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September Committee–John Hall, Of Vanderpool, E E Kirtley, Mills Androse, A E Peebler, Chas. Anderson, O E Lemon, Bert Gilman.
Floor Committee–J M Murphy, Jay Van Buren, Frank Pike, J G Ormond, Fred Habn, C J Scriber, Frank Bay. one of pleasure-make the most of it. For information and illus trated literature write W. C. McBRIDE, Gen. Agt.

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LADIES SAY

That the way to reach a man's heart is through his stomach. Try it by using Geddes Bros' canned fruits, delicious beraies, lettuce, onions, and radishes, just fresh from the garden. We are the first store the farmers

call on and of course we get the choice of everything. We always have the treshest eggs, butter, etc.

Special attention given to phone orders.

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#### C. B. Cauthorn DENTIST

Office Over Hill Drug' Store La Grande, Oregon

Thanksgiving evening, November 24th. The following committees have been appointed ;

Grand Ball

The Forresters will give a grand ball

Fred Hahn, C J Scriber, Frank Bay.

Yesterdays election passed off so moothly that a stranger in the town would hardly have known that an election was ever held.

Dr. P A CHARLTON VETERINARY SURGEON, Office at A T Hill's Drug Store La Grande, Oregon Phone 1361 Residence phone 701 pared with that of the whole of the

Collegiate, Columbia University and Grade AFFLY FOE CATALORUE Cources Boarding school for young men & boys. Box 348 University Park Station, 3 toril Oregon Lodge Directory. EAGLES-La Grande Airie 239 F O E meets every Friday nightin K of F hall a' S p m every Friday night in K of F hall at S p m populated. In the population, again, Visiting brothern invited to attern. W See. is 44,000,000 or 3,000,000 greater than is 44,000,000 or 3,000,000 greater than almost FORESTERS OF AMERICA-Court Maid Marion, No 22 Interis each Tuesday In Ekk's halt, Bouthess are invited to attend, Al Holanor Chiof Ranger, CJ Vanderpool Ree Sec.

100F-La Grande Lodge, No jo meets a heir half every saturday at ht. Visitug mem bers cordially invited to attend. S E Rinchart N G H E Coolidge, Sec.

A. F. & A. M.,-La Grande Lodge o, 41, meets every 1st and 3rd Satur-tay of each month. A C Williams Sec, O D Huffman W. M

EASTERN STAR O E S Hops Chapter No Is more the second and fourth Wednesday of nah month at 7:50 p m in Masora Ternplo Mary A Warnick, See

PORT ARTHUR IS

A Battle Likely at any Time --- Both Sides waiting for the Other to Attack.

Shanghal, Nov 0-It is reported in ordinary precautions are being taken withish naval circles that a Japanese by Russia to guard the Haltic fleet British naval circles that a Japanese during the passage of Suez canal. man of war has been sunk by a mine The naval attache of Russia at Conoff Port Arthur.

Muaden, Nov 9-Artiliery fire was continous all along the line Monday and is intermittent this morning. A battle might commence at any hour each side waiting for the other to at-

Tokio, Nov g-According to reports from Port Arthur the capture of Rih lung mountain and East Keekwan mountain were not sufficient to force the Rossians to abandon the city proper The J panese operations are proceeding satisfactorily.

Ch: Foo Nov 9-Advices from Port Artbur state that the Japanese yester day made a desperate attempt to cap the Russian entrenchments s ture boat Liso Tishan, After an hour's bombardment the infantry charged repeatedly, but were mowed down by the heavy Russian fire Finally the

Japanese abandoned the attempt after sostaining heavy losses. Reinforce-ments were constantly arriving at Dainy and are burried to the fighting line.

FFFORTS TO GUARD CANAL Port Said, Egypt, Nov 9-Extra-

stantinople and Russia consul general at Cairo have been placed the entire length of the canal. BRIEF WAR DISPATCHES

Shanghai, Nov 9-The officers and screw of the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Reyshiteini have arrived here. The captain escaped at Woo. sung and is probably entoute home on

urgent warning from Singapore that a vessel from that port laden with mines is about to set out for Europe. Che Foo Nov 9-According to advices from Dainy the Japanese at Port Ar-

thur are ignoring General Stoessel, having offered terms of surrender to to the Russian soldiers who are said to be dispirited and in want. The Japanese are gradually advancing their trenches.

London Nov 9-Nine Russian colliers have arrived at Cape Verde on the west coast of "Africa. This indi-cates that portion of the Baltic fleet will proceed by the way of Cape Horn.

Japan has defied the Russians at Liao Yang and Port Arthur with armies greater in the aggregate than which Napoleon III: mobilized for the lavasion of Germany. Of the quality of these forces it is unecessary to speak. Sailors and soldiers alike are, in disoipline, in speed of marching, and endurance of fatigue the equals of any that Europe or America has brought forth, while in their reckless contempt of death they display a special quality which , as great Russian officers admit sometimos appalls and demoralizes their own stubbornly brays meu .-power compared with Russia, as many Leslie's Weekly.

## **REAR-ADMIRAL** WISE RETIRES

Washington, Nov., 9-Rear William O. Wise, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic training squadron was placed on the retired list today on account of He will be relieved by Captain age. Royal B. Bradford, now commanding the battleship Illinois. Admiral Wise was bo-n No., 8, 1842, at Lewisburg, Va, and has been connected with the

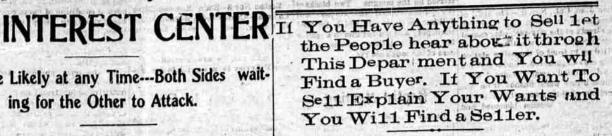
## Have Escaped

navy department since 1863.

LUNGS

Denver, Nov. 9-A special to the Republican from Casper, Wyo., says that Sheriff Webb and party returned to Casper this afternoon from the northwest where they went in oursuit of the Cody bandits. Not a trace of the outlaws was discovered and the opinion of the officers is that they have effectually escaped. Nothing was seen of either the Fenton Stough or Johnson county posses. After the election Webb may take the trail again.

It con-



Classified Adveritsements

## Sale or Exchange

Eight acres, six room house, large barn, place for hogs and chicken four acres in orchard and besting Just east of flour mill. This will the investigation For particularsing r at MacFarlane's grocery store. sell or exchange for city property, 10-26-11-26

Notice

a German steamer. Manchestar, Nov 9-Th, Guardian hears that the coar has received an urgent warning from Singapore that a pusture and all parties are hereby forbidden from taking stone off of said tract. J L Mars.

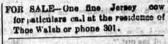
#### Fruit Boxes.

Send your orders for Fruit Boxes to Stoddard Lumber Co. at the La Grande planing mill

World's Fair Football

St Louis Nov 8,-The Interschofootball games of the World's astic Fair began today and will continue until the 25th A large number of

football enthusiastics have arrived here to participate in the games and owing to the keen rivalry among the the elevans to win the Frposition medals the flercest kind of struggles Job Work. are anticipated.



FOR SALE-Milch cow Jersey, 1100 1b. driving horse, gang plow, top buggy. Apply to A. Mullenbarg, 54 mile N E of Island City. w Oct 14-Dec 14

FOR SALE-Tamaraok and Fir split John An bony fenceposts. Nov 1 tf

## For Rent

the building formarly occupied by the Salvation army. For full par-ticulars and rates inquire of Mrs S C Zuber. Aug. 31 t f

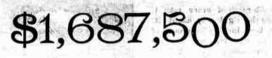
Furniture For Sale

And house to rent apply to Mrs Shearer opposite Star Grocery North of track .

Furnished Rooms Furnished room for gentleman sleep-ing nights Mrs O. W. Preston. 1915 Adams Ave.

Centrally located corner of Washing-ton and 6th Streets. Known as Geo. Ball's lodging house.

Try the Observer for first class



The Bulletin just issued by the United States Government, after months of careful research, shows that in the Western States, the average family, purchases annually goods to the amount of \$750

On this basis the 2250 families visited with each issue of the Daily and Weekly OB-SERVER annually purchase merchandise to the amount of

# \$1,687,500

The natural logical conclusion cannot be otherwise than that no wide-awake business man who will take the few moments necessary to convince himself of the accuracy of the above statement, can afford to miss the opportunity of placing his announcements (25,500 each month) before this army of purchasers.

An ad under such conditions, properly taken care of will most certainly bring enormous returns on the investment.



The world is fast realizing that Ja-

pan is not, after all, so diminutive a

were led to think and believe. Its

area sceme tosignificant, indeed, com-

Russian empire, including Siberia, but

it is to be remembered that Japan is

densely populated, whereas large parts

of the czar's vast realm are a barren

waste. Compared, however, with England, which has so long been one

of the great powers of the world Japan

is by no meaos small. Its total area,

without counting Formosa, is by 27.

000 square miles greater than that of

the British Isles, and as large a pro-

portion of it is fertile and thickly

that of Great Britain, and almost

equal to that of Austria Hungary, w'ile it is 6,000,000 greater than that

As regards soldiers, Japan has

conscription, and a conscription that

obviously works. Within the last six

months the country has sent out six

armies, each nearly equal to either of

the forces that contended at Waterloo

England thought it had done a great

thing when it sent out \$0,000 men to

Ind a in 1857 and an extraordinary

one when it trensported 200,000 men

across the sea to South Africa, bot

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