

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Rev. Livingstone was a passenger to Ione Monday morning. Two cars of beef cattle belonging to Mr. Wylie, went out from the local yards Sunday morning. Howard Swick, of Monument, has been spending a few days in Heppner a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turner. Luther Huston left for Halsey, Oregon, Saturday morning in response to a telegram announcing the death of his brother, J. B. Huston, of that place. He was 73 years old. The funeral was held Sunday at Halsey. Mrs. James Metcalf, who has been visiting in Heppner for several weeks left Monday morning for her home via San Francisco, Salt Lake and Denver. Mrs. Metcalf accompanied her daughter, Miss Martha Metcalf to Heppner for the latter's marriage to Mr. John Calmus the nuptials being solemnized a week ago. According to Laverne Van Marter who recently with Henry Cohn and Art McAtee visited Desolation Lake on a fishing trip that it is about the desolatest darned place in all Oregon. The trouble was that a terrible electrical storm hit their camp early in the game and the cold, wet rain lasted for two long, cold days making their hearts desolate and their camp comfortless. "Oh, yes we got some fish," remarked Van, but there wasn't much klick in his voice when he said it. City council met in regular session last evening but transacted little business. After allowing current bills the matter of re-surfacing the macadam on Baltimore and Gale streets was discussed and it was decided to take up the proposition recently made by Highway Engineer Grey to have the work done by the highway contractors when they reach town with their surfacing work. The repairs can be effected at much less expense in that way than the city could possibly do it or have it done as an independent job. Jake Osten, who took his first lessons in the art preservative in the Herald office and who later developed by successive stages into a lieutenant in the U S army during the big fuss and later into a publisher prince and movie magnate at Madras, Oregon, was a caller at this shop last Thursday. Mr. Osten has recently sold his Madras interests to his partner George Pearce and is looking for another newspaper buy. Jake says this newspaper stuff is a bit like the cigarette habit—hard to quit once you get at it. Mrs. Simas and daughter, of Monument, were passengers to Portland last Friday going down to attend Bessie's Week. Mrs. Simas conducts a mercantile business at Monument. Matt T. Hughes, who recently underwent a serious operation at Hot Lake sanatorium has so far recovered as to be able to leave the sanatorium and is now recuperating at Arlington. E. Bender and family, who are now enjoying their annual vacation, drove to Portland early last week in their auto, returning Thursday evening. Mr. Bender is conductor on the Heppner branch. Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Voght and son and Mrs. Anna Standish, residents of Eugene, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turner several days last week. They expected to visit Crater Lake on their return trip. Pete Farley left Friday morning for his sheep camp in the Grant county mountains near Austin. "It's too hot in Heppner," quoth Pete as he swung aboard the Heppner flyer, "and it's me for the mountains." Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Tolleson and children, Dorothy Pattison and Henry Allen spent Sunday in the cool shade on upper Willow creek. Henry chaperoned and chaffered the party and took care of his share of fried chicken etc, thank you. Gus Haje, who knows more about sheep nature than many college professors or U. S. Senators, left Friday evening for Jim Farley's camp, near Grants, Idaho county, to put in the rest of the summer helping chaperone the woolies and herd the headstays. Jesse Beardsley and family, were here from The Dalles last week visiting their relatives. Lee Holum and family. The Beardsleys formerly resided here when Jesse was a trainman on the Heppner branch. He is now freight conductor on the main line. George W. Swigart, came over from Pendleton Sunday after being advised over the telephone that his property had been badly damaged by fire. He found the damage small and after ordering the necessary repairs returned to Pendleton this evening. Harvey Launz and family, A. Wilkinson and family and Mrs. A. V. Casselman, enjoyed a holiday on upper Willow creek a few days ago. Mr. Launz handles the thrifting at the Heppner branch bulgine and Wilkinson makes the funny sign from atop of the cars telling the engine what to do.

300 ACRES SUNFLOWERS FOR SILAGE IN UMATILLA COUNTY Three hundred acres of sunflowers are being grown for silage in Umatilla county this year and this type of ensilage will be used in half the 26 silos in this county. The use of sunflowers for silage is practically a new enterprise in the county and it was not until three years ago that Umatilla county farmers found by experiment that the tonnage from an acre of sunflowers is double that from an acre of corn while the feed value is practically the same. The majority of the sunflowers grown in Umatilla county are grown by the Smythe interests, the total being 150 acres and the ensilage is used for feeding sheep. Some of the sunflowers are grown in Coombs canyon by Tullock & Smythe and some at Butter creek by the Pendleton Sheep Co. Smythe Bros. grow a crop also at Arlington in Gilliam county. Hampton & Gulliford, west end sheep raisers, use ensilage for feeding lambing ewes. A. A. Bixby, of Free-water, will this year harvest his third crop of sunflowers. By a check kept for the past two years, Mr. Bixby has found that his cows do just as well on sunflower ensilage as on corn. J. E. Troxel, who owns a dairy ranch near Pendleton, is another farmer who is growing sunflowers extensively this year. He has 40 acres of the crop. Last year he filled one silo with sunflowers and another with sunflowers and corn. His cows give a third more milk than do cows owned by other dairymen of this section. The Eastern Oregon State Hospital uses the sunflower ensilage also and this year because of lack of pasture is feeding it to stock during the summer months. The crop is being cut while in bloom, although it is customary to leave the flowers until about two-thirds of the seeds are in the "dough" stage. The silos will be refilled with corn when the crop is ripe and the sunflower silage is gone. An advantage claimed for the ensilage by Fred Bennion, county agent is that of succulency. Mr. Bennion says also that when a third of sunflower ensilage is used with two-thirds of corn the silos can be packed with much better success. While silos are somewhat expensive in original cost, Mr. Bennion says, this is warranted by subsequent saving.—East Oregonian.

TO IDENTIFY OREGON WHEAT Specimens of more than 300 varieties of wheat are being sent by the farm crops department to W. C. Clark, head of the department of cereal investigation in Washington D. C., for standardization in name and classification. The same varieties of wheat have been grown in different parts of the United States under many different names. Mr. Clark will endeavor to give a standard name and classification to each variety. Of the 300 varieties of wheat to be sent, only 125 are accurately named. These are all grown on the college farm under the supervision of the experiment station.

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AT THE STAR
ANITA STEWART
in Scene from "The Combat"
WED., THUR. AUGUST 3-4
A small blaze in the attic of the Oregon Cafe Saturday evening brought out the fire truck about 7:30 and a small dose from the chemical tanks soon extinguished the fire. A defective fire was found to be the cause. The damage was slight. The building is owned by G. W. Swigart, now living at Pendleton.
GOVERNOR WILL ATTEND ROUND UP
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Such is the characterization of the Pendleton Round-Up recently given by Ben W. Olcott, governor of Oregon. Governor Olcott, who has attended many of the Pendleton Round-Ups, will be a guest at the 1921 show, September 22, 23, and 24, and will observe his usual custom of riding with the Round-Up of friends in the big parade which is a daily feature of the program.



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THAT approximately \$700,000,000 is required by the public utility companies of the country to provide service for an additional million inhabitants, is one of the interesting facts brought forth in the recently published report of Senator Willard M. Calder's Committee on Reconstruction and Production. After a searching inquiry into the various conditions bearing upon the housing situation and the country's industrial production, the Committee finds that the business of public utilities has outgrown their plant facilities owing to the inability of the companies to finance improvements and additions necessary to take care of the increased service demands. "Prior to the war," states the Committee, "it is estimated that the normal annual requirements of electric railways, gas, and electric light and power companies for extensions, betterments, and improvements was about \$500,000,000, proportioned as follows: Electric railways, \$250,000,000; gas companies, \$125,000,000; electric light and power companies, \$125,000,000. The Committee has been informed that for four years not over 40 per cent of such betterments has been made, leaving an accumulation of about \$1,200,000,000. If this sum is added to \$700,000,000 required alone for new residential buildings held in abeyance, a total of approximately \$2,000,000,000 seems necessary for the public utility program in the immediate future. "The question of placing these businesses on a sound financial basis in order that credit may flow to them is the same question which confronts steam railroads and housing, but in the case of public utilities the case is more difficult because there is no central body as now provided in the case of steam railroads which might adjust rates in proper relation to operating costs and capital investment. The utilities likewise suffer in their effort to secure new capital for necessary extensions of service by the almost insurmountable difficulty of having to compete for such capital with municipal, state and similar tax-exempt securities. Until these problems are solved the public should recognize this underlying reason for much of the faulty service and for the failure to provide the additional facilities urgently demanded to meet community needs.—Paid Advertisement.

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