

AIR "SCHOOL" A NOVEL ONE

FIFTY-CAR TRAIN EQUIPMENT ON ONE CAR.

Superintendent Can Demonstrate With Practical Lessons.

Commencing this morning a schedule of air brake instruction was started for O.-W. employes in this city. At 9 this morning the employes, at least all who could attend, heard the first lecture and witnessed the first demonstration by Superintendent Frank Westworth. At 2:30 this afternoon, the trainmen had their inning and after a few days the schedule will be reversed so that the employes will be lectured to in the afternoon.

The instruction car is equipped with the three principal systems of air brakes, and was built by the O.-W. at the Albina shops. It contains all the cylinders and an auxiliary air tank that would be used on a 30-car freight train, and then contains as much pipe for the trainline air as would be needed to run from the 30th car to the 50th car of freight train. At the end of that long piece of pipe coiled under the floor is the 31st cylinder. In this way the car is equipped with all the necessary air cylinders and piping to make up a 50 car train. It also has a separate equipment for a six-cylinder passenger train. All intricacies of the system can be demonstrated to a class of about 30 at a time, colored maps designed and painted to conform with the different systems built in the car, and other paraphernalia making demonstration convenient.

The car is an extremely well built affair, giving a private office accommodation to Superintendent Westworth, two "bunks", an emergency food chest, electric fans and lights, and other luxuries and necessities being provided.

Superintendent Westworth will remain here for some time to school every employe in the air science.

CONTRACT LET TONIGHT.

School Board Will Decide on Heating Contract This Evening.

The school board meets this evening to decide upon the letting of the heating contract for the new Central school building. The subject of applicants for the position of science teacher will also be discussed and probably decided at this meeting. Many other matters of minor importance will also be decided this evening preparatory to the opening of school in September.

A few weeks will see the small boys' fishing pole laid aside, the kite strings wound up and stored away, the swimming suit packed securely and a long delayed scrubbing taking place, and the string of ill kept books will be unpacked for another winter's use, as he prepares, very unwillingly, to walk up the long hill for the first school day.

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CINDER WORK MADE EASIER

NEW CONVEYOR PUT INTO USE IN O.-W. YARDS.

Locals and Personals About O.-W. Officials and Employes.

Cinders accumulating in O.-W. locomotives out of here are no longer shoveled to flat cars by hand from pits but are run up and loaded direct from the locomotive in a Robertson cinder conveyor just put into working order in the yards here. The locomotive is run over a suspended track and halted so that when the cinders are dragged out from the fire box, they fall into two receiving cars that are placed on an incline track. When filled, the air from the engine is made to operate a hydraulic cylinder that pulls the loaded car of cinders up the incline track to a point where the cinders will fall into a cinder car itself standing on another regular track. In this way one man does all the work and does it promptly. While the engine "stokers" are filling one of the two cars, the other is being run up the incline and dumped into the flat car. The plan works smoothly and eliminates the hand shoveling.

The monthly visit of the supply train to Eastern Oregon is at hand. General Manager M. J. Buckley is with the train and as the train goes over the line it leaves supplies at way stations and picks up what surplus there is. Incidentally the head officials get a chance to give thorough inspection to all details that would not be afforded on a regular passenger train or from the private cars. The train brings everything that is needed in the mechanical department of the O.-W., especially to the small stations.

Auditor Picken is in the city today going over the books and accounts, it being his regular monthly auditing tour.

Assistant General Passenger Agent A. C. Miller was in La Grande this morning on his way to visit Wallowa county for the first time. Mr. Miller seldom gets out of Portland and he has not had the privilege of visiting Wallowa county to date. He has been to Elgin but never into Wallowa county and he made a hurried trip today going there and back without stopping over night.

Jim Miller was here this morning to work up interest in the beach excursion which the O.-W. and O. S. L. will run on the 21st. Jim succeeds Hugh O'Neil as traveling passenger agent and this will be the first big excursion he will superintend out of Eastern Oregon. He anticipates a big crowd from Wallowa county.

WILL OPEN REPAIR SHOP.

Half-Sole Shoes in Twenty Minutes, Machine's Capacity.

Richard Duignan, salesman in the N. K. West shoe department will resign his present position September first and open a modern shoe repairing store in connection with a cigar store in the McKenna building adjoining the Western Union office. The shop will be equipped with modern machinery, now on the way, and the plant will turn out a pair of shoes put in for re-heeling and half soles, in 20 minutes. All work will be done by machinery. Mr. Duignan hopes to have the shop in full operation by the first of the coming month, having previously purchased the cigar store and shoe shining parlors now located there. Mr. Duignan was for several years employed in the shoe business before coming to La Grande and is well acquainted with the shoe repairing machinery which he will operate himself.

SAND CURES SOLON.

Congressman From Indiana Eats Sand In Copious Quantities.

Muncie, Ind., Aug. 14.—Sand—parboiled, baked or fried—has cured all stomach troubles for George W. Cromer, former congressman from the eighth congressional district. John Fitzgibbons, president of the Muncie Ornamental Iron company, and Harry W. Long, lawyer, and twice prosecuting attorney of Delaware county. To-

TWO PARTIES APPEAL CASE

WINNER AND LOSER ARE BOTH DISSATISFIED.

Several Cases Go to the Supreme Court From This County.

More cases have been sent to the supreme court of Oregon from this county recently. Among those enumerated in the Observer previously are:

The case of Greenwood vs. Eastern Oregon Light & Power company, has been appealed by both parties. The circuit court jury gave Greenwood \$800 for injuries received in an accident wherein he was burned by the power company's wires in this county. The company, however, is also appealing and both parties are dissatisfied with the verdict.

O.-W. against Susan Crane et al, regarding condemnation proceedings over some property at the crossing of North Second and the O.-W. main line. Turner Oliver is appealing for the defendant.

Hunters Warned.

The grouse law does not become effective tomorrow, as has been the custom for years. This fact should not be overlooked by hunters. The new game code puts the grouse in effect on September 1st.

day despite much laughter that sometimes greets them when they tell the stories of their recovery from indigestion, dyspepsia and other stomach troubles, they are spreading the gospel of sand.

Fitzgibbons read of the sand cure in a Chicago newspaper and tried it out. It worked wonders for him. It was much the same way with Cromer and Long. With only half faith, but desperate from years of suffering, they tried out the sand cure and declare they are again sound and whole in the regions of the stomach and that their general health has been improved seventy-five per cent.

"But why the different treatment of the sand," Fitzgibbons was asked.

"I can't explain it. Raw sand will do the trick for some people. Baked sand will do it for me. Another might have to have the sand parboiled, steamed or fried. Just look me over. Before I took the baked sand cure I was nervous, generally run down, and a nuisance to my friends and my family. If there is anyone in the world who feels better than I do these days, or who can stand more work and be pleasanter about it than myself, I'd like to get a look at him. The sand I use is the common ordinary sand with the dirt picked out."

Advices late today from Chicago state that Miss Sarah Smith has arrived there safely and had a pleasant trip.

City Property Traded.

Lars Johnson of this city, has traded some of his holdings for the large brick house and grounds at No. 1702 North Ash, formerly owned by F. A. Wagoner of Enterprise. Mr. Johnson will move into his new home immediately, and intends making it his permanent home; the consideration was \$5,000. The holdings Mr. Johnson traded amounts to the same. Mr. Wagoner has other holdings in this city and will trade some of his outside property for La Grande property any time where values are equal. The transaction was closed through the office of The Chatas Brace, Realty company of this city.

Land for Fish Hatchery Is Denied.

Pendleton, Aug. 15.—Because the Indians of the Umatilla reservation are found to be unanimous against granting reservation land to the state for use as a fish hatchery at Gibbon the application of the state fish and game commission for such land has been formally denied by the interior department.

Notice to this effect has been received here by Major Swartzlander, agent upon the reservation and he in turn has notified Messrs. Cranston and Ladow, prominent workers for the hatchery, of the action taken. The notice from the department shows the action was taken purely as a result of the adverse sentiment among the Indians. It was found that satisfac-

tory terms could be made with the state commission and that the hatchery would be beneficial to the Indians as well as whites. However, in deference to the feeling among the Indians the request for the land is denied.

Among the local sportsmen there is regret over the failure to obtain a hatchery at Gibbon. It is regarded as a deserving project and there is said to be no reason whatever for the stand the Indians have taken. Their stand is said to have been instigated by a fellow named Sarnhart who was here several years ago and became angrier at local sportsmen when he failed to land a job as game deputy. He is said to have circulated a false impression regarding the hatchery among the Indians and this led to their opposition.

Hybrid Horse Discovered.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Experts of the bureau of animal industry believe they have discovered a new cross breed of horse that will prove as tough and useful as the mule and yet have the intelligence and speed of the full blood horse. This decision has been reached after experiments made by breeding "Dan", the Greavy zebra from the National zoological garden to a Morgan mare at the Maryland experimental farm of the department of agriculture. The resultant foal has been highly praised by horsemen and the breeders are urging that the government import as many more zebras of the same strain as can be procured for the purpose of establishing the new breed.

Rev. Close Returns.

Rev. R. E. Close returned from Walla Walla today, where he has been on a short vacation trip.

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COLOR BLINDNESS.

It Takes Some Peculiar Twists In the Matter of Heredity.

Professor Bateson in lecturing before the Royal Institution on "Heredity of Sex" related some curious facts which had been discovered as the result of examining several generations of a family in which color blindness appeared.

A color blind woman was very rarely found, and she was always the daughter of a color blind man. Her sons and daughters would be normal, but if her daughters had sons they would be found to be normal and color blind in equal numbers.

A curious anomaly with reference to color blindness appeared in twin girls. They were exactly alike in appearance, but one girl was color blind and the other not. No explanation of this exception has been found.

Professor Bateson said that there was a popular belief that sons in certain respects took after their mothers and daughters after their fathers. Within a reasonable range of speculation this was so. As to sons taking after their mothers, they saw this in the experience of their own families.—London Cor. New York Times

Why Clocks Get Out of Order.

The reason why mantelpiece clocks so often get out of order is so obvious that it is strange that attention to it has not been drawn before. A London clockmaker said:

"It is because mantelpieces are rarely level. If a clock meant for a mantelpiece is not placed in an exactly horizontal position it is sure to go wrong. When the clock gains or loses because of its slanting position people regularly move the hands forward or backward, as the case may be, in order to adjust it. Eventually the clock's hands are moved about so much that the mechanism gets out of order and the clock refuses even to tick. Watches and travelling clocks are constructed differently from the stationary clock, and they will go in any position. That is why they are relied upon more than the ornamental mantelpiece clock."—New York Times.

A Born Statesman.

"What's the idea, George?" inquired Mr. Washington. "Why do you chop down this cherry tree? Have you anything against cherry trees?"

"No, sir."

"Maybe you are in favor of deforestation?"

"No, sir."

"Doing this for a movie picture concern?"

"By no means."

"Then why chop down a tree?"

"I just thought of going on the stump," replied the future father of his country. And then Mr. Washington realized that George was a born statesman.—Kansas City Journal.

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