

SECRETARY FOR THE Y. M. C. A.

Harry H. Tuttle Accepts Position and Plans Are Made for Improvements

A meeting of the directors of the Y. M. C. A. was held Monday evening and plans made for the work of the winter months. Harry H. Tuttle of Medford was offered the position of general secretary and accepted the position and will assume charge about September 20. He will have for assistant Ernest Minuth who will have charge of the physical department and boys' classes.

A full line of apparatus will be installed in the rooms and some other improvements made in the arrangements of the gymnasium such as individual lockers, new games, tables, etc. and other features will be added looking to make it a most popular place for both old and young to spend considerable of their time during the winter months.

The board feel quite satisfied in having been able to get Mr. Tuttle to assume the duties of the position as he is a man with much experience in this line of work and it is expected will be able to make things interesting for the society. He was for a number of years secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Grand Forks, North Dakota, and is very highly spoken of there having built up the association of that place so that it became the pride of the city.

Mr. Minuth is also well up in experience having been connected with the work in Chicago and will be able to give valuable instruction to those desiring "Gym" work.

All in all it will be a matter of much satisfaction to our citizens in general to know that the association will be run under expert supervision during the winter months and all will look forward to some interesting times the coming year.

Many Visit Crater Lake

There were more tourists registered at the Crater Lake National Park headquarters during August this year than was recorded for the same period last year. Superintendent Frank Arant when in Klamath Falls reported that the registration for August had reached a total of 2,496 names.

"August was the best month of the season for tourists," said Superintendent Arant. "The total number of visitors of whom we have a record during the entire season up to September 1 was 3,635. This has not been up to our anticipation of the number of visitors to Crater Lake National Park, but is an increase over the number for last year."

"The tourists season is not nearly over, but it is hardly possible that September will be as good a month as August. Although it has been somewhat stormy and some snow has fallen at the lake, the season has been fairly good and I expect a large number of tourists in the park this and next month."

Shriners Have Pleasant Trip

The party of three Shriners, J. O. Isaacson, W. C. Leever, and W. H. Norcross, who went as delegates from here to take part in lodge doings at Roseburg and Marshfield, returned the latter part of last week and report a very pleasant time.

They went to Roseburg Saturday and in the evening there was put through a class of 21 candidates for the work. The next day the party of Shriners took automobile to Myrtle Point a distance of some sixty-five miles. The roads were in very bad condition and it took just about all day to make the trip and several accidents to machines occurred on the way. Arriving at Myrtle Point the party took train to Marshfield where more work was done in putting through a class of forty-three members. During their stay in Marshfield the party was treated to a clam bake at the beach and pleasantly entertained in other ways. On Wednesday they took the boat "Breakwater" bound for Portland and made the trip to that city by water along the coast which they say proved to be a very pleasant one. The captain of the boat had been one of the party put through the work in Marshfield and he assisted in no small way in making their trip a very pleasant one.

Good Yield of Potatoes

Scott Davis, who has a ranch in the Table Rock district, has come through with the proof that potatoes can be raised to advantage in the Rogue River Valley. As a sample of this year's crop Mr. Davis dug from one hill of the Minneapolis Burbank variety of the plant thirteen tubers which totaled a weight of 124 pounds.

On the Davis ranch this year thirty-eight acres are devoted to spuds and it is estimated that they will yield about 6,000 sacks, some parts of the field producing over 900 sacks per acre.

This is the largest potato yield ever grown in the valley of the Rogue and only goes to show what might be done with this product if the proper attention was paid to it. For the first time in some years potatoes will be exported from points in the valley this year and it is to be hoped that each succeeding year now will see an increase in the number of cars sent out.

Says He is Not Responsible

Wells Lounsberry, who shot himself after his failure to escape after robbing a train on the Union Pacific near Topeka two weeks ago, was arraigned in the federal court at Topeka Tuesday last. He waived preliminary examination and was sent back to jail, being unable to give bonds.

It is believed that Lounsberry's attorney will base his defense upon insanity, claiming that the injury to Lounsberry's head several years ago in a train wreck brought on a mania which led him to hold up trains.

Mrs. Lounsberry has been expected home since last Saturday but at last reports she had not yet arrived.

Frank Miller and wife were in Medford Monday visiting relatives.

REPORT ON CHURCH WORK

M. E. Conference Gives Outline of Year's Work in the Local Field

The fourth quarterly conference of the Methodist Episcopal church was held last Monday morning, Rev. R. E. Dunlap, D. S., presiding. The annual reports showed the following items of interest.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School has an enrollment of 150 and is cared for by a corps of 18 efficient teachers and officers. The school has maintained a Home Missionary society in the school during the past year and special missionary programs have been given the first Sunday of each month, and offerings for missions received.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

The president's report showed a splendid increase in membership during the past year and the society now has sixty active members. The league has raised \$90.00 during the year for various church purposes.

JUNIOR LEAGUE

The Junior Epworth League has an enrollment of twenty-six members and is doing good work.

TRUSTEES REPORT

The report of the board of trustees showed that \$800.00 had been raised and expended on the church and parsonage during the year.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY

This society of fifty-five members has been very active all through the year and the report contained the following items of interest.

Number of business meetings held, 20; number of socials, fairs and afternoon teas, 32; money raised for all purposes \$408.51.

The pastor's report included the following showing of work for the year: Number of infants baptized 2; number of adults baptized 5; number of marriages performed 5; number received into church membership 37; number of sermons preached 150; number of prayer meetings held 50.

The report of the treasurer showed the amount of money raised to date \$830.00 with some subscriptions yet to be paid before the annual conference which meets next week in Ashland.

The official board extended a unanimous invitation to the pastor for his return for another year.

P. C. Chapman will leave the first of the week for Fort Klamath where he has leased a ranch and expects to locate. He is looking for stock to take with him for use on his new place.

In an exciting game of ball at the Oak Park diamond Sunday afternoon the Medford second team led the local aggregation of cubs around the sacks to a score of 17 to 18. Despite the number of runs put over the game was evenly matched and an interesting one to the players and onlookers.

A White Squirrel

Joe Darrow of Tolo was in the city Thursday and had with him a white squirrel which he had shot near Tolo and which he was going to have mounted. It seems to be something of a freak as old hunters and woodsmen who are used to the country and woods say they have never before seen a white squirrel and so far as we know one has never been heard of. The squirrel in appearance and size is much the same as the common gray squirrel and leads to the belief that it is one of that species which in some of the unexplainable workings of nature has been given a white coat instead of the usual gray fur. The little climber was a pure white without a marking of any other color on its body and the tail was especially fine and bushy being about a foot long and as broad as a man's hand. It is certainly a prize to be kept as a trophy of the woods.

Play to Good Houses

The National Stock company under the auspices of the merchants of Central Point played a three night stand in this city the latter part of last week and gave their final show Sunday evening. The plays given were "The Money King," "The Wolf," "Paid in Full" and "The Lion and the Mouse" all of which were presented in a pleasing manner and appreciated by the audience. Each evening the house was well filled and the actors worked hard to give the audience full value for their money.

Outside of the decision of the company to put on a play Sunday evening the entertainment series is to be commended. This later, however, works no credit to the city, the show company nor the management of the hall. Another disagreeable feature was the rough house which occurred at the dance after the Friday evening show but as we understand it the show company had nothing to do with the dance or its management.

Must Repair Road

The county court on Wednesday afternoon pre-emptorily ordered the Oregon-California Power company to repair the road to Prospect just this side of the new power plant and to control the water which has overflowed the road since spring. This is the second notice served on the power company and if it is not heeded county will do the work and assess the cost on the power company.

The piece of road in question is the only bad spot between Medford and Crater Lake. The canal which carries water to the fore bay of the plant carries more than is needed in generating power. The remainder of the water runs to waste in a poorly constructed ditch near the road allowing the water to overflow. Several machines have mired there.

The attention of the county court was called to the condition of the road and also to the fact that a large number of machines would pass over the road in two weeks carrying scientists from other countries. Thereupon the court served notice on the company to repair the place at once.

Will Pension Employee

Thirty-two years of honorable service with the Southern Pacific Company in Oregon, is the record of James Skelly section boss of the Lebanon Branch, who will be retired under the pension rules of the company shortly. Skelly not only has a record for honorable service, but in all of those years he has never missed a single day's work. He went to work for the Southern Pacific-known at the time as the Oregon and California-in September, 1880.

Shortly after taking employment with the company he was given charge of the Lebanon and Albany Branch and he has been the first and only section boss on that branch. Skelly has saved a sufficient sum to enable him to purchase a 100 acre farm two miles west of Lebanon and will begin the life of a farmer as soon as the pension board authorizes his pension.

The pension system of the Southern Pacific Company is absolutely voluntary. Employees are not required to contribute to any fund. When they have reached the age of seventy, or have been incapacitated for work after an honorable service they are retired with a pension. On August 31, 1912, there were 508 pensioners on the rolls of this railroad.

These men and women are from all departments. Some are officials and many are from the Maintenance of Way department. Since the establishment of the pension department in September, 1903, the Southern Pacific has disbursed \$1,083,822 in pensions.

About fifty members of the Epworth League and friends drove to Jacksonville Wednesday evening and spent a few hours of social enjoyment with the league at that place. It is too late to give a detailed writeup of the affair this week, but all report a very pleasant time.

Thomas Cook of Gold Hill is of the opinion that he is entitled to the distinction of having caught the largest steel head landed this season. The fish he thinks ought to win the prize for him is a twenty pounder and as a steel head of half that weight is conceded to be a pretty fair specimen of this species it would seem that the Gold Hill angler is justified in making his claim. Any one who has caught a larger steel head at any time is invited to "speak up and 'spress yourself."

A threshing machine belonging to Oden brothers and operating near Rogue River last week was badly wrecked when a piece of scrap iron was fed into the cylinder with the grain that was being threshed out. An examination of the stack showed that a large quantity of the iron had been planted in the stack presumably by some person who had the destruction of the machine in mind.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Central Point State Bank

At Central Point, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business September 4, 1912.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$ 87,796 88
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	351 47
Bonds and warrants	33,435 87
Stocks and other securities	100 00
Banking house	2,887 86
Furniture and fixtures	2,305 49
Other real estate owned	None
Due from banks (not reserve banks)	10,341 79
Due from approved reserve banks	14,649 63
Checks and other cash items	30 00
Exchanges for clearing house	None
Cash on hand	13,116 72
Expenses	None
Other resources. Premium on bonds	167 74
Total	\$ 165,183 10

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000 00
Surplus fund	2,700 00
Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	1,018 28
Dividends unpaid	None
Due to banks and bankers	None
Postal savings bank deposits	1,625 45
Deposits due State Treasurer	2,000 00
Individual deposits subject to check	109,596 93
Demand certificates of deposit	22,827 84
Certified checks	None
Cashier checks outstanding	None
Time certificates of deposit	None
Saving deposits	None
Notes and bills rediscounted	None
Bills payable for money borrowed	None
Reserved for taxes	414 60
Liabilities other than those stated above	None
Total	\$ 165,183 10

State of Oregon, County of Jackson, S.S.

I, H. W. Lindsay, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. W. LINDSAY, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me Correct-Attest: W. C. LEEVER,
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