

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Carl Yaunt, who buys wheat for Max Houser in Morrow county, was up from Ione Wednesday.

W. B. Barratt and family motored to Portland on Saturday and will spend a short vacation in and around the metropolis.

Mrs. George W. Sperry went over to Pendleton the past week and expects to spend a couple of weeks visiting with relatives in Umatilla county.

Jess Hearnsey of The Dalles is now conductor on the Heppner branch, having taken charge during the past week while Conductor Bender and family are taking their vacation.

Henry Cohn, Laverne Van Marter and Arthur McAtee hit out for Desolation lake on Saturday, where they will spend a short vacation, fishing, hunting and having a good outing.

Mrs. E. K. Cochran, an aunt of Mrs. Frank Turner of this city, departed for her home at Portland on Monday after having spent the past six weeks visiting with relatives in Morrow and Grant counties.

Mrs. Frank Engelman and her daughter, Miss Ruby, are visiting at South Bend, Wash. Mrs. Engelman has lately been in poor health and it is thought a change of climate will prove beneficial—Ione Independent.

Mrs. Pat Ward, of Sixprong, Wash., visited at the home of her brother, F. A. McMenamin in this city several days during the week and also enjoyed the sessions of the Chautauqua. She returned to her home on Monday.

Dan Engelman is busy giving the interior of the Central Market a decorating. The boys in the shop say there will be no market in Heppner that will excel theirs in beauty and neatness when Dan has finished with them.

In a hearing before Justice Cornett last Thursday, George Cochran of Ione pleaded guilty to bootlegging and was given a fine of \$250 and costs. The fine was paid and George was admonished to go forth and sin no more.

FOR SALE—Remington typewriter No. 6, factory rebuilt, in good condition. This is a standard width and my business frequently requires a machine using extra wide paper. A bargain at \$15. L. W. BRIGGS, Heppner.—Adv. if

George Bleakman and Eldon Emry of Hardman, Tindal, Robinson and Bob Warren of Eight Mile drove over from Hardman on Friday last. They came to bring Chas. Bullis, who is seriously ill, to the hospital.—Condon Globe-Times.

James Elder and son Johnny were

over from Monument the head of the week. It has been about seven years since Mr. Elder visited Heppner and he makes note of the many substantial changes that have taken place in the city during that time.

Mr. Vaughan and E. J. Starkey this week swapped automobiles, Starkey taking over the doctor's Chalmers for his Maxwell. Doc says that a Maxwell club will now be formed with himself, Tom Humphreys and Ed Huston as the "high officials."

Jas. Burnside was in town Tuesday for a short time. The combine has been running on his place for a short time. He informed us that he had just finished threshing forty acres of his winter barley and got a yield of 48 bushels per acre. He is quite well pleased with this splendid showing.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Vogt and son and Mrs. Anna Standish of Eugene are visiting this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turner in this city. After spending a week here, these people, who are travelling by auto, will go to Crater lake and thence home. They are relatives of Mrs. Turner.

The ice house of the Central Market has been filled with the choicest of beef, pork and mutton—just about as fine a lot of meat as it is possible to gather. C. W. McNamer, proprietor of the market, intends that the Heppner folks shall have the best, and a look into the ice box will convince you of this.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Latourell returned Saturday from a visit of a couple of weeks at Portland and Seaside. While at the coast, Charlie was able, for the first time in his life, he says, to get all the clams he could eat. He returns home looking well, and we presume that his "fill up" on sea food is responsible.

Hert Smith, who is farming the O. S. Hodson place, has started up his combine and reports that the grain is turning out well. Mr. Smith, who has been ill for some time, suffering from the effects of an operation for appendicitis, is slowly improving and hopes to be able to take charge of affairs on the ranch shortly.

William Barlow was brought to Ione from Portland at his request last Wednesday and he is now at the home of Mrs. Jordan. Mr. Barlow was stricken with paralysis several months ago.

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sure which time he has been entirely helpless. His condition is very bad and little hope is felt for his recovery.—Ione Independent.

Eph Hakelsson and family have returned to Morrow county and are again located on Meadow Brook farm. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Seamer, who were running this place, have moved to Heppner and just what line of business Mr. Seamer will follow, he has not yet decided. For several years past Mr. Hakelsson and his family have been living in Salem.

J. D. French, Gardane rancher and stockman, was doing business in Heppner on Tuesday. Mr. French states that the crop and hay conditions in his part of the country were never better than this season, but just now he would be pleased to see the cattle market take a rise. It is pretty bum from all reports he was able to gather from market headquarters.

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WHAT 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 William 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 increased service demands.

"Prior to the war," states the Committee, "it is estimated that the normal annual requirements of electric railway, 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 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 to this sum is added the \$700,000,000 required alone for service to 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 situation 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 ADV.

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