

BOARDMAN

By RACHEL JOHNSON.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Waite spent the week end visiting relatives in Pendleton.

Neillie Dillon of Portland spent the week end with her parents. Neillie returned with her father when he took a truck load of seed to Portland.

Some of the farmers who have found it necessary to purchase hay have gone to Irrigon for it. Perhaps those buying the hay do not know that the puncture weed, which is very harmful and hard to get rid of if once started, is very numerous on that project. It is the wish of farmers here that no hay be brot from Irrigon, so as to try to keep this weed from getting a start on this project.

A Parent-Teachers meeting will be held in the school auditorium Friday evening, Feb. 19.

Alex Wilson of Heppner was a Boardman visitor Thursday.

Word was received here Wednesday that Wilma Anderson, niece of Mrs. J. F. Gorham, was seriously injured in an automobile accident when the car she was driving struck the icy pavement, skidded and rolled over the bank. Miss Anderson suffered a broken neck and is now in an Ontario hospital. She is well known here, having stayed here several years ago. Mrs. Gorham left Thursday morning for Ontario to be with her niece. Mrs. Aaron Agee is helping at the Gorham home.

A large crowd of ladies attended the Home Economics club last Wednesday afternoon which met at the home of Mrs. Root. A delicious pot luck dinner was served after which the business meeting was held.

A dinner enjoyed at the Leslie Packard home was that to which Mr. and Mrs. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Htch and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hadley and son and Mr. and Mrs. Rands were guests.

Lee Mead is a business visitor in Union this week.

Frank Marlow, Mary and Vera Hartle of Pendleton were guests Sunday at the Ransier home.

A school meeting will be held in the school house Monday afternoon, Feb. 29, at 2 o'clock for the purpose of electing a director to fill the unexpired term of Lee Mead, who has resigned.

Mr. Millsbaugh, signal maintainer for the railroad, left last week for Spokane where he will have similar work. The maintenance division here has been combined with that of Irrigon and the Irrigon maintainer, Mr. McCoy will move to Boardman where he will have charge. Mrs. Millsbaugh and children spent the week end in Spokane where they will soon move.

Robert Smith, 8 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith, fell from the roof of the Broyles building on Main street Saturday afternoon. He was taken to the Pendleton hospital by L. E. Marschat and Paul Smith where it was found that he had broken his leg between the hip and knee, knocked out a tooth and was badly bruised and cut. He will have to be in the hospital about a month. Robert was playing on the building with some other boys when he backed off, and fell twenty feet, landing on some rocks.

S. C. Russell has been appointed to take the place of J. F. Gorham in supervising the relief work in this locality.

M. L. Morgan of Walla Walla is here visiting his family this week. A large number of Boardman people attended the Irrigon dance Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Barlow and Ray were dinner guests Sunday at the Claud Coats home, honoring the birthdays of Mrs. Coats and Mr. Barlow.

A number of ladies enjoyed a party at the Rands home Thursday afternoon honoring Mrs. Alfred Skoubo. Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. I. Skoubo, Mrs. Royal Rands and Mrs. Bryce Dilla-bough.

Many improvements have been made during the winter months which include a barn, garage and screened-in porch.

The World Day of Prayer was observed by the Ladies Aid in the church Friday afternoon. The ladies enjoyed the prayer service after which the business meeting was held. Tea and cookies were served by Mrs. King, Mrs. Waite and Mrs. Guy Barlow.

Mr. and Mrs. Rands were hosts at a lovely dinner in their home Sunday, entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mead and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Oldorf and family of Bend were overnight guests at the Wilbanks home last week.

Friends will be glad to know that Mrs. W. O. Miller is much better at this time and expects to be able to come home this week. Mrs. Miller has been in the Pendleton hospital suffering from a bad case of bronchitis.

Charlie Barnes is a Boardman visitor this week, looking after his interests here. Mr. Barnes has been working in California for several years.

The Arlington high school and town teams defeated the Boardman high school and Athletic club teams in the games played Friday evening in the Boardman gym. The high school students treated the Arlington high school team to a feed after the games.

A grange card party was given in the hotel Monday evening. 13 tables of 500 were in play. High scores were won by Mrs. Kennedy and Mr. Sundsten. Low by Mrs. Porter and Mr. Gillespie.

An all-star team will be picked from the league of the town teams and they will play Willamette university basketball team February 25 at Umatilla.

Mrs. King gave a lovely valentine party at her home Saturday afternoon for her children.

ABSENCE OF MEMBERS DELAYED THE OPENING OF FIRST CONGRESS

The convening of the Seventy-second Congress on December 8 in the National Capital brings forth some interesting facts from the United States George Washington Bicentennial commission about the meeting, in Federal Hall, New York City, of the First United States Congress.

Congress was to open on March 4, 1789; but on that day, however, only twenty-one members of Congress were present, eight Senators and thirteen Representatives, not a quorum for either House.

Day after day, week after week, the members met in Federal Hall, which had been done over for their accommodation. But it was not until the first day of April that any business could be transacted because a quorum was lacking. On that day, thirty members of the House having answered to their names, the body was organized and General Frederick Muhlenberg was chosen speaker.

The Senate did not get together until April 6, when a quorum was finally mustered. A temporary presiding officer, whose sole duty it was to open and count the electoral votes, was elected. George Washington had the vote of every elector, which was generally known, and was therefore, President. The second votes of electors were widely scattered. John Adams had the next largest number and was, therefore, vice-president, although he did not get a majority of the whole number of electors appointed. It was two weeks before Washington could be appraised of his election and reach the seat of government.

It is difficult to realize in this day, when senators and representatives arrive by airplane, train and motor, what an achievement a journey was in the days of the first United States Congress. It took a day and a half to make the trip from Philadelphia to New York. The fastest travelling might bring the representative from Charleston in ten or twelve days, weather and roads permitting. Through certain sections of the country it was necessary to proceed for days at a time, with mud up to the hubs of the chariot wheels. Members from the far south came by ship. Taverns were indifferent in service and often so crowded that it was impossible to secure comfortable accommodations, so it was small wonder that the members of Congress were loathe to leave their homes and firesides for the uncertain comforts of the long highway to the seat of the national government.

Wealthy New York citizens had contributed the sum of \$32,000 for the purpose of remodeling the old City Hall, repainting and renovat-

ing the building, which when completed, received the new name of Federal Hall, and was placed by the City Council at the disposal of Congress. These alterations, incidentally, were made by Major L'Enfant, who later laid out the City of Washington.

The appearance of the hall was impressive for those days, the basement story in Tuscan style with seven openings and four massive pillars in the center, supported by heavy arches, above which rose four Doric columns. The cornice was ingeniously divided to admit thirteen stars in the metopes which with the eagle and other insignia in the pediment, and the sculpture of thirteen arrows surrounded by olive branches over each window, marked it as a building set apart for national purposes.

The entrance on Broad street opened into a large plainly furnished room, to which everyone had free access, and beyond this was the vestibule, which led in front to the Hall of Representatives, and thru arches on each side. The vestibule was paved in marble.

The Hall of Representatives was somewhat octagonal in shape, with niches for statues at intervals. The windows were about sixteen feet above the floor, the fine wainscoting below, interrupted by four great fireplaces. In the panels between the windows were trophies carved, and the letters U. S. in cipher surrounded with laurel. The speaker's chair was on an elevated platform, opposite the principle entrance. Each member had a separate chair and desk. Guests of the members were seated in two galleries in front of the speaker's dias. The general public was admitted only to an area on the floor outside the bar. In this room, the windows were hung in light blue damask, the chairs covered with the same material.

The Senate chamber was if anything more elegant than the Hall of Representatives. It was approached by stairs on the east side of the vestibule, through an antechamber, communicating with an iron gallery as well as with the Hall of Representatives. There were three windows at each end, those toward Wall street opening into an out-door gallery twelve feet deep and guarded by an iron railing. It was in this gallery that George Washington took the solemn oath of office, and packed throngs witnessing the ceremony silent for an instant in adoration of their idol and leader.

Astoria—The importance of rural people becoming as nearly self-sustaining as possible through the maintenance of year-around gardens is being stressed in Clatsop county by C. L. Smith, county agent.

PINE CITY

ALMA NEILL, Correspondent.

Mr. and Mrs. Eb Hughes spent Wednesday at the C. H. Bartholomew home.

Mrs. J. S. Moore, Audrey and Russell Moore were business visitors in Echo and Hermiston Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Morehead and children, Delpha and Bobby, spent Sunday at the Dan Lindsay home at Alpine.

Tom O'Brien was a visitor in the Pine City grade school Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Wattenburger and children Junior and Lucille, also Miss Elsie Strain, spent Sunday afternoon at the Ollie Neill home.

Marion Finch made a business trip to Echo Saturday.

Pupils were excused from school Wednesday to attend the funeral of little Ruth Bowman, but school was not dismissed.

Those attending the funeral from Pine City were Mrs. T. J. O'Brien and daughter Katherine, Mrs. Ollie Neill and daughters Neva, Oleta and Lenna, Herman Young, W. D. Neill and children, Bernice, Ralph, Harold and Hugh, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rauch and children Fred, August, Lilly, Mable and Elsie, Mrs. Peter Carlson, Dick Carlson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Helms and children Harriet and Henrietta, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Neill and Alma, Mrs. E. P. Jarmon, Sonny Jarmon, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lee, Evelyn and Raymond Lee, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wattenburger, Mrs. Ralph Corrigan, Mrs. William McCarty, Mrs. Otis McCarty, Sloan Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Foley and Murray Potts.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Boylen Jr. and children Gerine and Tommy Kay spent the week end at their ranch.

Mrs. C. H. Bartholomew and O.

F. Bartholomew went to Pendleton Monday where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Tom Mathews. Mr. and Mrs. Mathews formerly lived on Butter creek on what is now the Boylen ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Neill were business visitors in Heppner Friday.

Miss Nancy Kononen is ill with the flu and was unable to attend school Thursday of last week and Monday of this week. Miss Neva Neill is teaching in Miss Kononen's place.

Mrs. Ray Applegate spent Friday at the Finch home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wattenburger have been very fortunate in discovering a mine on their place. From the sandy substance of the mine they are making a polish and cleanser. This polish is now on the local market by the name of Lonora. It is known as the Lonora Products company.

Miss Oleta Neill spent Saturday with Mrs. Marion Finch and children. They have been sick with the flu for some time but are now recovering.

Naomi, John and Russell Moore attended the dance at Ebsen's Friday night.

Lon and Burl Wattenburger made a trip to Walla Walla Saturday where they purchased a good many bee supplies and also some machinery for the Lonora Products company.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Foley, also Mrs. O. F. Thompson, attended the funeral of Mrs. Mathews at Pendleton Monday.

W. D. Neill made a business trip to Hermiston Saturday.

Lee Vinson spent Saturday night at the Swaggart home.

PREPARING TAX NOTICES.

The sheriff's office is working busily these days preparing the 1932 tax statements which will be ready shortly.

Wheat Recovers Quickly; Chicago Tops Portland

Wheat prices recovered quickly during the latter part of the week, in sympathy with the better feeling prevailing in the security markets, says Portland Grain exchange for week ending February 13.

Locally, there was a more buoyant feeling in the wheat market than for some time; not because of any great business activity in the commodity, but because of the gradual narrowing of the spread between prices at home and abroad, with the possibility of prices getting within range of new business one of these days.

Portland futures were traded during the week at prices below Chicago for the first time since last September. In an export territory, such as ours, the small intrinsic return from an artificial price basis like that maintained recently, is insignificant compared to the loss to general business caused by the resulting inactivity.

There are so many more factors than usual now affecting the world wheat situation, that it is particularly difficult to look ahead. It is very apparent that any recovery of confidence will undoubtedly bring wheat prices out of their present slump and create activity that will at least banish demoralization levels.

Portland futures show net gains for the week as follows: May up 1-8c; July up 3-4c and September up 1c per bushel.

Portland, Astoria and Longview visible supply 2,308,850 bushels.

House for rent—in good condition. Lester Doolittle. 48-49

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EDITORIAL

Did you ever get any cheerful news out of one of those envelopes with a sun-parlor front? But speaking of fronts, this is a fine time to plan improving the home. Come in and talk it over. We like to help folks build, specially this time, when building material is the lowest priced in years. EARL ESKELSON Editor

ENLIST IN THE WAR AGAINST DEPRESSION

Those who have enlisted in the war against depression this week are Mrs. C. C. Patterson, who is building a 30x30 basement under her home on Chase street, and Mrs. Huston is doing same kalsomning and painting at her home on Gale street.

Come in and let us show you how cheaply you can build a new fence around your yard.

Also let us explain our new easy payment plan. EARL ESKELSON Manager.

Advertisement for First National Bank featuring an illustration of the building and the words 'SAFETY & SERVICE'.

Advertisement for First National Bank promoting checks as a safe and convenient method of payment, including the slogan 'CHECK!' and 'ENLIST IN THE WAR AGAINST DEPRESSION'.

Large advertisement for Heppner Gazette Times featuring a portrait of George Washington and the headline 'AFTER 200 YEARS'.