

BREVITIES

Mrs. George Proebstel visited with friends and relatives at Pendleton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McIntyre were in Pendleton Saturday, making business calls.

The grand jury in session this week the Wilder murder case. A true bill was returned.

The Sim Culleys motored to Walla Walla Saturday on a business and pleasure trip.

Lost—pair of gold-rimmed glasses in case. Return to the H. A. Brandt store. Reward.

See Pauline Frederick in "The Fear Woman" at Memorial Hall this Saturday night.

Dwight Porter spent a few days last week in Spokane attending to business matters.

Watch "The Gay Old Dog" next Tuesday night at Memorial Hall. A surprise awaits you.

W. A. Baker of Portland will give a free Bible lecture Friday evening, January 16, at Memorial hall.

The quarantine was raised Sunday at the Eagleton home, Miss Patricia Eagleton having recovered from smallpox.

Mrs. Lillian Fredericks and Miss Frank Harris Davis were entertained at dinner New Year's day at the H. Goodwin home.

Miss Louise Rintoul returned Sunday from The Dalles, where she sojourned with relatives and friends during Christmas and New Year's.

Miss Edna Hollenbeck and Miss Lurline Brown returned Monday from Portland, where they visited relatives and friends during the holidays.

Leonard Barnett, son of S. L. Barnett of Portland, who has been visiting his grandmother, Mrs. A. J. Barnett, left Monday on his return home.

E. L. Withers, formerly of Weston, will hereafter receive the Leader at his home in Baker, Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. Withers are conducting the Hotel Underwood at Baker.

The Saturday Afternoon club will serve sandwiches and coffee after the motion picture entertainment Saturday evening. The proceeds will be added to the fund for equipping the kitchen in Memorial hall.

While at San Francisco recently Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dowd visited Mrs. Mary Colgroff, an aunt of Mrs. Dowd and a sister of Mrs. A. Richal of this city. They took the steamer Saturday last for the Hawaiian islands.

Miss Ruby Broadison of Payette, Idaho, visited with Weston friends Sunday while on her return to Whitman college. She was accompanied to the college Monday by Miss Gertrude Van Winkle and Miss Vida Greer.

A recent tentative decision by the examiner for the interstate commerce commission in the Columbia river rate case, is regarded as meaning a reduction of one cent per bushel on the wheat rate from interior points to Portland.

An unusual gift which arrived to gladden the holiday season of Mrs. Mary C. McNece was a box of bonbons forwarded from her old home in New York. The candies were made of maple sugar combined with butternut meats, and were most delicious.

J. N. York, prominent farmer north of town, is confined to his home by reason of injuries received in being upset with a load of hay. He is reported today to be able to sit up, although it was feared for a time that his hurts were very serious.

Miss Mabel Colvin arrived from Haines, Oregon, Sunday to resume her work in the Weston school. The first thing she did after reaching her comfortable cottage was to read the Leaders which had accumulated during her absence, in order to be thoroughly in touch with the salient features of our community life.

The depot road committee was enlarged by the addition of S. A. Barnes, Marvin Price and Frank Greer at the recent meeting of the Weston Commercial club. Its old members are Mayor Banister, Dr. Watts and E. M. Smith. It is hoped to complete the depot road improvement prior to March 1, and teams will be solicited from farmers to that end. The club voted to meet regularly every Monday evening at Memorial Hall.

The service at the Methodist church last Sunday evening under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary society was quite well attended and was an interesting event. Mrs. Hattie Wilsley, retiring president of the society, presided. Special articles were read by Mrs. E. W. Achilles, Miss Alma Barnett and Mrs. H. Goodwin. Rev. Starnier conducted the service installing officers elected for the season of 1920.

J. E. Jones dug into his potato patch on the mountain the other day and found only two or three potatoes frozen in a hill, despite the fact that the spuds had to withstand the December frigidly. I. C. Hopkins dug about 30 sacks of marketable potatoes that had also gone through the cold weather.

Ellsworth Woods bought a Dodge touring car this week of Ralph Saling at the Weston garage.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

Mrs. Richard Morrison is hostess at a Pleasant Session.

One of the recent delightful social functions was the session of the Saturday Afternoon club held last Saturday at the home of Mrs. Richard Morrison. The house was beautifully decorated with the Christmas colors, green and red, and a tree sparkling with tinsel and bright ornaments received much attention. The business session was followed by an interesting program:

Reading, from Burns' "Bannockburn"—Mrs. W. S. Price.

Paper, "Perth"—Mrs. W. A. Barnes.

Vocal solo—Mrs. E. M. Smith.

Paper, "Sterling"—Mrs. W. S. Payne.

Paper, "University of Scotland"—Mrs. J. Claud Price.

The club was happy to welcome two of its former members, Mrs. C. H. Smith and Mrs. E. C. Rogers of Athena, as guests at this meeting. Other guests were: Miss Frank Harris Davis, Miss Elza Love, Mrs. Harry Sumption, Miss Lois Porter and Mrs. George Proebstel Jr. At the conclusion of the program, candle-lighted tables were arranged for lunch, the guests finding their places by means of novel and attractive cards.

Refreshments cleverly served were provided by Mesdames Fitzpatrick and Porter, assisted by Mrs. E. M. Smith.

Mrs. F. C. Fitzpatrick will be hostess to the club the afternoon of January 10.

Post Dances Net \$160

The Athena-Weston Post, American Legion, was eminently successful in giving its benefit dances in Weston and Athena, the sum of \$160 being netted. The post members are thankful to the public for the splendid patronage given.

A most enjoyable time was had by all who attended. Perfect order was maintained, and so successful were the two events from a social standpoint that the post has been imprompted by the dancing public to continue a series of dances for Weston and Athena during the remainder of the winter months. It has decided to do so.

Weston is organizing a local dramatic club and a play will be given soon as a benefit for the post.

The post will give dances every two weeks, alternating between Athena and Weston. The next dance of the series will be given in Athena, at the opera house, on the evening of Friday, January 16. On this occasion the service men will appear in uniform.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick Entertains

The home of Mrs. F. C. Fitzpatrick was the scene last Friday of a delightful bit of hospitality when she entertained a few friends at a Kensington and incidentally to christen a beautiful new tea set received as a Christmas gift. The afternoon was most pleasantly spent with needle work and social chat, followed by the serving of most appetizing refreshments by the hostess, assisted by Miss Frank Harris Davis. The guest list included:

Mrs. F. D. Watts, Mrs. J. W. Porter, Mrs. J. Harl Williams, Mrs. E. M. Smith, Mrs. Harry Sumption of Boise, Mrs. Sim J. Culley, Mrs. Mary C. McNece, Miss Frank Harris Davis and Mrs. H. Goodwin.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick was hostess again Friday evening to a number of the younger set, who thoroughly enjoyed the event.

WESTON SCHOOLS

Ralph, Robert and Lloyd Graham have returned to school, after being absent for many weeks on account of smallpox.

Lois Saling left for Portland after the Christmas vacation to attend school.

School started off in the Freshmen room as it did the first week of school, Monday. The flowers in this room are blooming and give suggestion of spring. The upper class room flowers were frosted during the cold weather, and they have been removed to the basement.

Miss Maggie Fuson is back after an attack of rheumatism.

The editor in chief called an Annual staff meeting Tuesday afternoon and plans were made for a high school carnival to be given in the near future. Much fun is to be promised the public in the different side shows and "minstrels."

A student body meeting is to be called by President Watts Wednesday evening for the purpose of getting the rest of the high school members enthused about the carnival, so it will be a good success. Work will start on the carnival soon.

The eighth grade pupils plan to publish a magazine by January 15. Glenn Staggs is editor in chief. They expect to have two more issues the next semester.

Much interest is being shown in high school basket ball. The boys' team is organized and will play Helix January 16. The boys practiced during the Christmas vacation and are pretty well up on basket ball. Their line-up follows:

Theodore Walden, captain.
Walter Rayborn, guard.
Leonard Bullfinch, guard.
Anson Payne, forward.
Eugene Smith, forward.

The girls chose Anna Lavender for their captain Monday evening, and are now practicing hard for the season's games.

Miss Brown and Miss Hollenbeck blame the conductor for the mistakes in train time that caused them to be late at school Monday morning.

The Bible Study questions come this week and the examinations will be given January 16.

THE FARM BUREAU SCHOOL

Will be Held Here if Farmers Sign Membership Roll.

Prospects are favorable for the holding of a farmers' school at Weston some time in February under auspices of the Farm Bureau, an organization connected with the extension work of Oregon Agricultural College.

The decision of the college authorities to hold such a school will rest with the growth of the Farm Bureau membership at Weston and on Weston mountain. In other words, if the farmers show sufficient interest they will get the school for Weston, and incidentally a short program of valuable lectures and instruction along agricultural lines. Special attention will be given to the subject of potato growing, as the college desires to stimulate the raising of seed potatoes in the excellent spud soil which the mountain region offers. Professor Hyslop will be among the lecturers.

E. L. Woods, J. M. Banister, G. W. Staggs and Sim J. Culley are enlisting Farm Bureau members in Weston and vicinity. W. L. Rayborn and Will Hall are among the mountain workers.

The Weston Commercial club Monday evening heartily endorsed the school proposition after it had been outlined by the club president, Sim J. Culley, and decided to get squarely behind the movement.

Fin Dentistry With Few Visits

Registered Dentists using the E. R. Parker System make a specialty of promptly caring for out-of-town patients.

Most people can not afford to waste unnecessary time in a dentist's office, and E. R. Parker System dentists believe in giving such patients all possible attention and work on each visit, so they will not have to come in so often.

This work is all done so well it is fully guaranteed. You are sure of good dentistry and complete satisfaction. Best of all, you need not fear pain, for every safe method of overcoming pain is used. Prices are moderate and examinations and advice are free.

There are twenty-four offices in different cities where the E. R. Parker System is used, the nearest one being at

755 Main St., Pendleton.

OF INTEREST TO MOTORISTS

They Are Safe if They Have Applied for 1920 Licenses.

The following excerpt from a letter addressed to chiefs of police throughout the country by the Secretary of State will be of interest to local automobile owners. It seems that if they have applied for their 1920 licenses they are safe for the time being:

"In view of the existing congested condition and in justice to the motor vehicle owners who have forwarded their applications for 1920 licenses to the Secretary of State but who have not yet received their licenses for the reasons stated, the Department requests that the sheriffs of the

counties, the chiefs of police of the cities and towns and other peace officers of the state permit those motor vehicle owners who have applied for their 1920 licenses to operate their cars on their 1919 licenses for a reasonable time until the Department can clean up the present congestion."

A demand for houses in Weston was brought to the attention of the commercial club Monday evening. It was decided to ask the Weston Mercantile Co. to list all houses available in town for renting purposes, and the company has consented to do so. Local owners are requested to call at its store, and non-resident owners to write.

Notice to Creditors

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Unatilla County.

In the Matter of the Estate of J. M. O'Harra, Deceased.

To All Whom it May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that L. I. O'Harra is the duly appointed, qualified and acting executor of the will of J. M. O'Harra, deceased; and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers attached thereto, to said executor at Weston, Oregon, within six months from the 6th day of December, 1919.

L. I. O'HARRA
Executor of the Will of J. M. O'Harra, Deceased.

COMING!

Watch for the date, some time next month, of the grain and potato convention to be held in Weston. It will be some convention. Full information supplied later.

INVENTORY OVER

We find a number of items—short ends, broken and discontinued lines—we must close out to make room for spring stock. All over this store are bargain tables loaded with goods marked at very attractive prices; money savers for the thrifty who take advantage of them.

Crochet Thread . . . 8c

A real surprise. This is standard stock in a variety of colors, in all about 100 boxes, to close out while they last at only 8c.

SILKS SILKS

Beautiful, soft, dainty silks. Hundreds of yards, short lengths in many patterns. We have gone through the stock and selected all short ends and discontinued lines; placed them on sale tables at one-third less than former prices.

SHOES ARE GOING HIGHER

This is absolutely true. We knew this months ago and invested thousands of dollars in shoes that we might protect our customers against decidedly higher prices.

WOMEN'S SHOES \$3.59

Good, serviceable shoes, many patent leather and gun metal; odds and ends from an inventory, but dandy values. While they last, only \$3.59.

MEN'S SHOES \$4.98

Some mighty good shoes for real service. You will pay more for the same shoes elsewhere. A host of bargains selected from an inventory; while they last, \$4.98.

IN THE GROCERY SECTION

Popcorn that pops; maple syrup for your hot cakes; coffee of real merit and "the flavor that delights." PREFERRED STOCK canned goods.

Weston Mercantile Co.

Why Procrastinate?

Now's the time to get your machinery put in shape. Don't wait until the eleventh hour. If you do you might have to wait on the blacksmith, for those times will be his busy times. The most successful people of our country never procrastinate. Now's the time to bring your work—not after awhile.

E. R. HALL

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