

WANT INCREASED SUMS FOR DEEP WATER WAYS

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 16.—"Six feet of water from St. Paul to St. Louis" is the demand of the hundreds of representatives of Minnesota commercial clubs, industrial bureaus, merchants' associations and boards of trade, who met here today to form a federation for the promotion of northwestern interests and river improvement.

In order that this work may be accomplished as soon as possible, the federation will urge that an immediate appropriation be made at an average expenditure of not less than \$2,000,000 a year until it is completed. Such attention will also be demanded for channel and maintenance work as will encourage the immediate development of an important north and south traffic from St. Paul to the gulf, such as existed in the early days of this city, when St. Paul depended principally upon the river as an avenue of com-

munication and transportation with other sections of the country.

The delegates to today's meeting declare that the question of river improvement is now the most vital one before the commercial interests of the entire northwest, since it would render possible the diverting of the enormous northwestern grain movement to the river, once the stream is again made a commercially successful factor in freight traffic. This would mean an important saving in freights, compared with the present transportation charges on grain for export.

Traffic experts in attendance at the meeting believe that grain can be carried to tidewater on the river, at a cost of 7 1/2 cents. As the present all-rail export rate from St. Paul to the Atlantic seaboard is 27 1/2 cents, this would involve a saving of 20 cents.

LADD CANYON

Ladd Canyon, Jan. 16.—(Special.)—Miss Kate Braden attended the dance at Perry Saturday night. She was accompanied home Monday by her cousin, Miss Mabel Phillips, who will remain here a few days visiting.

The following program was rendered by the Ladd Canyon Literary society January 3, arranged by Miss Mary Banton:

Recitation—"Letting the Old Cat Die," Verdie Graham.

Recitation—"How He Does It," Muriel Mulholland.

Recitation—"Christmas Dream," Sybil Mulholland.

Songs (a) "The Lily or the Rose," (b) "You'll Always Be the Same Sweet Girl to Me," Lulu and Mabel Council.

Recitation—"Selling the Baby," by Katie Council.

Recitation—"Louise Murdock."

Reading of the Ladd Canyon "Sledge Hammer," Mrs. Henry Peebler.

As a vacation will soon be here the young folks of Ladd Canyon resolved to give a party in honor of Louis Murdock, the school teacher, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Couch, before he departs for his home at Monmouth. About 8 o'clock they gathered in a body and completely surprised him, disturbing him from the book which he was reading so cozily by the fire. The evening passed away quickly, the guests playing games, making and pulling taffy. After witty games had been played, a bountiful lunch was served. At 12 o'clock they departed for their homes, hoping to have such another good time in the near future. Those who were present were: Alta Banton, Ione Peterson, Frank Braden, Lulu Council, Eula Peebler, Mabel Council, Leonard Peterson, Charles Johnson, Kate Braden, Roy Peebler, Jennie Sherwood, Leo Hansen, Mary Banton, Eddie Graham, Katie Council, Earl Hanson, Frankie Peebler, Eugene Banton, Louie Phillips, Kate Harmon, Henry Council, Kittle Mulholland and Verdie Graham.

A leap year necktie social will be

given at the school house Friday night, January 24. The boys bring the baskets and two neckties just alike. They wear one and enclose the other in an unaddressed envelope. The girls pay 10 cents and grab for an envelope. The fellow who has on a tie like the one in the envelope which the girl gets is the one whom she eats supper with.

Remember, this is for both old and young. A debate will take place, the question being: "Resolved, That the Indian has received more injustice at the hands of the whites than the negro." A program is being arranged by the Misses Mary Banton and Mabel Council.

Election to Decide Salary.

Vicksburg, Miss., Jan. 16.—A large proportion of the legal voters of Vicksburg cast ballots in a special election today in order to express their opinion of the salary received by a single city official. The pay envelope of the city assessor is the issue in this battle of ballots. In the past that official has been receiving about \$4000 a year. The city fathers held that that was too much, and that \$2500 would be about right. The assessor objected to this cut in his pay and appealed to the governor, with the result that a special election was ordered to decide the momentous question.

PIONEER OF OREGON GONE

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active business about 10 years ago and lived quietly with his family on his fruit farm.

He always took an active interest in religious affairs and helped organize the first church in the north end of the valley, practically building the church edifice himself. He was ever a public spirited citizen, a broad-minded man, a loyal friend, a faithful husband and father, and in the community where he lived for more than 43 years everybody claimed kinship by calling him "Uncle Wesley."

LOST—Ladies' hunting case gold watch and watch pin. Finder return to this office and receive reward. 1-22

REGISTRATION BOOKS OPEN LATE

One hundred and sixteen republicans, 49 democrats, three independents, 11 socialists and one lone prohibitionist of Union county had registered to be qualified to vote at the primaries in this county at an early hour this morning. As the day draws near when Deputy County Clerk Scriber will no longer maintain open books in the downtown section, business men and voters in general are hurrying to the office in the rear of the Farmers & Traders' National Bank and while the grand total of registrations at noon today was about 160, that figure will be greatly increased before Saturday night, after which time the registration books will be at the county clerk's office in the court house. To further accommodate the voting public, Deputy Scriber announced that the books will be kept open from 7 to 9 o'clock on Friday and Saturday evenings.

It will mean much to the citizen who is desirous of casting his vote at the primaries and June election, if he does not register while the opportunity is at hand. This week ends the convenient location of the books and not a single voter should overlook the urgent duty of attending to this matter.

SURRENDERS TO CITY OFFICIALS

Logan Paul, who last summer was arrested on the charge of disorderly conduct, while keeping bar for J. N. Klein, found guilty and fined \$20, from which he gave notice of appeal to the circuit court, surrendered himself to the recorder last night and is serving his fine out at the rate of \$2 per day, which means 10 days.

Paul states that the reason he did not perfect his appeal is that his attorneys informed him that he could only take the case before the circuit court on a writ of review, which would not permit of a review of the testimony, but on the legality of the proceedings.

During this time he has been under \$150 bonds. It seems that this action taken on the part of Mr. Paul is to be the basis of possible future legal action, which, if any, will develop later.

The Hickory saloon, under the management of Klein, had given the city authorities considerable trouble, and when he last applied, was refused a renewal of his license. The saloon was closed until Mr. Blackwell of Portland, purchased it. Blackwell applied for a license, which was held up by the council until certain conditions were complied with. One of these conditions was the closing of a door which led to rooms overhead; the other condition, the discharge of Paul as a barkeeper. Mr. Blackwell arranged things to the satisfaction of the license committee of the council and his license was issued this week. Being out of employment, Paul claims that he cannot pay his fine, hence is serving out the sentence of the recorder's court.

WAIVES EXAMINATION

In the trial of Charles Harris, who formerly resided at Cove, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon upon the person of A. Lun of North Powder, which took place before Justice Haynes yesterday, Harris waived examination and was held in the sum of \$1000, in default of which he was turned over to the sheriff for safekeeping until the February term of the circuit court. Deputy District Attorney J. S. Hodgins represented the state.

The facts are that Harris was in the employ of Lun, who is interested in the ice business of North Powder and was discharged, and in the settlement a dispute arose, resulting in Harris striking Lun with a stone, severely injuring him, crushing the upper bones in his jaw. This happened Tuesday and Mr. Lun has been confined to his bed ever since. The attending physician is of the opinion that his patient is out of danger unless unexpected complications set in.

JAPS CAN WRECK ALL RAILWAYS

"In the event of war between the United States and Japan the American people would suddenly discover that every one of the great railroad systems west of the Mississippi river is completely helpless."

That is the statement made today by an employe of one of the Harriman lines whose home is in this city. Explaining, he said:

"Within the past six months thousands of Japs have been engaged as section hands on the great transcontinental roads. Apparently the only notice that has to date been taken of the great movement of the little brown men is that accorded by the ranks of union labor in this country, for, in engaging Japanese for the care and repair of their lines the managements of the various roads have displaced white labor. But there is far deeper significance than the mere displacement of white labor in this wholesale employment of Japanese through the railroad authorities even yet seem not to be aware of it.

"From information that has come to me within the past few days, I believe I am safe in saying that the Japanese engaged on the various railroad lines west of the Mississippi are in a position to wreck trains by the dozen and tie up traffic on all these lines in the most complete manner within 24 hours."—Portland Telegram.

Seattle Ballots.

The ballots for the coming Seattle municipal election will each be four feet long and the authorities are puzzled to know how to stuff 35,000 of them into 118 ballot boxes each two feet square.

ROUND THE ROUND HOUSE

The monthly payroll to employees of the O. R. & N. in La Grande for the past month, which arrived here this morning, is considerably smaller than customary. The fact that round house laborers have been put on a nine-hour schedule and mechanics and their helpers on an eight-hour schedule, is partially responsible.

Has New Run.
Engineer Al Stephens, for many years passenger engineer on the west end out of this division point, has been transferred permanently to the Elgin run. Engineer Frank Pike has been permanently assigned to fill the open position on the main line caused by Mr. Stephens' transfer.

Passing of Small Engine.
The traffic over the Elgin branch line has taken on such proportions that the old style engines, the 60 class, is no longer adequate to handle the service and 64 has been relegated to a class that means considerable inactivity. Work trains and the like will henceforth be the field of the little engine. Engine No. 113 has been assigned to the Elgin run.

Back to Kamela.
Engineer Norby has again returned to the helper engine at Kamela.

New Shops Busy.
After a week in the new quarters, the railroad machine shops are busy getting the locomotive crane which is to be used on the new elevated track over the coal bin, into service shape. There is considerable work to be done on it, but by the time workmen have completed the movable projects adjoining the new bins, the crane will be completed and repaired. The old coal bunkers will be removed as soon as this takes place.

Tearing Down Old Buildings.
The tin and paint shops are being torn down to make more yard room. The old machine shop building will be converted into a storage structure.

Rare Inheritance.

The modern ways of the American Indian as some of them are today were illustrated at the Portland postoffice this morning, relates a Portland paper.

An Indian squaw, dressed in the height of fashion, walked through the postoffice corridors toward the stamp window. She purchased \$5 worth of the little red stickers. There was plenty of money left.

The squaw brought her papoose, but it was not huddled up in a little basket on her back. No, indeed. The youngster was in the arms of the modern squaw's nurse girl. The nurse was also an Indian. And even the nurse carried the baby in modern style—in her arms.

All were dressed after the style of the whites. There was no indication of the Indian about them—except their features and the dark, red skin of the first and original settlers of the continent which has been taken over by the white man and civilization.

The only indication of the longing of members of the tribe for the wilds was to be seen in the baby itself. While it had on modern shoes, clothes, coat and cap, in its arms it carried a little brown Teddy bear which appropriately corresponded with the complexions of the Indians themselves.

WAGE REDUCTION COMING.

Rock Island Announces That Men Will Soon Be Given Lower Wages.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 16.—The Rock Island Railroad company has announced today through Vice-President Mudge that the company expects to shortly reduce the wages of all men employed on that line.

FOLEY'S HONEY and TAR CURES Coughs and Colds PREVENTS Pneumonia and Consumption

Foley's Honey and Tar not only stops the cough, but heals and strengthens the lungs and prevents serious results from a cold.

There is no danger of Pneumonia, Consumption or other serious lung trouble if **Foley's Honey and Tar** is taken, as it will cure the most stubborn coughs—the dangerous kind that settles on the lungs and may develop into pneumonia over night.

If you have a cough or cold do not risk Pneumonia when **Foley's Honey and Tar** will cure you quickly and strengthen your lungs.

Remember the name — **Foley's Honey and Tar**—and refuse any substitute offered. Do not take chances with some unknown preparation that costs you the same when you can get **Foley's Honey and Tar**, that costs you no more and is safe and certain in results. Contains no opiates.

Cured After Physicians Said He Had Consumption.

E. H. Jones, Pastor M. E. Church, Grove, Md., writes: "About seven or eight years ago I had a very severe cold which physicians said was very near pneumonia, and which they afterwards pronounced consumption. Through a friend I was induced to try a sample of **Foley's Honey and Tar**, which gave me so much relief that I bought some of the regular size. Two or three bottles cured me of what the physicians called consumption, and I have never had any trouble with my throat or lungs since that time."

Three sizes—25c, 50c, \$1.00. The 50 cent size contains two and one-half times as much as the small size and the \$1.00 bottle almost six times as much.

SOLE AND PREPARED BY A. T. HILL, Druggist.

Danger in a Cold

Because you have contracted ordinary colds and recovered from them without treatment of any kind, do not for a moment imagine that colds are not dangerous. Not only pneumonia, but also the infectious diseases such as diphtheria and scarlet fever start with a cold. The cold prepares the system for the reception and development of the germs of these diseases. Take our advice—cure your cold while you can.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy by its remarkable cures of colds has become a staple article of trade and commerce. It is prompt; it is effectual; it is reliable. Try it. NEWLIN DRUG COMPANY

Interest Unabated at The Peoples Store

Our great Mid-Winter Clearing Sale was certainly a hummer, and although the people of La Grande and vicinity have in the past ten days carried away immense loads of bargains from our store, there are still lots of good things left. These we are bound to move if low prices will do it.

ALL SEASONABLE GOODS AT SLAUGHTERED PRICES.

SEE THE RED TAG--THIS IS THE BARGAIN SIGN

Men's and Boys' Furnishings.
Boys' Hats and Caps, values to 75c, now 25c
Boys' knee pants, values to \$1.25, now 50c
Men's lined Gloves, 65c value 39c

Suits and Cloaks.
\$5.00 Children's Coats \$2.98
\$7.50 Misses' Coats \$3.45
\$10.00 Ladies' Coats \$6.45
\$15.00 Ladies' Coats \$10.45
\$17.50 Tailored Suits \$11.75

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THE PEOPLES STORE LA GRANDE OREGON

Winter Underwear.
Odd garments, Half Price
Ladies' fleeced, 25c grade 15c
Boys' fleeced, 35c grade 25c
Men's fleeced, 60c grade 39c

Hosiery Bargains.
Ladies' Hose, 12 1/2c grade 8c
Ladies' Hose, 20c grade 17c
Ladies' Hose, 25c grade 19c

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