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**THE DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE.**  
The Observer is in hearty sympathy with the avowed purpose of the Oregon Development League and is anxious that it succeed, and believes it will if it follows the lines indicated by those who organized it, and work for the betterment of all Oregon. It has undertaken a grand and patriotic but herculean job; one that should receive the hearty and industrious co-operation of every citizen of Oregon. To succeed it must view without bias or blink the actual conditions in Oregon, though some of these conditions are far from pleasant, in fact humiliating and discouraging. We will at this time, instance, our trade with the non-contiguous parts of the United States on and in the Pacific ocean with the hope that the Oregon Development League can devise some way of securing to Oregon, at least, a reasonable share of that trade.

The exports from the United States of domestic merchandise for the year ending with June 1904 to Alaska was \$9,869,721, to Hawaii \$11,602,080, to Philippine Islands \$4,831,860, to Guam \$95,885, to Midway Islands \$63,627 and to Tutuila \$39,583, aggregating \$26,502,675.

Oregon's share of exports of domestic merchandise for the year ending with June, 1904, to Alaska from the United States was \$36,039. California in the same time exported to Alaska domestic merchandise to the value of \$2,997,299 and for the same time Washington sold to Alaska the same class of goods to the value of \$6,736,383 worth.

Of the total exports of domestic merchandise from the United States to Hawaii, amounting to \$11,602,080, for the year, Oregon's share was \$35,962, California's \$10,439,228 and Washington's \$764,343.

Of the \$4,831,860 worth of domestic merchandise shipped from the United States to the Philippine Islands in the year 1904, Oregon furnished \$141,297 worth, California \$939,038 and Washington \$1,504,869 worth.

Neither Oregon nor Washington shipped anything to Guam, the Midway Islands or Tutuila but California did to the amount of \$5,458 worth.

The above figures are taken from the last official publication and are reliable. Oregon being situated between California and Washington with an extensive sea board and two ports of entry, it looks strange that its share of the trade should be so small, only \$312,498, while our neighbors on either the north or south enjoy so much more of the trade with our non-contiguous possessions and the Observer is in hopes that the Oregon Development League will be able to find and remove the ban so that our share of that trade will be more in proportion to our area and population than it now is.

Most every young man desires

that his first vote be for the right cause, and he can make no mistake in casting that first ballot in favor of the principles, professions and practices of Theodore Roosevelt. Honest, fearless, energetic and an American to the core, he is the young man's ideal candidate.—Spokesman Review.

If people could only find money as easily as they find fault we all would be millionaires in a short time.—New.

**SOMMER HOUSE**  
C Bartholmew Portland do  
E W Davis do do  
J R James do do  
C E Clodfelter do do  
T M Spencer do do  
G A Brown do do  
E Bragdon do do  
Walter Fisher Summerville do  
Miss Stella Gerber Colfax W do  
I K Levy San Francisco do  
L Denham Elgin do  
J A Bateman Union do  
Wm Hewitt Tacoma do  
E Goddard Omaha do  
C E Shaw Boise do  
C E Mantel do do  
N E Irwin Chicago do  
J C Cloughly San Francisco do  
A S Miller Nysaa do  
C R Connel Boise do  
W B Krause Seattle do  
E F Falkenburg St. Louis do

The Commercial club dance last evening was greatly enjoyed by all present. Band concert this evening at the corner of Fir and Adams avenue.

**For Sale**  
An extra good cow and calf. Inquire at the Old Town Store.—F Smith.

**Furniture For Sale**  
And house to rent apply to Mrs Shearer opposite Star Grocery North of track.

**Furnished Room**  
Centrally located corner of Washington and 6th Streets. Known as Geo. Ball's lodging house.

**For Sale**  
Light bay buggy team (gentle). Work single, double or saddle. New pole buggy and new light harness complete. Inquire of Mrs. E. Whitney, Whitney House, Adams Avenue.

**Apple Boxes**  
We have about 200 apple boxes left from last year which we will sell cheap as we want the room.  
La Grande Pawn Brokers

**LOST**—The crown off of a Knight Templar's emblem with a setting of five small diamonds. Finder will please leave at J. M. Berry's store and receive reward.  
J R Kellogg.

**Peaches**  
I wish to say to my friends and the public that I have a large crop of peaches this year. Our early peaches will be ripe in about a week or 10 days from this time we can sell you a more juicy better flavored peach and cheaper than you can buy them after they have been shipped in from other parts. These when you pay for 20 lbs you get 20 lbs good pound measure.  
J R Kellogg.

**Notice to Contractors**  
Sealed bids will be received until 2 o'clock P. M. Saturday August 6—1904 for the construction of a two story frame residence building according to plans and specifications which may be seen at the residence of Mrs Z. Patty, or at the residence of C. R. Thornton, Architect, La Grande, Oregon, at which latter place bids will be opened. Bidders invited to be present. The owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids.  
Mrs Z. Patty.

**NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION**  
Notice is hereby given, that the copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of McCoy & McFarlane, in the grocery business, at La Grande, has been dissolved by mutual agreement. The business will be continued by William McFarlane. Dated, August 12, 1904.  
James McCoy  
W. McFarlane

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JUNE 28, 1904.  
**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, Land Office at La Grande, Oregon.  
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the U. S. Land Office, at La Grande, Oregon, on August 4, 1904, viz: H. E. No 766, Margaretha Stutzinger, La Grande Oregon, widow of John Stutzinger, deceased, for the E 1/2 NE 1/4 & E 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 12, T. 2 S., R. 37 E., W. 24.  
He names the following witnesses to his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land: viz: Frank Reinbold, H. J. Keller, Conant Stroeder, Minard Kallin, H. J. La Grande Oregon.  
E. W. DAVIS, Register.

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That mother used to wash on when I was a boy,  
With its zinc-covered ridges the suds used to play in  
And soap bubbles gambol'd to my childish joy.  
Ofttimes I have watched her when wearing her knuckles.  
As over the ridges our suds she would rub,  
I ne'er will forget how she washed and she slathered  
The old-fashioned washboard that stood in the tub.  
**CHORUS**  
The old-fashioned washboard;  
The zinc-covered washboard;  
The back-breaking washboard that stood in the tub.  
Some folks always kick about up-to-date laundries,  
And say they wear out their clothes every day;  
But give them to me, so I will have a hot dinner  
At home, with the smell of the soap suds away.  
I know that the washing machine is much easier  
On all of our clothes than to take them and rub  
Till the buttons and bosoms are lost and worn out  
By the old-fashioned washboard that stood in the tub.  
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