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Boardman Locals and Personals

T. E. Broyles was a business visit in Pendleton on Thursday.

H. E. Warren was a business visit in Hermiston on Wednesday.

H. E. Warren is home again after spending a few days in Portland.

Miss Nellie Messenger is staying at Mrs. Walter Knauffs during the spring.

Leo Root has been improving his ranch near Hermiston the past two weeks.

The Wm. Gilbreth family were put under quarantine this week because of scarlet fever.

V. Lahmondler who has leased the Gilbreth place, moved his family over from Patterson this week.

The Ladies Aid met at Mrs. Messengers' last Wednesday afternoon. 12 ladies were present for the affair.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Failing of Hardman were guests at the Jenkins and McDaniels homes on Wednesday.

Alvie Mefford is still absent from school on account of scarlet fever. We hope that he will soon be able to return.

Earl Cramer and Uncle Hank drove up from Portland on Saturday. Earl plans on farming his place here this summer.

Lauren Bladyen left on Tuesday for his home in Idaho, after spending the winter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Bladyen here.

Jack Summers and Mr. Osborn of Pendleton, agents of the Northern Life Insurance company were callers at the Chas. Wicklander home on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Stewart, formerly of Boardman but now of Echo, and Miss Myrtle McNeill of Lexington, were in attendance at the Legion dance at Juniper last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins, and Mrs. Leslie Packard and Miss Elvira Jenkins spent the weekend with Mr. Jenkins brother Chas. Jenkins at Mt. Vernon. Mr. Jenkins reports the road in poor condition in that vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Lallamondler are recent renters of the T. E. Broyles property where Wm. Gilbreth and family have been residing for the past four years or more. Their son George and daughter Mary have entered the third and fourth grades. We are glad to welcome them to our neighborhood.

RADIO

Subscriber Asks What Has Become of School Radio Set and Suggests Holding Regular Concerts

In the issue of the Boardman Mirror, of January 19, 1922, under the head of "Radio", the following appears in part: "It too had that some working plan cannot be devised where the good of the school radio can be given to the children and grown-ups of the project. Where the boys of the school may form a class of radio instruction. It is sometimes difficult to read human nature. To us it is difficult to understand what one with a radio set is contented to secrete himself within his own walls with something that he could please the multitude without additional effort. What one does for himself dies with him. What he does for the multitude lives ever afterward. There are three people on the project who have radio sets. May I ask each one of you to transfer one of four home radio nights each week to the school set. May I ask the school board to appoint a radio committee, to attend to radio affairs. Six months from today let's not say there is the radio set and it has never been used. The air is full of good things for all of us. The school district has purchased a means for securing it. Let's not sulk in our earthly burrows with childish churl on our lips and pour our possible happiness into every day misery. What has become of the community spirit that we used to be so proud in boasting about."

It is now three years since the above was written by one of our prominent citizens who has since purchased a radio set of his own, having become disgusted with the outcome of the school set, and the article is just as appropriate now as it was three years ago. What has become of the school radio? Has it been used this winter? If so, by whom?

We have had but one public concert this winter and that was on election night. And on that evening it was announced that we were to have concerts frequently. It is true that we could go to the schoolhouse, after hunting up the janitor, and have a private concert in the engine room.

But this room is not large enough to accommodate more than two or three at a time, and how would we know but that some one else had the same idea to enjoy the "things of the air", and were there ahead of us and no room for us.

There are now three private sets in the town and we suggest as was suggested three years ago that each person give up one night a week for school set, and let the people of the project enjoy the good things. Select a certain evening for radio night and have regular concerts. Or let the school board appoint a radio committee to attend to radio affairs. And we may say with the above, "what has become of the community spirit."

A subscriber.

Valentine Dance

On Saturday evening at the Juniper Canyon Pavilion, the American Legion Post of Boardman gave a most enjoyable Valentine dancing party. Nearly 400 people attended, there being a large delegation from Boardman, and surrounding country, from Willow Creek, Ione and Heppner and the Canyon country. The music was furnished by the Juniper Orchestra, and was unequalled. The dances did not linger, as another dance started as soon as one ceased. Supper was served at midnight, cafeteria style. The Legion boys wish to thank the people for their attendance, and are quite joyful with the financial outcome as they have a nice sum now with which to start their club rooms.

Grange Holds Meet

Greenfield Grange held its regular meeting on Monday evening in Root's hall. Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Calkins and Mrs. A. B. Chaffee, ere initiated. The Deputy Master of the Oregon State Granges, W. R. Gekeler, of LaGrande, gave a very interesting lecture on the benefits of the Grange, and activities of the Grange in Eastern Oregon.

W. R. Gekeler is inspecting the Granges in this district this week, and organizing a Pomona Grange for this district.

Legion Meets

The American Legion Auxiliary met on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. J. O. Russell with Mrs. Davis, president in the chair. After the regular business session the members were entertained by playing 500. A delicious lunch was later served by the hostess.

To Raise Turkeys

Chas. Harrington is preparing to go into the business of raising turkeys, on an extensive scale. At the present he is fencing a field of 5 acres with a three foot closely woven wire and eight barbed wires. His posts are about twelve feet apart.

New Fencing

Mike Mulligan is putting a 32 inch woven wire fence around his farm of 55 acres. We don't know if Mr. Mulligan is trying to keep the sheep in, or the rabbits out, anyway it is an added improvement.

M. W. A. Entertains

The M. W. A. entertained the Royal Neighbors and a few friends Tuesday evening. The evening was spent playing "500", after which a lunch of oyster soup, doughnuts and coffee was served.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

The senate voted \$50,000 for repairs to the White House roof.

Elihu Root, former secretary of state, celebrated the eightieth anniversary of his birth Saturday.

Northern and central California last week were buffeted by a severe storm which ripped numerous buildings from their foundations.

United States, France and Italy have protested to Albania over all oil concessions to the Anglo-Persian commission, according to the London Express.

One fireman was killed and more than \$2,000,000 damage caused by fire which swept through the American Royal Livestock arena, housing Kansas City's annual automobile show.

Frederic William Upham, 64, of Chicago, for 20 years the financial genius of the republican party and nationally prominent figure in the business world, died at his home in Palm Beach, Fla. Last June Mr. Upham resigned as treasurer of the national republican committee on account of ill health.

At the Shrine of Liberty



Historical Spots Along Old Oregon Trail From Seaside to Idaho Line

(By Mrs. Helen Myers Warren) State Chairman Historic Spots D.A.R.

Mecham

Nestled in a primitive valley, that seemed to have known no plow, and one known as "Lee's Encampment", an express and stage station was located here, by the father of Walter Mechem, in 1832 when the "Pony Express" was established by Ben Holladay, this old log inn was burned. The present log hotel was built by the railroad company for "Grandma Munro" and was a favorite eating place for years, and famed for "Chicken Dinners".

A settlement of a score of persons, to grow over night into a rolling billow of humanity of some 2,000 people.

We camped by the wayside to see the gathering of Indians in wagons, buggies, "tin lizzies" and limousines. The Cayuse horse and Indian rider gave a realistic touch to this vast crowd. By evening of the third day of July the gentle slopes where pine trees grew, were thickly populated with Indian wigwams, not far away on a little high meadow were circled the white wagons of the immigrant trains, which on the next day were to enact the great drama of pioneer traveling and hardships.

The street of Grizzly Gulch was there with its horrors of gambling den, and dance halls. The old trading station and post office and Hudson Bay Fur Company station, the mission, "skule" and everything that gladdened the heart of the pioneer and frontiersmen. Just across the way stood the spacious dining tent erected for our pioneers, and rest quarters with hospital equipment to remind us of our present day comforts. This was where President Harding and party dined.

While grading in Mechem beside the railroad track to make space for the Presidential party train, the bones of an army officer were unearthed, his buttons were still bright to tell the story; beside him rested the bones of a child, these were gently laid in a bunting wrapped box and re-entered on the morning of July 4th, the burial service was conducted by Rev. C. A.

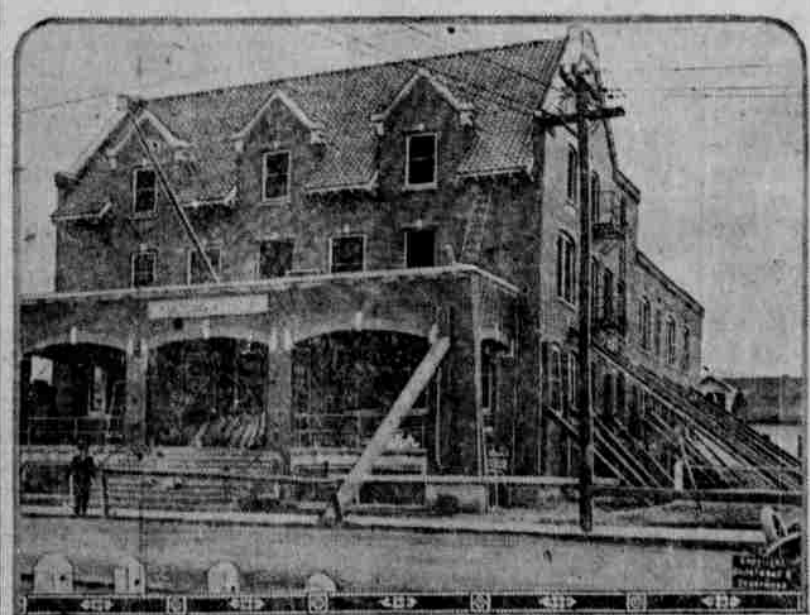
Edwards of Salem, and the spot dedicated to the "unknown dead of the Old Trail". The old trail took the hill at the site of the present post office.

The morning of July 3rd, the Presidential party arrived on time and held court on the rear of the train, where cowboys and civilians high and low, old homage to our Chief, the Cowboy farmers in "Jeans" dispensed music which told other tales than that of the farm.

The Presidential Party was escorted to the parade grounds, the President and his wife rode in an old Concord Stage Coach, driven by Joe Woods, age 86 years, an old hand with the "Ribbons", in the early days of LaGrande.

The pageant arrived, winding down the Old Trail, through the pines, and in the lead, "Old Glory", waving majestically in the gentle mountain breeze, under its folds rode Thomas Jefferson of 1805, with Capt. Robert Gray, discoverer of the Columbia River in 1792. John Jacob Astor, founder of Astoria in 1811, who were the first trail blazers. These were followed by the Umatilla Indians, in wonderful tribal dress. Four Flathead Indians representing the "Old Chiefs" splendid in their gay attire, rode stately on white horses as seekers of "The white man's book of Heaven", this brought tears to the eyes and we wondered if we had been a failure. Then came the missionaries of 1834, Jason Lee and his Methodist party of Daniel Lee, Cyrus Shepard, Phillip Edwards, Courtney Walker and David Leslie, and the brave women, Mrs. Jason Lee who gave her young life with that of her infant and was the first white woman buried in the west, was with Susan Downing Cyrus Walker and Jason Lee, were the first wedded in this country, on July 16, 1837. Also Miss Elvira Johnson and others, Dr. and Mrs. Marcus Whitman, empire builders who laid down their lives in that horrible massacre in 1847, their co-workers and companions Rev. W. H. Spaulding and wife, W. H.

Oklahoma Town Is in Peril



Halleyville, a flourishing town in Oklahoma, is located over some abandoned mines, and recently several buildings in the center of the place showed signs of sinking into the old excavations and had to be abandoned. The picture shows the Railroad Y. M. C. A. building braced to keep it from toppling over.

Gray of the American Board of Missions in 1836, bearing "The Book of Heaven".

The Episcopal missionaries were represented by Bishop Thomas Scott, who arrived in 1854, and Bishop Morris who came in 1868, rode in a miniature mission house on wheels.

The first wagon train of 1843, led by William Martin and drawn by oxen, cows and horses was a pathetic sight, the two wheeled cart, which had once been a wagon, now drawn by a cow, the hide of her mate stretched over the top of the cart told its own sad tale. Powder and shot pouches, old muskets, chairs and kettles, and many other relics of those days were in evidence on the wagons, also men, women, and children dressed in the days of '49.

Three old Concord stage coaches, with leather springs, "the shake stomach" variety, pack trains of early mining days and freight wagons that had done service between Umatilla Landing and the interior.

The U. S. Scouts and guides, Indian fighters, Buffalo Bill, Kit Carson, Jim Bridger, John Fremont, Capt. Sublette, Capt. Bonneville and U. S. Cavalry of 1849-63, Hal Kelly first Oregon booster, Dr. John McLaughlin, Hudson Bay agent, Joe Meek who turned the tide at Chinopeig in May 1843, Thomas Benton and Stephen A. Douglas, friends of Oregon in Congress, A. B. Mechem supt. of Indian affairs, George Abernathy, first provisional governor, John Whitaker, first governor of Oregon, "State", Col. E. B. Baker, first U. S. Senator from Oregon, Joe Meek, first U. S. Marshall, Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce tribe and War Eagle of the Cayuse tribe and Eagan of the Plutes, Cowboys, and Cowgirls. In the great company of Indians were six war chiefs of our day, Umapine of the Cayuse tribe, age 70 years. William Joshua an aged chief, Amos Pond aged 89 of the Umatilla tribe and Poker Jim of Walla Walla tribe, aged 70 years, Gilbert Minthorn and his mother of 100 years of age, Leo Sampson was the interpreter. Here the aged and youth gathered to celebrate the passing of the old road and welcome the New Highway, truly it was a prophetic sight as the old Indian and the old trails are fast disappearing from our vision.

After the review of this wonderful thing, the Indians moved into camp and the immigrant wagons circled into encampment.

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Irrigon Items

A. H. Allen has sold his 12 acres to Mrs. Doud of Wallowa, Oregon and the deal will be closed when abstracts arrive from Heppner.

The local grange had an outside speaker who gave a lengthy talk on the work of the grange, its membership, costs and plans at the high school auditorium on Wednesday evening. Refreshments were served by the ladies of the grange and a goodly number of people other than members, attended.

G. C. Ransier, has sold his acreage to Bennet Brothers of Umatilla and traded his school bus to C. C. Barker for the Star touring car. Mr. Barker is going to finish the term on the school route and the Ransier family will move to a new location at some time in the future. He has two or three places under consideration.

Edward Schmalling from Deer Park, Washington has moved into the L. A. Doble Fruit Farm and will farm it for Mr. Doble for the coming season, at least. His son will arrive next week and rest of the family after school closes at Deer Park. Frank has been spending most of his time on the place too, recently on account of being laid off from railroad work at Umatilla and is getting everything in tip top shape for the summer.

Oregon Guard Camp Approved

Salem, Or.—Camp Lewis went into the discard as a training plant for the Oregon national guard troops when Brigadier-General George A. White, commanding, obtained from the war department approval of his plans for maneuver grounds in Oregon. The site of the Oregon training camp in Jackson county has been approved, General White said. It is located northeast of Medford.

Weeks and Wilbur Must Submit Data

Washington, D. C. — Aroused by testimony from officers on both the active and reserve lists of the army and navy that the United States is deficient in air power, the house aircraft committee called upon Secretaries Weeks and Wilbur to send representatives before it to show how the war and navy departments could adequately defend the nation against an attack from the air.

WALKER D. HINES



Walker D. Hines, former director general of railroads, who has been appointed director of the League of Nations commission to investigate navigation conditions on the Danube and the Rhine.

PARKS IS NAMED ALASKA GOVERNOR

Washington, D. C. — George Alexander Parks of Alaska was nominated by President Coolidge to be governor of Alaska.

Mr. Parks, who has been stationed in Alaska for several years, will succeed Scott C. Bone, whose term of governor will expire in several months.

The nomination came as a surprise, inasmuch as the term of Governor Bone does not expire until next June, and he had not submitted a formal resignation. The president recently reappointed Governor Farrington of Hawaii, and the belief was general that he intended to give Governor Bone another term of office.

The administration of Alaskan affairs by Governor Bone has been marked by several controversies, but whether these had a bearing on the president's decision was not made known at the White House.

NIGHT SESSIONS BY SENATE ARE BEGUN

Filibuster Blocks Consideration of Important Legislation in Upper House.

Washington, D. C.—The 68th congress is leisurely writing the final chapter of its history.

The house, having disposed of all of the regular supply bills, is moving along slowly in the consideration of the general legislation on its calendar.

The senate, in less fortunate position with respect to appropriation measures, feels a keener urge for haste, but is blocked by a filibuster directed at several measures.

With the inauguration of regular night sessions Monday, leaders in the senate are hopeful of speeding up business, but are faced with real controversies over the emergency officer retirement bill, the Cape Cod measure and the conference report on Muscels Shoals.

House leaders have made no plans for night sessions.

Satisfied that all of the appropriation bills, including a huge deficiency measure still to be passed, will be in the hands of the president well in advance of adjournment on March 4, leaders of both the house and senate are concerned as to the fate of several other measures, notably the postal pay and rate increase bill and farm relief legislation.

Farm legislation still is in the formulative stage, and until the house and senate agriculture committees can come to agreement on a bill to embody the recommendations of the president's agricultural conference, leaders can make no specific plans as to time for consideration.

Kelso Mayor Found Guilty

Kelso, Wash.—Mayor A. Rulo Todd was found guilty of malicious prosecution by Justice George A. Poland, who find him \$1 and costs. Todd will appeal to superior court. The charge was made by George H. Norris, city engineer, because of the arrest of Norris by Todd recently on a charge of retaining unlawfully the records of the city engineer's office.