

**ANOTHER EXPLOSION.**

**Locomotive Is Wrecked Near Elko, Nevada.**

ELKO, Nev., April 23.—Three men are dead today as a result of the explosion of the locomotive on the top of Antelope hill, 44 miles west of Winnemucca on the Western Pacific. Nothing was left of the engine except the running gear, and the three men virtually were blown to pieces.

The dead are: James Casey, engineer; Fred Resder, fireman, and James Crosby, brakeman.

Crosby is a son-in-law of Judge William Bonfield, of Winnemucca.

The fourth in the series of parlor entertainments given by the Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian church will be given at the home of Dr. F. W. Hunt, 327 Kane street at 8 p. m. Thursday evening, April 25. The program will consist of songs and readings followed by a play entitled Dr. Curt. All given by ten girls of the society.

**DECLAMATION CONTEST.**

Early in the fall a gentleman of Roseburg, who is very much interested in the schools of the city signified his desire to offer a prize for declamation to the high school students. Plans were at once set on foot to prepare for a contest that would determine who should be entitled to receive the prize, and at the same time give a drill to the entire student body in this kind of work.

Although a few students seemed to think that they could never stand up before the school and recite a declamation, the audience selected their representatives and from these a preliminary contest was held. At this preliminary contest six declaimers were selected to represent the high school at the contest for the prize.

In a few days the advertising will be out for this contest and it is desired that the Palace theatre should be filled on that occasion to hear the young people in their work and to enjoy an evening together.

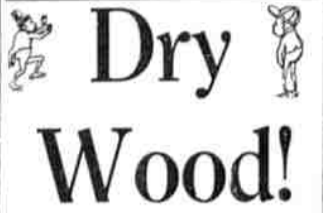
The high school orchestra is to assist in the entertainment of the even-

ing and are to benefit from the proceeds of the entertainment.

There are many things of interest going on in the schools at the present time and we hope to mention some of these from time to time for the benefit of the public.

The center of interest for this week and next will be the contest, and since there will be no tickets for sale in the hands of the pupils it will be necessary for those who wish to procure them to watch out for the cards and the display ads. In the newspapers announcing where they may be had and when.

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**CONCERNS EVERYBODY.**

Never before have big business enterprises, whose volume of trade depends quite directly upon the agricultural prosperity of the country, taken such a lively and intelligent interest in the good seed question as now. Particularly has this been noticeable in the effort that is being made by transportation and manufacturing companies to get the farmers of the northern part of the corn belt to test their seed before planting it. This is nicely shown in literature which has been circulated within the past few weeks in Iowa, which stands next to Illinois in the volume of her corn production. This presents the striking fact that 1 but one poor ear of corn, whose kernels are dead or of low vitality, is used in the planting of each of the more than 2,000,000 acres which are devoted to the growing of this cereal the total loss for the whole state would amount to \$18,000,000. This puts the importance of planting good seed corn on a dollars and cents basis and ought to be so plain that a "fool running might be able to read."

**THE WOODREST IN YEARS.**

That the situation with reference to the wretchedly poor condition of the seed corn that was saved last fall is not overdrawn in reports which have been circulated recently is plainly shown in the condition of market corn which has been received at leading points during the past three months. These show that at Chicago during December, January and February but forty-six ears of No. 2 corn were received, while 18 per cent of all corn received graded No. 3, and over 50 per cent graded No. 4, or worse. At Omaha during the same interval 80 per cent of all corn received graded No. 4, while 15 per cent did not grade as good as this. At Kansas City over half of the corn received during the winter was fourth grade or worse, the average moisture content being about 20 per cent, which is the worst showing in years. In view of this showing this warning of "bad seed corn" is hardly in the "Wolf, wolf!" class.

**USE GOOD SEED.**

In years when grass seed is high as is the case this spring, there is a tendency on the part of many a farmer to make the silly mistake of buying seed that is not first class simply because it is cheap. Such seed is usually dry, containing many foreign and often noxious weed seeds, and quite often of low germinating power. These two things taken together make it the most expensive seed that can be bought merely from the standpoint of results obtained—the dollars and cents standpoint. No matter what the price, the highest price seed is always the best, because in the long run it is the cheapest. Simple as are the truths referred to, there are nevertheless a whole lot of fellows who hope to have about so much rocky experience before they get this idea fixed in their heads.

**A PAYING PROPOSITION.**

That there is good money in raising beef cattle when the price is satisfactory is shown in a sale made the other day by a farmer living in the northern part of the corn belt with whom the writer is well acquainted. There were eighty-two head in all, and they averaged 1,200 pounds apiece. They were landed on a good market, fetching \$7.50 per hundredweight. This means that the steers brought \$96.75 a head, or a total of \$7,995. One of the best features connected with this stock raising enterprise aside from the snug sum received was the fact that the raw products of the farm were converted into a finished product on the farm where most of the stuff was raised, with the result that there was returned to the land all of the manurial byproduct.

**WATCH THE CHILD.**

Many a parent does an almost irreparable injury to the girl of from eight to fourteen years by encouraging her in the doing of fancy or other work taxing to both eyes and nervous system when the most of her spare time out of school ought to be spent in the taking of needed physical exercise that would build a strong physique. And often it is children that are ambitious and need no encouragement to such work that suffer the most serious injury. Many a parent forgets that a mere child has not the end-race of an older person. This, coupled with parental pride in the child's achievement and the childish enthusiasm to meet the parent's expectations, forms a very dangerous combination and one of which the thoughtful parent should be ware.

**POISON FOR HOPPERS.**

A farmer living near Dodge Center, Kan., in a communication to the Kansas City Star reports much success in the use of London purple as a means of warding grasshoppers off his grain fields. His plan is to spray the weeds and grass bordering the field to be protected in a strip about three feet wide with a solution made by mixing two quarts of London purple in forty gallons of water. He recommends spraying just before sundown and two subsequent sprayings of the same strip. He says that this method has never failed to protect his fields, as he has used it for a number of years. It hardly need be said that stock of all kinds should be kept from eating this poisoned forage, as it would make short work of them.

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.**

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the County Court of Douglas County, Oregon, up to noon on Wednesday the first day of May, 1912, for the construction of a cement bridge or culvert across Parrott Creek on the South extension of Main street, in road district No. 38, according to plans and specifications on file at the County Clerk's office of Douglas County, Oregon.

Also bids will be received at the same time and place for the grading from the city limits on South Main street to the top of Parrott hill or the intersection of the Mill street road. Bids to be submitted by the cubic yard.

The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of the County Court of Douglas County, Oregon.

Dated at Roseburg, Oregon, April 15th, 1912.

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