

Local and Personal Notes.

Highest cash price paid for hides and furs—14 1/2 Cts.

Dr. W. H. Wood will fit you with glasses at a cost of \$2.50 to \$7.50.

If you have property to sell, see Ashbach Bros. opposite packing mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Roberts, of Hardman, were Heppner visitors Tuesday.

Conductor Fred Wall has been laid up with rheumatism for several days.

Mrs. W. A. Orr is recovering rapidly from an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. R. J. Jones, of Tacoma, a former resident of Eight Mile, was in the city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Boyer, who spent the holidays at The Dalles, returned Saturday.

Mrs. R. F. Wigglesworth, who was operated upon for appendicitis, is improving rapidly.

A. Ives, of Irrigon, was today appointed fruit inspector for Morrow county by the county court.

Rev. James Henderson will conduct services at the Episcopal church next Sunday, January 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Phill Cohn and sons have returned from Boise, Idaho, where they spent the holidays.

Marriage licenses for 1908 were less numerous than those in 1907 in several Oregon counties, notwithstanding it was leap year.

Spray, spray, spray, at least three times a year, urges the Albany Democrat. That is what does the business at Hood River, North Yakima, Wenatchee and Rogue River.

Word was received here yesterday that S. P. Garrigues, who is spending the winter at Palo Alto, California, is quite sick, having recently suffered a severe attack of heart trouble.

Mr. Clint Blissett and Miss Nellie Gordon were married at the residence of the bride's mother in this city, Tuesday morning. They left on Tuesday morning's train for Condon, where they will make their future home.

The O. A. C. students left in a body last Saturday morning. There were thirteen in all, ten of whom were from Heppner alone. Those who left were Misses Nettie and Marie Curran, Messrs. Earle Gilliam, Earl Halleck, Alvah Jones, Glen Jones, John Hyatt, Rhea Luper, Maurice Smead, and Loy Turner, all of Heppner. Besides these were Ben Cochran and Compton Anderson of Monument, and Forrest McGinniss, of Corvallis, who spent the holidays in Heppner.

Lawrence Shutt returned to Salem Saturday.

W. P. Dutton returned from Portland, Tuesday evening.

Andrew Keller, The Dalles brewer, was an incoming passenger Tuesday.

Attorney Sam E. Van Vactor went to Condon this morning on legal business.

Miss Juanita Matlock spent Sunday in Heppner, leaving Monday morning for Portland.

R. A. Cohen, of Hamilton, committed suicide by taking strychnine, Christmas night.

Mrs. G. A. Molden came up from Portland Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Molden have taken apartments in the Swaggart building.

Mr. and Mrs. Vawter Crawford returned the first of the week from Brownsville, where they had been visiting during the past two weeks.

Mrs. W. R. Irwin and sons, Stephen and Ellis, were passengers for Portland Tuesday, where they will visit for a few weeks.

Among the Christmas presents received by a Scottsburg woman was a piece of homespun linen made by some one of her father's family in Ohio somewhere about 60 or 70 years ago. It was sent by a relative in Iowa.

Neither Grand Ronde nor Wallowa can long remain bottled up, says the Star. Electric power and other improved facilities will laugh at distances and mountain grades. An electric line connecting Grand Ronde and Wallowa and the outside world is as certain to come as there is certainty of progress of any kind.

Colonel W. H. Holabird signed the petition for the Klamath Falls-Crater Lake road, and wrote as follows: "No public improvement is more essential to the growth of the country than good roads. Before building the roads send your committee to southern California that they may see what a really good road means. Los Angeles county voted \$3,500,000 for good roads, the bonds are sold and the work is going on. We think it will increase the wealth of the county one hundred fold. The very worst folly is waste of money in poorly built roads."

Services at the Methodist Church, Sunday, January 10.

Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by the pastor, Walter L. Airheart. Subjects, morning sermon, "The Pledge of Redemption"—Deut. 33:3; evening, "Lot, the Undecided Man"—Gen. 19:16.

Evangelistic services will be held every evening during the week at 7:30. Mr. Brymer will lead the song service.

Notice to Fruit Growers.

You must spray your apple and pear trees within the next 30 days with a liquid made by dissolving 12 pounds blue vitriol in 100 gallons of water. This is the most effective treatment known for all fungus diseases, including anthracnose (derived from anthrax, meaning carbuncle) which forms black spots on the trunk and limbs, which soon destroys the tree. Some of the best authorities say fungus diseases are more destructive and more to be dreaded than all insect life. Every orchard in Morrow county must be cleaned up this season. You have had ample time to accustom yourselves to this work, by using the blue vitriol spray now, and a thorough spraying in February, or early March, with lime and sulphur, either the Rex Spray or Niagara Spray made at Hood River. This will make all trees clean and healthy after the fruit sets. The trees must be sprayed three times at intervals of about 20 days with arsenate of lead. By doing this we will have no more wormy apples. We have not sprayed nearly enough for the Codlin Mtn. I am going to devote the larger part of my time with you during this winter. I will show you how to prune and clean your orchards up. You will find it most profitable work. Our splendid success at the Umatilla-Morrow Co. Fair, at Pendleton should greatly encourage all of us. Now I am in deadly earnest, this work must be done as I suggest. I have been most reasonable with all of you. I am determined that Morrow county will make a new record this coming season, and our trees must be in clean, vigorous condition, to get the best results, and our people have had to eat wormy fruit long enough. I am going to be with you a great deal this coming year, and I shall gather a display while inspecting the orchards, and I ask you to begin your plans now to grow choice vegetables and fruits for exhibition.

We should have a street carnival in Heppner for two or three days, before the Pendleton fair, showing our own people what we have. Now I have to depend largely upon your help in this work. The work is so scattered I can't possibly be present at all places while spraying, but I can and will come to your homes and consult with you, and show you how to do. And if you don't try to do anything, I can prevent your selling any unclean fruit, and destroy your diseased trees. I don't expect any trouble in this way. I have been trying to get some word of advice or encouragement from our district inspector, R. H. Weber, at The Dalles, during the three years I have been fruit inspector. I have not received one word from him in regard to it, and I feel that a cussing would be preferable to this Eternal Silence.

HARRY CUMMINGS,
Fruit Inspector for Morrow County.
Dated at Heppner, Ore., Dec. 12, 1908.

Our Annual Pre-Inventory Sale Is Now On.

This simple announcement within itself is sufficient to draw the people to our store. This is that Annual Occasion always looked forward to eagerly by the economically inclined. Our midwinter sales of the past have made a record. The people know what to expect, what they will find here, during these sales for we have never disappointed them. This year we will strive to beat the records of our previous efforts. We have had a remarkable fall and winter business. Hundreds of Broken Lots, Odds and Ends, Remnants and Soiled Goods are the consequence. These will now all be closed out in the manner typical of this store. CUT PRICES--BARGAINS EVERY DAY--BIG BARGAINS. But why talk on and on and----- Come to the store and see for yourself. **MINOR & CO.**

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