

C A STOCK IN HAINES BANK

LOCAL BANKER IS CASHIER, W. T. WRIGHT PRESIDENT.

B. E. Harder, Well Known Haines Banker, to Tour The Country.

Haines, Feb. 16.—B. E. Harder, ex-mayor of Haines, has sold his entire interest in the Bank of Haines to Will T. Wright and C. A. Stock. Mr. Stock will succeed Mr. Harder as cashier and will assume his new duties March 1. Mr. Stock is at present connected with the United States National bank of La Grande and comes to Haines highly recommended. Mr. Wright is vice president of the Scandinavian-American Bank of Portland and formerly was superintendent of banks for this state.

The board of directors, now consisting of five members, J. H. Toney, W. J. Welch, H. K. Fisher, Frank Leonnig and Davis Wilcox, will be increased to seven, the new men being the purchasers of the bank.

The Bank of Haines is one of the most substantial in the state for a small town. Such an excellent showing is due in a great degree to Mr. Harder's untiring efforts and the use he made of the office which he held to advance this town and vicinity.

Mr. Harder will be out of the banking business for at least a year, according to prearranged plans, he and Mrs. Harder will take an automobile trip through the United States and Canada, after which they will sail for Europe, where they will visit all important countries and cities, returning by the way of the Philippine Islands and Hawaii, landing in San Francisco for the Exposition.

INSTITUTE AT UNION ON SAT.

LA GRANDE TEACHERS LEAVE
AT NOON.

Meritorious Program to be Carried
Out During Afternoon.

Next Saturday many La Grande teachers—all who can get away, in fact—are to attend a local institute at Union. The teachers leave at 11:45 a. m. and will return on the late evening train. The program committee consists of City Superintendent Smith of Union, and the county school superintendent, and among the speakers will be Superintendent John Girdler of La Grande, Superintendent Strange of Baker, Mrs. Stella Ingle of La Grande, and several others. An interesting afternoon's session is anticipated.

WILLARD MEMORIAL

W. C. T. U. Will Observe Memorial to
Organization Founder.

Thursday afternoon the W. C. T. U. of La Grande, will observe Francis Willard memorial exercises at the home of Mrs. Joseph Palmer, 901 Adams avenue. The program, announced to be excellent, will commence at 2:30 and all members and friends are urged to be present.

Call For Bids.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the County Court of Union County, Oregon, will receive sealed bids for the furnishing of 175 cords of three foot nine inch cordwood, cut from green yellow pine or red fir trees, wood to be delivered and corded in the basement of the court house in the city of La Grande on or before October 1, 1914. All bids must be filed with the county clerk on or before 12 o'clock noon of Wednesday, the 4th day of March, 1914, and must be accompanied by a certified check of five percent of the amount bid. The court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, February 16th, 1914.

ED. WRIGHT,
County Clerk.

FORM PARENT CLUB TONIGHT

HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM TO
BE USED FOR MEETING.

Very Important Mass Meeting Called
For 8 o'clock This Evening.

Commencing at 8 o'clock this evening, parents and school teachers hold their mass meeting at the high school auditorium 'o perfect organization of a Parent-Teachers' association. The purposes of such an organization have already been elaborated upon by teachers, women's clubs and the Observer, and it has long since become apparent that this organization has done immense good in other states and communities and, therefore, can be applied successfully in La Grande. Its field is limitless, its needs immediate everywhere, and its organization easy.

Every man and woman who has a student in the schools of La Grande should attend this meeting this evening. All are welcome and urgently requested to be present.

MINSTREL NUMBERS GOOD

Excellent Selection of Numbers to Be
Presented by Amateurs.

Details of the Cabaret Minstrels, to be given for the benefit of the Guild society have been announced. The list of song numbers follows:

PROGRAMME:
Solo—Chesapeake Bay,
Glen Conkey.

Solo—The Month of June is a Song
of Love,

Miss Olive Massee.
Seashore specialty—Miss Ruth Gas-
kill and Mr. Robert Pattison.

Solo—Underneath the Teasing Moon,
Ellsworth Ellis.

Joe Weber and Lew Fields, imperson-
ation—Joe Whitby and Clay Woods.

Solo—Down in Dear Old New Orleans
Mr. L. D. Howland.

Finale—Little Dream Boat of Mine,
Miss Ruth Gaskill.

Between the first and second part
will be a crayon specialty by Per-
cival Melville and Clarence Woods.

OLIO.

Quartette—(Rigoletto-Verdi)
Ellis, Birnie, Linebaugh, Birnie.

Solo—Selected,
Mrs. J. P. Graham.

Duet—(El Trovatore-Verdi)
Mrs. George S. Birnie and Ells-
worth Ellis.

Solo—Selected,
Mrs. T. J. Scroggin.

Group of Songs (McDowell)
Mrs. Edith Phy.

Ladies Trio—Summer Fancies, Metra
Mesdames G. S. Birnie, O. E. Sil-
verthorn, Linebaugh.

Solo—Selected,
Mrs. J. F. Corbett.

Rejuvenation Duet—(Faust-Gounod)
Mrs. G. S. Birnie and E. Ellis.

Finale—Chorus with effects by entire
cast.

Government of Japan.

The government of Japan is not an absolute monarchy, the mikado being largely responsible to the parliament and, to a degree, to the people back of the parliament. Under the mikado is the house of peers, composed of the princes of the blood and the nobility and the representatives of the vested interests, and the house of representatives, which is made up of some 380 members, representing the masses of the people.—New York Journal.

An Exception.

Little Mary was coloring pictures with her set of paints. She used a tint that failed to please and exclaimed: "Oh, I didn't mean to do that! However, what's done is done and can't be undone—except shoe laces."—Chicago News.

Poor Dora.

"Dora must have suffered some terrible disappointment. One never sees her smile now. What is the matter?" "She's had two front teeth pulled out."—London Telegraph.

Up in a Balloon.

To remount motionless and watch the earth fall away from you as rapidly as a baseball falls from you when dropped from a window is the sensation of going up in a balloon.

There is only one cure for public distress, and that is public education, directed to make men thoughtful, merciful and just.—Ruskin.

WHO WILL RUN IS A QUESTION

REPUBLICANS ARE SLOW TO AN-
NOUNCE FOR OFFICES.

Democrats Active In Some of the Lar-
ger Offices.

As the days roll by and the primary date looms ahead activity for filing on different offices is not marked, especially in the republican camp.

Senator Charles Barrett was over from Athena Saturday talking to a few friends about running for joint senator again. It is Union county's turn to have this office but the lukewarm feeling of republicans here about getting in the game may cause the present senator to take another try for the place.

William Sargent in a very pointed and understandable platform, has announced for representative from Union county, and Dr. Maher of Wal-
lowa, has announced his candidacy for the joint representative from Wal-
lowa-Union counties.

Several rumors have been floating over this water district that Edward D. Baldwin, of The Dalles, contemplates entering the race against Geo. Cochran of this city, but as Mr. Baldwin is in Washington, this rumor can not be either affirmed or denied. It is known that he has had an eye on the office since it was created. Baldwin is private secretary to Congressman Sinnott, secretary of the state central committee at the present time and was secretary to Congressman Ellis during the last four years of his political career.

While Mr. Cochran has not announced himself there is little question that he will run again for the office, basing his request for the place on his record as water commissioner.

WANTED ONE MORE RIDE.

But Neither Pride Nor Glory Figured
In His Ambition.

The Boston Transcript tells an amusing story of one of the subjects of Lord Kitchener, consul general in Egypt, who turned the power and influence of the famous English soldier to his personal profit.

While driving one day Lord Kitchener noticed an old man in the street whom he recognized as an acquaintance from the Sudan. The consul general ordered the driver to stop and invited the old man to take a seat in the carriage. So the two drove together through the town to the place to which the Sudanese wanted to go.

A few days later the dark friend of Lord Kitchener was seen hovering about the British agency. At last an officer asked him what he wanted.

"I should so much like to drive out with Lord Kitchener once more," the old man replied.

"Why?" the officer asked.

"You see," the Sudanese answered naively, "after my friends and acquaintances saw me sitting at the side of Lord Kitchener they came to me, one after the other, and from one I received £5, from another £2, from others £1 and 40 pence from the very poorest. They all believe that I could speak in favor of El Lord."

"And," the old man added, "I should very much like to see that happen all over again."

VARYING FORCE OF RADIUM.

Powers of the Three Different Rays—
Alpha, Beta and Gamma.

There are three kinds of so called rays having their inciting origin in radium. The three rays are known as alpha, beta and gamma rays, and each of these has characteristic peculiarities.

The alpha rays have a range inside of half an inch from their source, the beta rays reach about three times as far, and the gamma rays are yet more penetrating. A thin sheet of paper or a film of tin foil or mica will effectually halt the alpha rays. A millimeter of lead or five millimeters of aluminum will stop the further progress of the beta rays, but the gamma rays will go through nineteen centimeters of iron or seven centimeters of lead before their original intensity is reduced 1 per cent.

The alpha rays consist of positively charged atoms of helium advancing at a velocity of 12,000 miles a second, and the beta rays are negatively charged bodies projected at a speed of quite 500,000 miles in the same interval of time. Roughly, the beta rays are a hundred times more penetrating than the alpha rays, while the gamma rays, in their turn, are a hundredfold as searching as the beta rays.—Exchange.

WELL-DIGGING CASE NEAR END

JURY TO GET FAMOUS CASE BY
EVENING SOME TIME.

Demurrers In Statutory Cases Over-
ruled By Judge Knowles.

The circuit court is digging the well again, which Roscoe West dug for the Union warehouse at Alicel—that is, in theory. All of the details that have been gone over ad infinitum in the previous trials of this big dispute are being resurrected in the minds of the men concerned, and form either the basis for new views of the case or will add materially in the plea to the jury. Many questions are based on questions and answers made at the previous trial and by reason of the fact that memory is not always accurate, some of the testimony is going to vary. What effect it will have on the case is not known. It is likely that the case will go to the jury late this afternoon.

The demurrer to the indictment of Alvin Orton and Thos. Jones was overruled by Judge Knowles this morning and the defendants, through their attorney, C. H. Finn, entered a plea of not guilty. They will be tried at this term of court. The date has not been set.

GLOOMY CARLYLE.

His Pessimism and His Wonder at the
Optimism of Emerson.

Thomas Carlyle's friendship with Ralph Waldo Emerson is a matter of history, but Charles Elliot Norton tells in his published letters that Carlyle marveled at the optimism of the American philosopher. Writing in 1873, Norton says: "As we were sitting together just after my coming in this afternoon, Carlyle spoke of Emerson. 'There's a great contrast between Emerson and myself. He seems verra content with life and takes much satisfaction in the world, especially in your country. One would suppose to hear him that he had no troubles there and no share in the darkness that hangs over these old lands. It's a verra strikin' and curious spectacle to behold a man so confidently cheerful as Emerson in these days.'

"I agree with ye in thinkin' that the times that are comin' will be worse than ours, and that ye, and by men may through long pain and distress learn to obey the law eternal of order without which there can be neither justice nor real happiness in this world or in any other. The last man in England who had real faith in it was Oliver Cromwell."

"Well, it may be as you say. I'm not such a verra bloody minded old villain after all there a cordial laugh, not quite so horrid an ogre as some good people imagine. But the world is verra black to me, and I see nothin' to be content with in this brand new, patent society of ours. There's nothin' to hope for from it but confusion."

HERE ONLY 2 WEEKS LONGER

Otto West, with George A.
Anderson Co. Soon to
Leave La Grande.

Announcement has been made by the George A. Anderson store that their designer and dressmaker, Mr. Otto West, is to leave La Grande in two weeks. Mr. West has been busy here for the past month instructing the ladies of La Grande in the art of making high class gowns and has gotten splendid results. His plan is to have the lady select the fabric she desires, then he drapes it just as it will appear when made up. After pinning the goods secure he instructs the lady how to make up the garment herself. In this way the cost of beautiful dresses is reduced besides the student gaining expert information in the dress makers' art. Two weeks more will end his engagement in this city with the Anderson store and all ladies who have not benefited by his visit to La Grande are requested to call at once.—Adv. 2-16,1t.

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