

# Local Happenings

Rev. James A. Pointer and wife, who were visiting with Mrs. Pointer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Davis of Lexington during the past week, were visitors in Heppner on Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Pointer have been located for the past two years at Minneapolis where they were working as missionaries and where Mr. Pointer had a place in the university operated by the Christian church in that city. He will be in the missionary work in this state during this year, beginning his work at Glendale this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Borg and their son and daughter were visitors here for a short time Tuesday morning, being on their way to Portland, where they will visit Mr. Borg's mother, Mrs. Anna Borg, and also with his brother Oscar. They will return to their home at Missoula, Montana, via Seattle. It has been seven years since Frank last visited the old home town, and he noted many changes had taken place here in that time.

H. W. Dobyns, formerly trapper for the United States Biological Survey, with this region as his territory, and more recently located at Olympia, was a visitor here Saturday. Mr. Dobyns goes from here to Portland to act as assistant to Stanley Jewett, who has charge of the survey work in this state. Mr. Dobyns is an experienced trapper and one of the most successful ones in the employ of the survey.—East Oregonian.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Krebs of Willow creek returned Sunday from a visit of several days with relatives at Portland. While there they attended the marriage at the home of the bride on Sunday, July 15, of Miss Mabel Sommerfeldt to John Krebs of Cecil. Mr. and Mrs. John Krebs will be at home at Cecil where they have built them a new bungalow, following a short honeymoon trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Olden were Rhea creek farmers in the city Saturday. Mr. Olden has finished with his harvesting, has the grain all in the warehouse, and is now awaiting the right conditions for beginning the fall work. Another good rain will about put the summerfallow in shape for seeding operations.

Jared Aiken arrived here from Oakland on Friday last and after a visit of a day with Mrs. Aiken and other relatives, left Saturday night for Spokane. Mr. Aiken is now with the Hartford Insurance Co. as a special agent and is north on an inspection trip of agencies at Spokane, Seattle and other cities.

Waldo Vincent and family of Lena departed Tuesday for Umpaine, Ore., where they will reside for the winter in order to take advantage of the school facilities, their oldest daughter being ready for high school. They may decide to locate permanently in the east end of Umatilla county.

Wayne Allen and family of Brogan, Ore., visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Roberts Sunday. Mr. Allen is a nephew of Mrs. Roberts, and this was their first meeting. Mrs. Allen is a niece of Ralph Harris of Ione, who came up with the Allens from that city.

The Heppner-Arlington stage, run for several months by Walter LaDusire, as been taken over by Allen Case who is now operating the service.

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## MORGAN

Morgan held a school election Saturday to discuss the problem of transportation of pupils to Ione.

Noah Pettyjohn and Pat Medlock unloaded a carload of wood Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Palmateer and children and W. F. Palmateer were calling on Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McCormick Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hutchcroft and children were calling on Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Troedson Sunday evening. Hershel Townsend hauled wheat the past week for Noah Pettyjohn.

The Morgan Odd Fellows entertained the Rebekahs Saturday night with a water melon feast.

Mildred Morgan is working for Mrs. Chester Hutchcroft.

George Dague and son of Walla Walla were gone Sunday looking after their interests in Morrow county.

James Hardesty went to Arlington Saturday and had his teeth extracted and is now living on soap.

T. W. Cutsforth and daughter, Mrs. Pointer, were calling in Morgan Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Palmateer were transacting business in Arlington on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Workman and son of Beaverton are spending a few days with Mrs. Workman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Harbison, before leaving for Marshfield where they will enter the florist business.

### FALSE EXPECTATIONS.

If Dan Kelleher can put over in Oregon the political move that is back of the hydro-electric measure involving expenditure of \$55,000,000 of public funds by a board of five inexperienced politically appointed members, he can start in and revise the ten commandments, so far as Oregon is concerned. No one will have authority to restrain him.

It has been shown in numerous cases where public control and operation of such utilities has prevailed that the rate—all things considered—was not lower. Considered alone, the wattage charge might be in certain cases reduced. Compensating charges made this rate appear to the public as an advantage.

However, when loss in taxes from private sources displaced or bought out is considered, the interest and sinking fund reservations taken care

of and the total expense ascertained the slight reduction in rates was more than offset by total cost of operation. Consequently, many of the former publicly-owned plants have been returned to private control and ownership.

The varied schemes proposed in the housewives' constitutional amendment involve the board in intricate businesses, including irrigation systems and other activities with which none of its members is in any adequate degree acquainted.

On the financial side we would have not only the gigantic bond issue, but the further privilege of issuing public utility certificates wholly in the hands of the board. These are in effect

mortgages on the plants to be constructed with funds from the immense bond issue.

The proposal in its entirety is staggering in its ramifications. It is so big that conservative private interests, although provided with unlimited capital, would hesitate to embark on such a wide program. Step by step taxpayers would discover the load that had been saddled upon them.

Irving A. Mather and wife have been guests during the past week at the home of Mrs. Mather's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mahoney. They departed on Saturday for Prairie City where Mr. Mather will have a place in the school for the coming year.

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