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ECONOMY IS WATCHWORD FOR SCHOOLS

Local Staff of Teachers To Be Curtailed To Some Extent

SALARIES ARE NOT TO BE INCREASED

Supervisors of Several Special Departments To Be Done Away With But Work To Be Retained Mostly.

Economy will be practiced in the La Grande schools during the year 1922-23, judging from the start made at this week's meeting of the board of education. The problem the board attempted to solve was not to curtail necessary work in the schools but at the same time cut materially into the expenses so that the rising taxes will be stemmed if possible.

No increases in salaries were granted any of the teachers and the majority have been re-elected. Several have been re-elected. All those who are being re-hired are being offered the same salary for next year as they are receiving now. The board has, however, lowered the entrance salary for new teachers. The new teachers are to be hired at a salary of from \$100 to \$200 per year less in the high school and \$10 to \$20 per month less in the grammar schools. As seven teachers have resigned the saving will be considerable. Those resigning are: Lucile Dunbar, Ora A. Eckles, Jessie Davis, Genevieve Jones, Jean M. Whitney, Frances Reynolds and Hazel J. Magnuson.

In order to effect economy without doing away with much of the curriculum of the schools the board decided to lop off several supervisors and do away with the paid athletic coach and military drill instructor.

Musical instruction will be retained but no supervisor of music will be employed as heretofore. Playground and physical training work will be continued but the principals of the several schools will supervise this branch of the work, doing away with a special teacher for that part of the school work. Athletics will continue in the high school but no paid coach will tutor the young athletes. All of these branches of work, including military drill, will be continued as in the past until the end of the current school year.

The process of elimination whereby the expenses for salaries could be lowered without decreasing the present salary of any teacher resulted in the following teachers failing to be re-elected: Miss Francis M. Birney, supervisor of music; Miss Genevieve Jones, supervisor of physical training for high school girls and for the grammar schools; Carl A. Lodel, athletic coach. J. F. Cramer, teacher in the science department, who has been in charge of military drill will continue the latter part of his work until the end of this year but next year devote his entire time to the science department.

The domestic science and manual training departments will be retained. Miss Blanche Clark, supervisor of art and penmanship, is the only supervisor that is being retained for next year.

Several teachers were not acted upon at the meeting this week. Action is to be taken on them regarding next

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President of Dail Eireann Greets the People of America

BY ARTHUR GRIFFITH, President of Dail Eireann. (Copyright 1922, N. E. A. Service.) DUBLIN, Ireland, Mar. 17.—Ireland greets America.

The new Ireland acknowledges and appreciates the steadfast sympathy and support she has received from the American people through all the years of struggle.

And she reaffirms the long-standing amity existing between the two countries.

On St. Patrick's Day last year Ireland was in the grip of terror, but she was sustained by the fundamental justice of her cause and by the sympathy of the people of the world and pre-eminently of the American people.

This year the terror is gone and Ireland takes control of her own destiny and place among the nations of the world.

The American people will now realize her faith in justice, and that Ireland was justified.

We have a great work before us to rebuild a nation oppressed for centuries.

We, the Irish people, take up the work joyfully.

Our friends in America will find that Ireland restored to the Irish people is also Ireland restored to the world.

The close friendship existing be-



ARTHUR GRIFFITH, President of Dail Eireann, greets the people of America. Ireland stands for those ideals now as heretofore. Friendship built upon these ideals is built upon enduring foundation.

NEW MAGAZINE TO BE ISSUED IN THIS CITY

A. W. Nelson Undertakes Publication of Periodical Featuring Eastern Oregon.

About March 25 the first number of The Co-operator, a new monthly to be published in La Grande, will be issued, the number bearing the date of April, 1922. A. W. Nelson, managing secretary of the Union county Ad club, is the editor and publisher of the new magazine.

The first issue will contain articles dealing with various matters of interest to Eastern Oregon. "The Farm Bureau," by Harry Avery, "Grange Activities," by W. R. Golder, "What the Tax Payers Found," by Walter M. Pierce, "Wage Reductions," by the Big Brotherhood, "The New Eastern Oregon Poultry Association," by L. M. Jensen, "The Success of the Oregon Wheat Growers Association," by J. E. Reynolds, are among the local writers having

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BAND TO GIVE CONCERT HERE APRIL SECOND

The La Grande Municipal Band, under the leadership of Andrew Loney, will give a free indoor concert in the Arcade Theater on Sunday afternoon of April 2, at 2 o'clock. The doors will be open at 4:15 o'clock and as soon as the seating capacity is full, the doors will be closed, no standing room being allowed.

This will be the first indoor concert given in La Grande for many a year and the first class quality of La Grande's musicians promises a very excellent program.

Radio Station at Elks Here First in State

La Grande Lodge Keeps Up With Progress and Will Furnish Novel Entertainment for Members.

By the first of next week, either Monday or Tuesday, the local Elks will have one of the most complete amateur radio stations in this section of the country, in operation. Aerials, forty feet high, are now completely constructed on the roof of the Elks lodge building and the remainder of the set is on the road, expected to arrive at any time. This will be the first such installation in the state by an Elks lodge.

"The last thing in amateur radio stations," states J. C. Hughes, who with C. D. Goodenough, is in charge of the committee that is handling the project. The other members of the committee are as follows: F. L. Robinson, Russell Gibson and E. S. Lyons.

The radio station they are installing is as large and complete as government regulations allow in amateur stations and will be open every night of the week, under the charge of competent operators, between the hours of 7:00 and 11:00 p. m. E. S. Lyons, formerly an operator in the navy and L. V. Thomas who held a similar position in the army, both competent radio operators, will be in charge of the station.

A magnavox attachment whereby anyone within the room will be able to hear the conversation, concerts, etc., that come through the air, has been ordered. Approximately two hundred people can be accommodated at one time in the receiving room.

Concerts will be scheduled beforehand so that the radio fans will be able to be on hand at the proper time. Another feature will be receiving late news from the Oregon Journal Radio News Service each night. Communication will be established with all Rocky Mountain and Pacific coast points, such as Denver, Seattle, Portland, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and others. Telegraph communications from Japan to Germany may be received. As time goes by the station will be improved as much as possible.

PIONEER OF VALLEY DIES IN PORTLAND

E. B. Morelock Will Be Buried in Summerville Cemetery on Sunday; Lived in Elgin Many Years.

Edward B. Morelock passed on at his home in Portland this morning. His remains will be forwarded to Summerville and the funeral will take place at the cemetery chapel there on Sunday, March 19, at one o'clock in the afternoon.

Edward B. Morelock was born in Sullivan county, Missouri, on May 25, 1845, the son of Enoch B. and Susan A. Morelock. He spent his early life in Missouri and in May, 1862, when the call for men to face the cannon in defense of our country, he enlisted in the Sixth Missouri Cavalry, and on July 27, 1864 he re-enlisted in Company K, Forty Second Missouri Infantry, being honorably discharged on March 22, 1865. His first service was under General Lyons in the Cumberland Army and the second term of service was under Sherman, in all of which relations he ever manifested both courage and faithfulness, leaving a record of which he and his family may well be proud. In May, 1865, with his brother, mother, and his wife's parents, he left the scenes of his youth, and journeying with Joe Knight's train, crossed the plains and chose a home site near Summerville, buying two hundred and forty acres from the state, and settled down to farming and stock raising.

His agricultural efforts were crowned with success and until 1885 he could be found steadily engaged in the work there and then he sold out and embarked in the state business from Union to Walla Walla.

Later he took up the implement business in Summerville, remaining until 1893, then moving to Elgin.

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Bakersfield Covered With Three Inches of Snow Last Night

For First Time in History of That Section of California Snow Falls; Garden Crops Harmed Little.

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Mar. 17.—For the first time in the history of the city people awakened to see the city under a blanket of snow. The fall in estimated at three inches this morning. This is an unprecedented freak in the weather and caused much excitement. Garden crops are not believed to have been seriously damaged.

(By Associated Press) TAFT, Calif., Mar. 17.—Snow covered the ground here this morning. It was two inches deep and snow ball fights were the order of the day.

Party Leaders Ask for Payment of Big Amount Owing U. S.

Both Parties Join in Demand that U. S. Force Payment of Rhine Occupation Immediately.

(The Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Mar. 17.—A declaration that the United States should insist upon the payment of its bill of \$241,000,000 for keeping American soldiers in Germany was made today in the senate by leaders of both parties. Senator Lodge, of Mass., and Senator Underwood, of Alabama, and Senator Borah spoke on the question. Underwood also urged the appointment of an American representative to the Allied reparations commission.



J. H. Pearce.

PEARE TELLS OF HIS DAYS IN IRELAND

Recalls Memories of Days of His Youth Near Where St. Patrick Lies Buried.

Jack Pearce is celebrating St. Patrick's Day today, along with many other residents of La Grande who have a soft spot in their hearts for Ireland. For Jack Pearce was born in Carrach Osnair, near the present city of Tipperary, and spent the early years of his life in old Ireland before he came to America. And he is a citizen of whom La Grande can be justly proud, having a wonderful record both as a business man and as an athlete.

He spent his early boyhood days playing over the same hills that St. Patrick had delivered many a sermon from and at the age of thirteen enrolled in the Armasna Smith College at Tipperary, where he spent five years. For another five years he served as an apprentice to a jeweler.

Mr. Pearce came to America in April, 1890, arriving in New York on April 7. He settled in La Grande in the same year, during the month of October, and today enjoys the distinction of being proprietor of the oldest business in La Grande, the J. H. Pearce & Son company, formerly known as the J. H. Pearce company. W. H. Bohlenkamp company is the next oldest firm in La Grande, being thirty years old, while Pearce's business is thirty-two years old.

Famed as Hurdler, In the days when he first came to La Grande Mr. Pearce had an enviable place in the ranks of famous athletes. He entered the Multnomah Club track meet for four years and won first place in the high hurdles, each of the four years, and held three Northwest records at one time. These were: 120-yard high hurdles, time, 17.5 seconds; running broad jump, 20 feet 3 inches; and running high jump, 5 feet 9 inches. These records possibly do not appear as important in these present days of athletic supremacy but thirty years ago they were an enviable achievement.

"For three years, the La Grande Hose Company held the world's championship in the hose cart races," says Mr. Pearce. "I was a member of the company and can recollect several other of my old pals who ran with our company. Among them were: Frank Leavitt, now master mechanic on the O.-W.; Jim Stacey, George Owens, well known here today; the Williams brothers, Jim Mills, who married a sister of Bill Grandy, present city commissioner; Fred Harding, a brother of Charles Harding; Hans Allen; M. J. Buckley, later general manager of the O.-W.; Dr. R. L. Lincoln, now located at Portland; Alva Jameison, also at Portland; Dan McLaughlin, later sheriff of Union county; and Bill Snodgrass, a brother of Jim Snodgrass."

"The business men and others have treated us with every possible consideration while we have been here, and we feel that we have never spent a more pleasant time while making a survey than during the last week," said Mr. Sykes.

NATIVES IN EAST AFRICA SLAIN IN CLASHES WITH THE POLICE AND TROOPS

SALVI TO BE HEARD HERE THIS EVENING

Harpist Heralded as One of Greatest Living Musicians To Appear At Tabernacle.

Mr. and Mrs. Alberto Salvi arrived in La Grande safely this morning on No. 24 and are guests of the Sommer during their stay in this city. Mr. Salvi has only been married about eight months and the happy couple are still on their honeymoon. They were met at the train by A. W. Nelson and Reverend G. H. Quigley.

The officers of the Neighborhood club called on Madame Salvi this afternoon and took her for a car ride and sightseeing tour over the city and surrounding vicinity. Both Mr. and Mrs. Salvi are delighted with the hospitality shown them by the people of La Grande.

Alberto Salvi, the phenomenal harpist, who will give one of his sensational recitals here this evening at the L. D. S. Tabernacle under the auspices of the Neighborhood club and the Ad club, has been acclaimed in over 200 American cities as the greatest harpist ever heard in this country. Salvi has accomplished what has always been considered an impossible feat, in that he gives an entire recital of harp music without any assistance whatever and holds his audiences spellbound.

Mr. Salvi was born in Venice, Italy, in 1893 and began taking lessons on the harp at the early age when he first started to go to school. He has continued his practice until he is acclaimed as the premier harpist by all who are fortunate to hear his recitals.

He is classed with the three greatest musicians of musical history, Paganini, violinist; Bach, organist,

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FIRE SURVEY IS COMPLETED

With the fire survey of La Grande completed with the exception of the final reports, the three deputy fire marshals who have been in La Grande inspecting the fire situation for about a week, left this morning on No. 24 for Pendleton, where they will survey the small towns adjacent to Pendleton.

The three men, Horace Sykes, Geo. W. Stokes and James Gleason, have been in La Grande for about a week and in addition to the fire survey Mr. Sykes gave a talk on fire prevention to all the schools. The Ad Club has invited him to meet with them a week from Wednesday and Mr. Sykes has accepted.

Twenty Die At Nairobi and Fifty Fall When Troops Charge

ARREST OF AGITATOR CAUSED DISAFFECTION

Natives Armed With Sticks Dispersed by Police's Bayonets Yesterday; Strikers Mobbing.

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Mar. 17.—Twenty natives were killed and 30 wounded at Nairobi, British East Africa yesterday in fighting following a demonstration over the arrest of an Indian agitator named Thuka, says a dispatch. Thuka was arrested Wednesday.

About a thousand natives armed with sticks assembled before the police station demanding his release. They were dispersed by the police who used bayonets.

Striking house boys and other native workers, reinforced by large numbers from the surrounding district advanced on the police palisade, using women as a shield. When the mob tried to rush the palisade troops which had arrived were ordered to fire. Fifty natives fell. The remainder stampeded.

WILL NOT STAY OUT OF LEAGUE

Union and Haines will be in the baseball league now being formed. Haines was at no time in doubt, but the Union club was a little uncertain until Fred Mires took hold and as he is a veteran at the game the Stock Show town should have a real aggregation this year.

FIND STOLEN BONDS

WINCHESTER, Va., Mar. 17.—The corner of a liberty band protruding from the door of a stove-into, which he was shoveling coal led to the discovery by R. A. Mitchell, railroad agent, of about \$75,000 in bonds concealed in the station coal bin.

Train Wrecked and Two Killed Early Today In Montana

Through Train and Stub Crash Head-On; Engineer is One of the Dead; Several are Reported Injured.

(By Associated Press)

BUTTE, Mont., Mar. 17.—Northern Pacific train No. 1, westbound, and stub No. 22, local from Butte to Billings, collided head-on this morning at Welsh, 16 miles from Butte. Engineer E. F. Caldwell of Livingston was killed. Several persons were reported injured. An unidentified man was also killed.



Tonight and Saturday fair.

High Spots in the History of Ireland

