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Fresh Nougat
Fresh Carmels
Fresh Taffey
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BLUE MOUNTAIN UNIVERSITY.

A most interesting chapter might be compiled from the unwritten history of the Old Blue Mountain University at La Grande. The material for such a chapter will have to be sought in the memories of those who lived here some thirty years ago, widely scattered records and private letters and old newspapers that have escaped the mill-dew of time, the hazzard of removals and a third of a century of house cleaning and rubbish burning.

The chapter is worthy of the most gifted pen, guided by a hand familiar with the grasp of the pioneer, inspired by a heart in full sympathy with the task of laying the foundation of civilization in a new country, and a keen knowledge of the impediments to be overcome and courage required to meet and overcome them.

To attempt to found an institution of learning in a sparsely settled community, one hundred miles from steamboat navigation surrounded by mountain ranges that appalled railroad engineers and deterred capitalists from even considering the proposition to send the steam cars across the desert stretches, and over mountain ranges was a bold undertaking, one that none but pioneers; who were desirous to build homes and rear families, civilized cultured fami-

LaGrande in 1872 illustrates the high purposes of the early pioneer, and the success attained in a region wherein the first cabin built by white men was but 13 years old, demonstrates that the pioneer is not the rude "half-civilized" being, he is almost universally represented to be in the literature of America.

The OBSERVER is under great obligation to Mrs. Anna Stevens for a copy of the Mountain Sentinel, published in La Grande June 5, 1875, in which appears the first advertisement of the Blue Mountain University, stating that "it will open Dec., 15th 1874 with J. L. Carter acting president and professor of natural science, Mrs. E. J. Hines, preceptress and teacher in academical department and Anna M. Stevens, teacher in the primary department and teacher of music. The faculty was complete, would even have dared to undertake.

The attempt to found the Blue Mountain University at posed of home talent, pioneers. The building owned by the institution was a two story brick, erected at a cost of \$18,000, which was the free gift of the pioneers—that class that has been described by such writers as Cooper, Irving and others as "half-civilized" beings who to escape from civilization, shouldered their rifles, trundled their ragged wives and "tow headed," children into an ox wagon fled into the wilderness.

Grande Ronde Valley Fruit Farm

The Grande Ronde valley fruit farm contains 320 acres, and is to be sold in lots of ten lots and an 1 up, to suit the purchaser. It is situated eight miles north-east of La Grande, Oregon, near the Elgin branch of the O. R. & N. at road.

We furnish the purchaser, at the end of three years, a thriving growing apple orchard, one that has been cared for from setting. In the most approved manner, cultivating the land six or eight times a year, keeping the ground well pulverized, and at all times free from weeds, grass and other vegetation. May 1st and August 15th of each year; keeping the trees pruned in the most scientific manner; removing and burning all cuttings and suckers, and in short, do any and all work which will be for the best interest of the trees. We replant all trees that may die in the first, second and third years, and pay all taxes for three years. We furnish the land, labor and material, and trees, and three years' care, at the price of \$125 per acre, giving three years in which to pay for it.

Our terms of payment are 25 per cent of purchase price, cash; balance in three yearly payments, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

The purchaser can remain where he is, make no immediate change in his business or home interests, making his present business pay for his investment, sacrificing no time while the orchard is being brought into bearing condition, and rest assured that skilled horticulturalists will do the work better than he can unless he has had horticultural experience under conditions existing in Oregon. After trees have had scientific care, pruning and shaping for three years, the subsequent work is much more methodical and can be successfully done by those without horticultural skill.

As an investment it is gilt edge; and is the nearest possible approach to a guaranteed annuity.

We have all our work done by contract and the contractors are under heavy bonds to us for the faithful performance of their work.

We have executed a bond to the amount of \$10,000, and have appointed Hon. J. M. ... cashier of the La Grande National Bank, trustee.

For further particulars see M. L. CAUSEY, President Eastern Oregon Colonizing Company, Foley-Rosch Bldg., La Grande, Ore., D. W. -4-1.

Sacred Heart Academy

A lecture will be given by Rt. Rev. C. J. O'Reilly on March 16, at the academy, hall. At the same time an entertainment will be given consisting of a quartette and several selections by the members of St. Mary's choir and pupils of the academy.

City Election Notice

To whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that there will be a General Election held in the City of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, on Monday the 11th day of March 1904, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, Recorder, Marshal and Treasurer to serve for one year and one councilman from each ward in said City to serve for the term of two years. And for the purpose of voting upon the proposition to authorize the Council of the City of La Grande Oregon to issue and negotiate Twenty five Thousand Dollars Additional bonds of said City for the purpose of constructing a City Hall for said City. The polling place in the First Ward will be in the Old Council Chambers, and the following named persons have been appointed to act as Judges and Clerks of said First Ward: Judges C. J. McLean, J. P. Clark and John Wilson Clerks W. N. Monroe and J. E. Reynolds and S. N. Bolton. The polling place in the Second Ward will be in the Fire Department Building on Elm Street, and the following named persons have been appointed to act as Judges and Clerks of said Second Ward: Judges H. W. Stoner, John Baker and W. G. Masterton Clerks Wm. Grant and I. R. Snook and T. J. Ormond. The polling place in the Third Ward will be in the Gangloff Building on Fourth Street North of Jefferson Avenue. And the following named persons have been appointed to act as Judges and Clerks of said Third Ward: Judges Perry Stephenson, J. M. Hiltz and L. H. Rummelhart Clerks George H. Currey and C. J. Scriber and Chester Newlin. The polling places will be open from 9 o'clock A. M. to 5 o'clock P. M. of said 11th day of March 1904.

Dated this 3rd day of March 1904.
H. T. WILLIAMS Recorder of the City of La Grande Union County, Oregon.

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A sweet, wholesome story of country life—Large cast of Metropolitan artists
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Seats on Sale Sunday. Usual Prices

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON.

The World's Fair Route
Those anticipating an Eastern trip, or a visit to the Louisiana Purchase exposition at St. Louis, cannot afford to overlook the advantages offered by the Missouri Pacific Railway, which, on account of its various routes and gateways, has been appropriately named "The World's Fair Route."

Notice of first meeting of Creditors:
To the Creditors of M. J. Mullins and M. E. Mullins, doing business under the firm name of Ormond and Company, of La Grande, in the county of Union, and district aforesaid. Bankrupts.

Notice of first meeting of Creditors:
To the Creditors of M. J. Mullins and M. E. Mullins, a co-partnership doing business under the firm name of Ormond and Company, were duly adjudicated bankrupts; and that the first meeting of the creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned, in La Grande, Oregon, on the 19th day of March, 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at which time and place said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a Trustee, examine the Bankrupts, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting. Twenty five cents must accompany each claim filed.
Dated at La Grande, Oregon, March 4th, 1904.
F. S. IVANHOE
Referee in Bankruptcy.

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Passengers from the Northwest take the Missouri Pacific trains from Denver or Pueblo with the choice of either going direct through the Kansas City, via Wichita, Fort Scott and Pleasant Hill.
Two trains daily from Denver and Pueblo to St. Louis without change, carrying all classes of modern equipment, including electric lighted observation parlor cafe dining cars. Ten daily trains between Kansas City and St. Louis.
Write, or call on W. C. McBride, General Agent, 124 Third street, Portland, for detailed information and illustrated literature. 3-2-11

MEETING NOTICE

All members of Union 872 Carpenters and joiners are requested to be present at Labour Hall Friday evening March 4. All are earnestly requested to be present.
By order of G. Wagner, Pres.

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"THE BOSS"
Corner Railroad & Fir St.
We will always keep on hand a good stock of fresh and smoked meats, sausages, fish and poultry, and will be glad to meet all my old patrons and as many new ones. All orders will receive our prompt attention.
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