

SCHOOL YEAR HALF THROUGH

EACH TEACHER DRAFTS OWN
QUESTIONS.

Present Week Given Over to Examinations In Local School Rooms.

Half of the present school year is over. Examinations in all the classes and departments above the fourth are having examinations. Unlike former years, each teacher has the formulating of her own examination questions, thus enabling her to give her pupils a fairer test in all the subjects. The questions are then submitted to the superintendent of the schools, John Girdler, who passes on the questions and fairness. In this way every class has a chance of making the required marks for passing into the next class.

GIFTED DANCER PLEASURES

CLASSIC INTERPRETATION GIVEN FAMOUS DANCES.

Small Audience Witnesses Dance Trip Through Classics.

Miss Athmore Grey danced to a small house of appreciative spectators last night. The first part of her program was rather coldly received and did not intimate any ability on the part of this gifted little woman. She sang a number of songs, but her forte is not singing as everybody soon perceived. But when she entered upon the execution of her classic dances many people rose to their feet, for she is unquestionably an artist in this field. She is wonderfully graceful, and her interpretations are vivid and charming. She was handicapped by lack of proper lighting effect and music, both of which would have added materially to her dancing. Her presentation of Salome was very good but was marked by too great an absence of ordinary or extraordinary habiliments. She shows much training, and went all through her parts without a hitch. It was probably the best dancing ever seen in La Grande.

REGISTRATION BLANKS SENT

FULL DETAILS OF NEW REQUIREMENTS GIVEN.

Registrations Made Prior to January First Must Be Redone.

County Clerk Ed Wright was busy this morning shipping registration and election blanks to the various notaries and justices of the peace outside the city of La Grande who have sent in requests for same. In regard to this rather misunderstood question it might be well to set out some directions that will enable people of the county to know just what they will be expected to do in this matter.

Registration will be the same as it was two years ago. All persons who registered before the county clerk or officials appointed by him are not officially registered and will have to be re-registered. In other words, anyone not registered since January 1 of this year will have to be re-registered again.

The registration books are now open and will remain open until the first of May.

Immediately after the primary election the books will be open again and remain open until 30 days prior to the regular election which takes place on November 3.

La Grande has been re-districted. Instead of five precincts there are now seven. But it must be borne in mind that this re-districting has nothing to do with the wards of the city, which will remain as before. The re-districting relates only to county and state elections. Elgin has been

KNIGHTS PICK FEBRUARY 20

DISTRICT CONVENTION TO BE HELD THAT DATE.

Dokeys and Knights of Pythias Coming at Same Time.

February 20 was last night agreed upon by Red Cross Lodge No. 27 as the date for the district convention of Knights of Pythias to be held in this city. The 19th was discarded for the reason that the Golden Jubilee celebration throughout the United States on that day calls for every lodge being in convention in its own castle so far as possible. The schedule adopted last night brings the annual installation of the Dokey temple in La Grande on that date. The exact program depends somewhat on developments yet to come, but will be announced in due order. The essential fact is right now that February 20 has been chosen as the date for the convention and for the installation of the Dramatic Order of Knights of Korassans. Committees were appointed last night by H. E. Dixon, chancellor commander of the local lodge and also deputy district chancellor commander. Within a few days the nature of the work to be done in initiatory lines on the date of the convention will be settled and may prove something entirely out of the ordinary.

Between 250 and 300 Knights will be here on that occasion.

re-districted and now has four instead of two precincts. Union has three instead of two. Cove has two instead of one. North Powder has two instead of one.

Another point of interest and information is this: Registration before a city official has nothing to do with this county and state election. Registration is necessary regardless of the fact that every person may have been registered a dozen times for city elections.

Justices of the peace and notaries outside the city of La Grande may register, provided they get the requisite blanks from the county clerk. In the city of La Grande only the county clerk, Ed Wright, can validly register.

The election will effect the following county offices. County clerk, sheriff, recorder, treasurer, surveyor, coroner, circuit judge, county judge, and one commissioner, the office now held by Galloway, of Elgin. Office of county attorney expires at the end of this year and the successor will be appointed by the governor.

READING.

Some will read only old books, as if there were no valuable truths to be discovered in modern publications, while others will read only new books, as if some valuable truths are not among the old. Some will not read a book because they are acquainted with the author, by which the reader may be more injured than the author. Others read not only the book, but would also read the man, by which the most ingenious author may be injured by the most impertinent reader.—Lord Disraeli.

COURAGE.

No man can be brave who thinks pain the greatest evil nor temperate who considers pleasure the highest good.—Cicero.

Remember to be calm in adversity.—Horace.

In great straits and when hope is small the boldest counsels are the safest.—Livy.

Courage conquers all things. It even gives strength to the body.—Ovid.

If we must fall we should boldly meet the danger.—Tacitus.

Do not yield to misfortunes, but meet them with fortitude.—Vergil.

CLOSE MATCH IN POOL GAME

CRAWFORD AND WEAVER HAVE SLIGHT LEAD.

Finish of Interesting Pool Match to Come Next Friday Evening.

Ellsworth Ellis and "Speed" Humphrey, comprising a team of two, and Ike Crawford and Wm. Weaver went through the first game of a two-session pool match at the Club pool rooms last night, and will finish the last 100 points of a 250 point match next Friday night. The crowd was tremendous and the presence of so many spectators rather "got" to the nerve of the players who on the whole are not used to appearing before critical eyes when playing. The score was low on that account. Speed Humphreys got the high run of 18 twice in succession with Weaver pushing him with two 10 runs and one 12. Twelve was the high run for Ellis Crawford ran 9.

The standing of the individuals and their totals thus far, are:

Ellis—Break, 2 0 0 3 0 7 1 0 0 1 5 3 4 12 0 2 0 3 0 0 2—43.

Humphreys—2 5 2 1 18 18 0 2 0 2 5 1 0 3 0 1 6 2 10 14 11 2—105. Total for these two, 148.

Weaver—0 9 8 0 10 4 3 4 1 10 9 0 0 7 1 0 0 4 5 12 2 0—89.

Crawford—1 3 2 0 2 4 9 0 6 0 6 5 2 0 0 2 1 7 1 4 6 1—62. Total for these two 151.

Averages: Weaver 4, Humphreys 5, Crawford 3 and Ellis 2.

Hollow Tooth Ache.

If you have a hollow tooth and it aches cut a piece of clove to fit the cavity and put it in lightly, allowing the upper part to stick out like a cork in a bottle. It will soon swell, keeping the air from the nerve, and the pain will cease until the clove drops out, when it may be replaced by another.—Exchange.

The Impossible.

"Is he as important as he thinks he is?"
"My goodness, no! No man is as important as that."—Detroit Free Press.

Sleep, riches and health to be truly enjoyed must be interrupted.—Richter.

OBITUARY.

John Herman Decious, the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Decious, was born in Cochocton county, Ohio, on May 5, 1881 and died at the home of his brother, Howard C. Decious, of this city, Jan. 6, 1914.

In 1882 he moved with his parents to York, Nebr., and from there to Custer county, Nebr., in 1887 where he grew to manhood.

On December 24, 1902 he was married to Miss Rosella Thomas of Ravenna, Nebr. Four children were born to this union all of whom are living. The last 12 years of his life was spent working for the C. B. & Q. R. R. with headquarters at Alliance, Nebr., first as brakeman and finally as switchman.

During the entire time of his service he was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen.

In November, 1913, he moved with his family from Alliance, Nebr., to La Grande, Ore., intending to make this his future home and at the time of his death was employed as brakeman on the O.-W. R. & N. R. R.

Besides wife and four children he leaves an aged mother and father, Frank and Jennie Decious, three sisters, Mrs. Hattie Sargent of Sanger, California, Mrs. Clara Carbiner of Lucas, Kansas, and Miss Minnie Decious of this city. Also four brothers, Howard C. Decious, Clyde L. Decious, Ben F. Decious and Harry B. Decious all of La Grande, besides other relatives and scores of friends to mourn his loss.

In Loving Remembrance of John H. Decious.

A precious one from us has gone,
A voice we love is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.
God in his wisdom has recalled
The boon his love had given;
And though the body molders here,
The soul is safe in Heaven.

NEWS OF DEATH RECEIVED.

Dr. Zimmerman Advised of Death of His Mother in Ohio.

Mrs. J. F. Zimmerman, mother of Dr. Geo. W. Zimmerman of this city and who spent several months in La Grande two years ago, died this morning in Canal Dover, Ohio, according to information received by the son here today. Mrs. Zimmerman has been ill for several years, in fact was in poor health when she was in La Grande. Death was not entirely unexpected in view of the prolonged illness. Dr. Zimmerman will not be able to attend the funeral services. Mrs. Zimmerman formed many warm friends in La Grande during her brief stay in the city.

Bank Stockholders Meet.

Both the local banks today are entertaining the stockholders of both institutions separately. The election of directors will come up late this afternoon.

COOLEY PROSECUTION WILL BE SPIRITED AND THOROUGH ONE

Salem, Or., Jan. 13.—Startling developments were promised today when the prosecutor's office announced that it is practically prepared to present a strong case at the coming trial of A. R. Cooley, accused of murdering Thomas Van Pelt near Chetco, Curry county, Oregon, on February 19, 1898.

At the time of Cooley's arrest in San Francisco a few weeks ago, the impression was given that Van Pelt's assassination was the result of a local feud, the victim having been previously accused, though never brought to trial, of complicity in the murder of Al Coolidge, said to be the representing of large fishing interests.

The fact was not brought out, however, that a powerful clique of rich politicians were said to have been dominating the Curry county district by a reign of terror, and that among their motives was the termination of independent fishing, that they be able to monopolize the industry between themselves. Van Pelt was one



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