

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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LOCAL INFORMATION.

Gathered up by The Scout and Brought to Headquarters.

"Damon and Pythias" Monday night. Buy your boots and shoes of Vincent. "Hazel Kirke" Tuesday night at Wright's hall.

Excellent meals at the Bon Ton Restaurant. Vale, Malheur county, has been incorporated.

Whoa! I've lost my hat! Hold on there! The best of wines and liquors at the Kentucky Saloon.

Salem intends raising a \$20,000 subsidy for a woolen mill. Miss Helen Levy has been quite sick for several days past.

Dr. Strange, of La Grande, was in Union the fore part of the week. The name of Centerville, Umatilla county, has been changed to Athena.

Pay your Cove drug store account at once and save yourself from a notice. Drop in and have a social game of billiards at the Cornucopia Saloon.

We understand that Judge Fee will call a special term of court some time this month.

We are patiently waiting to hear from our subscribers to whom we have sent statements.

Two hundred and sixty-nine men and youth's suits just received at Levy's. The prices are extremely low.

A splendid assortment of mens' ladies' misses and Children's shoes and foot wear just received at Levy's.

The legislature made an appropriation of \$10,000 to construct a wagon road from Huntington to Connor creek.

Subscribe to the subsidy as much as you can afford to and do it soon. Don't wait for the solicitor to hunt you up.

Something new and beautiful in plain and checked linen chambrays, and an elegant assortment of drap de venise goods at Levy's.

We have been unable to get the contracts for the Hunt subsidy together for publication, but the total amount subscribed in Union precinct now foots up near \$60,000.

Don't fail to attend the theatre Monday and Tuesday night at Wright's hall. It is seldom we have an opportunity of witnessing such plays as this company will present.

C. C. Fisher, the wart and corn fiend, was bound over to appear before the grand jury in \$200 bonds. Mrs. Hamlin is liable to lose her finger and hand by his medicine.

Mrs. J. C. Summers, the milliner, has just received the first shipment of Spring shapes and fashionable millinery, direct from the east, all of which will be sold at bottom prices.

It is rumored that the Pacific Hotel Co. will erect a hotel at La Grande during the coming summer. That company is more of a detriment to a town than a benefit, as all its supplies are sent direct from Omaha to its numerous hotels.—Baker City Blade.

Palmer & Rey, the type founders of Portland, have moved to the Northwest corner of Front and Alder streets. They occupy the entire building, three floors, and have greatly increased their facilities for furnishing the trade with the best of everything.

Messrs. Baird & James will give another social dance to-morrow night at Davis' hall. Great preparations are being made for the occasion and a most enjoyable time is anticipated. Good music will be furnished. Don't fail to attend. Tickets only \$1.00. See ad. elsewhere.

The editor of the Pineville News has commenced suit against several delinquent subscribers. He should be successful in every instance, and the delinquents nuked in heavy damages. Some men will take a newspaper for years, receive great benefit, and when asked to pay for what they have received, will evade this honest debt in every possible way.

According to the time honored custom observed in rural districts our school directors have tacked up a few notices to the effect that there will be an election held on the 4th of March for the purpose of electing one director for a term of three years, and one clerk for a term of one year. We mention this so that the people at large may know of the election and be there to take a hand in it if they feel so disposed.

Quite a number of the young people of Union attended the dance given by Messrs. A. J. Foster & Son, at the Cove, on the 2nd. Some forty numbers were sold and an excellent time was had. The music was furnished by Wm. James and Frank Johnson of Union, and Louie Childs, of the Cove. An excellent supper was served, and all seemed to enjoy themselves to the fullest extent. Those in attendance from Union are loud in their praises of the courteous treatment received at the hands of the good people of the Cove.

The charges of the railroad companies sink into insignificance when taken into comparison with the extortionate rates of the only express company that serves this country. A charge of 85 cents for transporting an eleven-pound package from Portland to Pendleton is not only unjust and unreasonable, but it is plain, straight robbery.—East Oregonian. This week we paid 40 cents express on three and one-fourth pounds from Portland to Union. Robbery is no name for it. But as Mr. Blaine, our king, don't favor interfering with these "private affairs" what are you going to do about it?

FROM UNION TO SEATTLE.

Mr. B. W. Huffman tells of Scenes and Incidents on the Trip.

CENTRALIA, (W. T.) Feb. 23, '89. ED. SCOUT.—

This country is vastly different from Eastern Oregon in a great many respects. No bare hills slope back from the valleys, but one continual timbered stretch extends as far as one can see.

We got to Pendleton at dark, and saw our first electric lights. We did not get scared nor faint, for it looked just as "natural" as possible.

From there on down to Portland we were in the dark, so the country is all strange as Jerusalem to us. At Portland about forty hotel runners clustered around the train, and we were almost persuaded to go to every house in the city, but finally wound up by walking alone to the Holton.

Portland is quite a city. It has some drawbacks and but very few downright advantages, or rather qualities that should hold an immense farming and mining country like Eastern Oregon and Washington in subservient bondage. It has by means of its corporations and schemes succeeded in keeping the markets, transportation and all the interests of that vast Inland Empire in its clutches ever since it first was made the habitation of white man, and being the only outlet, people could not avoid its grasp.

There is no good anchorage, as every person knows who has read or seen, and the cost of towing and lightering the vessels down the Columbia to the deep and navigable waters of the Pacific, is drawn out of the pockets of the farmers of Eastern Oregon, besides the regular rates. Portland is not going to do all that for nothing. She knows that as long as the people of Eastern Oregon will not take a "tumble" to her scheme she is all sound for lots of extra freight money.

Why it would make no difference to her merchants, railroad men, corporations and produce dealers if every man in Eastern Oregon should starve. Now the best thing our inland farmers can do to better their own condition, is to help put another road into their midst, and by so doing lessen their rates of freight transportation to the amount it costs each year for every pound of produce they ship to Portland, to be towed and lightered over the bar and the expenses therefor. At either Tacoma or Seattle the largest vessels can load from the wharf, and there is no need of any extra expense of transfer.

It has rained but very little on the sound this winter, and to-day at Centralia the sun is warm and it reminds one of spring in Oregon.

The saw mills are just starting up, and a cross road from the coal mines near here, over to Gray's Harbor is just being built. Not a very large force is at work yet, but in a few days the valley will be alive with men. One fine, large hotel is nearly completed, and a score of smaller, but important business houses are under way.

This place is situated in a little valley about two miles long and nearly the same in width. Some six or seven saw mills are within a mile and a half of the town. One newspaper is published here, and the advertising is great.

Tacoma was muddy. We got there about 10 o'clock at night, and expected to see a fine sight the next morning—but no—it was so foggy we had to carry a fog horn in our vest pocket to keep from being lost. About noon it cleared up a little and we saw some of the town. It is on a steep bank up over the water.

At noon we took the "T. J. Potter" for Seattle. The Sound was fine—just as smooth as glass. We arrived there about 1 or 2 o'clock. Seattle is a much prettier place than Tacoma. It rises up slowly from the water, and does not stand on a sand bank, overlooking the Sound. Its streets are not so muddy as Tacoma, and it has some fine buildings. One of these places is going to be a second San Francisco some day, and the people of Grande Ronde Valley should help G. W. Hunt out on his enterprise all in their power, for it will be the making of them. Every depot here is stocked with lumber. It is a business place. Men who come here early and invest judiciously will succeed. More anon.

B. W. HUFFMAN.

THE COVE.

February 27, 1889.

The winter, so far, has afforded Covites only one day's sleighing, viz: February 20th. Cutters can be purchased at a discount.

The church fair has been postponed until after Easter. Much preparation is going on and the occasion will be an interesting novelty for the place.

Mr. E. R. Holmes started for San Francisco, Monday, and will resume his studies in a medical college. He will make several stops in Willamette valley, visiting friends.

Mr. Edward Pfeiffer, a young man from Elkhart, Indiana, and an acquaintance of Mr. L. Corps, arrived in Cove last week and expects to spend the summer in this part of the state.

The health of Cove is not yet at its best. There has been several cases at E. P. McDaniels during the week. Mrs. P. F. Chrisman has been under a physician's care, also Harry Smith, infant son of Prof. Smith, is quite sick.

A number of our young men have the Alaska fever to such an extent that they have openly declared their intention of proceeding to that clime next month. Anticipating a change in habits and customs, they are now practicing daily eating blubber and throwing harpoons for seals. A good price will be paid for a few dusky maidens that they may go into training courting the sable belle.

Several from Cove attended the K. of P. ball at Union last week, and pronounced it, including the foregoing entertainment, ne plus ultra. They say a more gentlemanly and attentive lot of floor managers could not be found anywhere.

Mr. J. O. Smith paid our town one of his periodical visits this week. He was accompanied, as usual, by a gun and a fine pointer, and shot several geese for expectant friends during his stay. J. O. expects to pass the summer in the mining regions of Baker county.

Frank Newell, who is contemplating moving to Wisconsin to engage in the dairy business, offers for sale at a reasonable figure his place of thirty acres near Cove. The land is of fine quality, contains several good springs, and is admirably adapted to raising strawberries and other fruits.

The entertainment at Frosty school house last Wednesday eve was well attended and much enjoyed by the audience. The music, dialogues, drama, etc., evinced by their rendition that much study and training had been gone through by the managers and others taking part. Credit is due them all for their successful attempt in furnishing amusement for the community. T. G. Wilson in his stump speech, with "temperance" as the subject, was immense. The Cove band was present and played several airs.

NORTH POWDER.

February 26, 1889.

Mr. Harry Hughes, of Boise City, called here last week. Mr. Shell, of Walla Walla, has returned on business.

Messrs. Sanders & Miller are the proprietors of the new butcher shop. Mr. Plummer has a contract of ten tons of ice for the O. R. & N. Co.

School has been discontinued for the past week—teacher sick. Master George Nolan has been quite ill, but is recovering.

A new school house will be built in the Clover creek district, soon. Judge Dolan's headquarters are again over the blacksmith shop.

J. W. Childers' wagon fell off a high grade and is a "total wreck." A choice selection of fine cigars just received at Carroll's.

Jas. Gilkinson, Jr., is slowly improving after a protracted illness.

The able discourses of Rev. Walsh are duly appreciated by the large congregations always present.

Mr. Dave Lee and G. Huff each have an undue amount of check at present—cause, numps.

North Powder people turned out in force at the baptizing ceremonies on Sunday on Wolf creek.

Mrs. Geo. Bobier is contemplating a visit to her parents at Cheney, W. T., in the near future.

Gall is required to solicit a favor, then return it by signing a petition to kill the donor in business, yet it is done—codfish!

"K" company's court of discipline will meet on the second Saturday in March at their Armory hall for the trial of direct members.

Mr. John Hand has disposed of his property here and will shortly take his departure for Fort Bidwell, Cal., in search of a home. Many friends wish him a pleasant journey and a realization of his fancied expectations.

Petitions and remonstrances are in circulation for the sale and the suppression of the liquor interests in this place. A majority of the legal voters of the precinct will decide the question and both parties are striving to secure the required number.

Now that the "enabling act" has been passed by the legislature the people of this as well as every other precinct of the county will be called upon to decide the momentous question, by ballot, of relocating the county seat. Not only self interest but the best interests of the county should prevail among voters in rendering such an important decision, and we believe it will.

Nine accessions to the Baptist church during the present revival at the Wolf creek school house, Mrs. Tracy Davidson and Mrs. Fain by letter, and the following new members by conversion: Messrs. John O'Bryant, Geo. Venable, Tracy Davidson and Mr. Fain, and Mrs. Sharred and the Misses Maria Wicks and Cora Frisby. The new converts were duly baptized by immersion on Sunday last by Rev. Walsh, with the exception of Mrs. Sharred. Meetings will continue during the present week with unabated interest and will no doubt result in a further awakening of the unregenerated. Let the good work go on.

AJAX.

Entitled to the Best.

All are entitled to the best that their money will buy, so every family should have at once a bottle of the best family remedy, syrup of Figs, to cleanse the system when costive or bilious. For sale in fifty-cent and one-dollar bottles by all leading druggists.

BORN.

CRITES.—In this city, Monday, Feb. 25, 1889, to the wife of J. R. Crites, a daughter

MARRIED.

BALLINGAL—HART.—At the Union City hotel, Feb. 21, 1889, by Rev. L. J. Booth, Mr. R. F. Ballingal and Miss Ada Jane Hart, both of Baker county.

BAKER—BAKER.—At the Centennial hotel, in this city, Friday, Feb. 22, 1889, by B. F. Wilson, J. F. Mr. Char. G. Baker and Miss Carrie Baker, both of LaGrande

BYNG—BURRILL.—At the Centennial hotel, in this city, Feb. 25, 1889, by B. F. Wilson, J. F. Mr. T. F. Byng and Miss Ida L. Burrill, both of Hilgard

DIED.

HANLETT.—In this city, Sat. Feb. 23, 1889, Dolly, the 5 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hanlett.

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