

SIX HUNDRED WITNESS SHOW

WILD WEST ATTRACTION STAGED YESTERDAY.

Feature Events Put On With Races of Different Sorts.

About 600 people witnessed the Smith wild west show yesterday. Trotting races and running races were up to a good standard it was agreed by those who witnessed it.

The girls' relay race was won by Miss Osborne of Union, against Miss Hall, who was second. R. Henry, of Imbler, took the Roman standing race against Frank Hogg of Union. The chariot race was won by H. W. B. Smith, against Zeek in 59, sprinting into the finish and making an exciting race of it.

Five bucking bulls were brought out and one animal tossed two riders Hank McGrath bulldozed a steer and the bucking horses were brought on with regularity making in all thirty different stunts.

"The news that Governor W. was to be on the ground with his militia kept many farmers and crews from coming who otherwise would have attended," said Mr. Smith today. "I did not make any money on the venture." Mr. Smith will not be arrested as was contemplated Saturday, it appears today.

ELECTRIC LUNCHEON TODAY

MANY LA GRANDE PEOPLE TO BE GUESTS.

Eastern Oregon Light & Power Company Present Odd Luncheon.

Invitations have been sent out to prominent La Grande women to attend an electric luncheon to be given by the Eastern Oregon Light & Power company at the Henry & Carr furniture store this afternoon and tonight. The invitations state that everything served will be cooked by electricity and as Henry & Carr have only coal stoves on display the ladies are wondering how the subtle "juice" acts under transformation. It is understood the luncheon will be quite an elaborate one and if the lighting company can give a luncheon under such conditions it will be a most convincing proof of the practicability of doing everything in the cooking line on electricity. At any rate the ladies are talking about the luncheon and are willing to be shown the results.

MOVED TO TILLAMOOK.

Charles Weagle and Family Expect to Live on the Coast.

A few days ago Charles Weagle disposed of his Ninth street property, through the Geo. H. Gerry Real Estate agency, to C. P. Ferrin, and with his family, left for Tillamook county where they expect to make their future home. However, they did not burn all of the bridges behind them for they own a choice acre tract in North La Grande, which they will not dispose of until they become thoroughly convinced that they do not wish to return to La Grande.

Melons in Market Again.

After a famine of nearly a month, local markets are again flush with watermelons. A car load arrived for the opening of the local markets this morning and the public is assured that for some time to come the luscious green melons will be on the counters.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the many friends who so kindly helped us by their sympathy and assistance during the illness and death of our husband and father. MRS. END AND FAMILY.

Uncle Sam's Loan Office

Loans money on all kinds of Watches, Diamonds, Gold, Jewelry, Clothing and all kinds of personal property. We sell unredeemed pledges at a very low price.

FOLEY HOTEL BUILDING.

DANCE AT

Danceland Tuesday Night

GALLERY FOR SPECTATORS PARENTS ESPECIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND. STRICTLY HIGH CLASS. C. P. FARRIN, Mgr.

NEW FOUNDRY SITE CHOSEN

WILL BE LOCATED AT "Y" ON COVE AVENUE.

New Foundry to Be Built and Present Building There Utilized.

Permanent location for the La Grande Iron works when it leaves its present site to make room for the Y. M. C. A. building, has been chosen by D. Fitzgerald the owner and manager. The plant will be located at the "Y" on Cove avenue where the Stoddard planing mill now stands and new buildings and complete remodeling of present buildings is to follow. Mr. Fitzgerald has purchased the ground there and will build a new foundry building 30x70 and remodel the present building on the site to give a machine and blacksmith shop facility of 70x100 feet. "The buildings will be built as soon as possible," said Mr. Fitzgerald this morning, when he had been finally advised that the sale had become a reality.

The new location is convenient to the farming districts that patronize the shop and Mr. Fitzgerald believes he has found as good a location as could be located in the city.

EXHIBIT TAGS REACHING CITY

EXHIBITORS CAN SEND PRODUCE FREE.

Tags Forwarded That Will Take Land Shows Exhibits East.

The Oregon State Development league, of which C. C. Chapman is secretary, with offices at Portland, has sent to the Observer office, shipping tags which will carry exhibit material for the Oregon state exhibit at the various eastern land shows without cost to the shipper. In case of perishable produce they will carry the material as baggage, checks to be forwarded to Mr. Chapman by mail.

It is now the plan of local people to send exhibits from the Union county fair to the head offices in Portland where they will be forwarded to the eastern land shows. Individuals can do the same with their tags.

Anyone wishing to make use of the tags can have the same by calling at the Observer office.

NEW TEACHERS ELECTED.

Vacancies Caused by Resignations Are Filled Again.

Several teachers for the public schools of the city have been elected by the school board during the past few days Miss Nell Young, an experienced and popular North side grade teacher, has resigned and to fill the vacancy Miss Nelia Gannaway of Gays, Ills., has been elected. Miss Gannaway is here visiting her sister, Mrs. Payton.

A. H. Prince has been elected principal of the Central school and to fill the vacancy caused by the failure of Prof. Epling to reapply for his position. Bert W. Harris has been elected commercial instructor.

IMBLER ELECTION SET.

September 27 to Decide if City Is to Incorporate as City.

One September 27 Imbler will decide upon the question of incorporation, as prayed for in a petition to County Judge Henry. The petition resulted in the naming of the date for the election. On that date the voters will vote yes or no on the incorporation. If an affirmative vote prevails, an election will be called within 20 days and candidates for office of mayor down must file their petitions in the regular way, with the county clerk.

Meteor at Buhl.

Buhl, Idaho, Aug. 11.—Last Wednesday evening about 11 o'clock W. L. Hubbell, returning home in the north part of the city, was startled by a whizzing noise, and glancing upward, saw what was apparently a star coming directly toward him. In an instant it had struck the earth, and being so close to him, he went to the spot and saw in the bottom of a hole about two feet deep, a red-hot object. He secured a shovel and dug it out, finding it to be a meteor, about 15 inches around, shaped something like a sugar bowl. The center has the appearance of a round piece of slag, being almost completely surrounded by what appears to be a sort of magnesia. It weighs about 18 pounds.

UNIFORMITY SOUGHT FOR

LUMBER MAKERS AGREE TO INTER-INSURANCE.

Socially and in Business Way, Convention Is Important.

Bringing to a close an afternoon of unusual business activity, lumbermen of three states who had gathered at Hot Lake Sunday, feasted at an elaborate dinner at Hot Lake Saturday night and as a final conclusion to an important day, music and recitation sent the lumbermen away highly pleased with their assembly. In a business way, the day was important.

At the close of the day's deliberations, the saw mill men of Eastern Oregon were host to the visiting lumbermen, and a half dozen special guests at a sumptuous dinner. Following the many-course refreshments the genial and versatile George Hennessey of the chapel car St. Peters, delightfully entertained with songs and recitations, and Dr. Tape, manager of the Lake, "Bob" Straghtern of Post Falls and others sung delightful songs and duets. On all hands, it was agreed that the convention had been one of the most successful from all standpoints of any held in several years.

The convention went on record as firmly supporting the standardization of lumber. The lumber men see the great necessity of eliminating the different sizes of lumber and the fifteen-sixteenths standard for the Eastern states was recommended, but the twenty-five-thirty-seconds standard was retained for points west of Chicago, as the aim sought cannot be accomplished in a day. The aim is to standardize all lumber so that various woods in different sections of the same character will be of the same size.

The report of the grading bureau was sent back to the bureau for further investigation.

Inter-Insurance Liked.

The convention indorsed the inter-insurance plan as suggested by the National association and already adopted in many districts. The plan reduces the burden of insurance by lowering the rates as compared to industrial insurance.

A woods product exposition to be held first in San Francisco in 1915, was heartily indorsed and the convention also indorsed the attitude of the railroads in asking for standardization of boxes, that the efficiency may be increased and less breakage occur in shipment.

A new freight tariff book was ordered published for the association members.

Among those in attendance were: T. A. Goodhue, La Grande; David C. Eccles, Ogden; Joe Stoddard, and Frank Gardiner, Baker; W. R. Kivette, La Grande; T. R. Soares, Hope, Idaho; B. E. Price, H. H. Lamping, A. W. Cooper and R. G. Keese, Spokane; W. S. Rosenberry, Rose Lake; B. H. Hornby, Dover; J. S. Rhodes, North Yakima; Edgar Dalzell, Minneapolis; L. R. McCoy, Bonners Ferry; J. A. Humbird, Sand Point; J. P. Reardon, Spokane; H. M. Strathern, Post Falls; George Stoddard, Elmer Stoddard, La Grande; Chas. Minnaugh, Wallowa; George M. Cornwall, Portland; William Geddes, Baker; Leon Stoddard, Perry; A. J. Stange, La Grande; P. M. Lachmann, Potlach; J. P. Austin, Seattle; J. F. Ravenscroft, La Grande; J. W. McKinzie, Portland and L. H. Russell, La Grande.

Brilliant Army Officer Retired.

Washington, Aug. 11.—Brigadier General William H. Bixby, terminated a brilliant army career today. He was voluntarily retired as a major general after an army record dating back to 1873. And he retired earlier than the required age limit in order that a brother officer, Col. William T. Rossell, might have the honor for a time of serving as chief of engineers. Col. Rossell was near the age limit and had Gen. Bixby remain in the service until being retired involuntarily. Col. Rossell would have been retired in the meantime as a colonel. With Gen. Bixby's voluntary retirement Col. Rossell today becomes a brigadier general and will be retired at the next highest grade. Bixby made a remarkable record for efficiency as chief of the engineer corps of the army. He has been connected with numerous big river and harbor improvements all over the country.

Arrested, Tried, Hanged in Month.

Harrison, Ark., Aug. 11.—A new criminal prosecution and execution of sentence record for Arkansas was today broken when Odus Davidson was hanged for the murder of Ella Barham, near Zinc one month ago.

Invitation Tennis Tourney on.

Southampton, N. Y., Aug. 11.—With fast competition promised, the annual invitation tournament of the Meadow club opened today under the auspices of the National Lawn Tennis association.

Diaz Goes North.

Seattle, Aug. 11.—Felix Diaz and party left here at nine this morning for Vancouver, B. C., where they will sail on Wednesday for Japan.

PARK DAM IS WRECKED

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weeks of almost absolutely no pressure the structure gave away.

Several have inspected the damage, and on every hand is seen the earmarks of human hands. It was at first thought dynamite had been used but this is not the facts in the case. It is more feasible to presume that someone worked with heavy bars to break away the bulwarks and allow the water to pass under and undermine the foundation. There has been little current and extremely little volume of water for more than a month but when the force had been engineered under the dam, the consequences were quick in the coming.

Went Out In Five Minutes.

The noise occasioned was considerable. The entire volume of water went through in five minutes and later a hole was discovered some distance from the main break where it is apparent a crowbar had been used to loosen the gravel. It is possible that the water swept through this hole and undermined the woodwork several feet away while seeking an escape and when the timber collapsed the water went on over the break hurriedly.

Henry Young who, with his family, was on the scene instantly last night, today was reticent in asserting definitely that it was the work of vandals but was unable to conceive of any natural cause.

Spite work alone could have prompted such action. It has been rumored about for some time that the swimming hole would be "removed" on the 10th of August and it was on the 10th that the water went out. Men who obtain water from the river, however, would profit in no way by removal of the dam and that leaves no known element that might even suggest such a move. One ditch is left practically dry by the change as there is no water above the dam to feed the ditch and those ditches below the dam get no more water now than they did before. What little was stored up went out in a few minutes. If vandalism is responsible, there is nowhere to place the motives that might suggest it.

Only yesterday there was a holiday

SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That on the 1st day of October, A. D. 1913, a special election will be held in the City of La Grande, in the County of Union and State of Oregon, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters thereof, the proposition of adopting or rejecting an Act entitled: "An Act to Provide a New Commission Charter, of the City of La Grande, in the County of Union, in the State of Oregon," filed in the office of the City Recorder of said City on the 18th day of June, A. D. 1913, which was proposed by initiative petition, signed by the requisite number of legal voters, and submitting the same to the electors of said City for their adoption or rejection, at a special election to be held therein on October 1st, A. D. 1913.

The polling places designated for said election and the judges and clerks appointed to conduct said election, are as follows:

FIRST WARD—Polling place at Court House.
JUDGES—M. McMurray, W. N. Monroe, Geo. J. Wagner.
CLERKS—Mrs. Wall Lane, Mrs. J. W. McAllister.
SECOND WARD—Polling place at Council Chambers.
JUDGES—H. W. Stoner, O. R. Coolidge, J. K. Wright.
CLERKS—C. M. Humphreys, N. J. Mansager.
THIRD WARD—Polling place at Donahue House, Corner 3rd and Washington Avenue.
JUDGES—J. M. Hiltz, C. C. Penington, B. W. Grandy.
CLERKS—Howard Davis, Will Hamilton.

FOURTH WARD—Polling place at Little Brick School House.
JUDGES—John Ladd, E. S. Brasel, R. A. Masterton.
CLERKS—Will Thompson, Jr., Wm. Randall.

Said election will be held and conducted and the returns thereof filed as provided by law in the case of general city elections in said city. The polls at said election will be opened at the hour of 7:30 o'clock A. M. and closed at the hour of 7 o'clock P. M. on said election day.

The Ballot Title of the Act aforesaid has been prepared by the City Attorney and filed with the City Recorder of said City, in the manner and time required by the laws of the State of Oregon governing the Initiative and Referendum in Cities.

All qualified electors of said City will be permitted to vote at said election.

BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL OF SAID CITY OF LA GRANDE, OREGON.

Dated, July 25th, A. D. 1913. LEE WARNICK, City Recorder.

7, 28; 8, 4, 11, 18, 25; 9, 1.

crowd of great proportions on the river and at the park.

Immediately this morning there was discussion of starting a subscription to repair the break which at the present time would not be very expensive proposition. The matter of constructing a tank that would be amply large and so permanent that barring dynamite, it would last always, has also come up for consideration. It is believed that temporary repairs could be made hurriedly at little expense that would suffice through the bathing season at least.

Many Fish Captured. Small boys had a busy day of it today gleaming "suckers" and carp from

the holes left in the river's drainage. No trout were found in them.

Sand Bar Uncovered.

An excellent quality of sand and gravel has been exposed and will probably be used up as the demand for gravel has cleaned up most of the convenient banks.

E. S. Coy Very Low.

Word was received this morning by G. M. Richey that E. S. Coy, a former resident and merchant of this city, who was for many years associated with Jay Brooks, an old time merchant, is very low at his Tacoma home and is not expected to live twenty-four hours.

NOWADAYS

Most women do their ironing in comfort because they use an **ELECTRIC IRON**—But—the **ELECTRIC IRON** brings comfort for *one day* only in a week.

Three Times a Day

Many of the same women drudge in the kitchen over a **hot stove**—why not have complete comfort *every day* by using an **ELECTRIC RANGE**? Unless you have an **ELECTRIC RANGE** you are not enjoying your rights. Attend the **ELECTRIC LUNCHEON** this evening, a real **ELECTRIC LUNCHEON** when meats will be roasted without water in the pan and without basting—Hams are baked without boiling and as for broiling, there is only one perfect way, the **Electric Broiler** saves the juices—The **Electric Broiler** will be used at the

ELECTRIC LUNCHEON

This Evening **Henry & Carr's Furniture Store**

Eastern Oregon Light & Power Co.