

MIDNIGHT FIRE AT KLAMATH AGENCY

**Chapel and Class Room, One of the Best
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The Chapel and class room, the second best building at Klamath Agency, was completely destroyed by fire about midnight last evening. The cause of the fire is unknown. Superintendent H. G. Wilson, who is in the city, was notified at 12 o'clock last night. It is stated that the fire was first discovered about 10:30, but it was then so far under headway that it was impossible to do anything beyond preventing the spread of the flames to other buildings.

The Chapel was newly remodeled and improved a little over a year ago. A modern steam heating plant was installed and the building was lighted by electricity. The loss is roughly estimated at between \$8,000 and \$9,000. After the fire was well under way a search was made for the night watchman, and he was found in the basement of one of the other school buildings reading a book, and did not even know that there had been a fire.

Superintendent Wilson, who intended going to the railroad, returned today to the Agency. He stated that it would cost about \$12,000 to replace the building, but the new structure will probably be fire proof. During Mr. Wilson's management of the affairs on the Indian Reservation, many extensive improvements have been made on the grounds and buildings at the headquarters at the Agency. They now have modern heating plants in all of the public buildings, electric lighting system and water works. Irrigation has been introduced on the farming lands and the schools greatly improved. The location of the Agency is an ideal spot, one of the prettiest in Klamath County, and it is stated in point of equipment and buildings it equals any of the Indian Agencies in the United States.

representing the House minority, nominated his colleague, Corrigan, of Yamhill, for Speaker. McArthur cast a complimentary vote for Corrigan and himself received the votes of the other 59 Republicans present.

Corrigan voted for Munkers and received the votes of seven of his Democratic colleagues. Before the vote could be announced officially, Corrigan, after thanking his supporters, withdrew and moved that McArthur's election be made unanimous. Libby, a State member from Marion, had refused to go into caucus, but he accepted the inevitable and cast his ballot for McArthur.

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WILL ASK RESIGNATION.

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WILL HAVE COURT HOUSE.

Commissioners Find That They Can Legally Make Levy for This Purpose—Will Raise \$15,000 This Year.

The County Commissioners have found a law which they believe gives them authority to go ahead and make a levy for the construction of a new Court House, and it is their intention to add two mills to the levy determined upon to be used for that purpose. A two mill levy will raise about \$15,000 and this is believed to be sufficient with which to make a start. Plans and specifications will be secured and actual construction commenced this summer. There will be no reduction in the amount of the road levy on this account. The levy for road purposes which was determined upon is 3.35 mills and will raise about \$23,000.

FIRST LIQUOR CASE.

The Case of the State vs. Ike Wright Has Been Set for Trial on Next Friday.

The demurrer to the indictment against Ike Wright, charged with selling intoxicating liquors, was argued before the Court this afternoon by Judge Drake, one of the attorneys for Mr. Wright. The demurrer was overruled by the Court and the case was set for trial on Friday, January 15. Attorneys R. S. Smith and Thos. Drake will represent the defense, while District Attorney Kuykendall will probably conduct the prosecution.

GRAIN PRICES GO UP.

Increased Demand and Shortage of Crops Causes Price of Grain to Go to the Limit.

The price of grain of all kinds has about reached the top notch in Klamath County. Wheat, oats and barley are selling for two cents and rye is bringing two and a half cents. The price of flour is now \$1.75 a sack. It is said that this extreme price is due to a shortage of crops the past year and the increased demand over last year. More land was put in grain this year than last but the crops were not nearly as heavy as usual.

Nearly all of the farmers of the county have disposed of their grain, although there are a few who are still holding on. Those who are familiar with the market state that they do not believe that grain will go any higher as it has already reached the limit. There is no prediction that there will be any suffering from a grain famine but it is quite certain that the entire supply will be cleaned out by spring.

The farmers of Klamath County are as well off this year as in the past as the high price they have received for their grain and hay has offset the shortage in crops.

DOUGLAS FAVORS GOOD ROADS.

The County Will Raise Over \$100,000 for Road Building Purposes the Coming Year.

ROSEBURG, Ore.—The County Court of Douglas County has gone on record as being decidedly in favor of Good Roads. In fixing the annual tax levy for the year 1909, they provided 2.9 mills for road building purposes, which will provide the splendid sum of \$69,276.65 for road building purposes during the present year. In addition to this the special road taxes levied by the several districts of the county will bring the total funds to be expended for road purposes in this county to nearly \$107,000. In fixing the tax levy for the coming year the board has made an increase of but one mill over the total levy for last year, yet the last year's levy included only one mill for road purposes, as against 2.9 mills this year. Last year's general road tax amounted to a little over \$23,000. This year it will be about three times as much.

With over \$100,000 thus provided for road building purposes in a single year, the county court has given Douglas County the biggest boost and the greatest prestige in its history. A complete outfit of modern road building machinery is to be purchased at an early date and placed in the hands of competent men for operation during the entire season. The court will co-operate with the sev-

JAILOR SCHALLOCK RECEIVES PRAISE

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eral road districts of the county in building good roads. As has for a long time been advocated, the court realizes that the way to get good roads is to build them, and they are going about it in a thorough business-like way to do it, and still are not imposing any overwhelming tax burden on the people. Neither are any other of the material interests of the county being overlooked or neglected.

ANNUAL ELECTION.

The annual election of officers and directors of the First National Bank and the First Trust & Savings Bank was held on the evening of January 12, 1909, and the following directors were elected for the ensuing year: G. W. White, Geo. T. Baldwin, Geo. P. Lindley, W. I. Vawter and J. W. Siemens.

W. A. Delzell was re-elected as Cashier of the First National Bank and J. W. Siemens of the First Trust & Savings Bank.

The usual surplus and dividends were declared.

FORT KLAMATH NEWS.

James Pelton and wife went to the Falls Saturday. Mr. Pelton is one of the jurymen.

Miss Edna Norris went to Crystal Sunday, where she will teach school this winter.

O. B. Bunch and wife went to the Falls Sunday.

Ethel White went to Keno last week where she will visit with relatives for about a month.

Dalt Brophy, while rambling down Main street the other evening, fell into a horse track accidentally, and nearly drowned. After some exertion he succeeded in reaching the top, but only to find he had a severe headache.

Mr. Burns and Mr. Noriel, from the sawmill, were in town Sunday.

J. H. Hessig left last week for Siskiyou County, Cal. He will be absent about two weeks.

Everybody is getting ready to put up ice.

Chas. Brophy, Dalt Brophy and Mr. McKinley went to the Falls Sunday.

Henry Borine and wife left Monday on the stage.

Watch for sale on ladies collars at THE DEAL.

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At the request of J. B. Melton, Wm. Thompson and Milton Hale, the three men convicted of burglary, a representative of the Herald visited the prisoners in the county jail this morning. The men stated that they wished to make a public acknowledgment of the courteous treatment which they received while confined in the jail which covered a period of about six months. They felt particularly grateful to Jailor John Schallock for the little favors he had shown them during their long confinement, which had greatly lessened the tedious hours and made them believe that there were still a few men who had not lost the last spark of ordinary human feeling. They also thanked the Herald for not convicting them before the jury had an opportunity to pass upon the merits of the case.

The men stated that they would not impose on the paper by asking it to give their side of the case as no good could be accomplished. They felt, however, that they had been convicted without sufficient evidence. Their enemies had accomplished their purpose and they would serve their term. Mr. Melton stated that the only reason he could account for being brought into the case was for personal revenge, the details of which were of a personal nature which he did not care to discuss.

The three men do not show any of the effects of long confinement, except possibly an improvement in their physical appearance. They are all apparently in the best of health and spirits and did not seem to dread the trip which they are to take to Salem tomorrow.

The A. O. U. W. lodge is planning for some big times in the near future. They are having one of their annual revivals and at the regular meeting last evening the members brought in six new applications for membership. The lodge expects to initiate from 20 to 30 new members in the next few weeks.

Have you tried one of those Sun Eagle cigars at the Monarch? The best five-cent cigar on the market.

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