

The Week's News

Local and Personal Happenings in and About the City.

Phil Metchan, Jr., went to Portland, Tuesday.

Paul Hister, of Little Butter creek was in the city Sunday.

Rev. J. W. Mount who has been very sick is able to be out again.

A good rain would now be of great benefit to crops and ranges.

Attorney C. E. Redfield left on Tuesday morning's train for Portland.

Mrs. Phil Metchan and little daughter were passengers for Portland, Monday.

Slocum's saw mill will start up next Monday. Mr. Slocum now has everything in readiness for the season's run.

Alex Thompson returned to Portland, Tuesday, where his son Ralph is receiving medical treatment. Ralph is slowly improving.

P. M. Howard, the accommodating accountant at the First National bank will take a lay off for a few months. Mr. Howard will take up life insurance.

S. P. Garrigues & Son, the well known implement dealers are building an addition to the implement house on Main street. The new structure will be 58x60 feet.

Rev. J. W. Mount, pastor of the Baptist church, will hold services in Ione next Sunday. There will be no services at the Baptist church in this city next Sunday.

The demand for lumber in Heppner is now greater than the supply, and building material is a little hard to get. The Blue mountain mills will soon be in operation which will relieve the situation.

J. W. Beckett, of Eight Mile, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Beckett reports everything backward in the Eight Mile country owing to the late spring. Crops are making but little growth during the cold weather.

Phil Metchan, the accommodating proprietor of the Palace hotel, has fitted up a very neat billiard parlor in the club room of the hotel. The lovers of this skillful game will find at the Palace a good table.

Attention is called to the ad of Noble & Co. in this issue. They have the largest stock of harness and saddles in Morrow county. This big stock of harness is made from the best leather that money can buy, and their saddles have a well earned reputation.

James Spence has returned from a trip out on Butter Creek. He reports the beef cattle in that neighborhood as about sold off. The last sales made have been for 4 1/2 cents per pound, and those who have not yet sold expect to realize that figure.—East Oregonian.

One of the most attractive show windows arranged this season in Heppner is the camping scene in one of the big show windows of Minor & Co. The representation of a comfortable camp with all the necessary equipments, is arranged in such a manner as to make the spectator long for a trip to the mountains these fine days. In displaying the necessary equipments, the GAZETTE was not overlooked. The design was gotten up by the popular grocery salesman, Sames Hart.

Reports from the lambing camps in Gilliam county thus far indicate that the increase this year will be far below the average of former seasons. One sheepman remarked the other day that he would do well if he raised 50 per cent of the lambs, while another avers that 70 per cent will be about the average raised this year. This means that the loss will be larger than usual owing to the cold Spring weather chilling the lambs and retarding the growth of the grass. The ewes are rather weak.—Condon Times.

FISHING TACKLE
Good Bamboo Rods in two sections, brass ferrule, convenient to carry
Price 25c
Linen and Silk Lines, Flies, Hooks, etc.

The Fair
THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY

IMPORTANT NOTICE
During the months of April and May we will accept yearly subscriptions to the DESIGNER AT 80 CTS each. This is 20 cents less than the usual price. This fine magazine contains all up-to-date styles and is valuable to every household. Send us your subscription.

The Forward Strides which have been Characteristic of "The Fair's" Growth in this vicinity have never been more rapid than during the months of the present year. Our larger and better stocks are commanding the attention of a greater proportion of the households of this community. Our facilities for serving this greatly increased patronage are continually being improved upon. Reliable Merchandise—one price always—and that the lowest, considering quality. Accuracy in advertising, courteous treatment by each employee are factors which have helped build this great business and which are winning for it a still greater field for future achievement.

Pearl Buttons in all sizes. Pendants, Braids, Appliques and Medallions are the proper trimming this season. We show a complete line.

Hilberts Perfumes, Tooth Powder and Tooth Wash, Talcum Powder, Vaseline and Lanolin Cold Cream.



LADIES WRAPPERS
A complete new line of Perales and Dimities in red, blue, pink and lavender grounds, in figures, dots and stripes, cut to fit and with wide flounce, made with yoke, ruffles and braid trimmed, also black mercerized satteens, sizes 32 to 44.
69c, 98c,
\$1 43, 1 89, 1 98

SPECIAL
300 Men's Working Shirts at 45c each
Black and white stripe duck, with double front and double back, felled seams. A good fitting shirt—regular 60c kind to go at
45c each

Ladies Tailor-Made Suits
This season is witnessing an outpouring of exceptionally smart styles in tailor-made suits, which are in higher favor than ever this season, and little wonder when one considers their practical, serviceable features. We have the
BLOUSE, ETON
and MONTE CARLO
designs, with collarless, broad, drooping shoulder and postillion effects, in blue, green, black, castor and oxford mixtures, in cheviot, tweed, etamine, zibeline new canvas weaves—all of Anisfield garments, which is recommendation enough of itself and prices could not be lower.
\$7.50, 9.90, 13.85 and up to 21.75



Agent J. M. Kernan returned Monday from Portland. During his absence Fred Hart was in charge of the O. R. & N. office.
Henry Murphy has a curiosity in the form of a yearling Jersey heifer that he commenced to milk about a month ago and now she is giving two pints of milk per day. The heifer has never been a mother.—Long Creek Ranger.
Cattlemen in the John Day country in Grant county report that their herds came through the winter in better shape and with fewer losses than in any previous year. Bryam Bros. of upper Canyon creek and Bear valley have just turned their herds out in the hills to range, and say that many of their cattle are hog fat. Other herds are reported taring as well. The loss through accident, calving and other causes has not been greater than usual among cattle.
Sheep shearing is now well along in the sand country along the Columbia river. Fleeces are weighing out heavier than was expected at the start. For the reason that the season is earlier than along the river shearing is always commenced earlier than along the foot hills. Shearing has hardly been commenced along the highlands and will not be general for some time.
Edward A. Beals, forecast official of the United States Weather Bureau, was in the city over Sunday. Mr. Beals went as far east as Pendleton on his trip of observation. He states that the present outlook over the state is favorable, notwithstanding the late spring and backward appearance. He says that the per cent of stock losses is fully as great if not larger in Western Oregon, than in Eastern Oregon for the past winter. This was Mr. Beals' first visit to Eastern Oregon and he is favorably impressed. The weather bureau department in Portland is now giving good service, there being 250 correspondents scattered over the state in every county with the exception of Malheur.

Chas. Bockler, of Monument, was in the city Saturday.
Frank Birch had trouble over a settlement with E. L. McBrown at the latter's ranch near Monument, went and borrowed a gun from a neighbor and took several shots at McBrown without effect. Birch was arrested and is now in jail at Canyon City, awaiting trial.
The trout fishing season is here and Willow creek is furnishing some good sport for the lovers of the rod and line. The high water is running down and getting clear and for the past few days trout have been biting. Uncle Billy Ayers, one of Heppner's crack fishermen, reports having captured a speckled beauty that measured 18 inches in length.
With the endorsements of the Commercial association, the Pendleton Progressive club and the city council behind it, the portage road petition asking construction of The Dalles portage by contract, work to be completed within 100 days from time of contracting, has been sent away by Mayor T. G. Hailey. The petition has nearly 300 signers, and Mayor Hailey says if he had had time to make a thorough canvass with it nearly every man in the county would have signed it. Pendleton business men and Umatilla ranchers want to see the road completed before harvest.
Earl Bartholomew, of the Big Flat Cattle company, was in the city the fore part of the week. Mr. Bartholomew reports everybody busy now on the cattle ranch. They are just finishing putting in 50 acres of alfalfa, which makes over 100 acres now planted to this vigorous forage plant. The company intends to put in 150 acres more to alfalfa, having plenty of fine bottom land which can be easily irrigated. This ranch of 3230 acres is located near Cecil, where vegetation comes earlier than in the foothills. The alfalfa is now about six inches high and is growing nicely. This crop will be ready to harvest about the 25th of May.

A. Andrews visited Ione, Monday.
Cliff Neal went to Arlington, Tuesday.
T. A. Rhea was an outgoing passenger, Tuesday.
W. L. Mallory went down to his ranch near Ione, Monday.
Agent J. M. Kernan left Saturday for a short visit at La Grande.
Mrs. H. E. Bartholomew was a passenger for Portland, Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Noble were passengers for Portland, Monday.
J. H. Kinsman who has been at Albuquerque, New Mexico, for the past winter, has returned to this city.
Wednesday evening of last week P. O. Borg, W. W. Lipsett, Geo. Currin and C. C. Patterson went to Ione to attend a meeting of the Masonic lodge. They report a pleasant visit with the Ione brothers.
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hostettler and little son Wilbur, have been visiting Mrs. Hostettler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Dawson, this week. Mr. Hostettler returned to The Dalles Monday, and Mrs. Hostettler went home Wednesday.
Henry Heppner who has been at Good Samaritan hospital in Portland, for some time for medical treatment, is now improving rapidly. He has almost recovered from a surgical operation and will be able to be home again before a great length of time.
The GAZETTE has received a large collection of government garden seeds which will be distributed free. Call at the GAZETTE office and try some of the seeds. The collection consists of watermelon, lettuce, tomato, radish and parsnip. They are yours for the asking.
J. W. Welch, of Astoria, came up Monday evening to see his son Geo. F. Welch, who is in a critical condition. Mr. Welch and his son started Wednesday morning where George will be given every advantage of the best medical skill. Mr. Welch is a rising young attorney and has made many friends in Heppner.

DOING GOOD WORK.
Roadmaster Thornton is Not Losing Any Time.
Roadmaster Geo. Thornton came in Sunday to spend the day with his family.
Mr. Thornton with a crew of six men is now engaged with the big road scraper on what is known as the Harry Jones hill in the Little Butter Creek country.
This hill which was in bad shape by former neglect is being graded and put in good shape for travel.
The Franklin and Pagett hills, two bad places have been worked and placed in condition for travel.
Mr. Thornton will come down Hinton creek and be in the Heppner district by the latter part of the week. After thorough work on the Heppner grade and Cason Canyon, he will take his crew to the Henry Gay road, and from there on to Hardman and Spray roads. The worst roads are being worked first, and especially the roads that will be used in the near future for wool hauling. This will be a great accommodation to the wool teamsters.
In time Mr. Thornton will work the Heppner-Canyon City stage road.
Roads are now in good condition for working, being well settled by the dry weather.
T. B. Kay, of the Salem woolen mills, was in the city Tuesday. Mr. Kay was here in the interest of the mills and was making contracts for pelts and pulled wool. He returned to Salem Wednesday.
John Q. Wilson came up from Salem, Tuesday evening to look after his big ranch near this city. Mr. Wilson reports everything unusually dry in the Willamette Valley for this time of year.
The news of both hemispheres—in The Gazette, Heppner, Or.
For news and opinions—the Oregonian.