

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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

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LOCAL INFORMATION.

Gathered up by The Scout and Brought to Headquarters.

A male or female cook wanted. Apply at the Ben Ton restaurant.

J. M. Phipps & Co. will pay good prices for your wheat at the Union mill.

Strawberries and ice cream at the Ben Ton restaurant next Sunday.

Rev. G. M. Irwin will deliver the Fourth of July oration at Enterprise.

Osborn at baseball game—"Why I've got money to throw at the birds."

Paines Celery Compound and Electric Bitters for sale at the Cove drug store.

A license to wed was issued last Saturday to John D. Carey and Miss Jennie Scott, both of Hilgard.

An endless variety of Jersey waxes will be sold for the next thirty days at reduced rates at Mrs. Hinehart's millinery store.

Large numbers of salmon are now ascending Catherine creek. It is said that mountain trout are also numerous in the streams, and fishing is unusually good.

One hundred pairs of ladies' and children's shoes for sale at Mrs. Hinehart's at \$1 per pair. Also a nice line of ladies' fine French kid shoes. The very best quality.

The Gazette says that La Grande is now considered the "genii city" of the Inland Empire. Great Scott! What are they trying to spring on us now? What is a "genii city" supposed to be like, anyway?

A horse race between Holmes horse, of the Cove, and Sam Benson's flyer, will take place in this city on Saturday the 29th of June. A dispute as to which is the fleetest animal is the direct cause of the race being made.

It is understood, says the Yakima Farmer, that G. W. Hunt is calculating to build a road from North Yakima up the Natchez river, across the head of Cowitz to the head of Puget Sound at Olympia, there to connect with the road to Port Townsend.

George Gignac has been engaged during the past week in putting a new coat of paint on the residence of John Dobbins in North Union. He is also kalsomining the interior in a manner becoming the work of an artist. The house now presents a very tasty and attractive appearance from the road.

Mr. Taylor Green states in a letter written to us a few days ago from Pendleton that he had an interview with Mr. Hunt, who told him that Mr. Villard nor any other railroad man had anything to do with his business, and if the Union county people raised the subsidy the road would be built.

Guy Becker, Joseph Hill and Mark Howard returned last Monday from a two weeks' prospecting tour in the vicinity of Anthony creek. They bring no information of a definite character regarding the mineral deposits of that section, but are not satisfied as yet and intend to return in July and continue their explorations after the precious metal.

A foot race between one of our local sports and a professional by the name of R. G. Caldwell, who is traveling through the country, not for his health entirely, has been arranged to take place in this city on the 22nd inst. Our local man is being backed by the sporting fraternity of this city generally, while the traveling man furnishes his own money.

We are informed that the county commissioners of Union and Wallawa counties are worried over the mulishness of one F. S. Ladd who owns the land where the Wallawa road crosses the river, and refuses to let them build the new bridge anywhere except where the old one now stands, when about 150 yards below would be much the best place for it, and would not inconvenience or damage him in the least.

In the notice to bridge builders, by the county courts of Union and Wallawa counties, as printed in our last issue, it read: "Each proposal to be accompanied with a certified check in the amount of the bid as a guaranty that the bidder will enter into contract if the award is made to him." It should have read: "to the amount of 5 per cent. of his bid." The attention of bridge builders is directed to the ad, which appears elsewhere in our columns.

A. L. Ransom, who has so acceptably filled the position of agent at Union for some time past, leaves to-morrow for Moscow, I. T., where he goes to accept a similar position. It is to be regretted that the company has seen fit to make this change as Mr. Ransom was a great favorite among the young folks of this city. He is to be succeeded by Mr. J. W. Sneed who takes charge of the office to-day. Mr. Ransom takes with him the best wishes of this entire community.

The committee having charge of the ball to be given in this city on the evening of July 1st, should not let a few dollars influence them in the selection of musicians for the occasion. Poor music is dear at any price. We understand that the committee refuses to pay Mr. James the price he asks, for which reason he declines to furnish the music. A reconsideration of this matter by the committee would please nine-tenths of the lovers of Terpsichorean pleasure.

It is absurd to even intimate that Prof. Smith, pitcher of the Cove-Union team, "threw off" the game last Friday. Mr. Smith is a gentleman in every sense of the word, and is blessed with too much of that quality in human beings called honesty to even think of such a thing. He was in the best condition for throwing and it is in this fact that we attribute the ineffectiveness of his pitching for the throw a swift ball but it lacked the needed amount of curve, and was not coming in the better.

DRESS F. GRADE.

The Scout's Weekly In Spectation and Report of Friends, of Duty.

Wilbur Davis returned this week to Cornucopia.

Mrs. J. C. Clark, of Island City, is visiting in this city.

Mark Benson, of Powder river, was in town last Monday.

J. W. Shelton visited Baker City last Monday on legal business.

Prof. Smith and H. H. French, of the Cove, were in town yesterday.

Thomas J. Chandler, of Elgin, was in Union on business last Tuesday.

J. A. Myers and wife, of Sanger, were in Union this week visiting friends.

Turner Oliver made a business trip to La Grande last Saturday, returning Monday.

B. M. Washburn, of La Grande, was over from that burg last Monday, bent on business.

Mr. V. W. Plummer, of North Powder, has been sojourning at the Hot Lake for several weeks past.

Capt. D. H. Jarvis, of Athena, Umatilla county, is in the city, representing a life insurance company.

Lorenzo Stewart, of John Day, Grant county, a cousin of A. N. Gardner, was visiting in this city this week.

Dr. A. L. Saylor, one of the leading physicians of North Powder, was in our town the fore part of the week.

Mrs. C. C. Crawford, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, is visiting her brothers, Chas. and Corwin Coffinberry of this city.

W. T. Wright returned to this city from Portland yesterday, where he has been to attend a meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons.

Marion F. Davis returned from Eugene last Monday, where he had been to witness the commencement exercises of the State University.

E. W. Davis returned from Portland, Monday. It is reported that he purchased while there, a new nickel plated Victor bicycle.

Miss Elva Richey, of Portland, came up a few days ago, on a visit to her sisters, Mrs. J. E. Tuttle of Union and Mrs. J. T. Jewell of the Cove.

Lou Remillard arrived here from Montana last week. He is looking after his stock interests and his intention was to remain in the valley but a very short time.

Wm. Wilson returned from a trip to Portland, Tuesday. While below he purchased a large stock of the most desirable brands of wines, liquors and cigars.

Miss Mollie Shaw, who is at present engaged in teaching a term of school on Clover creek, was visiting among her many friends in Union last Saturday.

Messrs. J. E. Devine and B. T. Huffman, of Wallawa county, are making preparations to start a newspaper at Summerville. They expect to have it in running order about the 10th of July.

Dr. F. M. Mason, of Lost Prairie, Wallawa county, visited Union this week. He and with him some very fine horses for sale. He thinks his section of the county is the garden spot of the state.

Miss Maggie Smith returned from Pendleton last Monday, where she has been spending several weeks visiting relatives and friends. She will remain in Union until after the Fourth, when she will take her departure for her new home in Lemhi county, Idaho.

Rev. D. B. Gray, superintendent of the state school for the blind at Salem, and wife arrived in this city last week on a visit to their nieces, Mrs. Robt. Eakin and Mrs. L. N. Cronwell. We acknowledge a pleasant call from Mr. Gray. He expresses himself as very favorably impressed with our country.

Two Of Them Captured.

Last Wednesday afternoon, Chas. Brookins and Isaac Hageman, two of the three prisoners who escaped from the county jail on the 8th inst., by sawing in twain one of the iron bars of the jail window, were captured in Linatilla county between Alba and Pilot Rock, by Madison Jones and W. G. Stinson of Pendleton. Sheriff Hamilton and his efficient deputy, James Lowell, were close on their track when the capture was made, and had it not been for a misunderstanding between Hamilton and Lowell, who were traveling separately, they would have had the honor of effecting the capture the night previous. They are now safely behind the bars and in order to prevent a similar occurrence Sheriff Hamilton has taken the precaution to encumber one of Brookins' legs with an eighteen pound weight, which he now gracefully carries in his parades through the corridors of the jail.

Charles Ricks, the third of the escaped jail birds, is still at liberty, no definite information having been obtained as to his whereabouts.

Brookins, when captured, stated that they were assisted in making their escape by one Mrs. Mattie Elder, a sister of Ricks, who lives in this city. This woman does not carry a very enviable reputation and it does not seem out of reason that his statement is correct, for she made frequent visits to the jail, presumably to see her brother. She was arrested upon this information and is now confined in the county jail.

Two Horse Races.

Last Sunday was a gala day for the lovers of equine sports of this city. Two horse races took place in the afternoon in the large opposite the residence of John Dobbins in North Union and were witnessed by a large and enthusiastic as well as moneyed crowd. The first was between Couper's saddle horse and Irwin's mare, and resulted in the former being distanced. A race was then arranged between Irwin's mare and Phipps' brown horse in which, contrary to the expectations of a larger portion of the spectators, the brown horse came out victorious. The judges of horseflesh present declare that Irwin's mare is the fleetest animal, however, and accordingly a race has been arranged between the two last named animals to run again next Sunday.

IT WILL PAY ALL PARTIES WANTING

Threshers, Horse Powers, Headers or Engines,

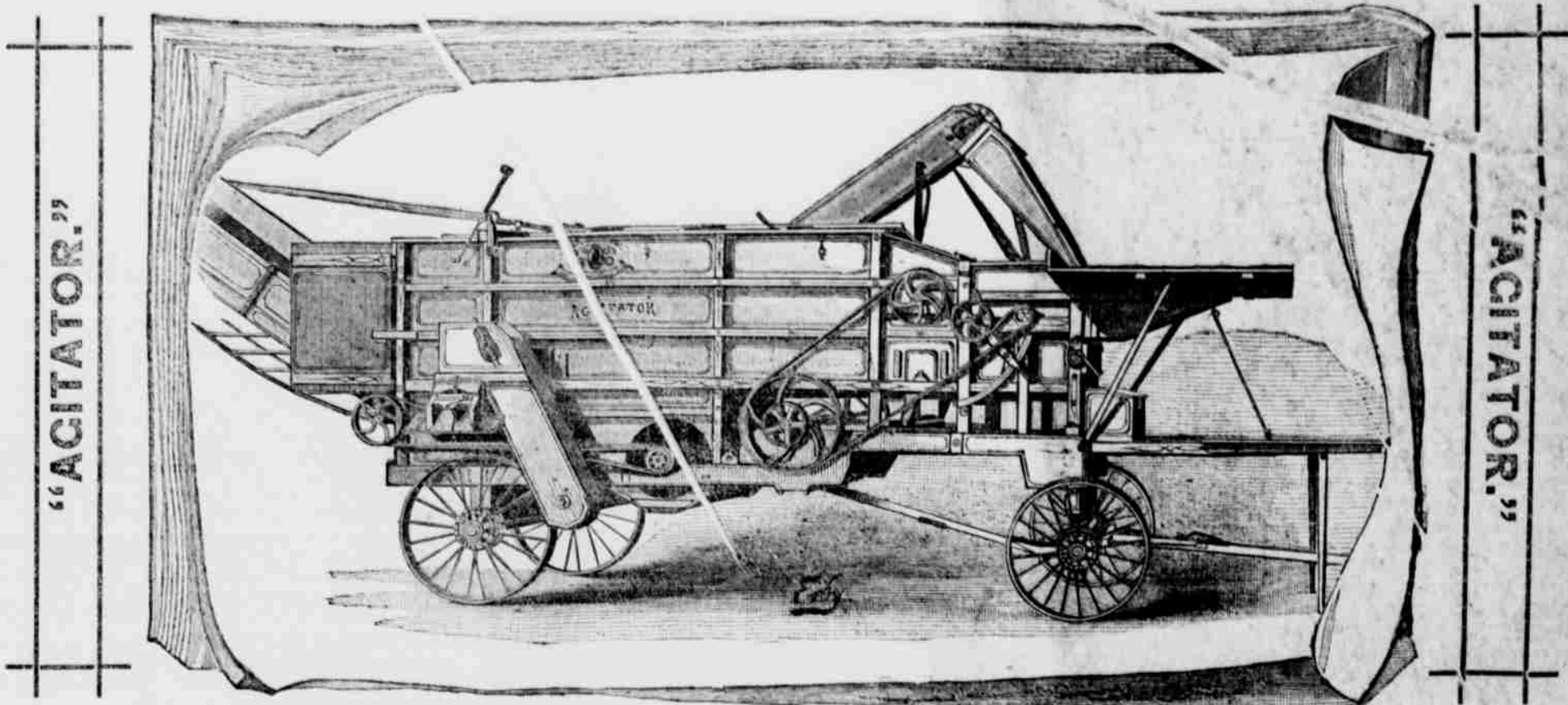
—TO BUY THE CELEBRATED—

J. I. CASE THRESHING MACHINERY,

—OF—

STAVES & WALKER,

LA GRANDE, OREGON.



We Guarantee our J. I. Case "ACITATOR" Separator, Shown Above, to be the Fastest Threshing and Best Grain-saving Machine in the World.

Over four hundred of these celebrated machines were in operation last season in Oregon and Washington, all of which gave the very highest satisfaction. There are twice as many "Acitators" sold each year throughout the United States as any other make of thresher. This large sale, double that of any other thresher, is the very strongest proof of their superiority.

We unhesitatingly guarantee the J. I. Case "Acitator" Thresher to thresh as much and thresh better in bundles and headed grain, long and short straw and flax; to be more durable and run with less expense for repairs than any other thresher ever made.

Remember that the best machines command the large and paying jobs. If you want a thresher, buy the J. I. Case "Acitator," which is guaranteed to be the best, and which has proven itself to be so by years of trial in the hands of the leading farmers and threshermen of the Northwest, and is known to be a perfect success. Is it not much safer and better for you to purchase a machine which has been thoroughly tested for years in Oregon and Washington, and is known to be a perfect success, than to purchase a new and untried machine?

Write to us for special pamphlet, containing numerous testimonials from the leading farmers of the Northwest, as to the superiority of the J. I. Case machinery. It will pay you to write to us for prices and terms before purchasing a thresher, no matter what representations are made nor what inducements are held out to you by others. We sell the genuine.

We are exclusive agents for the celebrated Jackson's Self Feeders, Derrick Forks, Derrick Fork Hoisters and Steam Threshing Machinery. Send for Special Catalogue of this Celebrated Machinery.

STAVES & WALKER.

OUR CELEBRATION.

All the Committees are at Work—A Grand Time Assured.

The committees appointed to make arrangements for the coming celebration have been busy at work and every effort is being made to make the celebration one of unusual interest. The following program has been prepared and will be carried out under the direction of the committees:

Sunrise salute—12 guns. The procession will form and march from the court house at 10 o'clock sharp, under command of Gen. O. F. Bell the grand marshal of the day, who will be assisted by a half dozen competent aids, and will meet the procession from the Cove at the northern city limits. The Cove procession will then be given the right of the column and the procession will then march to the grounds. The exact line of march has not yet been settled but will be published next week.

At the grounds the exercises will consist of music, by the band; national anthem, by the choir; prayer, Rev. W. B. Powell, of the Cove; music, by the band; remarks by Uncle Geo. Wright, president of the day; national ode, by the choir; reading Declaration of Independence, by Prof. Wm. Smith, of Cove; music, by the band; singing, by the choir; oration, by Hon. T. C. Hyde, of Baker City; music, by the band; dinner.

The afternoon program will consist of first target shooting, 200 yards, off hand, open sights, first prize \$20, second \$10; ring tournament, first prize \$25, second \$10; foot race, \$50; egg race, \$10; sack race, \$5; baseball game, \$50. The plug-ugly or lug-gum-gum parade will then follow, and as this has been placed under the management of J. C. Summers, Sam Benson, Al Dixon and Leo Levy, everybody may expect a treat.

Millinery and Fancy Goods at Cost.

For the next sixty days Mesdames Bidwell & Benson will sell their entire stock of millinery goods, ladies underwear, childrens clothing, etc., etc., at actual cost. Ladies are invited to call and examine goods which are all new and of the latest designs. A better opportunity for securing good bargains will never be presented. Improve the opportunity. May 1st, 1889.

The Ladies Delighted.

The pleasant effect and the perfect safety with which ladies may use the liquid fruit laxative, Syrup of Figs, under all conditions make it their favorite remedy. It is pleasant to the eye and to the taste, gentle yet effective in acting on the kidneys, liver and bowels.

Real Estate Association.

The Union Real Estate Association has recently been organized in this city, its objects being to buy, sell and lease real estate in Union county on commissions.

As experience has shown that a real estate agency is the best medium through which to bring together the intending buyer and seller, by means of judicious and extensive advertising, it may be expected that ere long a large number of persons desiring to sell real estate will list their property with them.

The advertisement of the association will appear in a short time in this paper, which will contain at least three columns of reading matter descriptive of Union county, accurately setting forth the resources of the same and opportunities offered for investments; following which will be advertised each particular tract of land placed in the hands of the association for sale, giving a brief but comprehensive description of it, with prices and terms. Besides this advertisement, descriptive circulars and other advertising matter will be distributed where it will do the most good. Every person having real estate to sell should consult their interests by listing their property with the association.

B. F. Wilson and A. J. Hackett are the authorized agents of the association and corresponding secretaries of same, to whom all communications should be addressed.

"La Grande" Boys the Champions.

The third game of the series for the championship of Grande Ronde valley, between the Cove-Union and "La Grande" teams was played on the Union grounds last Friday, and resulted in an overwhelming victory for the "La Grande" club, the score standing 24 to 15 in their favor.

The playing of both sides was a succession of errors from beginning to end and the game proved to be quite uninteresting to the large crowd of ladies and gentlemen that had assembled on the grounds, expecting to witness some good ball-playing. Smith's pitching was anything but effective, he being battered all over the field. Most of our boys have come to the conclusion that they do not understand the game called baseball, and have declared their intention to abandon the idea of ever being able to gain distinction in the diamond arena, and put their talent to work in some other direction where there is a possibility of success.

New goods at Mrs. L. B. Rinehart's this week. Hats of the very latest style, also a nice line of feathers, laces, etc.

IT IS A BLUFF.

A New Scheme to Defeat the Hunt Railroad Project.

There were forwarded to the office of County Clerk Nail for record last Monday seven deeds of conveyance for a right of way through the lands of the following individuals, situated in the northern part of the valley, viz: E. B. Morlock, Charles Hallgarth, John Ross, J. K. P. Harris, Siebert Hallgarth, Thos. J. Chandler and Ahlo S. Watt. The deeds specify that a strip of land through the premises of said parties, one hundred feet wide, being fifty feet on either side of the line of survey made through that section of country a short time ago, shall be conveyed and warranted to the O. R. & N. Co. to be used as a right of way for their projected branch to Elgin.

Now, it is our candid opinion that it is not now, nor never was, the intention of the O. R. & N. Co. to build the proposed branch at this time, and this latest move on their part is simply a monstrous scheme to lead the people of that vicinity, especially that part of the population who are liable to subscribe to the Hunt subsidy, into the belief that the La Grande branch will be immediately built, and that the aforesaid people will receive the benefits of a railroad without having to go down into their pockets and pay for the incoming of a road.

The aggregate amount of the considerations named in the aforesaid deeds is \$149, and it is undoubtedly the belief of the company that if a few dollars spent in this way will divert the attention of the people of that community from the Hunt proposition and lead them to believe that the La Grande branch will be in operation in a short time, it is money well spent.

The grantors named in the above mentioned deeds all reside in the immediate vicinity of Summerville, and are neighbors to a large number of influential citizens of that community who have not as yet subscribed to the Hunt subsidy, but intend to do so if they see there is no other show to get the road. Thus it is plain for the people to see the reason of the O. R. & N. Co. making this small outlay of money in buying right of way lands if it will stop these people from assisting in the Hunt proposition until it is too late.

It is our opinion, however, that the citizens of that vicinity are not so obtuse as to be gulled into believing any such bluff, and that they will not look upon the mere recording of these deeds as any evidence that the La Grande branch will be built, but on the contrary, that it is a great bluff, concocted by some of the shrewd railroad officials to defeat the Hunt road.

Bicycles Arrived.

There arrived in this city, last Wednesday, seven new bicycles, made by the Nicholson Manufacturing Company, of Chicago, which were ordered by different boys around town. Bicycles may now be seen upon our streets at any time, and many amusing sights are the direct result of the beginners trying to make "flowery plays" before the spectators who congregate on the corners anxious to see the fun. We predicted that our streets, in a few days after the arrival of the machines, would resemble the exercise corridor of a railroad hospital, but our prediction has not as yet been fulfilled, as no serious casualties have occurred so far.

A Woman's Discovery.

"Another wonderful discovery has been made and that too by a lady in this county. Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly and could not sleep. She bought of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and was so much relieved on taking first dose that she slept all night and with one bottle has been miraculously cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus write W. C. Hamrick & Co., of Shelby, S. C.—Get a free trial bottle at Brown's drug store, Union, Oregon.

They Knock the Persimmon.

The record made by the various sheep-shearing crews still continues to grow. Last week on Wm. Booth's place in the Cove, "The Stonebreakers" made the following record of ten hours work: Thos. Johnson, 138; C. F. Miller, 135; G. W. Johnson, 123; John Lawrence, 110; Fay Yowell, 103; Geo. Thomson, 95.

A Statement.

And Balaam's ass spoke, so has the son-in-law of the Oregonian in his comments on the article published in the Pacific Express with regard to Union county and Union city. To the citizens of Union will be left the judgment of who has prevaricated.

W. W. W.

Ladies fine lace hats and bonnets made to order on short notice at Mrs. L. B. Rinehart's millinery store.

MARRIED.

BERRY—WILLIAMS—At the U. S. hotel, Wednesday, June 12, 1889, I. J. Berry, Mr. Wm. H. Williams, both of this city.