

The Week's News

Local and Personal Happenings in and About the City.

F. F. Klitz, of Ione, was in the city Saturday.

The county court is now in session at the court house.

W. J. Davis, of Lexington, was in the city Friday.

Henry Backman was a passenger for Portland, Monday.

Semi-Weekly Portland Journal and Heppner Gazette only \$2.00 per year.

Dr. Higgs, Eyes, Ear, Nose and Throat. Glasses properly fitted.

Seed Rye, Wheat, Barley and Alfalfa for sale at Heppner & Co. Warehouse.

Miss Elise Bartholomew returned to her home in Portland, Friday morning.

Farmers attention! Come to Heppner and see the best Shire stallion that ever came to America.

Phill Cohn will pay Highest Cash price for Beef Hides, pelts and furs at Heppner & Co. Warehouse.

S. E. Carr, president of the Bank of Heppner, was in the city this week looking after business interests.

Regular services at the Baptist church next Sunday, morning and evening. Sunday school at 10 a. m. W. C. Sale.

There will be a social dance at the opera house on Saturday evening, March 17. A good orchestra has been engaged.

Mrs. Fred Warnock and Mrs. W. C. Sale entertained their Sunday school class at the home of Mrs. Sale yesterday afternoon.

Rev. J. V. Crawford will hold religious services at the John Hughes school house next Sunday at 11 a. m. Everybody invited.

Omar Harmon, who has been spending the winter with his parents in the Willamette Valley, returned Thursday evening to this city.

E. S. Cox, of Hardman, was a Heppner visitor Friday. Mr. Cox has sold a part of his land holdings and intends to go to Portland in the near future for permanent residence.

Mrs. N. P. Hadley, a sister of Anderson Hayes, of this city, died at her home near Eugene, on the 16th ult. Mr. Hayes attended the funeral, returning to this city Monday.

City Recorder J. P. Williams informs the Gazette that the practice of riding bucking horses on the streets must be stopped. The law will be strictly enforced if this occurs in the future.

Bert Mays and Miss Bessie Prater, both of this city, were married yesterday at LaGrande. The wedding did not become known to the local relatives and friends of the two parties until it was over, and it is said the affair was in the nature of an elopement.—East Oregonian. Miss Prater was a former resident of Heppner.

The second annual district convention, for district No. 9, comprising, Morrow, Gilliam, Wheeler and Grant counties, Knights of Pythias, will be held at Heppner, on Monday, March 12. Doric lodge No. 20, of this city is making preparations for the entertainment of the visitors. An interesting program has been arranged for the evening service.

J. F. Asher, who resides near Mitchell, was in this part of the John Day valley last week, having come to Grant county for the purpose of buying sheep for delivery about June 1. While here he contracted for 2400 head of mixed yearlings from Smith & Sels at \$2.85. Mr. Asher has purchased over 40,000 head of sheep during the winter for spring delivery. This large band cost over \$100,000 and when received will be shipped to eastern markets.—Blue Mountain Eagle.

Ed Day was an incoming passenger from Portland, yesterday evening.

John Botts, an eccentric character, better known as "Johny Behind the Rock," died at the county poor house last Saturday morning, aged 76 years. He was an old resident of Morrow county having followed sheep herding for many years. The remains were buried in the Heppner cemetery Sunday.

About 50 of the leading sheep men of Walla Walla, Columbia, Asotin and Franklin counties, Washington, and Umatilla and Wallowa counties, Oregon, have organized the Wenaha Woolgrowers' Association in Walla Walla. Officers elected were H. C. Bryson, Walla Walla, president; G. F. Jackson, Dayton, vice-president; C. A. Hales, Waitsburg, secretary; B. D. Smith, Pendleton; A. Magallon, Walla Walla; R. A. Jackson, Dayton; R. A. Campbell, Asotin; Peter Weller, Pomeroy, executive committee. Resolutions were adopted protesting against the law requiring dipping of stock before they are shipped or removed from the state, whether in healthy condition or not. The resolution also carried recommendation for enforcement of laws on removal of sheep or other stock, but opposed its enforcement when stock was known to be clean. A resolution of thanks was voted Senator Ankeny for his assistance in securing approval of the selection of lands in the Wenaha forestry reserve for grazing purposes, and praising the forestry officials for the manner in which said allotments were made.

First Wedding Anniversary.

Rev. W. C. Sale, pastor of the First Baptist church, and wife were the recipients of a very pleasant surprise at their home on Gale street Tuesday evening. The surprise being in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Sale's first wedding anniversary.

A merry party of the members of the church met at the home of Mrs. John Patterson and went in a body to the pastor's house.

At the solicitation of the younger members of the party, Rev. and Mrs. Sale were married over again, Judge T. W. Ayers officiating.

Judge Ayers' original ceremony while not strictly in accordance with the usual custom was the cause of much merriment.

The party was well supplied with refreshments which were served.

Instrumental and vocal music were among the many pleasant features of the happy event.

City Council.

The city council met in regular session Monday evening at the council chamber.

Major Gilliam was in the chair and the following councilmen responded to roll call: Kirk, Garrigues, Minor, Hynd and Warnock.

Ordinance to raise the license fee on peddlers of meat, fish and vegetables to \$100 per quarter, was read second time.

The following bills were allowed:

Morrow County.....	\$22 50
J. W. Cox.....	25 56
Chas Brennan.....	1 00
John Geardside.....	6 00
Light & water Co.....	96 70
Pat Barry.....	10 00
Cleary.....	2 50
Geo. Blahm.....	3 00
E. B. Driskell.....	2 50
Stocum Drug Co.....	50
John Rasmus.....	60 00
J. P. Williams.....	16 65
L. W. Briggs.....	8 33
S. P. Garrigues & Son.....	20 78

Harry Cummings will make some big improvements in his nursery, near the depot in this city, this spring and summer. He will add 80,000 more fruit, shade and ornamental trees to his stock this season. The grounds will be leveled and a space about 100 feet square will be arranged into a park where all the varieties of his trees will be placed in a way to make an attractive appearance.

Mrs. T. W. Ayers went to Portland, Monday.

Spring is certainly here. The song birds have arrived for summer residence, and buds are bursting forth.

The Great Eastern Vitagraph and Comedy company will appear at the opera house, in this city, on Saturday evening, March 10. It will be remembered that this company was in Heppner some time ago and gave an excellent performance.

Claude Herren, a former resident and big sheep owner of Morrow county, who is now located in Eagle Valley, in Baker county, was an incoming passenger Tuesday evening. Mr. Herren states that the past winter in the Eagle Valley country has been unusually severe. The snow fall was heavy and the feeding season was longer than for years. Many of the stockmen ran short on hay. Mr. Herren states that last fall he bought what he considered an ample amount of hay for the winter feeding, but he also ran short and was forced to buy more. In the fall hay sold for \$4.00 per ton, but the scarcity this spring forced the price up to \$10 per ton. Mr. Herren was compelled to buy 54 tons at the latter price. When asked how he liked his new location, Mr. Herren said: "I like it fine. During the grazing season the grass is good and there is plenty of it, but we don't have the fine climate that you have in Morrow county. The snow with us was about two feet deep on the hills most of the winter. We are not favored with the chinook winds like you have here in this county." Mr. Herren is running 4200 head of sheep.

To issue 250 grazing permits to stockmen and sheep men, whose combined herds number 280,000 sheep and 15,000 head of cattle, was the task that confronted Chief Ranger Howard O'Brien, at Walla Walla recently. The irreconcilable differences between these two opposing interests, from time immemorial, made it a difficult task. The permits are for the Wallowa and the Chessinmus reserves. The grazing privilege accorded is good for the season, which lasts from three to six months, depending upon the climate. For this privilege the government collects from 5 to 8 cents on each sheep and from 20 to 35 cents on each head of cattle, more than \$20,000 in all. A vast amount of work is involved in selecting these grazing lands. Not only must the chief ranger know which lands are suitable for sheep and which will best meet the wants of the cattle men, but he must know the amount of land each owner will require. Boundaries must be marked, and various other details make the task anything but an easy one.

A large wool pullery and scouring plant is being completed at Sellwood, on the banks of the Willamette river, by Heilbron & Co., which will be the most complete in the state. The buildings cover more than an acre of ground between the Willamette river and the O. W. P. Electric Railway, and it will have both water and rail transportation. Standing on the spur from the O. W. P. is a two-story warehouse, or receiving building. On the second floor is the receiving room, while the lower floor is used for curing hides. A considerable supply has already been received. Some bales of mohair are in the warehouse. The pullery and sorting building is a three-story structure, 90x40, and is being filled with modern and costly machinery. On the lower floor are the vats for washing and scouring the wool. The sorting room is on the second floor, and on the top is a machine for drying the wool. All three floors are connected by means of an elevator. Power is supplied by steam. The boiler house is separate from the other buildings. Water will be pumped from the river. The plant will soon be completed and ready for operation. The investment is about \$200,000, and is considered an important industry for the state.

Dan Doherty, of Lexington, was in the city Monday.

Misses Emma and Mary Farnsworth have returned from a visit to Baker City.

Increases Its Capital.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Heppner, held on the 5th inst., an increase of the capital stock was made from \$40,000.00 to \$50,000.00.

This bank was opened for business in Heppner on August 10, 1904, with a capital stock of \$25,000.00, and we are informed by the management, that its business has been very satisfactory. This increase of capital stock is the second made since the bank opened for business, the first being made on May 1st, 1905, to \$40,000.00, and is certainly evidence that its management is well satisfied with its venture from a business standpoint. The capitalization of this bank is now equal to that of any similar institution in the county, and it is gratifying to us to chronicle the fact of its increase in business and capitalization, and to know that it is one of the growing institutions of our community.

Sales Dates Arranged.

In accordance with the custom of the past few years, H. C. Roper, secretary of the State Woolgrowers' Association, has arranged dates for sales days for the different markets in eastern Oregon. The following is the schedule as made out by the secretary and it will be followed during the season, though some changes may be found necessary: Pendleton, May 22 and 23; June 5. Heppner, May 25; June 8; June 22. Co d n, May 29; June 27. Shaniko, May 31; June 1; June 19 and 20; July 10. Wallows, June 12; June 29. Baker City, June 14; July 12. Last year no sales days were held at Condon or Baker City.

BORN.

WOODSON—In this city, Tuesday, March 6, 1906, to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Woodson, a daughter.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between George Whiteis and C. C. Patterson, under the firm name of Whiteis & Patterson, has been dissolved by mutual consent, George Whiteis retiring from the above named firm. C. E. Patterson will continue the business.

GEO. WHITEIS
C. C. PATTERSON.
Dated at Heppner, Oregon, Mar. 3rd 1906

Fight to Hear Mark Twain.

New York, March 5.—Hundreds of persons struggled in vain yesterday in efforts to enter the Majestic Theater to hear S. L. Clemens (Mark Twain). So great was the crowd that had gathered to hear the veteran humorist that for a time it was beyond the control of police reserves from two precincts. In the jam clothes were torn, and several persons were slightly injured.

Spring Millinery Opening Friday and Saturday March 16-17, 1906 THE FAIR Department Store

When the struggle to enter the theater was at its height, two patrol wagons laden with the reserves drove up. The police charged into the crowd and three young men and a woman were forced through the big glass in one of the doors opening into the lobby. All were cut by the broken glass, but none seriously. Mr. Clemens' talk was delivered under the auspices of the West Side Y. M. C. A. During his lecture he read a letter from William Dean Howells, in which the novelist said he would be 69 years old today. Mr. Clemens commented humorously on this letter and his own age.

Prizes to Farmers.

Minneapolis, March 5.—The progres-

sive agriculturalists of Minnesota and the Dakotas are displaying much interest in the offer of James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern railway, of a list of prizes for excellence in farming. Three prizes, ranging from \$300 to \$750, are to be distributed in each congressional district in the three states, the aggregate representing an annual outlay of nearly \$7000. Competent judges will award the prizes according to what they consider the best system of rotation adopted by each farm entered in the contest, character of cultivation, cleanliness of the farm, crop yield, number and quality of livestock kept in proportion to the area. The only stipulation is that the farms entered must keep cattle, and in addition thereto either sheep or swine or both.

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