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TRACING THE CONGRESSMEN.

If the National Voters' league, in carrying out its plan to keep "the folks at home" informed of the congressman's record down to the last detail, succeeds in keeping partnership or bias from its reports it will be in a position to do a useful work.

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With a dependable and non-partisan body of men securing and indexing the relation of each individual member to legislation there can be no excuse for such disputes as occasionally arise between candidates as to the position which one has taken during a previous term.

BAND CONCERT PROGRAM.

Appended is the Band Concert Program for This Evening.
March, "The Westerner," ... Losey
Habanera, "Mexican Kisses," Roberts
Medley march, "In the Land of Harmony, Introducing "When the Bloom Is On the Hether... Snyder
Cornet solo, "Prog hiera," ...Tosti
Mr. Tatman.

REPORTS GIVEN CHEER.

Falls. Solo—Mrs. Finzer, Idaho Falls. Conference report—Mrs. E. C. Cook, read by Mrs. G. W. Barnes. Male quartet—La Grande. Address—Miss Maude Keneworthy, Portland, Oregon. Address—Dr. Fulkerson, Nagasaki, Japan. Benediction—Dr. W. H. Martin of Boise.

Friday, August 29.

9:00 a. m.—Devotions, Bishop Luccock.
9:30 a. m.—Business Session.
11:45 a. m.—Adjournment.
2:30 p. m.—Anniversary Woman's Foreign Missionary society.
4:00 p. m.—Meeting of Conference Brotherhood.
8:00 p. m.—Social service. Address—O. P. Christian, superintendent Children's Home, Boise. Address—H. L. Hamilton, of Pocatello.

Saturday, August 30.

9:00 a. m.—Devotions, Bishop Luccock.
9:30 a. m.—Business session.
11:45 a. m.—Adjournment.
8:00 p. m.—College platform meeting, Hon. G. W. Podgham, chairman, Salmon City. Address—Dr. Fletcher Homan, Salem, Ore. Address—Dr. W. H. Martin, Boise, Idaho. Address—Dr. P. W. Powers, Blackfoot, Idaho. Address—Ex-Governor Gooding, of Gooding, Idaho.

Sunday, August 31.

9:30 a. m.—Love feast, led by J. W. Vandusen, Boise.
11:00 a. m.—Sermon, by Bishop Luccock.
Homer E. Cullison, of Weiser, in Baptist church, high school auditorium.
C. E. Deal, of Portland in Christian church.
W. A. James, of Wallowa, Presbyterian church.
2:30 p. m.—Ordination service
4:00 p. m.—Memorial services.
7:00 p. m.—Epworth League, led by G. G. Haley, of Boise.
8:00 p. m.—Anniversary Sunday board.

Horstman Resting Easy.

Reports today are that Contractor Joe Horstman who was seriously injured yesterday when a safe fell on him, is resting fully as well as could be expected. His left arm was broken in two places and several ribs were broken, but it appears now that internal injuries were not very serious. It is believed the arm will not have to

be amputated yet it is said to be a little early to pass finally on that matter. One of the strange incidents about the accident, which came within a fraction of an inch of claiming Mr. Horstman's life, was that seven or eight men tilted the three-ton safe sufficiently to get Mr. Horstman's arm free.

Ladies, Look and Read!

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Children's Eyes Defective.

Buffalo, Aug. 29.—Declaring the 25 per cent of all children attending school have defective vision or eye-strain, Dr. Louis C. Wessells, ophthalmologist for the Philadelphia board of health strongly urged more thorough inspection by physicians of the school children. Dr. Wessells was speaking on the subject, "Defective Vision in School Children from an Economical Standpoint," before the fourth international congress on school hygiene today.

"Medical inspection of school children," he declared, "has revealed the fact that at least 25 per cent of all children attending school have defective vision. In the majority of cases suitable glasses would cause these otherwise backward children to advance and take their places in classes with 'normal' children. Such corrections not only increase the learning ability of the pupil and mean less work for the teacher, but they have an economic value as well, because if a child is backward and remains in the same class for two or three years, it is costing the state two or three times as much as is necessary to teach that child."

"Few children remain in school after the age of fourteen, the legal age in most states at which they are permitted to work. This fact emphasizes the necessity of examining the eyes of children in the kindergarten and the first grades. The fact I wish most to emphasize is the importance of municipalities establishing their own eye dispensaries for the refracting and furnishing of glasses free to the poorer children at least. This is an economic problem rather than a charity, as it would reduce the cost of educating the child and at the same time increase the efficiency of both the pupil and the teacher."

Other subjects discussed at today's sessions were "School Feeding," "Tuberculosis Among School Children," "The Conservation of Vision Among School Children," and the "School Feeding Movement." Speaking on the last mentioned subject, Louis Stevens Bryant, of the University of Pennsylvania said: "The greatest need of the school movement along this line today is not propaganda—it is going forward with its own momentum. What is needed is the development of better methods in medical examination of pupils and of a system of 'school feeding,' and finally the constant extension of scientific experimentation in this field which affords an unrivaled opportunity for the development of the science of nutrition."

Salem Lad Drowns.

Salem, Ore., Aug. 28.—Karol, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jaskoski, was drowned while swimming just above the county bridge across the Willamette here yesterday afternoon about 3:30 o'clock. There were several boys in the water, and young Jaskoski undertook to swim to a log boom about 75 yards out. Kenneth Pennebaker was on the log boom and when Jaskoski had nearly reached it, thinking he was perfectly safe, young Pennebaker started to walk towards the shore on the boom. Hearing Jaskoski call, he turned and dove in to his assistance. He got his arm around the boy's neck and tried to help him reach the boom, but Jaskoski had lost his head and grabbed him around the neck in such a way that he was forced to break away from him in order to save himself. After doing so, however, he grabbed the drowning boy by the hair, but in the struggle lost his hold and the boy went under. The father, who is foreman in the Statesman office, was at once notified and rushed to the river bank but he could do nothing. The victim of the treacherous river was a pupil of the east school, ranking high in school work and being prominent in athletics. The river is being dragged but it will probably be some time before the body is recovered as the current is strong where the accident occurred, and the body would be carried down until some eddy held it.

Paving Brings Protest.

Springfield, Ore., Aug. 28.—A protest was filed at the meeting of the city council last night against the ordinance compelling property owners to pay for the paving of street intersections and keys. The council favors enforcing the ordinance. The Fifth street paving was accepted and the street ordered opened. The council heard a complaint about its street work registered by Milton McKlenn, who erected his residence according to an old city survey, and now finds that it is 17 inches in the street, and asks

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CONFERENCE SIDELIGHTS

The preachers knocked off business matters this afternoon, at 3:30 to play a sure "nuff" game of ball. The ministers will uphold their athletic honors on the one hand and the laymen are after their scalp. Bishop Luccock is scheduled to leave over the first twister and ex-Governor Gooding of Gooding, Idaho is to do the backstop job. The ministers, however, have a black horse, Walter Johnson, which they intend to run up on the hill to twist 'em over in the main portion of the game. The laymen have been strangely mum during the day as to what they have in store, but it will be a lallapalooza of a game everybody admits.

Bishop Luccock has humorous incidents befall him, some times, when he goes to towns where he is a stranger. He has been approached in Portland, as being John Bunney, and "Foxy Grandpa," is another name that have been given him. They invariably call him these names with reverence too, for there is no gainsaying that there are some resemblances between the famous moving picture artist and the bishop.

Members of the Idaho Conference whose native state is Michigan, have formed a special club, known as the Wolverine club. W. W. Deal, of Nampa, the first of the Wolverines now here to come west, is president and the club's career will be auspiciously ushered in this evening at 7 o'clock when the members dine at the cafeteria. In addition to the members who will attend the banquet, there will be several guests of honor, including Bishop Luccock, ex-Governor Gooding, Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Fyke, Mrs. J. W. Miller, Ex-Governor Gooding, formerly of Michigan, is an honorary member of the club, whose regular members are: Reverends W. W. Deal, of Nampa; W. S. Woodhull of Twin Falls; C. L. Bent, of Emmett; H. E. Bush, of Salmon City; A. C. Quinn, of Alicel; James Fritch, of American Falls; C. E. Deal, of Fruitland; C. A. Varnum, of Bliss; O. P. Christian, of the Children's Home in Boise; J. W. Miller, of Joseph.

Many places of interest in the Grande Ronde valley were scanned today in an automobile ride taken by the visiting ministers and their wives as guests of the businessmen of the city. The first car left promptly at 7 and the last at 7:30. The Palmer mill, the park, the farming district and Island City were visited. The cars took different routes going and coming, as far as possible, and it was a great treat for the visitors. Early breakfasts were necessitated but none were late.

J. M. Dressler, located at Imbler some little time, is one of the oldest men in attendance, from a viewpoint of service. He has never been a member of this conference, however, having held his membership in another conference continually.

T. P. Graham, associate editor of the Long Valley Advocate at Roseberry, which is only a few miles from the famous Payette lakes, is one of the guests in this city this week. Mr. Graham comes from what is generally known as the best fishing and hunting grounds in Idaho, if not the north-west. He recites some exciting tales

the city to pay for moving his home and for the new plumbing. This was referred to the street committee. An ordinance permitting skating rinks to run on Sunday afternoons, agreed upon at an extra session of the council last week, was passed.

Paper Chase Is Attraction.

Gearhart, Ore., Aug. 28.—Extensive preparations are being made for the paper chase to be held on Labor Day at Gearhart. A large number of reservations are made at the Hotel Gearhart and many visitors are expected by the cottagers.

Monmouth Postoffice Robbed.

Monmouth, Ore., Aug. 28.—The post-office here was robbed last night, making the second time within the past two months that this office has been entered by burglars. On the first occasion only the mail sacks were disturbed, but this time the safe was blown up and about \$300 in money and \$400 in stamps taken. The safe is a total wreck, and the office is strewn with scattered bits and scraps of metal from its walls and doors. It is the belief that the safe was blown about 12 o'clock last night, and that it was the work of experienced men in that line. Entrance was effected through a side window which had been forced open.

So far as can be learned no clew to the perpetrators has been found, but it is believed that they were yeggmen.

Girls Worth Jail Sentence.

Oregon City, Ore., Aug. 28.—Clifford Anderson, who last week followed an Oregon City woman on the streets and was arrested for mashing, was sentenced to 50 days in jail by City Recorder Stipp Monday afternoon on condition that he would leave town. Anderson was escorted to the city limits this morning by patrolman and started for Portland. He turned back a minute, saying he thought Oregon City girls worth going to jail for, but as the officers made preparations to handcuff him upon re-arrest, he changed his mind again and went on his way north. He is thought to be insane, but when examined before County Judge Anderson, was found not in such condition as would admit him to the state asylum.

LONDON'S ANCIENT TOWER.

A Beefeater and a Yeoman Lock Its Gates Every Night.

Strange to say, very few people are aware of an ancient custom which is still kept up at the Tower of London. Just before midnight a beefeater and the chief yeoman porter secure the keys from the governor's house to "lock up." Having received the keys they proceed to the guard room.

"Escort for the keys" calls out the porter, and a sergeant and six privates turn out.

The procession then marches off, and the sentries they pass issue the usual challenge of "Who goes there?" to which the answer is "Keys."

Arriving at the entrance to the Tower grounds, the lion's gate, the porter locks the gates and the party returns to the guardroom, the sentry challenging as before and receiving the same answer. However, on arrival at the guardroom again the sentry stationed there stamps his foot, at the same time giving the usual challenge.

"Keys," replies the porter.

"Whose keys?" the sentry asks.

"King George's keys."

"Advance King George's keys, and all's well."

The porter then says, "God bless King George," and all present respond with "Amen." The keys are then saluted and returned to the governor's house, where they remain until the next night's ceremony. — Pearson's Weekly.

Alike One Way.

Bacon-Huxley said that an oryster is as complicated as a watch. Ebert-Well, I know both of them run down easily. —Yunkers Statesman.

Envy is an awkward homage that inferiority pays to merit.—La Motte.

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