

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.

For a full description of Union County see inside pages.

AT HOME.

A Paragaph Record of Recent Happenings in and Around the City.

For a hair cut that you read about call at Geo. Baird's tonsorial parlors.

Wilson & Hackett are prepared to furnish loans in any sum at lowest rate of interest.

Any number of chickens wanted at the Centennial hotel. Highest cash market price paid.

Those indebted to Jones Bros are requested to settle at once. Just keep this in your mind.

Don't procrastinate another day but settle now your overdue account at the Cove drug store.

A lot of household furniture, stoves, carpets, dishes, etc. for sale, and house to rent. Enquire of J. R. Oates.

A gentleman of mature years and liberal education would like to take a small country school the coming summer. Inquire at this office.

Borrowers, before getting loans should consult Wilson & Hackett. They have an immense sum which will be loaned out in lots to suit.

Union has four saloons and there is talk of starting a fifth. Wm. James, formerly with Wm. Wilson, is to be the proprietor and everything will be run in first-class manner.

The tax roll will be turned over to Sheriff Hamilton by Clerk Noll today, who will then be ready to receive taxes. He will not visit the precincts until after circuit court adjourns.

All those knowing themselves to be indebted to me, either by book account or note, are requested to settle at once or costs of collection will be added. I need the money and must have it.—Wm. Wilson.

Farmers attending court can save money by putting their tenus up at the Farmer's Livery and Feed stable, J. D. Weston, proprietor. He has a bountiful supply of hay and grain and stock will receive the best of treatment. Send.

A marriage license was issued last week to L. M. Mangers and Lottie Hawes of Hilgard. They immediately repaired to the Walrath hotel, and by B. F. Wilson, Justice of the Peace, were made man and wife and sent serenely sailing over the sea of life.

The second adjourned meeting of the January term of county court will be held on the first of March, just preceding the regular term in March. This is done in order to appoint the judges and clerks of election, which the statute provides shall be appointed at the January term or an adjournment thereof.

Mr. Chas. Fisher, who it will be remembered was catcher in the La Grande baseball club last summer, was recently so severely injured in a wreck on the U. P. as to render the amputation of his left leg, just above the knee, necessary. He has many friends among the fair sex in this city who will regret to hear of his misfortune.

Circuit court will convene next Monday morning at 10 o'clock with Judge Fee in the chair. The docket will be a fair sized one, containing about seventy-five cases, some of which are very important. There are but three criminal cases ready for trial, but as several persons have been bound over to appear before the grand jury, there will be more.

Ten carloads of cattle, purchased by Mr. J. Q. Shirley, at American Falls, Idaho, arrived at the depot, Tuesday morning. They will be kept here and taken care of until the blockade between this city and Portland is raised, and then shipped to the metropolis to fill several large orders which Mr. Shirley has at that place. They are in unusually good condition for this time of year.

A social dance will be given at Davis' hall in this city on the evening of February 11th. Good music will be rendered, a good caller will be secured and an excellent good time may be expected. Arrangements have been made whereby a good supper will be served at the Bon Ton Restaurant. The price of tickets, including supper, will be only \$2.00. Come and enjoy yourself.

Now that nature, in the form of a chinook, has taken away the snow, the railroad company will have to contend with wash-outs and landslides. It is reported that several of the iron bridges recently constructed on the Columbia division of the U. P. have been completely carried away and destroyed and cannot be even temporarily replaced short of a week. It will be necessary to transfer the passengers and mails around these places, and freight traffic will be discontinued until the necessary repairs are made.

W. H. Hill, who lives about four miles northeast of Summerville, was arrested last Friday morning and brought before Justice Collins of that place, for attempting to forcibly ravish a little twelve-year-old girl. The mother of the child was present and did not renege, seeming to be in favor of the monster carrying out his vile desires. The evidence adduced proved his guilt beyond a doubt and he was accordingly bound over to await the action of the grand jury in the sum of \$1,000. Failing to furnish bonds he was placed in the county jail in this city.

For Sale.

The Bon Ton Restaurant, situated in first-class style, all ready for the boom. Object: Business to attend to in the east. A young team will be taken as part payment if desirable. Mrs. M. WALRATH.

FOUR SUITS COMMENCED.

Legal Proceedings Necessary to Secure Portions of the Right-of-way.

Four separate actions at law were commenced in the circuit court, last week, against parties living and owning land on the line located by the Oregon and Washington Territory Railroad Company through the valley, asking the court to condemn the land over which the road passes and also to place thereon a reasonable amount of damage that they would incur. Three of the parties, John Blackland, Oliver Shaffer and Clyde Pennington are reasonable and fair minded men, and although they were unable to agree with the committee at the time, we have every reason to believe that the matter will be amicably settled with them and the suits dismissed. The committee simply commenced the suits so that in case of a disagreement, the cases would be in court in time and thus not delay the commencing of work on the road by the first of March. The fourth, however, Hutchinson Bros., are very obstinate and stubborn. The land asked for is a hundred foot strip along the extreme west side of their land adjoining North Prior, and the only damage that they can possibly incur is the destruction of a few odd, worn out apple trees, the remains of an orchard that thrived a quarter of a century ago, but now bear no fruit. Otherwise they are bound to be benefited and their thousands of acres in this valley will immediately increase in value from 25 to 50 per cent. Men who have sense enough to accumulate the amount of wealth that they have, certainly have sense enough to know this fact, and the only reason that we can see for their acting so is their downright enmity, which is cropping out more on this occasion than on any former one. The committee offered them a reasonable compensation for the land sought to be used, but they positively refuse to accept any offer within reason, hence the suit. A man who looks upon a cent as though it were a dollar, is certainly a drone in a well-spirited community, and our enterprising citizens are growing disgusted with their actions in this particular matter, to say the least. There is strong talk of burning these gentlemen in effigy, but we do not approve of such an action, as the true meaning of it would not be comprehended by them and nothing would be gained. We are sure of one thing and that is, that they will be on hand with stock, hay, grain, etc. ready to sell the same at the highest market price in the market created by the incoming of the Hunt road. The committee is having good success with the other citizens along the line, having already secured a large number of deeds, and the work will be completed and everything in readiness when the time to commence work arrives.

HE IS CERTAINLY GREEN.

A Verdant Youth From Over the Valley Creates a Sensation.

Last Saturday evening about 10 o'clock a carriage drove up to the Centennial hotel in this city from which alighted a closely veiled damsel escorted by a medium sized, gawking appearing, red headed, sandy complexioned individual with more money than brains. The lady retired to the parlor while the sandy complexioned greenhorn retired to the hotel register, placing thereon and representing themselves to be one of our prominent citizens of Pine valley and sister. His next act was to ask for a room containing two beds, and upon being informed that there were no such rooms vacant he wanted an adjoining room, which was also impossible to get. The clerk assigned him the nearest vacant room to the one given the lady, and he then wore a forced look of satisfaction. Everything went serene until morning, after breakfast, when, while standing in the bar room of the hotel, he was met with a heavy shake of the hand by an acquaintance from Baker City. During the conversation that ensued the Baker Cityite, who had perceived the register, asked the greenhorn if he had met the parties registered from Pine valley, who were relatives of both the speakers. He gave an evasive answer, grew suddenly pale and appeared considerably vexed. Cutting his conversation short, he departed for the stable, ordered his team, and in less time than it takes to tell it he and his paramour were on the road to the vicinity of La Grande, from whence they came. From his actions it was evident that he had enticed the young and innocent lady from home, with other than good motives to prompt his doings. We refrain from mentioning his name on this occasion, deeming this sufficient to give him warning that any future action of the kind on his part will receive our attention. Fathers and mothers should be more careful with whom and where they allow their daughters to go, and then such villains as the above will have to seek other fields in which to carry on their nefarious practices. A cowhiding is too good for such fellows.

The New Discovery.

You have heard your friends and neighbors talking about it. You may yourself be one of the many who know from personal experience just how good a thing it is. If you have ever tried it, you are one of its staunch friends, because the wonderful thing about it is, that when once given a trial, Dr. Kniff's New Discovery ever after holds a place in the house. If you have never used it and should be afflicted with a cough, cold or any Throat, Lung or Chest trouble, secure a bottle at once and give it a fair trial. It is guaranteed every time, or money refunded. Trial bottles free at Brown's drug store, Union, Oregon.

Death of W. R. Jones.

W. R. Jones, an old Oregon pioneer, died at his home in Weston on the 1st of January. He was taken suddenly ill with a congestive chill and survived only a few hours. Mr. Jones was a highly respected and well known gentleman, and his death will be widely lamented. He leaves an aged wife and several sons and daughters, who all reside in this state, among whom are Amos K. and Chas. M. Jones of the firm of Jones Bros., of this city. His remains were interred in the Weston cemetery last Sunday.

Words of Condolence.

To Amos K. and Charles M. Jones: Dear Friends—I feel that I must say a few words to you of your sad bereavement.

My sympathies with you will not let me talk, so I will write a moiety of what I would wish to say. I well recollect the hours that I passed through the same ordeal, although I was permitted to stand by my dying father, and with my own arm supported him in his last request, and heard his last word; and then how sadly I laid him down on his pillow and withdrew my arm from under his lifeless form and smoothed with gentle touch his straggling locks from off his marble forehead; and how well do I remember the sorrow of mother, brothers and sister as we gazed on the now lifeless form of our dearly loved parent. It seemed so hard to give him into the arms of death. As with me, so with you, and may each of us cherish the thought that they are not dead, but only gone before, and that we will one day meet them where joys celestial will again unite us in bonds of eternal love.

Though the loved one pass onward And forever be aspen, Yet midst all our sorrows Love's ties are not broken.

Though death may divide us And sever earth's ties, Fithal love is triumphant Such love never dies.

Though the form in the tomb Is closed from our sight, Yet amidst the sad gloom We may find rays of light.

That will light our way onward Till we cross to the shore Where we'll meet with the loved ones That have passed on before.

—H. C. TERRY.

OUR SOCIAL WORLD.

Brief Personal Mention—Epitome of the Week's Amusements.

Mr. Wm. Martin, of the Park, was in the city Friday.

Mr. W. M. South, of the Park, was in the city last Monday.

Mr. J. J. Sturgill, a Baker City money-lender, was in town this week.

Mr. William Young, of Milton, Oregon, sent in this week and subscribed for THE SCOUT.

Mr. A. J. Patten, of Summerville was registered at the Centennial on Saturday of this week.

Mr. Thomas Turner, a merchant of Cornucopia, passed Saturday and Sunday in Union.

Mr. G. Lindgreen, a prominent mining man of Cracker City, is registered at the Centennial.

Mr. G. D. Ficklin ordered his name placed on our city list this week. He evidently wants the news.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church will meet at Mrs. Allie Jones' Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Andrew O'Toole, formerly of this city, but now a resident of Cornucopia, is spending a few days with friends here.

Mrs. Anna Ficklin, mother of the Ficklin Boys of this city, is lying dangerously ill at the residence of Mrs. Kennison in Baker City.

Mr. Arba S. Holbrook and wife, of La Grande, were visiting in this city this week. Arba's many friends were glad to see him.

Mr. Julius Levy and wife, of Athena, arrived in this city yesterday on a visit to relatives and friends. They will return home in about a week.

W. B. Hamilton, of Snake river, father of Sheriff Hamilton of this city, is visiting his son for a few days. He will return home when the blockade is raised.

Mr. George McDonald, of Cove, visited this city Monday. George's appearance indicates that he is not suffering from the effects of this unusually severe winter.

Mr. J. W. Kimbrell, county surveyor, passed through Union last Friday on his way home from Elgin, where he has been at work surveying and platting several additions to that promising burg.

Amos K. and Chas. M. Jones and families left for Weston last Saturday night, having received notice of the death of their father at about four o'clock on that day. His death was very sudden and unexpected, the boys having no intimation, at the time, that he was at all unwell and the blow is a severe one.

Mr. John Mizulok, who left for the east a short time ago intending to make an extended visit among relatives there, returned home Saturday, having curtailed his visit on account of anxiety about his children, from whom he was unable to hear. He reports blockades on all the eastern lines and says he experienced a great amount of trouble in reaching home.

Firemen's Meeting.

A meeting of the Union Hook and Ladder Company was held last Monday evening and considerable business of importance was transacted. A new constitution and by-laws were adopted which are much more strict than those in force heretofore. Hereafter members will be required to attend the meetings regularly, a good excuse being necessary to exempt them from a fine or expulsion. The boys intend to make the institution a credit to the city, and should receive the encouragement of our citizens. The officers elected are as follows: President, J. M. Carroll; Vice President, B. Chancey; Foreman, Leon Levy; Asst. Foreman, Wallace Harris; Secretary M. P. Davis; Treasurer M. M. Hall.

Call and Settle.

All parties indebted to us are requested to call and settle their accounts without further delay, as delays are dangerous. Now is the accepted time.

1-2-2 BENSON BROS.

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RISEING WATERS.

Unprecedented Rise of the Willamette River.

HOUSES FLOAT BY PORTLAND.

The Streets of the City Submerged—Business Partially Suspended.

Just as we go to press the following special from Portland is received which we unlock the forms to insert. The streets of Portland are submerged caused by the Columbia being unable to receive the immense drainings of the Willamette valley, caused by rains and melting snow. Unless the floods soon abate great damage will ensue.

PORTLAND, OR., Feb. 5.—[Special to THE SCOUT].—At a late hour to-night water is about a foot deep on Second street up as far as Washington. In front of the W. U. Telegraph office on First street near Oak the water is 3 feet deep and running through the street at a rapid rate. The Oregonian and Telegram were compelled to remove their business offices to No. 72 Washington street. Water on the first floor of the Oregonian Building is several feet deep.

All business is virtually suspended on First street up as far as Morrison. A majority of the business houses below Washington are closed.

All last night crowds of people stood at the approaches of the Morrison street bridge expecting the huge structure to succumb to the rushing waters. Traffic on the bridge was suspended early in the afternoon.

About noon a man in charge of the steel bridge suddenly cried out for all hands to get off it. His warning was preceded by two sharp clacking sounds. The crowd numbering several hundred immediately dispersed. Each end of the draw has lost its bearing, and the rollers have slipped out of place. The water has risen to such a height that the center caissons cannot be seen. A very slight rise will carry the water up to the horizontal works.

This morning a large warehouse floated down the river and passed under both bridges. The roof had been shaken off, and piles of freight lay exposed. The warehouse was about 200 feet long and is supposed to have come from Oregon City. Later in the day a barn full of hay passed the bridges. The docks are safe enough even for a higher raise.

At Oregon City the O. R. & N. Co.'s offices were loosened and went down, also a warehouse containing 2000 sacks of flour and as many of feed. The Imperial mill has a hole broken in the west end. All machinery on the lower floor is under water. Nearly one-half of the houses on Goose flat are removed from their foundations and overturned. Main street has been a rushing river all day. But three grocery stores can do business to-night, and but one dry goods store is open. All the saloons are closed.

Better Prepared.

John Elliott, the rustling proprietor of the Union and Cornucopia stage line, in order to facilitate the running of his stages, has put on an additional driver, Mr. George Dillon, who will take that part of the route between this city and Sanger, while the other end is well cared for by Mr. Frank Ballard. Mr. Elliott is justly entitled to the commendation of all our citizens and especially of the traveling public for the manner in which he is doing business, at this time of year, sparing no pains or expense to overcome all obstacles that may present themselves. It is needless to say that the mails arrive and depart regularly on schedule time.

Failed to Appear.

Griswold's Uncle Tom's Cabin Company failed to put in an appearance last Friday night as profusely advertised. Owing to the irregular running of the trains they were delayed and were one day behind their advertised dates. Upon the solicitation of numerous irresponsible parties in La Grande, and by as many gross misrepresentations, they were induced to omit Union from their list and play at the "future Chicago." We are informed that they did so at a great financial loss, as their house was slim, and they left a wiser but lighter (in the pocket) set of men. The reserved seats were all sold here and many people were greatly disappointed.

The First Step.

Perhaps you are run down, can't eat, can't sleep, can't think, can't do anything to your satisfaction, and you wonder what ails you. You should heed the warning, you are taking the first step into Nervous Prostration. You need a Nerve Tonic and in Electric Bitters you will find the exact remedy for restoring your nervous system to its normal, healthy condition. Surprising results follow the use of this great Nerve Tonic and Alternative. Your appetite returns, good digestion is restored, and the liver and kidneys resume healthy action. Try a bottle. Price 50c. at Brown's drug store, Union, Oregon.

CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET.

List of Cases to be Tried at the Ensuing Term of Circuit Court.

DIVORCE CASES.

Lizzie Hill vs Henry Hill. Carrie B Bates vs B W Bates. Charles Fresh vs Mary E Fresh. Laura E Burgess vs Jos Burgess. E R Bowley vs M Bowley. Calista Dearth vs F V Dearth. Emma S Edson vs Mark Edson. E M Rochester vs R Rochester. Simon Vogel vs Sarah Vogel. — Kelly vs D C Kelly.

EQUITY CASES.

W T Carroll vs John Hanson. Frank Bros Implement Co vs John Prow & Co et al. Frank Bros Implement Co vs Robt Young. J H & W R Hutchinson vs James Welch et al. Hutchinson Bros vs Frank Bidwell et al. Geo Henderson et al vs C R Johnson et al. Uly McEnroe et al vs Chas McEnroe et al. Geo W Perkins vs Thos H Connel. John Predmore vs Union county. J W Shelton vs J W Dray et al. A Sommer vs Elizabeth Cook. Wilson & Hackett vs N Tarter. Board of Commissioners vs S A Mahaffey et al. Board of Commissioners vs D A McAlister administrator et al and J T Wright et al. Board of Commissioners vs D A McAlister administrator and Wm Eccles et al. F S Chadbourne & Co vs A McKinzie et al. A Sommer vs Dan Chandler et al. M B Reese vs Jacob Conner. Dan Marx vs Chas Goodmough et al. A Sommer vs J C Clayburn et al. The A P Hotelling Co vs J C Clayburn et al. S A Dray vs J W Dray. Henry C Dray vs J W Dray. H H French vs S M Bloom. Davis & Rankin vs La Grande Creamery Co. S O Swackhamer vs R W Deal. C H Wright vs John Predmore et al. Susan Williamson et al vs S E Deal et al.

LAW CASES.

American Mortgage Co vs J H and W R Hutchinson. William Meacham vs John Carr et al. Raymond Squire & Co vs Kellogg & Punch. Adam Crossman vs J C Clayburn et al. I R Dawson vs R E Drake. Stewart & Balwell vs A N Hamilton. W A Cushman vs H E Baker. A E Eaton vs O R & N Co. Union county vs A N Hamilton. R E Bryan vs Wm M Redding. Allen & Lewis vs Spencer Ramsey & Hall. Elias Baer vs W Sterling. P Basche & Co vs John Clark. P Basche & Co vs C O Stewart. W T Carroll Admr vs J G Berry et al. W T Carroll Admr vs G W A Stansill and C W Hamilton. W T Carroll Admr vs J R Stansill et al. W T Carroll Admr vs G W A Stansill and Martha Stansill. John Dobbin vs Swartz & Miller. N F Ficklin vs Jos Ficklin. H P Gregory & Co vs Kellogg & Punch. Henry Lynch vs Swartz & Miller. F S Ladd vs Rachel Ladd. F S Ladd vs Frank Smith and Eva Andross et al. F S Ladd vs C W Ladd and Rachel Ladd. Jas M Mitchell administrator vs Jasper N Mitchell. Jas M Mitchell administrator vs Dan Chandler et al. Jas M Mitchell administrator vs Jos Flick. O & W T R R Co vs Hutchinson Bros. Oregon Ry Extensions Co vs L B Mitchell. Oregon Ry Extensions Co vs S S Boothe. Oregon Ry Extensions Co vs P E Wade. Oregon Ry Extensions Co vs J A McWhirter. Oregon Ry Extensions Co vs D Troy. State Insurance Co vs O R & N Co. L Snyder vs Ellen L Gore and W H Enos. J L Sperry et al vs H P Lewis. The J I Case T M Co vs A C Newman. Jos. Wright vs W H Stafford. M E Walker vs A C Cook. A P Weller et al vs A C Cook. Williams & Groat vs Kellogg & Punch. State vs Henry Valentine.

Contracts Let.

A private letter from Hon. Binger Herman informs us that the contracts for carrying the mail between Union and Cornucopia and Union and Cove, both to be a daily service, have been let, and the contractors who are so satisfactorily performing the contract at present have been ousted. The Idaho stage company, with a bid of \$2,800, secured the Union and Cornucopia route, and a person by the name of H. A. Lawton, with a bid of \$304, secured the Cove contract. The present contractors, Mr. Elliott and Mr. Layne, have been put to a very severe test this winter, and have demonstrated that they can successfully cope with the worst of Eastern Oregon winters and get the mail through on time, and the mere matter of a few paltry dollars should not influence the department and cause it to lay aside the old and well-tested for the new and untried.

ELGIN!

The Great Trade Center of Grande Ronde

AND WALLOWA VALLEYS.

And the distributing point for Union and Wallowa counties.

ELGIN!

The Junction of Two Great Railroad Systems, the Union Pacific—Oregon Railway and Navigation, and the Northern Pacific—Oregon and Washington Territory or "Hunt System."

ELGIN!

Of all the flourishing towns and cities in Union county ELGIN is the only one that enjoys the distinguishing feature of occupying a beautiful site in the center of a valley, making it monarch, absolute, of the situation.

ELGIN

Is surrounded on the east south and west by the greatest wheat growing country on the Pacific coast and will be connected, direct, with ocean transportation on Puget sound.

ELGIN

Is surrounded by foothills of the Blue mountains that are covered from base to summit with a dense growth of pine, fir and tamarac timber that can only be equalled on Puget sound.

ELGIN

Has Water Power of sufficient capacity to supply unlimited manufacturing, and arrangements are now being made for the erection of extensive grist and saw mills and other manufacturing industries.

ELGIN

Is surrounded by low foothills that have proven to be the best fruit-growing land in Eastern Oregon. Being entirely free from the sweeping winds that prevail in other sections, the snow lies on the ground all winter, a sure guarantee of a good wheat and fruit crop.

ELGIN

Can be supplied at nominal cost with pure, sparkling, cold water from Phillipps creek, for domestic use, irrigation and protection against fire.

ELGIN

Possesses every element and facility required to make it the leading metropolis of two rich counties, and that its growth will be phenomenal as soon as the railroads are in rapid progress of construction, is the opinion of all.

An Opportunity for Persons of Limited Means!

The Union Real Estate and Mining Exchange is offering lots in their additions at nominal prices ranging from \$10 to \$50. Terms, 25 per cent. cash and \$5 per month payments. The price of lots will be raised 10 per cent. on the 15th of each month during the year.

It is the belief of all who have investigated that the value of lots in Elgin will increase from two hundred to one thousand fold within the present year.

The right time to get hold of a few lots in the right place, on the "ground floor" prices, is right now.

Communications by letter or otherwise, will receive prompt attention, and selections will be made for parties in this manner with special care.

The Union Real Estate and Mining Exchange

Is a corporation capitalized at \$20,000, with \$12,600 paid up capital. Hon. D. W. Lichtenhaller, president; Hon. L. B. Rinchart, vice-president; S. A. Pursel, treasurer; E. S. McComas secretary.

OFFICE: Two doors north of Centennial hotel.

Parties desiring to buy or sell real estate please call on or address E. S. McCOMAS, Union, Or. Sec'y. U. R. E. & M. Ex.