

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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The Oregon Scout has as large a 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 Paragraphic Record of Recent Happenings in and Around the City.

Buy your shoes of Vincent.

Chopped corn and oats for sale at Hall Bros.

The present population of this state is estimated at 200,000.

The highest market price paid for turkeys at the Centennial hotel.

FOR SALE.—household and kitchen furniture.—H. F. BENNETT.

Chickens wanted at the Centennial hotel. From \$3.50 to \$4.00 per dozen paid.

Mr. Henry Striker will have his brewery running in full blast about the first of May.

Messrs. Dave Lane and J. C. Summers will open a hardware store and tin shop in this city, soon.

Miss Adaline Pefferle, of Caldwell, Idaho, is in the city on a visit to her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. McAlexander.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will meet at Mrs. Dr. Deering's Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The new court house and jail at Vancouver, Washington, costing \$55,000, were totally destroyed by fire Tuesday.

The school election held last Monday resulted in the election of Louie Davis, director, and Mr. Raymond clerk.

Levy has a mammoth stock of goods and always keeps it full and complete. You will find no shoddy goods at Levy's.

The Centennial hotel keeps up its reputation as the leading house in this section of the state. Travelers should keep this in mind.

A communication was received from Joseph, this week, but as the writer did not give his name it went into the waste basket.

The Frank Bro's implement Co. have appointed Mr. Corwin C. Coffinberry, of this city, as local agent for the sale of their machinery.

About four or five car loads of cattle will be shipped to-day or tomorrow to the Portland market by Messrs. E. J. Couper and J. Q. Shirley.

The Union board of trade should get itself into good working order as soon as possible, as there is a great deal of work that it should do at once.

Died, at Rudock, Or., Jan. 17th, Jasper Thomas, aged 50 years. As no relatives can be found and he left property, other state papers please copy.

Farmers should bear in mind that Dave Weston is now proprietor of the Farmers' livery stable opposite the court house, and has everything neat and convenient.

Wm. Caldwell's residence near Joseph was destroyed by fire last week. It was occupied at the time by Mr. Hooper. The fire caught from a defective chimney.

Better go around and pay your old Cove drug store account. You might want credit again some time and not be able to get even a can of the celebrated Cove Corn Salve.

The court house at Vancouver, Wash., was totally destroyed by fire a few days ago. The superior and probate court records were burned. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

A number of brick buildings will be erected in Union this summer, besides numerous residences. The supremacy of Union is now assured and its growth will be rapid and substantial.

T. H. Gilham and J. G. Berry, two prominent farmers of the Sandridge, were in town last week, attending a trial before C. H. Finn, referee. The case was referred at the last term of court and involves title to 100 acres of valuable land near Summerville.

The La-Grande Gazette still insists that the building of the Hunt road is only a "county seat move." Say, shoddy, isn't it about time you dropped that old chestnut and gave the people something fresher? Vary the old song by calling it a "county seat anchor."

I. Samuel, publisher of the "West Shore," publishes a card to the public that Rev. C. J. D. Fleener, of Boise City, formerly of The Dalles, Walla Walla, and other places is a swindler and an embezzler. The Rev. gentleman denies the allegation and defies the allegator.

Last week the Methodist church building at Adams was destroyed by fire, the loss being in the neighborhood of \$2,100; no insurance. A revival meeting was in progress at the time but the people got out of the house without injury. This is not considered a "visitation of divine wrath" but is attributed to the carelessness of the janitor.

A number of our subscribers will not be visited by THE SCOUT this week for the reason that we cannot furnish them the paper for nothing. Their accounts have been placed in the hands of an attorney for collection, and they may as well make up their minds to pay what they owe us. Others will miss the paper next week unless settlement is made.

Work on the Elgin branch of the O. R. & N. road will probably commence in a few days. About 60 men mostly Italians, are on the ground ready for work. The Gazette says: Messrs. Antonelle & Die have sublet ten miles of their contract to Farrell & Wallace. The ten miles in question begins at the San Boothe place and extends to the canyon. Parties are flaring on other contracts, but so far nothing definite has been done. The rock work in the canyon will probably not be contracted.

JUDGES AND CLERKS.

Appointed by the County Court to to Serve at the June Election.

North Vancouver.—O. D. Thompson, Sanford Vandover, J. E. Carroll, judges; J. R. Hardin, David Beveridge, clerks; voting place, school house.

Cove.—S. D. Coxles, M. B. Rees and W. R. Boothie judges; Eugene Foster and Geo. Holmes clerks; voting place, Morrison church.

Elgin.—Jed Weaver, J. H. Cowan and John Elliott judges; J. L. Hindman and J. D. Guild clerks; voting place, school house.

Red Rock.—John A. Tucker, Thomas Keating and Leander Ferguson judges; L. C. Scorgill and E. Baird clerks; voting place, school house on Balm creek.

CONYERS.—M. R. Brown, S. W. Beers and W. E. Davis judges; C. W. Woods and Col. S. M. Gilmore clerks; voting place, public hall.

PINE VALLEY.—J. A. Denney, L. N. Paukake and George Steele judges; Wm. McRinnell and J. C. Brooks clerks; voting place, school house near Pineville.

EAGLE VALLEY.—I. N. Young, Daniel Tarter and Robert Gibson judges; L. F. Jennings and Frank P. Lee clerks.

SHALDA.—W. P. Arble, O. S. Buckland and John Alderman judges; Judson Cook and E. E. Clough clerks.

UNION.—B. F. Wilson, J. W. Kennedy and Josiah Wright judges; J. M. Carroll and H. L. Deacon Jr. clerks; voting place, school house.

SENBERTVILLE.—Theodore William, C. A. Keeler and Wm. E. Woodell judges; T. A. Rheinhart and Adam Beersford clerks; voting place, school house.

Big Creek.—Justus Wright, W. T. Martin and P. H. Miles judges; J. A. Gobie and G. W. Mathis clerks; voting place, Dolby's store.

CAMP CARSON.—C. F. West, C. R. Barnhart and L. Bush judges; J. L. Corbett and J. W. Grasty clerks.

STANLEY.—P. Loftis, J. J. Cline and L. C. Marley judges; F. P. Yost and Frank Alden clerks; voting place, McCoy ranch.

HELEND.—Jacob First, George Lafferty and C. H. Lansing judges; John Corbett and Wm. Noyes clerks; voting place mill store.

SANDER.—W. Scott Long, Wesley Titus and W. E. Turner, judges; W. J. Towndley and Isaac Bowman, clerks.

ELGIN CITY.—M. A. Harrison, O. Kirkpatrick and James McCall judges; J. S. Clark and E. O. Henry clerks; voting place, school house.

ASTORIAN.—C. H. Prescott, John Cates and Bladen Ashley judges; W. A. Cates and G. A. Thompson clerks; voting place, Cates' barn.

La GRANDE.—First Ward.—F. Newlin, Geo. Gekler and Arthur Warnick judges; Geo. E. Wells and J. L. Curtis clerks; voting place, old brick store. Second Ward.—E. H. Finn, Wm. G. Peach and Thomas Finn judges; Dorsey Berry and A. C. Miller clerks; voting place, council chamber.

GREAT REJOICING.

Work on the O. & W. T. R. R. Commenced.

THE IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES.

Mrs. L. B. Rinehart Throws the First Shovelful of Dirt.

Last Friday work was commenced, in this city, on the Grand Rounde extension of the O. & W. T. railroad. It was a time of rejoicing, not only to this city but to the residents generally throughout the country and will be forever regarded as a red letter day in the annals of Union county. It marked the successful conclusion of a years' labor, hopes and fears by the people, and the commencement of an era of prosperity that will place Union county on an equality with the best and most inviting counties of the state. It being announced on Thursday by the chief of construction, Mr. Dwyer, that work would commence next day, a number of the prominent citizens of the city concluded to have the work commenced in a formal manner and the day appropriately celebrated, and in a meeting called for that purpose arranged a programme which was duly carried out. About 1 o'clock Friday a large concourse of people assembled at the point where the grading was to be started and the exercises were formally commenced by Mr. A. E. Eaton, who had been selected to conduct the ceremonies. A prayer was then offered by Rev. Driver, and Attorney Crawford delivered a short address. Everything being in readiness for "throwing the first shovelful of dirt" Mrs. L. B. Rinehart whom Mr. Hunt had selected as the lady to do this, stepped forward with a beautifully decorated shovel and under the direction of chief of construction, Mr. Dwyer, throw a shovelful of dirt in its proper place, amid the deafening cheers of the multitude. Work on the grade was then prosecuted pretty lively for a time, many ladies taking a hand in it. The people then returned to town when preparations for the evening jollification was commenced. About 7 o'clock, amid the ringing of bells and firing of anvils, the people repaired to the M. E. church, which was soon filled to overflowing. Hon. L. B. Rinehart was chosen chairman of the meeting and the programme was commenced by a song by the choir. After a prayer by Rev. Parker, the meeting was addressed by the chairman who reviewed at length the stupendous work that had just been accomplished by the people of the county. He was followed by appropriate and entertaining speeches by Rev. Driver, Attorney Eakin, Attorney Shelton, Prof. Hackett, Mr. A. E. Eaton, Judge Brainard and Attorney Crawford. The meeting ended with the greatest enthusiasm, and bright and buoyant hopes for the future.

An Unjust Prosecution.

At the fall term of circuit court the grand jury indicted two young men, J. R. Powle and C. P. West, who live near Camp Carson in the extreme southwest part of the county, charging them with the crime of larceny of a steer. They were arrested and brought to the court and after hearing their statement of the facts the district attorney was unwilling to go to trial on the indictment and the case was continued for the term against the protest of the defendants, who promptly gave bonds to appear at the next term of court. At the last term of court the case was resubmitted to the grand jury and after investigating the matter again the grand jury returned not a true bill and the defendants were discharged. It appears that the whole affair was a malicious prosecution by one Sturdevant of Umatilla county.

Killing at Hilgard.

Last Saturday evening C. E. Arnold, a man well known in this county, stabbed Ed. Shaffer with a knife, killing him instantly. We are unable to get reliable news concerning the affair, but from what we can learn Arnold and a man by the name of Cobb, whom he had working for him, got into a fight in which Arnold was pretty badly used up. Afterward Arnold secured a knife and going to a cabin where he thought Cobb was secreted, tried to get in, but the door was locked against him, so he broke it down and went inside. He had a tussle with a man whom he supposed was Cobb, and stabbed him, but the man killed was Shaffer. Arnold claims that he acted in self defense. He was arrested and had an examination in La Grande Monday, the particulars of which we have not learned. He is now in jail.

THE O. R. & N. MAIL SERVICE.

Vigorous Protest Against the Delay of Mail Matter in Fyie Canyon.

The Baker City Democrat publishes the following remonstrance, signed by a large number of the citizens of Cornucopia, Pine and Eagle valleys, Sparta and Baker. It speaks for itself.

A REMONSTRANCE.

To the Hon. Second Assistant Postmaster-General, Washington, D. C.

We, the undersigned citizens, respectfully remonstrate at the outrageous nonperformance of mail service by the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, (now leased by the Union Pacific), caused by their wanton neglect in not providing proper and adequate means to prevent the accumulation of snow in what is known as "Fyie's Canyon," near Union, Union county and state of Oregon, causing the non-arrival of eastern and western mail (such eastern mail as is carried by the Northern Pacific), for weeks at a time, completely isolating the people from the outer world, occasioning great loss and inconvenience to our merchants, banks, and business men, by the non-arrival of their exchanges; annoyance and privation to the general public, and by the non-arrival of post-office supplies, the efficiency and benefits of the service is thereby destroyed, and in a word, completely paralyzing all branches of commercial industry, leaving the people at the mercy of the afore-said railroad. We respectfully remonstrate that the postoffice department may know the inconvenience, annoyance and privation the people are subject to, and believe that the department, by imposing heavy fines and penalties, may compel the railroad management to provide against such delay in the future, either by a proper construction of snow sheds or supplying a sufficient number of snow plows and thus keep this canyon open, as they do on other portions of the Union Pacific system, which in point of position and elevation, are much more difficult and expensive to keep open, and for which we ever pray.

The Scout is pleased to see that the people are making some move to help themselves in this matter. The grievance stated exists and has not been exaggerated, as every other locality along the line of this railroad can testify. The remonstrators however, err in saying that other portions of the road, equally as bad, have been kept open. Fyie canyon, owing to its location relative to the prevailing winds, is the worst piece of road on the entire route across the continent, and were the company compelled to maintain the road, where it now is, on the west side of the canyon, there would be a little excuse for their failure to keep it open, but they, as well as the traveling public, are aware that by changing the road to the other side of the canyon all the trouble complained of would be avoided. This being the case the company receives the just censure of an indignant people, and will continue to receive it until some move is made to remedy the evil.

Weekly Excursions.

On and after Thursday, Feb. 25th, the Union Pacific, "The Overland Route," will run a furnished Pullman Colonist Car from Portland to St. Joseph, Mo. without change, leaving Portland every Tuesday at 9:00 p. m. arriving St. Joseph following Saturday.

This car will be fitted up with mattresses, pillows, bedding, curtains, and toilet appliances, leaving nothing to be furnished by the passengers, and will be in charge of a uniformed porter.

Berths can be secured at the very low rate of \$3.00 for an upper or lower double berth from Portland to St. Joseph.

Passengers holding tourist, first-class, or second-class tickets will be carried in this car. For rates, through tickets, sleeper berths, or detailed information, apply to the nearest Ticket Agent Union Pacific System, or

T. W. LEE, Gen'l. Pass. Agt., Portland.

An Enjoyable Evening.

Last Friday evening a party of invited guests assembled at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Deacon, and partook of a sumptuous supper, after which the evening was spent most pleasantly, enlivened with music and social games. Mrs. Deacon is a most charming hostess, the embodiment of fun and has the faculty of making every one happy around her. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Foster; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Phy; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bidwell; Mr. and Mrs. Alta Benson; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Crites; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Day; Mr. and Mrs. James Raymond; Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Hamilton; Mrs. J. L. Carter and Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Jones.

STRAYED.

I will pay a liberal reward for the return or information of the whereabouts of the following described animals which have strayed from my place at Sanger:

One small red and white spotted cow and calf, four years old, branded H on left hip.

THOS. ALLEN, Sanger, Oregon.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Taken up by the undersigned, living about 7 miles northwest of Elgin, Oregon, one sorrel mare, branded T H on left side, supposed to be 8 or 9 years old, about 14 1/2 hands high, saddle marks, left hind foot white.

The above described animal was appraised by John Hill at \$10.

JOEL N. BROWS, Elgin, Oregon.

PYTHIAN BALL!



Blue Mountain Lodge, No. 28, K. of P., will give a grand ball at Wright's hall in this city on the evening of

MARCH 17, 1890.

The best of music has been secured, and an excellent supper will be served.

Tickets, including supper, \$2.00.

No pains will be spared to make this the leading event of the season.

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MRS. M. WALRATH.

DR. A. M. MUSSER, DENTIST,

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ELGIN!

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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 Phillips 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 \$30,000, with \$12,600 paid up capital. Hon. D. W. Lichtenhaler, president; Hon. L. B. Rinehart, 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.