

REPAIR THE BRIDGE

Great Structure Across the Salmon Is In Imminent Danger.

NOT ADEQUATELY PROTECTED

Commissioners Will Do Their Utmost To Have the Bridge Ready for Travel Next Spring.

Grangeville Standard.

The plans for a practical reconstruction of the state bridge across the Salmon, between Florence and Warren, will be completed this week, ready to send out to a few responsible bridge contractors. The bridge was not properly protected when built, and the weather has made serious inroads on the wood work. The timbers were hewn from convenient bull pine logs, an inferior wood that has weather-checked and rotted to an alarming extent. The plans will allow for replacing all the timber found defective on a careful examination. Until the structure is braced up by false work, it will be impossible to make a thorough examination. The main span of the bridge is 220 feet in the clear, and it has been estimated that the steel in the structure could not be replaced today for less than \$5000. The board of county commissioners has wisely decided to stretch the law to its utmost in incurring the expense necessary for repairs, in time to save the costly structure from inevitable ruin, and the county from heavy loss and great inconvenience. A. H. Bishop, chairman of the board, made to the Standard the unofficial statement that he believed the bridge would be repaired in ample time for the spring rush in to Thunder Mountain.

The timbers for the new bridge across Slate-creek at Freedom are being sawed and planed at Troeh's mill this week. They will be inspected and taken out to place next week, and the work of building the bridge begun at once. The bridge will be protected for the winter by a good coat of paint. Next spring it will be repainted, and the joints tinned to protect them from the weather. It is believed that the life of the bridge can be greatly lengthened by giving it a little protection.

Neal's Carriage Paint at Moyer's Big Paint and Paper store.

New neckwear for men at Sommercamp's.

NEW YEAR'S BAL MASQUE.

The Firemen Entertainment Promises to Be a Great Event.

The firemen inform the SIGNAL that all preparations have been consummated for the firemen's ball on New Year's night. Words of good cheer come from all the surrounding towns, assuring good attendance. There were ninety-seven tickets sold up to Tuesday morning, and no particular effort had been made in that direction.

When it is taken into consideration that the proceeds of the carnival go for more modern appliances for the laddies to fight fire there will be a generous response from business men and property owners, who are always, without waterworks, at the mercy of the fiery element.

Weiser's volunteer firemen have performed excellent work in saving property in the past and with better facilities will be enabled to cope with fire more successfully.

Every citizen of Weiser is indirectly, if not directly, interested in the success of the entertainment, and the SIGNAL predicts the firemen will have occasion to remember in after days the generous patronage of all her citizens and an entertainment that has never been excelled in this city.

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The Malheur Oil Co. Is Hauling In Sixty Tons of Machinery.

H. V. Gates, of Hillsboro, Oregon, well known to our people as a successful promoter of large enterprises, was here Tuesday and cheerfully gave the Signal the first authentic statement ever given out of the operations of the Malheur Oil Co. This company is a close corporation, with a paid-up capital of \$20,000, which the members propose to expend in an effort to find oil in what is known as Dry Gulch, a short distance from Weiser—perhaps 15 or 20 miles. The machinery for the drill weighed sixty tons, and is the largest outfit north of California. The erection of a derrick 100 feet high is necessary, and some five weeks will be consumed in erecting it and getting the machinery in place. The drilling machine alone cost \$6,000, and is built to go down 5,000 feet. It came from Los Angeles. The company will begin with a hole 14 inches in diameter, and is prepared to go to the last inch of the 5,000 feet unless oil is struck sooner. Mr. Gates says that the company has no stock to sell, but the members have had experts make thorough investigations and satisfied themselves that this is the best prospect for oil to be found anywhere. Moreover, Mr. Gates states that if they strike oil there it will be found underlying all the valley surrounding Weiser. The present shipment was made to Huntington against the advice of Mr. Gates, though he had not been out to the scene of operations. Since coming here and going out to the grounds he has become satisfied that Weiser must be their headquarters and base of supplies. He is of the opinion that if oil is struck Weiser will quickly double or treble in population, as this section will be the scene of extensive oil operations.

Twelve men, beside the expert drill men, are at work for the company at Dry Gulch. A 40-horse power steam engine will supply power. All these facts are evidence that the company has strong faith that oil exists. The surface indications are certainly fine—Pennsylvania sandstone, gypsum, a 2-foot vein of lignite, mud springs, etc.

VERY SUDDEN DEATH

Mrs. Lewis A. Hall Succumbs to Apoplexy in Portland.

Mrs. Lewis A. Hall died in Portland at 9 o'clock Thursday morning of apoplexy.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall went through here Tuesday night bound for Portland. Mr. Hall came west to look after business affairs in connection with the P. & I. N. road and his copper interests and Mrs. Hall accompanied him. At Portland they had a newly born grandchild and it was the intention for Mrs. Hall to remain there while Mr. Hall attended to his business here, but fate decreed otherwise.

Mr. Hall left Portland Thursday evening with the remains, bound for Boston, where interment will be had.

Mrs. Hall was in the habit of accompanying her husband on all his long trips. They made their home on the shore of Lake Superior during the summer, Mr. Hall having lumber interests there, and in the winter they lived in New York, but wherever Mr. Hall went he was accompanied by Mrs. Hall if it were possible for her to go, the two being practically inseparable, and this sudden death of his wife will be a heavy blow to the bereaved husband.

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A TRIBUTE
To the Memory of the Late Rev. Augustus G. Upton, D. D.

EDITOR SIGNAL: Allow me, as a friend of Mr. Upton, to speak a few words regarding him. Some who read this, and who knew him, may not have heard of his death, and I will, therefore, say that he died at Colorado Springs on November 20. Funeral services were held there, and the burial was at Elyria, Ohio, where much of his young life was spent.

His was a life busy with good things. He responded to the call of the Apostle to the Galatians: "So then, as we have opportunity, let us work that which is good toward all men." It was in this spirit that, after much prayer, and careful examination of the situation, he came to Idaho to take the lead in building up an educational institution, and when he came it was to give himself wholly to this work; and, also, to become identified with the community in which he resided, and to aid in the development of the state. In hundreds of eastern communities, the people heard of Idaho, its resources and opportunities thro Mr. Upton. In this, and in many other ways he showed his interest in public affairs.

In his character, Mr. Upton was a realization of the meaning of that good old word "Integrity," a whole-souled man, complete, rounded out. He was characterized by a genial nature, gentleness of spirit, combined with dignity of manner, thus, a good example to the young people whom he loved. He embodied truth, true charity illumined his heart, and while he protested against wrong, he never entertained ill will nor used harsh language toward the wrong doers.

It was natural for him to respond to a call to duty, and he undertook, here, in our midst, two burdens, either of which was enough for any man; the care of the church and of the school. I am sure that all who were connected with either of these enterprises would say that he served well. Perhaps it was this double duty that broke down his health again as it had once before been broken, this time not to be restored. Few, perhaps would, under the circumstances, have tried to do so much but I am sure we may see that it was the result of true consecration. He was ready for any sacrifice. The key to this action is found in his own statement at a prayer meeting in Boise, at one time, where he said "I feel that for me to live is Christ." And now, as we look at his life and works, we may well realize the truth of the other portion of that magnificent verse, that for him, "to die is gain."

Mr. Upton believed that education should be of the heart as well as of the mind, and he boldly placed the standard, in both departments, as high here as he would have done in the more cultured atmosphere of the east. He had great faith in the young people of Idaho, and that it would not be in vain to call upon them to "attain unto the highest." And while some have thought the standard severe, who shall say that they were not practically justified? Certainly some lives have been transformed from the mean to the sublime through their efforts to rise to the high places in mental and moral elevation, toward which Mr. Upton's teaching and example pointed.

Many of us recall his sermon at the funeral of the lamented Mrs. Paddock, in describing her as the first martyr to the christian education here—and now he has also given himself—certainly they have not given their lives in vain. To those who knew what they did here, their lives and influence will be

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