

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.
 I notice that the insertion of display ads, or change of same, must get their copy in our office no later than Monday evening for Tuesday's issue, or Tuesday evening for Friday's edition.
THE PATTERSON PUBLISHING CO.
NOTICE.
 1. The sum of five cents per line will be charged for "words of thanks," "resolutions of respect," lists of wedding presents and donors, and ordinary notices, other than those that shall be otherwise given as a matter of news, and notices of special meetings for whatever purpose.
 2. Notices of church and society and other entertainments from which revenue is to be derived, shall be charged for at the rate of five cents a line. These rates will be strictly adhered to in every instance.
 Advertising rates reasonable and made known upon application.
 We hold each and every correspondence responsible for his or her communication. No correspondence will be published unless the writer's real name is signed as an evidence of good faith.
P. FISHER, NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING AGENT. 121 Merchants Exchange, San Francisco, Cal. or by authorized agent. This paper is kept on file in his office.

TIME TABLE.
 Stage for Hardman, Monument, Long Creek, John Day and Canyon City, leaves as follows: Every day at 6 a. m., except Sunday.
 Arrives every day at 6 p. m., except Monday.
 The cheapest, quickest and best line to or from the interior country.
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 W. A. Johnston, Agent.

Here and There.
 Hood's Pills cure all liver ills.
 Send your washing to Mrs. Nelson, at the Mountain House.
 Harney county has struck a flow of artesian water at a depth of 330 feet.
 Oyster cocktails at the Palace hotel bar. Call on Charley Jones and try one.
 Hon. H. Blackman has been appointed commissioner to the Mid-Winter Fair.
 Miss Ardella Nolan and John Nolan were married last evening at the Palace hotel.
 Arthur Smith will clean watches at the reduced price of \$1 for the next 30 days.
 The Heppner-Canyon stage line is the best, cheapest and quickest to the interior.
 The lucky number that drew J. H. Kolman's organ was 4,257. Look up your tickets.
 Miss May B. Matteson and Wm. Sanders were married Saturday at the Central hotel.
 J. R. Nunamaker, of Ione, was in Friday last. He says his fall sown grain is looking well.
 Mrs. B. G. Robinson, of Lone Rock, returned from below yesterday, leaving this morning for home.
 William Laelling is down from the Hardman section on business and enjoying a little Christmas.
 John Shaw came up yesterday from below, where he recently disposed of stock from this section.
 Prof. A. W. Wier will be in attendance at the State Teachers' Association at Portland, the 26th, 27th and 28th inst.
 Every man who takes any interest in fast stock should subscribe for The Horseman. Gazette shop, agents.
 The Gazette will take county scrip at face on subscription, and pay balance of same in cash at highest market price.
 Chas. Wyland arrived from Boise Monday to visit relatives and friends in our midst. Charley looks as natural as of old.
 Those who have brought in various kinds of supplies in lieu of cash, should call around at this office and get credit for same if not already given.
 R. L. Shaw informs us as we go to press that he will leave tomorrow morning for Portland with his wife who will be placed in hospital for treatment.
 C. H. Dalrymple, an Albany attorney, is here on business. Mr. Dalrymple says that Eastern Oregon is seeing better times than the valley section.
 Last Sunday Prof. Rork addressed an audience at the court house on the issues of the day. We are informed that a large crowd was present.
 This Christmas was not a very cold one, but there was an unusual number of weddings, maybe for a cold wave during January and February.
 Mrs. Robert Shaw is quite all at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Sloan. She will go to Portland for treatment as soon as she is able to travel.
 Christmas comes but once a year, hence the Gazette turned itself loose, somewhat, and the paper may be a little slim this issue. We hope for the usual leniency.
 Died—Of scarlet fever, on Black Horse, Saturday last, the four-month-old boy of John Barton. The little one was buried Sunday at the Heppner cemetery.
 Hon. Henry Blackman returned from Salem and P. rtland yesterday. While below he called upon the board of equalization and gave them some important data.
 The hall last evening was slightly disturbed by a little difficulty between Uzz French and Len Matteson. It was the result of a misunderstanding and was amicably settled.
 Dunbar, Mulkey and Bannon have been found guilty of smuggling. All the rest of the defendants have been discharged except Lotan and Seid Back, on whose cases the jury disagreed.
 To our customers—No difference how large or small your account is, come in and settle, either by cash or note. We must have one or the other to enable us to stem the flood. HAYS BROS. 90ft.
 The Gazette would like to mention the good qualities, dramatically speaking, of each participant in the drama, but Christmas festivities have taken the time of the printer as well as other people, rendering it impossible.
 Fred Knighten and Tressie Farlong were joined in the bonds of matrimony Saturday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk, Judge Keithley performing the nuptial rites. We join with many friends in congratulations.
 County Clerk Morrow has issued licenses to wed to the following: May Bell Matteson and Wm. Sanders; Jennie Mulkey and Marion Biddle; Ardella Nolan and John Nolan; Fred Knighten and Tressie Farlong; Eugene Lawrence and Inez Adelle Vornz.
 Green Mathews shaves as before, 25 cents per job; haircuts, four-hits. In the meantime his numerous "standoffs" are growing bigger, while he, himself, is cramped for the necessities of life. A hint to some people is plenty; others have to be hit with a four-year-old club.
 Rip's WOOD YARD.—The Heppner wood yard, under the management of Rip Van Winkle, is prepared to deliver wood at your residence, sawed and stacked. Wood stacked and delivered at \$7.00 per cord. Wood sawed twice in two, 75 cts. per cord; three times, \$1.00. Yard near the depot. Leave orders at Sloan & Howard's. 4-ft.

TEN PER CENT. TAX SUSPENDED.—A dispatch from San Francisco states that the executive committee of the Pacific Insurance Union has ratified the action of that body on Dec. 13, whereby the 10 per cent tax levied upon every policy issued in this state was suspended until March 1st, 1906, and refunding to the insured such taxes as have been collected. A circular to that effect has been issued by Alfred Stillman, manager of the union, and will be in the hands of the Oregon members before this week expires. This tax was imposed on the Oregon members in retaliation for promoting the passage of the "valued policy law" by the past legislature, and the price of its suspension is a promise by the insurance men of this state to work for the repeal of the offensive statute at the next session. The San Francisco men claimed that the operation of the law added a hazard equivalent to 10 per cent, on each risk, hence the imposition of the tax as a measure of protection, if not retaliation. Ten days ago a number of Portland fire insurance men went down to San Francisco and after a hard fight succeeded in securing a compromise to the effect that if merchants would pledge themselves to secure the repeal of the valued policy law the union would take off the tax. The action of the union, however, needed ratification by its executive committee, and this has been secured. It now remains for the Oregon men to carry out their part of the agreement.—Oregonian. The Oregon men have taken a big contract on their hands.

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Hood's Pills cure constipation. Try a box.

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 Instantly removes and forever destroys objectionable hair, whether upon hands, face, arms or neck, without disfigurement or injury to the most delicate skin. It was for fifty years the secret formula of Erasmus Wilson, acknowledged by physicians as the highest authority and the most eminent dermatologist and hair specialist that ever lived. During his practice of a life-time among the nobility and aristocracy of Europe he prescribed this recipe. Price \$1 by mail, securely packed. Correspondence confidential. Sole Agents for America, Address:
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THE DRAMA.
 Our Local Talent Cover Themselves With Glory in "Ten Nights in a Bar-Room." The Hall.
 Saturday night last, as previously announced, members of the Uniform Rank, ably assisted by others, presented at the opera house the drama "Ten Nights in a Bar-Room." It was a grand success, the public voting it the best amateur performance ever given in Heppner. The gross receipts were \$126.50, which is a pretty good house for Heppner. Yesterday afternoon the performance was repeated to a large house at reduced rates. This was followed by a grand ball in the evening, given under the auspices of Blue Mountain Division, U. R., K. of P. It was well attended and much appreciated. The music was the best ever given in Heppner.

CHRISTMAS PURCHASES.—Saturday was a busy day for our merchants, notwithstanding the fact that money is scarce. Many a silver dollar, hoarded up in an old sock for use before crops are harvested again or wool shorn and, sold was dragged forth to purchase Christmas knickknacks for the little folks, and maybe for the older friends and relatives. Many a mind wandered back to the days when Christmas was the bright spot in every year, long looked for from one occasion to the next, and when the little people placed their stockings near the great open fire-place so that Santa Claus could not help but find them. And with tumultuous hearts, were out at the break of day to examine the wealth sweated and presents. How we old-timers wish we could once more return to the era of childhood, but that can never be. Judging from the number of purchases made Saturday last, Santa Claus visited numerous homes in Morrow county this year, but then there will be many who cannot enjoy this, and who can recount the little heartaches and disappointments? We can but hope that a year hence none will be missed.
MARRIED.—On Sunday at 6 o'clock p. m., the marriage of Mr. E. L. Freeland and Miss Inez Vornz was solemnized at the residence of the bride's brother, E. P. Vornz, Rv. J. M. Denison officiating. The happy couple departed for Albany on Monday's train to visit relatives of Mr. Freeland. Both are well and favorably known in our midst, and all join in wishing them much prosperity and happiness.

THE E. O. STATE NORMAL.
 The following report of the Weston Normal Very Flattering to the Management—A Bright Future.
 The term just closed by the Eastern Oregon State Normal school at Weston has been very gratifying to the present management, profitable to the students in attendance, and satisfactory to the friends and patrons of the school.
 More than one hundred students have been enrolled in the different departments, one-half of whom are or have been teachers in the public schools of the state. There have been from one to five new students every week since the school began. The general health of the students has been good, no serious sickness and but few instances when ill health has interfered with the work of the students.
 The prospects of the school for the coming term are very encouraging, notwithstanding the great financial stringency. Most of those who have been in attendance during the past term will return and there is a good prospect that a large number of those teachers whose schools have closed will enter after the holidays.
 The teachers find that living here is as cheap as anywhere, board being very reasonable and tuition free to all normal students.
 The recent session of the Umatilla County Teachers' Institute was held in the normal hall, the whole school being

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.
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LEGAL BLANKS. Plenty of them at the Gazette Office.
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 That night, just as the musician had fallen to sleep, he was awakened by an unearthly din. A terrible pounding was going on in the room overhead. He flung a blanket about his shivering body, and ran upstairs. There was a light in the lawyer's room, the door stood open, and in he rushed.
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YOUR ATTENTION!
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 If you want to buy groceries, and bread stuff cheap, go to the Enterprise Grocery. Kirk & Ruh, proprietors. A Borg, the jeweler, is the man to fix up your watch or clock. He keeps a full stock of everything pertaining to his business.
 M. Lichtenthal & Co.'s new stock of splendid, summer boot and tie specialties in the shoe line are attracting marked attention.
 A beautiful painting was sent up from the Sisters' school at the Dalles last week and raffled off Saturday at Lichtenthal's shoe store. Jerry Brown won the prize.
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