

COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD SOUGHT

RADICAL CHANGES PROPOSED IN SENATE BILL

County School Superintendent Would Be Appointive Office.

Mrs. A. E. Ivanhoe, county school superintendent is in receipt of a copy of Senate Bill No. 87 which provides for the abolishment of the present existing school districts and creating five districts in each county, one representative from each district so created to compose county school board who shall have jurisdiction over all school affairs in the county.

The bill provides that the county school board shall appoint the county superintendent, and, upon the recommendation of the superintendent shall employ all of the teachers and other employes of all schools in the county other than in districts of the first class.

The bill also makes it optional with each county in the state as to whether or not the provisions of the bill shall be effective in such counties and provides that 100 petitioners can call a special election to decide this matter. This in itself is creating quite a bit of opposition to the proposed bill as it would entail a heavy expense and it is claimed by those who have made a study of the bill that all of the meritorious features of the proposed legislation are now incorporated in other laws and that the enactment of the new measure would impose an additional tax of from one and one-half to two mills on the taxpayers of this county. Considerable agitation has arisen over the state against the passage of this bill and there is some sentiment here in opposition to the measure.

MAD COYOTE EPIDEMIC.

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Grande in isolated cases. Prompt action, it is hoped, will stamp it out. City Manager Lafky and Chief of Police Oral are now working on plans to reduce the dangers.

A report on the developments to date was made at the meeting of the city commission last evening.

Resolutions and ordinances occupied the time of the city commissioners at their meeting last night. A resolution was passed authorizing the recorder to issue purchasing bonds in improvement districts 89, 88, 90 and 91.

Another resolution passed by the commissioner adjusts some differences existing in the street assessment of C. P. Newlin on Oak street.

An ordinance providing for the re-organization of the volunteer fire department which was up for third reading, was killed and a new ordinance providing for the same thing with amendments to the original ordinance was placed upon first and second reading.

A communication received from the Y. M. C. A. relative to water for 1915 was read, and a resolution will probably be drawn up granting them city water gratis as was done last year.

General manager's report for the week ending January 23, 1915. To The Commission, Gentlemen—The police arrested 12 besides one arrest on a state case. Six prisoners worked, one was dismissed and two remain in jail. Fines and forfeitures for the week were \$68.00. Pound fees \$1.09. There were 15 sleepers.

There were no fires last week. The street superintendent spent \$100.60 excavating under the building. Of this \$51.00 was prison labor. Also bought one wheelbarrow for \$6.00 and paid \$33.60 for meal tickets.



MODART CORSETS
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\$3.50 and up
Pauline Lederle
Red 3141, Next Door to Western Union.

etc. Also furnished man and team \$4.75 for thawing one day.

The recorder received \$58.00 fines and \$1.00 pound fees. He issued license for four pool tables on treasurer's receipt for \$45.00; one taxi license on \$5.00 receipt, and one shooting gallery license on \$15.00 receipt. He drew a warrant for \$1151.27 in payment of judgment for \$1,000.00 damages and \$74.10 costs in circuit and \$42.00 supreme court costs, and \$34.17 interest in Coleman case. Also drew warrants for \$23.75 on labor certificates allowed and \$80.31 balance of interest to Warren Construction Co., on warrants on Second street south of railroad. These warrants were paid last spring but no interest was then paid.

Water superintendent had 996 turn-ons and off last year.

The Water superintendent is too busy thawing pipes to make any report. Will report next time for two weeks.

The treasurer received \$38.55 water rents, \$45.00 license for four pool tables \$5.00 for one taxi, \$15.00 for one shooting gallery, 50 cents for one electrical permit, \$704.31 improvement interest. He paid \$1157.52 water warrants, \$1151.27 was the judgment, costs and interest in the Coleman vs. City case. He also paid \$611.78 improvement interest and \$23.75 Beaver creek sinking funds for road warrants.

The excavation under the building is far enough along to determine the exact location of the boilers etc., to be installed.

The dog tags and receipts are now ready and I recommend a vigorous enforcement of license payment. We all know that a dog becomes almost one of the family and we are sensitive on the matter of the dog's rights. But when we have actual cases of rabies all round us as well as in town we should have no scruples in requiring disposal of all worthless and roaming dogs the better to protect the people as well as the dogs worth while. It might be well for owners to keep close tab on their dogs so as not to expose them to attacks of roaming dogs that may be infected. The inconvenience to people and dogs would not begin to measure up to the horrible misery and suffering of one case of rabies whether man or beast. A dog acting suspiciously was killed last Sunday after biting several dogs and threatening to bite several people.

Respectfully submitted,
F. J. LAFKY,
General Manager.

Hot Lunch Furnished.

Pendleton, Jan. 27.—District No. 39, of Umatilla county, the school which is located at Pilot Rock Junction, is the only school in Umatilla county that furnishes its pupils with a hot lunch at noon without cost. Whether there are any other schools in the county that follows this novel practice is not known. J. M. Harrison, clerk of the district, is in the city today and declares that the entire school board has pledged itself to this policy. At first the parents were required to furnish the provisions and they were cooked at the school, but because a few of the parents would not stand their share, the board voted to purchase the provisions with school funds. The cooking is done in the domestic science department of the school, Hot lunches make for better work on the part of the pupils, according to the way of thinking of the members of the board.

Parcel Day, Wednesday Feb. 3.

I, F. J. Lafky, city manager, in view of the fact that many of our worthy citizens of our fair city, on account of lack of employment and in many cases through no fault of their own have been unable to provide the necessities of life for themselves and their families of children and in view of the fact that the charitable organizations of the city are able to economically distribute such necessities through the recent organization of associated charities. Therefore I designate and set aside Wednesday, February 3rd, as parcel and bundle day and call upon all my fellow citizens who may be able to do so to bring to the Y. M. C. A. building such things as in his judgment would be welcome to a home destitute of the necessities of life. Those unable to bring parcels may call up Mrs. F. Jackson or the Y. M. C. A.

F. J. LAFKY,
General Manager.

SAVING OPPORTUNITIES.

There's never a time when there is not opportunity to save money in buying drug store goods of us. Often we have special drives on goods for every day use. At such times, the saving is unusually large.

Your money has greater buying power here than at most drug stores and there's satisfaction in many other ways. Our fine service should be particularly attractive to you. Better Things at Your Price Saturday 50c jar Palm Olive Cream and three cakes of Palm Olive Soap 50 cents for all.

Eight Boxes of Matches 25 cents.
Four Rolls ten cent Toilet Paper 25 cents.

No need of any one using a crippled comb, regular fifty cent combs 25 cents.

Regular 35 cent Tooth Brush with screw cap glass holder all for 25 cents.
Newlin Drug Co.

—Adv. 1 28 St.

WANTED—Clean rags, 2c per lb. at Observer office. 1 27 tf.

INDIAN CREEK PEOPLE BUSY

WISDOM SAWMILL CLOSED FOR THE PRESENT.

Ice Harvest Put Up—Other News From Indian Creek District.

Indian Creek, Jan. 25.—(Special)—Mr. Zeamer is making a new sleigh. He says he can use it next winter if he is too late for sleighing now.

Mrs. Scott and daughter, Esther, returned January 18 from their visit in Boise and report an enjoyable time though glad to return to Indian Creek.

Charley Barnes, of Idaho, has been visiting for the last two weeks at the A. Henderson home, his brother-in-law, returned home last Saturday. Ed. McDarius spent a pleasant evening with Geo. Scott's family last Friday.

The Schnore and Cross families have recovered from the chicken-pox and the children are in regular attendance at school.

Mr. Stoop has been hauling wood from here to Elgin. Wood is in demand these cold days, even here on the creek.

The Wisdom sawmill has shut down for the present, having all the logs sawed, and are stacking their lumber on the J. S. Spiker ranch so that when the weather an droids are in better condition they expect to haul it into Elgin.

The school is progressing nicely under the efficient management of Mrs. Sanders with an enrollment of 21 pupils with a daily attendance of 16. Mesdames Spiker and Sanders called on Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Scott, one evening last week.

The Union Sunday school is progressing nicely with good attendance and an increasing interest. Also the Young People's meeting which is held every Sunday evening at 7:30.

Mr. Palmer has bought the Nebeker place. He and Mr. Tobrock are busy cutting and hauling wood to Elgin.

Mr. Wisdom is busy remodeling his house since he finished sawing logs.

J. S. Spiker is busy cutting wood and brush, clearing up a piece of land that he intends to sow spring grain on.

Milton Bennett's family have had severe colds, the children being unable to attend school last week. Mr. Bennett is digging a well on his place, as he thinks he will save time by having a well instead of hauling water from the creek.

J. S. Spiker and wife visited with Milton Bennett's family Sunday. Messrs. Horn and Scott have finished putting up their supply of ice for the summer.

Mrs. Clifford is visiting with her son who lives in Pine Grove.

The people of Summerville do not need to envy San Francisco or the vicinity of Mt. Lassen, at least not yet, in presupposing a few pounds of dynamite equals an earthquake, when, if they were as industrious and energetic as the Indian Creekers they, nor their horses, would not be excited enough to comment nor run when shaken a little by a few pounds of powder. Come over and see how we produce miniature earthquakes. We wonder what has become of the Mt. Glenites. Did they, too, get frightened at the Summerville earthquake? If so, we hasten to assure you there is no danger whatever as that was only a handful of powder. So let us hear soon.

Jacob Smith, who lives about three miles above Horn's place states there is about two feet of the beautiful. While here on the lower part of the creek about eight inches deep is all we can boast of, so far.

Uncle John Bussears and Ed. McDarius are hauling straw from the Somers place for their stock.

Coyotes and prairie chickens seem to be plentiful on the creek this winter.

J. S. Spiker was a visitor to La Grande the first of the week.

Arthur Bussears has finished his logging contract for Hackett's mill and returned home last Friday.

MISSED THE TRAIN.

It Was Not the Agent's Fault, Either, Only His Misfortune.

The real estate man from the city was eager to close the deal for Uncle Billy Weatherman's forty acres, which would front on a beautiful lake after the big White river dam in the Missouri Ozarks was built.

The papers lay on the table awaiting Uncle Billy's signature. The real estate man was impatient. He was in a hurry to get back to Hollister, the nearest railway station, so as to catch the only train that would get him back to Kansas City the next morning.

"Now, if you'll sign right there—on the dotted line," he said, handing a fountain pen to Uncle Billy.

Uncle Billy took out his spectacles and read the papers carefully.

"I reckon I'd better not be in too big a hurry about this byar," he temporized, with the shrewdness of the Ozark mountaineer. "I don't read as pear as I used to. I b'lieve I'll have my sons read them papers, mister."

"It would be a great favor to me, Uncle Billy," remarked the Kansas City man, looking at his watch, "if you could manage to see them in time to finish up this transaction by noon. You see, I've got to get away today. How many sons have you, anyway?"

Uncle Billy scratched his head a minute and said, "Eighteen."—Youth's Companion.

MARK DANIELS'S CAMPAIGN: "SEE AMERICA FIRST"



"See America First," is the slogan of the new superintendent of the 12 national parks under the charge of the Interior Department at Washington. Mark Daniels, the California landscape engineer, recently appointed to the place just created, has taken up the work not only of handling the national parks on a scientific basis, but of convincing the American people that they have spent millions to go to Europe for scenery when they had much better at home.

Franklin Lane, secretary of the interior, and Superintendent Daniels believe there never was such a time to convince the American public of the value of visiting the national parks that there is now with the great war raging. They are going to try to have millions of Americans understand the beauties and the wonders, not only of the Yellowstone, but of Mount Rainier Park, the Sequoia, the General Grant, and others.

New Bills at "Y"

All bills that are introduced in the legislature of this state during the present session, will be on file at the Y. M. C. A. reading room where the public can inspect them.

FOR RENT—Furnished house, close in, phone Main 728. 1 28 2t.

Dry 16-inch wood and posts for sale—J. D. Fitzgerald. Phone Red 3811.—Adv. 1 28 12tp.

Pleasant Old Customs.

Hospital patients of today are better off than their ancestors of "the good old times." Mr. Wheatley in his book on "London" quotes from a Scottish act of parliament of 1386 to the effect that "if any man brings to the market corrupt swine or salmon to be sold, they shall be taken by the beadle and incarcinated, without any question, call we sent to the leper folks," and if there be no lepers then only "shall they be destroyed utterly." The same pleasant custom obtained in Oxford in the fifteenth century, where all putrid meat and fish was by statute sent to St. John's hospital.

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Lead Pencils	1c
Handkerchiefs	1c
Baby Ribbon, per yard	1c

AND

Revol Snap Fasteners, per card	2c
Men's Arm Bands, per pair	2c
J. P. Coats' Darning Cotton	2c
Binding Tape, all sizes	2c
No. 2 size Safety Pins, 1 dozen to card	2c
Buttons, good pearl, a card	2c

AND

6 oz. Vaseline, per bottle	4c
Baby Talcum, per can	4c
Jerome's Talcum, per can	4c
Carter's Ink, per bottle	4c
Brass Tacks, 50 to box, per box	4c
Hair Pin Cabinets, 100 to box	4c
Cube Pins, per cube	4c
Colgate's Bath Soap	4c
J. P. Coats' Crochet Cotton	4c
Hooks and Eyes, rust proof	4c
Picture Wire, 10 yards to box	4c
Tooth Picks, per box	4c
Basting Cotton, per spool	4c
Coats' 200 Yard Spool Thread	4c
Clark's O. N. T. Thread	4c
Faber Erasers	4c
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Richey Piano House.
Richey Building—Opposite Elks Club.
—Adv. 1 28 1t.

WANTED—Clean rags, 2c per lb. at Observer office. 1 27 tf.

CLIMATIC DATA.

Climatic data, based on readings for 24 hours ending last night at 6 o'clock:
Maximum 33; Minimum, 9;
Lowest temperature last night 12 above zero.

WANTED—A good girl or widow for general house work. Call mornings from 9 to 12. 1101 O Ave. corner Fifth. 1 28 3t.

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