

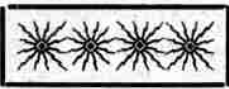
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SPRING GOODS ARE
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THE DESIGNS ARE ALL
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THE CHICAGO
STORE

REPORTED THAT WAR HAS BEGUN

Information Comes From Unofficial Sources and is Not Confirmed. Japan Is impatient for Fight. England Encourages Japan. Fighting in Korea.

London, Feb. 6.—The Echo says the rumor current that certain London merchants have received a cable from agents in Japan that a battle occurred between Russia and Japanese battleships, in which three Russian and two Japanese battleships were sunk.

NOT CONFIRMED
The Japanese embassy here has heard nothing to confirm the report of a battle and gives it no credence.
ENGLAND ENCOURAGES JAPAN
London, Feb. 6.—It is learned that Great Britain, believing war between Japan and Russia to be inevitable, is now giving Japan active encouragement.

FIGHTING IN KOREA
London, Feb. 6.—A Seoul dispatch says Russian soldiers encountered Korean gendarmes because the former seized a woman. The gendarmes were victorious. One Russian was wounded. The Koreans declare Russia will destroy their country.

An insurrection has broken out 60 miles north of Seoul, and the prefect's house has been destroyed.
IMPATIENT
Washington, Feb. 6.—Minister Griston at Tokyo cables the state department that great impatience is manifested in Japan and that she is anxious for a fight.

TRIAL OF SMOOT

Will Begin Before the Senate Committee on Elections on March 1. A Full Investigation to be Made.

Washington, Feb. 6.—The trial of Senator Smoot will begin before the senate committee on elections on March 1, according to the date fixed this morning. The committee decided to make a full and complete investigation, not only of the specific charges against the senator, but also as to the practices of the Mormon church in connection with polygamy and alleged interference in politics.

Sunday School Report

The First Primary class of the First M. E. Sunday School of this city held out well through the month of January. The school being regraded, eight pupils were promoted from this class to the Intermediate Dept. and the remaining class divided into two, which two classes comprise the Primary Dept. Nevertheless eight have their names on the Roll of Honor. They are: Eunice Bolton, Wilma Oesterling, Harold Earle, Wilson Robinson, Victor Eckley, Victor Thornton, Arleigh Lammerer, Hermann Timmer. Four others missed only one Sunday.

Farm and Shop

In 1900 the gross value of agricultural products grown in Oregon was at \$30,000,000 being \$92 per capita to the whole population of the State. In the same year the gross valuation of manufactured products, in Oregon, was of the value of \$40,000,000 being \$111 per capita.

THE UNION STAKE LDS TABERNACLE

Finest Church Building in Oregon Outside of Portland. Union County Material and La Grande Builders.

For the past several weeks a long string of teams have been hauling rocks for the Mormon tabernacle. For as many weeks numbers of men with teams and scrapers have been employed excavating for the foundation of this the largest church building in the state outside of Portland. This grand tabernacle will when completed reach ninety two feet above the pavement, and will cover a lot nearly eighty feet square. It will be constructed of brick and stone, and it will not come a miss to state at this time that the plans for this structure were furnished by a La Grande man, C. E. Thornton, the brick by a La Grande man, George Kreiger, and that stone came from a La Grande quarry and

that all the contracts so far let for the building have been awarded to citizens of this city. The building will have four fronts and as many entrances. In the north front will be a window twenty five feet high filled with the very finest stained glass. The trimmings of the walls will be of pure white granite, another Union product. The interior will be finished and furnished in the finest natural woods. The upper floor will be an auditorium and the lower floors will be used for the Sunday school and classrooms. A splendid pipe organ will be placed in the auditorium. Taking it altogether it will be as before stated the finest church building in the state outside of Portland.

A New Potato

Frank Kernan of Alsea was an Observer visitor Saturday. Last year he experimented with a new variety of potatoes called the "Sir Walter Raleigh" they are in four weeks earlier than other varieties, larger and better yielders. Last year was not even an average potato season for Grand Ronde, yet from six acres Mr Kernan raised 400 sacks of potatoes.

J. J. LILLIS

PRACTICAL UPHOLSTERER... Phone 1223
Shop: P. St. between 3d and 4

Grange Hall

The subject debated Friday evening at Grange Hall was, "Resolved that in municipal election, that there should be a moderate property qualification for voters."

The affirmative was represented by J. W. McAlister, Snow and Wm Sherwood the negative by Carpenter and Jasper.

The matter for discussion next Friday will be a general one on good roads.

The debate two weeks, will be "Resolved that the governments action taken in the Panama matter was in unison with the Monroe doctrine."

UNIFORM BANK TEAM

All members of the Uniform Bank Team W. O. W. are requested to meet at Elks hall this afternoon at 2:30. By order of Captain.

72 Miles an Hour

The wind that swept the coast of Oregon and Washington on last Wednesday night was the most terrific of the season. Off the mouth of the Columbia it reached a velocity of 72 miles an hour. In Portland the wind completed the ruin of the Park School house, lately damaged by fire by blowing down the blackened brick walls, and twisted telegraph wires and broke down poles cutting off communications to the south.

INDORSES TEDDY

The National Editorial Association Assembled in Washington Indorses Roosevelt for the Presidency and Will Work to That End.

Washington, Feb. 6.—The National Republican Editorial Association at its meeting passed a resolution offered by Charles Francis, editor of the Try, N. Y. Time, strongly indorse President Roosevelt for the nomination of the Presidency, and pledging the best efforts of the association to that end.

Signed By President

Washington, Feb. 6.—President Roosevelt today signed a proclamation ordering the Baker City forest reserve as recommended by Commission Richards on Wednesday.

HIS CONDITION UNCHANGED

Senator Hanna's Condition Remains Practically the Same. A Climax is Expected Soon.

Washington, Feb. 6.—At 10 o'clock a bulletin shows Senator Hanna's temperature to be half a degree higher than yesterday. Dr. Rixey believes the disease is reaching a climax. His general condition is unchanged.

SUPT. F. E. ENLOE MAKES SUGGESTIONS

Advocates the Extension of Water Mains and Thereby Giving Fire Protection to Those Now Without Protection.

La Grande, Oregon, Feb. 2, 1904
To the Mayor and Council of the city of La Grande, Union county, Oregon, Gentlemen.

I have been asked what I thought about the city buying more fire hose also other appliances for fighting fire I answer more water mains and fire hydrants. Lets see about this. Our fire hose costs the city 90 cents per foot F. O. B. Portland Oregon while a water main of 4 inches in size will cost 27 cents F. O. B. Portland. I think that we have plenty of hose for the business district and the out side district of which I reckoned these pipes are to be laid hose would be of little use. It is a fact when the fireman lays a 1000 or 1500 feet of hose the friction is so much that you get but little water, so why not lay mains and put in fire hydrants, so we will not have to lay over 3 or 4 hundred feet of hose when they will have a good pressure to fight fire with, therefore I reckoned that a 4 inch main be laid commencing at the intersection of 2nd St. and B. St. then East along B St. to 4 St. then North along Fourth Street to K St. and join on K St. main making a complete circuit and the fire hydrants to be placed as follows or under the instructions of the water company: One hydrant at the corner of B and 4 St.

one on E and 4 St., one on G and 4 St. one on J and 4 St. this pipe line is 3600 feet long this main will cost about \$1,900. I also reckoned that the N St. main be extended as follows: commencing at 8 St. then West along N St. and 4 St. then North along 4 St. to P St. and join on the P St. main also commencing at the intersection of Washington and N St. then East along Spruce St. to Jefferson St. then along Jefferson to Greenwood St. and join on Greenwood main making a circuit on this line with fire hydrants as follows: one on corner 4 and N St. one on N and 6 St. one on Spruce and Jefferson and one between Spruce and Greenwood this main is 3540 feet long and will cost completed about \$1,800. I also reckoned that the city lay a 4 inch main along Osborn St. commencing at the intersection of North Depot and Monroe St. then North along Depot St. to Osborn St. then East along Osborn St. making a total of 1400 feet of pipe with a fire hydrant on North Depot and Osborn St. and one on corner of Osborn and Greenwood St. this main will be of great benefit to the tax payers and it will give the water and fire protection, and the city a good revenue, and will cost about \$700.

F. E. ENLOE, SUPT.

Socialists' Convention

The State convention of the Socialist party of Oregon has been called to meet on March 4th, 1904, at Portland.

Each local organization will be entitled to one delegate at large and one for every five members of the local.

Elections will be held on February 27, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State convention. The Socialist vote of Oregon in 1902 was 5,500, and it is estimated it now amounts to at least 7,000, making a total representation at the state convention about 1,400 delegates, if the entire vote is confined to the organizations and the organization elects its full quota of delegates.

For The Fair

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The House com-

mittee on industrial arts and expositions will hold a special meeting tomorrow to appoint a subcommittee to draft a report on the Lewis and Clark bill. Chairman Tawney stated to Senator Fulton today that he believed the bill would be submitted to the House by the next committee, the latter part of next week, and save for the elimination of the appropriation for a memorial building and the provision for Government Commissioners, he saw no reason for materially amending the bill.

No More Glass

Owing to the strike, on Feb 2d the last glass factory closed in Pittsburgh, Pa. and for the first time in 108 years, no glass is being in that city.

THERE ARE FIVE REASONS



Why we can sell goods cheaper than any firm in La Grande.
1st We buy and sell for cash.
2nd Our rent is only one-fourth what others pay.
3rd We do our own clerking.
4th We sell only the best goods.
5th We carry eight lines of goods as follows:
Shoes, the best in town, made by Selz Schwab & Co., Chicago.
Sweet Dempster & Co., Hats. A

complete line of ladies and gents furnishings. Dress goods, notions and a full line of jewelry and the best line of Millinery in Union County. If we only sold one line our expenses would be the same as when we sell eight. Therefore we can save you money. Remember we have an expert Jeweler who does all kinds of repairing.

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DO YOU WANT CHOICE TIMBER CLAIM?

If so, we can locate you on some fine claims in Wallowa County.

McDaniel & McDonald,
WALLOWA, OREGON

OUR WHITE CARNIVAL OPENS TOMORROW MORNING

Promptly at eight o'clock. We have worked diligently for many months to make this the Greatest White Carnival in the business history of La Grande and we feel that our work is well done, and that you will appreciate our efforts and the splendid values we have gathered from mills and manufacturers for your choosing.

These goods were bought months ago before cotton goods advanced by jumps and strides until they are in many instances as much as 50 per cent higher to-day—and we are offering them during our White Carnival at the smallest of small margins over and above what we paid for them months ago.

This is making-up season. Supply your needs now. You will pay more later

Watch carefully for announcement of prices and special Carnival features—

Don't forget about the Money to be Refunded



THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY