series of natural landscapes, that for variety and sublimity are rarely surpassed.

WOOD ROADS also lead to Union from every other section of the county. The O. R. & N. Co., in constructing their line through this valley several years ago, ran along the foothills about a mile and a half to the west of the town. This, instead of being an injury, has proved to be a benefit to the place. It escaped the ephemeral boom that generally attends the building of a railroad, which so many towns have found to be a curse, and hard to recover from, and has grown on its own merits alone. In time a magnificent turnpike, shaded with ornamental trees, will lead to the depot, and be a most delightful eight or ten minute's drive.

THE POPULATION of Union is about 800 and steadily increasing. A more prosperous and contented people cannot be found anywhere.

OUR EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES are the best in the county. We have a splendid brick school house, in which is taught by four competent teachers, at least nine months in each year. The religious welfare of the people is looked after by the Presbyterians, Methodists and Episcopalians, and several

SUBSTANTIAL CHURCH EDIFICES adorn the town. Among other places of amusement is a

COMMODIOUS THEATRE with excellent stage appliances, and a capacity for seating at least 500 people.

VARIOUS SECRET ORGANIZATIONS are represented here, the Odd Fellows and Masons having superb lodge rooms of their own. The town is noted for its many

ELEGANT RESIDENCES, beautiful and well watered streets, and the

REMARKABLE HEALTHFULNESS of its climate. An abundance of pure, cold water is obtained by sinking wells, or from

CATHERINE CREEK, a large stream pushing down from the mountains, through the center of the city. The stream is sufficiently large to furnish

UNLIMITED WATER POWER for a hundred manufactories. The water is clear as crystal, and chemically pure.

THE UNION FLOURING MILLS are the largest and best in Eastern Oregon, and are constantly shipping flour to foreign markets. The town boasts of

FIVE GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORES, besides numerous grocery and variety stores, all other branches of business being represented proportionately.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF UNION, and several private banks do an immense business, making Union

THE FINANCIAL CENTER as well as the business center of the country. Such is a brief description of UNION AS IT IS.

We see no reason why it should not, but many reasons why it should, in a very few years become the principal city of Eastern Oregon. It certainly possesses numerous natural advantages that other towns do not. A field is open here for

CAPITALISTS AND MEN OF MEANS, and opportunities for various investments that cannot but yield large dividends. We invite their attention to this, and can assure them that our

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OUR POETS.

[This space is given for the use and benefit of our local writers of verse, and we hope to make it a pleasing feature of the paper. To that end contributions are solicited, but they must possess undoubted literary merit to obtain place and recognition here.—Ed.]

TO A SEA SHELL.

Thou beautifullest Poet of the Sea! Whose murmuring breast so well and long Hath treasured up the eternal song

Now let me hear the sweetest air Thy whispering lips have caught, and kept, When winds were low and waves have slept, And tropic skies were blue and fair.

My spirit then will list to hear, And gain instruction thus from thee; Thy voice shall hush and humble me While memories it bringeth near.

For have not words been breathed to me From loving lips, in earlier years, With all a mother's hopes and fears, From lips now sealed eternally?

Have I, like thee, their music heard, And kept it from all else intact, The inspiring source of every act, The prompter of each thought and word?

A charm against each earthly strain From Syren lips of low desire, That tempts the soul, and taints with fire The weary heart, and seethes the brain?

Methinks thy voice doth answer make In the wild cadence of the sea: "And what art thou, O questioner? Does thy own heart no answer make?"

I dwell beneath the darkling waves Through dreamy summers, night and day, And treasured up the songs alway As sung by ocean gay and grave.

Till angry wave of tempest grand— A seething vortex white with foam— Detached me from my lovely home, And cast me on the shining sand.

A new, bright world it seemed to be, Sweet song birds caroled in the trees, A thousand blossoms to the breeze Gave perfume that was borne to me.

A rustling palm tree leaned above, And lulled the warm and hazy air With sighs of passion, while a prayer Seemed mingling with its songs of Love.

A maiden passed whose charms outshone The fairest sea-maid known to me, And spoke sweet words caressingly, And music was in every tone.

Yet none of those can ever give Forgetfulness of one dear web— That made, and makes my heart rejoice, Though I had years on years to live.

And so I sing the old, old song, Though far removed from every thing That could remembrance to me bring Of her to whom my life belongs."

Thanks! Oh wise sea-shell, Mother mine, Thy gentle influence, pure and good, Hath taught me, for true womanhood A reverence almost divine.

—AMOS K. JONES.

Cricket Flat Chirps.

Weather fine. Crops never better. Headers are still running.

Who is the owner of the new buck-board? The hum of the threshing machine can be heard all over the flat.

County Superintendent Hindman will likely teach the Elgin school this winter.

Doc. Bershear & Co's header broke down this week, just when it was so badly needed.

We want it understood that "Cricket Flat" can show as fine crops as any place in Union county.

The temperance lecture at Elgin recently, delivered by the Pres. of the State Temperance League, was very good.

We learn that the teacher of district 45 on North Cricket Flat has been under the weather, but hope ere this he is better.

She is a fine driver, I can tell you.—Mr. S. Very true, but you must know she has a new harness to drive with. Mr. H.

Sherman Galaway, who has been staying in Walla Walla for some time past, made his folks in Elgin a short call last week.

School district No. 39, on the Walla walla road, commences on the 3rd prox. The teacher is a young man from Walla walla, whose name we have been unable to learn.

Mr. and Mrs. Curley are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Peal, this week. Mr. C. has been trying the prairie chickens here, but we didn't get to sample them. Call around next time, Mr. C.

The horses of A. Long & Co's threshing machine ran away recently, causing a general smash up. Fortunately no one was hurt, but the power, and one or two horses were considerably damaged.

Hall Bro's have the agency for the celebrated "Red Letter" cigar. Call and try them.

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PINE VALLEY.

News of the Week as Noted by our Wide-awake Correspondent.

Pine Vale, Sept. 26, 1887.

Warm, sunny days—nights quite frosty.

Watermelons, muskmelons, peaches, etc. in abundance.

Born.—To the wife of Dr. Kinzy Leep, on the 5th inst., a son.

Mrs. W. F. Davis is sojourning at the mill, on a visit to her husband.

Considerable sickness in the valley, but at present we do not know of any cases that are considered dangerous.

Farmers busy with their threshing. Two machines running, and grain is turning out much better than usual.

Miss Pearl McNutt has been quite ill for the past week with typhoid fever, and although considered better, is not yet able to be up. Her many friends hope to see her well soon.

Mr. Horace Eaton and brother, Mr. Rufus Eaton, attorney, of Portland, and a Mr. Hazen camped at Forest Dell, recently, on their return from a visit to Long Valley. They report a lovely valley, 75 miles long by about 10 wide, and think it will be settled rapidly.

A Mr. Jacobs was badly hurt at Sparta on the 19th inst. He was engaged in mining, and while standing on a steep bank, it suddenly gave way, precipitating him some twenty or thirty feet, breaking both legs and otherwise injuring him internally, rendering his recovery doubtful.

Died.—On Thursday the 22nd inst, at 9 p. m., of puerperal mania, Katie, well beloved wife of Dr. K. A. Leep, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Reed, aged about 20 years. Only a short time since, the deceased mingled with the young people of Pine, a merry, light-hearted girl. Not quite one year ago since she became a happy bride, but the death angel hovered near, and now, alas, the homes she made glad with her winning presence, are rendered desolate. She leaves a husband and infant son, father, mother, brothers and sisters and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her untimely death, cut off, as it were, in the bloom of her young womanhood.

A grand ball was given at the new stone store of Pindell & Wilkinson, which is just being completed, on the evening of the 23rd inst. A large crowd was in attendance—quite a number from Cornucopia, Eagle, and other precincts, and had it not been for the fact that the funeral of a lady much esteemed in our community, took place on that evening, the attendance would have been greater. The music was fine. The supper, served at the Pine Valley hotel, kept by Mr. Sisson, was excellent and served in good style. The hall was commodious, affording ample room for seven sets. Good humor and good order prevailed during the evening, and altogether it was quite an enjoyable affair.

Fred Danson, Jr., who has been engaged in mining out at Hagem, was taken very ill on Saturday, the 17th, with quinsy, (a disease to which he is subject) and being combined with a severe cold on his lungs, rendered his condition so critical that during Sunday the 18th, his life was despaired of. A messenger was dispatched by Mr. Alders, Supt. of the mine, to Mr. Danson's, reaching there at 1 o'clock Monday morning and by 3 o'clock a. m. they were on their way to Hagem. They found Fred much better, and on Tuesday he was brought home. Many thanks are due the superintendent, Mrs. Sparks, Doc. Russell, Johnny McCloud, and others for their kind care and attention, which probably kept the disease from terminating fatally.

"A CARRIER DOVE."

PATENTS GRANTED.

To citizens of the Pacific States during the past week, and reported expressly for the SCOUT, by C. A. Snow & Co., patent lawyers, opposite U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.:

H. B. Angell, San Francisco, Cal., Dredger; F. B. Brien, Stockton, Cal., Incubator; F. L. Emerson, Brentwood, Cal., Pitman; J. H. Johnson, Trayer, Cal., Seed-drill; W. T. Milliken, Chery, Wash. Ter., Bag-lock; A. B. Murray, San Rafael, Cal., Atmospheric brake; J. Richards, San Francisco, Cal., Connecting-r d; H. Stutsman, East Portland, Oreg., Water heater; J. Tretheway Jr., Stockton, Cal., Earth grading and scraping machine; W. I. Van Harlingen, San Francisco, Cal., Railway cross tie.

Hall Bro's have the agency for the celebrated "Red Letter" cigar. Call and try them.

POCAHONTAS.

Local Notes. A Flourishing School. The Scout's Appreciation. Encounter With a Bear.

Pocahontas, Sept. 27, 1887.

Hot days and cold nights, with some frost.

A. McKean, who was kicked by a horse, has recovered.

The busy hum of the thrasher is heard throughout the valley.

Mr. Bent Landreth paid Baker a flying business trip during the week.

The show at Baker City, last Tuesday, was well patronized by citizens of Pocahontas.

Mrs. E. E. Chambers, of Pocahontas, is making a two week's visit to relatives in Pendleton.

Mr. Ira South, who has been visiting friends in Union, has returned to his home in Pocahontas.

The Wingville Lodge, I. O. O. F., have changed their night of meeting to Friday night instead of Saturday night.

The many readers of the SCOUT throughout the vicinity of Pocahontas say it is the loss paper of Union county.

Chambers & Nelson have been making some improvements in their flour mill on Pine creek, and getting ready for a good fall run.

Chambers, Place & Co. have finished their wood road from the mountains to their lime kiln after a long siege of labor by 12 or 15 men.

The placer mines are still running, but will soon have to shut down on account of scarcity of water. The cold nights in the mountains is stopping the water to a considerable extent.

The citizens of Pocahontas are quite enterprising in the matter of public schools. We have a large, fine school house, built last fall, where school is kept the biggest part of the year. The fall term commences October 10th.

Mr. L. B. Baker, Superintendent of Baker county, teacher.

Mr. Nelson and a party of experts and capitalists were seen on the head waters of Pine creek, a few days ago, taking observations and viewing his already commenced reservoir. It is quite an undertaking and when finished will overflow about three hundred acres. They think of putting on a force of men at once, and finishing it up this fall.

Mr. B. Caven and John Shirte, of Pocahontas, were hunting last week on the head waters of Pine creek, and came in contact with a large black bear. Mr. Caven shot him through on first sight and not killing him, the bear made for him viciously, but he stopped him by giving him a shot in the head. It was the fattest bear I have ever seen.

Mr. Robins, of the Baisley mining district, is one of our most prosperous and enterprising citizens. He has started a train of pack animals to carry the precious ore off the mountains to the wagon road, a distance of about one and one-half miles. He says he will put a wagon road in to his mine in the spring and erect a ten stamp mill at the foot of the hill. The ore at present is shipped to Denver, Colorado. The ore will net him \$100 per ton.

It is said by some of the most prominent citizens of Pocahontas that they believe it is an advantage to any community to have a correspondent to the SCOUT. It gives its many readers a chance to hear and gain some information from all parts of the county. We, the readers of the SCOUT, will be glad to hear from other parts of the county. What has become of your Big creek, Powder river and Eagle valley correspondents?

We are informed that L. W. Nelson has bonded his large placer mine, situated on Salmon creek, for \$250,000, and that the sale is certain. The same company also have the Auburn canal bonded for the sum of \$35,000. Last Friday and Saturday Mr. Nelson cleaned up about 100 feet of the race, which yielded \$15,000. About a month ago he cleaned up to the tune of \$12,000. Mr. Nelson's income from this mine, this season, will in all probability not fall short of \$50,000.

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THE COVE.

Summary of Late Events in the Garden Spot of Union County.

Cove Sept. 29, 1887.

The DeMoss family will give one of their vocal instrumental concerts in Cove Tuesday Oct. 4th.

Prof. Pierson and family moved to town, this week, and will commence the fall term of school next Monday.

Jno. Hulick suffered a severe laceration of his wrist, this week, by being struck with a hook connected with a hay baler.

Mr. Walter Williams, brother-in-law of Newton Myrick, and family are in town. They are contemplating moving to Spokane Falls.

A number of Coyotes crossed the valley Monday and saw the elephant. All pronounced it much inferior to Coles circus of last year.

The McKinley troupe did not appear as advertised in Cove this week on account of the circus furore. They will be here in about one month.

The Cove public school will open next Monday with Prof. Pearson and Mrs. Henry as teachers. A large attendance is expected this year.

Mr. and Mrs. James Payne started for Walla Walla, Tuesday. They are attending the fair of the Walla Walla Agricultural Society, this week.

Cove gallantry is on the wane. Not one young man in the entire community plucked up sufficient courage, Monday to take his enchantress to the circus.

J. C. Dooney is making preparations to start a nursery in the spring. He expects to open up on L. Corpe's place, the soil being well suited and easily irrigated.

S. Burroughs has completed his shingle contract at Cornucopia, having manufactured 280,000 shingles at \$4 per M. Mr. B. has gone to Baker City, but is expected home in a short time.

It was reported this week that there was a case of diphtheria in town, but on inquiring the report was found to be absolutely false, there being no occasion for the rumor, except two or three cases of common sore throat.

The Wilson Bro's thrasher has been housed after a very successful run. In twenty-one days work they threshed 21,750 bushels of oats, barley, wheat and timothy. Duncan's and Iver's machines are still threshing.

Mr. Swaggart, Ed. Keeney and Wesley Matlock, of Pendleton, entered Leighton Academy, this week, as boarders. The attendance is increasing weekly and the students seem very well pleased with the management.

Unclaimed letters remaining in the Cove post office, Sept. 29th: Mrs. Hattie Baldwin, J. M. Jones, Mrs. R. C. Lough, L. Morris, J. Mawer, Mrs. Maggie Mayott, Thos. Perkins, Wm. Reavis, J. W. Sills, (2), John Van, Miss Edath Young, H. W. Weaver and E. D. Weaver.

Do you know the reason I did not escort my girl to the circus?—C. G. O. The Circasian beauty said I was no good because I would not invest in her lovely photograph.—E. A. R. Did you hear about the interruption in the circus Monday afternoon? Ask C. G. O; he will tell you.—S. G. R. Threshing season is a trying time.—H. H. F. Timothy crops thrashed on short notice.—R. J. I explained the workings of a bowler to the Baker pumpman.—Alex.

DON'T.

let that cold of yours run on. You think it is a light thing. But it may run into catarrh. Or into pneumonia. Or consumption.

Catarrh is disgusting. Pneumonia is dangerous. Consumption is death itself.

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