

RE-DIVISION FACES BOARD

NEW SCHOOL REQUIRES CHANGES IN PRECINCTS.

Employment of Guard Temporarily Has Been Suggested.

Questions of division of the school precincts caused by the erection of a new grade school on North Second cannot be worked out before school opens, it appears. When the subway at North Second is completed the rearrangement of districts will be easy but many parents object to sending their children across the dangerous crossing which would be necessary for a period of two or three months this fall if south side students near the school house were sent to the north side building. One plan that has been advanced but not accepted or finally acted on, is to employ a watchman at the crossings during the hours that children are crossing.

The whole problem will come up for settlement by Superintendent John Gardner and the board as soon as the school opens.

New Teacher Elected.
Miss Maude E. Leadworth, a graduate of the local high school, and the Ellensburg Normal, has been elected to fill the vacancy in the grade school faculty caused by the resignation of Miss Beiver. Miss Leadworth was one of the most popular and studious members of her school class.

31,000 FROM FIFTEEN ACRES.

Cherry Is King In Cove and It Brings the Coin.

George Thomas, one of the substantial citizens of the Cove country, is in La Grande today. In talking with a reporter for the Observer the cherry business was mentioned and while Mr. Thomas did not want to boast he admitted that he received over \$4,000 from 15 acres of cherries. He says the cherry is the great crop of Cove and always will be. Trees bear to a very old age, in fact he said, "You have to ask some one older than I am to find when a cherry tree quits bearing for I have one on my place that was bearing in 1877, and this year I took 840 pounds of as fine cherries as you ever saw from it."

THURSDAY IS BANANA DAY.
(Thursday will be Banana Day with all Grocers. Rich, ripe Bananas 25c.)
Bananas frozen, Bananas fried, Bananas so many he almost died; Bananas soup and a la mode, He ate until he looked like a toad.
"The party was a lady."

WHAT

DRESSERS, LACE CURTAINS
DINING ROOM TABLE, KITCHEN TABLE, CABINET TABLE, ROCKERS, WRITING DESK, BOOK CASE, AXMINSTER RUGS, LARGE REFRIGERATOR, SINGER SEWING MACHINE AND DISHES
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Saturday Night
GALLERY FOR SPECTATORS PARENTS ESPECIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND.
STRICTLY HIGH CLASS.
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HOLBROOK LAID TO REST

MAN WHO DIED SUDDENLY MONDAY IS BURIED TODAY.

Of Kentucky Birth, He Came West In 1905, Locating Here.

Friends of the William Holbrook family this afternoon paid their last respects to the remains of William Holbrook, who, Monday afternoon died quite suddenly. The funeral was held from the residence on their street with Rev. R. E. Close of the Baptist church officiating.

William Holbrook was born January 17, 1862, at Louisville, Ky., and when still a young boy was moved with his parents to Arkansas. After a period of eight years he and his family moved to Oklahoma where they resided until William Holbrook moved to La Grande in October, 1905. In Oklahoma he married Abbie Jane Buck, November 3, 1892 and to this union were born Celas G., Carmi E., Claude P., Cordia (who died in La Grande in September in 1906), Carl F. and Clara T. With the exception noted these survive Mr. Holbrook with the wife and mother to mourn the death of a loving, dutiful and honored husband and father which Mr. Holbrook was in the truest sense of the term. In addition to these there survive four sisters: Miss Anna Holbrook, of Hollene, N. Mex., Mrs. Katherine Taylor, of Hollene, N. Mex., Mrs. Frances Taylor, of Wapanacha, Okla., Mrs. Anna Watts of Wapanacha, Okla.

The deceased was a member of the I. O. O. F. lodge, No. 16, of La Grande, and of the Woodmen of the World, camp 169, both lodges being well represented at the funeral today.

From his early boyhood, Mr. Holbrook was a devout christian. He joined the church as a boy and died as a faithful member of the La Grande Baptist church. His chief object in life was to provide for his family and to put into his practical life the best precepts of a christian life. He will be missed by his friends and fellow churchmen, mourned by his more intimate friends and never forgotten by his family.

WEARING MOCCASINS.

August Stange Emulates Chief Joseph During Summer Season.

Although wearing an Indian moccasin, August Stange denies that he has taken up the Red Man's burden. The fact is he was playing tennis a few nights ago and sprained an ankle which has caused him to wear the soft shoe.

DETROIT CAR HERE.

Family Going to Seattle to Seek Location Passes Here.

On their way from Detroit, Mich., where they left three weeks ago yesterday, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Adams and daughter arrived in La Grande today by auto en route to Seattle. They will spend the year there and if satisfied with conditions will remain permanently. They expect to go by way of Portland. At Chicago and Salt Lake they made extended stops and have taken life easy all the way over the Overland trail, having had no experiences of the unusual sort.

Library Foundation Begun.

The excavation for the basement of the new library on Fourth and Pennsylvania, is practically complete and the laying of the cement foundation had its beginning today.

New Appointments Made.

The new pastor, Rev. W. A. Orr, of the South Methodist church, will fill the La Grande pulpit Sunday. Following are the appointments for the Oregon district made at the Milton conference:

Oregon district, W. A. Orr, presiding elder; Wingville, C. N. Cross, supply; Boise valley, W. G. Formis, supply; Heppner, W. F. Goulder; La Grande, W. A. Orr; Lexington, Lester Taber; Milton, S. G. Rogers; Pendleton, C. R. Howard; Walla Walla, C. R. Howard; Richland, Frank Hopkins; Weston, N. D. Wood; president Columbia Junior college, J. E. Crutchfield; students at Columbia college, J. Harry Lumper, C. R. Sims; chaplain of the Washington state penitentiary, Edward Barber; educational secretary, S. G. Rogers.

\$475 In Fireworks Set Off.

Molalla, Ore., Aug. 26.—Fireworks valued at \$475 were displayed Friday night at the ranch of J. A. Newton, eight miles east of here. Several hundred people from this community, as well as Oregon City and Portland, were present. The exhibition was free to all. It required four hours, from 6 o'clock until 10 o'clock to finish the display. The daylight pieces were elaborate. One of the features was a specially prepared one to advertise the fair and celebration to be held at Molalla September 19-20. Mr. Newton was former owner of the Newton Gun company. The fireworks are furnished by his sons, who are manufacturers of them in San Francisco. This is the third year Mr. Newton has had a display at his home. He has lived in this locality eight years.

Mr. Newton will furnish a few daylight pieces to be used on the arrival of the special trains during the coming fall.

RAILROADERS MAKE SPEECHES

SHOULDER-RUB AT CLUB IS BIG SUCCESS.

Several Speeches, Band Music and Lemonade on Top.

At the "shoulder-rub" last evening in the Commercial club rooms a large number gathered and for two hours listened to speeches by A. W. Pearly, superintendent of efficiency of the O. W. R. & N. company, Richard Buckley, trainmaster, Judge J. W. Knowles, Peter Biever, who talked from an employee's standpoint, T. J. Scroggin and F. L. Meyers, who spoke from the business end of a railroad pay roll town.

It was the "waks" in celebration of C. M. Humphreys, secretary of the club, who retires at the end of the month and enters the commission business where he expects to "make an honest living" in the future.

The evening's program started with two rousing numbers from the new augmented La Grande band. The chief speaker of the evening, A. W. Pearly, was then introduced and for more than an hour he held everyone's attention with his delineation of the attitude of the public toward the railroads of the country. His mission in life is to reduce the expenses of a railroad and to get greater efficiency in every department. He called attention of the engineers to the fifteen pounds of coal used every time a locomotive is allowed to "pop" and after multiplying that fifteen pounds by all locomotives on the system, it showed tremendous expense. He showed where railroad companies were cutting out the use of envelopes between different departments because of the saving. There are but illustrations of the economy being used by transportation companies. Touching upon the drastic laws adopted which affect railroads Mr. Pearly insisted that what continuation of the feeling against corporations and adoption of one law after another demanding extra expense in the different states; with the government setting the selling price of transportation and the advance in labor and all commodities necessary to build and operate railroads the outlook for future development is poor. Less than five per cent was earned to stockholders in railroads last year, according to Mr. Pearly, and today it is next to impossible to get money for railroad extension. The Frisco and other railroad systems of the middle west and east have gone into receiver's hands of late and the speaker attributed this due to the refusal of a raise in freight rates by the Interstate Commerce commission and the added cost of operation.

Richard Buckley dwelt for some little time on the question of fairness to railroads but he took the view that everyone would yet be happy and that the people would in due time hasten to repair damage done as quickly as they have acted in bringing on the damage.

Both Mr. Scroggin and Mr. Meyers voiced the sentiment of La Grande when they told of the welcome pay rolls of the O. W. R. & N. to this city and paid high tribute to the quality of citizenship among the railroad employees stationed at La Grande.

Pete Biever, who has run an engine on this road for years and years, spoke in an interesting manner of the part the railroad employees take in the great transportation machine and voiced sincere appreciation of the way the company and this city treats railroad people. "It is only a question of making good and being a man," remarked Mr. Biever, "and I am proud to state that railroad population of La Grande share my view along these lines."

Following the speech making a get-acquainted period followed and the pool and billiard tables worked overtime the remainder of the evening. Lemonade was served as refreshment, with "Ole" Stageberg as master of ceremony.

Town Hunts Mad Coyote.

Baker, Ore., Aug. 26.—North Powder is up in arms on the hut for a mad coyote that is skirting the edge of the town. It was seen Saturday night attacking a dog on the Chris Johnson ranch, and was driven away by Frank Hobbs. It was next seen at the J. W. McPhee ranch biting McPhee's dog. It escaped and next was sighted near the outskirts of the town.

Both dogs were immediately snort and all ranchers and others living at the town boundaries are keeping close watch.

Big Lumber Yard Burns.

Bay Point, Cal., Aug. 27.—More than 50,000,000 feet of lumber, valued at a million dollars were destroyed by fire which swept the \$5,000,000 plant of the C. A. Smith Lumber company today.

Children Hunt for Parent.

Salem, Ore., Aug. 26.—Stating that they have not seen their father for 18 years, James Bidwell, aged 21, and Maud Bidwell, his younger sister, of Miles City, Mont., have asked Governor West to assist in locating him. They believe he is in this state.

CONFERENCE SIDELIGHTS

C. E. Deal is a very devout minister; one wouldn't have to consider his clerical garb to reach that conclusion for his behavior is always sober, dignified and all that a preacher's mein should be. That is neither here nor there, however, about his name. Rev. Deal had set sail for Kalamazoo and had been in Oregon several years before it was discovered what that middle initial stood for. The importance came out about four years ago when a Portland newspaper man had occasion to interview Rev. Deal, who was then in La Grande, and in writing his story, the Portlander played to that

CAUTION AND PATIENCE

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rooted in patience and done with calm disinterested deliberation; menace on our part would be useless and fraught with every risk of wrong and folly. We cannot afford to exercise restraint as a great nation realizing our exceeding strength, but scorning to use it. It was our duty to offer assistance and now it is our duty to show what neutrality will do to enable the Mexicans to set affairs in order, to await further opportunity to offer friendly counsels, the doors are not closed for the resumption of negotiations upon Mexico's initiative or upon ours.

At 11 this morning the Mexican situation is at its most critical stage. The president is still undecided as to whether or not he will read his Mexican message to congress this afternoon. If it is possible he wants to see Huerta's latest note before revealing his policy through his appeal to congress. Charge d'Affairs O'Shaughnessy cabled the state department early today that Huerta sent a note to Emissary Lind, who is at Vera Cruz, prepared to start home. It is believed that the president will keep congress in session until the dispatch arrives. Secretary of the Navy Daniels, saw the president today and it is believed that he will arrange to furnish a war ship to bring Lind home in the event of the failure of his mission.

The president set forth Huerta's reply through the foreign minister, Gamboa, in which Huerta refused to promise he wouldn't be a candidate for the presidency and asserting that he must refuse the proposal for an armistice on the ground that he must punish the outlaws now in the field. Gamboa's note urged American neutrality and the recognition of Huerta as president, deploring the tension with the United States and denied that Mexico was responsible therefor. It also recalled the recognition by Huerta of Ambassador Wilson.

CONFERENCE MACHINERY

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Rev. Luscombe, Meridian, Idaho; Rev. McLeod, Shoshone, Idaho; Rev. J. W. Miller and wife, Joseph, Ore.; Rev. Willis Martin, Boise; Rev. J. G. A. Martin, Union; Henry Martin and family; M. McCutcheon, Idaho City; Rev. Osterhout, Nampa; Rev. Pemberton, Sweet, Idaho; Rev. Parker and wife, Twin Falls, Idaho; Rev. Potter and wife, Promise; Rev. Pratt, Richfield, Idaho; Rev. Turner, Alicel; Rev. Richards, Mr. Ross, Boise; Mr. Shields, Ola, Idaho; Rev. Sifton, Mountain Home; Rev. Sheldon, Portland; Rev. Trueblood and wife, Cove; Rev. Trenery, Chicago; Rev. Van Dusen, Boise; Rev. Varnum, Bliss; Rev. Vernon, Wilder, Idaho; Rev. Woodhull, Twin Falls; Rev. Wheeler, Montpelier, Idaho; Clarence True Wilson, Portland; Rev. lace, Aberdeen, Idaho; Rev. White, White, Buehl; Mr. Ward, Haines; Rev. C. L. Walker, Nyssa; Rev. Williams, Ashton, Idaho; Rev. Young and wife, North Powder; Rev. Yaggy, Albion.

The Culprit.

"Had all my money taken last night. Woke up hearing some one in the room reached under the pillow for my revolver, but didn't shoot."
"Why didn't you?"
"I'd be a widower if I had."—London Telegram

Most Intensive.

"Do you believe in intensive gardening. Mrs. Hoerke?" asked the visitor.
"Well, rather," said Mrs. Hoerke.
"I spent all last winter raising one gersanium in a soap box."—Harper's Weekly.

Delegates to Oklahoma City.

Milton, Ore., Aug. 26.—Saturday was held the election of delegates to the general conference, which meets next year in Oklahoma City. The delegates elect are: Ministerial—A. L. Thoroughman, Spokane; alternate, Rev. J. E. Critchfield, Milton. Lay delegate—T. H. Howard, Oakdale; alternate—George E. Hodgins, Baker City. Two candidates for the ministry were received into full connection, S. E. Powell and J. W. De Parter.

fight you ever saw, it is no wonder that R. C. is dubbed "Fighting R. C. Lee."

Rev. Jenkins came to La Grande from the Blackfoot country, where it freezes in July. On the 13th of last month a severe frost visited his section. Mr. Jenkins is of Welsh descent though he is an Englishman by birth and in the three or four months he has been in the west he has learned much about high prices—prices that cause wonder, for he is extremely unfamiliar with 60 cent eggs, \$5.00 shoes and other correspondingly high figures. Mr. Welsh is one of those who

REV. J. D. GILLILAN, ONE OF THREE PRESIDING ELDERS AT CONFERENCE.



Three presiding elders, or district superintendents, embrace all the territory involved in the Idaho conference now in session here. Rev. J. D. Gillilan has the Boise district; Rev. W. A. Winters has the La Grande district, and H. W. Parker, headquartered at Twin Falls, has the Pocatello district, the most southern portion of the entire conference district.

is appearing before the examination board for elder's orders.

Rev. Day, now located at Middleton, Idaho, is here but not for the first time. Mr. Day was located at Summerville in 1912 and is a fond admirer of the Grande Ronde valley.

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Respectfully,
Mazanti & Sherwood, Mgrs.