

LOCAL ITEMS.

J. W. Bush is in Union today. Guy E. McCully is expected home from Portland tomorrow morning. Rob Mays arrived last evening from Portland and left today for Elgin. J. W. Oliver preaches at the M. E. South Sunday, 11 a. m. H. S. Allen of Portland, is here to remain indefinitely with his father, G. W. Allen. Tracy Neuman, the timber cruiser, is in Wallowa county on business today.

Mrs. Brown and daughter, returned to Elgin today after visiting relatives in La Grande a few days. Attorney J. T. Williamson took his departure for Wallowa county this morning, where he will argue land contest cases in Enterprise.

T. A. Rinehart, who left today to visit his wife at Walla Walla, reports that Mrs. Rinehart is some better, though not yet out of danger.

Back from a week's stay in Portland, Charles H. Button leaves tomorrow for an indefinite visit in Michigan, where relatives reside. He may remain in the east for several months.

C. D. Huffman returned this morning from Eugene, where he was called by the death of his sister, Mrs. Mary Barry. He saw the remains interred before returning.

Joint Representative Jerry Rusk arrived this morning from Salem, where he attended the special session of the legislature. He went to his home in Joseph on the morning train.

Judge J. W. Knowles left last evening in response to a message from the federal grand jury in Portland, that his presence was required at the investigations in the Scriber case.

Secretary Philip S. Bates, editor of the Pacific Northwest and also secretary of the Oregon Thresher's association, arrived this morning to attend the meetings here today. He was accompanied by his wife.

Mr. Morrison, jr., of Fairfield, Wash., is here today to purchase a carload of horses. He was attracted here by the reports of the high-class stock bred in Union county. Mr. Morrison is also connected with sugar beet seed culture in Washington.

E. Reislund, the La Grande contractor, is building a cement foundation for Neil Cameron's boarding house in the McDonald addition. The building will be a good one, being 25x 56 feet in size, and two stories high. The foundation will be the first of its kind in the city.—Wallowa Sun.

Two threshing machine men, Mr. Sullivan representing the Averill Machinery company, and Mr. Steel, representing the J. I. Case company, both of Portland, arrived this morning to attend the meeting of Union county threshers in this city today.

THRESHERS ORGANIZE

By electing J. H. Cowan of Elgin, president; Joseph Gale of Union, vice-president, and J. W. Minnick of Union, secretary, threshers of Union county perfected a solid organization this afternoon at a meeting in the Steward opera house. Fifteen leading thresher owners attended the meeting called by State Secretary Bates.

The rules and regulations governing the organization, are copied after the state constitution of the order and follow, in part:

Article I. This association shall be called the Union County Threshers' association, and regular meetings shall be held twice a year at such times and places as the president of the association or the executive committee shall determine.

Article II. The purpose of this association shall be to protect all operators of threshing machines from unfair competition, to use our influence towards the improvement of roads and bridges and to generally create good-fellowship among the threshermen of the state for the benefit of the industry.

Article III. The officers of the association shall consist of an executive committee of five members, a president, vice-president and secretary, all to be elected at the first annual meeting of each year. The executive committee shall audit the books of the secretary each year before the regular meeting of the term.

Article IV. This association shall be composed of men owning and oper-

ating threshing machines, who shall sign the constitution and by-laws and comply with the rules and regulations of this association. Applications for membership shall be made out on the regulation blanks, furnished by the secretary, and accompanied by the membership fee. Provided that the manufacturers' agents may become honorary members by paying same fee. Provided further, that farmers not owning threshing outfits may be elected honorary members, but will not be required to pay any membership fee; nor will the manufacturers' agents nor farmers not owning machines be entitled to a vote.

Section 4. It is the duty of every member of this association to use his influence and aid all persons entitled to membership to become members of this association.

IN JOSEPH NEXT JULY.

Epworth League Convention to Be Held at Joseph.

At a meeting in this city held this afternoon by members of the board of control of the Epworth League for the La Grande district, it was decided to hold the next convention at Joseph in July, from the first to the fourth.

NO NEWS FROM BOY

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here today to work on the case.

Scripps-McRae league of newspapers today offered a reward of \$1000 for information leading to the whereabouts of the kidnapers.

Want \$25,000 Now.

A letter from the kidnapers raising the ransom from \$10,000 to \$25,000 is reported to have been received by the father. The envelope apparently was addressed by the kidnaped boy and mailed in an Ohio town. It is different than the previous ones were mailed in.

The mother collapsed today and is in danger of complete nervous breakdown.

Dr. W. D. McMillan Painless Denistry La Grande National Bank Bldg Both Phones

JAP DESERTS FIANCEE

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Jap sets foot in Corte Madera.

The girl is still determined to marry the Jap if she can be convinced it is right for the Caucasian and Oriental races to mix. She wants to study the problem for herself. As the matter now stands the girl is supported by her mother, but is shunned by her father and former acquaintances.

VACANT LOT IS PURCHASED

A deed to the Hiltz-Andross property on ourth street, where stood the residence property destroyed by the late fire, has been given to H. F. Torey, formerly of La Grande, but now of Toledo, Lincoln county, Ore. The consideration is \$2500. The former owners were Rachel Hiltz, Eva Andross and Mills Andross.

It is not definitely known what Mr. Torey intends to do with the property, but the general supposition is that the buyer will build a residence.

The deed was filed today with Recorder Snook.

WILL RAISE OBJECTION

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schedule, as no mention of shingles is made in the reports from Washington. The supposition is the committee let the old schedule of 30 cents stand.

"A 30-cent duty on shingles is not enough," said Henry S. Stine, a prominent shingle man today. "Canadian manufacturers are crowding us out of our market now, and are developing the shingle business rapidly. The shingle industry is properly protected. We cannot hope to compete with Canadians. Producing shingles 90 per cent of them are manufactured, is done under the hardest and most expensive circumstances. Shingle men employ many men, and are entitled to protection."

ARGUE AGAINST BUILDING

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into the facts and conditions that exist, and the responsibilities that now confront us and see if we really should burden ourselves with an added weight to the load we are now carrying, and in all probability will have to carry for quite a while in the future. Fifty-five mills on every assessed dollar's worth of property in the city of La Grande for 1928, with no prospect of it being less for 1929, or any succeeding year in the near future, is quite a high rate of tax for me to pay. If it were for one or two years and the money so collected would reduce our financial obligation to such proportion that it would not be necessary to repeat the act for some time to come, then it would be a worthy and commendable one; but as I view the existing conditions there is little hope for a reduction of taxes, especially in the city of La Grande for several years on account of our present bonded indebtedness and rapid increase in running expenses of the city. It is not our purpose to charge any person or persons with the cause for this expense, but to simply show the facts as they are. We have now a bonded indebtedness on the city for \$210,000; on the school district for \$34,500, besides outstanding warrants on the city that must be paid some time, and to increase our future obligations to such size that they are out of all proportion to our values or sources of revenue would be financial suicide and a hindrance to the future prosperity of our boasted little city.

Then, too, is it necessary for us to have another High school building at the present time? That is the important question for us to consider. Does the increase in number of school children in the district demand it? The enumeration for 1927 shows we had 1561, and in 1928 we had 1389, which includes 15 acquired by annexing a part of Island City district, a decrease of 132. Our school superintendent's monthly reports for the first six months of 1927-28 shows the average number belonging as 878. Average daily attendance \$33, for the same period of 1928-29; average number belonging, 907; average daily attendance, 859, an increase in average number belonging of 29, and in daily attendance, 26. The indications are there will not be a very noticeable change of these figures in the next three years, and should the increase then require more school room we will no doubt be in a better financial condition to meet the demands.

Our present bonds are all ten-twenties; that means they may be paid in 10 years and must be paid in 20; \$17,000 of these bonds mature in June, 1929, and \$5500, June 15, 1919; \$12,000 June 15, 1915. The annual interest on these bonds is \$1825, or a fraction over \$150 per month. Should we bond for \$25,000 more it will increase our school bond interest to \$256.25 a month; then add the city bonded indebtedness to that amount, and it will make a neat little sum that we are compelled to meet each month. Instead of bonding the district for \$25,000, let us arrange the buildings we now have, to meet the requirements of the present and begin accumulating a fund to pay the bonds that are nearly due.

Another question of importance is, if the \$25,000 bond proposition carries, where will we locate the new building, with only that amount we would necessarily have to put in on the same grounds where our high school building is now, which in my opinion would be absolutely foolish and would be an injustice to the school children of our city.

At present we have four empty rooms that can be fitted for use. Why not use them and relieve the congestion in the High school, and later on erect a building in the Third ward to accommodate the children who live in the northwest part of the city.

We admit that better facilities are needed for high school work and I know that I express the sentiment of every member of the school board when I say we are ready to do anything reasonable or feasible to provide the necessary equipment and believe we can do so under present conditions as well as our neighboring cities have for their High schools.

I believe the White building can be moved onto the High school grounds, where it will be under the direct supervision of the superintendent, and can be remodeled and furnished with the necessary apparatus for use in teaching chemistry and other sciences that are taught in high schools and will accommodate our high school students very nicely for quite a while.

HENRY HENSEN, School Director.

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WALTER GALLOWAY HURT.

Falls From Table Placed on Toy Wagon and is Bruised.

Walter Galloway, aged 8, was quite badly hurt this morning in an accident to a group of boys near the City livery barn. On a miniature truck wagon the boys had placed a heavy table, and on this Master Galloway had perched himself. Two other boys were hauling the wagon and its load along a cement sidewalk, when, in turning a corner, the load upset. The heavy table fell on Walter's ankle and hurt him severely, though no bones were broken.

BUSINESS STAGNATED.

Portland Telephone Communication Destroyed by Fire Today.

Portland, March 26.—Business was nearly stagnated today when fire, starting in the most vital part of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph system, put 14,000 telephones out of commission. Probably by Tuesday the system will be repaired. It is supposed the fire started from crossed wires.

Every instrument on the west side of the river, excepting automatic telephones, are useless. The firemen experienced a hard time extinguishing the flames because they could not force the water through the tangled net work of wires. Six hundred cables, carrying 36,000 wires and several sections of switchboard were burned out.

Indictments Returned.

Portland, March 26.—Six indictments charging fraudulent fencing of public lands in Oregon, were returned this morning by the federal grand jury. William Hanley of Harney county, is the principal defendant.

Similar indictments were found against O. C. Jennings, Joe Vey, Antonio Vey, John Boyd and Frederick Phillips.

HADLEY MAY RESIGN.

Governor Missouri Anxious to Go to the Federal Bench.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 26.—It is rumored here that Governor Hadley will soon resign and accept the appointment to the federal bench in the northwest. The climate here disagrees with him. Taft is said to be pleased with Hadley's determination

to go on the bench and is ready to appoint him.

RUNNING REVOLVER DUEL.

Dynamiters Crack Safes Near San Francisco and Escape.

San Francisco, March 26.—Burglars dynamited two safes, looted cash registers at the "Six Mile" house on San Bruno avenue early today. After a running revolver battle with their pursuers they escaped with several hundred dollars. The dynamiters were caught red-handed by the proprietor who, with his bartender, fired at the robbers fleeing in a buggy. A posse is on the trail.

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THE DOCTOR'S QUESTION.

Advice Against the Use of Harsh Purgatives and Physics.

A doctor's first question when consulted by a patient is, "are your bowels regular?" He knows that 88 per cent of illness is attended with inactive bowels and torpid liver. This condition poisons the system with noxious gases and waste matter which naturally accumulates and which must be removed through the bowels before health can be restored.

Salts, ordinary pills and cathartics may be truly likened to dynamite. Through their harsh, irritating action they force a passage through the bowels, causing pain and damage to the delicate intestinal structure, which weakens the whole system, and at best only produces temporary relief. The repeated use of such treatments cause chronic irritation of the stomach and bowels, hardens their tissues, densens their nerves, stiffens their muscles and generally brings about an injurious habit which sometimes has fatal results.

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