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**Lodge Directory.**

**EOLES**—La Grande Aerie 222 F. O. E. meets every Friday night at 8 P. M. at 4 P. M. Visiting brothers invited to attend. C. U. Rockwell, W. P. A. N. Mayville, W. Sec.

**FORESTERS OF AMERICA**—Court Maid Marion, No. 22 meets each Tuesday in E. K. hall. Brothers are invited to attend. Al Holstein Chief, Ranger. C. J. Vanderpool, Sec.

**F. O. C.**—La Grande Lodge, No. 15 meets in their hall every Saturday night. Visiting members cordially invited to attend. C. J. Vanderpool, N. G. I. R. Stuart, Sec.

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"Never despair, though the way be dark  
Somewhere the sun is shining;  
Keep heart of cheer, through the winter drear,  
Somewhere the roses are twining.  
Ever be hopeful, ever be true—  
Some time for you shall the roses bloom,  
A glowing sun shine out of the blue,  
On the path now wrapped in gloom."

**THE LABOR QUESTION.**

In the 20 years ending with 1900 Carroll D. Wright United States Commissioner of labor in the 16 Annual Report in writing of the time lost by strikers gives the number of days lost by wage earners at 2,789,160, which reduced amounts to 7,641.6 years. He also gives the wage loss of employees by lost time by reason of strikes during the 20 years under review at \$357,863,478, during which time other labor organizations than those directly engaged in the strike assisted the strikers to the amount of \$18,174,793, and the loss to the employers by reason of the strikes therein for the 20 years amounted to \$122,731,121, making the total losses for the period foot up \$395,769,392 chargeable to strikes. The number of persons who lost time by reason of strikes for the 20 years from 1881 to end of 1900 were 8,105,894, and their average loss was \$42 to each wage earner engaged.

The losses from lockouts for the 20 years ending with 1900 was not as great as from strikes, being \$48,819,745 as the wage loss of employees, \$2,451,461 assistance to employees by labor organizations and \$19,927,983 loss of employers; making an aggregate loss from lockouts for the 20 years of \$72,899,199.

By adding the losses from strikes and lockouts during the 20 years it will be seen that labor troubles are responsible for a loss of \$468,168,581.

By scanning the above figures it will be seen that the losses from strikes and lockouts for the 20 years under review fell heavily on the employers, their share being \$325,509,477 while the employer was \$142,659,477.

Of the 14,457 strikes in the 20 years under consideration those in 103,455 establishments were ordered by labor organizations, of which the strikes in 54,690 were successful, those in 14,066 succeeded partially and those in 34,699 failed. At the same time there were strikes in 13,913 establishments that were not ordered by organizations of which 4,947 succeeded, 1,259 partly succeeded and 7,707 failed.

That some idea may be formed as to the relation that the present labor troubles bears to the whole business carried on in the United States the following figures are given. In 1900 there were 512,734 manufacturing establishments of all kinds in the United States that gave employment to 5,719,137 wage earners, clerks and officials to whom were paid in wages and salaries \$2,735,439,848, and turned out a product valued at \$13,030,279,566.

So far as the farmers and farm hands have not entered the labor turmoil. In 1900 there were 5,739,857 farms in the United States on which 10,438,219 either as tenants wage earners or owners. The value of the farms and farm property in 1900 was 20,514,001,838.

Just how many wage earners are organized in the several unions or kindred organizations is not certainly known, but

president Mitchell recently estimated the number at 2,000,000. This is not quite all the number employed in the factories.

We are now shipping cherries from this valley in car load lots and it will not be many years until we are shipping apples in train loads. This is destined to be one of the large fruit shipping counties of the State.

The mines in Southern Oregon have attracted more than the usual attention the past few months. Oregon is rapidly becoming one of the best gold producing states in the union. In fact there are very few things that we do not excel.

There have been more damages reported, resulting from electrical disturbances this year both east and west than for many years.

Now is the time for steps to be taken for a creditable exhibit of the resources of this county to be made and properly maintained next year during the Louis and Clark fair. Several counties in the state are now at work and in a few instances the county courts are assisting by liberal appropriations. There should be united action of all portions of the county relative to this exhibit. The entire county should be represented. What is everybody's business is nobody's. There should be steps taken towards organization for the proper carrying out of this exhibit.

**SOLD HIS HORSES.**

J. D. McKennon has returned from Walla Walla where he took 26 head of horses belonging to McKennon & Leadbetter, where he found a good market. The horses were between 4 and 6 years old weighing from 1200 to 1400. He states horses of this class are in demand at satisfactory prices but small horses are not wanted at any price.

**Percheron Horses**

W. G. Peah who has been visiting early scenes of his life in Vermont for the past eighteen months is now on his way home and is bringing several head of fine percheron horses with him.

**Call Us Up**

If you do not receive your Observer regularly please call us up by phone and let us know. We are just anxious to have you get your paper as you are to get it. All papers should be placed in the door. If yours does not come that way let us know.

London, July 19.—The Morning Post's correspondent at Kuroki's headquarters telegraphing July 17, says: "The Russian force, apparently about 20,000 strong, attacked the Japanese position on the western slope of Mt. Tien pass at 2 a m today under cover of a dense fog. The sudden onslaught drove the Japanese outposts, but as soon as reinforcements arrived the Japanese gallantly advanced to the attack and after severe fighting drove off the Russians and recaptured their position."

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**NOTICE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT**

Notice is hereby given, that at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of La Grande, Oregon, held on the 6th day of July A. D., 1904, Sixth Street in the City of La Grande, Oregon, was ordered improved by the construction of a seven (7) foot sidewalk along the westerly side of said Sixth Street from the sly-way in block 60, in Chaplin's Addition, to N Street, said sidewalk to be constructed by the abutting property owners on or before the 7th day of September, A. D., 1904, and to be constructed as follows, to-wit: The top of the walk shall consist of plank one and one half inches by eight inches of pine wood, seven feet long. The top of the walk shall be supported by not less than four stringers of tamarack or fir wood and shall not be less than two inches by six inches, and shall be laid upon sills of tamarack or fir wood not less than four inches by eight inches; said sills shall not be more than eight feet apart. The outside stringers shall not be more than three inches from outside of the walk, and shall join end to end; all other stringers shall lap; and all shall be solidly nailed together with not less than 20d wire nails; covering shall be put on and solidly nailed to the stringers with two 20d. nails in each board on each stringer.

Notice is hereby further given that unless said sidewalk is constructed by the abutting property owners in the manner aforesaid, on or before the 7th day of September, A. D., 1904, that the same will be constructed by the City of La Grande, Oregon, and a lien taken against the abutting property for the construction of same.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 9th day of July, A. D., 1904.  
Chester P. Newlin  
Recorder of the City of La Grande, Union County, Oregon.

**NOTICE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT**

Notice is hereby given that at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of La Grande, Oregon, held on the 6th day of July A. D., 1904, O Street in the City of La Grande, Oregon, was ordered improved by the construction of a seven (7) foot sidewalk along the south side of O Street between Fourth and Cedar Streets, said sidewalk to be constructed by the abutting property owners on or before the 7th day of September, A. D., 1904, and to be constructed as follows, to-wit: The top of the walk shall consist of plank, one and one half inches by eight inches, of pine wood, seven feet long. The top of the walk shall be supported by not less than four stringers of tamarack or fir wood and shall not be less than two inches by six inches, and shall be laid upon sills of tamarack or fir wood not less than four inches by eight inches; said sills shall not be more than eight feet apart. The outside stringers shall not be more than three inches from outside of the walk, and shall join end to end; all other stringers shall lap; and all shall be solidly nailed together with not less than 20d. wire nails; covering shall be put on and solidly nailed to the stringers with two 20d. nails in each board on each stringer.

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Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 6th day of July, A. D., 1904.  
Chester P. Newlin  
Recorder of the City of La Grande, Union County, Oregon.

**IN THE COUNTY COURT, FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF OREGON.**

In the matter of the estate of) Citation  
ANGIE A WOOD, Deceased )  
To William H. Wood and Percy M. Wood, GREETING—  
In the name of the state of Oregon, You are hereby cited and required to appear in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Union, at the Court Room thereof, at Union in the County of Union, on Monday, the 15th day of August 1904, at 10 o'clock, in the afternoon of that day, then and there to show cause if any you may have why the petition of J. K. Wright, as Administrator of the estate of Angie A. Wood, Deceased, to sell Lot No eight (8) block sixty (60) Chaplin's Addition to the City of La Grande, Oregon, should not be granted. WITNESS—The Hon. M. A. Harrison Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Union, with the Seal of said Court affixed this 13th day of July 1904.  
ATTEST—J. B. Gilham, Clerk.

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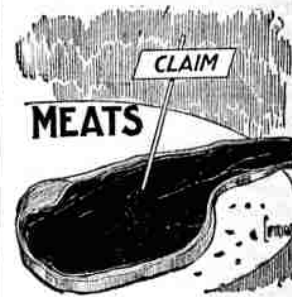
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