

## O. F. GRAND OFFICERS VISIT BURNS LODGES

### Night Devoted to Initiation.

### JOIN PIUTE ENCAMPMENT

### Members Invited to Attend Grand Lodge in Baker Next May; M. R. Biggs Not Present.

F. Hubbard, Grand Master of the state of Oregon and P. A. Hantz, Grand Patriarch of the Encampment branch of order, were official visitors to the lodge during this week. Such getting the dates mixed up as much out of the visits as would had they known. The officers were here for two but as the grand scribe had an error in the time given this night, the local members did not see the visitors who were here to confer degrees. Therefore were not prepared to advantage of it. As it was late night was devoted to initiation and new candidates at evening being given over to officers who were here.

The candidates were given the degree of the subordinate and fifteen new members were to Piute Encampment, No. 33, Friday night. The latter operation required considerable time as were three degrees to confer a big class. The work was the general supervision of the Patriarch who was assisted by the Master of the subordinate. Expressions of several of those part in the sessions they had time and all the boys are with the affability of the officers who "dug in" and part of the team in the degree.

Hubbard was not a stranger to the Burns of this place as he visited three years ago as a representative of the grand lodge, but he comes as its head. Mr. Biggs lives at Baker, as does also Patriarch Hantz, and as the lodge meets in their home next May they are extending a cordial invitation to Harney Lodge and Piute Encampment No. 33 to come over in a bunch. Unless they change their minds Hubbard has a big lot of "country" to look after during that next May.

During their stay in this city the officers were piloted to the father who was formerly a before drain ditches were con- sidered to be a member of newspaper staff where they have enjoyed some shooting birds been in the notion of around and giving them a As it was they shot enough to get birds opportunity was given them. The gentlemen left Thursday afternoon where they will pay to the lodge there tonight. to Malheur City for tonight and tomorrow.

In the manner it was rumored that M. R. Biggs, who is warden of the order, was com- from Prineville to be present meeting with the other grand on the same date but upon arrival of the Grand Master it was that "Dick" is visiting in an official capacity was not possible for him to this lodge where he formerly membership.

## MAN VICTIM OF FATAL ACCIDENT

Madison died at his home at the P ranch hill on last afternoon from injuries sustained in a runaway on Saturday when he was thrown from a wood and badly hurt.

Madison was hauling wood and the steep grade toward the one of the horses of the proceeded in getting his bridle rubbing against the frame of the wagon. The team started to run and Madison held them in the all a sharp turn was reached and the wagon was upset throwing Madison over an embankment of feet or more. He sustained fractures besides a fractured

## RESUME DRILLING AT SWAN LAKE OIL WELL

The Times-Herald is informed that drilling has been resumed this week at the well of the Fidelity Oil & Gas Co. the work had been shut down for a time awaiting the arrival of supplies with which to make changes in the apparatus in order to shut off the artesian flow of water. This has caused a delay of the expected strike of oil.

## He Died That You Might Live

Francis Perry Welch—Fireman 1st Class, they called him in the Navy. Then Fireman 2nd Class, 1st Class; Engineer 3rd Class, Engineer 2nd Class, and finally Engineer 1st Class—five promotions in 18 months—certainly something to be proud of, especially in the merit exacting U. S. Navy.

We in Harney county called him Frank, and were glad we knew him, for he was bright, alert, and full of fun and good fellowship.

He did all the things all Harney county boys do, worked, played, went to school and then worked again. When Americanism so triumphed in this land that we declared war on Germany and her allies, Frank was one of the first 10,000 in all the states to put on his country's uniform.

Not for the sake of democracy. No! Nor probably not for the people who live in Maine or Florida or Hawaii, but for the protection of his mother and other mothers who live in Harney county. Someone—a certain percentage—must go to represent and protect the community in which they live. Maine cannot bear the burden alone for Oregon, nor Oregon for Maine. Frank was keen and shrewd enough to see and appreciate this, and stepped forward immediately. Shall not Harney county forever honor him, shall not his mother and stepfather feel proud of him?

All of his service life is on record in Washington—his rapid promotion; his splendid attention to duty; the respect that his superior officers felt toward him; his life in training camp; how he was sent to the U. S. S. Mt. Vernon, one of the most important ships on transport duty; his many cruises on her, continually running the gauntlet of submarines; the history of his ship being torpedoed and 37 lives lost; of her return to duty and other successful cruises; and how the subsequent exposure due to this engagement precipitated the illness from which he died.

Through summer and winter, through pleasant Gulf streams and through the Atlantic's winter hurricanes, through wet and sleet and ice, and at all times the deadly submarine zone, this boy stood his post aiding to transport troops across so that Harney county people might plant and reap; might ride the range; and brand and sell their stock in peace. Can we of Harney county ever repay him? He died that you at home and we who were fortunate enough to come back might live and have an opportunity at our life's future.

His fight for life the last five months was as heroic as his life on board ship. Grimly and sternly, and yet with a cheerful smile he stood his guns. Grimly and sternly, and yet with a cheerful smile he stood his guns. His fear was not of the Reaper, but that the mother he went out to fight for might worry, and that the stepfather he so affectionately called "Dad" would need his help on the range.

His last atom of strength was used in the effort that he might once again see his mother and "Dad." What a son!

Frank, could we all be as true blue and as loyal to country and mother as you, heaven would indeed seem near.

"I saw him die. I saw his blue star turn into the gold one of the heavens. I saw him step on the gangplank of the ship of his last and topmost Admiral. He went with the courage and faith that betokens a duty well done."

Oh Frank, boy and sailor of Harney county, we owe you that which we never can repay. You died that we might live!

J. Shelley Saurman  
Friend and Shipmate

## CENTRAL OREGON OIL & GAS CO. GETTING MATERIAL

Stockholders of the Central Oregon Oil & Gas Co. of this place held a meeting Wednesday night and decided to again ask for further subscriptions to stock for that concern. The Portland end of the concern have recently purchased a quantity of necessary equipment and it was up to those interested here to supply the funds for the freight and finance the local work such as groceries, wages for the cook and man to get fuel for the engine. Chas. Backus called on several of the men in Burns and found a liberal response which makes possible the resumption of active work again.

Dr. Vincent was over from Crane last Tuesday.

Capt. Robt. M. Duncan left for Ontario Sunday evening upon getting word his little son was quite sick.

## HALLOWEEN PLOTTING



CHUCK BROWN, HE THINKS HE'S AWFUL WISE, BUT I'LL BET THIS JACK-O OPENS HIS EYES. HE SAYS THERE AIN'T SUCH THINGS AS 'HANTS, JEST WAIT—I'LL MAKE 'IM JUMP OUTTA HIS PANTS.

## P.L.S. CO. LEASES ALVORD RANCH AND BUYS CATTLE

### Covers Over 16,000 Acres—One of Ideal Stock Ranches in Harney County.

Announcement is made this week by Supt. Olsen of the Pacific Live Stock Company that his concern has leased the big Alvord ranch of the Clerf Land & Live Stock Co., and purchased the cattle, consisting of some 5000 head.

The Alvord ranch covers something over 16,000 acres and is one of the ideal stock ranches of the entire Central Oregon country. It was formerly the property of J. S. Devine, the man who built the big stock business of the present P. L. S. Co. in Oregon. He knew what a stock ranch was and at the time of his disposing of his interests to the P. L. S. Co. he held out the Alvord for himself and continued to make it his headquarters until his death.

Mr. Clerf has owned it for several years. He formerly resided in the state of Washington and we understand will return there for the present at least.

## COMPETITIVE EXAMS FOR WEST POINT, ANNAPOLIS

### Will Be Given in Eastern Oregon Towns by U. S. Civil Service Commission.

In order to give equal opportunity to every boy in his district to win an appointment to West Point or Annapolis Congressman N. J. Sinnott will hold a competitive examination on December 18th, 1919, to determine whom he will designate to the military and naval academies in 1920.

The examination will be given for the congressmen by the U. S. Civil Service Commission in the following eight cities of the same hour and day, Baker, Bend, Klamath Falls, La Grande, Lakeview, Ontario, Pendleton, and The Dalles.

Any young man who is a bona fide resident of the Second Oregon District, desiring to enter this competition should write at once to Congressman Sinnott, Room 3447 House of Representatives for further particulars regarding the examination. The ages of admission to West Point are 17 to 22 years and to Annapolis 16 to 20 years.

## ADJUDICATION OF SILVIES WILL BE REOPENED

### Plea That Material Testimony Had Not Been Taken Wins Extension.

The adjudication proceedings on the Silvie river will be reopened for further hearing, provided the attorneys and clients can show any definite reason for such. This was what Judge Dalton Biggs told attorneys who argued for such a hearing the last day of circuit court.

The matter was brought before Judge Biggs with the plea of some that material testimony had not been taken at the former hearing before the water board and that some of the oldest water users had not been represented. Upon conclusion of the arguments Judge Biggs stated he would give until Oct. 25 to file such showing for reopening the hearing for any definite reason, and would also refer to the state engineering department to make survey to show effect of any new work constructed since the hearing before the state water board, the testimony to be taken before Court Reporter Walker at an early date as can be arranged.

In the adjudication proceedings on Silver Creek the judge gave until Nov. 1 to file demurrers, motions or other matters effecting the complaint. If the complaint is sustained the court will fix such time as he deems necessary for filing answers.

## INSTRUCTORS SELECTED FOR TEACHERS INSTITUTE

School Supt. Frances Clark informs this paper that she has at last secured the instructors for the coming institute of Harney county teachers for Oct. 27-29 inclusive.

State Supt. Churchill is unable to come as he had planned because of having been too constantly on the firing line during the past few weeks which has been injurious to his health and will have to take a rest. His assistant, E. F. Carleton, will be present.

John C. Almack of the University of Oregon is another of the instructors, as well as Miss Boyce, of the O. A. C., the latter being special in physical culture training.

Two other instructors, Miss Helen Cowgill, field representative in club work for the O. A. C., and Miss Clayton Burrow, who comes as primary instructor, are both well known to local teachers and patrons. Miss Cowgill was instructor in Domestic Science and Art for one year at the high school and Miss Burrow formerly resided here with her parents, and for several years taught in the schools of this place. Both ladies are quite popular, not only among the schools but with the people in general and it is with pleasure their participation in the coming institute is noted.

## Burns Next Dance On Halloween

Burns next big dance will be to observe Halloween. But Halloween comes on Friday, and that means too many folks will have a hard day next day, if they enjoy themselves like they did at the recent Carnival dance. So the management has decided to give the Halloween affair on Saturday night, November 1st.

You won't be able to tell the difference in dates, if plans the boys are making turn out satisfactorily. A number of good things are planned, all in keeping with the "spooky" occasion, and announcement of which will be made from time to time.

For one thing, you are advised to make friends with the biggest, blackest cat you can find, for your companion for the evening. A real honest-to-goodness live cat isn't essential, however. A nice little jack-o'-lantern will help, too, or a wicked witch.

Several stunt dances and surprise numbers are being planned. Among these will be moonlight numbers, with the aid of what the boys are pleased to call "our own moon!" One other suggestion it is permitted to make this early is that of tag steps.

The Mothers club has promised to again come to the aid of the inner man and woman with a menu in keeping with the occasion. You can expect pumpkin pie, and cider, for instance.

A special feature may possibly be arranged for the kiddies. Halloween is a good time for the youngsters, and they will be welcomed if properly chaperoned.

Further details will be published as plans mature.

John Graves and wife and little daughter are up from the ranch home today. John is missing the usual hunter visitors because of no water.

## BOARD ACCEPTS RESIGNATION OF MUSIC TEACHER

### Miss Rose E. Johnson Leaves High School.

### 'UNSATISFACTORY CONDITIONS' CAUSE

### Manual Training and Athletics Under Local Instructor May Be Added to Courses Offered.

The resignation of Miss Rose E. Johnson as instructor in the music and art department of the Harney County high school was accepted by the high school board this week to take effect immediately. Miss Johnson plans to return to her home in Portland by way of Wray's stage tomorrow morning.

Giving "unsatisfactory conditions" as her reason, Miss Rose E. Johnson filed her resignation from the staff of the high school with the board, and at a called meeting, it was decided to accept. This will leave the high school temporarily without an instructor in music and art, and unless word is received soon, part of the course at least will be dropped from the curriculum.

County School Superintendent Clark wired immediately upon the acceptance of Miss Johnson's resignation for an instructor to fill the vacancy. Most recent advices from her office were to the effect that no answer had as yet been received.

It is quite probable that a further change may be made in the courses offered at the high school, as an effort is being made to add manual training and athletics. A local young man, who is considered well qualified for the position, has agreed to accept the position. The matter will be brought before a board meeting at the court house this afternoon, at which time changes in the curriculum will be discussed.

"There is no question that the addition of manual training and athletics will be of great benefit to the pupils in the high school," said Supt. Clark in an interview yesterday. "We have learned of a young man of this city who is well qualified to take charge of these courses, and are pretty sure we can get his services. He is employed at present, and the board will have to make it worth his while to come to the school."

"Mr. Hughes is ready to continue vocal instruction," Mrs. Clark continued, "and may also add instruction in agriculture."

## Better Stock on Range Observed

Observations during several trips to the hills and on the range during the present season has disclosed a change in the class of stock which is for the better. Better sires are seen with the herds of cattle and it is showing in the breed of calves now being raised. The Herefords and Durhams sires seen on the ranges of Harney county are as good or better than will be found on any range of the west. It has been brought about by concerted action among the cattle growers and will result in a still further advancement in the grade of stock in the near future.

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