

## AMONG THE EXCHANGES OF THE INLAND EMPIRE

### Get Lecture Instead of Dance.

President Bryan of the Washington State college at Pullman will take the place of the entertainment which the juniors of the local high school had intended to provide by their "prom," which was frowned out of existence by the school authorities, says the Yakima Republic. It has been a custom for the juniors to banquet the seniors each year and the "prom" this year was proposed as a money-maker in order to defray the expenses of the banquet.

As the dance did not meet the approval of the school authorities it was, of necessity, abandoned. The school officials then felt that as a matter of good government it was up to them to suggest something to the students to take its place. One teacher thought a "rose carnival," such as is held annually in Portland, would be a good idea, but this plan did not look good to the juniors.

Superintendent Reed suggested that President Bryan be brought here, the surplus funds received for tickets, if any, returned over to the juniors to defray the banquet expenses. The juniors took to this idea and it will probably be carried through. A committee of the juniors would be the guests of the juniors at a complimentary banquet. The majority of the senior class has expressed itself as favorable particularly as it has been a school custom. This makes it practically certain that the second class will invite the president of the state college from Pullman to lecture.

### Special Rates to Track Meet.

It was announced at the local offices of the O. R. & N. company this morning that the company had decided to give a special rate of a fare and a third for the return trip, upon the certificate plan, for those attending the Tri-State Intercollegiate meet which is to be held under the auspices of Whitman college at Walla Walla, April 20-May 1.

The rates will be in effect from all O. R. & N. points in Washington and Idaho and in Oregon from The Dalles to Huntington. Northern Pacific local officials stated this morning that their company would have similar rates to the meet.—Spokane Chronicle.

### Finds Sheep in Fine Shape.

Dr. H. E. Pinkerton, federal stock inspector, has spent several days this week inspecting the sheep in Adams and Franklin counties and has found them to be in exceptionally fine condition and free from scab in these counties.

As there have been no blizzards or

storms during the winter, Dr. Pinkerton said, the wool has made a steady growth and is certain to have a much better staple than in most years. The Leon Jassud and S. V. Davin flocks are in the best condition of any he has seen this season, and those in this end of the county are better than those in Ritzville and Sprague territories. All sheep in Oregon were dipped last year and are now free from scab, though some may develop later on. Sheep in both states are in better condition than usual at this time of year and under favorable conditions the flocks will produce large percentages of lambs.—Washuena Enterprise.

### Gardeners Busy With Truck Patches.

Work in the gardens, both in the city and country, was begun at an unusually early date this season, because of the favorable condition of the soil and the weather, says the Yakima Republic. Progress is being rapidly made in the planting of early seed and sets. A larger acreage, it is said, will be devoted to the garden this year than heretofore. There is greater demand for the products of the garden than has been generally satisfied by local gardeners at ordinary prices.

As a matter of fact, good garden vegetables and choice fruits are as high in price in this valley as in the cities on the sound. Choice supplies in these lines are shipped away. It was said last fall that, in order to enjoy a really good peach or pear, residents of Yakima would have to go to Seattle, St. Paul or New York to obtain it.

North Yakima people are promised better conditions in that respect this year. The fruit yield, if the average production prevails per acre, will be practically doubled, while it is said that the garden truck acreage will be nearly twice as great as that of last year.

### Trumbull Visits North Powder.

E. D. Trumbull, deputy labor commissioner and factory inspector, was in North Powder on official business Tuesday. It is his duty to inspect every plant that has other than hand power machinery and employs labor; also to see to the enforcement of the laws regarding child labor and the protection of employees.

While in the News office he talked entertainingly of his work, in which he takes keen interest. During the six months ending December 31, 1907, accidents and injuries to those employed about machinery in this state decreased 40 per cent, which speaks well for the working of the new law.—North Powder News.

ence district is crystallizing, and steps will be taken during the coming month to bring the matter before the general conference.

David Hastings Moore, resident bishop of the Pacific northwest, is leading the movement for the enactment of legislation by the general conference to create the territory into the 15th general conference district. At present it is a part of the 14th district, which embraces a vast territory tributary to the Pacific coast.

The growth and development of the Pacific northwest the past decade has been such as warrants, it is believed, the creation of another district, and Bishop Moore has the solid backing of all the conferences in the territory.

By its creation, say the Methodist ministers, mission work will be greatly facilitated and more concentration of effort will be possible. It would also enable the churches in the northwest to have their own representation in the management of church publications and the general benevolence district.

### REV. ALLEN IN CHICAGO.

Writes Friends That There's No Place Like Old Oregon.

The Irrigator Irrigator is in receipt of a letter from Rev. Allen, dated February 21, at South Chicago, and we herewith give the gist of it:

"I have just been reading the Irrigator of February 14, in which you speak of spring weather and preparations for early planting. While reading it we are having a genuine old-time blizzard. The wind is howling and snow flying and we cannot see a half block away. About 10 inches of snow fell today and there seems no intimation of letting up. It has drifted up against our front and back doors, and two or three inches above the window sills. The people who are brave enough to venture out go single file, breaking a path, with heads down and mufflers up, as if braving a sand storm. It is using up our coal pretty fast. We keep shoveling it but get very little heat. This kind of weather makes us look with longing eyes back to Irrigon.

"A week or so ago when making application for the gas the fellow asked me where I used gas last. I replied, 'Portland, Oregon!' Said he, 'Have you lived in Portland, Oregon?' 'Yes,' I said. 'Well, what the devil did you ever come back to this country for?' And I could only reply, 'That's what I say!'

"A few more blizzards like this and I think we will stay here only as many months as we had hoped to stay years.

"We wish the best prosperity to Irrigon for this spring and summer."

The Dalles had a fire of some consequence when the city laundry was discovered in flames Wednesday night. Prompt work saved the machinery and clothing.

### M' HOLME BOUND OVER.

Alleged False Solicitor for Oregonian Must Stand Trial at Baker City. Baker City, Feb. 29.—James McHolme appeared before Justice of the Peace Alf Currey and was bound over to await the action of the circuit court on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses.

About three weeks ago a warrant was issued for McHolme on the charge above stated, and he was arrested in Pendleton and brought back to this city. It appears that he had represented himself as an agent of the Portland Oregonian. He took several subscriptions, obtaining about \$10 and then went to La Grande. He did not send the money to the Oregonian, nor did he send in the names of the people whose subscriptions he had taken.

When the people here did not receive their papers, they informed W. A. Baird, the local agent, who investigated the matter, with the result that McHolme was arrested. The accused man says he wrote to Baird from La Grande telling him that he would make everything all right as soon as he could earn the money. Baird says he received no such letter.

When confronted with the evidence McHolme admitted that everything was true as stated; that he had taken the money for subscriptions; that he had not sent in the names to the Oregonian, but he does not think that he committed any crime, as he intended to make everything square. He is a man of 65 years old, but appears much older, and does not look like a person accustomed to crooked dealing. When being taken from the jail to the justice office he appeared happy under the hope that he would soon be free, but was greatly crestfallen when the judge gave his decision. This is the first criminal case that has come up since the last term of court in January.

### BURNED TO DEATH.

Former Weston Citizen Loses Life in Fire at Santa Monica, Calif.

William B. Madge, a veteran of the civil war well known at Weston, was burned to death Wednesday night, February 19, at his home in Santa Monica, California, says the Weston Leader.

"Billy" Madge occupied a small house which he had himself built in Santa Monica. Since the death of his mother (widow of the late J. T. Downing, who formerly resided near Weston) he had lived entirely alone, and was almost helpless from rheumatism. Every night he took morphine in order that he might get a little sleep. Wednesday evening a neighbor H. D. Houghton, went in and administered morphine to the sufferer and upon his departure left a lamp burning in the bedroom. Some time later it is supposed this lamp exploded, as a noise was heard by neighbors and the house was found in flames. All efforts to extinguish the fire were futile, and the body of Mr. Madge, burned to a cinder, was found in the cellar of the ruins.

Mr. Madge was 65 years old. He served during the war with the Third New York cavalry. His only known relative is a cousin, Mrs. Alice Roosevelt, wife of a cousin of President Roosevelt. The remains were interred with military honors in the cemetery of the National soldiers home at Sawtelle, Calif.

### BIG FIRM BANKRUPT.

French Brothers of John Day "Give Up the Ghost."

Another large firm that has been operating in the interior has gone into voluntary bankruptcy, the firm of French Bros., at John Day being the one to fail this time. W. G. Drowley, referee in bankruptcy, yesterday evening received from A. D. Leedy, attorney for the firm a petition setting forth the liabilities and assets of the company, says the Baker City Herald. In their petition the liabilities are listed at \$26,794.96 and the assets at \$11,584.94, showing a balance of \$15,209.02 which the firm is unable to pay.

The petitioners are J. B. and R. S. French who are engaged in the hardware business at John Day. They are comparatively new comers in this country and have been conducting a large store in the interior.

They have a long list of creditors in various parts of the country, two local firms being in the number. The assets consist of the stock on hand and the bills that are owing to the firm by people who have purchased goods. The date of hearing of the case has not yet been set.

### Billion Dollars in Treasury.

The strength of the United States treasury at the present time was commented on in the house today by Mr. Boutell of Illinois, says a Washington dispatch. He said he had just been informed by Treasurer Treat that for the first time the gold coin and bullion in the United States had reached and passed the sum of one thousand million dollars, "an event so extraordinary," he said, "that it will be chronicled and commented upon with surprise and amazement in every financial center in the world; an event which all citizens of our republic, without regard to party affiliations, may well contemplate with satisfaction and pride."

### G. N. Earned \$23,000,000.

The Great Northern road will pay the state nearly \$1,000,000 in taxes this year, says a St. Paul dispatch. This is \$60,000 in excess of 1906 and is representative of the biggest year's business in the history of the company. The gross earnings of the Great Northern last year, according to statements filed by the company today, were \$22,952,856, and on this it will pay a 4 per cent tax, amounting to \$917,115. In 1906 the earnings were \$21,444,275 and the tax was \$857,770.

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Washington, Oregon and Idaho May Be Put in New Division.

Methodist ministers throughout the Pacific northwest are looking forward with much interest to the quadrennial general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, which opens in Baltimore, Md., the first Wednesday in May, to continue throughout the month, states a Tacoma report.

Agitation for the creation of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and part of Montana into a new general confer-