

KEEP DAVENPORT SUPT. OF SCHOOLS; INCREASE SALARY

Not only has the board of education elected the teachers for next year at increased pay, but it has re-employed William Davenport, superintendent of the public schools for the next two years at a greatly increased salary. Next year Mr. Davenport, who this, his first year received \$2200, will be paid \$2700, and his salary two years hence will be \$3000.

At the same meeting in which Mr. Davenport was re-elected the board accepted the voluntary resignation of P. E. Baker, principal of the high school, who it is said had previously notified the board that he did not care to remain in the Medford schools after this year "under existing conditions." This is Mr. Baker's second year as principal of the high school. It is said that he was a candidate for the superintendency and that he expects to take an important educational position at Salem.

Improve Schools
Superintendent Davenport came here from Park River, N. D., where he was superintendent of the schools for several years. He did not come here under contract for more than one year, at his own desire, but was employed as head of the local schools for this year. The board of education before his coming was determined to raise the standard of the Medford schools and to inaugurate discipline and business methods in the conduct of the schools, so after carefully looking around for the superintendency, the members finally chose Mr. Davenport, whom they had never seen, on the reports of his record and the fine recommendations submitted, as the man to inaugurate their policies.

That he has made good in their opinion is evidenced by his re-election for two years at increased salary.

From the time he took hold of the Medford schools the board unanimously backed him up, a thing which had not happened with a superintendent here for years, and put the sole conduct and discipline of the schools in his charge, with the intention of retaining him permanently if he measured up to this responsibility, and if he did not to employ some other educator in his place. The board members regard Supt. Davenport as a good educator and as having exceptional administrative ability.

Some of the teachers were given more than a \$10 more monthly raise in pay, but each teacher in the Medford schools was given the additional \$10, and the minimum salary of teachers was made \$85 instead of the minimum of \$75 fixed by the board for this year. Last year the teachers were given an approximate raise of \$10 a month.

Up to Standard
The increase of pay just made brings the Medford schools up to the standard of pay with most cities of its size. The Medford schools had paid teachers far below the standard and the board realized that to hold competent teachers, and obtain such, it must pay more money.

Not all of the teachers elected by the board for next year have signed contracts yet, including a number of the high school instructors, but it is thought that most of them will sign contracts within a day or two.

The board has made a ruling that hereafter no teacher will be employed who is not a normal school graduate and that those teachers of the present force must qualify in this regard within three years, or their services will be dispensed with. A further ruling made by the board is that no teacher will be employed in the high school except that he or she is a university or college graduate.

SALEM PIONEER DIES AT SACRED HEART

This afternoon the body of Albion C. Small of Napa, Calif., and former well known resident of Salem, Ore., who on Saturday morning while en route from Salem to Napa was stricken with heart disease on the train and was removed to the Sacred Heart hospital where he died the next day, was shipped to Napa for burial. The widow and Mrs. J. L. Jackson of Portland, a daughter, accompanied the remains.

Mr. Small, who was 77 years of age and was very active for his years, was engaged in the real estate and stock business and had been a resident of Salem for 17 years until he and his family removed to Napa last October. He was a native of Kentucky, a G. A. R. member, having served three years and six months in the Second Iowa cavalry during the Civil war, and besides the widow is survived by five sons and four daughters.

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friends who gathered to bid him good bye on the eve of his departure, his secretary said.

In his communication to Acting Secretary Polk, Mr. Gayon describes General Blanquet as "an ardent admirer of the American democracy." General Blanquet is 70 years old and holds the rank of field marshal in the Mexican army.

MRS. H. L. WALTHER PASSES AWAY; FUNERAL FRIDAY

Mrs. H. L. Walther, one of the best known and most public spirited women of Medford, died at the Sacred Heart hospital yesterday afternoon, shortly after 4 o'clock. Mrs. Walther's life was despaired of immediately after the operation, but her strong vitality coupled with a marvelous spirit of optimism and courage carried her over the crisis and it was hoped her brave fight would be rewarded by several years more of useful life. But she suffered a sudden sinking spell Wednesday noon and died soon after.

Mrs. Walther was born at Saeinaw, Mich., July 9, 1870, and moved to Ashland, Ore., with her parents in 1886. She was married at Ashland in 1892 to Harry L. Walther and went to Dunsuir, Calif., where she made her home until 1896 when the family moved to Yreka. In October, 1911, the family moved to Medford where Mrs. Walther has many warm friends who will mourn her loss.

She leaves her husband, Harry L. Walther; a son, Lyle H. Walther; a daughter, Leah Johns Walther; two sisters, Mrs. W. G. Tanner, of Seattle, Wash., and Mrs. Maude Hollenbeck, of Williston, Mont., and a brother, J. T. Harris, of Libby, Mont., to mourn her loss.

Mrs. Walther was a member of St. Mark's Episcopal church and of the Eastern Star lodge. She has always been identified with charitable, patriotic and other public work for the good of the community, while her untiring efforts in the local Red Cross chapter, Liberty loan campaigns and other war work have been the subject of much favorable comment.

The funeral will be held from St. Mark's church Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment will be at the L. O. O. F. cemetery in the family plot. Rev. William B. Hamilton officiating.

TODAY'S CASUALTIES

The following casualties are reported by the commanding general of the American expeditionary forces: Killed in action, 4; died from wounds, 5; died of accident and other causes, 4; died of disease, 29; wounded, degree undetermined, 24. Total, 66.

Killed in action: Privates William Anderson, Poulso, Wash.; Homer Barber, Middle Falls, N. Y.; Ernie W. Harrison, Waterville, Minn.; Clyde Smith, Supple, Oregon. Died from wounds: John Mickelotti, Boony Doon, Cal.

JAPAN'S POSITION LEAGUE NATIONS IS EXPLAINED

PARIS, April 3.—(By Associated Press.) Baron Makino, head of the Japanese delegation to the peace conference, amplifying his statement to the Associated Press on the position of Japan, said:

"You ask me for a plain and frank statement of the position of Japan. Well, I am tempted to ask you a question in reply.

"Do you think it possible for me to say anything that will not be wilfully distorted and misinterpreted by those who have so long and so persistently sought to clog the efforts of my country, to ascribe to her motives she has never had and to malign her at every turn? Let us see."

Owes Much to U. S. A.
"As to the United States, Japan has a very sincere, abiding and affectionate regard. We owe to her our place in the world, that is to say, the civilized world. Perhaps I should not altogether agree to that phrase because, you know and everyone should know, that Japan has enjoyed a civilization all her own for many ages. It was a civilization born of the highest sense of honor, of the sense which the west could not understand nor appreciate because we had lived apart as a hermit nation."

"When thru the expedition of Commodore Perry and the efforts of Townsend Harris we joined, if I may say so, the League of Nations of the world, we took on a new ambition, which was to interpret the civilization of the western nations which we had studied and recognized as better, altho not all were more honorable than our own."

Force Used by Perry
"You will note here that America was the first country to agree to make a treaty with us abolishing extra-territoriality. You must remember that we did not ask to join this first League of Nations. We were forced to do so. Perry came to us with naval power and forces to compel us to open Japan to intercourse with the western world."

"We yielded, and I am glad, as is all Japan, that we did yield, because it has been of great benefit to our country."
"And now we are asked a second time to join a League of Nations. But how? As equals? If so, we are ready. We want to consider with the greatest care the interests of all our associate nations in such a league, because by no other policy can the League of Nations succeed."

"No Asiatic nation could be happy in a League of Nations in which sharp racial discrimination is maintained. While we feel very keenly on this point, our precise position must not be misunderstood nor misrepresented."

"We do not object to the proviso

SON DAVID STARR JORDAN PURCHASES RANCH IN VALLEY

A real estate sale recently made will bring H. B. Jordan, a widely known smelter chemist and son of David Starr Jordan, president of Stanford university, to the valley as a resident within a few days.

The deal has been completed by which Mr. Jordan has purchased the Buckley orchard one mile northwest of Talent from C. B. Hubbard of San Francisco. It is regarded as one of the best small orchard properties in the valley, with a splendid modern dwelling. The property consists of 36 acres, mostly in full bearing Bartlett pear and Newtown apple trees.

Mr. Jordan who is a single man, expected here shortly to reside on the property, as he has decided to retire from the business for some time to come and anticipates a life of enjoyment in his orchard environment. The sale was made thru the Page-Dressler Realty company.

Another sale made thru this same company was that by which J. E. Potts, who resides northeast of Medford, bought from Thomas H. Bragg 120 acres of undeveloped land in Sams Valley. Mr. Potts is placing contracts for clearing this land and expects to soon have it in a state of cultivation.

SON GENERAL DICKMAN KILLED AEROPLANE FALL

AMERICUS, Ga., April 3.—Lieutenant Colonel Frederick W. Dickman, commanding officer at Eouther Field, near here, and Major John W. Butts, executive officer, were killed today in the fall of an airplane in which they were making a flight. Colonel Dickman was the son of Major General Dickman, commanding the Third American army of the expeditionary forces.

suggested by Elthu Root safeguarding his country on the subject of internal administration. His proposition applies alike to all countries. We want no special privileges.

Want Simple Justice
"What we do say and feel is that we are entitled to a frank and open admission by the allies with whom we have fought and will fight for a free and civilized world, beside whose sons our men have died, that the principle of equity and justice is a fundamental tenet of the League of Nations. This applies, of course, only to the conduct of government and cannot govern the likes or dislikes, or even the tastes of individuals which are their own."

"We see difficulties in the way of a permanent and successful operation of this league unless the contracting parties enter it with mutual respect."

UNION COUNTY TO GROW 100 ACRES GRIMM ALFALFA

(By F. L. Ballard.)
(Assistant County Agent Leader O. A. C.)

A thousand acres of Grimm alfalfa will be added to the crops of Union county this year as a result of field demonstration conducted by P. H. Spillman, county agricultural agent. These demonstrations, carried on over a period of two years, have conclusively proven to the farmers that Grimm, because of the hardiness and

resistance to the effects of severe freezing and thawing, will more than double the yield of any other variety of alfalfa grown in the county.

Many farmers in Union county have had difficulty in securing satisfactory stands of alfalfa in the past and had appealed to Mr. Spillman to take up the problem. During the first season's work he proved to his own satisfaction that the proper varieties had not been selected by the farmers. The results of his field trials were so apparent last year that field meetings were held and hundreds of Union county ranchers visited the fields and saw for themselves the results obtained—an increase of two tons per acre in favor of Grimm alfalfa over other varieties. Seeing is believing with Union county farmers and they have already ordered enough seed for 1,000 acres.

In view of the fact that Union county is essentially a livestock

county and is building up a thriving winter feeding business through the utilization of various kinds of silage, the solution of the alfalfa problem has added materially to the success of the feeding plan, is regarded as of considerable importance to stockmen.—Oregon Journal

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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