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VOTING A NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

At the bond election Saturday La Grande voted to build a new school building. It was a foregone conclusion that the bonds would carry for there were very few people against enlarging the present seating capacity of the schools because such enlargement is decidedly needed.

Count on La Grande every time to legislate in favor of the children. The people here are loyal to the schools, anxious to do everything in their power that the boy and girl of today may have school advantages equal to any in the country.

But along educational lines, we wish to predict that before long there will be trouble encountered to get taxpayers to vote large appropriations for what is termed "our schools of higher learning."

Right now, all that is needed is a little agitation along that line. The people are convinced that in most instances there is not a dollar value returned for the dollar expended on some of our institutions.

A few days ago the Oregonian took a well directed blow at Legislator Dimick who through sheerest of folly, attacked the country schools in Oregon and called it extravagant. The country school is not extravagant. It is poorly equipped and poorly cared for.

It is doubtful if there is a single taxpayer in La Grande who objects to money judiciously expended on our school system, neither does he object to any money spent in the rural districts, but there are many who do object to some of the seemingly extravagant expenses of the "higher institutions of learning" in this state.

The United States has 67 per cent of all the telephones in the world. No wonder the United States is next to everything that is going on.

John Phillip Sousa has written a new opera. To be really Sousaesque it should have a boiler explosion at the end of every measure.

At any rate there is the moving

picture film of the late mikado's funeral to look forward to.

If, as Paris dressmakers say, skirts are to be tighter, they will have to be painted on.

The Two Glasses. There are two glasses, filled to the brim On a rich man's table, rim to rim. One is ruddy and red as blood. And one as clear as the crystal flood.

Said the glass of wine to the paler brother.

"Let us tell the tales of the past to each other.

I can tell of banquet, and revel and mirth

And the proudest and grandest soufs on earth

Fell under my touch as though struck by blight

Where I was king, for I ruled in might.

From the heads of kings I have torn the crown;

From the heights of fame I have hurled men down

I have blasted many an honored name;

I have taken virtue and given shame; I have tempted youth with a sip, a taste.

That has made his future a barren waste.

Far greater than a king am I, Or than any army beneath the sky. I have made the arm of the driver fall,

And sent the train from the iron rail. I have made good ships go down at sea,

And the shrieks of the lost were sweet to me.

For they said, "Behold how great you be!"

Fame strength, wealth, genius before you fall

For your might and power are over all."

"Ho! Ho! pale brother", laughed the wine,

"Can you boast of deeds as great as mine?"

Said the water-glass, "I cannot boast Of a king dethroned or a murdered host,

But I can tell of a heart once sad By my crystal drops made light and glad—

Of thirsts I've quenched, of brows I've laved,

Of hands I've cooled of souls I've saved;

I've leaped through valley, dashed down the mountain,

Flowed in the river and played in the fountain,

Slept in the sunshine and dropped from the sky.

And everywhere gladden the landscape and eye.

I have eased the hot forehead of fever and pain.

I have made the parched meadows grow fertile with grain.

I can tell of the powerful wheel of the mill

That ground out flour and turned at my will.

I can tell of manhood, debased by you,

That I have lifted up and crowned anew.

I cheer, I help, I strengthen and aid,

I gladden the heart of man and maid;

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I set the wine chain captive free, And all are better for knowing me. These are the tales they told each other. The glass of wine and its paler brother. As they sat together, filled to the brim, On the rich man's table, rim to rim. —Phila. Press. Attorney Drowns From Launch. Tacoma, Jan. 20.—A reward of \$250 has been offered for the recovery of the body of Frank S. Blattner, a prominent attorney who was drowned while attempting to extinguish the flames that broke out in his launch on which he was cruising. Fight Over Speakership. Cheyenne, Jan. 20.—A violent fist fight occurred on the floor of the house between Speaker Pratt and Speaker pro tem Wood, when both claimed the right to preside. They were separated before much damage was done. Notice of Final Account. Notice is hereby given that Henrietta Day, executrix of the last will and testament of Edwin Porter Day, deceased, has filed in the county court of Union county, Oregon, her final account in the matter of said estate and the county court has appointed Tuesday the fourth day of February, 1913, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. at the court house at La Grande, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing of objections to such final account and the settlement thereof. Dated this 3rd day of January, 1913 HENRIETTA DAY, Executrix of the last will and testament of Edwin Porter Day, deceased. daily Jan 4 11 18 25 feb 1 Once Barren Land Now Productive. (Pendleton E. O.) Less than ten years ago, all of the great acreage now included in the government and furnish projects in the west end of the county, which

today supports several thousand people, yields hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of produce annually and is still in the infancy of its development did not grow enough grass to fatten 2500 sheep a year and was populated by about three people. This was the declaration made last evening by James Hoskins at the banquet tendered the members of the good roads committee by the local Commercial association. Mr. Hoskins, who is now one of the leading spirits of the Paradise Irrigation project, stated that he and his brother ran sheep over the entire area included in the two projects before reclamation began and encountered the utmost difficulty in finding enough grass to keep their 2500 head in condition. They and their sheepherder represented the population. Incidentally, they used to maintain their sheds on the spot which is now the deepest part of the government reservoir. This was part of Mr. Hoskins' homestead and he declares that the tactics used by the government in securing it for a reservoir site proves to him that justice is not always forthcoming from federal authorities. He states that he had \$1500 worth of improvements on his homestead, according to the figures of the government employes and yet he was allowed but \$800. Also, he declares, he was promised that the two years and a half he had lived upon his homestead should apply upon any other homestead he should take up but was informed last year, after much red tape, that such an arrangement would be impossible under the law.

Gazette Preserve Agreement Made. (Baker Herald.) Agreements were filed this morning in the county clerk's office setting aside certain tracts of land in this county as game preserves. The stipulations are made between the state game warden, W. L. Finley through his deputies Fred Johnson and Charles B. Oral and certain land owners of this county. Permission was given by the various own-

ers of the land last fall for the setting aside of this land and the necessary steps taken leading up to the making of the agreements. According to the agreements filed the owners of the land not only agree to allow their land to be set aside for a period of five years but promise to feed and care for the game in case that is necessary. The N. P. Ice Crop. The ice crop is about over for this season, says the North Powder News. The P. F. E. Co. finished cutting this week. The company put 7000 tons in to the ice house here and shipped 3000 tons to the Huntington plant and 250 tons to Umatilla. The company employed local men for most of the work, but it was necessary to have some experienced men, and switchers were brought from Truckee, Cal., and Ogden, Utah. The Truckee switchers have the reputation of being the best in the country, but we are informed by reliable authorities that the past two years work has developed four North Powder switchers who are equal of any from Truckee. The local experts are Mark Robinson, Edgar Hollinger, Geo. Miles and Will Dalton.

PLAIN GARDEN SAGE DARKENS GRAY HAIR AND IS HARMLESS Says Sage Tea Mixed With Sulphur Restores Natural Color and Lustre. Gray, faded hair turned beautifully dark and lustrous almost overnight, is a reality, if you'll take the trouble to mix sage tea and sulphur, but what's the use, you get a large bottle of the ready-to-use tonic called "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy" at drug stores for about 50 cents. Millions of bottles of "Wyeth's" are sold annually, says a well known druggist, because it darkens the hair so naturally and evenly that no one can tell it has been applied. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur and draw it through your hair,

SALE IN BANKRUPTCY. Notice is hereby given that I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at ten o'clock a. m. on Monday the 20th day of January, 1913, on the premises, at or near Gwynne, on the La Grande & Joseph branch of the O. W. R. & N. Ry., near Lostine, in Wallowa county, Oregon, the saw mill, (daily capacity about 30,000 feet), and planing mill together with lumber, logging outfit, blacksmith outfit, sleds wagons and horses, and all other assets and equipment of Quincy E. Gwynne, Bankrupt, according to inventory. The lumber consists of about 500,000 feet of shop lumber, (mostly 1 & 1-2", about 1,000,000 feet of one inch, two inch, and other lumber all Eastern Oregon Pine. This lumber is well manufactured, well piled, dry and protected from the weather. The saw mill and planing mill are well housed in good buildings, both being complete and ready to run. Commodious yards, side track and conveniences with reasonable lease and contract on good timber available. S. D. WHITE, Trustee of Quincy E. Gwynne, a bankrupt.

taking one small strand at a time. Those whose hair is turning gray, becoming faded, dry, scraggly and thin have a surprise awaiting them, because after just one application the gray hair vanishes and your locks become luxuriantly dark and beautiful—all dandruff goes, scalp itching and falling hair stops. This is the age of youth, gray haired, unattractive folks aren't wanted around, so get busy with the Sage and Sulphur tonight and you'll be amazed at your youthful appearance and the real beauty and healthy condition of your hair within a few days. Inquiry at drug stores here shows that they all sell lots of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur," and the folks using it are enthusiastic.