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WEATHER FORECAST
Fair for tomorrow and cooler tonight.

THE TRAINS
No 2 East bound 9:10 p m on time
No 5 West " 8:35 p m on time

GLORIOUS FOURTH WELL CELEBRATED

La Grande Did Herself Proud in Making The Eagle Scream and Entertaining Her Visitors.

On Saturday afternoon before the Fourth, the people of La Grande began in earnest to decorate the city in such a manner as the celebration of the anniversary of the Declaration of our Independence demands. Not only were the business houses adorned with bunting and flags on the outside, but the show windows and interiors of the buildings were each "a thing of beauty and a joy forever."

Nor was the work of decorating stopped at the business houses, but many of the dwelling houses were embellished in a royal manner and appropriate to the occasion, while there was scarcely a house or cottage in the city that did not have the stars and stripes in evidence or some other acknowledgment of the Day of All Days to patriotic and liberty-loving Americans. The trains arriving in the afternoon and evening of Saturday were loaded with people coming to La Grande to spend the day of liberation and that night the city was a glare of electric lights, and gay decorations met the visitor's eye at every point. An immense crowd was on the streets Saturday night, composed both of residents and visitors. Some were shopping but most were on "mere pleasure bent, and were passing the time in

admiring the gaily decorated houses and show windows, in making pleasant comments on the rest of the crowd, or in attending the merry-go-round, where many were tempted by and yielded to its siren song. Saturday night passed off peacefully and pleasantly and without disturbance of any kind.

Sunday morning the prospects were for a beautiful day and the work of decorating was continued with great vigor. The band stand was decorated profusely with bunting and other adornments, and electric lights placed around the entire stand. Several United States flags were placed upon each and every telegraph, telephone and electric light pole, and streamers were placed along the street at different intersections with numerous flags of diverse colors and shapes, but among all these stars and stripes predominated. Green fir and spruce trees were placed along the edge of the walks, and the whole city was made to "blossom like a rose."

The young people began setting off firecrackers, throwing hand grenades and bursting torpedoes early in the morning Sunday, and the merry pastime was continued throughout the day, increasing in number and volume

of noise at night. During the entire day people were arriving in the city yet "eyes looked love to eyes that spoke again."



C. E. COCHRAN,
Who Was Orator of the Day.

In the forenoon the La Grande band escorted the Pendleton and La Grande base ball teams to the grounds, and rendered some of their excellent music and a large crowd of people witnessed the game. In the afternoon the crowd was attracted to the race tracks to see several races which were pulled off, and which were interesting and exciting. Late in the afternoon Sunday came a refreshing shower which cooled the atmosphere and laid the dust, the clouds rolled away, and prospects were bright for a glorious Fourth.

The patriotic address of Hon. Chas Cochran of Union was listened to with pleasure at the arbor by an audience of three thousand people, and the address in its delivery and sentiment, well sustained the reputation of Mr Cochran as an orator and thinker.

The goddess of Liberty reigned with dignity and her court was a galaxy of beauty, being composed of forty five young ladies, representing the forty five states of the Union, and dressed appropriately in red, white and blue gowns.

PRIZE WINNERS

The various committees awarded the following prizes which were features of the parade.

\$50 silver lovingcup to the Knights of Pythias for the best representative display on foot by any fraternal order.

Gold mounted gavel gave for the most representative fraternal float was awarded to the Woodmen of the World.

Paul Perfection cigar factory secured the \$15 cash prize for the best "Merchant float."

Mrs Chas Melquest the \$5 cash prize for the best decorated rig.

SPORT EVENTS

The hours of the afternoon were devoted to various contests the successful winners are as follows:

Boys race under fourteen year, Stanley Carpy 1st; Geo Noble 2nd; Barni race, Louis Oldenburg 1st

SULLIBERY 2nd
Old man's race, Joe Smith
220 yard race, Hatchison of Pendleton 1st; Wm Frazer 2nd.
Woman's race, Miss Cora Wilson of Union 1st
Boys Bicycle race, Willie Hamilton 1st; Irving Bramwell 2nd
Amateur bicycle race, J C Newell gold medal; R Becker of Lower Cove silver medal
Fat mans race, James Nelson
Potato race, Grover Elsworth 1st; Geo Noble 2nd
Pie eating contest, Charley Martin 1st; Irvin Melville 2nd.
Grass pig, several contestants but no winners.

CORNER STONE

The laying of the corner stone of the city hall was attended by thousands. The mayor and members of the city council were master of ceremony which consisted of placing and sealing within the especially prepared stone copies of the daily and weekly Observer, Chronicle, Spokesman Review, Oregonian, Lewis and Clark bridge, a volume of the "Jolly Elks" and a few coins. Attorney E W Bartlett delivered a short but a very appropriate address which with the closing ceremonies by the band the procession returned to the main streets after an event that marks a new era in the history of our city.

COUNTY COURT

Canvasses the County Seat Vote and Set the Date of Removal Sept 3.

(Special to the Observer.)
Union, July 5.—The county court today took cognizance of the result of the vote cast on the county seat removal question and after canvassing the same set the date for the removal of the county seat from Union to La Grande on September 3, 1904.

A bond in the sum of \$25,000 was filed with the court, signed by over twenty-five leading tax payers and business men of La Grande guaranteeing to furnish to the county, office, jury rooms and jail and all necessary court house accommodations for a term of fifteen years for the nominal sum of \$1 per annum.

Mrs Jackson Nelson, of Athens, is visiting her daughter Mrs J D Matheson, and also Miss Ethel Garfield and Genevieve Dickson of Walla Walla, are guests of Mrs Matheson.

Silk Coats Less Than Ever.

We would call your attention to this extraordinary offering of silk coats which includes every coat in our store. The prices would hardly buy the silks alone. See the display in our windows.

\$22.50 Black Ssilk Coats,	\$16.50
14.00 " " "	10.90
12.00 " " "	9.85
11.50 " " "	8.50
6.00	4.85
12.50 Champaigne Colorex	10.00
7.50	6.25
6.00	4.85

Ladies Shirt Waist Suits
\$4.50 to 6.50

If you need a cool suit don't fail to see our line. These suits are made and trimmed in the most popular style and will be sure to please you.

Men's Pongee Silk Shirts
In Neglige and Golf styles
\$3.00 DOWN TO 1.75

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Here you will find some of the most desirable patterns. Some have collars to match.

LADIES' HATS ARE REDUCED.

SILK FANS WITH BEAD CHAINS 75c

75c Ladies Crush
Leather Belts 59c

Ladies Lace

Hose in the famous and reliable "Topsy" brand in dozens of beautiful effects, absolutely fast color and warranted not to crack, in prices ranging from 75 cents down to 25 cents.

Ladies Oxfords

And strap slippers in patents Colt, patent kid, fine vici kid, with light and heavy soles.

REMEMBER the Big Stock Reduction Sale closes today.

THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY

We are Going to Celebrate

Watch this Space

After The

FOURTH

The Chicago Store

No One Buys Drugs For Fun

No one sells them for amusement. It's a serious, important business on both sides. A drug store should have two missions: One, to furnish drugs that can be relied on, the other, to furnish them for what they are worth. Drug stores exist for the public good. Knowledge, experience and progressive methods should mark their management. We endeavor to keep step with the progress of the age, to meet every requirement of the community, to conduct a store that shall stand for all that a drug store should.

We wish to serve those who want accurate service, high grade drugs, and uniformly fair and courteous treatment.

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