

Feb 6, 1897.

Board of Directors of Eugene School Explain Reasons for Additional School Years.

daily Guard, February 12. On account of the regents of the university having cut off two years of the four years preparatory course in the University and the anxiety expressed by many of the patrons of the public schools as to the education of their children, we wish to say that the board of directors have today adopted a resolution to add a ninth year to the public schools of Eugene.

The citizens of Eugene, for the past twenty or more years, have provided for their children to enter the university in a proper manner, and we have no doubt they will continue to do so in the future, and advance the course of study to reach up to any advance in the course of study in the university. We understand that none of the pupils are in attendance at the university and to be turned away. This is very only those who are now in the public schools that are provided for in the said preparatory work cut off from the university, and in order to provide for their education in this preparatory work it is necessary to add only one year to the present public school course at the beginning of next school year.

There are about fifty pupils now in the public schools who will finish the eighth grade or eighth year work this year, and if they all continue in school next year and desire to prepare themselves for entrance into the university, it will incur but little additional expense, if any, to the taxpayers, to provide suitable instruction for them, as we now have one vacant room which may be thus occupied.

At the beginning of the second year of school it may be possible for all of the pupils continue in school, to add another year's work to the course of study.

Some of our citizens have advocated starting a high school at once, but such would be impossible under existing conditions, for, of the highest grade in the public schools this year, all are now provided with all the work they can carry, and possibly five pupils, and these can now find all the profitable employment, they can manage in classes now organized in our schools.

It would, therefore, be impossible to organize any part of a high school more than now have, and there will be available material next September to start only the second, third and fourth year high school pupils are now in the university, and, we are informed, will remain there.

Furthermore, we are of the opinion that the taxpayers would be unwilling to support a high school while all the pupils of the district are and may be thus properly provided for with so little expense as suggested above.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Invitation for Proposals to Execute Government Surveys.

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at this office on and including March 1, 1897, for making, measuring and marking, according to law and instructions, the corners, described surveys, to-wit: following:

Table with 4 columns: Fractional, N, R, W. Rows include 2 N R 6 W, 2 N R 8 E, 2 N R 43 E, 6 S R 7 E, 7 S R 4 E, 7 S R 5 E, 13 S R 9 W, 18 S R 2 E, 24 S R 12 W, 30 S R 14 W, 38 S R 6 W.

Total..... 639. Bids must be stated and prices per mile for each and all of the above classes of surveys, and no bids will be considered where the prices exceed \$20 per mile for subdivisional and connecting lines, \$23 for township and range lines, and \$25 for base, standard, meridian and meander lines.

All bids must be made in writing sealed, and marked "Proposal to Execute Government Survey described in Notice No 1 dated February 6th, 1897." Proposals may be left at this office in person or enclosed in an envelope and forwarded by mail.

Bids for the surveys described in this notice will be opened on March 2d, 1897, at 9 a. m., and notice forwarded to the successful bidder within reasonable time thereafter, accompanied with contract including said surveys, and bond, which must be properly executed and returned to this office immediately.

Only responsible, reliable, and competent surveyors will be employed, who must execute their surveys in person, and will be required to give bond in double the estimate amount of contract in each instance.

It will be required that the surveys herein described be completed and returns made to this office on or before December 31, 1897.

Surveyors may submit bids under more than one notice, but the bids must be separate each, and this office will limit each deputy to such an amount of work as can be properly completed within the time specified.

The right is reserved by this office to reject any and all bids, and no contract will be binding on the part of the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Office of U. S. Surveyor General, February 6, 1897. ROBERT A. HARRISMAN, U. S. Surveyor General.

LAMP FOUND.—The readers of the GUARD remember the report a few weeks ago of a house near Coloug. A few days since a small hand lamp was found lying at one side of the country road, near where the Taylor residence stood, by L. D. Holt of this city. The lamp was the property of the Taylor family and had been left sitting on a safe in the house before the fire and as nothing was saved from the dwelling, the finding of the lamp would indicate that some one was in the house at the time it was burned. If the lamp could speak it might reveal the origin of the fire.

Snow and rain today. City Marshal H. J. Day is home from Salem. H. Wehnard received a cartload of beer today. Rev. P. R. Barnett is visiting at home in this city. Father Linn went north this morning. Mrs. Grace Gougeon is visiting friends and relatives in Eugene. The Lakeview Examiner has quit on its 18th year. The Lake family has been entertained on its 18th year. February is proving itself to be the worst month in the year. Mrs. Geo. B. Dorn went to Salem today to visit with relatives and friends. Homer Davenport, the eminent cardiologist, is in Salem, visiting with his parents. George Handwerker, an affiliate of the Oregon Dramatic Lyceum, has returned on the afternoon train. The local historical association has elected Miss Helen Mann as official editor for the university paper. Charlotte Hurst has commenced suit in the district court against Kansas Wade to recover property. Dr. C. H. Chapman went to Albany today and will lecture to the students of the Albany college tonight. Miss Vella Hayes came up from Harrisburg today and will visit a few days with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Edwards. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Nettle of Portland, who have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Preston, returned home today. Miss Zilla Burdett, of Santa Rosa, California, formerly of this city, who is attending the Drain normal school, is visiting friends in Eugene. Journal: Dave Ross is holding down Ira Campbell's chair at the Hoffman House table. Dave thinks there may be aught in that chair. The faculty of the university has objected to the name "Webfoot Student" being applied to the new university paper, and the students find it necessary to choose some other title. A mass meeting of Salem citizens Friday night refused to instruct the city council to ask the legislature for authority to issue \$40,000 in bonds to cover outstanding indebtedness. A lady living in Eugene informs the Journal that she has a pullet eight months old that has laid a string of eggs and now has a brood of sixteen or more little chicks. Rather young to assume the responsibilities of motherhood. Who can beat it?

East Oregonian Congratulates.

"Ira Campbell, editor and proprietor of the Eugene GUARD, was married Saturday evening to Mrs. Ida N. Fraser, at Eugene, the home of each. Mrs. Campbell left immediately for Portland, and from there took the Evening train, passing through Pendleton this morning. They will go first to Astoria, and after visiting there for a few weeks, will leave for extended trip through Mexico, with the City of Mexico as their headquarters during their stay in that country. They will be away from home for two or three months, and return to go to bookkeeping in Eugene.

"Mrs. Fraser was formerly a resident of this city and has numerous friends here. Mr. Campbell has been for many years in control of the Daily Eugene GUARD, and is personally well known among the newspaper fraternity of Oregon. His friends are legion, and not one among the craft but will extend to him and his estimable bride the heartiest congratulations and wishes for happiness."

Valerian.

Hail to thy returning festival, old Bishop Valerian. Great is thy name in the rubric. Like unto thee, assuredly, there is no other mitred father in the calendar.—Lamb.

FIRE PAPER FLOWERS.—Paper flowers, many of them very beautiful, may be seen in the window of the Oregonian building in many places of the city just now. These imitations are made with the same tints and colors and the same shapes and forms as the natural flower, and so close is the resemblance, it requires the closest scrutiny to detect the difference. One advantage of the paper flowers over that of nature's production is that it will not lose its bright color, nor fade away and die. However, while very popular just now, the paper flower will soon run its course and will then be supplanted by some new novelty which will appeal to the fancy until it, too, becomes weary to the eye by the monotony of its presence and in turn will be relegated to the past and its place supplied by something newer.

MEDICAL CONCERN.—Prof. W. Gifford Nash, musical instructor in the Conservatory of Music, University of Oregon, and Miss Ellis, of Albany, gave a concert in the Congregational church Saturday night. They were greeted by a fair audience, considering that it is the city the same evening. The programme consisted of piano music by Mr. Nash, with Miss Dorris as accompanist on the first number, and vocal solos by Miss Ellis, and was equally well rendered. Mr. Nash's mastery of the piano is good and his playing charmed the audience which Miss Ellis is a sweet vocalist and won popular favor with the audience, which called for her back after the last number.

THE BIBLE INSTITUTE.—The Bible Institute which was held in this city Saturday and Sunday under the auspices of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. came to a close with the address of President Newlin in the M. E. church last night. The institute, which was held for the purpose of awakening interest in Bible study, has been very successful in point of interest and in attendance. The President Newlin spoke on "The Bible" in the M. E. church to a very good audience Saturday evening. His discourse was well received, Sunday morning at 8:30 o'clock an early morning meeting was held in the Congregational church and was quite well attended.

BUSINESS CHANGE.—J. T. Callison & Son have purchased the Ninth & Son have purchased the store from C. M. Street and took possession of the business Saturday. They will continue the business at its present location and will handle mill products, feed stuffs. They are well known gentlemen. Mr. Callison, Sr., being the senior member of the board of county commissioners, and will no doubt succeed in their new venture.

UNIVERSALIST SOCIAL.—The social given in Armory hall Saturday evening under the auspices of the Universalist church was well attended. A singing and musical program was rendered, after which those present danced until a late hour.

The eminent geologist, Will Condit, who is now in the city, proposes to issue a work on geology, says the East Oregonian. That journal has been permitted to make the first announcement of this fact, in proof, though his personal friends the professor has made it known for some time that such was his purpose. The simple announcement will cause general interest to be felt in the book. Prof. Condit, of the Oregon University, and Prof. Joseph LeConte, of the University of California, are among modern scholars classed as eminent. Prof. LeConte has gained distinction as the author of a work on evolution. It has stamped him as a most thorough investigator and close reasoner, and a thinker of purely scientific methods. His name has become familiar in Eastern educational institutions, where his work is a common textbook on evolution. By no means less distinguished is Prof. Condit, who has earned a world-wide fame as a geologist. These two men have, perhaps, done more for scholarship on the Pacific coast than any other two men, and there can be no doubt that the book which he is now engaged to write will take as high rank as the work of Prof. LeConte has attained. The title, to be issued by the East Oregonian, is to be "The Geological Growth of Oregon." The title is some what to call for a volume of limited scope. But those who have given any attention to geological formations, will know that Oregon presents in some localities formations of the most ancient to be found on the Pacific slope. Consequently, the proposed work will be of general interest with reference to the western part of the continent, and, coming from Prof. Condit's pen, will possess a special value.

J. V. Elwegan is on the sick list. Tomorrow is St. Valentine's day. The usual Saturday crowd in town. Valentines are already being left at the post office. A couple of advertising sign painters are doing the town. Attorney Joe Young of Cottage Grove is in the city. Secretary of state H. R. Kincaid came up from Salem today. Prof. J. P. Holland came up from Junction City this afternoon. Rev. C. C. Bell of Portland, presiding elder of the U. B. conference, is in the city. President Newlin of Newburg college is in the city attending the Bible Institute. Salem Journal: Attorney John Bayne is home from a business trip to Eugene. Mrs. Fletcher Linn is now singing first soprano in the First Presbyterian church of Portland. "Monk" Eastland, who has been coaching a football team at Astoria, arrived home this morning. Mr. Clem Stiles of Omaha, Nebraska, arrived here this morning and is visiting with his brother, J. S. Stiles. Miss Sue Dorris of Portland, who is arranging to open a photograph gallery in this city, arrived on the afternoon train. Journal: The senate clerks would make a beautiful squad of militia. But some of them would have to appear in bloomers. Fred Wald, a 12 year old boy had his head badly hurt yesterday by coming in contact with a tree while playing with some other boys. Rev. C. G. Lamonts, of the Eugene Divinity school, went to Muddy today, where he will preach tomorrow. Rev. L. C. Martin went to Junction City. Tom Sharp and wife will go to Hillsboro tomorrow morning's early train. Mr. Sharp, who is a horse dealer, will work for Hon. Thos. H. Tongue. Junction City Times: Frank Shipworth, recently of Lebanon, is making arrangements to open a law shop in this city. This is a good location for a lawyer as it is a dull day when justice or police court is not in session. The recent pictorial edition of the Portland East Oregonian has a neat engraving of the "Log Cabin" eating station at Meridian in the Blue mountains. In the upper right hand corner of the engraving appears the picture of "Grandpa" Alura as natural as life. Junction City Times: A blaze discovered in the woodshed in the rear of Sternberg & Senders store Wednesday morning. Ashes containing coal had been emptied and fire was burning merrily when the Arlington hotel fire alarm was sounded. It was easily put out, with no damage done. A TEACHER'S INSTITUTE.—Cottage Grove Leader: A Teacher's Institute will be held at the school house on Saturday, Feb. 27. The teachers and school officials of the adjoining districts have been invited to attend and a large number is expected to be present. A lecture by one of the faculty of the State University will be given in the evening. Supr. C. S. Hunt will have charge of the exercises, and local arrangements are being made by the teachers of our public schools. Class drills, papers pertaining to school work and discussions will make an interesting program. All persons interested in the school work are invited to attend.

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