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SCHOOL DIRECTORS ANNUAL MEETING

From Educators.

GATHERING IN NATURE

Addresses by State Superintendent of Directors to Secure Co-operation in Needed Reform-Prof Traver

Makes Plea for Eight Months' School Term. Today the school directors of Umatilla have been meeting here in their first annual convention and the meeting is proving one of much importance to the schools, especially

have been freely asked by directors present and the meeting has been largely in the nature of a free parliament. J. H. Ackerman, state superintendent, Prof. L. R. Traver and Supt.

Welles have been the chief advisors during the meeting.

Superintendent Ackerman,

State superintendent Ackerman was the first speaker, and he briefly tives. stated the objects of these school board conventions and the history of the law authorizing them. One of the chief ends in the organization of directors of the different counties is to secure co-operation in any needed reform throughout the county and

In this the director has much more influence than the teacher, as up to the present time most of the teachers have no votes; and some how or other, the legislator has a great respect for votes. Whatever the school directors of the county unite in asking from their members of the legislature they will be pretty sure to get.

In other states of the union this idea of co-operation has been carried still further, and they have state board conventions. In all other PROMINENT SPECIALISTS businesses and interests conventions have been found to be of great benefit, and the school boards will also find them so. Everything of practical importance to the district should here be discussed, and different plans compared. In this way the best will be determined upon.

The male quartet furnished music for the occasion, and their efforts were much appreciated.

For Eight Months' School,

Prof. L. R. Traver then made an earnest plea for the eight months' school in the rural district. He said uation here. it is impossible for the country boy to cover the came ground in four eight; and that he has the same right to an education that the other has. To do this, it is necessary to levy a special tax. Every city does this, and the country district should also.

The time to begin figuring for next year's school and the money that will be needed to carry it on is before the December tax meeting. After that it will be too late. This important matter is often overlooked. The method of raising and distributing the school money was also gone into, and it is safe to say many directors understood this matter better after this address than they hod done before.

A question was here asked: What shall that district do that has already voted its special tax before the new valuation went into effect? value of all taxable property in the district, the burden will be too heavy and the sum raised more than is needed. To avoid this, the district must have another school meeting and reconsider the vote. A lower

Still another question often asked is "Who are entitled to vote at the only those who have school children or who are taxpayers.

Directors Respond Well. Out of the 100 or more school districts in the county, the majority

.............. Resent Tillman's Words.

Denver, Oct. 26 .- Senator . Tillman's speech here last night almost created a riot.

Negroes in the audience resented the speaker's statements . and the hall was in an uproar . for some time.

A woman socialist then created diversion by asking Tillman . questions in regard to the so-

have representatives at the convention now on and good will doubtless come from the gathering. The following are among those present: B. Osborn, Milton; F. W. Nessly, Freewater, H. E. Bickers, Lee Teutsch and J. V. Tallman, Pendleton; Fred Hascall, Pilot Rock; S. K. Yates, Pendleton; E. E. Elder, Picho; A. Ranquist, Pendleton; F. E. King, Weston; R. E. Thom, Echo; J. H. Umatilla County Directors Christopher, Adams; Ed Wright, Pilot Rock; H. H. Gilbert, Pilot Rock; Meet to Hear Instructions W. P. Wallan, Athena; William Haun, Freewater; C. E. Marple, Pendleton; W. N. Claypool, Pendleton; R. A. Dozier, Nolin, W. E. Miller, Milton; R. E. Stewart, Athena; H. J. Bell, E. C. Simm, Pilot Rock; H. J. Taylor, Pendieton; O. F. Thomson, Echo; W. H. Bond, Helix, J. N. York, Weston; A. OF FREE PARLIAMENT J. Gill, Nye; W. F. Gentry, Freewater; J. O. Hales, Adams; Isaac Hagen, Briggson; W. P. Card, Pendleton; W. H. Witherrite, Freewater; J. Ackerman, Prof. Traver and Supt. H. Hagen, Pendleton; H. A. Megy, Welles-Chief End of Organization Freewater; C. W. Mathews, Pilot Rock; Henri Marsh, Weston; W. L.

Guerrant, Holdman, and others. PLOT TO ASSASSINATE KING.

King Edward's Life Endangered by Mad Man-Captured by Police.

London, Oct. 26 .- What is thought to have been a plot to assassinate held in The Dalles November 12, one arrest of John Pearce, who was loit- eration will be the government's propering near Ernest Cassel's Chippen- osition to lease the public ranges. the rural districts. Many are presham Park residence where the king ent from remote parts of the county

is hunting. and during the sessions questions The man is probably insane. "I who is to hunt here," he said to police after his arrest.

The prince of Wales is due to arrive at the hunting grounds shortly. The arrest is connected with the mysterious attempt of a closed carriage to ram the king's carriage a week ago.

This attempt was foiled by detec-

Refuses \$1000 Per Week.

Los Angeles, Oct. 26 .- Oliver Morosco, theatrical manager, has offered Jim Jeffries \$1000 per week to appear as Ursus the giant slave in 'Quo Vadis," which he intends to put on for a brief revival. Jeffries will not accept.

HURRYING WEST. Government Has Sent New York Man

to Take Charge of Situation-Dr. for Plague Duty-City Council Appropriates \$15,000 Dollars for Dalles. Plague Station and Laboratory.

Seattle, Oct. 26.-There are no new developments in the plague sit-

No new cases have been discovered and no new suspects found. Dr. Marmonths that his city brother can in tin Glover of Juneau, Alaska, has been ordered by the government to come here at once for plague duty.

> Dr. Leland Cofer of New York, has been sent here by the government to take charge of the situation. Fifteen thousand dollars has been appropriated by the city council for the erection of a plague station and laboratory.

Thieves Grab \$5000 and Run.

Philadelphia, Oct. 26 .- Two men walked into the sub-treasury here yesterday morning, grabbed \$5000 that was being paid out to a national bank teller and started to run from the building. Clerks and others gave chase and the two men were so hotly pursued that they threw the money under a street car. Both men were captured and are now in the city As this new valuation will raise the jail. One of them carried a revolver. The mopey was in notes and was all recovered.

Fleet May Stay on Pacific. Washington, Oct. 26 .- The president said yesterday he had money to rate can then be passed, one that will send the battleship fleet to the Pagive the required amount and no cific coast, but not enough to bring them back. "Therefore," he added, "congress will have to vote money to enable bringing the ships back if school meeting?" The law declares it wants them on the Atlantic coast." He said the fleet probably would remain on the coast three months.

Four Feet of Snow.

Fairbanks, Alaska, Oct. 26 .- Most peculiar weather reports come from Alaska. The weather is warm with but little slush yet running in the gar counters open on Sundays here- tions would then be before them. Yukon. Snow fell two weeks ago but Valdez trail, snow is reported four feet deep, but little Ice has been formed on streams.

have remained closed entirely, ex-Charles Neimeyer, a Walla Walla huckster, was arrested yesterday up- cepting at "Fergy's," where the ci- line and would be liable to cause confidence is being restored. on charges preferred by his wife. Neimeyer threatened to kill his wife while the barroom has been parti- men should now seek to avoid," deand child. His wife says he has been tioned off. known to beat the pet dog into insensibility, attack the cow with a their cigar counters on Sunday if believe it much better to remain was stated this morning by District day rest."

horses with his whip.

at The Dalles Woolgrowers' Convention.

SHEEPMEN WORRIED OVER GOVERNMENT ATTITUDE.

Dan P. Smythe, Oregon Committeeman, Familiar With Government's Plan - Eastern People Believe Western Stockmen Are Getting Something for Nothing-Impossible for Western Statesmen to Block Proposed Measure.

At the annual meeting of the Oregon Woolgrowers' association to be At the next session of congress the

Burkett bill, introduced last session, but which was not reached on the While the Burkett measure was under consideration last winter a committee of western stockmen was named by the president to meet with the public lands committee of congress and a session was held in Washington. Dan P. Smythe of this city was Oregon's committeeman at

the time and while at the capital be-

came familiar with the government's attitude toward the public range. "The proposition will again be brought up" says Mr. Smythe, "for the eastern people have the belief that western stockmen are being given something for nothing by the government and there is a wide demand that charges be made for using the range. It seems impossible for western senators to block the stockmen to see that the measure as

sed is as well adapted to the conditions as possible. "At The Dalles meeting, which will be the official gathering of the Oregon sheepmen this year, the subject will be discussed and some line of action probably agreed upon so that the Oregon congressional delegation can have something to go by. Among leasing proposition is the question of whether or not ranges may be fenced, the term of years for which leases may be made, leasing prices, etc."

New Advisory Boards. Aside from the above subject the naming of new advisory boards for property the levy next year will be Martin Glover Called From Alaska the different reserves in the state will come before the convention at The

good program has been arranged.

The present officers of the Oregon Woolgrowers' association are J. N. Burgess, president, and Dan P. Smythe, secretary.

ANNA GOULD TO MARRY.

Prince De Sagan, European Spendthrift, Is Her Choice.

Paris, Oct. 26 .- Despite all former denials, Anna Gould is said to be ready to marry Prince De Sagan, one of Europe's titled spendthrifts. This action is in spite of strenuous protests of her family.

The prince is said to have told friends that the marriage is arranged and that he will not take any Gould money, but instead will settle the De Sagan estates upon Anna after the death of his father.

Salem Man Lost in Woods.

Salem, Ore., Oct. 26 .- Ole Olsen. known to have been out of provisions for at least six days. A searching county: Railroads, \$8,195,000; Northparty is out beating the foothills in search of him.

intentions.

RANGE LAND ARE QUADRUPLED

Vi'al Subject to Be Considered Board of Equalization Places Taxable Property on New Basis for Assessment.

> PROPERTY AT ACTUAL WORTH, TAXES LOWER.

Total Assessable Property Value in County Raised From \$10,300,000 to \$41,200,000-Tax Levy to Be Reduced to One-fourth-Board Merely Following Provisions of Law-Few Complaints on File-Much Property Owned by Local People.

With one fell swoop made by the board of equalization today, the as- R. Keene and Barney Schreiber, acsessment of the county was raised cording to advices of the United King Edward was discovered in the of the most vital subjects for consider to full value and every man upon the Press. roll will have his assessment multi- Keene, is here with orders to buy the action taken the total of the assessment for the county has been raised from \$10,300,000 to \$41,200,000 and was sent here to shoot a gentleman calendar, will again be brought forth. the tax levy will be reduced to one- \$200,000. fourth its present figure.

In raising the assessment to actual property valuations the members of the board declare they merely complied with the provisions of the new state law and the oaths they were required to take before entering upon the work this year. Under the new law all members of the equalization board are required to take oath that the assessment will be at actual value. This pledge Judge Gilliland and where. Messrs. Strain and Saling took at the

living up to the same. sary for the assessor to multiply the are everywhere, assessment of each man or corporation by four. This change Assessor measure and if so it is up to the Strain says can be made in a few weeks and when the county court meets in January to make the new levy the new valuation will be known known,

Will Lower Taxes.

In reality the change in the assessment basis will not affect to the slightest degree the amount of taxes to be paid by an individual or corother features connected with the poration, for with the increase in the TRACK LAYING COMassessed value the tax rate will be lowered correspondingly. Instead of a 22 mill county tax as at present, next year's rate will probably be six mills and in place of the present total tax of 43 mills for Pendleton

but a fraction over 10 mills. That the new system will result in much benefit is anticipated by the It is expected to have the wool- board. At present a man seeking growers in session for two days and investment in this county asks for the tax rate and receives the starti-Aside from the sheepmen some of the ing information that it is over 45 congressional delegation, forestry of- mills. No amount of explanation can be greater.

1 per cent, an amount that looks bet- selecting warehouse sites, ter to outsiders,

No More Complaints.

plaints which have already been line is opened. properly filed will now be taken up and disposed of by the equalization board.

Three-Fourths Owned Locally. Of the \$41,200,000 in property shown by the new assessment the treasurer's books show that at least three-fourths is owned by Umatilla county people and consists of farma well known jeweler of Woodburn, ing lands, improvements, town propbeen lost in the Cascade erty, etc. The following will be the mountains for the last 10 days and is new assessment of the outside companies doing business within the western Gas & Electric company, \$300,000; Pacific States Telephone

clared one. "There would be no

It has been rumored upon the Attorney Phelps, But while they

streets today that many of the sa- have that privilege he does not ad-

after. However, the liquor men In talking of the subject this morn-

gar counter has been kept open trouble, which is the thing saloon-

That the saloons have a right to use profit in the idea and for myself I

der went into effect all of the saloons cigar counters open.

company, \$100,000, and the Western, Union, \$50,000. The total assessment of the banks of the county will be about \$750,000.

GROUP OF DEGENERATES. Lawyer Bernstein Declares Harden

Has Performed Public Service. Berlin, Oct. 26 .- Count Von Moltke writhed today while Lawyer Bernstein made a passionate argument favoring Editor Harden in his libel suit.

He declared that Harden's attack in his newspaper was not so much against Von Moltke as against the German aristocracy generally; that the kaiser was surrounded by a group of degenerates and that Harden, having exposed the "criminals" had performed a public service for which he

should be praised. Attorney Von Gorden followed for Moltke, denying the charges so far as his client was concerned.

\$200,000 FOR A HORSE.

James R. Keane Willing to Pay Fortune for Sire of Schreiber's Horses.

Cincinnati, Oct. 26 .- A horse deal, that will be the greatest ever known in America, is pending between James Major Daingerfield for plied by four. As a result of the imported stallion, Sain, which sired ket. so many of Schreiber's horses. One hundred and fifty thousand

dollars is offered, but Schreiber wants

HORRIBLE SIGHT IN ITALY. United Press Correspondent Reaches

Scene of Earthquake Disaster. Rome, Oct. 26 .- A correspondent of the United Press association, has been able to reach Ferranzano and found the place a mass of ruins with the dead and injured lying every-

In the ruins he found inhabitants first of the week and they are now in a semi-nude condition, starving and sick. A Parish priest is making In order to raise the assessment to the rounds, reciting prayers for the the new basis it will merely be neces- dead. Desolation, terror and death

Traveling Representative of the N. P. Says Work on New Line Is Progressing Rapidly-Some Unique morning. Names for New Stations-Expect to Haul Grain in November-Passenger Service Must Await Completion of Line to Portland.

Seventeen depots have now been ficials, representative from the bureau convince him that the levy is really erected along the Portland and Seof animal industry and others will be fictitious, and he leaves for other attle Railway, or north bank line. fields where the rate is not so high, and are ready for use, according to though the actual amount paid in George D. O'Connor, travelling reptaxes for corresponding property may resentative for the Northern Pacific, who has been here today. He has this morning as a result of the failure Henceforth the total levy here will just returned from a trip down the be in the neighborhood of 10 mills or north bank road for the purpose of

Already the tracklaying on the new line into Portland has been complet-During the week thus far the equal- ed as far down as opposite The handled. ization board has acted on very few Dalles, says O'Connor, and in addicomplaints presented. Under the law tion depots have been erected at all all requests for changes must be of the stopping points between Pasmade in writing and under oath, co and The Dalles. The buildings After today the board cannot consider have all been painted and will be any new requests. However, the com- ready for occupancy as soon as the The following is the list of sta-

tions on the new line between Pasco and the present end of the line: Finlay, Hover, Yellepit, Tomar, Pottinger, Colbia, Plymouth, Gravel, Coolide, Patterson, Page, Luzonm, Carley, McCredle, Moonax and Roosevelt.

It has already been announced by the Northern Pacific officials that grain hauling will commence on the north bank line some time in November. With the road now completed to The Dalles the wheat of the inland empire may be taken down to the open river and there transferred afternoon Northern Pacific train. to steamers for Portland.

No passenger service will be established on the new line, it is said, until the roadway has been complieted into Portland.

MEDAL FUND AFFECTED.

Carnegie Had Hero Money Tied up in Trust Company.

loons are planning to keep their ci- it for the reason that deeper tempta-Pittsburg, Oct. 26.-It has just . been discovered that the ready monmelted. Towards the coast on the themselves, or at least several of the ing several prominent dealers, and ey in the Carnegie hero medal fund . lice believe to a certainty that . leaders, declare they have no such men who have been careful in observ- is tired up in an Iron City trust con- e they have captured a part of e ing the requirements, spoke strongly cern and that the aspiring heroes . the gang that held up the Great . Since the recent all day closing or- against the proposition of keeping the will have to wait for their medals . Northern at Ronod last Sepuntil the dark financial clouds roll "It would be coming too near the by. The scare here is subsiding and

Five Killed in London Wreck. London, Oct. 26 .- Five persons were killed nd 17 injured this morning in the Metropolitan Underground . assert they have an alibi. pitchfork and to draw blood on the they have their bars partitioned off closed all day long and take a Sun- railway when two trains collided at,

TO LEVEL BASIS

NO. 6110

Issuance of Clearing House Certificates Big Event of Day in Finances.

FIRST FULL MEETING

IN FOURTEEN YEARS. Certificates Will Relieve Tension in

Money Market - Stocks Steadying After Long Waver-Large Shipments of Gold Also Help-J. P. Morgan Is Sick-Nevada Banks to Open Monday-Runs on Two More Brooklyn Banks - Situation Is Greatly Improved.

New York, Oct. 26 .- Clearing house certificates will be issued to banks having need of them to tide over the present stringency of the money mar-

This move was settled on this noon at the clearing house.

It will go far towards relieving the present tension in the money market. The issuance of the certificates from the clearing house was the day's big event in financial circles. Practically every bank in the city

was represented at the meeting, the first full meeting since 1893. The loan committee will arrange details of the issuance of certificates. The certificates will be issued on 75 per cent collateral.

Stocks Are Steadying.

New York, Oct. 26 .- A buying movement which characterized yesterday's close was resumed this morning with renewed vigor, with the result that favorite issues opened a

point or two higher. Bears tried to sell down, but after a sag of a point or two held up steadily until the bank statement was

This was considered very good and under the stimulus considerable buying was done, and the earlier loss was recovered. The close was strong.

Shipping in Gold.

New York, Oct. 26 .- The National City bank is planning to import \$5,-000,000 in gold and another bank is PLETE TO THE DALLES going to import another million.

The run on the Lincoln Trust company is still on, but all demands are being paid promptly. J. P. Morgan is suffering Intensely from a cold, but was at his office all

Nevada Banks to Open Again,

San Francisco, Oct. 26 .- According to United States Senator Nixon, who is here direct from Goldfield, the Nevada banks will open as a matter of course Monday. "Things will be in a settled condition on Monday,"

Runs on Two Banks. Brooklyn, Oct. 26.-The Terminal Bank of Brooklyn closed its doors

yesterday. A slight run on the Nassau Trust company of Williamsburg was started this morning but it is being easily

of the Williamsburg Trust company

To Assist Banks,

Providence, R. I., Oct. 26 .- After an all night session the clearing house commission decided to assist the local banks whenever necessary.

Clearing House Still Closed. Pittsburg, Oct. 26.-The clearing house is still closed.

HORSE THIEVES TO YAKIMA.

Deputy Sheriff Metzger Took Joe Williams and Jim Luke to Yakima for

Deputy Sheriff J. Metzger of North Yakima, has been here today for the purpose of getting Joe Williams and Jim Luke, both accused of horsestealing in his county. He will return to Yakima with the two men on the Williams and Luke are charged

with having stolen four head of work horses from an Indian of the Yakima reservation. They then drove them to Sunneyside, sold the animals and walked to Alfalfa, where they took the train for Pendleton.

.............. Great Northern Thieves Caught.

Spokane, Oct. 26 .- The tember in the persons of C. E.

McDonald and Ed Smith. Bankers have identified a . package of money found on . them as part of the train's con-

signment. The men claim innocence and