

BREVITIES

For Sale—Wall telephone. Inquire at this office.

The baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Pedersen is reported to be ill with pneumonia.

Walter Simpson of Elberton, Wash., was a guest last week of Mr. and Mrs. Albert O'Harra.

Walter Milton and Wilbur Fuson are influenza patients at the home of their mother, Mrs. J. L. Fuson.

Miss Rintoul has gone to The Dalles and Miss Love to Hood River to remain until the local school opens again.

J. W. Porter returned Tuesday to Freewater after attending his wife and twin daughters, who have been ill with influenza.

I have at my shop an A No. 1 hack, newly painted and overhauled, for sale at a bargain. Call, or phone No. 52. E. R. Hall.

Miss Ruby Broadison and Miss Ariene Cropp were here with Miss Gertrude Van Winkle from Whitman college for a Sunday visit.

T. A. Lieuallen of Adams is visiting at the home of his mother in Weston. Mrs. Lieuallen came up Monday to join him for the day.

Mrs. C. L. Pinkerton is reported to be improving, after an illness that for a time caused grave apprehension to her family and friends.

Mrs. A. A. Kees was at Hot Lake a few days last week. The head of the house combined the duties of greeter and chef at the Kees hostelry during her absence.

Sick with mumps, E. W. Fehr came up this week from Pendleton, where he has been engaged in garage work. Rudolf Proebstel is recovering, after a severe attack of the same ailment.

The farm home of Frank Greer near town bears the luckless distinction of sheltering the largest number of influenza cases, there being no less than six patients in this one household.

The Scholarship Loan Fund tea which was to have been given Saturday afternoon of this week at Memorial hall under the auspices of the Saturday Afternoon club, has been postponed on account of so much illness in the community. The event will take place at a later date and due notice of same will be given.

The estate of the late Grant Steen has been admitted to probate. Mrs. Maude Steen, his widow, and William H. Steen, a brother, were appointed joint administrators. The real property is valued at \$50,000 and the personal property at \$5000. J. H. Coffman, W. W. Wasser and H. L. Frazier were named appraisers.

Notice to Subscribers

If this notice is marked it signifies that your subscription expires Feb. 1, 1920. We would most gratefully appreciate your prompt renewal.

Subscription rates—by the year, \$2.00; six months, \$1.00; three months, 50 cents.

The Leader is invariably discontinued at expiration.

Philip D. Armour, the Chicago packer, was interviewed on his arrival in Spokane to attend the annual convention of the American National Livestock association. He expressed gratification at the manner in which the Inland Empire has come to the front as a livestock producing center, remarking that practically no north-west cattle now go to Chicago, Spokane being the clearing house for the district. He also expressed the view that the Inland Empire is an ideal hog producing section.

Charles E. Hall, who recently located in Weston from Pendleton, and bought the Andy T. Barnett place, has learned to like this burg and has become a Weston Leader subscriber in order to keep posted on its doings. Since he came, Mr. Hall has been the means of gaining two other citizens for the community. He intends building up slowly in dairying and poultry raising, and is now in the market for a few more hens to add to his flock.

Stanley G. Jewett, predatory animal inspector of the U. S. biological survey, says hunters employed by the government killed 2856 coyotes and 150 bobcats in Washington and Oregon in 1919. In three years one man killed 600 coyotes in Yakima district.

E. O. DeMoss returned Sunday from Portland, where he bought \$2000 worth of goods for his local furniture store. He reports the metropolis as thriving, with a class of well-paid workmen who are not slow in spending their money.

IN NEW LOCATION.

I have moved my stock of auto accessories and vulcanizing equipment into the Barrett building, formerly occupied by the Foss hardware. I also have the building formerly occupied by the C. A. Barrett & Co. implement store, where I will be in a position to do a general storage business and will maintain a general repair shop for which I have already received a portion of my new machinery. The shop will be under the direction of Mr. York, who has had ten years of practical experience as an auto mechanic. He will be assisted by Mr. Edwards, who is also a mechanic of ability. No job too large or too small. Give us a trial.

R. A. THOMPSON
Athena, Oregon.

They Like the Islands

A letter received by Mr. and Mrs. Allen Richal from their daughter, Mrs. H. A. Dowd, who with her husband is now in Hawaii, is of considerable local interest. Mrs. Dowd writes as follows from Lahaina under date of January 16:

"We have been here four days and there is always something new to see. The climate is wonderful; little white babies roll around on the grass with just panties and slip-on and are plenty warm enough—and it doesn't even get too warm. The trees are wonderful, and vines that literally cover the houses are gorgeous with bloom of every color.

"We stayed in Honolulu from Saturday morning until Monday night and then took a smaller boat to come here. I enjoyed it immensely until I commenced to be sick; but I was

doomed to be seasick again in sailing just that last ninety miles. Henry is a much better sailor than I am.

"We are still living in a hotel. The company is building a house for Butler and Hazel, and it isn't quite finished. It will be a beautiful home. The living room is 20x24, with big wide porches on all sides. There will be two large bedrooms, a sleeping porch, kitchen, dining room and large bath and pantry. In the front yard will appear a little fish pond, partly hidden by vines, and in it will swim the pretty tropical members of the finny tribe. The vines grow in weeks here instead of months.

"One side of the house faces the street and the back is as close to the ocean as Brandt's house is to yours. A mammoth oleander bush, laden with bloom, nearly covers one of the porches. Coconut trees, banana trees and several varieties of palms already beautify the yard, and to these will be added a lot of shrubbery."

Mrs. Van Winkle Entertains Club

Mrs. L. R. Van Winkle opened her hospitable home on January 24 for the regular meeting of the Saturday Afternoon club. The general atmosphere of cheery welcome to all diffused an influence of cordiality that met a ready response from the visitors.

The club was scheduled to enter upon its study of Ireland at this session and roll call was answered with Irish anecdotes. Sickness prevented a number of members from attending and the program outlined for this date was dispensed with. Discussion of various club activities together with reminiscences by charter members, caused the time to pass pleasantly and profitably.

Ten hour found the guests seated at an attractively appointed table, places being marked by cards in the form of an Irish coachman's hat. A tempting two-course luncheon was served by Mrs. E. M. Smith and Mrs. W. S. Payne. Mesdames H. Goodwin and F. D. Watts presided over the tea and coffee urns. The favors were tiny green shamrock-shaped baskets filled with mints. An interesting note was introduced by the use of a handsome silver tea service, a family heirloom loaned for the occasion by Mrs. Martha Van Winkle.

If the influenza epidemic subsides, the next club meeting will be held with Mrs. Joseph Hodgson the afternoon of February 7th.

Enjoyable Surprise Party

Last Saturday evening was the occasion for a delightful surprise party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. McCausland. The affair was arranged for by Mrs. Albert O'Harra, Mrs. Newt O'Harra and Miss Dorothy Bulfinch, following the return of Mr. and Mrs. McCausland from their extended visit at Dayton, Washington.

Dancing was the main feature of the evening, music being furnished by Mrs. Newton O'Harra, Mr. Leon Lundell and a Columbia gramophone. Vocal solos by Mr. McCausland and Mr. Saling were splendidly rendered and much enjoyed by the assembled guests, after which a delicious supper of salad, sandwiches, cake and coffee was charmingly served by the hostesses.

The invited guests were: Mr. and Mrs. McCausland and daughter Margaret, Mr. and Mrs. Newton O'Harra, Mr. and Mrs. Albert O'Harra, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fehr, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lundell, Mrs. Margaret Rabb, Misses Eliza Morrison, Ruby Price, Atrass McCorkell, Esther Davis, Dorothy Bulfinch; Messrs. R. G. Saling, Lyle Webb, Herman O'Harra, Ray O'Harra, Levi O'Harra and L'Wayne O'Harra.

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
Elsie Ella Belshe, Plaintiff, vs. Granville P. Belshe, Defendant.

To Granville P. Belshe, defendant above named:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint of the plaintiff filed against you in the above entitled suit within six weeks of the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit: on or before the 6th day of February, 1920; and you will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint or otherwise plead thereto within said time, the plaintiff, for want thereof, will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in said complaint, to-wit: for a decree of the Court dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between plaintiff and defendant and for other equitable relief.

This summons is published pursuant to an order made by Hon. G. W. Phelps, Judge of the Sixth Judicial District, State of Oregon, on the 23d day of December, 1919. The first publication of this summons will be made on Friday, the 26th day of December, 1919, and the last publication on Friday, the said 6th day of February, 1920.

Dated this 23d day of December, 1919.

PETERSON, BISHOP & CLARK
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Residence and P. O. address,
Pendleton, Oregon.

ONE HUNDRED FLU CASES IN WESTON AND VICINITY

Influenza cases to the number of about one hundred are reported in Weston and vicinity. Dr. McKinney of Weston and Dr. Smith of Athena are kept on the run with their autos in answering calls from the afflicted homes.

While the epidemic is fully as prevalent and is said to be practically as severe as that of last year, no deaths have as yet occurred, and the physicians have hopes of balking the dark angel. The temperatures range a trifle lower than those of last year, but continue abnormal for a longer

period. An encouraging feature is that complications are not so often in evidence.

Infected homes are under quarantine. The school has been temporarily closed and the picture show is not running.

The subjoined list includes the reported cases, some of whom are convalescent. The names of heads of families and the number of cases in each household are given:

J. H. Key 3, A. J. McIntyre 2, Marvin Adkins 4, J. H. McGibbon 5, W. T. Purcell 4, Erma Davidson 5, Earl Lane 3, L. B. Davis 6, Harry McBride 3, J. W. Porter 3, J. V. Bell 2, John Beamer 5, J. P. Lieuallen 5, R. W. Lieuallen 4, Mrs. Amy Van Skiver 2, Mrs. J. L. Fuson 2, H. A.

Street 4, E. A. Simpson 8, R. H. King 2, J. A. King 4, F. C. Groer 6, Joe Payant 2, E. B. Foster 5, Linus Anderson 4, Harrison Kirk 4, Ralph Tucker 3, Chas. L. May 4, J. M. Ashworth 2.

Something of a record has been established in Minidoka county, Idaho, where the Riverview community distributed 19 ounces of strychnine and killed 56,000 rabbits. The statement is vouched for by the University of Idaho extension service.

A \$60,000 lot of improvement bonds auctioned off at Walla Walla brought 98 cents on the dollar. The successful bidder was the Union Trust company.

THE WESTON MERCANTILE COMPANY MAN OBSERVES



That one percent of all the wheat of the United States is raised in old Umatilla county (mostly around Weston).

That Mr. "Flu" is on the Fly.

That a large shipment of WARNER'S CORSETS has been received.

That from this shipment one dozen were stolen (by trainmen, of course) en route. These trainmen are great dressers.

That house cleaning time is dangerously near.

That the coats for the spring are to be short, becomingly designed and made with large collars and belts; materials of kersey, serge, silvertone in a variety of colors—running strongly to rich "cloud" shades, blues and browns.

That we will have the largest assortment ever shown in ample time for the spring needs.

That many of those reported "dangerously sick" are out in the sunshine, smiling and happy.

That the sunshine suggests pretty cretonnes and kindred draperies for the "worked over" room this spring.

That next Monday is "Groundhog Day."

That now is the time to purchase for your spring sewing. Much of the spring wash goods is on display, and is lower in price than later shipments can be sold for.

That another shipment of dainty spring waists has just been received, and that they are very moderately priced.



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.

PHONE 52 E. R. HALL

I am now prepared to deliver HI HEAT COAL in any quantity.
P. T. HARBOUR.